

CS 581 – ADVANCED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

TOPIC: BAYESIAN NETWORKS



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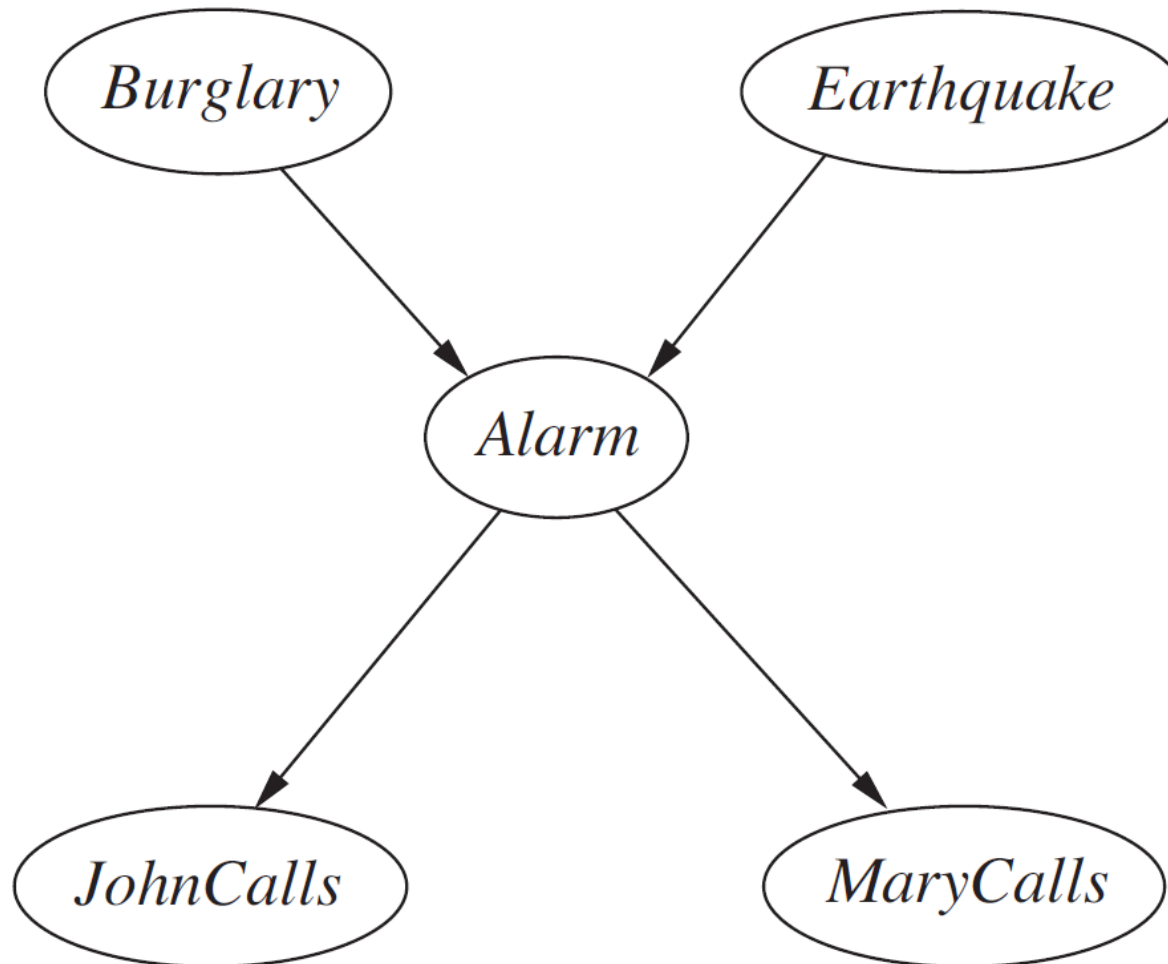
MOTIVATION

- Efficient, intuitive, and modular representation of probability distributions
 - Represent joint and conditional distributions
- Structured and efficient inference
 - Answer probability and MAP queries
- BN structure represents correlation but can be used to answer causality questions under certain conditions

