

# (Chapter-13)

## PROBABILITY

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# Outline

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## @Probability

- ✓ Random Variables
- ✓ Joint and Marginal Distributions
- ✓ Conditional Distribution
- ✓ Product Rule, Chain Rule, Bayes' Rule
- ✓ Inference
- ✓ Independence

@You'll need all this stuff A LOT for the next few weeks, so make sure you go over it now!

# Random Variables

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@A **random variable** is some aspect of the world about which we (may) have uncertainty

- ✓  $R$  = Is it raining?
- ✓  $T$  = Is it hot or cold?
- ✓  $D$  = How long will it take to drive to work?
- ✓  $L$  = Where is the ghost?

@We denote random variables with capital letters

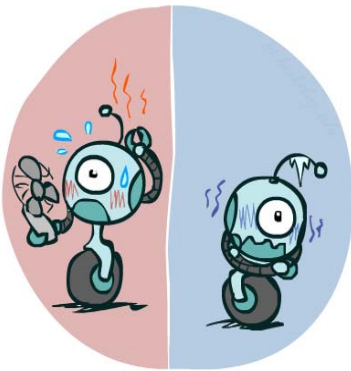
@Like variables in a CSP, random variables have domains

- ✓  $R$  in {true, false} (often write as  $\{+r, -r\}$ )
- ✓  $T$  in {hot, cold}
- ✓  $D$  in  $[0, \infty)$
- ✓  $L$  in possible locations, maybe  $\{(0,0), (0,1), \dots\}$

# Probability Distributions

☞ Associate a probability with each value

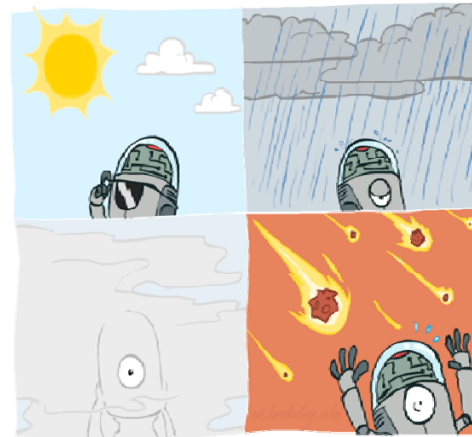
✓ Temperature:



$P(T)$

T	P
hot	0.5
cold	0.5

■ Weather:



$P(W)$

W	P
sun	0.6
rain	0.1
fog	0.3
meteor	0.0

# Probability Distributions

- Unobserved random variables have distributions

$P(T)$

T	P
hot	0.5
cold	0.5

$P(W)$

W	P
sun	0.6
rain	0.1
fog	0.3
meteor	0.0

Shorthand notation:  
OK *if* all domain entries  
are unique

$$P(hot) = P(T = hot),$$

$$P(cold) = P(T = cold),$$

$$P(rain) = P(W = rain),$$

- A distribution is a TABLE of probabilities of values

- A probability (lower case value) is a single number  $P(W = rain) = 0.1$

- Must have:  $\forall x \ P(X = x) \geq 0$  and  $\sum_x P(X = x) = 1$

# Joint Distributions

@ A *joint distribution* over a set of random variables:  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  specifies a real number for each assignment (or *outcome*):

$$P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n)$$

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

✓ **Must obey:**  $P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq 0$

$$\sum_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 1$$

@ Size of distribution if  $n$  variables with domain sizes  $d$ ?

✓ For all but the smallest distributions, impractical to write out!

$$P(T, W)$$

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

# Probabilistic Models

@A probabilistic model is a joint distribution over a set of random variables

Distribution over T,W

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

@Probabilistic models:

- ✓ (Random) variables with domains
- ✓ Assignments are called *outcomes*
- ✓ Joint distributions: say whether assignments (outcomes) are likely
- ✓ *Normalized*: sum to 1.0
- ✓ Ideally: only certain variables directly interact

Constraint over T,W

@Constraint satisfaction problems:

- ✓ Variables with domains
- ✓ Constraints: state whether assignments are possible
- ✓ Ideally: only certain variables directly interact

T	W	P
hot	sun	T
hot	rain	F
cold	sun	F
cold	rain	T

# Events

@ An *event* is a set  $E$  of outcomes

$$P(E) = \sum_{(x_1 \dots x_n) \in E} P(x_1 \dots x_n)$$

@ From a joint distribution, we can calculate the probability of any event

- ✓ Probability that it's hot AND sunny?
- ✓ Probability that it's hot?
- ✓ Probability that it's hot OR sunny?

$P(T, W)$

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

@ Typically, the events we care about are *partial assignments*, like  $P(T=\text{hot})$



# Quiz: Events

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@  $P(+x, +y)$  ?

@  $P(+x)$  ?

@  $P(-y \text{ OR } +x)$  ?

