



Machine Learning 10-601

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Today:

- Graphical models
- Bayes Nets:
 - Representing distributions
 - Conditional independencies
 - Simple inference
 - Simple learning

Readings:

- Bishop chapter 8, through 8.2
- Mitchell chapter 6

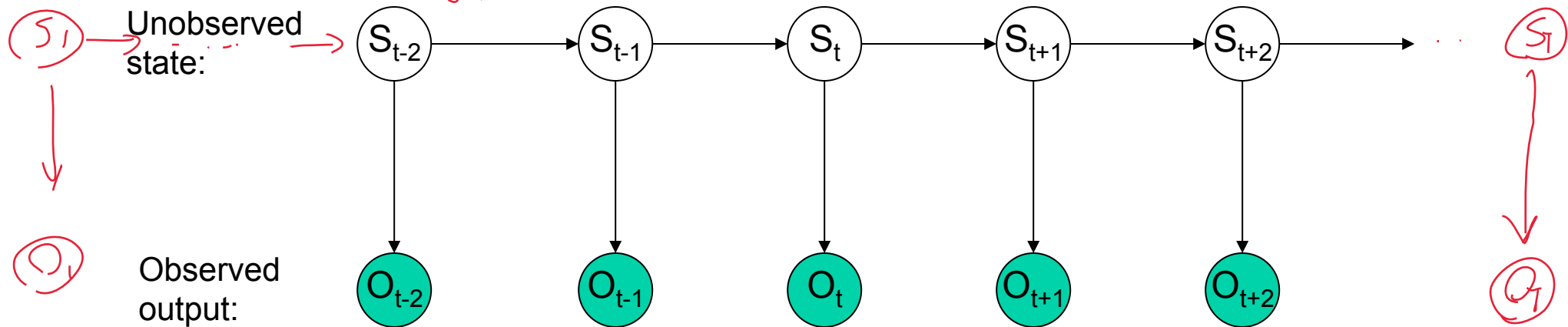
Dynamic BN Time series \leftarrow RNN $A \perp\!\!\!\perp B | C \Leftrightarrow P(A, B | C) = P(A | C) P(B | C)$

Bayes Network for a Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

Implies the future is conditionally independent of the past, given the present

$$S_t \perp\!\!\!\perp \{S_{t-2}, S_{t-3}, \dots, S_1\} \mid S_{t-1}$$

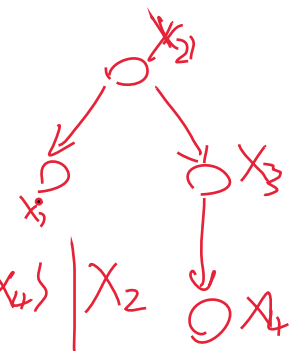
$$P(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i | \text{Pa}(X_i))$$



$$P(S_{t-2}, O_{t-2}, S_{t-1}, \dots, O_{t+2}) =$$

$$\text{HMM: } P(S_1, O_1, \dots, S_T, O_T) = P(S_1) P(O_1 | S_1) \cdot \prod_{t=2}^T \underbrace{P(S_t | S_{t-1})}_{\text{transition}} \cdot \underbrace{P(O_t | S_t)}_{\text{emission}}$$

