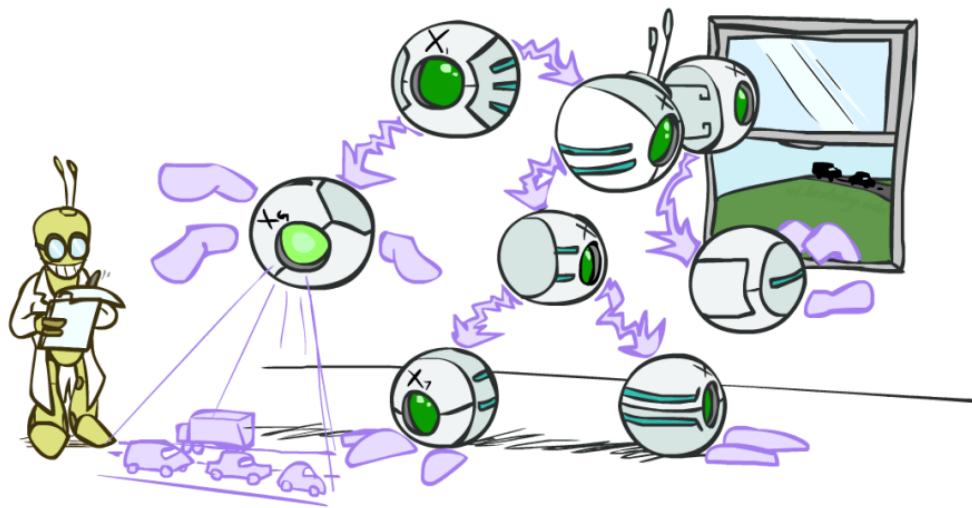


Announcement

- Programming 2 due 11:59pm today!
- Programming 3
 - Due: April 12, 11:59pm
- Homework 3
 - Due: April 14, 11:59pm

Bayes Nets: Exact Inference



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CPT

Bayes' Net Representation

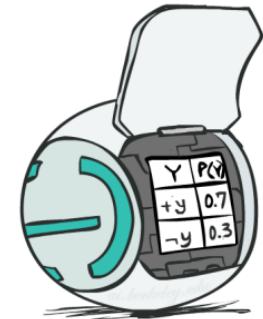
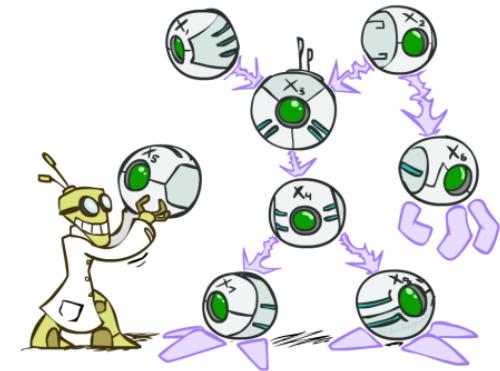
- A directed, acyclic graph, one node per random variable
- A conditional probability table (CPT) for each node
 - A collection of distributions over X , one for each combination of parents' values

$$P(X|a_1 \dots a_n)$$

- Bayes' nets implicitly encode joint distributions
 - As a product of local conditional distributions
 - To see what probability a BN gives to a full assignment, multiply all the relevant conditionals together:

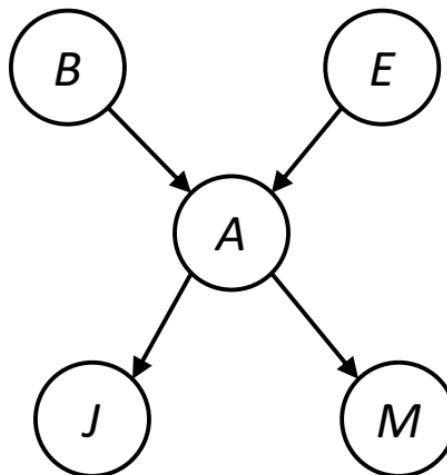
$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$

wasteful



Example: Alarm Network

| B | P(B) |
|----|-------|
| +b | 0.001 |
| -b | 0.999 |



| E | P(E) |
|----|-------|
| +e | 0.002 |
| -e | 0.998 |

| A | J | P(J A) |
|----|----|--------|
| +a | +j | 0.9 |
| +a | -j | 0.1 |
| -a | +j | 0.05 |
| -a | -j | 0.95 |

| A | M | P(M A) |
|----|----|--------|
| +a | +m | 0.7 |
| +a | -m | 0.3 |
| -a | +m | 0.01 |
| -a | -m | 0.99 |



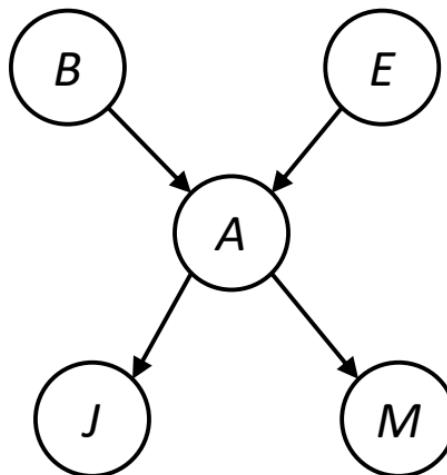
| B | E | A | P(A B,E) |
|----|----|----|----------|
| +b | +e | +a | 0.95 |
| +b | +e | -a | 0.05 |
| +b | -e | +a | 0.94 |
| +b | -e | -a | 0.06 |
| -b | +e | +a | 0.29 |
| -b | +e | -a | 0.71 |
| -b | -e | +a | 0.001 |
| -b | -e | -a | 0.999 |

$$P(+b, -e, +a, -j, +m) =$$

$$P(+b)P(-e)P(+a|+b, -e)P(-j|+a)P(+m|+a) =$$

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$$0.001 \times 0.998 \times 0.94 \times 0.1 \times 0.7$$

| B | E | A | P(A B,E) |
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| +b | -e | +a | 0.94 |
| +b | -e | -a | 0.06 |
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| -b | +e | -a | 0.71 |
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| -b | -e | -a | 0.999 |

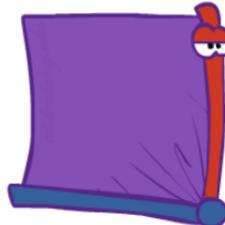
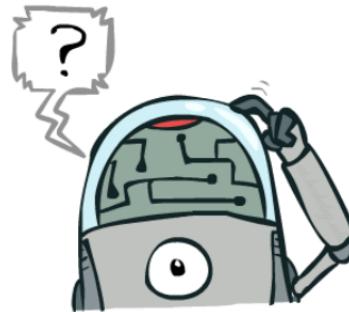
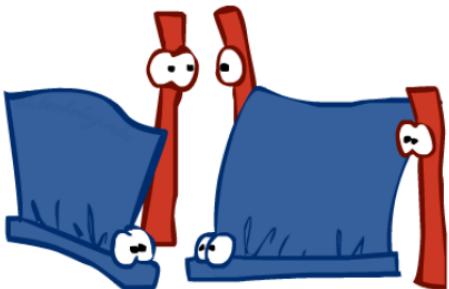
Probabilistic Inference

- Enumeration (exact, exponential complexity)
- Variable elimination (exact, worst-case exponential complexity, often better)
- Inference is NP-complete
- Sampling (approximate)

Inference

- Inference: calculating some useful quantity from a probability model (joint probability distribution)

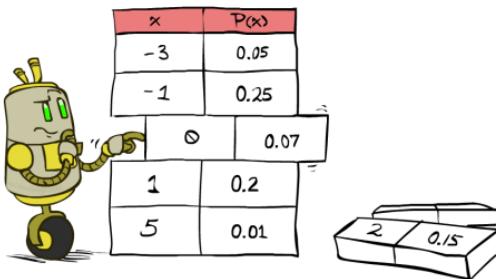
- Examples:
 - Posterior marginal probability
 - $P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k) \rightarrow E_1 = e_1 \dots$
 - E.g., what disease might I have?
 - Most likely explanation:
 - $\text{argmax}_q P(Q=q|e_1, \dots, e_k)$
 - E.g., what did he say?