$P(X, Y)$

X	Y	P
+x	+y	0.2
+x	-y	0.3
-x	+y	0.4
-x	-y	0.1

# Marginal Distributions

- ⌚ Marginal distributions are sub-tables which eliminate variables
- ⌚ Marginalization (summing out): Combine collapsed rows by adding

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

$$P(t) = \sum_s P(t, s)$$

$$P(s) = \sum_t P(t, s)$$

T	P
hot	0.5
cold	0.5

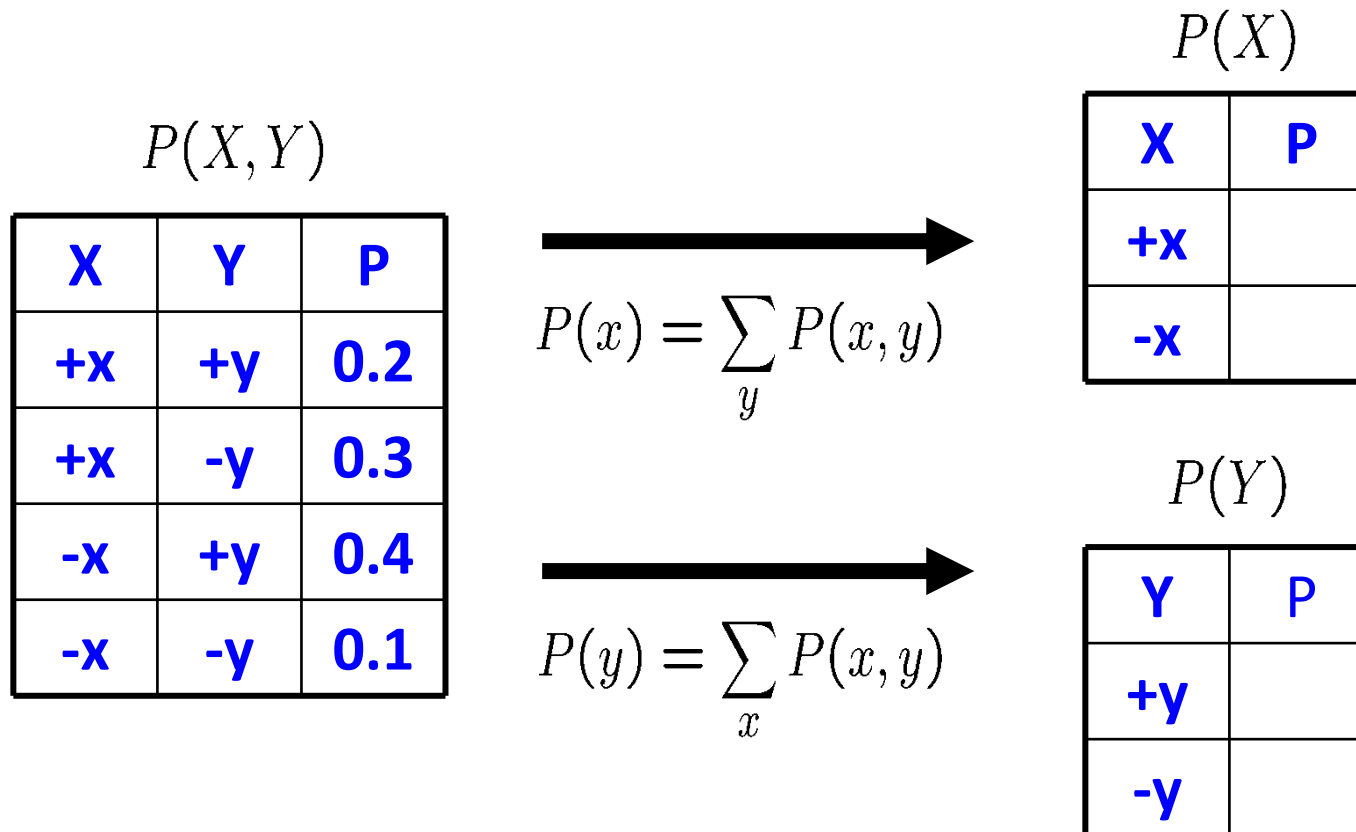
  

W	P
sun	0.6
rain	0.4

$$P(X_1 = x_1) = \sum_{x_2} P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2)$$

# Quiz: Marginal Distributions

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# Conditional Probabilities

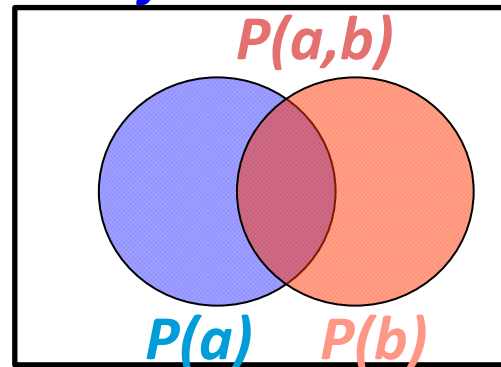
@A simple relation between joint and conditional probabilities

- ✓ In fact, this is taken as the *definition* of a conditional probability

$$P(a|b) = \frac{P(a,b)}{P(b)}$$

$$P(T, W)$$

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



$$P(W = s|T = c) = \frac{P(W = s, T = c)}{P(T = c)} = \frac{0.2}{0.5} = 0.4$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(W = s, T = c) + P(W = r, T = c) \\ &= 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

# Quiz: Conditional Probabilities

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@P(+x | +y) ?

$P(X, Y)$

X	Y	P
+x	+y	0.2
+x	-y	0.3
-x	+y	0.4
-x	-y	0.1

@P(-x | +y) ?

@P(-y | +x) ?

