



10-601 Introduction to Machine Learning

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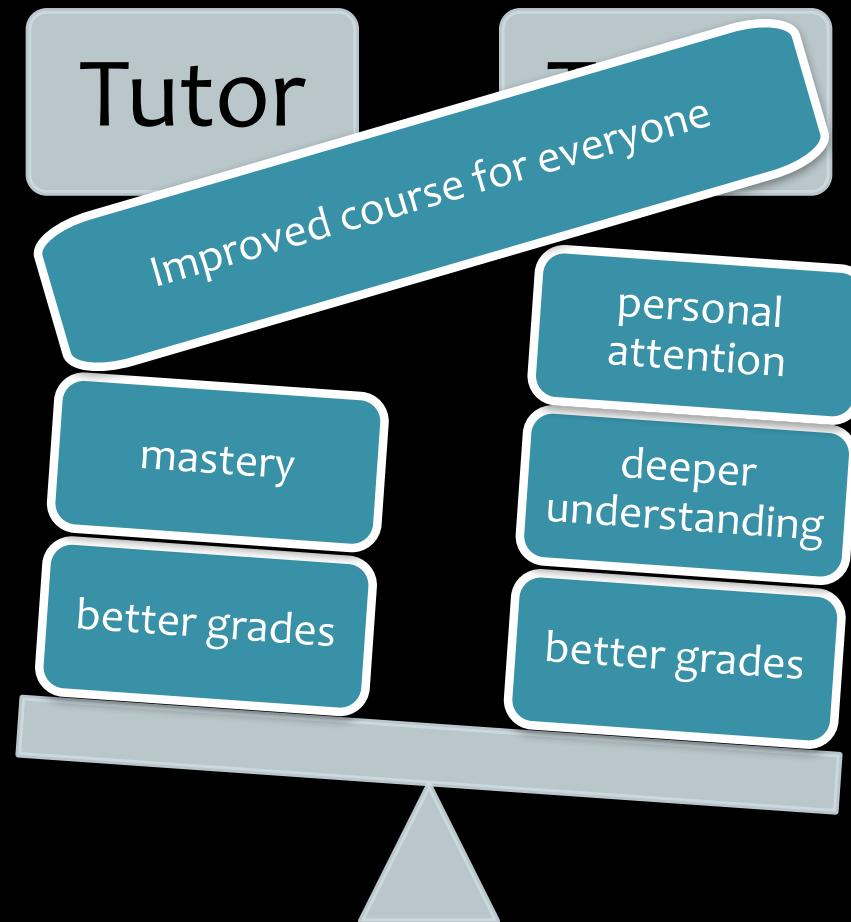
Bayesian Networks

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Reminders

- Homework 7: HMMs
 - Out: Wed, Nov 7
 - Due: Mon, Nov 19 at 11:59pm
- Schedule Changes
 - Lecture on Fri, Nov 16
 - Recitation on Mon, Nov 19

Peer Tutoring



HIDDEN MARKOV MODELS

Derivation of Forward Algorithm

Definition: $\alpha_t(k) \triangleq p(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_t = k)$

Derivation:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_T(\text{END}) &= p(x_1, \dots, x_T, y_T = \text{END}) \\ &= p(x_1, \dots, x_T | y_T) p(y_T) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of joint} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1} | y_T) p(y_T) \quad \leftarrow \text{by cond. indep. of HMM} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1}, y_T) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of joint} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) \sum_{y_{T-1}} p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1}, y_{T-1}, y_T) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of marginal} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) \sum_{y_{T-1}} p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1}, y_T | y_{T-1}) p(y_{T-1}) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of joint} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) \sum_{y_{T-1}} \underbrace{p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1} | y_{T-1})}_{\text{blue bracket}} p(y_T | y_{T-1}) p(y_{T-1}) \quad \leftarrow \text{by cond. indep. of HMM} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) \sum_{y_{T-1}} \underbrace{p(x_1, \dots, x_{T-1}, y_{T-1})}_{\text{blue bracket}} p(y_T | y_{T-1}) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of joint} \\ &= p(x_T | y_T) \sum_{y_{T-1}} \alpha_{T-1}(y_{T-1}) p(y_T | y_{T-1}) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def. of } \alpha_t(k)\end{aligned}$$