Inference by Enumeration

- General case:
 - Evidence variables: $E_1 \dots E_k = e_1 \dots e_k$
 - Query variable: Q
 - Hidden variables: $H_1 \dots H_r$
- Value known*
Unknown
- All variables*

- Step 1: Select the entries consistent with the evidence
- Step 2: Sum out H to get joint of Query and evidence
- Step 3: Normalize

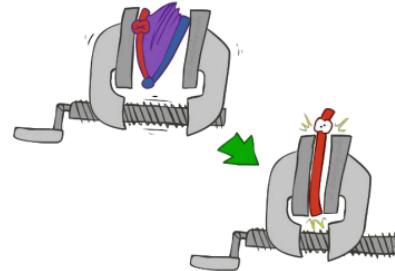


*known out
inconsistent*

$$P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_r} P(Q, h_1 \dots h_r, e_1 \dots e_k)$$

X₁, X₂, ..., X_n

only & and known



unknown
known

query Q *hidden*

$P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k)$

$Z = \sum_q P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k)$

$P(X = \text{big})$

$$P(Q|e_1 \dots e_k) = \frac{1}{Z} P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k)$$

Now, we can sum out the hidden variable

Inference by Enumeration in Bayes Net

- The joint distribution can be computed from a BN by multiplying the conditional distributions
- Then we can do inference by enumeration

$$P(B \mid +j, +m) \propto_B P(B, +j, +m)$$

$$= \sum_{e,a} P(B, e, a, +j, +m)$$

propositions |
e, a are hidden

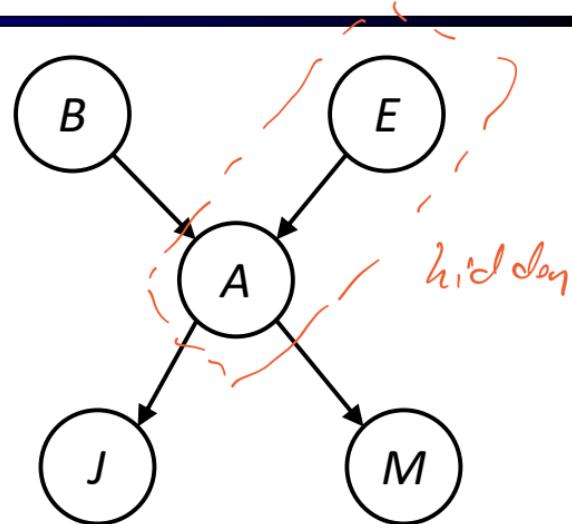
$$= \sum_{e,a} P(B)P(e)P(a|B, e)P(+j|a)P(+m|a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & P(B)P(+e)P(+a|B, +e)P(+j|+a)P(+m|+a) + P(B)P(+e)P(-a|B, +e)P(+j|-a)P(+m|-a) \\ & P(B)P(-e)P(+a|B, -e)P(+j|+a)P(+m|+a) + P(B)P(-e)P(-a|B, -e)P(+j|-a)P(+m|-a) \end{aligned}$$

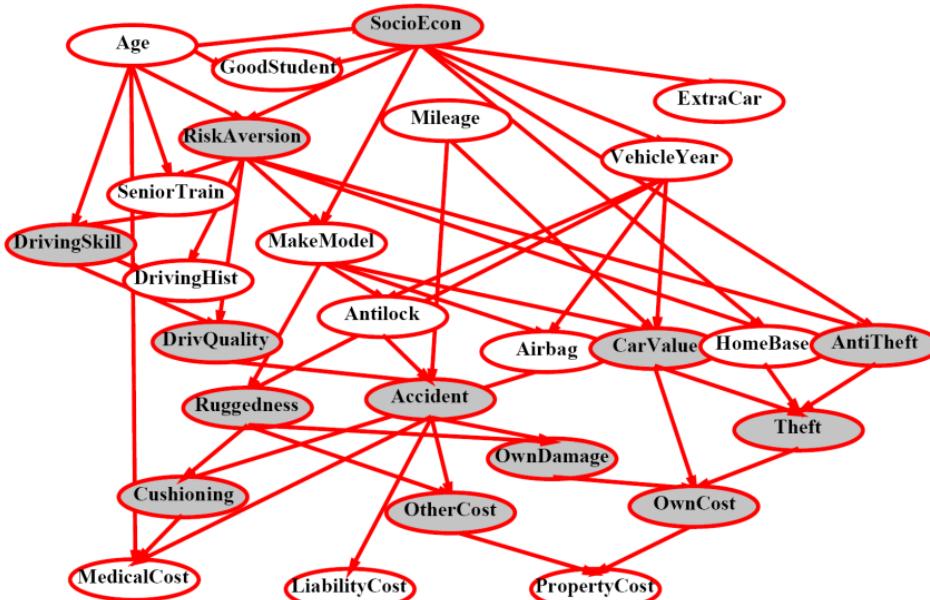
- Problem: sums of **exponentially many** products!

but, **BAD** ↗

Caption: vector math, sum all val of var in domain



Inference by Enumeration?



$$P(\text{Antilock} | \text{observed variables}) = ?$$

Inference by Enumeration in Bayes Net

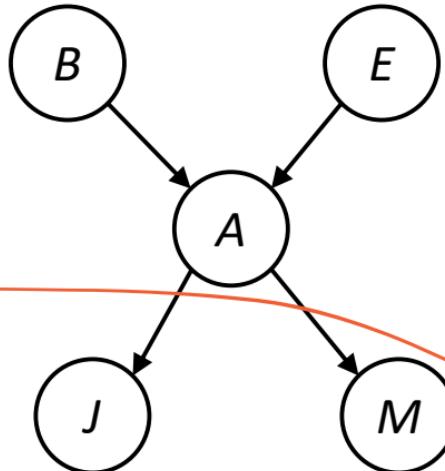
$$P(B \mid +j, +m) \propto_B P(B, +j, +m)$$

$$= \sum_{e,a} P(B, e, a, +j, +m)$$

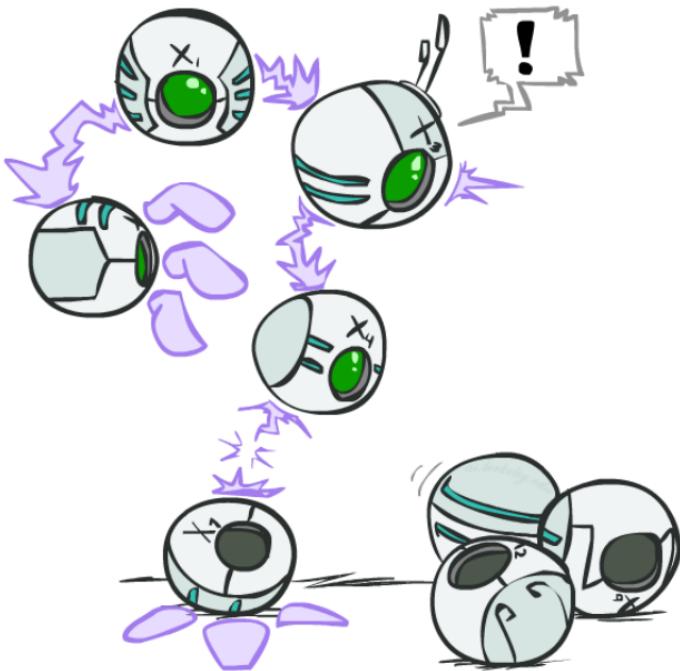
$$= \sum_{e,a} P(B)P(e)P(a|B, e)P(+j|a)P(+m|a)$$

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Lots of repeated subexpressions!



Variable Elimination



Can we do better?

- Consider $uwy + uwz + uxy + uxz + vwy + vwz + vxy + vxz$
 - 16 multiplies, 7 adds
 - Lots of repeated subexpressions!
- Rewrite as $(u+v)(w+x)(y+z)$
 - 2 multiplies, 3 adds

Can we do better?

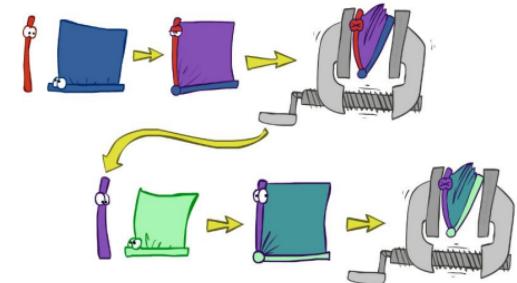
- $\sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a)$
- $= P(B)P(e)P(a|B,e)P(j|a)P(m|a) + P(B)P(\neg e)P(a|B,\neg e)P(j|a)P(m|a)$
+ $P(B)P(e)P(\neg a|B,e)P(j|\neg a)P(m|\neg a) + P(B)P(\neg e)P(\neg a|B,\neg e)P(j|\neg a)P(m|\neg a)$

Lots of repeated subexpressions!

Variable elimination: The basic ideas

- Move summations inwards as far as possible

- $$\begin{aligned} P(B \mid j, m) &= \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B) \underline{P(e)} P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a) \\ &= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a) \end{aligned}$$

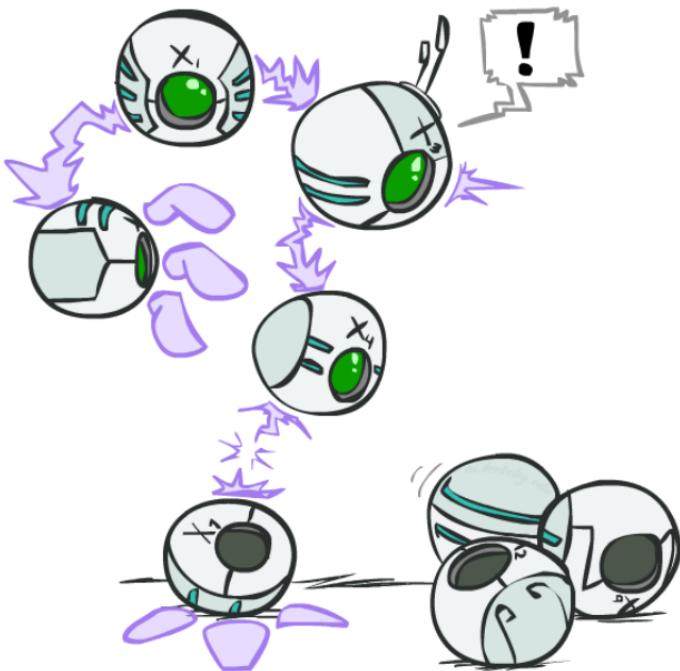


- Do the calculation from the inside out

- I.e., sum over a first, the sum over e
- Problem: $P(a|B,e)$ isn't a single number, it's a bunch of different numbers depending on the values of B and e
- Solution: use arrays of numbers (of various dimensions) with appropriate operations on them; these are called **factors**

B, e
vectors.