# Conditional Distributions

@Conditional distributions are probability distributions over some variables given fixed values of others

## Conditional Distributions

$P(W|T)$

$P(W T = hot)$	
W	P
sun	0.8
rain	0.2

$P(W T = cold)$	
W	P
sun	0.4
rain	0.6

## Joint Distribution

$P(T, W)$

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

# Normalization Trick

$P(T, W)$

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$P(T, W)$

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

**SELECT** the joint probabilities matching the evidence



$P(c, W)$

T	W	P
cold	sun	0.2
cold	rain	0.3

**NORMALIZE** the selection (make it sum to one)



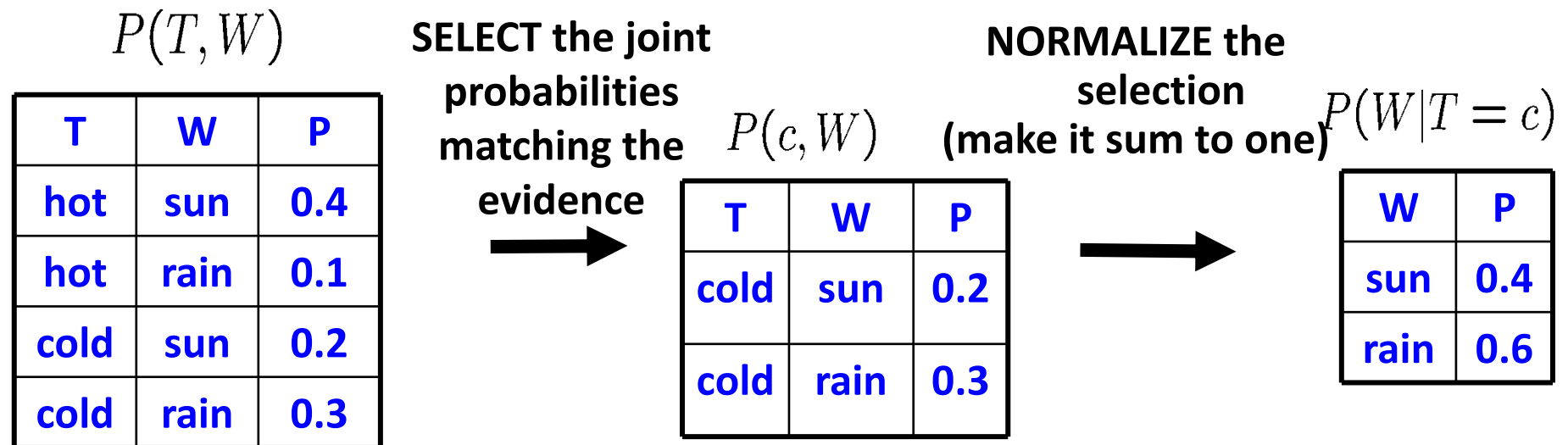
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W	P
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 &= \frac{0.3}{0.2 + 0.3} = 0.6
 \end{aligned}$$



# Normalization Trick



$$P(x_1|x_2) = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{P(x_2)} = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{\sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2)}$$

# Quiz: Normalization Trick

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@  $P(X \mid Y=-y)$  ?

$P(X, Y)$

X	Y	P
+x	+y	0.2
+x	-y	0.3
-x	+y	0.4
-x	-y	0.1

SELECT the joint  
probabilities matching  
the evidence



NORMALIZE the  
selection  
(make it sum to one)



# To Normalize

⌚ (Dictionary) To bring or restore to a normal condition

⌚ Procedure:

- ✓ Step 1: Compute  $Z = \text{sum over all entries}$
- ✓ Step 2: Divide every entry by  $Z$

