# Bayesian Networks Learning: A Survey

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## Bayesian Networks

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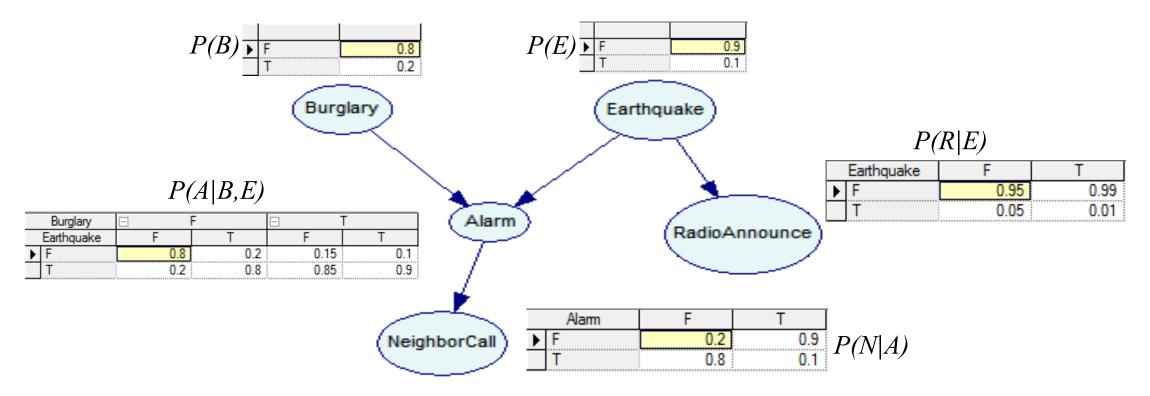
• The raw dataset for learning. (37 \* 1000)

BN	p	n	palim	<b> PaSets </b>	1.4.1	1.6	1.6.1
Diabetes	413	100	2	4441	1135	191	170
Diabetes	413	1000	2	21493	2754	550	437
Diabetes	413	10000	2	262129	5497	2007	1479
Link	724	100	2	7431402	411	496	358
Link	724	1000	2	2379361	1150	892	1424
Link	724	10000	2	2421283	9005	6373	4502
Mildew	35	100	3	3520	17	8	10
Mildew	35	1000	3	161	64	25	12
Mildew	35	10000	3	463	167	79	19
Pigs	441	100	2	2692	151	99	63
Pigs	441	1000	2	15847	203	189	213
Pigs	441	10000	2	304219	2082	1270	832
Water	32	100	3	482	1	1	1
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Water	32	10000	3	961	7	2	1
alarm	37	100	3	907	1	1	1
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alarm	37	10000	3	6473	16	6	2
asia	8	100	∞	41	1	1	1
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asia	8	10000	∞	169	1	1	1
carpo	60	100	3	5068	5	8	2
carpo	60	1000	3	3827	14	12	7
carpo	60	10000	3	16391	99	24	6
hailfinder	56	100	3	244	20	17	3
hailfinder	56	1000	3	761	39	49	10
hailfinder	56	10000	3	3768	124	214	26
insurance	27	100	3	279	1	1	1
insurance	27	1000	3	774	1	1	1
insurance	27	10000	3	3652	5	2	1
kredit	18	1000	3	70	1	1	1
kredit	18	1000	∞	70	248	2370	207

- Different databases.
- Some are synthetic data

https://www.cs.york.ac.uk/aig/sw/gobnilp/

## **Bayesian Networks**



- A Bayesian Network is a directed acyclic graph (DAG) learned from given dataset.
- A Bayesian network joint probability distribution:

$$P(B,E,A,R,N) = P(N \mid A)P(R \mid E)P(A \mid B, E)P(E)P(B)$$

### **Local Scores**

- Formulate the learning task as minimize local scores problem.
- Score-based structure learning(Minimum Description Length):

$$MDL(X_{i}|PA_{i}) = H(X_{i}|PA_{i}) + \frac{\log N}{2}K(X_{i}|PA_{i}),$$

$$H(X_{i}|PA_{i}) = -\sum_{x_{i},pa_{i}} N_{x_{i},pa_{i}} \log \frac{N_{x_{i},pa_{i}}}{N_{pa_{i}}},$$

$$K(X_{i}|PA_{i}) = (r_{i} - 1) \prod_{X_{l} \in PA_{i}} r_{l}.$$

$$MDL(G) = \sum_{i} MDL(X_{i}|PA_{i}),$$

- Shortest path = Minimum score of (X | PA).
- Optimal Bayesian Network

#### **Local Scores**

- Bayesian Networks learning problem NP-hard, and a combinatorial problem. (TSP for example)
- Local score table is also combinatorial. Calculate score for each variable with any possible parents combination.