Conditional Independence, Revisited

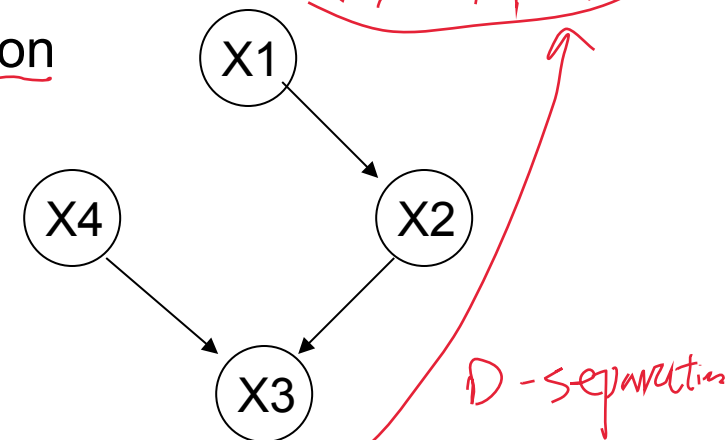
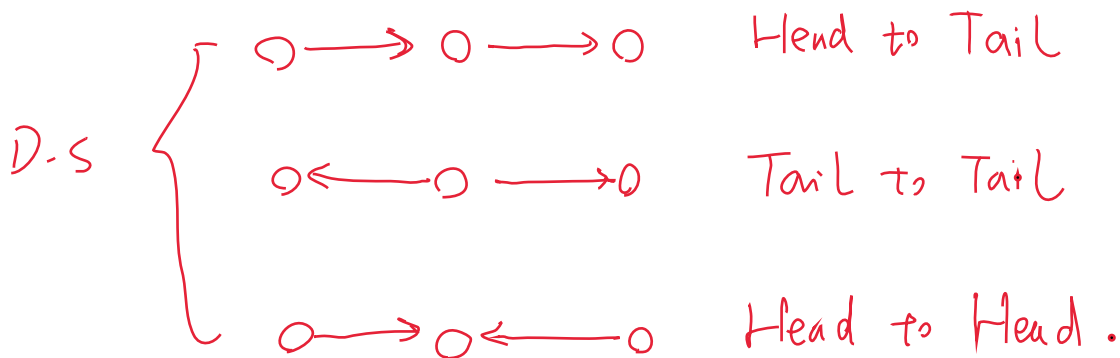
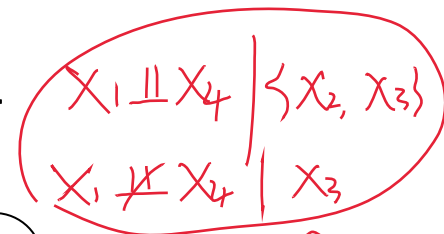


- We said:

- Each node is conditionally independent of its non-descendents, given its immediate parents.

- Does this rule give us all of the conditional independence relations implied by the Bayes network?

- No!
- E.g., X1 and X4 are conditionally indep given {X2, X3}
- But X1 and X4 not conditionally indep given X3
- For this, we need to understand D-separation



Quiz:

$$p(x, y | z) = p(x | z) p(y | z)$$

$$x \perp\!\!\!\perp y | z$$

Easy Network 1: Head to Tail

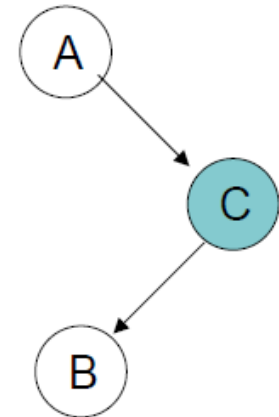
prove A cond indep of B given C?

ie., $p(a, b | c) = p(a | c) p(b | c)$

$$p(a, b | c) = \frac{p(a, b, c)}{p(c)} = \frac{(p(a) p(c | a)) p(b | c)}{p(c)}$$

$$= \frac{p(a, c)}{p(c)} = p(a | c)$$

- ① $A \perp\!\!\!\perp B | C$
- ② ~~$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B$~~



$$p(a, b) \neq p(a) p(b)$$

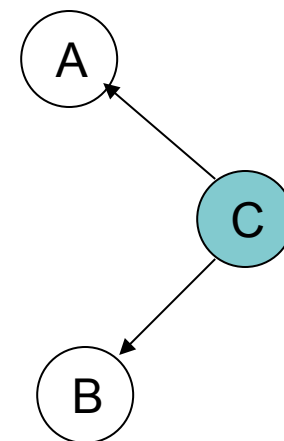
let's use $p(a, b)$ as shorthand for $p(A=a, B=b)$