AN EXAMPLE

- Five binary variables
 - Earthquake, Burglary, Alarm, MaryCalls, JohnCalls
- Assume the following
 - E and B are uncorrelated
 - E and M are related only through A; similarly, E, J, and A
 - B and M are related only through A; similarly, B, J, and A
 - M and J are directly related through A; undirectly related through E and B; otherwise, M and J are unrelated
- One approach
 - Represent and estimate the full joint $P(E, B, A, M, J)$
 - How many independent parameters?
 - What can you tell about the relationships between the variables?
- Alternative approach
 - Bayesian network (next slide)

BURGLARY EXAMPLE



POSSIBLE QUERIES

- $P(B \mid J = \text{true})$
- $P(B \mid M = \text{true}, J = \text{true})$
- $P(M \mid B = \text{true})$
- $P(M \mid B = \text{false})$
- $P(M, J \mid B = \text{true})$
- $P(M \mid J = \text{true})$
- ...

WE'LL COVER

- Bayesian networks (in detail)
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bayesian_network
- Hidden Markov Models (in detail)
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hidden_Markov_model
- Dynamic Bayesian networks (brief)
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dynamic_Bayesian_network
- Influence diagrams (in detail)
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Influence_diagram
- Causal networks (brief)

BAYESIAN NETWORKS

- Random variables = nodes
- Direct relationships = directed edges
- BNs capture independencies
 - More compact than full joint representation
- Graphs provide
 - Graph theory / efficient reasoning
 - Intuition

DIRECTED GRAPHS

- A **graph** consists of **nodes** and **edges**
- **Nodes:** $\mathcal{X} = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$
- **Undirected Edge:** $X_i - X_j$
- **Directed Edge:** $X_i \rightarrow X_j$
- A graph is **directed** if its *all* edges are directed