Operations on Factors



Factors

- A **factor** is a multi-dimensional array to represent $P(Y_1 \dots Y_N | X_1 \dots X_M)$
 - If a variable is **assigned** (represented with lower-case), its dimension is **missing** (selected) from the array

- Joint distribution: $P(X, Y)$

- Entries $P(x, y)$ for all x, y
- Sums to 1

fixed

- Selected joint: $P(x, Y)$

- A slice of the joint distribution
- Entries $P(x, y)$ for fixed x , all y
- Sums to $P(x)$

$$P(T, W)$$

| T | W | P |
|------|------|-----|
| hot | sun | 0.4 |
| hot | rain | 0.1 |
| cold | sun | 0.2 |
| cold | rain | 0.3 |

$$P(\text{cold}, W)$$

| T | W | P |
|------|------|-----|
| cold | sun | 0.2 |
| cold | rain | 0.3 |

Factors

- A **factor** is a multi-dimensional array to represent $P(Y_1 \dots Y_N | X_1 \dots X_M)$
 - If a variable is assigned (represented with lower-case), its dimension is missing (selected) from the array

- Single conditional: $P(Y | x)$

- Entries $P(y | x)$ for fixed x , all y
- Sums to 1

$P(W|cold)$

| T | W | P |
|------|------|-----|
| cold | sun | 0.4 |
| cold | rain | 0.6 |

assign
condition

- Family of conditionals:

$P(X | Y)$

- Multiple conditionals
- Entries $P(x | y)$ for all x, y
- Sums to $|Y|$

$P(W|T)$

| T | W | P |
|------|------|-----|
| hot | sun | 0.8 |
| | rain | 0.2 |
| cold | sun | 0.4 |
| | rain | 0.6 |

$P(W|hot)$

$P(W|cold)$

Factors

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- Specified family: $P(y | X)$

- Entries $P(y | x)$ for fixed y ,
but for all x
- Sums to ... who knows!

$$P(\text{rain}|T)$$

| T | W | P |
|------|------|-----|
| hot | rain | 0.2 |
| cold | rain | 0.6 |

$$\} P(\text{rain}|\text{hot})$$

$$\} P(\text{rain}|\text{cold})$$

Example: Traffic Domain

- Random Variables
 - R: Raining
 - T: Traffic
 - L: Late for class!

$$P(L) = ?$$

$$= \sum_{r,t} P(r, t, L)$$

$$= \sum_{r,t} P(r) P(t|r) P(L|t)$$



$$P(R)$$

| | |
|----|-----|
| +r | 0.1 |
| -r | 0.9 |

$$P(T|R)$$

2d

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +r | +t | 0.8 |
| +r | -t | 0.2 |
| -r | +t | 0.1 |
| -r | -t | 0.9 |

$$P(L|T)$$

1

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |

2d

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |

Running Example: Traffic Domain

- Initial factors are local CPTs (one per node)

$$P(R)$$

| | |
|----|-----|
| +r | 0.1 |
| -r | 0.9 |

$$P(T|R)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +r | +t | 0.8 |
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| -r | -t | 0.9 |

$$P(L|T)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |

- Any known values are selected

- E.g. if we know $L = +l$, the initial factors are

$$P(R)$$

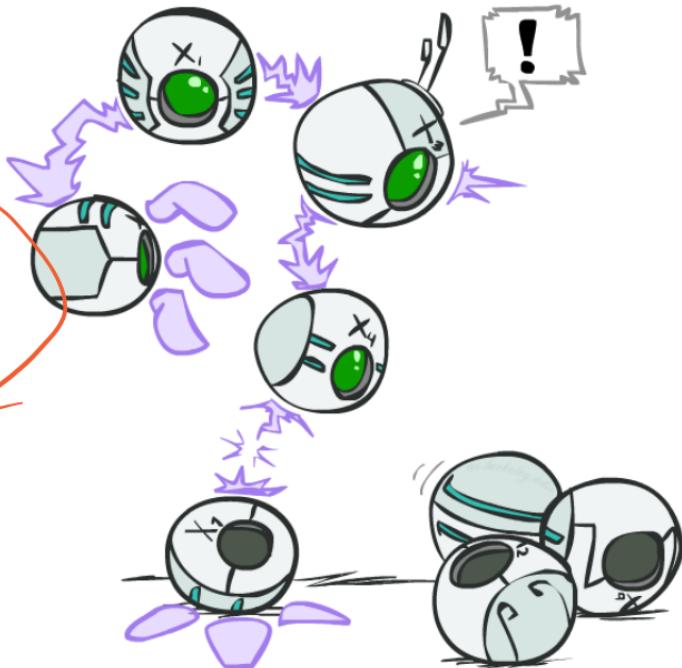
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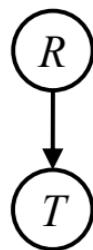
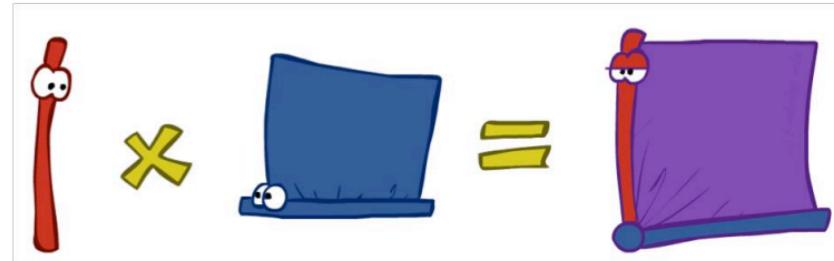
$$P(+l|T)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |



Operation 1: Join Factors

- First basic operation: joining factors
 - Just like a database join
 - Given multiple factors, build a new factor over the union of the variables involved
 - Each entry is computed by pointwise products
- Example: join on R



$$P(R) \times P(T|R)$$

| | |
|----|-----|
| +r | 0.1 |
| -r | 0.9 |

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +r | +t | 0.8 |
| +r | -t | 0.2 |
| -r | +t | 0.1 |
| -r | -t | 0.9 |



$$P(R, T)$$

2d

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| +r | +t | 0.08 |
| +r | -t | 0.02 |
| -r | +t | 0.09 |
| -r | -t | 0.81 |

R, T

$$\forall r, t : P(r, t) = P(r) \cdot P(t|r)$$

Operation 2: Eliminate

- Second basic operation: **eliminating a variable**
 - Take a factor and sum out (marginalize) a variable
- Example:

$$P(R, T)$$

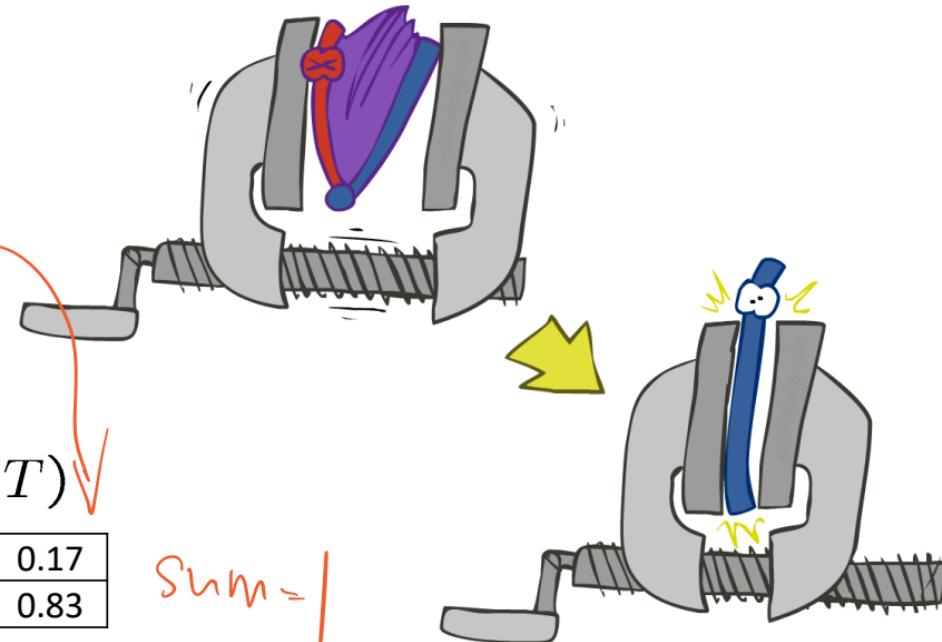
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sum R