Easy Network 2: Tail to Tail

prove A cond indep of B given C? ie., $p(a,b|c) = p(a|c) p(b|c)$

$$p(a,b|c) = \frac{p(a,b,c)}{p(c)} = \frac{\cancel{p(c)} p(a|c) p(b|c)}{\cancel{p(c)}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$p(a,b) \neq p(a) \cdot p(b)$$



$$\boxed{A \perp\!\!\!\perp B \mid C}$$

$$\boxed{\cancel{A \perp\!\!\!\perp B}}$$

Naive Bayes

CPT

	$X_1=1$	$X_1=0$
$Y=1$	0.1	0.9
$Y=0$	0.1	0.9

Diagram: A node Y at the top has arrows pointing to a sequence of nodes X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n in a box. Below the box, X_1 and X_2 are circled and labeled X_{S_1} and X_{S_2} respectively. Arrows point from X_{S_1} and X_{S_2} to the expression $X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \mid Y$.

$$P(X, Y) = \frac{p(X|Y) p(Y)}{\downarrow}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n p(X_i|Y) p(Y)$$

$$X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \mid Y \quad (\forall i \neq j)$$

$$p(X_i, X_j|Y) = p(X_i|Y) p(X_j|Y)$$

$$\boxed{X_{S_1} \perp\!\!\!\perp X_{S_2} \mid Y}$$

$$p(X|Y) = p(X_{S_1}|Y) p(X_{S_2}|Y)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^2 p(X_i|Y) \right) \left(\prod_{j=3}^n p(X_j|Y) \right)$$

$$\frac{\quad}{p(X_{S_1}|Y) p(X_{S_2}|Y)}$$

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Easy Network 3: Head to Head

prove A cond indep of B given C? ie., $p(a,b|c) = p(a|c) p(b|c)$

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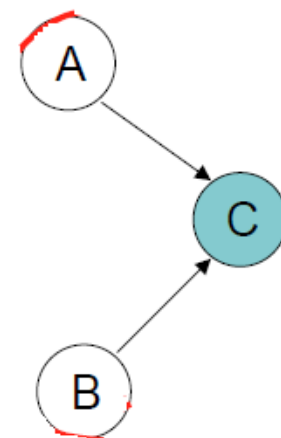
$A \not\perp B | C$

✓ $A \perp B$ $p(a,b) = p(a)p(b)$

$$P(A=a, B=b) = P(A=a, B=b, C=1) + P(A=a, B=b, C=0)$$

$$= \underbrace{P(A=a)P(B=b)} \cdot \underbrace{P(C=1|A=a, B=b)} + \underbrace{P(A=a)P(B=b)} \cdot \underbrace{P(C=0|A=a, B=b)}$$

$$= P(A=a)P(B=b)$$



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Easy Network 3: Head to Head

prove A cond indep of B given C? NO!

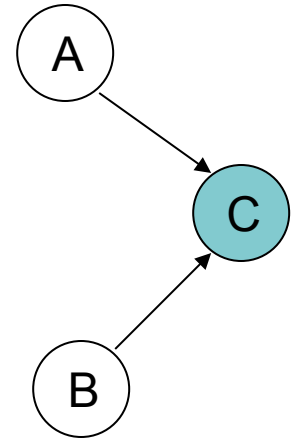
Summary:

- $p(a,b)=p(a)p(b)$ *A $\perp\!\!\!\perp$ B*
- $p(a,b|c) \text{ NotEqual } p(a|c)p(b|c)$ *A $\not\perp\!\!\!\perp$ B | C*

Explaining away.

e.g.,

- A=earthquake
- B=breakIn
- C=motionAlarm



X and Y are conditionally independent given Z,
if and only if X and Y are D-separated by Z.