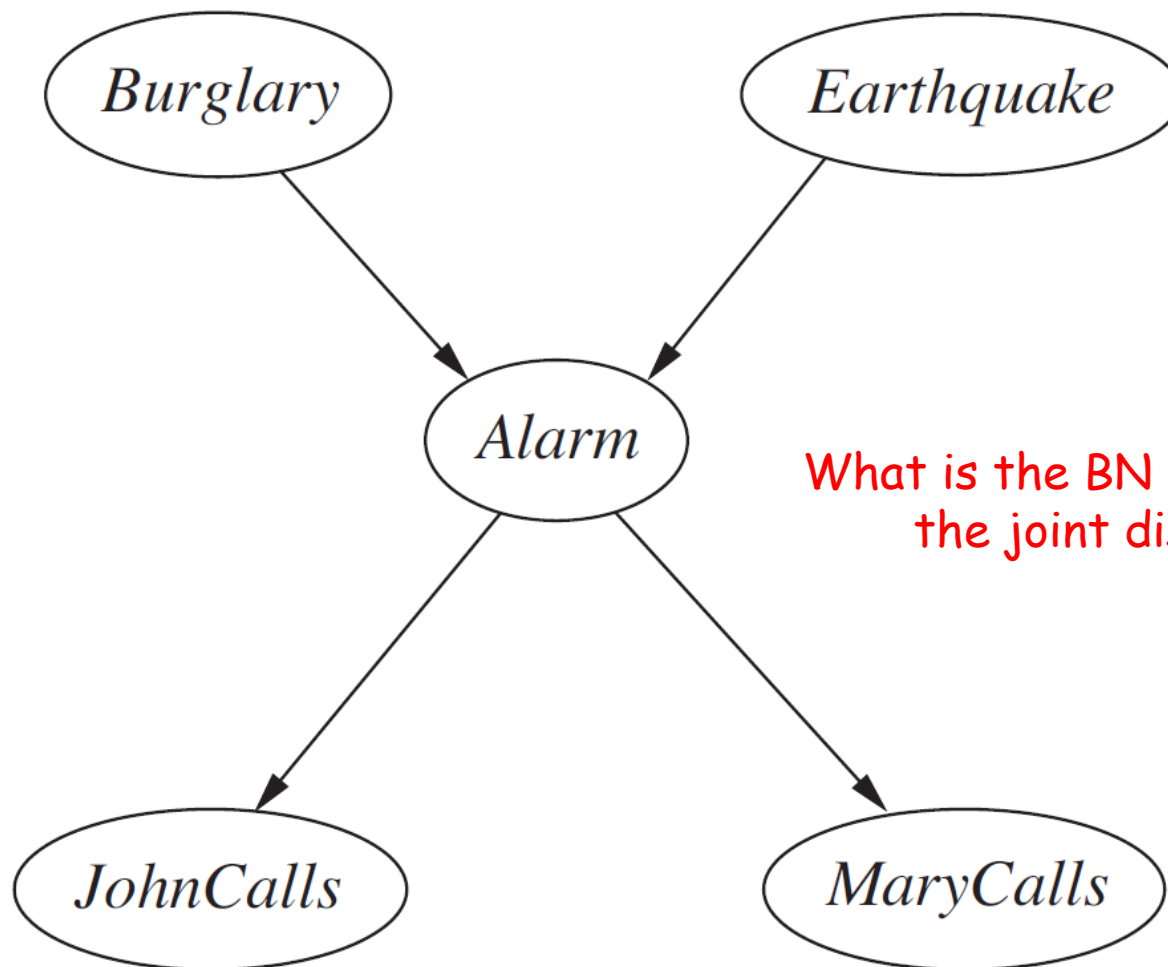
RELATIONSHIPS

- $X_i \rightarrow X_j$
 - X_i is the **parent**
 - X_j is the **child**
- X_i is an **ancestor** of X_j if there is a directed path from X_i to X_j
- X_i is a **descendant** of X_j if there is a directed path from X_j to X_i
- **Nondescendants**(X_i) $\equiv \mathcal{X} \setminus \text{Descendants}(X_i)$