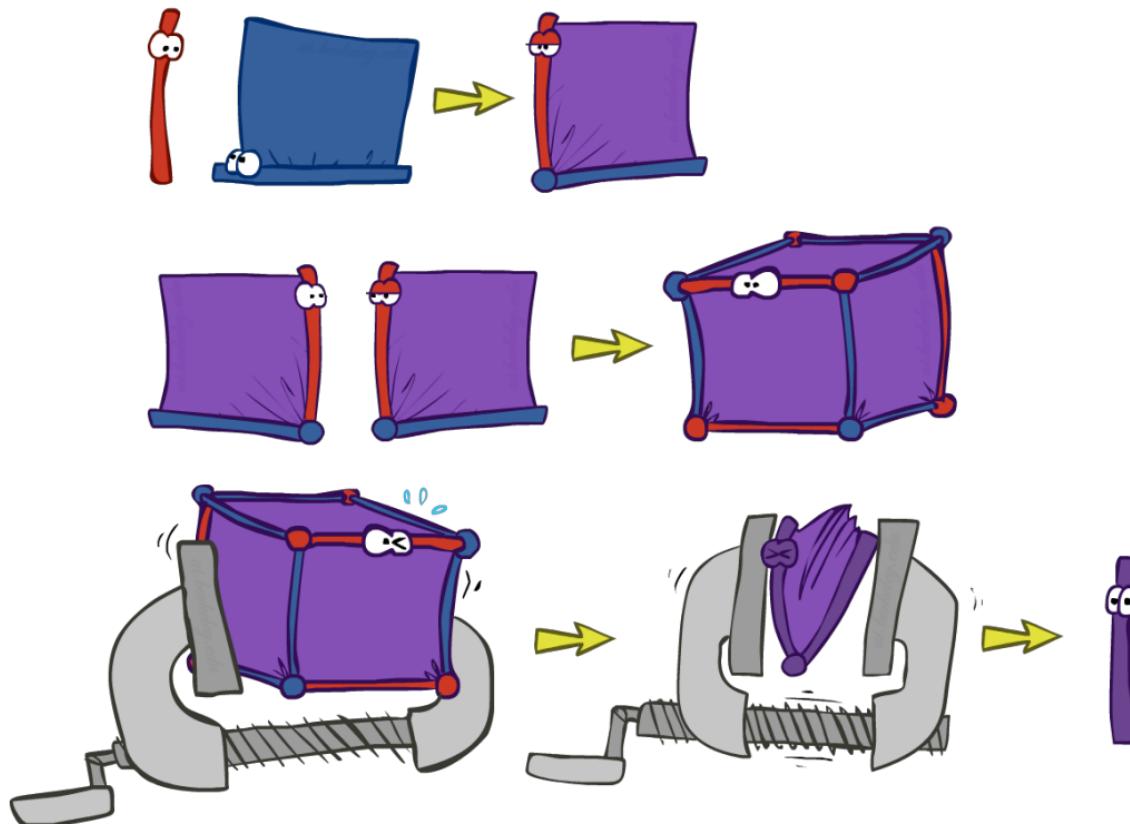
$$P(T)$$

| | |
|----|------|
| +t | 0.17 |
| -t | 0.83 |

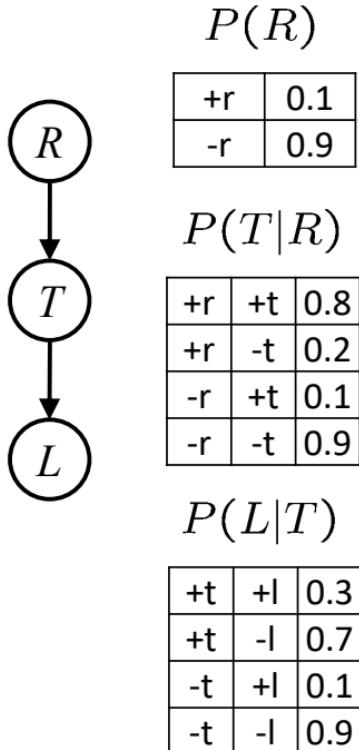
Sum = |



Inference by Enumeration in BN = Multiple Join + Multiple Eliminate



Computing $P(L)$: Multiple Joins

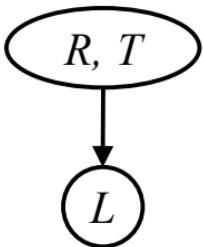


$P(R, T)$

| +r | +t | 0.08 |
|----|----|------|
| +r | -t | 0.02 |
| -r | +t | 0.09 |
| -r | -t | 0.81 |

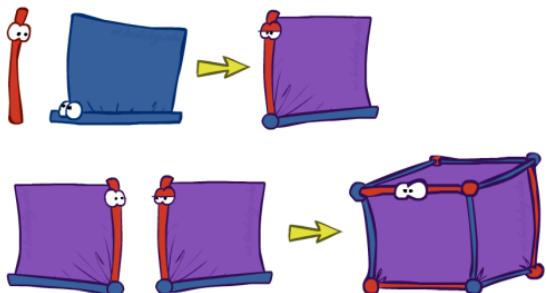
$P(L|T)$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |



$P(R, T, L)$

| +r | +t | +l | 0.024 |
|----|----|----|-------|
| +r | +t | -l | 0.056 |
| +r | -t | +l | 0.002 |
| +r | -t | -l | 0.018 |
| -r | +t | +l | 0.027 |
| -r | +t | -l | 0.063 |
| -r | -t | +l | 0.081 |
| -r | -t | -l | 0.729 |

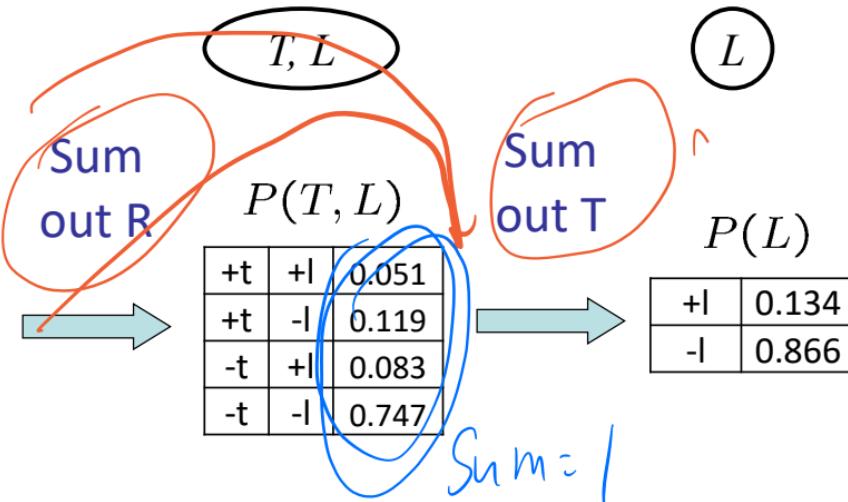


Computing $P(L)$: Multiple Elimination

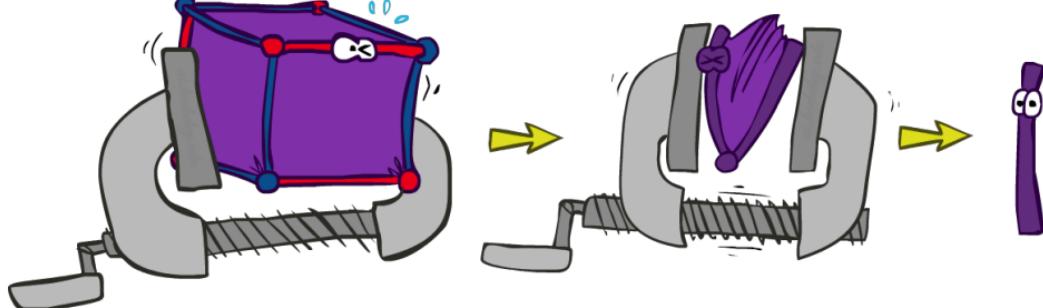
$P(R, T, L)$

| R | T | L | |
|------|------|------|-------|
| $+r$ | $+t$ | $+l$ | 0.024 |
| $+r$ | $+t$ | $-l$ | 0.056 |
| $+r$ | $-t$ | $+l$ | 0.002 |
| $+r$ | $-t$ | $-l$ | 0.018 |
| $-r$ | $+t$ | $+l$ | 0.027 |
| $-r$ | $+t$ | $-l$ | 0.063 |
| $-r$ | $-t$ | $+l$ | 0.081 |
| $-r$ | $-t$ | $-l$ | 0.729 |

R, T, L



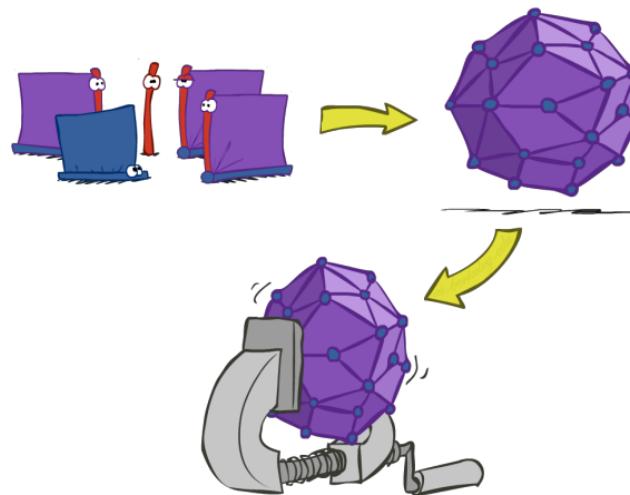
A factor of exponential size!



Inference by Enumeration vs. Variable Elimination

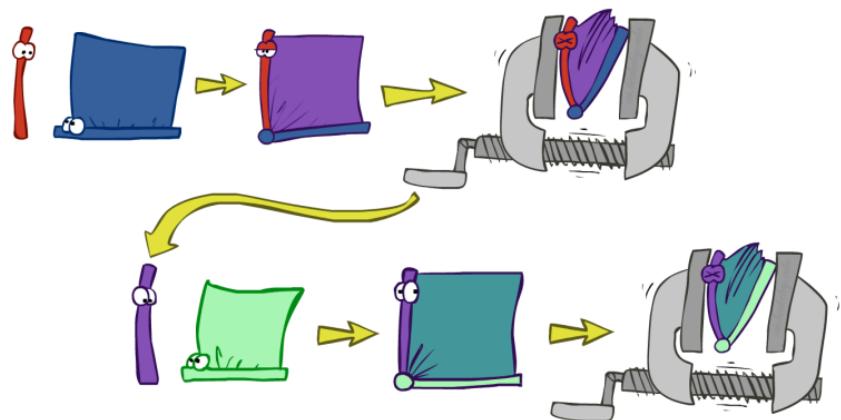
- Why is inference by enumeration so slow?