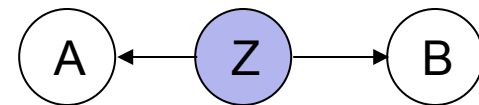
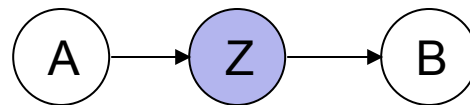
[Bishop, 8.2.2]

Suppose we have three sets of random variables: X, Y and Z

X and Y are **D-separated** by Z (and therefore conditionally indep, given Z)
 iff every path from every variable in X to every variable in Y is **blocked**

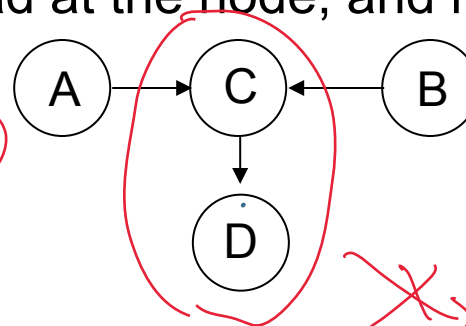
A path from variable X to variable Y is **blocked** if it includes a node in Z
 such that either

$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B \mid Z$



1. arrows on the path meet either head-to-tail or tail-to-tail at the node and
 this node is in Z

2. or, the arrows meet head-to-head at the node, and neither the node, nor
 any of its descendants, is in Z



$A \not\perp\!\!\!\perp B \mid C$

Two kinds of pathes (A - B)

① H-T, T-T $\rightarrow Z$

② H-H $\not\rightarrow Z$

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$$X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_3 \mid X_2$$

X1 indep of X3 given X2? ✓

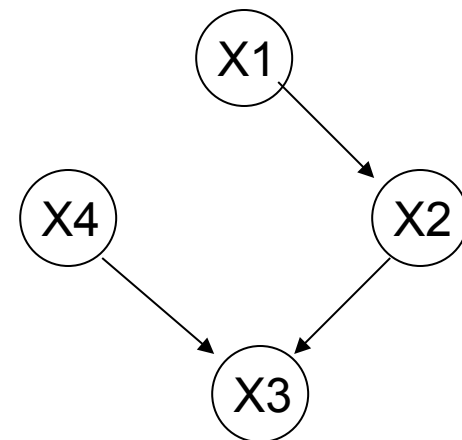
X3 indep of X1 given X2? ✓

X4 indep of X1 given X2? $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_4 \mid X_2$ ✓

D-separation

① H-T, T-T → Z ✓

② H-H → Z



$$X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_4$$

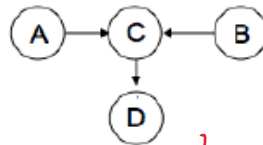
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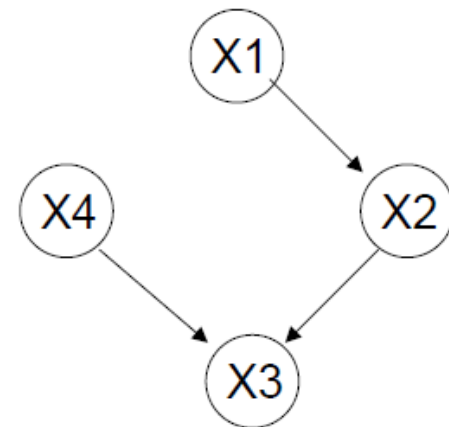
X4 indep of X1 given X3?

$X_4 \not\perp\!\!\!\perp X_1 \mid X_3$

X4 indep of X1 given {X3, X2}?

X4 indep of X1 given {}?