BAYESIAN NETWORK FACTORIZATION

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid Pa(X_i))$$

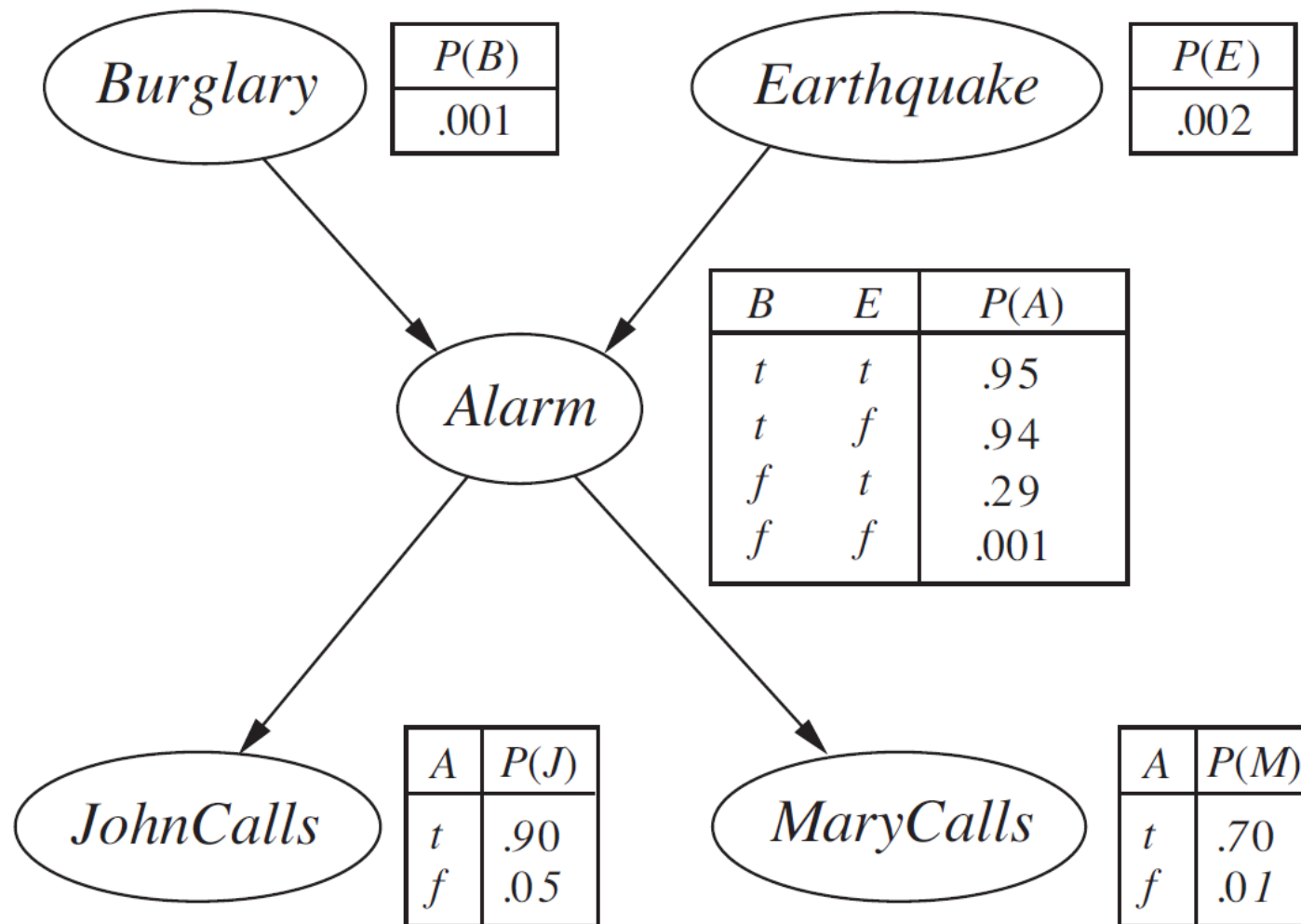
BURGLARY EXAMPLE $P(B, E, A, J, M)$



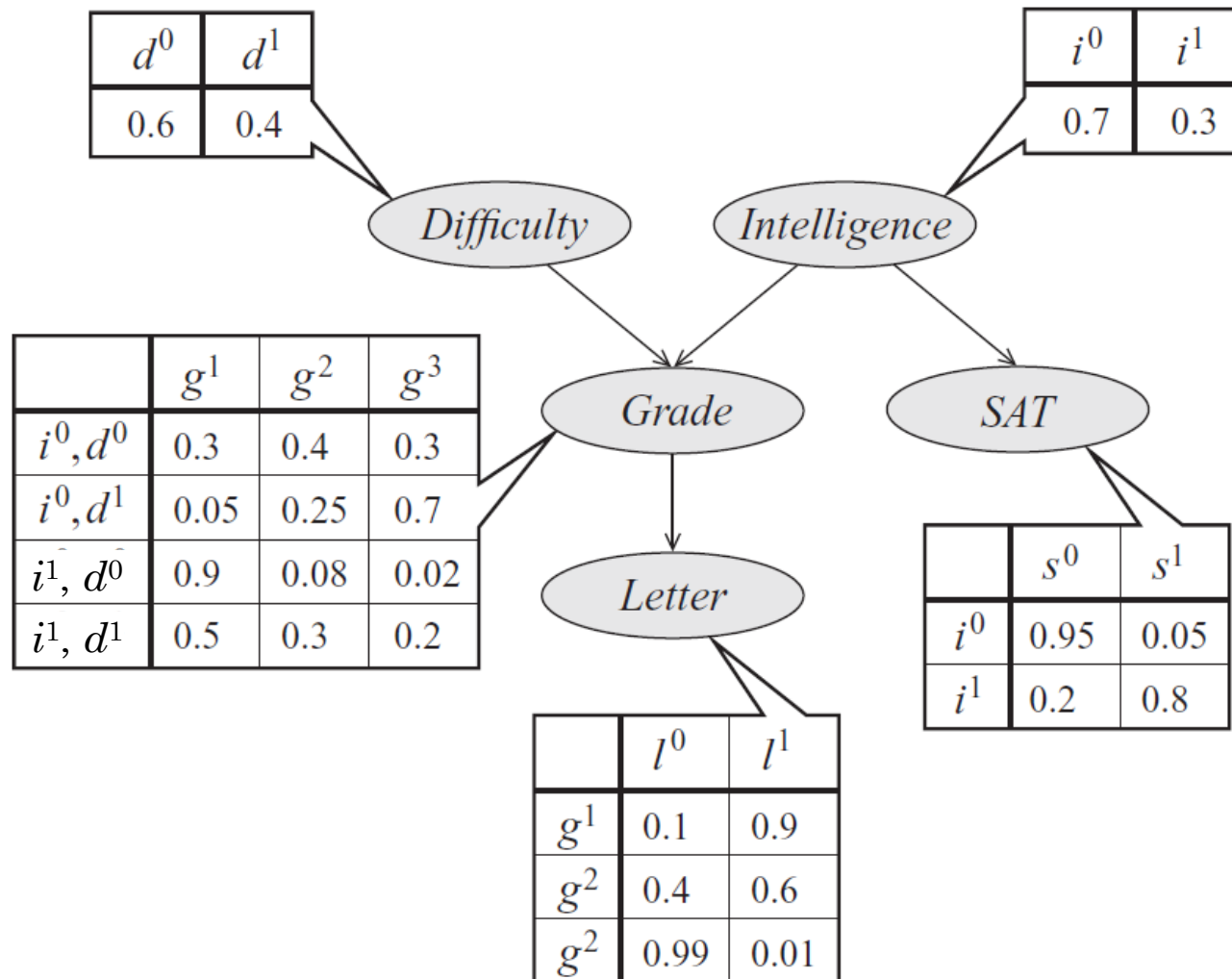
What is the BN factorization of the joint distribution?

