

# CS 583: PROBABILISTIC GRAPHICAL MODELS

## TOPIC: CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS (CPDs)



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# CPDs

- So far, we assumed tabular representation of Conditional Probability Distributions (CPDs); these are also called Conditional Probability Tables (CPTs)
- A CPD encodes  $P(X \mid Pa(X))$  where  $\sum P(X \mid Pa(X)) = 1$
- CPTs have significant disadvantages
  - Cannot handle variables with infinite domains
  - The number of independent parameters needed is  $|Val(X)-1| * |Val(Pa(X))|$ , which is exponential in the number of parents
  - Ignores the local structure

## EXAMPLE – MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS

- A patient can suffer from one or more of many diseases; each disease is represented as a binary variable (Present/NotPresent)
- A symptom, e.g., Fever, can have many causes; this requires many disease nodes to be the parents of a symptom
- If Fever is caused by 10 different diseases, then the CPT for Fever requires  $2^{10} = 1,024$  independent parameters (assuming a patient can have more than one disease at the same time, and we represent each disease as present/notpresent; and fever is also binary)

$$p(\text{fev} | D_1, \dots, D_h) \\ (2-1) \cdot 2^n$$

# KEY INSIGHT

- A CPD must represent  $P(X \mid Pa(X))$  where  $\sum P(X \mid Pa(X)) = 1$
- CPD does not have to list all possible combinations
- CPD is a function that maps  $(x, Pa(x))$  to a conditional distribution  $P(x \mid Pa(x))$
- This representation guarantees that the joint is a well-defined probability distribution

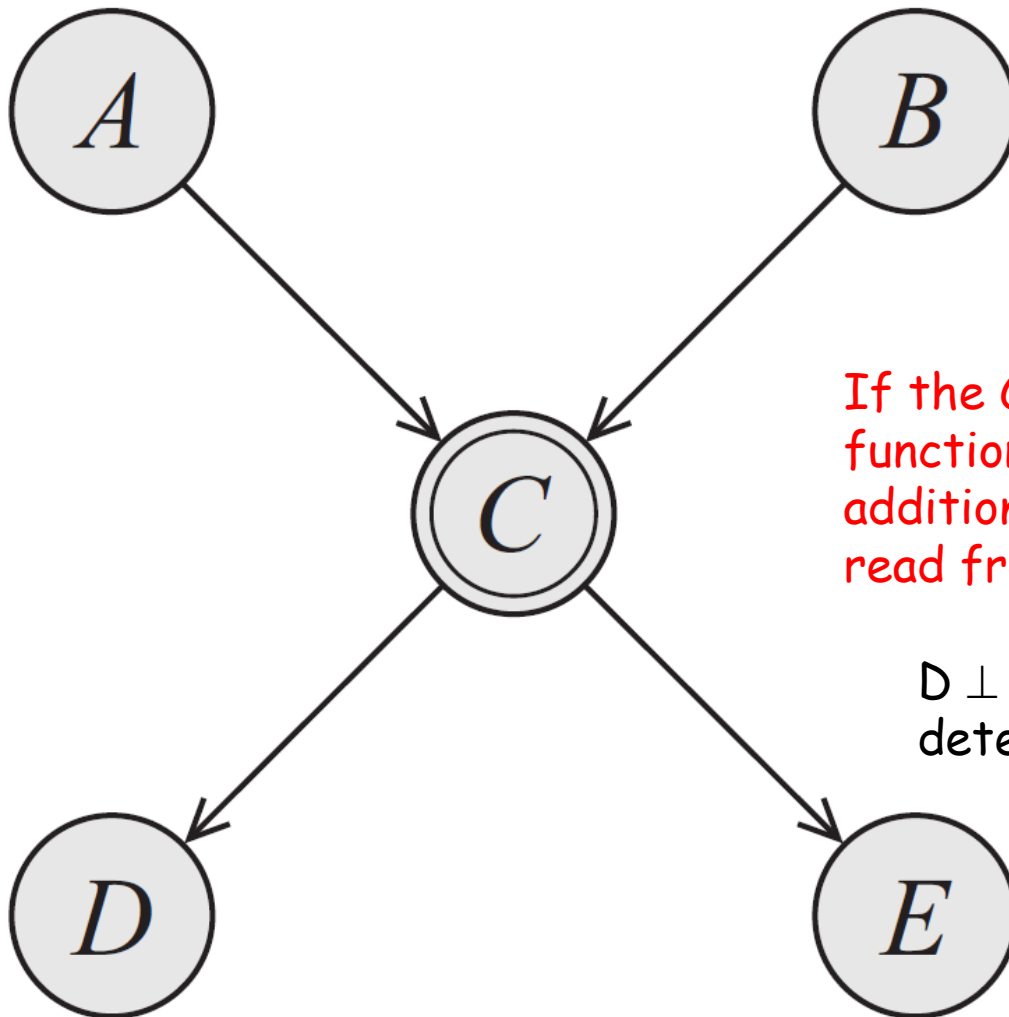
# TYPES OF CPDS WE WILL DISCUSS

- Deterministic CPDs
- Context-Specific CPDs
  - Tree CPDs
  - Rule CPDs
- Causal independence
  - The noisy-or model
  - Logistic CPD
- Continuous variables
  - Linear Gaussian CPDs

# DETERMINISTIC CPDS

- $X$  is a deterministic function of its parents  $\text{Pa}(X)$
- There is a deterministic function  $f: \text{Val}(\text{Pa}(X)) \rightarrow \text{Val}(X)$  such that
  - $P(x \mid \text{Pa}(x)) = 1$  if  $x = f(\text{Pa}(x))$   
0 otherwise
- Examples
  - $X$  is (OR, AND, XOR, ...) of its parents
  - $X$  is average of its parents

# INDEPENDENCIES



If the CPD of  $C$  is a deterministic function of  $A$  and  $B$ , what additional independencies can we read from the graph?