- You join up the whole joint distribution before you sum out the hidden variables



- Idea: interleave joining and elimination!

- Called “Variable Elimination”
 - Still NP-hard, but usually much faster than inference by enumeration



Inference by Enumeration

- General case:

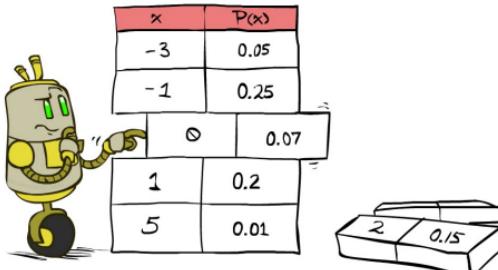
- Evidence variables: $E_1 \dots E_k = e_1 \dots e_k$
- Query* variable: Q
- Hidden variables: $H_1 \dots H_r$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E_1 \dots E_k = e_1 \dots e_k \\ Q \\ H_1 \dots H_r \end{array} \right\} X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$$

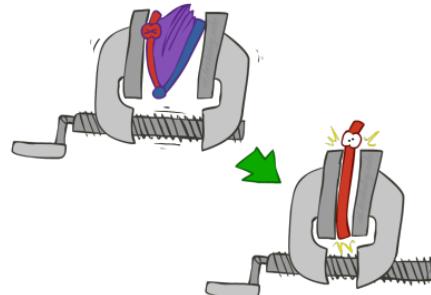
All variables

* Works fine with multiple query variables, too

- Step 1: Select the entries consistent with the evidence



- Step 2: Sum out H to get joint of Query and evidence



▪ Compute joint

$$P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_r} \underbrace{P(Q, h_1 \dots h_r, e_1 \dots e_k)}_{\text{Compute joint}}$$

- Sum out hidden variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n

- We want:

$$P(Q | e_1 \dots e_k)$$

- Step 3: Normalize

$$\times \frac{1}{Z}$$

$$Z = \sum_q P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k)$$

$$P(Q | e_1 \dots e_k) = \frac{1}{Z} P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k)$$

Variable Elimination

- Query: $P(Q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$

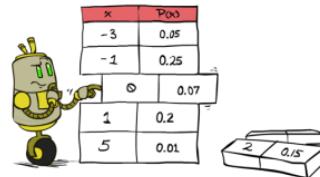
- Start with initial factors:

- Local CPTs (but instantiated by evidence)

- While there are still hidden variables (not Q or evidence):

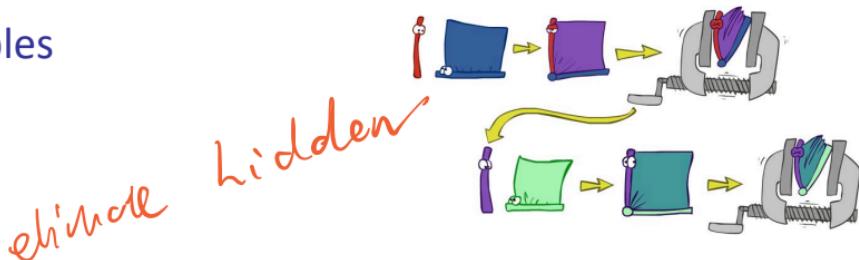
- Pick a hidden variable H
- Join all factors mentioning H
- Eliminate (sum out) H

- Join all remaining factors and normalize



A cartoon robot with a yellow body and a grey head is standing next to a table. The table has a header row 'x' and 'P(x)' and four data rows: (-3, 0.05), (-1, 0.25), (1, 0.2), and (5, 0.01). To the right of the table is a small box labeled 'Z' with the value 0.15.

| x | P(x) |
|----|------|
| -3 | 0.05 |
| -1 | 0.25 |
| 1 | 0.2 |
| 5 | 0.01 |




$$\frac{1}{Z}$$

The equation shows the normalization factor Z as a fraction with 1 in the numerator and a product of terms in the denominator. The terms include a red flag icon, a blue flag icon, an equals sign, and a purple flag icon. This represents the sum of the products of all factors and their evidence values.

Traffic Domain



$$P(L) = ?$$

- Inference by Enumeration

$$= \sum_t \sum_r P(L|t)P(r)P(t|r)$$

Join on r

Join on t

Eliminate r

Eliminate t

- Variable Elimination

$$= \sum_t P(L|t) \sum_r P(r)P(t|r)$$

Join on r

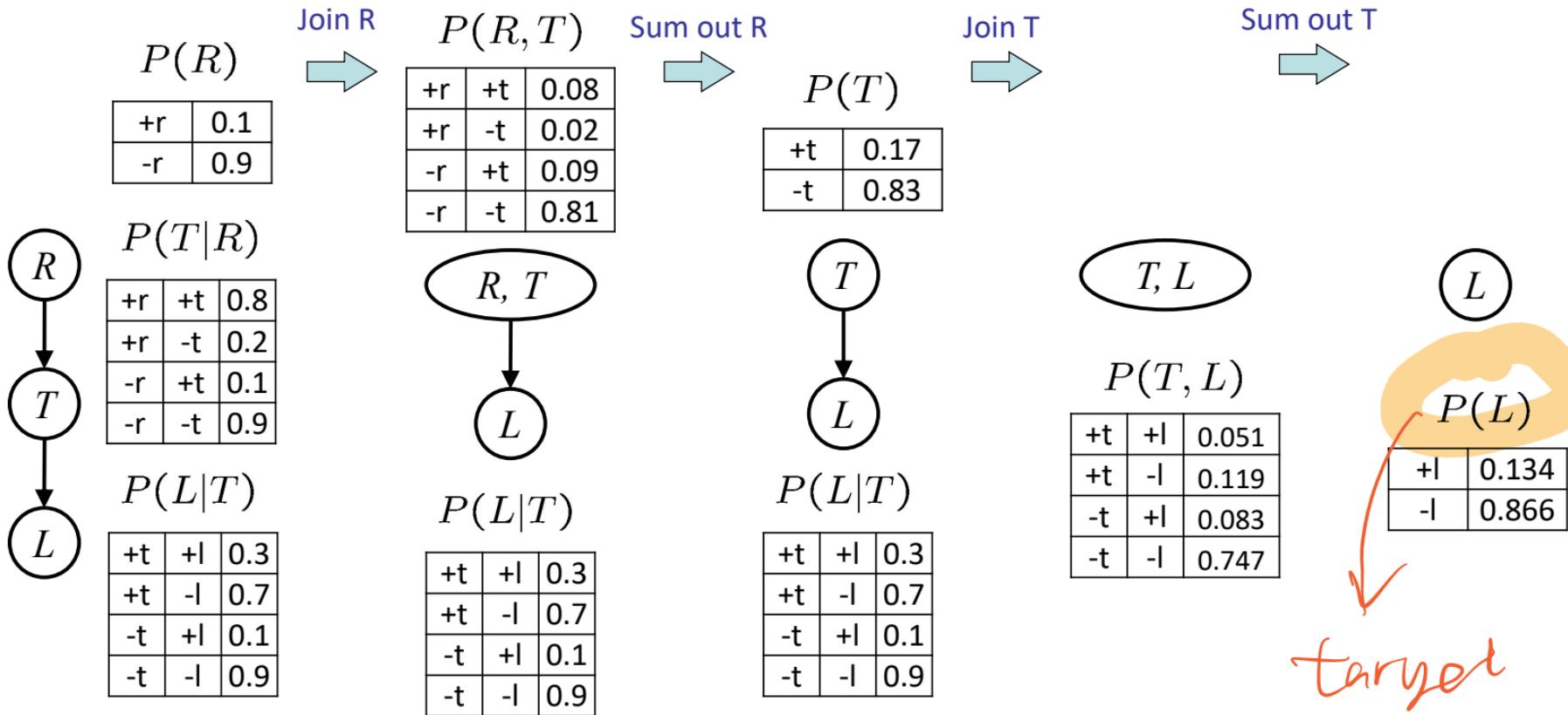
Eliminate r

Join on t

Eliminate t

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Marginalizing Early! (aka VE)



Evidence

- If evidence, start with factors that select that evidence

- No evidence uses these initial factors:

$$P(R)$$

| | |
|----|-----|
| +r | 0.1 |
| -r | 0.9 |

$$P(T|R)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +r | +t | 0.8 |
| +r | -t | 0.2 |
| -r | +t | 0.1 |
| -r | -t | 0.9 |

$$P(L|T)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |

- Computing $P(L|+r)$ the initial factors become:

$$P(+r)$$

| | |
|----|-----|
| +r | 0.1 |
|----|-----|

$$P(T|+r)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +r | +t | 0.8 |
| +r | -t | 0.2 |

