



# Probabilistic Graphical Models

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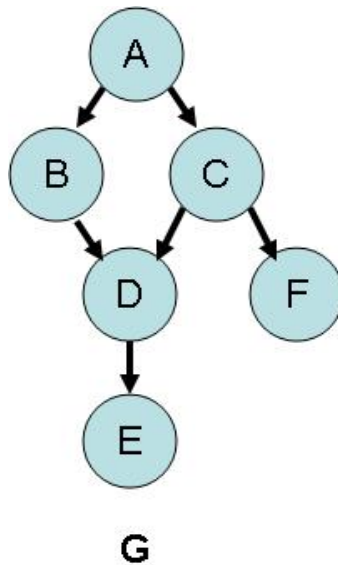
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## Feedback — Message Passing for MAP + Week 3 Review

You achieved a score of 5.00 out of 5.00

### Question 1

**Induced Graphs.** If we perform variable elimination on the graph shown below with the variable ordering  $B, A, C, F, E, D$ , what is the induced graph for the run?



Your Answer

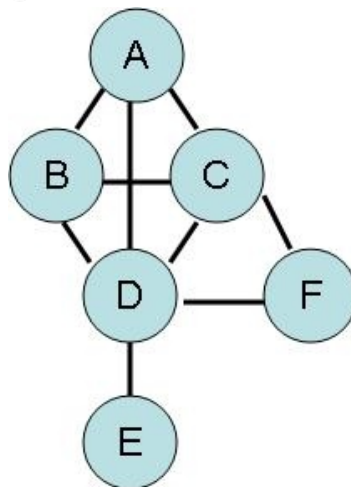
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Explanation



1.00

This is correct. There is an edge in the induced graph between every pair of variables that is present together in a factor during a run of variable elimination.

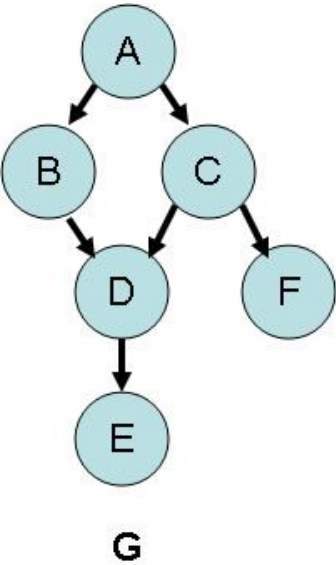


Total

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Question 2

**Intermediate Factors.** If we perform variable elimination on the graph shown below with the variable ordering  $F, E, D, C, B, A$ , what is the intermediate factor produced by the third step (just before summing out  $D$ )?



Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="radio"/> $\psi(B, C, D)$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1.00	This is correct. The factors involved in eliminating $D$ are $\phi(B, C, D) = P(D \mid B, C)$ and $\tau_2(D)$ (from eliminating $E$ ), so the intermediate factor generated before eliminating $D$ is the product of two factors, $\psi(B, C, D) = \phi(B, C, D)\tau_2(D)$ .
Total	1.00	

Question 3

**Clique Tree Calibration.** When is a clique tree is max-calibrated ? You may select more than one (or none, if you think none apply).

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input type="checkbox"/> Any two adjacent cliques are max-calibrated.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	It is true that adjacent cliques have to be max-calibrated, but all adjacent cliques need to be max-calibrated, not just two.
<input type="checkbox"/> Any two of its cliques are max-calibrated.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	All adjacent cliques have to agree on their separator beliefs.

Quiz Feedback

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We completed one upward pass and one downward pass of the max-product message passing algorithm.		0.25	All adjacent cliques have to agree their sepset beliefs.
<input type="checkbox"/> We completed one upward pass of the max-product message passing algorithm.		0.25	The beliefs are max-calibrated and do a downward pass.
Total		1.00	

Question 4

**Real-World Applications of MAP Estimation.** Suppose that you are in charge of setting up a soccer league for a bunch of kindergarten kids, and your job is to split the  $N$  children into  $K$  teams. The parents are very controlling and also uptight about which friends their kids associate with. So some of them bribe you to set up the teams in certain ways.

The parents' bribe can take two forms: For some children  $i$ , the parent says "I will pay you  $A_{ij}$  dollars if you put my kid  $i$  on the same team as kid  $j$ "; in other cases, the parent of child  $i$  says "I will pay you  $B_i$  dollars if you put my kid on team  $k$ ." In our notation, this translates to factor  $f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) = A_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{1}\{x_i = x_j\}$  and  $g_i(x_i) = B_i \cdot \mathbf{1}\{x_i = k\}$ , respectively, where  $x_i$  is the assigned team of child  $i$  and  $\mathbf{1}\{\cdot\}$  is the indicator function. More formally, if we define  $x_i$  to be the assigned team of child  $i$ , the amount of money you receive from the first type of bribe will be  $f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ .

Being greedy and devoid of morality, you want to make as much money as possible from these bribes. What assignment are you trying to find?

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="radio"/> $\operatorname{argmax}_{\vec{x}} \sum_i g_i(x_i) + \sum_{i,j} f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$	1.00	Correct. The total amount of money you receive is the sum of the indicator functions, so you want to find the assignment that maximizes this sum.
Total	1.00	

Question 5

**\*Decoding MAP Assignments.** You want to find the optimal solution to the above problem using a junction tree over a set of factors  $\phi$ . How could you accomplish this such that you are guaranteed to find the optimal solution? (Ignore issues of tractability, and assume that if you specify a set of factors  $\phi$ , you will be able to find a valid clique tree of minimum tree width.)

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
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● Set



1.00

$\phi_{i,j} = \exp(f_{i,j})$ ,  
 $\phi_i = \exp(g_i)$ ,  
 get the clique tree  
 over this set of  
 factors, run max-  
 sum message  
 passing on this  
 clique tree, and  
 decode the  
 marginals.

We want to compute

$\operatorname{argmax}_{\bar{x}} \sum_i g_i(x_i) + \sum_{i,j} f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) = \log \left[ \prod_i \exp(\right.$   
 Since maximizing  $\log(z)$  over  $z$  is the same as maximizing  
 $\operatorname{argmax}_{\bar{x}} \prod_i \exp(g_i(x_i)) \cdot \prod_{i,j} \exp(f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j))$ , which  
 passing returns. So setting the potentials appropriately and  
 (which is exact) is guaranteed to get the optimal solution.

(Remember that max-sum message passing involves taking  
 first, and summing up log-transformed factors is equivalent  
 to being tricked by the "sum"!)

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Total

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