Herein using "y_T" as shorthand for "y_T = END"

Forward-Backward Algorithm

Define: $\alpha_t(k) \triangleq p(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_t = k)$

$$\beta_t(k) \triangleq p(x_{t+1}, \dots, x_T | y_t = k)$$

Assume $y_0 = \text{START}$
 $y_{T+1} = \text{END}$

① Initialize $\alpha_0(\text{START}) = 1$ $\alpha_0(k) = 0 \quad \forall k \neq \text{START}$
 $\beta_{T+1}(\text{END}) = 1$ $\beta_{T+1}(k) = 0 \quad \forall k \neq \text{END}$

② For $t = 1, \dots, T$:

For $k = 1, \dots, K$:

$$\alpha_t(k) = p(x_t | y_t = k) \sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_{t-1}(j) p(y_t = k | y_{t-1} = j)$$

*the alphas include the emission probabilities
so we don't multiply them in separately*

③ For $t = T, \dots, 1$:

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$$\beta_t(k) = \sum_{j=1}^K p(x_{t+1} | y_{t+1} = j) \beta_{t+1}(j) p(y_{t+1} = j | y_t = k)$$

④ Compute $p(\vec{x}) = \alpha_{T+1}(\text{END})$

[Evaluation]

⑤ Compute $p(y_t = k | \vec{x}) = \frac{\alpha_t(k) \beta_t(k)}{p(\vec{x})}$

[Marginals]

Viterbi Algorithm

Define: $\omega_t(k) \triangleq \max_{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}} p(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, y_t = k)$

"backpointers" $\rightarrow b_t(k) \triangleq \arg \max_{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}} p(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, y_t = k)$

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③ Compute Most Probable Assignment

$$\hat{y}_T = b_{T+1}(\text{END})$$

For $t = T-1, \dots, 1$

$$\hat{y}_t = b_{t+1}(\hat{y}_{t+1})$$

[Decoding]

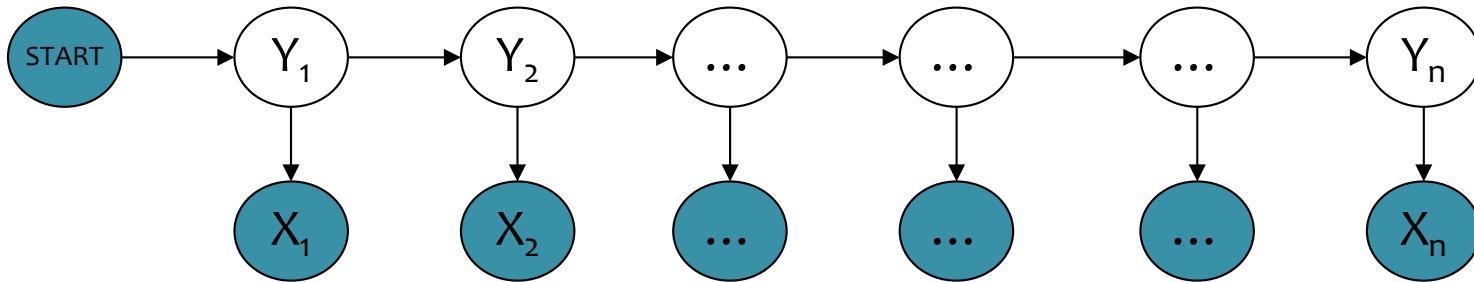
] follow the
"backpointers"

Inference in HMMs

What is the **computational complexity** of inference for HMMs?

- The **naïve** (brute force) computations for *Evaluation, Decoding, and Marginals* take **exponential time**, $O(K^T)$
- The **forward-backward** algorithm and **Viterbi** algorithm run in **polynomial time**, $O(T*K^2)$
 - Thanks to dynamic programming!