✓



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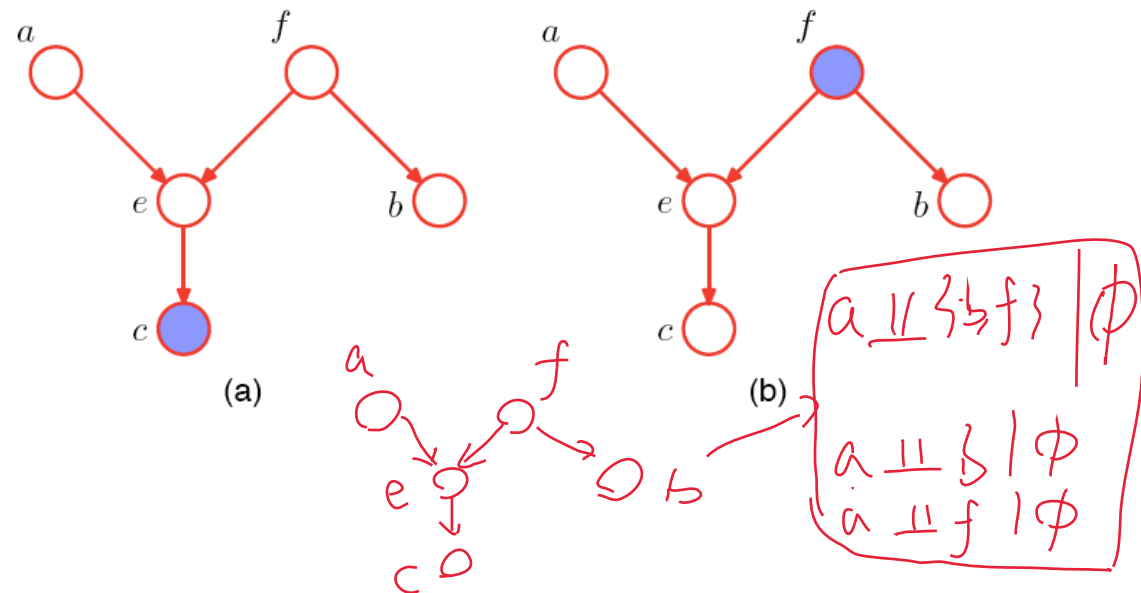
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a indep of b given c? \times

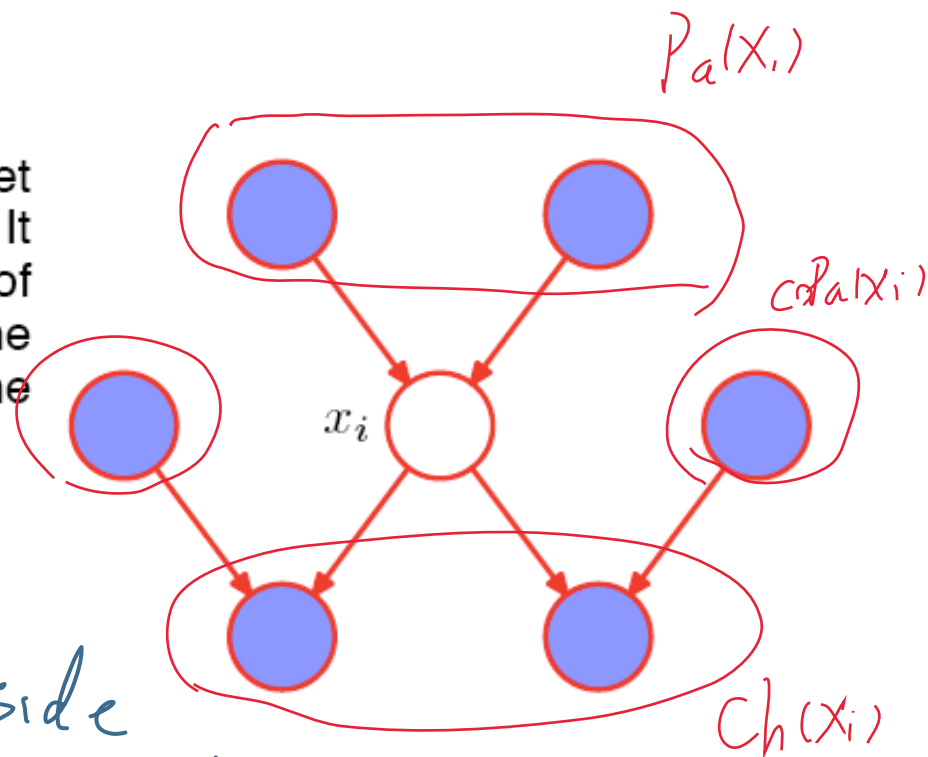
a indep of b given f? \checkmark

$$a \perp\!\!\!\perp b \mid f$$



Markov Blanket

The Markov blanket of a node x_i comprises the set of parents, children and co-parents of the node. It has the property that the conditional distribution of x_i , conditioned on all the remaining variables in the graph, is dependent only on the variables in the Markov blanket.