$$= P(B) \cdot P(E) \cdot P(A|B, E) \cdot P(M|A) \cdot P(J|A)$$

BURGLARY EXAMPLE



STUDENT EXAMPLE



INDEPENDENCIES

- X is independent of its non-descendants given its parents
 - $X \perp \text{Non-descendants}(X) \mid \text{Parents}(X)$
- D-separation

INDEPENDENCIES – D-SEPARATION

- Definition: Observed \equiv Its value is known
- Causal trail
 - $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$; E.g., Burglary \rightarrow Alarm \rightarrow MaryCalls
 - X and Z are independent if Y is observed
- Evidential trail
 - $X \leftarrow Y \leftarrow Z$; E.g., MaryCalls \leftarrow Alarm \leftarrow Burglary
 - X and Z are independent if Y is observed
- Common cause
 - $X \leftarrow Y \rightarrow Z$; E.g., JohnCalls \leftarrow Alarm \rightarrow MaryCalls
 - X and Z are independent if Y is observed
- Common effect
 - $X \rightarrow Y \leftarrow Z$; E.g., Burglary \rightarrow Alarm \leftarrow Earthquake
 - X and Z are marginally independent, but they become dependent if Y or any of Y's descendants are observed

EXAMPLES

- X causes Y and Y causes Z; no direct relationship between X and Z
 - $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$
 - Nothing is marginally independent of each other
 - $Z \perp X \mid Y$
- Y causes both X and Z; no direct relationship between X and Z
 - $X \leftarrow Y \rightarrow Z$
 - Nothing is marginally independent of each other
 - $Z \perp X \mid Y$
- Both X and Z cause Y; no direct relationship between X and Z
 - $X \rightarrow Y \leftarrow Z$
 - X and Z are marginally independent
 - X and Z become dependent when the value of Y is known

INDEPENDENCE \Leftrightarrow FACTORIZATION

- Independence \Rightarrow Factorization
- Factorization \Rightarrow Independence

REASONING PATTERNS

○ Causal reasoning

- From causes to effects
 - E.g., Burglary to Alarm to MaryCalls
 - E.g., Intelligence to Grade to Letter

○ Evidential reasoning

- From effects to the causes
 - E.g., JohnCalls to Alarm to Earthquake
 - E.g., Letter to Grade to Difficulty

○ Explaining away/inter-causal reasoning

- Causes of a common effect interact
 - E.g., Earthquake, Burglary, and Alarm (and Alarm's descendants)
 - E.g., Difficulty, Intelligence, and Grade (and Grade's descendants)