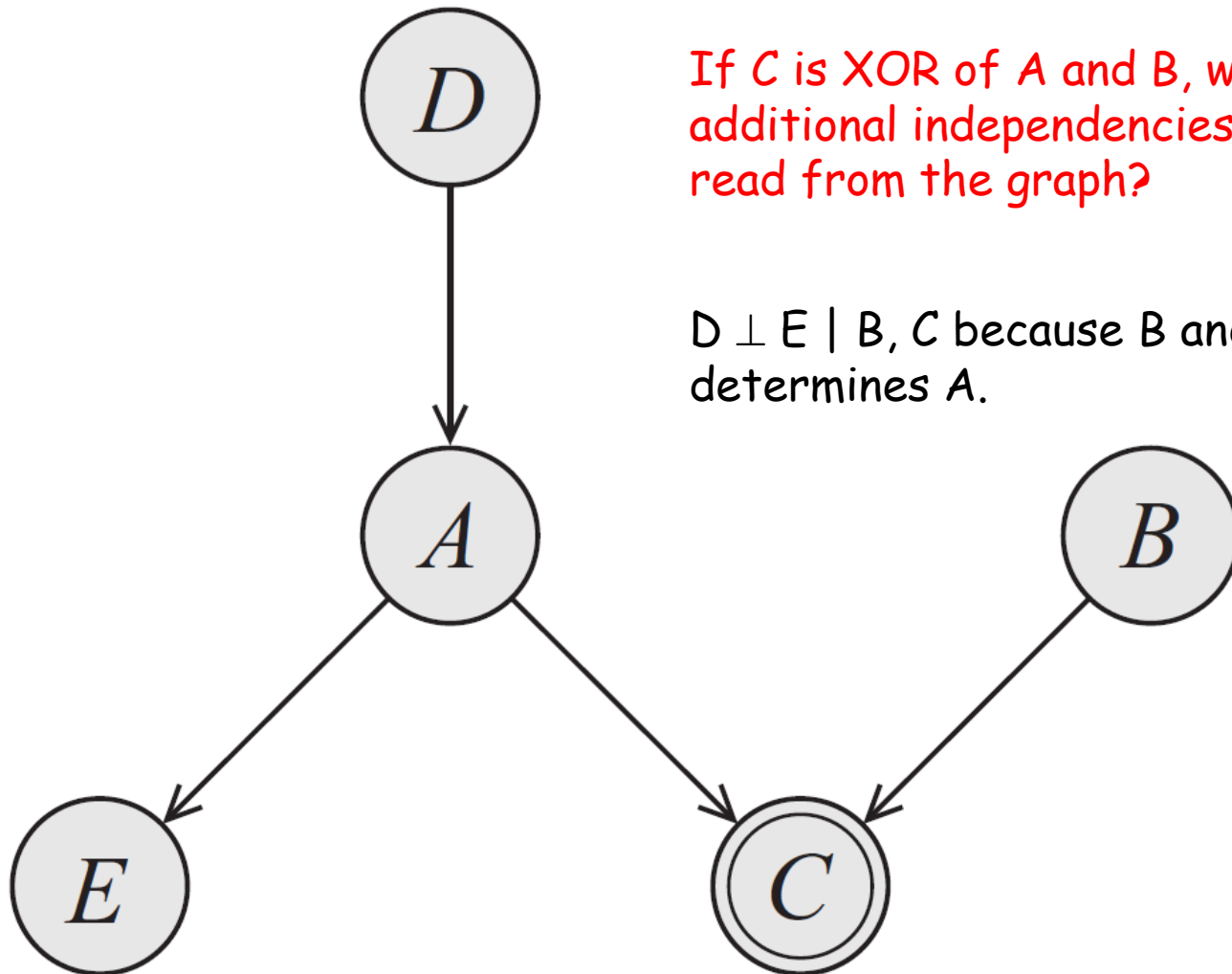
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# INDEPENDENCIES