Co-parent = other side
of x_i 's colliders

$$P(x_i | \underline{X_{\{j \neq i\}}})$$

$$= P(x_i | \underline{X_{\{j \in \overline{MB_i}\}}, X_{\{k \in MB_i\}}})$$

D-separation

$$= P(x_i | X_{\{k \in MB_i\}}) \quad \underline{x_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_{\{j \in \overline{MB_i}\}} \mid X_{\{k \in MB_i\}}}$$

from [Bishop, 8.2]

What You Should Know

- Bayes nets are convenient representation for encoding dependencies / conditional independence
- BN = Graph plus parameters of CPD's (CPT)
 - Defines joint distribution over variables
 - Can calculate everything else from that
 - Though inference may be intractable
- Reading conditional independence relations from the graph
 - Each node is cond indep of non-descendents, given only its parents
 - X and Y are conditionally independent given Z if Z D-separates every path connecting X to Y
 - Marginal independence : special case where $Z=\{\}$

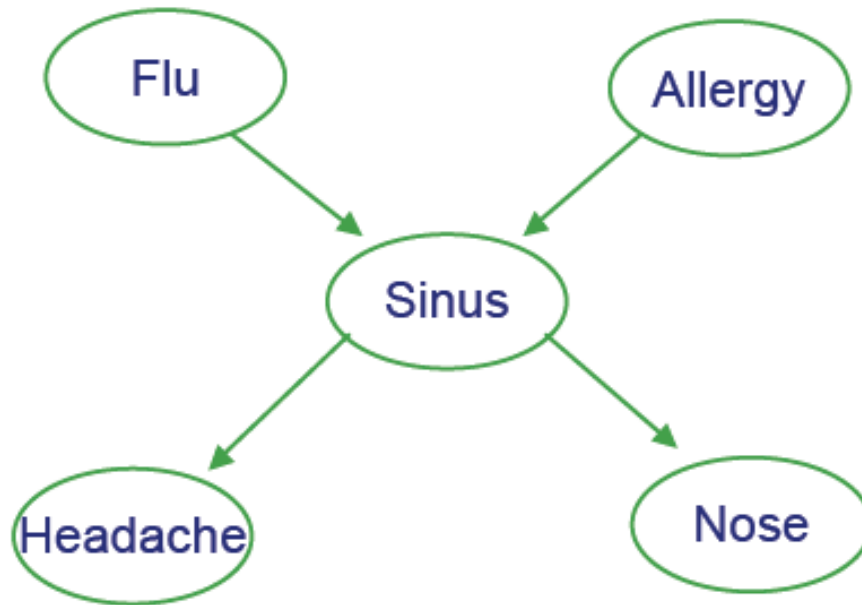


Inference in Bayes Nets

- In general, intractable (NP-complete)
- For certain cases, tractable
 - Assigning probability to fully observed set of variables
 - Or if just one variable unobserved
 - Or for singly connected graphs (ie., no undirected loops)
 - Belief propagation
- Sometimes use Monte Carlo methods
 - Generate many samples according to the Bayes Net distribution, then count up the results
- Variational methods for tractable approximate solutions

Example

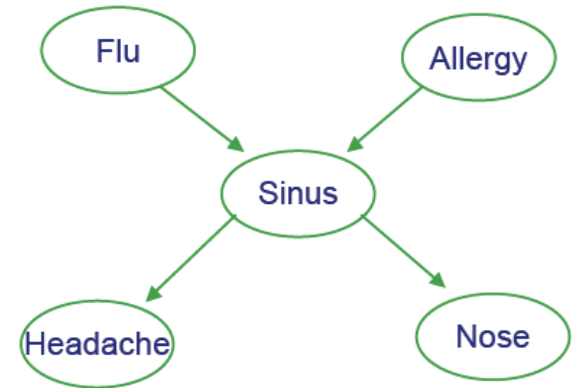
- Bird flu and Allergies both cause Sinus problems
- Sinus problems cause Headaches and runny Nose