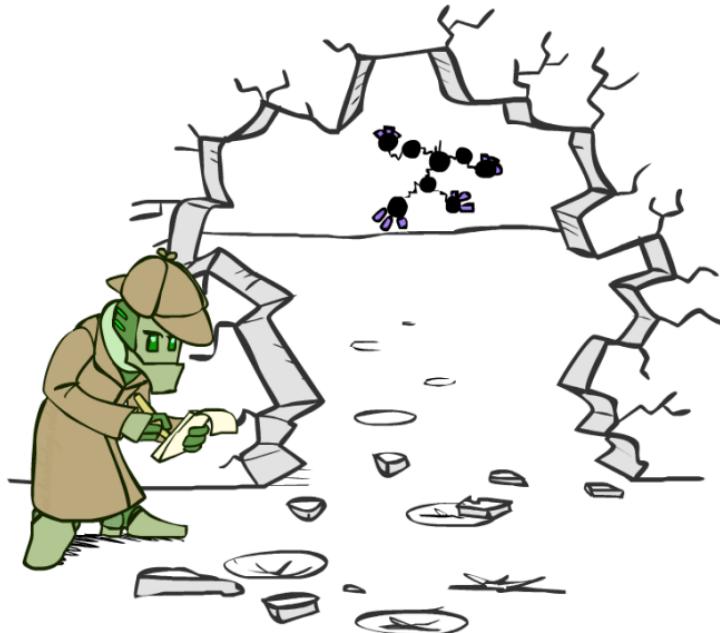
$$P(L|T)$$

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| +t | +l | 0.3 |
| +t | -l | 0.7 |
| -t | +l | 0.1 |
| -t | -l | 0.9 |

Select evidence

- We eliminate all vars other than query + evidence

(There)



Evidence II

- Result will be a selected joint of query and evidence
 - E.g. for $P(L | +r)$, we would end up with:

$P(+r, L)$

| | | |
|----|----|-------|
| +r | +l | 0.026 |
| +r | -l | 0.074 |

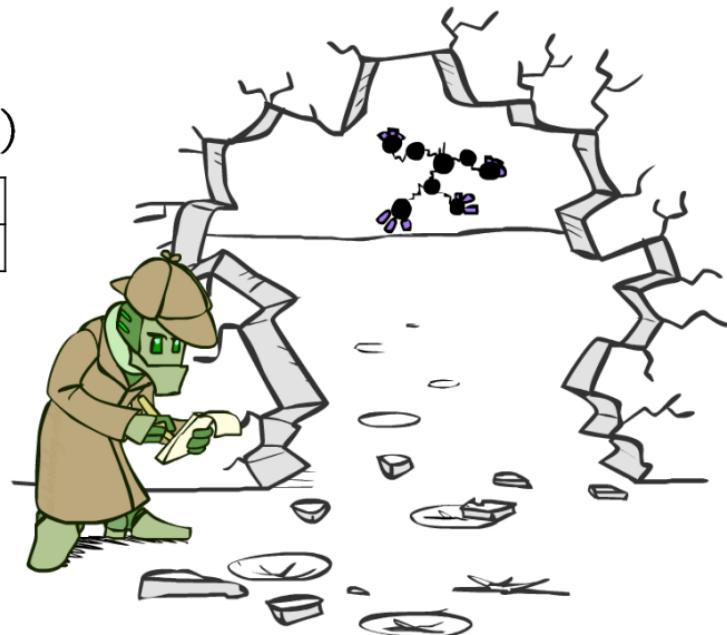
Normalize

$P(L | +r)$

| | |
|----|------|
| +l | 0.26 |
| -l | 0.74 |

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- To get our answer, just normalize this!
- That's it!

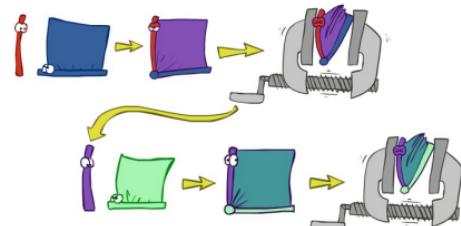


General Variable Elimination

- Query: $P(Q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$
t^h may be multi
- Start with initial factors:
 - Local CPTs (but instantiated by evidence)
- While there are still hidden variables (not Q or evidence):
 - Pick a hidden variable H
 - Join all factors mentioning H
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| 1 | 0.2 |
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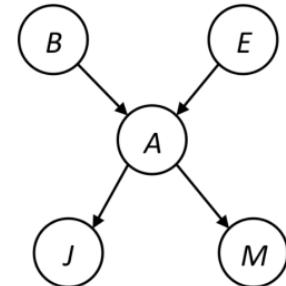
$$f * \text{Flag} = \text{Purple Cloth} \quad \times \frac{1}{Z}$$

*Same thing:
only diff: normalized*

Example

$$P(B|j, m) \propto P(B, j, m)$$

| | | | | |
|------------------|--------|-------------|----------|----------|
| $P(B)$ | $P(E)$ | $P(A B, E)$ | $P(j A)$ | $P(m A)$ |
| <i>selected.</i> | | | | |



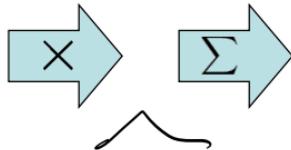
Choose A

$$P(A|B, E)$$

$$P(j|A)$$

$$P(m|A)$$

eliminate A



$$P(j, m|B, E)$$

$$P(j, m, A|B, E)$$

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| | | |
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| $P(B)$ | $P(E)$ | $P(j, m B, E)$ |
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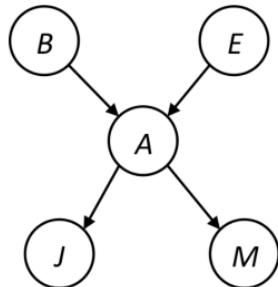
Example

| | | |
|--------|--------|----------------|
| $P(B)$ | $P(E)$ | $P(j, m B, E)$ |
|--------|--------|----------------|

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Choose E

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P(E) & \xrightarrow{\times} & P(j, m|B) \\ P(j, m|B, E) & \xrightarrow{\sum} & \end{array}$$



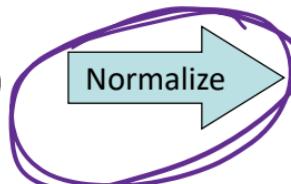
| | |
|--------|-------------|
| $P(B)$ | $P(j, m B)$ |
|--------|-------------|

Finish with B

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P(B) & \xrightarrow{\times} & P(j, m, B) \\ P(j, m|B) & & \end{array}$$

Normalize

$P(B|j, m)$



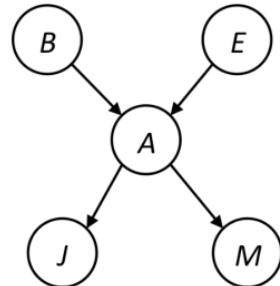
Same Example in Equations

$$P(B|j, m) \propto P(B, j, m)$$

| $P(B)$ | $P(E)$ | $P(A B, E)$ | $P(j A)$ | $P(m A)$ |
|--------|--------|-------------|----------|----------|
|--------|--------|-------------|----------|----------|

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(B|j, m) &\propto P(B, j, m) \\
 &= \sum_{e,a} P(B, j, m, e, a) && \text{marginal can be obtained from joint by summing out} \\
 &= \sum_{e,a} P(B)P(e)P(a|B, e)P(j|a)P(m|a) && \text{use Bayes' net joint distribution expression} \\
 &= \sum_e P(B)P(e) \sum_a P(a|B, e)P(j|a)P(m|a) && \text{use } x^*(y+z) = xy + xz \\
 &= \sum_e P(B)P(e)f_1(B, e, j, m) && \text{joining on } a, \text{ and then summing out gives } f_1 \\
 &= P(B) \sum_e P(e)f_1(B, e, j, m) && \text{use } x^*(y+z) = xy + xz \\
 &= P(B)f_2(B, j, m) && \text{joining on } e, \text{ and then summing out gives } f_2
 \end{aligned}$$

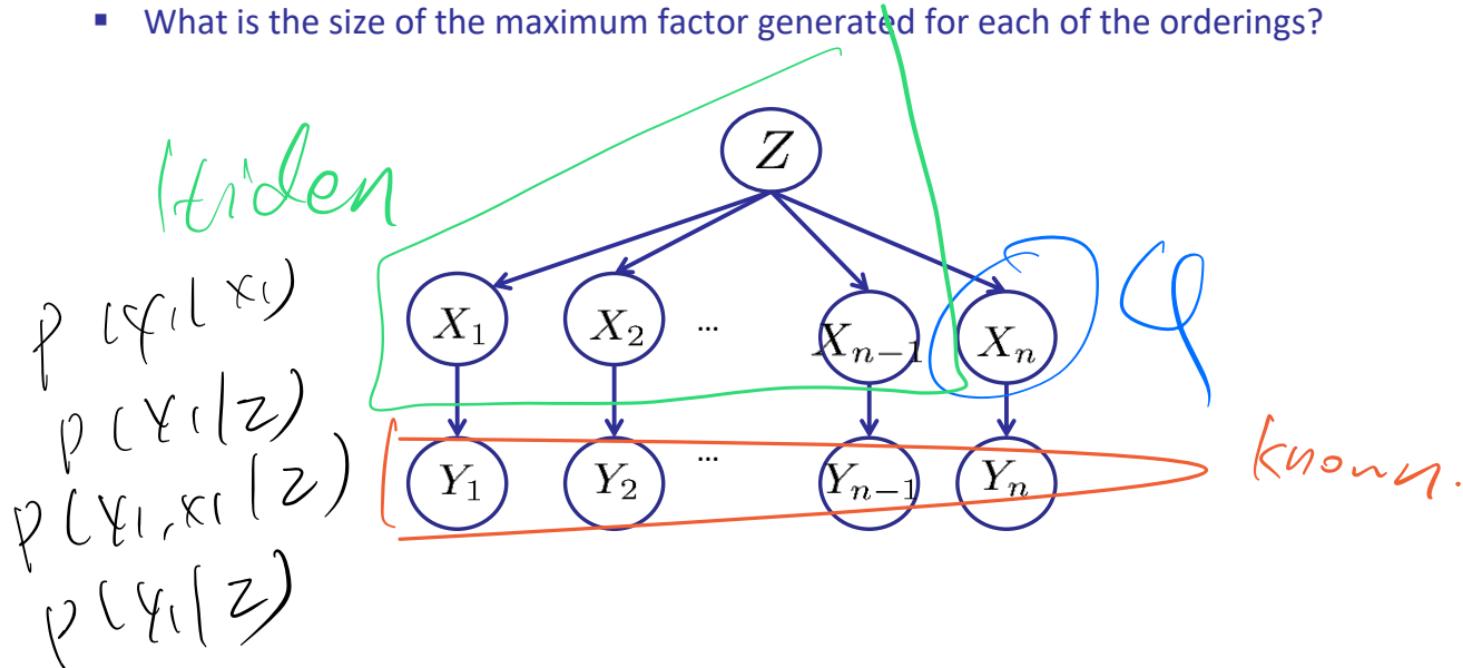
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All we are doing is exploiting $uwy + uwz + uxy + uxz + vwy + vwz + vxy + vxz = (u+v)(w+x)(y+z)$ to improve computational efficiency!