- Format of local score: POPS
- Using some pruning tech to constraint the possible parent sets.
- For massive datasets, we can determine the indegree number of parents.
- Calculating the POPS is very time-consuming for large dataset.

## Algorithms(Local Score Based)

- Integer Linear Programming(GOBNIP): https://www.cs.york.ac.uk/aig/sw/gobnilp/
- Depth-first Branch-and-Bound(DFBnB)
   https://cs.uwaterloo.ca/~vanbeek/Research/research\_ml.html
- Breadth-first BnB (improve the scalability)
- A\* search http://urlearning.org/
- Dynamic Programming(DP)

  2005 by Ajit P. Singh and Andrew W. Moore.



## Algorithms(Local Score Based)

#### Neural Network

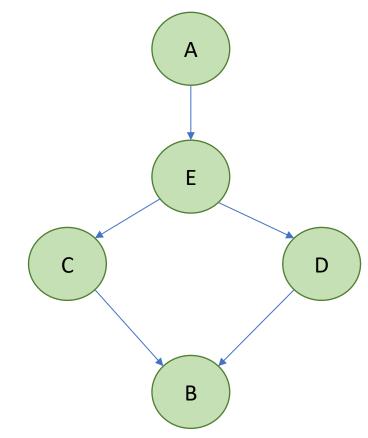
- I am working one this area now
- Not find anyone done this before
- Other combinatorial problem was solved by this method (Google Brain)
- RNN/ PointerNetwork/ Transformer ...
- Hopefully will deal with thousands of variables with better network compared to other methods.
- Increase the scalability using GPU.
- In the future, skip the local score form, combining with reinforcement learning to achieve goal.

#### A\* search and constraints

Α	{D} 9.6	{C} 9.9	{E} 10.0	{} 15.4	
В	{C,D} 12.1	{C} 12.2	{E} 12.3	{} 14.1	
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D	{E} 3.6	{C} 5.2	{A,B} 10.9	{A} 11.4	{} 17.0
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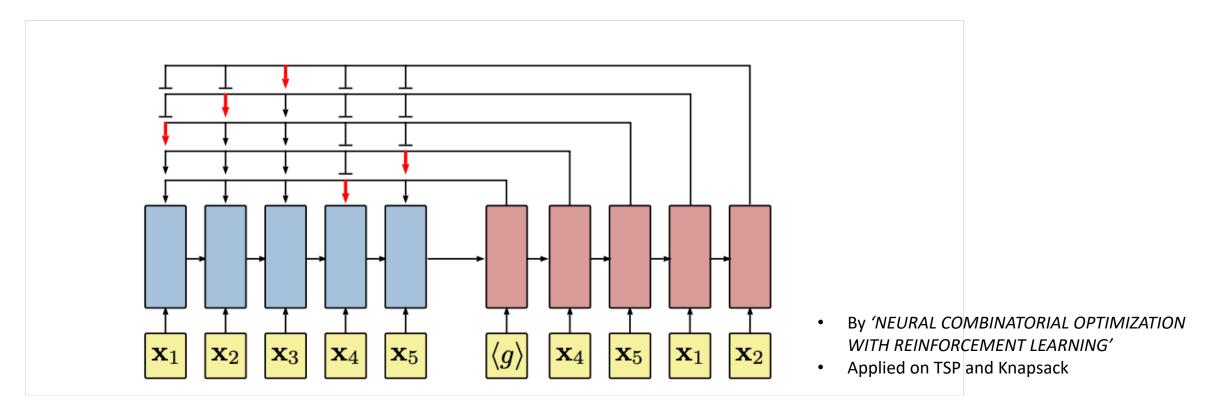
- Heuristic (DP)
- Upper bound (local search)
- Symmetry-breaking
- Dominance constraints

#### > A representation of global optimal search



Score: 38.9

## NN for BNs Learning



- Learning order of the variables.
- Using the order output to search through POPS for scores.
- Optimize the NN via minimizing the score.
- Better score → Better networks

## Structure of Survey

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- Order-based local search algorithm (ILP)
- Dynamic Programming
- Shortest-path concept search
- Mixture of algorithms and their improvement
- Neural Network related search
- Comparison of different algorithms
- References

## **Papers**

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- Peter van Beek, Hella-Franziska Hoffmann. 'Machine learning of Bayesian networks using constraint programming'
- Changhe Yuan, Brandon Malone, and Xiaojian Wu. 'Learning Optimal Bayesian Networks Using A\* Search'

## Questions?