

MachineLearning Homework05

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1. Effective parameters are those parameters whose probability do not depend on other probabilities. So when each node can only take two possible values, there are 25 effective parameters, they are:

node	effective parameters	number
A	$P(A=1)$	1
B	$P(B=1)$	1
C	$P(C=1)$	1
D	$P(D=1)$	1
E	$P(E=1 \text{ given } A,B,C)$	8
F	$P(F=1)$	1
G	$P(G=1 \text{ given } D,E)$	4
H	$P(H=1 \text{ given } E,F)$	4
I	$P(I=1 \text{ given } G,H)$	4

when D and F can take 4 possible values, the number of effective parameters is 37, they are

node	effective parameters	number
A	$P(A=1)$	1
B	$P(B=1)$	1
C	$P(C=1)$	1
D	$P(D=1), P(D=2), P(D=3)$	3
E	$P(E=1 \text{ given } A,B,C)$	8
F	$P(F=1), P(F=2), P(F=3)$	3
G	$P(G=1 \text{ given } D,E)$	8
H	$P(H=1 \text{ given } E,F)$	8
I	$P(I=1 \text{ given } G,H)$	4

2. Without knowing the value of any other nodes, A and F are independent of each other.

If the value of C and I are given, A and F are dependent of each other. We can imagine how a Bayes Ball starts from A: Obviously it could reach G as A and G are dependent, as I is given, G and H are also dependent, so this Bayes Ball could

reach H, H and F are apparently dependent, so A and F are dependent of each other.

3. The procedure is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(E = 1|C = 2) \\
 &= \frac{P(E=1, C=2)}{P(C=2)} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{A \in \{1,2\}} \sum_{B \in \{1,2\}} P(E=1, A, B, C=2)}{P(C=2)} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{A \in \{1,2\}} \sum_{B \in \{1,2\}} P(E=1|A, B, C=2)P(A)P(B)P(C=2)}{P(C=2)} \\
 &= P(E = 1|A = 1, B = 1, C = 2)P(A = 1)P(B = 1) + P(E = 1|A = 1, B = 2, C = 2)P(A = 1)P(B = 2) \\
 &\quad + P(E = 1|A = 2, B = 1, C = 2)P(A = 2)P(B = 1) + P(E = 1|A = 2, B = 2, C = 2)P(A = 2)P(B = 2) \\
 &= 0.3 * 0.2 * 0.5 + 0 + 0.6 * 0.8 * 0.5 + 0.5 * 0.8 * 0.5 = 0.03 + 0 + 0.24 + 0.2 = 0.47
 \end{aligned}$$

4. As node A doesn't depend on any other nodes, so the probability table of A is calculated with the formula:

$$P(A = i) = \frac{\text{count}(A = i)}{\text{count}(A)}$$

Therefore, $P(A = 1) = \frac{7}{12}$, $P(A = 2) = \frac{5}{12}$

A	Probability
1	7/12
2	5/12

However, node H is dependent on E and F, thus the probability table of H involves the calculation of conditional probability, that is

$$P(H = i|E = j, F = k) = \frac{\text{count}(E = j, F = k, H = i)}{\text{count}(E = j, F = k)}$$

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Therefore, $P(H = 1|E = 1, F = 1) = \frac{1}{1} = 1$, and we can analogously compute all other three probabilities:

condition	*	*
E F	H=1	H=2
1 1	1	0
1 2	3/4	1/4
2 1	3/5	2/5
2 2	1/2	1/2

5. We need to calculate the change of BIC after removing the edge between H and I. And the change of BIC is equal to the change of the value of node I's score function, which is:

before the change:

$$Score(I|G, H; G)$$

$$= 2 * \log(I = 1|G = 1, H = 1) + 2 * \log(I = 2|G = 1, H = 1)$$

$$+ \log(I = 1|G = 1, H = 2) + \log(I = 2|G = 1, H = 2) + 2 * \log(I = 1|G = 2, H = 1) + 2 * \log(I = 2|G = 2, H = 1)$$

$$+ \log(I = 1|G = 2, H = 2) + \log(I = 2|G = 2, H = 2) - 2 * \log(12)$$

$$= 8 * \log(\frac{1}{2}) + 4 * \log(\frac{1}{2}) - \log(144)$$

$$= 12 * \log(\frac{1}{2}) - 2 * \log(12)$$

$$\text{after the change: } Score(I|G; G)$$

$$= 3 * \log(I = 1|G = 1) + 3 * \log(I = 2|G = 1) + 3 * \log(I = 1|G = 2) + 3 * \log(I = 2|G = 2)$$

$$- \log(12)$$

$$= 12 * \log(\frac{1}{2}) - \log(12)$$

So we can see after the change the BIC is greater than the BIC before the change by $\log(12)$. So after removing the edge between H and I the structure is better.