Shortcomings of Hidden Markov Models



- HMM models capture dependences between each state and **only its corresponding observation**
 - NLP example: In a sentence segmentation task, each segmental state may depend not just on a single word (and the adjacent segmental stages), but also on the (non-local) features of the whole line such as line length, indentation, amount of white space, etc.
- Mismatch between learning objective function and prediction objective function
 - HMM learns a joint distribution of states and observations $P(Y, X)$, but in a prediction task, we need the conditional probability $P(Y|X)$

MBR DECODING

Inference for HMMs

- Four
- Three Inference Problems for an HMM
 1. Evaluation: Compute the probability of a given sequence of observations
 2. Viterbi Decoding: Find the most-likely sequence of hidden states, given a sequence of observations
 3. Marginals: Compute the marginal distribution for a hidden state, given a sequence of observations
 4. MBR Decoding: Find the lowest loss sequence of hidden states, given a sequence of observations
(Viterbi decoding is a special case)

Minimum Bayes Risk Decoding

- Suppose we given a loss function $l(\hat{y}, y)$ and are asked for a single tagging
- How should we choose just one from our probability distribution $p(y|x)$?
- A minimum Bayes risk (MBR) decoder $h(x)$ returns the variable assignment with minimum **expected** loss under the model's distribution

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\theta}(x) &= \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{y}} \mathbb{E}_{y \sim p_{\theta}(\cdot|x)} [\ell(\hat{y}, y)] \\ &= \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{y}} \sum_y p_{\theta}(y | x) \ell(\hat{y}, y) \end{aligned}$$

Minimum Bayes Risk Decoding

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Consider some example loss functions:

The **0-1 loss function** returns 1 only if the two assignments are identical and 0 otherwise:

$$\ell(\hat{y}, y) = 1 - \mathbb{I}(\hat{y}, y)$$

The MBR decoder is:

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\theta}(x) &= \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{y}} \sum_y p_{\theta}(y | x) (1 - \mathbb{I}(\hat{y}, y)) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\hat{y}} p_{\theta}(\hat{y} | x) \end{aligned}$$

which is exactly the Viterbi decoding problem!

Minimum Bayes Risk Decoding

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The **Hamming loss** corresponds to accuracy and returns the number of incorrect variable assignments:

$$\ell(\hat{y}, y) = \sum_{i=1}^V (1 - \mathbb{I}(\hat{y}_i, y_i))$$

The MBR decoder is:

$$\hat{y}_i = h_{\theta}(x)_i = \operatorname{argmax}_{\hat{y}_i} p_{\theta}(\hat{y}_i \mid x)$$

This decomposes across variables and requires the variable marginals.

BAYESIAN NETWORKS

Bayes Nets Outline

- **Motivation**
 - Structured Prediction
- **Background**
 - Conditional Independence
 - Chain Rule of Probability
- **Directed Graphical Models**
 - Writing Joint Distributions
 - Definition: Bayesian Network
 - Qualitative Specification
 - Quantitative Specification
 - Familiar Models as Bayes Nets
- **Conditional Independence in Bayes Nets**
 - Three case studies
 - D-separation
 - Markov blanket
- **Learning**
 - Fully Observed Bayes Net
 - (Partially Observed Bayes Net)
- **Inference**
 - Background: Marginal Probability
 - Sampling directly from the joint distribution
 - Gibbs Sampling