All entries sum to ONE

⌚ Example 1

W	P
sun	0.2
rain	0.3

Normalize  
 $Z = 0.5$

W	P
sun	0.4
rain	0.6

■ Example 2

T	W	P
hot	sun	20
hot	rain	5
cold	sun	10
cold	rain	15

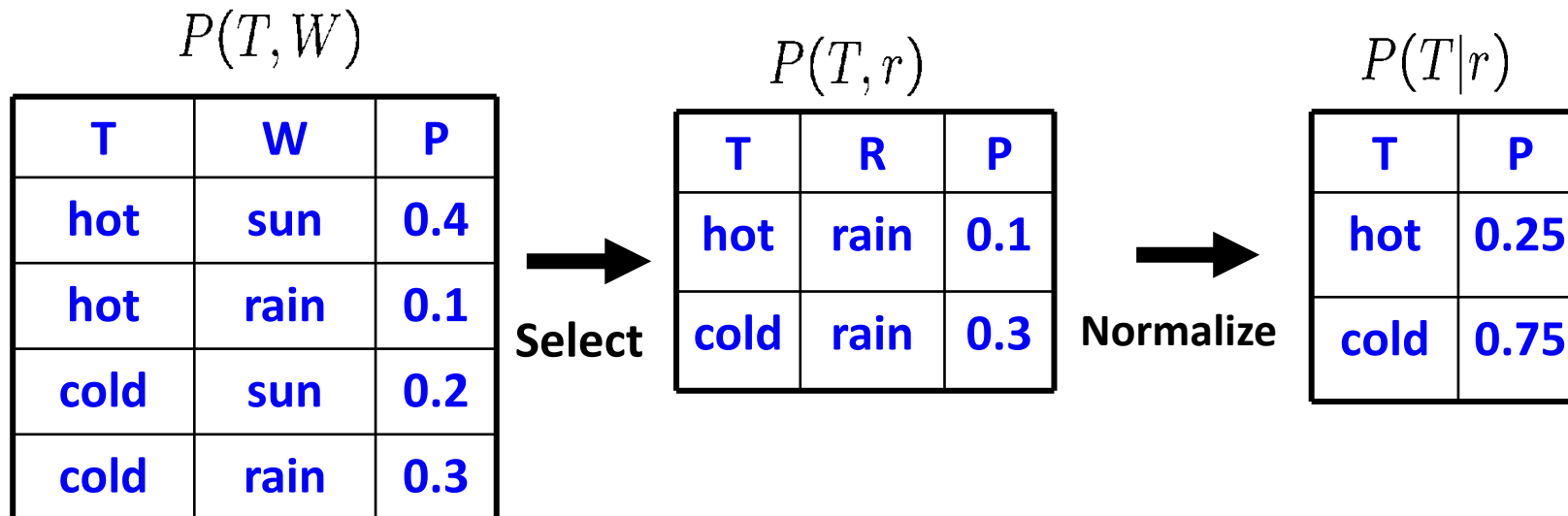
Normalize  
 $Z = 50$

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

# Normalization Trick

@A trick to get a whole conditional distribution at once:

- ✓ Select the joint probabilities matching the evidence
- ✓ Normalize the selection (make it sum to one)



- ✓ Why does this work? Sum of selection is  $P(\text{evidence})!$  ( $P(r)$ , here)

$$P(x_1|x_2) = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{P(x_2)} = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{\sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2)}$$

# Probabilistic Inference

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- @Probabilistic inference: compute a desired probability from other known probabilities (e.g. conditional from joint)
- @We generally compute conditional probabilities
  - ✓  $P(\text{on time} \mid \text{no reported accidents}) = 0.90$
  - ✓ These represent the agent's *beliefs* given the evidence
- @Probabilities change with new evidence:
  - ✓  $P(\text{on time} \mid \text{no accidents, 5 a.m.}) = 0.95$
  - ✓  $P(\text{on time} \mid \text{no accidents, 5 a.m., raining}) = 0.80$
  - ✓ Observing new evidence causes *beliefs to be updated*



# Inference by Enumeration

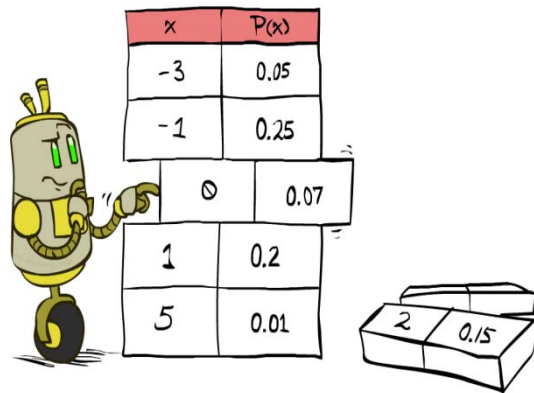
@ General case:

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

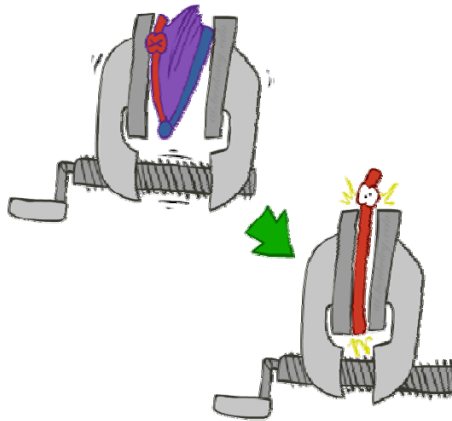
$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \\ \text{All variables} \end{array} \right\}$

- We want: \* Works fine with multiple query variables, too
- $P(Q|e_1 \dots e_k)$

- Step 1: Select the entries consistent with the evidence



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



$$P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_r} \underbrace{P(Q, h_1 \dots h_r, e_1 \dots e_k)}_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}$$

- Step 3: Normalize

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

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

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

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# Inference by Enumeration

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- Start with the joint distribution:

	<i>toothache</i>		$\neg$ <i>toothache</i>	
	<i>catch</i>	$\neg$ <i>catch</i>	<i>catch</i>	$\neg$ <i>catch</i>
<i>cavity</i>	.108	.012	.072	.008
$\neg$ <i>cavity</i>	.016	.064	.144	.576

- For any proposition  $\phi$ , sum the atomic events where it is true:

$$P(\phi) = \sum_{\omega: \omega \models \phi} P(\omega)$$

(catch = dentist's steel probe gets caught in cavity)

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$$P(\text{cavity} \vee \text{toothache}) = 0.108 + 0.012 + 0.072 + 0.008 + 0.016 + 0.064 = 0.28$$

# Inference by Enumeration

- Start with the joint distribution:

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<i>cavity</i>	.108	.012	.072	.008
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- Can also compute conditional probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\neg \text{cavity} | \text{toothache}) &= \frac{P(\neg \text{cavity} \wedge \text{toothache})}{P(\text{toothache})} \\ &= \frac{0.016 + 0.064}{0.108 + 0.012 + 0.016 + 0.064} = 0.4 \end{aligned}$$

# Normalization

	<i>toothache</i>		$\neg$ <i>toothache</i>	
	<i>catch</i>	$\neg$ <i>catch</i>	<i>catch</i>	$\neg$ <i>catch</i>
<i>cavity</i>	.108	.012	.072	.008
$\neg$ <i>cavity</i>	.016	.064	.144	.576

- Denominator can be viewed as a **normalization constant**  $\alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}(Cavity|toothache) &= \alpha \mathbf{P}(Cavity, toothache) \\ &= \alpha [\mathbf{P}(Cavity, toothache, catch) + \mathbf{P}(Cavity, toothache, \neg catch)] \\ &= \alpha [\langle 0.108, 0.016 \rangle + \langle 0.012, 0.064 \rangle] \\ &= \alpha \langle 0.12, 0.08 \rangle = \langle 0.6, 0.4 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- General idea: compute distribution on query variable by fixing **evidence variables** and summing over **hidden variables**

# Inference by Enumeration

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@P(W)?