Prob. of joint assignment: easy

- Suppose we are interested in joint assignment $\langle F=f, A=a, S=s, H=h, N=n \rangle$

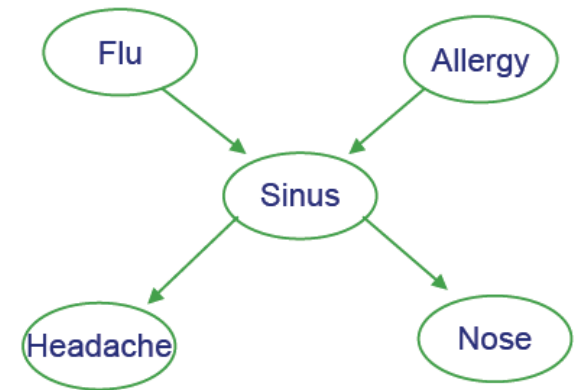
What is $P(f,a,s,h,n)$?



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Prob. of marginals: not so easy

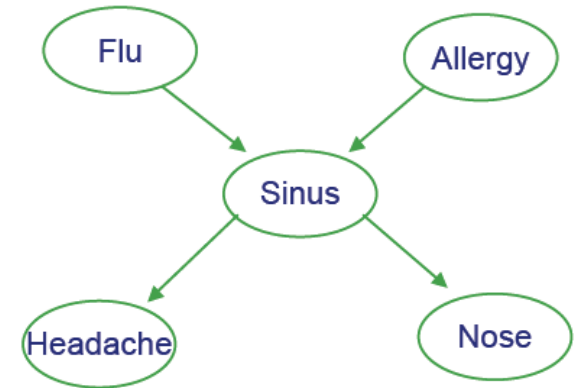
- How do we calculate $P(N=n)$?



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Generating a sample from joint distribution: easy

How can we generate random samples drawn according to $P(F,A,S,H,N)$?



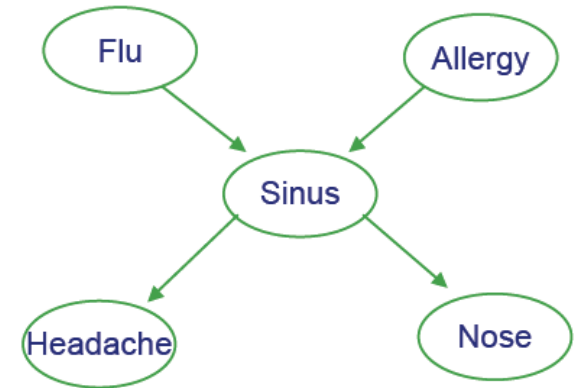
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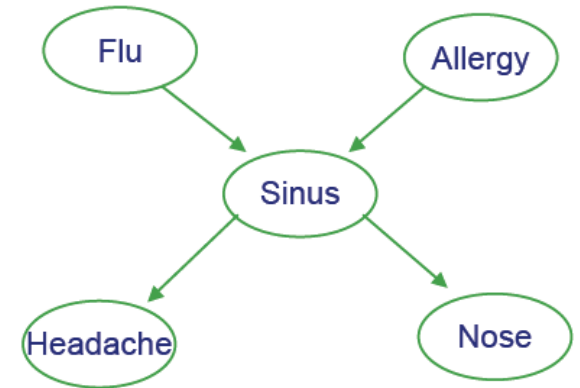
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Solution:

- draw a random value f for F , using its CPD
- then draw values for A , for $S|A,F$, for $H|S$, for $N|S$

Generating a sample from joint distribution: easy



Note we can estimate marginals like $P(N=n)$ by generating many samples from joint distribution, then count the fraction of samples for which $N=n$

Similarly, for anything else we care about $P(F=1|H=1, N=0)$

→ weak but general method for estimating any probability term...

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see Graphical Models course 10-708