Bayesian Networks

DIRECTED GRAPHICAL MODELS

Example: Tornado Alarms

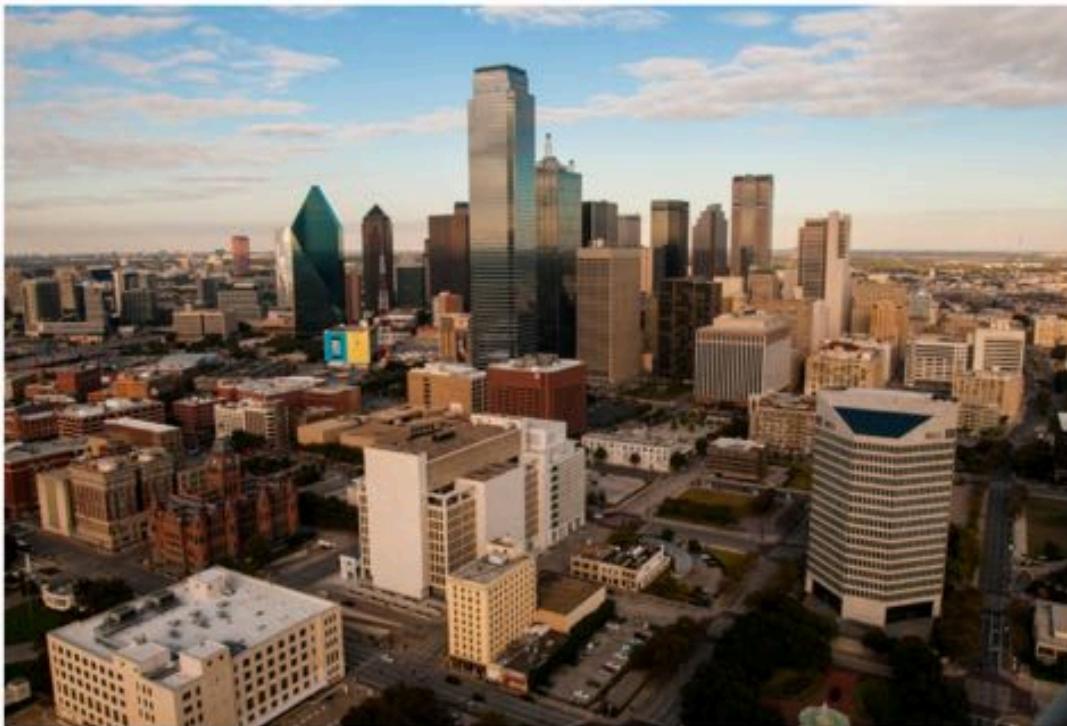


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Hacking Attack Woke Up Dallas With Emergency Sirens, Officials Say

By ELI ROSENBERG and MAYA SALAM APRIL 8, 2017



Warning sirens in Dallas, meant to alert the public to emergencies like severe weather, started sounding around 11:40 p.m. Friday, and were not shut off until 1:20 a.m. Rex C. Curry for The New York Times

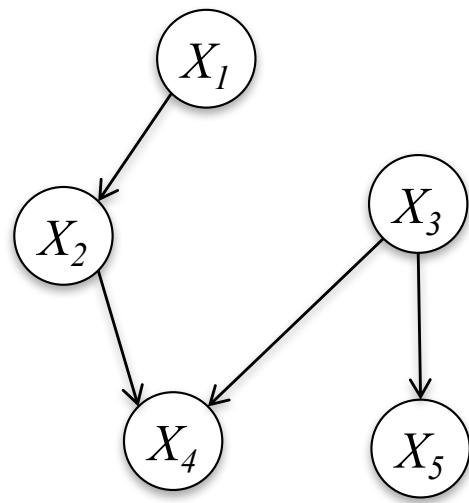
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Directed Graphical Models (Bayes Nets)

Whiteboard

- Example: Tornado Alarms
- Writing Joint Distributions
 - Idea #1: Giant Table
 - Idea #2: Rewrite using chain rule
 - Idea #3: Assume full independence
 - Idea #4: Drop variables from RHS of conditionals
- Definition: Bayesian Network

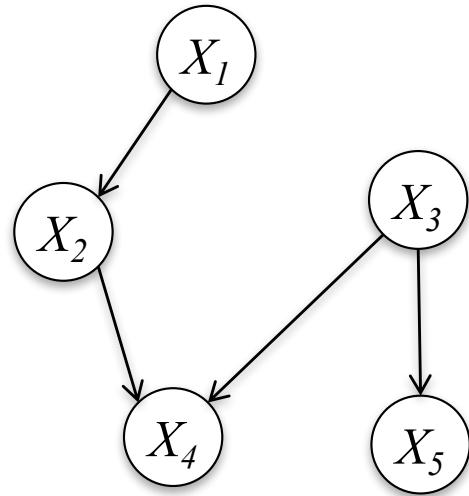
Bayesian Network



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Bayesian Network

Definition:



$$P(X_1 \dots X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \mid \text{parents}(X_i))$$