@P(W | winter)?

@P(W | winter, hot)?

S	T	W	P
summer	hot	sun	0.30
summer	hot	rain	0.05
summer	cold	sun	0.10
summer	cold	rain	0.05
winter	hot	sun	0.10
winter	hot	rain	0.05
winter	cold	sun	0.15
winter	cold	rain	0.20

# Inference by Enumeration

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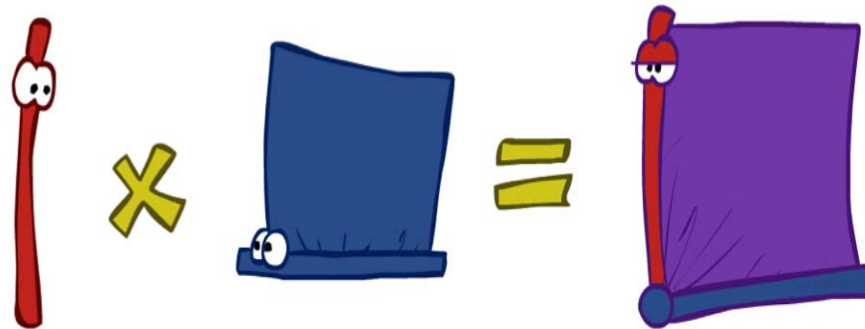
- **Obvious problems:**
  - **Worst-case time complexity  $O(d^n)$**
  - **Space complexity  $O(d^n)$  to store the joint distribution**

# The Product Rule

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@Sometimes have conditional distributions but want the joint

$$P(y)P(x|y) = P(x, y) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad P(x|y) = \frac{P(x, y)}{P(y)}$$



# The Product Rule

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$$P(y)P(x|y) = P(x, y)$$

☞ Example:

$P(W)$		$P(D W)$			$P(D, W)$		
R	P	D	W	P	D	W	P
sun	0.8	wet	sun	0.1	wet	sun	
rain	0.2	dry	sun	0.9	dry	sun	
		wet	rain	0.7	wet	rain	
		dry	rain	0.3	dry	rain	

# The Chain Rule

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@ More generally, can always write any joint distribution as an incremental product of conditional distributions

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3) = P(x_1)P(x_2|x_1)P(x_3|x_1, x_2)$$

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_i P(x_i|x_1 \dots x_{i-1})$$

@ Why is this always true?



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# Independence

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@Two variables are *independent* if:

$$\forall x, y : P(x, y) = P(x)P(y)$$

✓ This says that their joint distribution *factors* into a product of two simpler distributions

✓ Another form:

$$\forall x, y : P(x|y) = P(x)$$

✓ We write:  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$

@Independence is a simplifying *modeling assumption*

✓ *Empirical* joint distributions: at best “close” to independent

✓ What could we assume for {Weather, Traffic, Cavity, Toothache}?

# Example: Independence?

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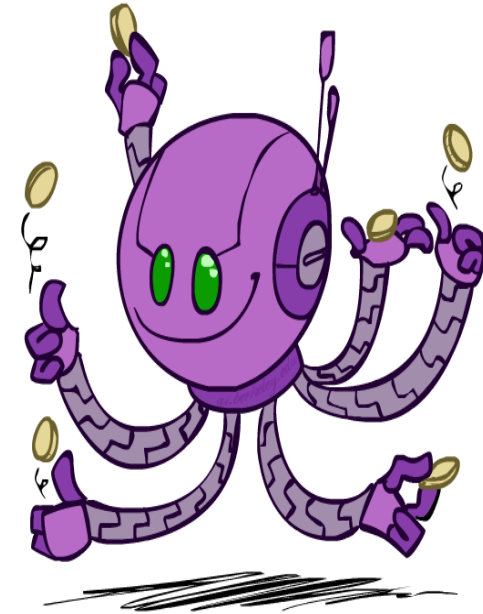
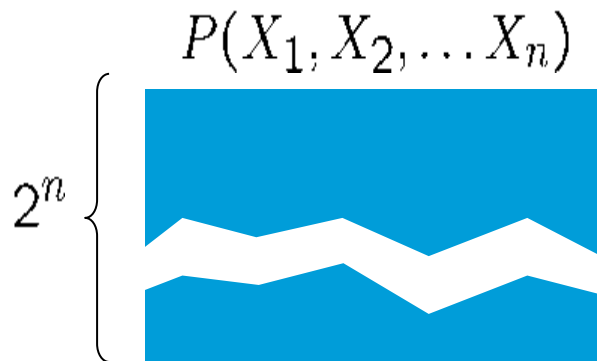
$P_1(T, W)$			$P(T)$		$P_2(T, W)$		
T	W	P	T	P	T	W	P
hot	sun	0.4	hot	0.5	hot	sun	0.3
hot	rain	0.1	cold	0.5	hot	rain	0.2
cold	sun	0.2			cold	sun	0.3
cold	rain	0.3			cold	rain	0.2

