

Advanced Machine Learning - HW #2

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Question 2

Show that the tree-width of a 2D graph of size (m, m) is at most m

Recall tree-width is defined as:

“The minimum size of the maximum clique [in the induced graph], over all elimination orders, minus one”.

Thus, our strategy will be to show an elimination order which has a maximal clique of size m . The minimum over all elimination orders cannot exceed this value so the tree-width of the grid will be at most m (well, $m - 1$, but “at most m ” holds too). We shall show that eliminating columns of the grid, top to bottom, sequentially results in a maximal clique of size m over the entire elimination.

Denote the variables of column i as $\{x_1^i, \dots, x_m^i\}$.

Removing the first column:

After removing x_1^1 we end up with:

$$\tau(x_2^1, x_1^2) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } x_1^1\}} \phi(x_i, x_j)$$

After removal of x_k^1 for $k < m$:

$$\tau(x_{k+1}^1, x_k^2, \dots, x_1^2) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } \{x_1^1, \dots, x_k^1\}\}} \phi(x_i, x_j)$$

Removing x_{m-1}^1 , we get a factor of size m , and will thus have a clique of size m . We will show that during the rest of the process no factor larger than m will appear. Continuing:

After removal of x_m^1 we have:

$$\tau(x_m^2, \dots, x_1^2) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } \{x_1^1, \dots, x_m^1\}\}} \phi(x_i, x_j) \quad (1)$$

Removing columns 2 to m-1:

second column, removing x_1^2 we arrive at:

$$\tau(x_m^2, \dots, x_1^3) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } \{x_1^1, \dots, x_m^1, x_1^2\}\}} \phi(x_i, x_j)$$

Removing x_k^2 for $k < m$:

$$\tau(x_m^2, \dots, x_{k+1}^2, x_k^3, \dots, x_1^3) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } \{x_1^1, \dots, x_m^1, x_1^2, \dots, x_k^2\}\}} \phi(x_i, x_j)$$

Removing x_m^2 :

$$\tau(x_m^3, \dots, x_1^3) \prod_{i,j \in E \setminus \{\text{edges involving } \{x_1^1, \dots, x_m^1, x_1^2, \dots, x_k^2\}\}} \phi(x_i, x_j)$$

Note: at this point we arrive at a structure similar to (1). We continue this way, repeating the same steps as in removing the second column until we arrive at the last column.

Removing the last column:

At this point we have:

$$\tau(x_m^m, \dots, x_1^m)$$

The last column is removed one by one as the single remaining factor is replaced by one with one variable less at each stage.

In total we have seen a maximal factor of size m . As we know this corresponds with a maximal clique size of size m . Thus, the tree-width cannot exceed m .

Question 3

“Consider the sum-product message update on a tree graph. But, consider the case where all messages are updated simultaneously. Namely:

$$m_{ij}^{t+1}(x_j) = \sum_{x_i} \phi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{ki}^t(x_i)$$

Show that this converges to the true marginals at iteration $t = n$.”

Initialization:

$$\forall ij \in E : m_{ij}^0 = \begin{cases} \sum_{x_i} \phi(x_i, x_j) & \text{i is a leaf} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Recall our definition for a message between i and j :

$$m_{ij}(x_j) = \sum_{x_i} \phi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{ki}(x_i) \quad (2)$$

Claim:

At iteration t : m_{ij}^t holds the correct message value, function (2) we defined above, for all nodes whose longest path to any descendent is at most t . For all other nodes $m_{ij}^t = 0$ (0 as a constant function).

[Note: the notion of “children of a node” is on a per-message basis. For message m_{ij}^t from node i to node j , we “treat” j as the root and the descendents of node i are defined as such.]

Proof of claim - by induction:

Base case $t = 0$. Leaves are the only nodes “whose longest path to any child is at most 0”. Because leaves have only one neighbour - their parent, they do not receive any messages and the value we have computed for leaves upon initialization is the correct value of their message. For all non-leaf nodes, initialization was to 0 and the claim holds.