- A Bayesian Network is a **directed graphical model**
- It consists of a graph **G** and the conditional probabilities **P**
- These two parts full specify the distribution:
 - Qualitative Specification: **G**
 - Quantitative Specification: **P**

Qualitative Specification

- Where does the qualitative specification come from?
 - Prior knowledge of causal relationships
 - Prior knowledge of modular relationships
 - Assessment from experts
 - Learning from data (i.e. structure learning)
 - We simply link a certain architecture (e.g. a layered graph)
 - ...

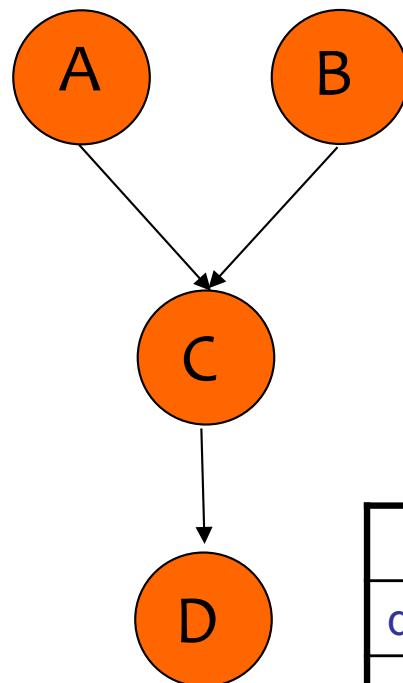
Quantitative Specification

Example: Conditional probability tables (CPTs)
for discrete random variables

a ⁰	0.75
a ¹	0.25

b ⁰	0.33
b ¹	0.67

$$P(a,b,c,d) = P(a)P(b)P(c|a,b)P(d|c)$$



	a ⁰ b ⁰	a ⁰ b ¹	a ¹ b ⁰	a ¹ b ¹
c ⁰	0.45	1	0.9	0.7
c ¹	0.55	0	0.1	0.3

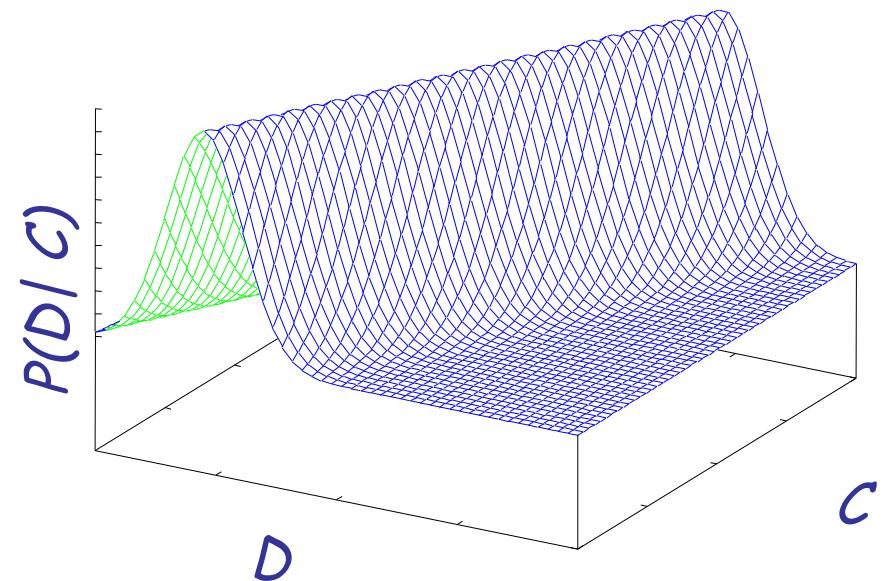
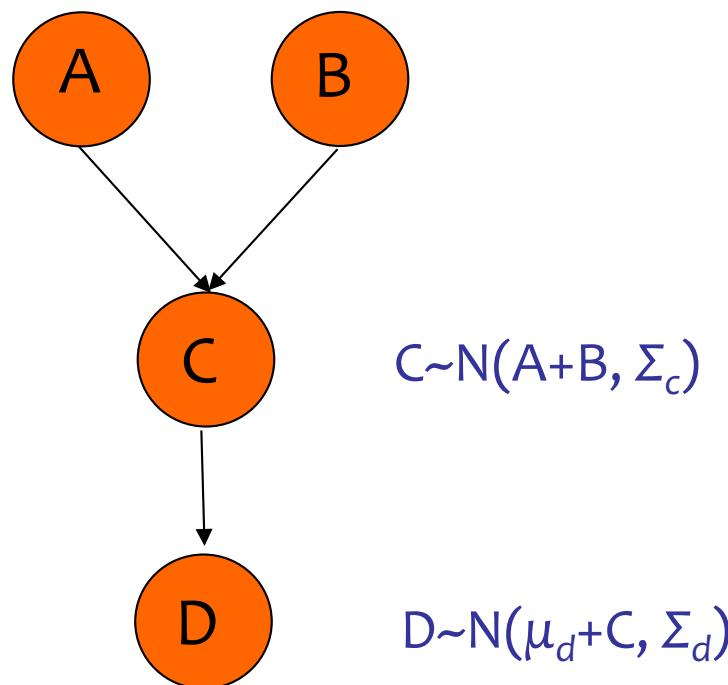
	c ⁰	c ¹
d ⁰	0.3	0.5
d ¹	0.7	0.5