$P(W)$	
W	P
sun	0.6
rain	0.4

# Example: Independence

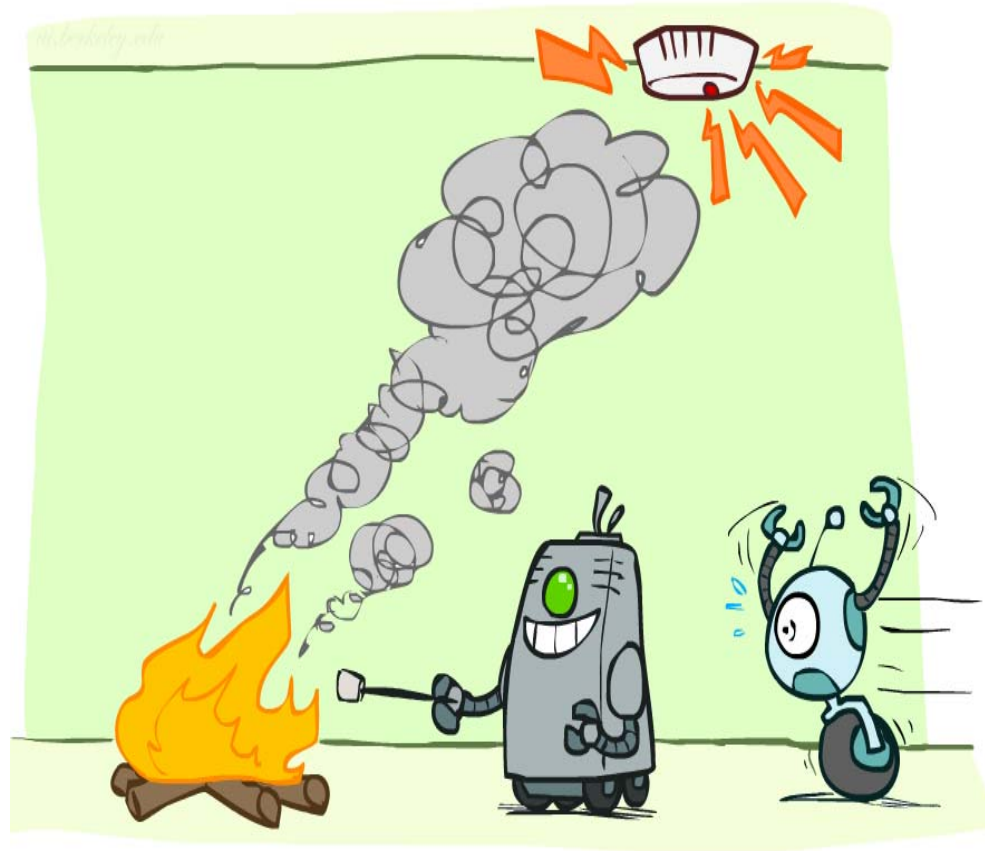
@N fair, independent coin flips:

$P(X_1)$		$P(X_2)$		$\dots$		$P(X_n)$	
H	0.5	H	0.5			H	0.5
T	0.5	T	0.5			T	0.5



# Conditional Independence

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@P(Toothache, Cavity, Catch)

@If I have a cavity, the probability that the probe catches in it doesn't depend on whether I have a toothache:

✓  $P(+catch \mid +toothache, +cavity) = P(+catch \mid +cavity)$

@The same independence holds if I don't have a cavity:

✓  $P(+catch \mid +toothache, -cavity) = P(+catch \mid -cavity)$

@Catch is *conditionally independent* of Toothache given Cavity:

✓  $P(Catch \mid Toothache, Cavity) = P(Catch \mid Cavity)$

■ **Equivalent statements:**

- $P(Toothache \mid Catch, Cavity) = P(Toothache \mid Cavity)$
- $P(Toothache, Catch \mid Cavity) = P(Toothache \mid Cavity) P(Catch \mid Cavity)$
- One can be derived from the other easily

# Conditional Independence

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@ Unconditional (absolute) independence very rare (why?)

@ *Conditional independence* is our most basic and robust form of knowledge about uncertain environments.

@ X is conditionally independent of Y given Z  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z$