INFERENCE IN BAYESIAN NETWORKS

- There are several methods, some are exact and some are approximate
- We will study two in this class
 - *Variable elimination*
 - *Message passing on linear chains*

QUERYING A DISTRIBUTION

- **Evidence ($E=e$):** what is known, **Query (Y):** variables of interest, **X** is the set of all variables that include **E** , **Y** , and potentially others
- 1. **Probability query**
 - $P(Y | e) = ?$
- 2. **MAP query**
 - $W = X \setminus E$ (i.e., all the non-evidence variables)
 - $MAP(W | e) = \operatorname{argmax}_w P(w, e)$
 - Important: We cannot find w by finding the maximum likely value for each variable individually
- 3. **Marginal MAP query**
 - $MAP(Y | e) = \operatorname{argmax}_y P(y | e)$
 - Let $Z = X \setminus E \cup Y$
 - $MAP(Y | e) = \operatorname{argmax}_y \sum_z P(z, y | e)$

VARIABLE ELIMINATION

- Let
 - \mathbf{V} be the set of all variables, \mathbf{Q} be the set of query variables, \mathbf{E} be the set of evidence variables
 - $P(\mathbf{Q} | \mathbf{E})$ be the query
- 1. Write down the joint dist. using the Bayesian network structure
- 2. Set the variables in \mathbf{E} to their respective values
- 3. Sum over all variables in $\mathbf{V} \setminus (\mathbf{Q} \cup \mathbf{E})$
 - a) Pick an order for variables in $\mathbf{V} \setminus (\mathbf{Q} \cup \mathbf{E})$
 - b) For each variable V_i in $\mathbf{V} \setminus (\mathbf{Q} \cup \mathbf{E})$, create a new factor by
 - Multiplying all the factors that contains V_i , and
 - Summing over possible values of V_i
- 4. Normalize the last remaining factor (this step is unnecessary if \mathbf{E} is empty)

IRRELEVANT

- Let
 - \mathbf{V} be the set of all variables, \mathbf{Q} be the set of query variables, \mathbf{E} be the set of evidence variables
 - $P(\mathbf{Q} | \mathbf{E})$ be the query
- $Y \in \mathbf{V} \setminus \{\mathbf{Q} \cup \mathbf{E}\}$ is irrelevant iff
 - $Y \notin \text{Ancestors of } \{\mathbf{Q} \cup \mathbf{E}\}$
 - or
 - $Y \perp \mathbf{Q} | \mathbf{E}$
- Examples

VARIABLE ELIMINATION FOR MAP

- Variable elimination works by multiplying and summing
- It's also called *sum-product* algorithm
- We can use the same technique for MAP, if we replace the sum operator with a max operator
- The algorithm is called *max-product*
- A few differences
 - Sum is replaced with max
 - All variables (except evidence) are eliminated
 - We need to trace back our steps to find the MAP assignment

MARGINAL MAP

- **Marginal MAP query**
 - $\text{MAP}(Y | e) = \text{argmax}_y P(y | e)$
 - Let $Z = X \setminus E \cup Y$
 - $\text{MAP}(Y | e) = \text{argmax}_y \sum_z P(z, y | e)$
- We need to sum out Z
- Max-sum-product algorithm
 - First, eliminate Z using sum-product algorithm
 - Then, find MAP for Y using max-product algorithm
- Unfortunately, max and sum cannot be interleaved
- The variables are partitioned into three disjoint sets: E , Z , Y
- This partitioning limits which orders we can choose, as we can order only within Z and within Y

VARIABLE ELIMINATION EXAMPLES

- See OneNote

MESSAGE PASSING

- We will cover this for HMMs

LINEAR GAUSSIAN EXERCISE

○ Given $X \rightarrow Y$

- $p(X) \sim N(\mu_X; \sigma_X^2)$
- $p(Y | X) \sim N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 \mu_X; \sigma_Y^2)$

○ Calculate

- $p(Y)$
- $p(Y | X = 5)$
- $p(X | Y = 5)$
- $p(X, Y)$

$$\int p(x)p(y|x)dx$$

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Applications
- Other topics
 - Approximate inference
 - Learning
 - Parameters
 - Structure