Quantitative Specification

Example: Conditional probability density functions (CPDs)
for continuous random variables

$$A \sim N(\mu_a, \Sigma_a) \quad B \sim N(\mu_b, \Sigma_b)$$

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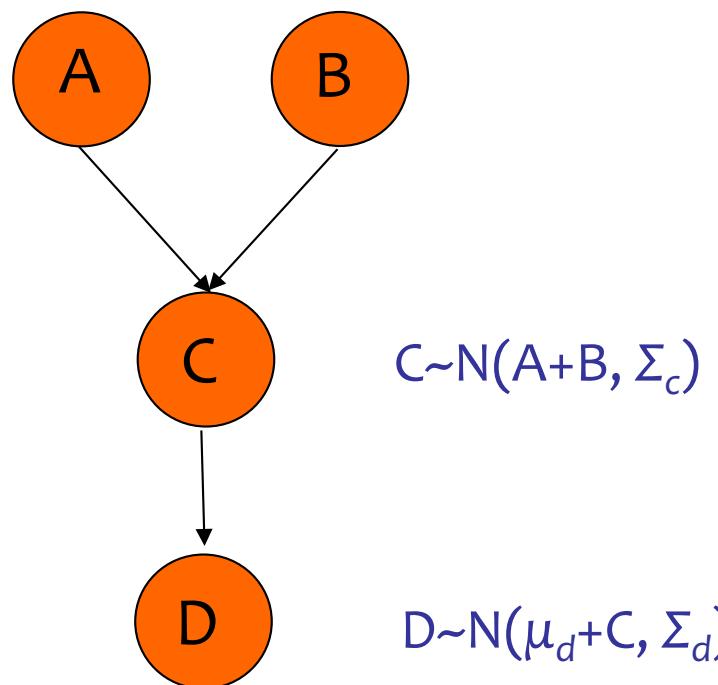
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Example: Combination of CPTs and CPDs
for a mix of discrete and continuous variables

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Directed Graphical Models (Bayes Nets)

Whiteboard

- Observed Variables in Graphical Model
- Familiar Models as Bayes Nets
 - Bernoulli Naïve Bayes
 - Gaussian Naïve Bayes
 - Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)
 - Gaussian Discriminant Analysis
 - Logistic Regression
 - Linear Regression
 - 1D Gaussian

GRAPHICAL MODELS: DETERMINING CONDITIONAL INDEPENDENCIES

What Independencies does a Bayes Net Model?

- In order for a Bayesian network to model a probability distribution, the following must be true:
Each variable is conditionally independent of all its non-descendants in the graph given the value of all its parents.