if and only if:  $\forall x, y, z : P(x, y | z) = P(x | z)P(y | z)$

or, equivalently, if and only if

$$\forall x, y, z : P(x | z, y) = P(x | z)$$

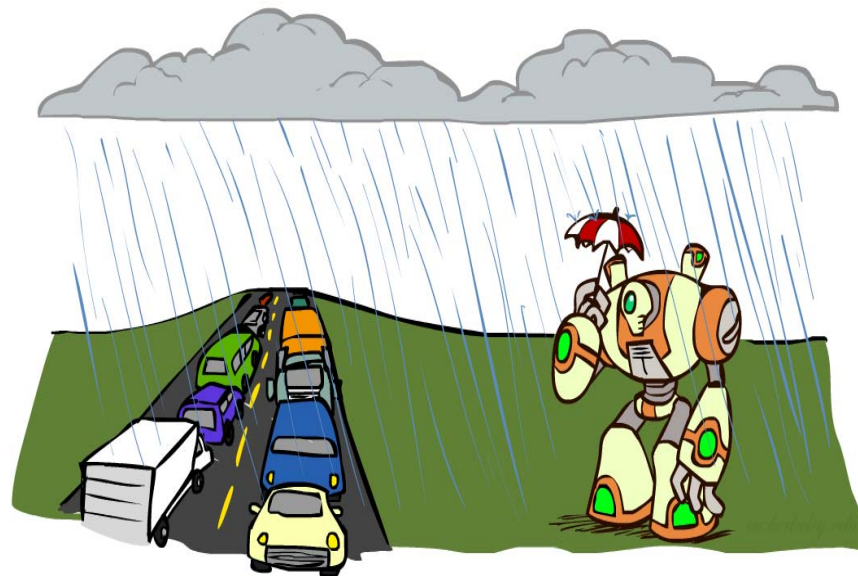
# Conditional Independence

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@ What about this domain:

- ✓ Traffic
- ✓ Umbrella
- ✓ Raining

$$P(\text{Umbrella} \mid \text{Traffic, Rain}) = P(\text{Umbrella} \mid \text{Rain})$$





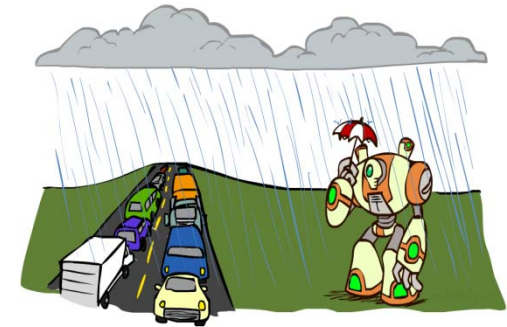
# Conditional Independence and the Chain Rule

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@Chain rule:  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_1, X_2) \dots$

@Trivial decomposition:

$$P(\text{Traffic}, \text{Rain}, \text{Umbrella}) = \\ P(\text{Rain})P(\text{Traffic}|\text{Rain})P(\text{Umbrella}|\text{Rain}, \text{Traffic})$$



@With assumption of conditional independence:

$$P(\text{Traffic}, \text{Rain}, \text{Umbrella}) = \\ P(\text{Rain})P(\text{Traffic}|\text{Rain})P(\text{Umbrella}|\text{Rain})$$

@Bayes' nets / graphical models help us express conditional independence assumptions

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# Bayes Rule

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@Two ways to factor a joint distribution over two variables:

$$P(x, y) = P(x|y)P(y) = P(y|x)P(x)$$

@Dividing, we get:

$$P(x|y) = \frac{P(y|x)}{P(y)}P(x)$$

@Why is this at all helpful?

- ✓ Lets us build one conditional from its **reverse**
- ✓ Often one conditional is **tricky** but the other one is simple
- ✓ Foundation of many systems we'll see later (e.g. ASR, MT)

@In the running for most important AI equation!



# Inference with Bayes' Rule

☞ **Example: Diagnostic probability from causal probability:**

$$P(\text{cause}|\text{effect}) = \frac{P(\text{effect}|\text{cause})P(\text{cause})}{P(\text{effect})}$$

☞ **Example:**

✓ **M: meningitis, S: stiff neck**

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P(+m) = 0.0001 \\ P(+s|+m) = 0.8 \\ P(+s|-m) = 0.01 \end{array} \right\} \text{Example givens}$$

$$P(+m|+s) = \frac{P(+s|+m)P(+m)}{P(+s)} = \frac{P(+s|+m)P(+m)}{P(+s|+m)P(+m) + P(+s|-m)P(-m)} = \frac{0.8 \times 0.0001}{0.8 \times 0.0001 + 0.01 \times 0.999}$$

✓ **Note: posterior probability of meningitis still very small**

✓ **Note: you should still get stiff necks checked out! Why?**

# Quiz: Bayes' Rule

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rain	0.2

$P(D|W)$

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D	W	P
wet	sun	0.08
dry	sun	0.72
wet	rain	0.14
dry	rain	0.06

@What is  $P(W | \text{dry})$ ?

$$P(\text{sun} | \text{dry}) = \frac{P(\text{dry} | \text{sun})P(\text{sun})}{P(\text{dry})} = \frac{0.9 * 0.8}{0.78}$$

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1,4	2,4	3,4	4,4
1,3	2,3	3,3	4,3
1,2 B OK	2,2	3,2	4,2
1,1 OK	2,1 B OK	3,1	4,1

- $P_{ij} = \text{true}$  iff  $[i,j]$  contains a pit

- $B_{ij} = \text{true}$  iff  $[i,j]$  is breezy

Include only  $B_{1,1}$ ,  $B_{1,2}$ ,  $B_{2,1}$  in the probability model



# Specifying the Probability Model

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- The full joint distribution is  $P(P_{1,1}, \dots, P_{4,4}, B_{1,1}, B_{1,2}, B_{2,1})$
- Apply product rule:  $P(B_{1,1}, B_{1,2}, B_{2,1} | P_{1,1}, \dots, P_{4,4})P(P_{1,1}, \dots, P_{4,4})$

This gives us:  $P(\text{Effect} | \text{Cause})$

- First term: 1 if pits are adjacent to breezes, 0 otherwise
- Second term: pits are placed randomly, probability 0.2 per square:

$$P(P_{1,1}, \dots, P_{4,4}) = \prod_{i,j=1,1}^{4,4} P(P_{i,j}) = 0.2^n \times 0.8^{16-n}$$

for  $n$  pits.