Variable Elimination Ordering

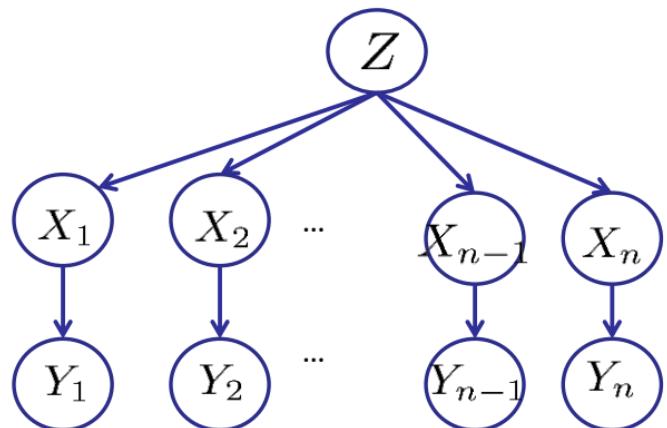
- Query: $P(X_n | y_1, \dots, y_n)$
- Two different orderings: Z, X_1, \dots, X_{n-1} and X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}, Z .
- What is the size of the maximum factor generated for each of the orderings?



Variable Elimination Ordering

- Z, X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}

$$P(Z)P(X_1|Z)P(X_2|Z), \dots, P(X_n|Z)$$



$$f_1(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$



$$f_2(y_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$



$$f_3(y_1, y_2, \dots, X_n)$$

⋮

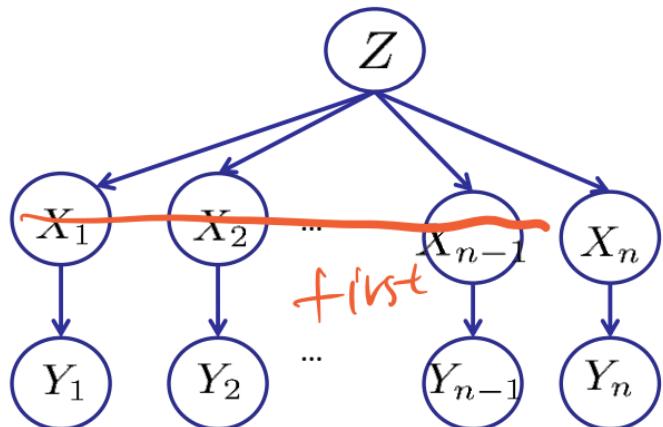
$$2^{n+1}$$

$$\cancel{P(X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}, Z)}$$

Variable Elimination Ordering

- X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}, Z

good ordering



$$P(X_1|Z)P(y_1|X_1)$$



$$f_1(Z, y_1)$$

⋮

$$f_1(Z, y_1), f_2(Z, y_2), \dots, f_{n-1}(Z, y_{n-1}), P(Z), P(X_n|Z)$$



$$f_n(X_n, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})$$

⋮

known

$$2^2$$

VE: Computational Complexity

- The size of the largest factor determines the time and space complexity of VE
- The elimination ordering can greatly affect the size of the largest factor.
 - E.g., previous slide's example 2^{n+1} vs. 2^2
- Does there always exist an ordering that only results in small factors?
 - No!

NP-hard

vector
elimination

Reduction from 3SAT

$$(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg x_3) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee x_3 \vee \neg x_4) \wedge (x_2 \vee \neg x_2 \vee x_4) \wedge (\neg x_3 \vee \neg x_4 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (x_2 \vee x_5 \vee x_7) \wedge (x_4 \vee x_5 \vee x_6) \wedge (\neg x_5 \vee x_6 \vee \neg x_7) \wedge (\neg x_5 \vee \neg x_6 \vee x_7)$$

$$P(X_i = 0) = P(X_i = 1) = 0.5$$

$$Y_1 = X_1 \vee X_2 \vee \neg X_3$$

...

$$Y_8 = \neg X_5 \vee X_6 \vee X_7$$

$$Y_{1,2} = Y_1 \wedge Y_2$$

...

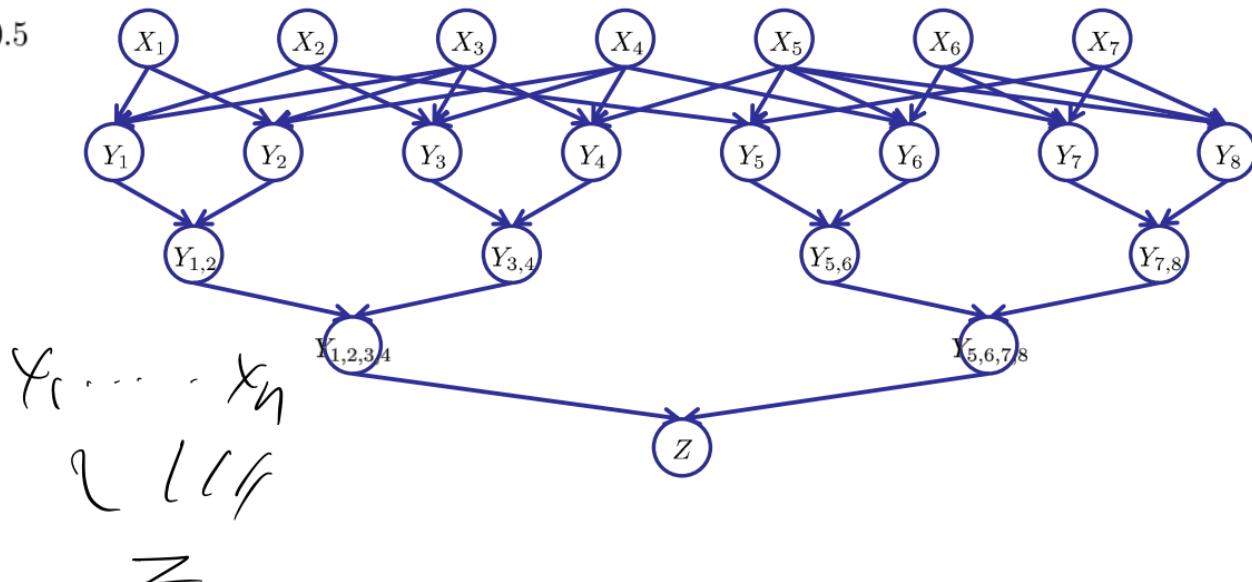
$$Y_{7,8} = Y_7 \wedge Y_8$$

$$Y_{1,2,3,4} = Y_{1,2} \wedge Y_{3,4}$$

$$Y_{5,6,7,8} = Y_{5,6} \wedge Y_{7,8}$$

$$Z = Y_{1,2,3,4} \wedge Y_{5,6,7,8}$$

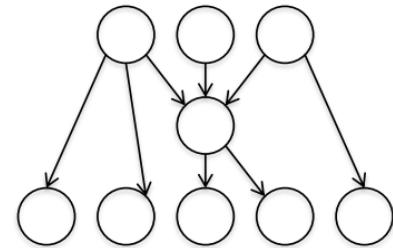
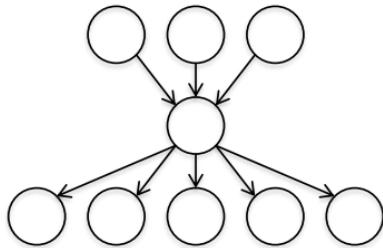
$$P(Z)$$



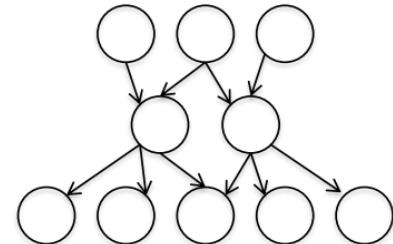
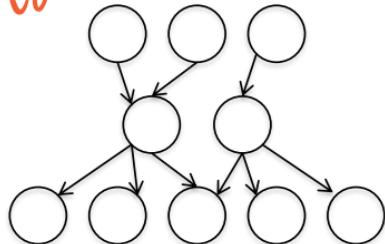
- If we can answer $P(z)$ equal to zero or not, we answered whether the 3-SAT problem has a solution.
- Hence inference in Bayes' nets is NP-hard. No known efficient probabilistic inference in general.