$D \perp E \mid A$

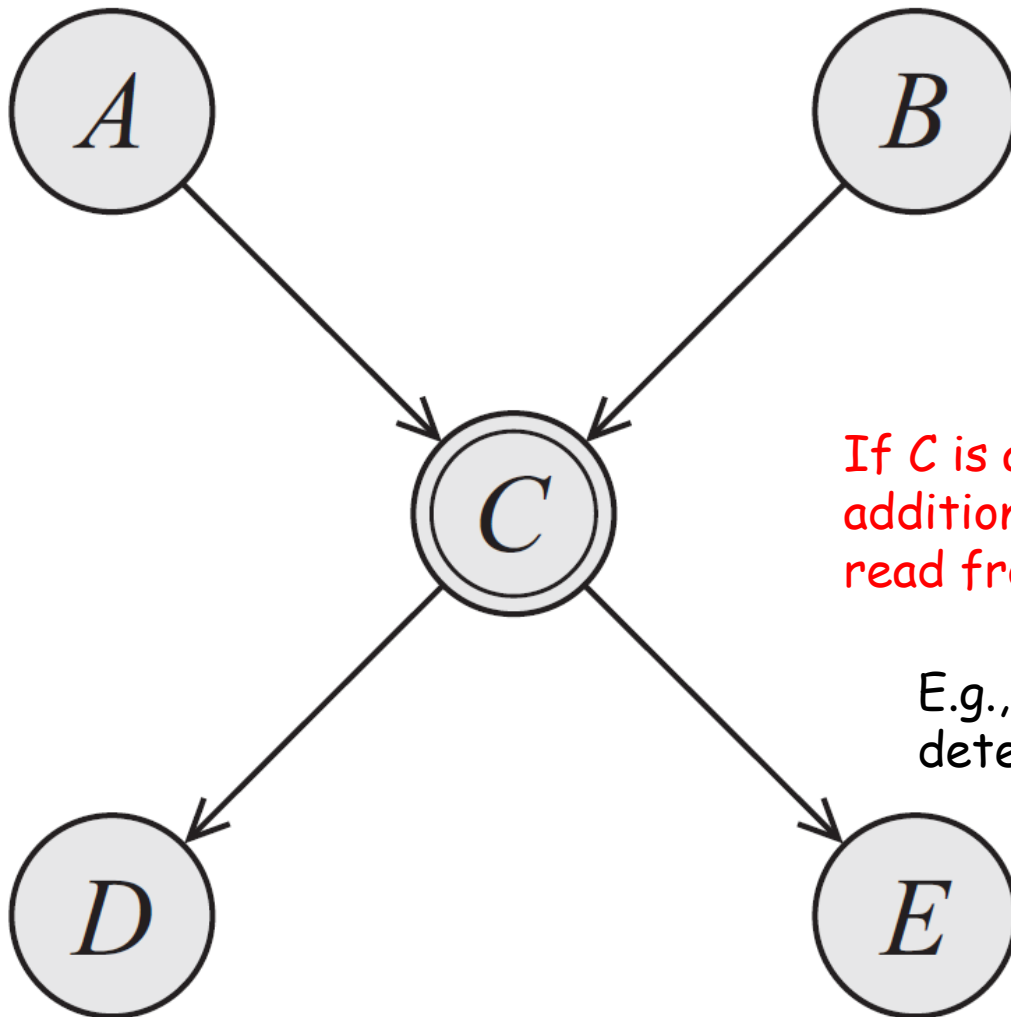
If  $C$  is XOR of  $A$  and  $B$ , what additional independencies can we read from the graph?

$D \perp E \mid B, C$  because  $B$  and  $C$  determines  $A$ .





# INDEPENDENCIES



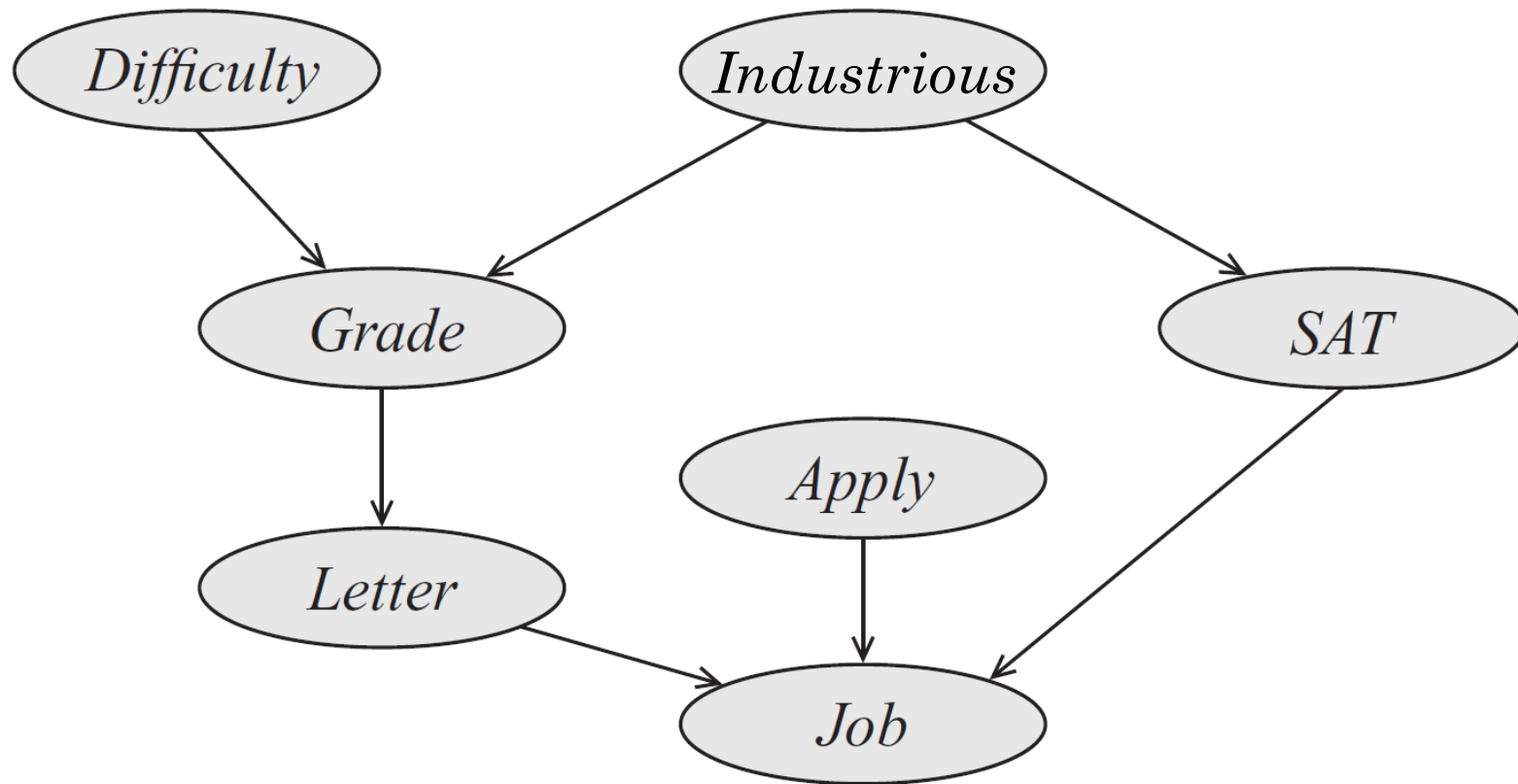
If  $C$  is an OR of  $A$  and  $B$ , what additional independencies can we read from the graph?