Assume for $k - 1$. We now calculate m_{ij}^k as defined. Let x_i be some node whose longest path to any descendent is at most k , the longest path from any of x_i ’s children to any of their descendents is at most $k - 1$. By the inductive hypothesis their messages have been calculated correctly. Thus the update has placed the correct value in m_{ij}^k . For all other nodes, some child of theirs holds 0 and the product will be have a 0 factor for any value of x_i . \square

Main proof:

Let $p(x_i)$ be some marginal we wish to compute. From the claim above and the fact that for any tree of size n the distance from root to any of its descendents is at most n , it follows that all messages have been computed correctly. Thus, the process has converged to the true marginals and $p(x_i)$ is given by:

$$p(x_i) = \prod_{k \in N(i)} m_{ki}^n(x_i)$$

\square

Question 4

Define:

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_i(x_i) &\propto \prod_{k \in N(i)} m_{ki}(x_i) \\ \mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) &\propto \phi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} m_{ki}(x_i) \prod_{k \in N(j) \setminus i} m_{kj}(x_j)\end{aligned}$$

(a)

We should show that $p(x_i, x_j) = \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ when G is a tree.

The definition of $p(x_i, x_j)$ of an edge in a graph G is:

$$p(x_i, x_j) = \sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} p(x) = \frac{\sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E} \phi_{kl}(X_k, X_l)}{Z}$$

Because G is a tree if we remove the edge (x_i, x_j) two sub trees created with no path between x_i and x_j .

We denote the subtree with x_i as G_i and the subtree with x_j as G_j . so the above equation can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}p(x_i, x_j) &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_i)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_j)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) = \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \times \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} \left(\prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_i)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) \times \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_j)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \times \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_i)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) \times \sum_{x[n] \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_j)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l)\end{aligned}$$

Let divide each subtree G_i and G_j once more to its neighbors sub-trees

$$\begin{aligned}p(x_i, x_j) &= \frac{1}{Z} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} \sum_{s \in N(d) \setminus \{i\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_s)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l) \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} \sum_{s \in N(d) \setminus \{j\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_s)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l)\end{aligned}$$

Since $m_{di}(x_i) = \sum_{s \in N(d) \setminus \{i\}} \prod_{(k,l) \in E(G_s)} \phi_{k,l}(x_k, x_l)$ we get from the definition of

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j): \\ p(x_i, x_j) &= \frac{1}{Z} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{di}(x_i) \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j) = \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)\end{aligned}$$

(b)

On Markov net $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ so we will show that

$$\prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) = \prod_i \mu_i(x_i) \times \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)}$$

Let develop the right expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)} &= \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{di}(x_i) \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)} = \\ &= \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{di}(x_i) \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j)}{\prod_{d \in N(i)} m_{di}(x_i) \times \prod_{d \in N(j)} m_{dj}(x_j)} = \\ &= \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{m_{ij}(x_j) \times m_{ji}(x_i)} = \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\prod_i \prod_{j \in N(i)} m_{ji}(x_i)} = \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\prod_i \mu_i(x_i)} \end{aligned}$$

Place the new form in the first equation to get the result we are looking for:

$$\prod_i \mu_i(x_i) \times \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)} = \prod_i \mu_i(x_i) \times \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\prod_i \mu_i(x_i)} = \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$$

Therefore $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \prod_i \mu_i(x_i) \times \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \frac{\mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)}$

(c)

We will prove that in a fixed point of LBP we get

$$\frac{\sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i)} = 1$$

Let start with the upper expression, let say that the normalization factor of μ_{ij} is D_{ij} . so we can rewrite the expression:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) &= D_1 \times \sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{di}(x_i) \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j) \\
&= D_1 \times \prod_{d \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{di}(x_i) \times \left(\sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, let open the lower expression according to the definition of $\mu_i(x_i)$ and assume the normalization factor is D_2 :

$$\mu_i(x_i) = D_2 \times \prod_{d \in N(i)} m_{di}(x_i)$$

Combine it together we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i)} &= \frac{D_1 \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j) \times \left(\sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j) \right)}{D_2 \times \prod_{d \in N(i)} m_{di}(x_i)} = \\
&= \frac{D_1}{D_2} \times \frac{\sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j)}{m_{ji}(x_i)}
\end{aligned}$$

Now let open the $m_{ji}(x_i)$ expression, and supposed the normalization factor is D_3

$$\frac{\sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i)} = \frac{D_1}{D_2} \times \frac{\sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j)}{D_3 \times \sum_{x_j} \phi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) \times \prod_{d \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{dj}(x_j)} = \frac{D_1}{D_2 \times D_3}$$

We got that the value of this expression depends just of the normalization factors, but the normalization factors sum to 1 over all values. therefore

$$\frac{\sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i)} = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{x_j} \mu_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) = \mu_i(x_i)$$