# Observations and Query

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- We know the following facts:

$$b = \neg b_{1,1} \wedge b_{1,2} \wedge b_{2,1}$$

$$known = \neg p_{1,1} \wedge \neg p_{1,2} \wedge \neg p_{2,1}$$

- Query is  $\mathbf{P}(P_{1,3} | known, b)$

- Define  $Unknown = P_{ij}$ s other than  $P_{1,3}$  and  $Known$

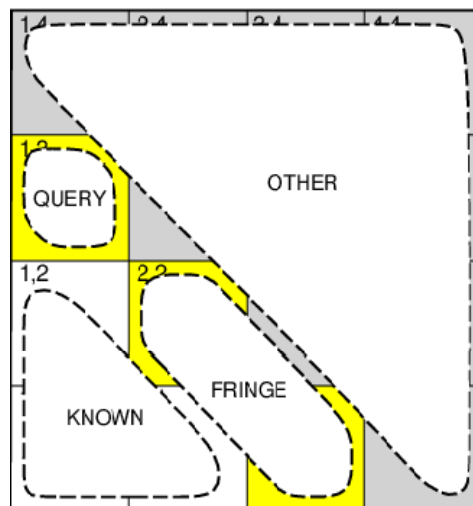
- For inference by enumeration, we have

$$\mathbf{P}(P_{1,3} | known, b) = \alpha \sum_{unknown} \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, unknown, known, b)$$

- Grows exponentially with number of squares!

# Using Conditional Independence

**Basic insight: observations are conditionally independent of other hidden squares given neighbouring hidden squares**

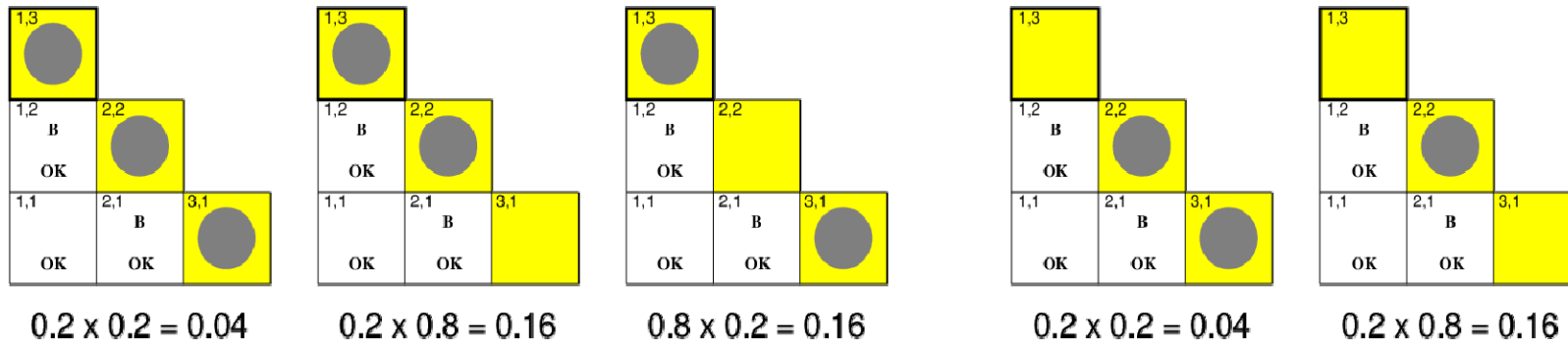


- Define  $Unknown = Fringe \cup Other$   
 $P(b | P_{1,3}, Known, Unknown) = P(b | P_{1,3}, Known, Fringe)$
- Manipulate query into a form where we can use this!

# Using Conditional Independence

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}|\text{known}, b) &= \alpha \sum_{\text{unknown}} \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, \text{unknown}, \text{known}, b) \\&= \alpha \sum_{\text{unknown}} \mathbf{P}(b|P_{1,3}, \text{known}, \text{unknown}) \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, \text{known}, \text{unknown}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha \sum_{\text{fringe}} \sum_{\text{other}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}, \text{other}) \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, \text{known}, \text{fringe}, \text{other}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha \sum_{\text{fringe}} \sum_{\text{other}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}) \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, \text{known}, \text{fringe}, \text{other}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha \sum_{\text{fringe}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}) \sum_{\text{other}} \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}, \text{known}, \text{fringe}, \text{other}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha \sum_{\text{fringe}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}) \sum_{\text{other}} \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}) P(\text{known}) P(\text{fringe}) P(\text{other}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha P(\text{known}) \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}) \sum_{\text{fringe}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}) P(\text{fringe}) \sum_{\text{other}} P(\text{other}) \blacksquare \\&= \alpha' \mathbf{P}(P_{1,3}) \sum_{\text{fringe}} \mathbf{P}(b|\text{known}, P_{1,3}, \text{fringe}) P(\text{fringe})\end{aligned}$$

# Using Conditional Independence



$$\begin{aligned} P(P_{1,3} | \text{known}, b) &= a' (0.2(0.04 + 0.16 + 0.16), 0.8(0.04 + 0.16)) \\ &\approx (0.31, 0.69) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(P_{2,2} | \text{known}, b) \approx (0.86, 0.14)$$



# Thank you

## End of Chapter 13