E.g.,  $D \perp E \mid A=T$  because  $A=T$  determines  $C$ .

# CONTEXT-SPECIFIC INDEPENDENCE

- **Definition:** Let  $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$  be pairwise disjoint sets of variables,  $C$  be a set of variables (that might overlap with  $X \cup Y \cup Z$ ), and let  $c \in \text{val}(C)$ .  $X$  and  $Y$  are *contextually independent* given  $Z$  and the context  $c$  if
  - $P(X \mid Y, Z, c) = P(X \mid Z, c)$  whenever  $P(Y, Z, c) > 0$ .

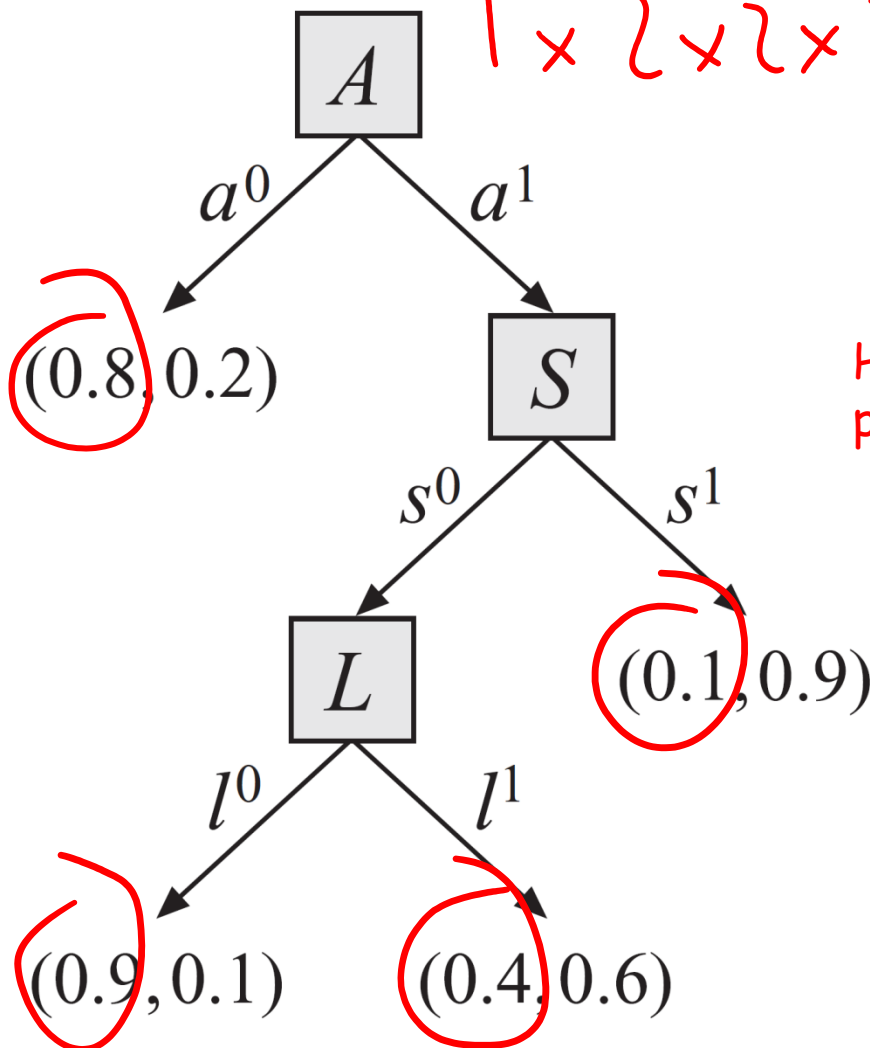
# EXAMPLE: JOB APPLICATION



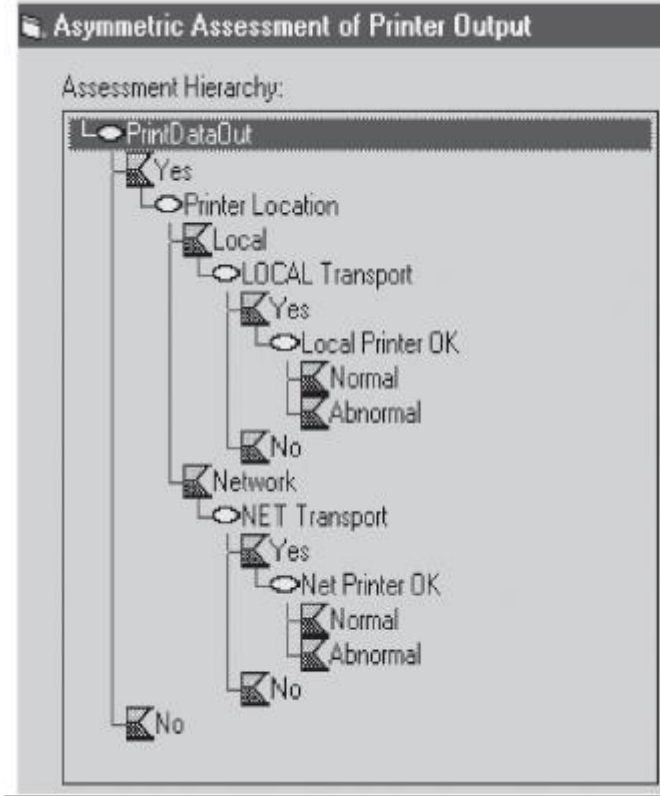
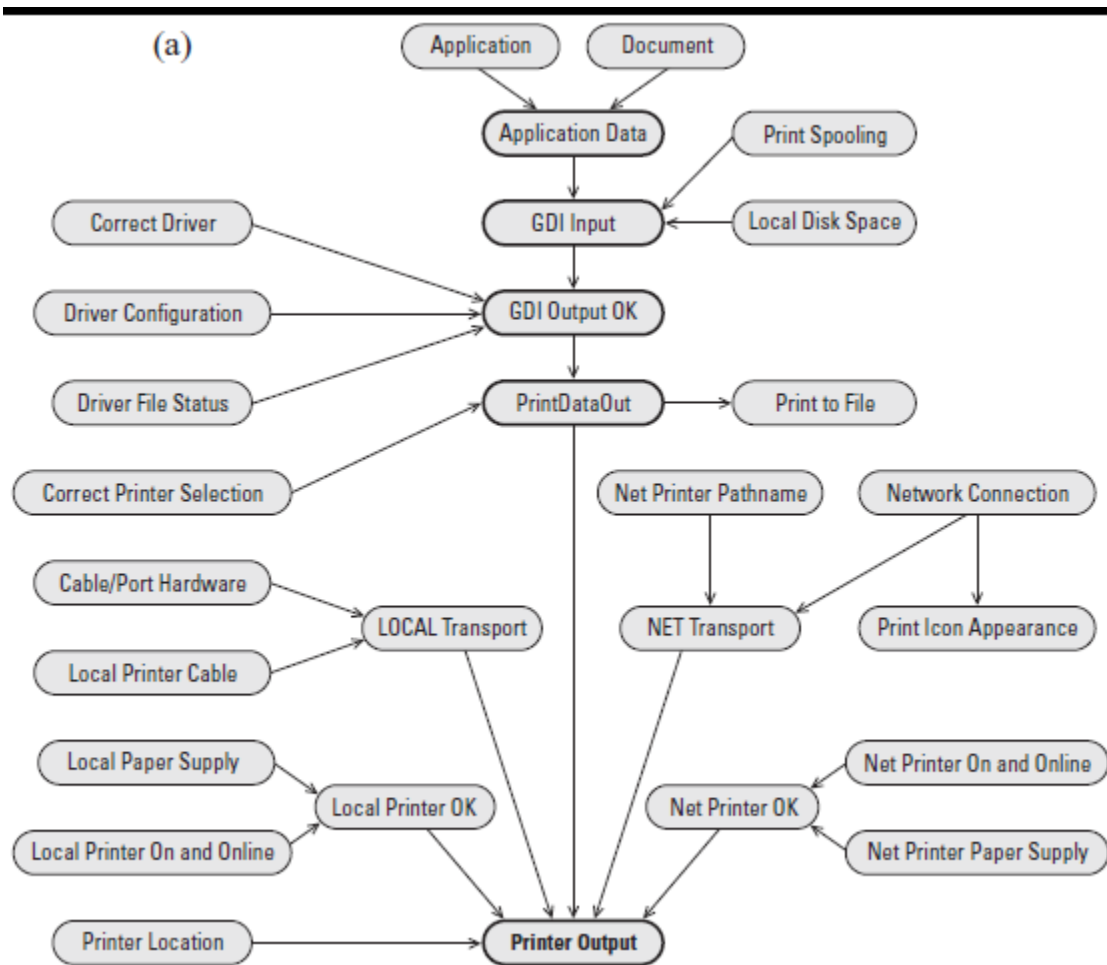
# TREE-CPDS

$$P(J | A, S, L)$$

$$1 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$$



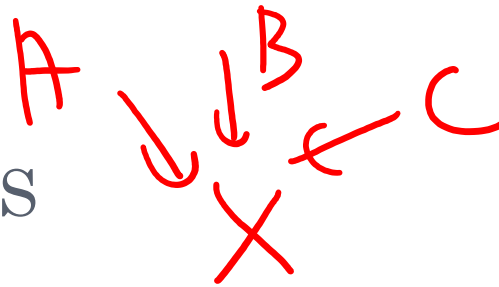
How many independent parameters are needed?