Polytrees

- A polytree is a directed graph with no undirected cycles

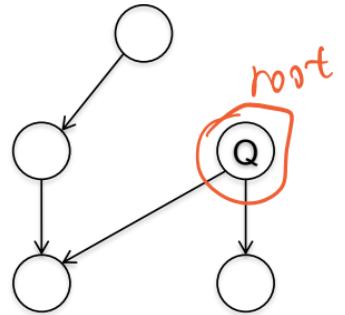


can always find
efficient methods -

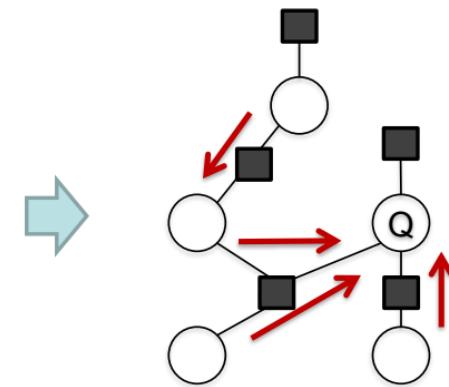


Variable Elimination on Polytrees

- For poly-tree BNs, the complexity of VE is **linear in the BN size** (number of CPT entries) with the following elimination ordering:
 - Convert to a factor graph
 - Take Q as the root
 - Eliminate from the leaves towards the root



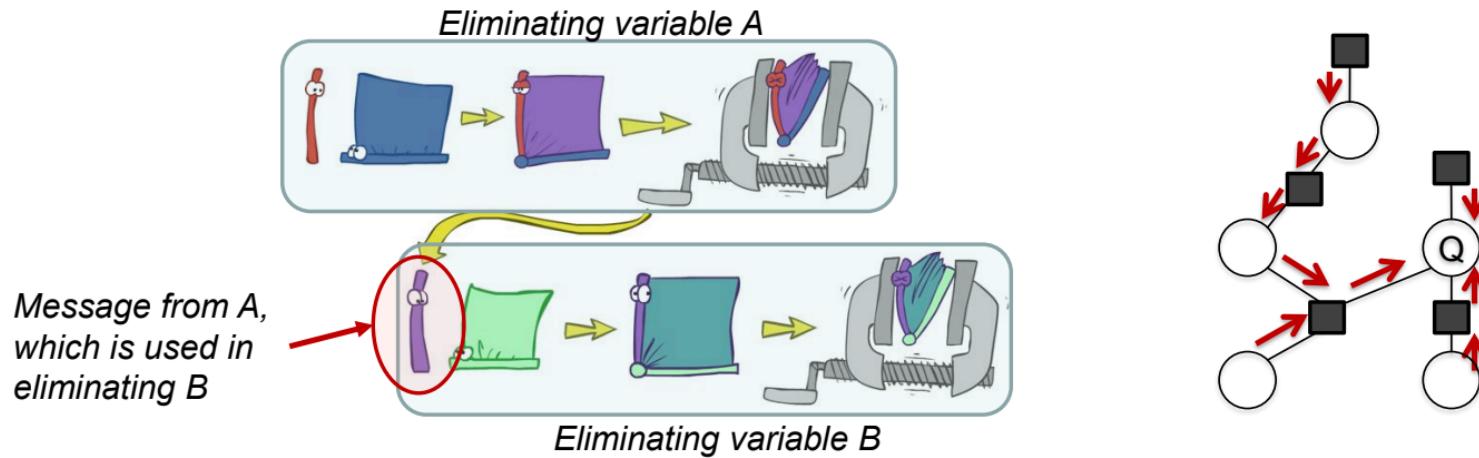
Bayesian Network



Factor Graph

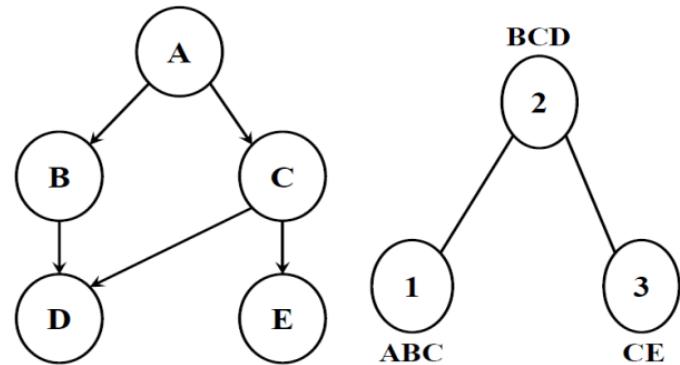
Variable Elimination on Polytrees

- VE for poly-tree BNs is equivalent to
 - Sum-product message passing algorithm or belief propagation algorithm (i.e., passing messages/beliefs from leaf nodes to the root node)



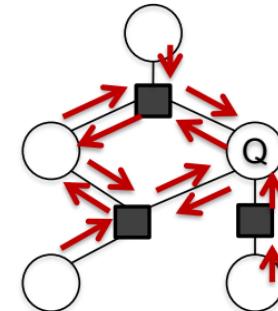
Message Passing on General Graphs

- Exact inference: Junction Tree Algorithm
 - Group individual nodes to form cluster nodes in such a way that the resulting network is a polytree (called a **junction tree** or **join tree**)
 - Run a sum-product-like algorithm on the junction tree.
 - *Intractable* on graphs with large cliques (i.e., large **tree-width**).



Message Passing on General Graphs

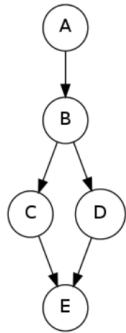
- Approximate inference: Loopy Belief Propagation
 - Simply pass the messages on the general graph
 - Will not terminate with loops
 - Run until convergence (not guaranteed!)
 - *Approximate* but *tractable* for large graphs.
 - Sometime works well, sometimes not at all.



Summary

- Exact inference of Bayesian networks
 - Enumeration
 - exponential complexity
 - Variable Eliminating
 - worst-case exponential complexity, often better
 - VE on polytrees
 - linear complexity
 - = message passing
 - Message passing on general graphs
 - Junction Tree Algorithm
 - Loopy Belief Propagation: no longer exact

Assume the following Bayes Net and corresponding CPTs. In this exercise, we are given the query $P(C|e=1)$, and we will complete the tables for each factor generated during the elimination process.



$$P(C, e=1)$$

$$P(e=1 | C, D)$$

After introducing evidence, we have the following probability tables.

| B = 0 | | | B = 1 | | |
|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|
| | B | A | C | D | P(e=1 C, D) |
| A | P(A) | | | | |
| 0 | 0.900 | 0 0 | 0.700 | 0 0 | 0.400 |
| 1 | 0.100 | 1 0 | 0.300 | 1 0 | 0.600 |
| | | 0 1 | 0.500 | 0 1 | 0.400 |
| | | 1 1 | 0.500 | 1 1 | 0.600 |

| B = 1 | | | B = 0 | | | | | | |
|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-----|-------|-----------------|
| | C | B | P(C B) | D | B | P(D B) | C | D | P(e = 1 C, D) |
| C | P(C B) | | | D | P(D B) | | | | |
| 0 | 0 0 | 0.400 | 0 0 | 0.300 | 0 0 | 0.400 | 0 0 | 0.300 | 0 0 |
| 1 | 1 0 | 0.600 | 1 0 | 0.700 | 1 0 | 0.600 | 1 0 | 0.700 | 1 0 |
| | 0 1 | 0.400 | 0 1 | 0.400 | 0 1 | 0.400 | 0 1 | 0.400 | 0 1 |
| | 1 1 | 0.600 | 1 1 | 0.900 | 1 1 | 0.600 | 1 1 | 0.900 | 1 1 |

Three steps are required for elimination, with the resulting factors listed below:

Step 1: eliminate A. We get the factor $f_1(B) = \sum_a P(a)P(B|a)$.

Step 2: eliminate B. We get the factor $f_2(C, D) = \sum_b P(C|b)P(D|b)f_1(b)$.

Step 3: eliminate D. We get the factor $f_3(C, e=1) = \sum_d P(e=1|C,d)f_2(C, d)$.

Complete the tables below for the factors generated during elimination.

| B | $f_1 : P(B)$ |
|---|--------------|
| 0 | Blank 1 |
| 1 | Blank 2 |

| C | D | $f_2 : P(C, D)$ |
|---|---|-----------------|
| 0 | 0 | Blank 3 |
| 0 | 1 | Blank 4 |
| 1 | 0 | 0.306 |
| 1 | 1 | 0.458 |

$$P(C=0, e=0)$$

$$P(C=1, e=0)$$

$$P(C=0, e=1)$$

$$P(C=1, e=1)$$

Sum up D: +d, -d

C = 1

After getting the final factor $P(C, e=1)$, a final renormalization step needs be carried out to obtain the conditional probability $P(C|e=1)$. Please fill into the table below the final conditional probability.

| C | $P(C e = 1)$ |
|---|----------------|
| 0 | Blank 6 |
| 1 | Blank 7 |

Blank 6 = _____
Blank 7 = _____

normalize!