# RULE CPDS

- Definition: A rule-based CPD  $P(X | \text{Pa}_X)$  is a set of rules  $\mathcal{R}$  such that
  - For each rule  $r \in \mathcal{R}$ ,  $\text{Scope}[r] \subseteq \{X\} \cup \text{Pa}_X$
  - For each assignment to  $(x, \mathbf{u})$ , we have precisely one rule  $\langle \mathbf{c}; p \rangle \in \mathcal{R}$  such that  $\mathbf{c}$  is compatible with  $(x, \mathbf{u})$ . In this case,  $P(X=x | \text{Pa}_X=\mathbf{u}) = p$ .
  - The resulting CPD  $P(X | \text{Pa}_X)$  is a legal CPD,
    - $\sum_x P(x | \mathbf{u}) = 1$
- More general than tree CPDs
  - Every tree CPD can be represented as a rule-based CPD but the converse is not true

## EXAMPLE: RULE CPDS



$$\rho_1: \langle a^1, b^1, x^0; 0.1 \rangle$$

$$\rho_3: \langle a^0, c^1, x^0; 0.2 \rangle$$

$$\rho_5: \langle b^0, c^0, x^0; 0.3 \rangle$$

$$\rho_7: \langle a^1, b^0, c^1, x^0; 0.4 \rangle$$

$$\rho_9: \langle a^0, b^1, c^0; 0.5 \rangle$$

$$\rho_2: \langle a^1, b^1, x^1; 0.9 \rangle$$

$$\rho_4: \langle a^0, c^1, x^1; 0.8 \rangle$$

$$\rho_6: \langle b^0, c^0, x^1; 0.7 \rangle$$

$$\rho_8: \langle a^1, b^0, c^1, x^1; 0.6 \rangle$$

$X$	$a^0 b^0 c^0$	$a^0 b^0 c^1$	$a^0 b^1 c^0$	$a^0 b^1 c^1$	$a^1 b^0 c^0$	$a^1 b^0 c^1$	$a^1 b^1 c^0$	$a^1 b^1 c^1$
$x^0$	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1
$x^1$	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.9

# INDEPENDENCE OF CAUSAL MODELS

- Variable of interest  $Y$  depends on several causes  $X_1, \dots, X_k$
- Even though the interaction between  $X_i$  and  $Y$  can be arbitrary, it is often reasonable to assume that the combined influence of  $X_i$  on  $Y$  is a simple combination of the individual influences of  $X_i$  on  $Y$  in isolation.
  - Noisy-or model
  - Logistic CPD



# NOISY-OR MODEL

- A professor writes a good letter if
  - The student asked good questions in class, or
  - The student wrote a good final paper
- However, the professor
  - Might forget that student asked good questions, with 0.2 probability
  - Might not be able to read student's handwriting, with 0.1 probability
- What is the probability that the professor will write a good letter if the student
  - Did not ask good questions, and did not write a good final paper? 0
  - Asked good questions but did not write a good final paper?  $1 - 0.2 = 0.8$
  - Did not ask good questions but wrote a good final paper?  $1 - 0.1 = 0.9$
  - Asked good questions, and wrote a good final paper?

$$1 - 0.1 \times 0.2 = 0.98$$

## NOISY-OR MODEL

$$P(L | Q, F)$$

$Q, F$	$l^0$	$l^1$
$q^0, f^0$	1	0
$q^0, f^1$	0.1	0.9
$q^1, f^0$	0.2	0.8
$q^1, f^1$	?	?

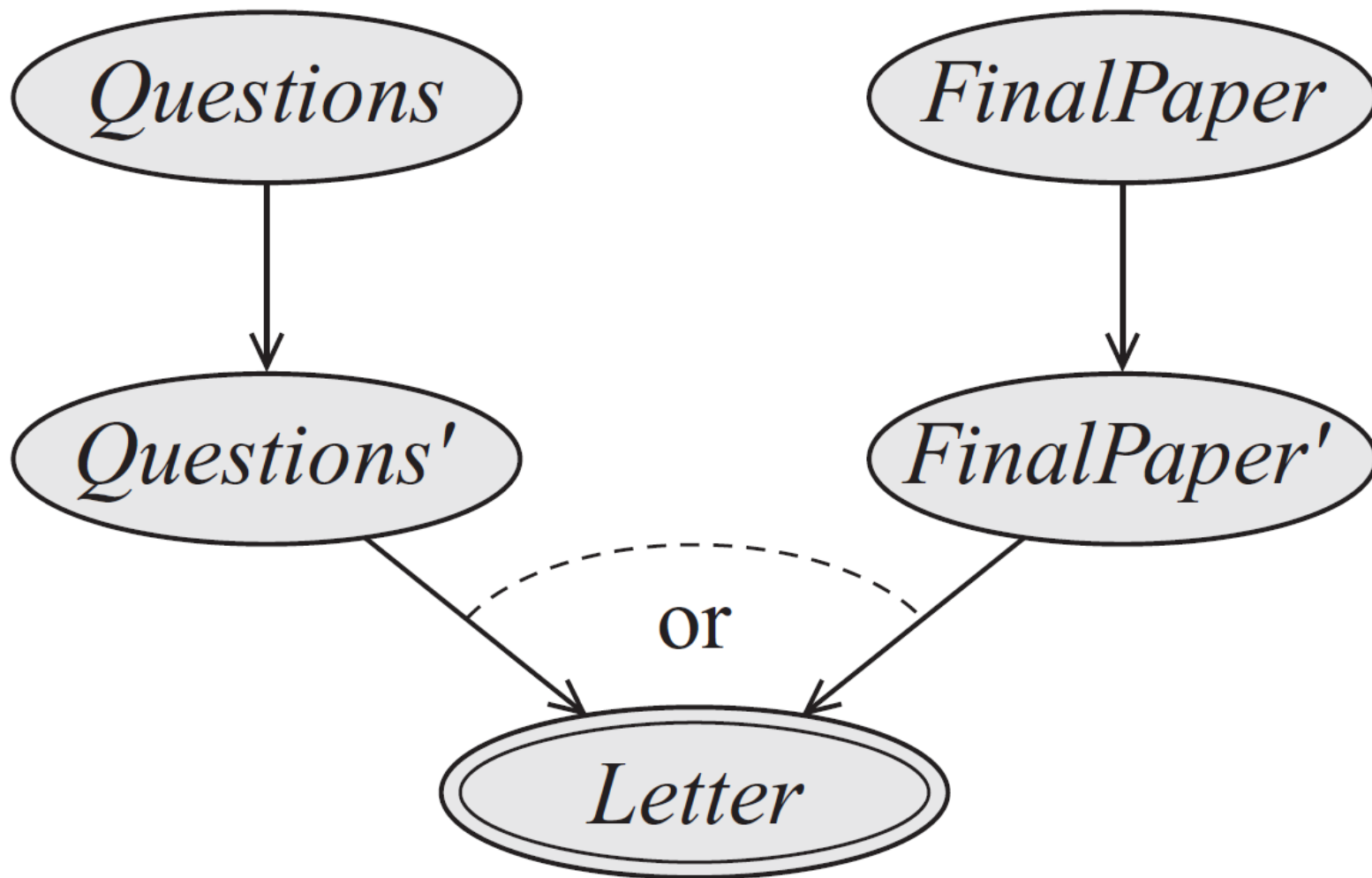
For the professor to write a bad letter when student asked good questions and a good final paper, the professor

- Forgets the student's participation AND
- Cannot read the student's handwriting

$$P(l^0 | q^1, f^1) = 0.1 * 0.2 = 0.02$$

$$P(l^1 | q^1, f^1) = 1 - 0.02 = 0.98$$

# NOISY-OR MODEL



Letter example

$$\lambda_0 = 0$$

$$\lambda_Q = 0.8$$

## NOISY-OR MODEL

$$\lambda_F = 0.9$$

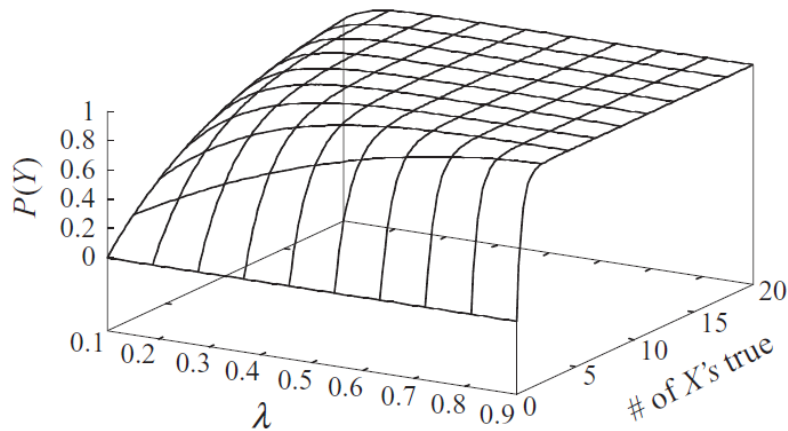
- Let  $Y$  be a binary random variable with  $k$  binary parents  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ . The CPD  $P(Y | X_1, \dots, X_k)$  is a noisy-or if there are  $k+1$  parameters  $\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  such that

$$Q = \top, F_P = \top \quad (1-0) \cdot (1-0.8) \cdot (1-0.9)$$

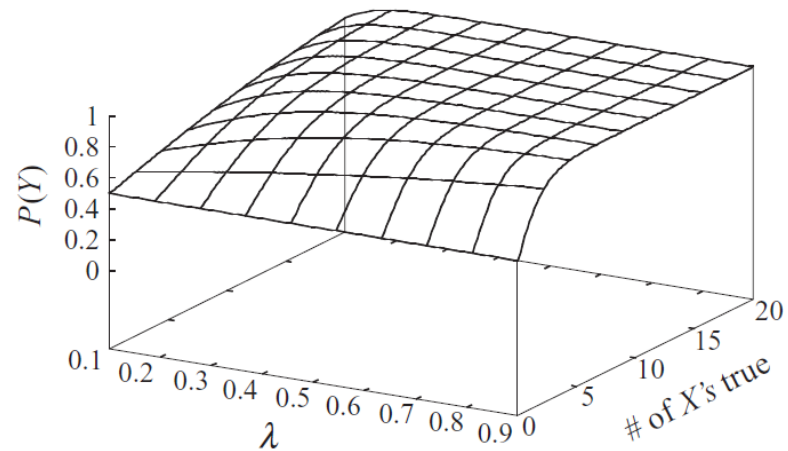
$$P(y^0 | X_1, \dots, X_k) = (1 - \lambda_0) \prod_{i: X_i = x_i^1} (1 - \lambda_i)$$

$$P(y^1 | X_1, \dots, X_k) = 1 - (1 - \lambda_0) \prod_{i: X_i = x_i^1} (1 - \lambda_i)$$

# NOISY-OR MODEL



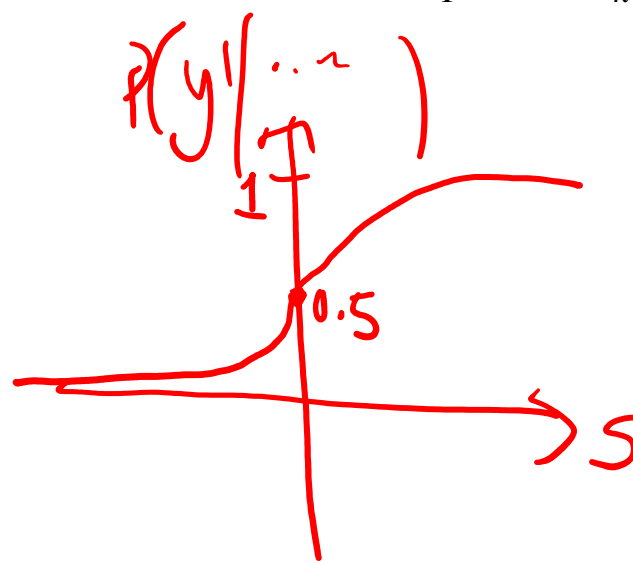
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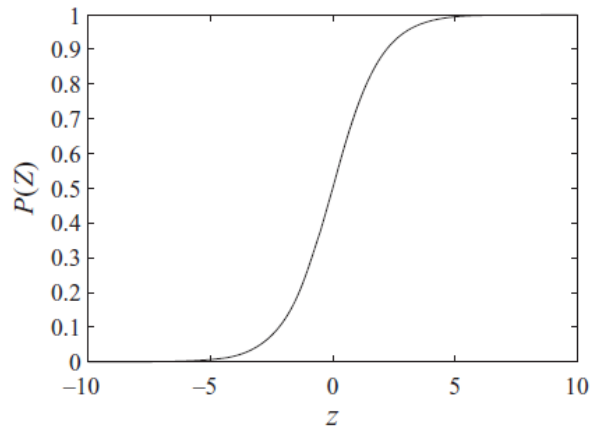
# LOGISTIC CPD

- Let  $Y$  be a binary variable with  $k$  parents:  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  that take on numerical values. The CPD  $P(Y | X_1, \dots, X_k)$  is a *logistic CPD* if there are  $k+1$  weights  $w_0, w_1, \dots, w_k$  such that

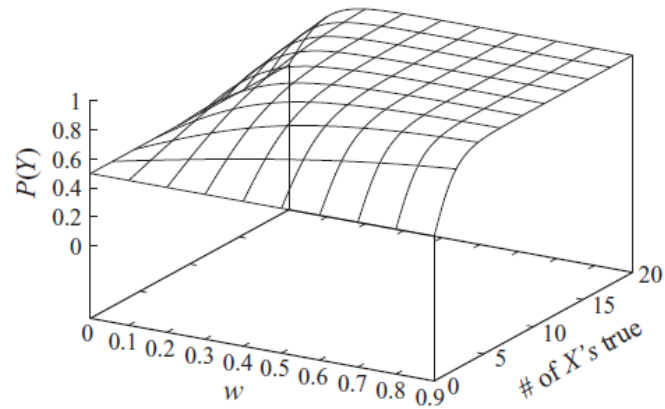
$$P(y^1 | X_1, \dots, X_k) = \text{sigmoid} \left( w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k w_i X_i \right)$$

$$= \frac{e^{w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k w_i X_i}}{1 + e^{w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k w_i X_i}}$$

$S \rightarrow -\infty$   
 $S \rightarrow \infty$

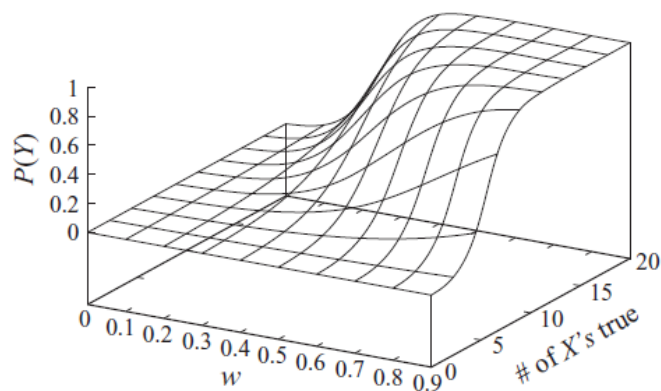
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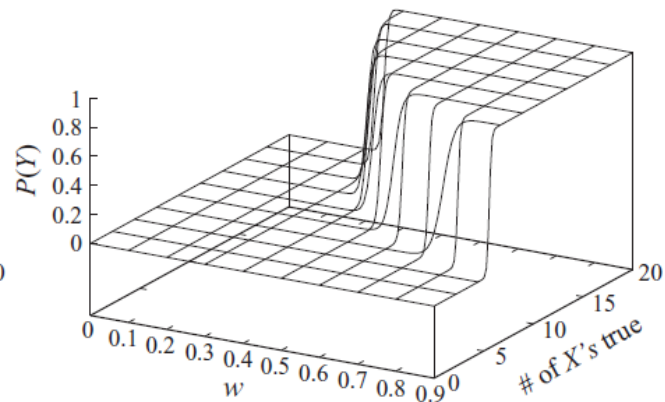
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(d)

# LINEAR GAUSSIAN CPD

- Let  $Y$  be a continuous variable with continuous parents  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ . We say that  $Y$  has a linear Gaussian model if there are parameters  $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k$  and  $\sigma^2$  such that

$$p(Y \mid x_1, \dots, x_k) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k; \sigma^2)$$