- This follows from

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 \dots X_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \mid \text{parents}(X_i)) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \mid X_1 \dots X_{i-1}) \end{aligned}$$

- But what else does it imply?

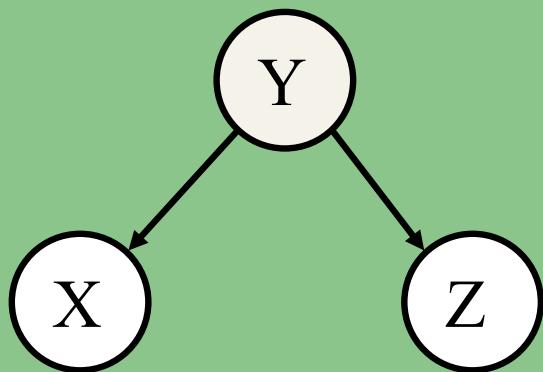
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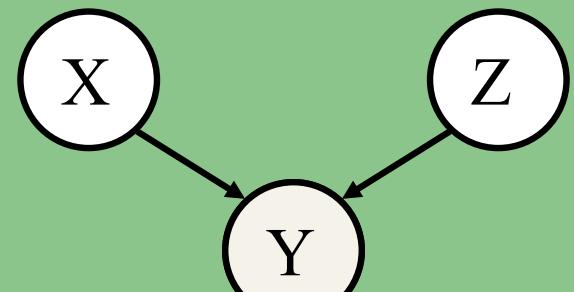
Cascade



Common Parent



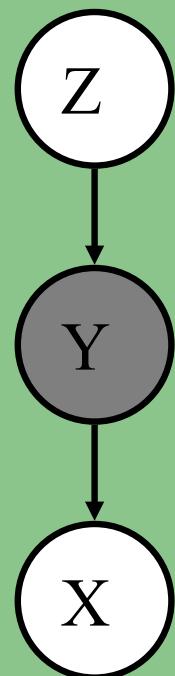
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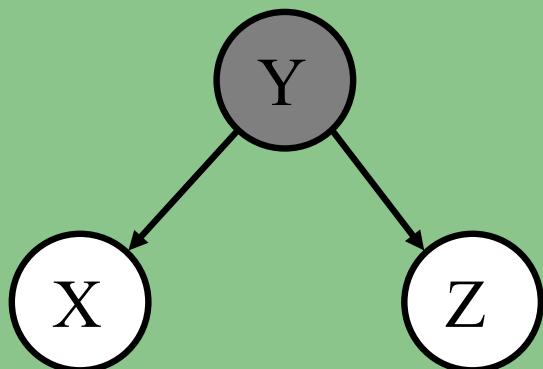
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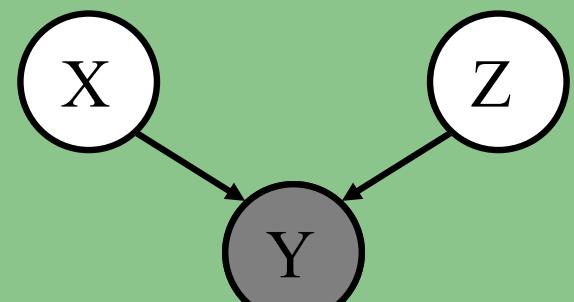
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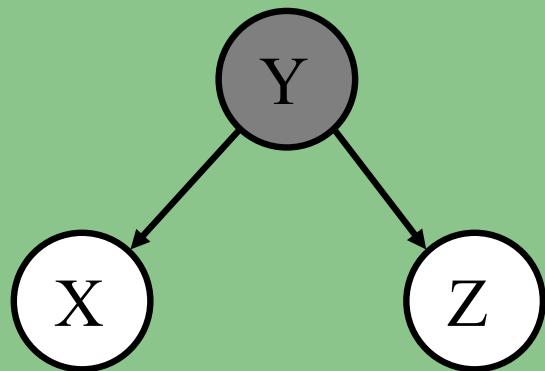
Knowing Y
decouples X and Z

Knowing Y
couples X and Z

Whiteboard

Proof of
conditional
independence

Common Parent

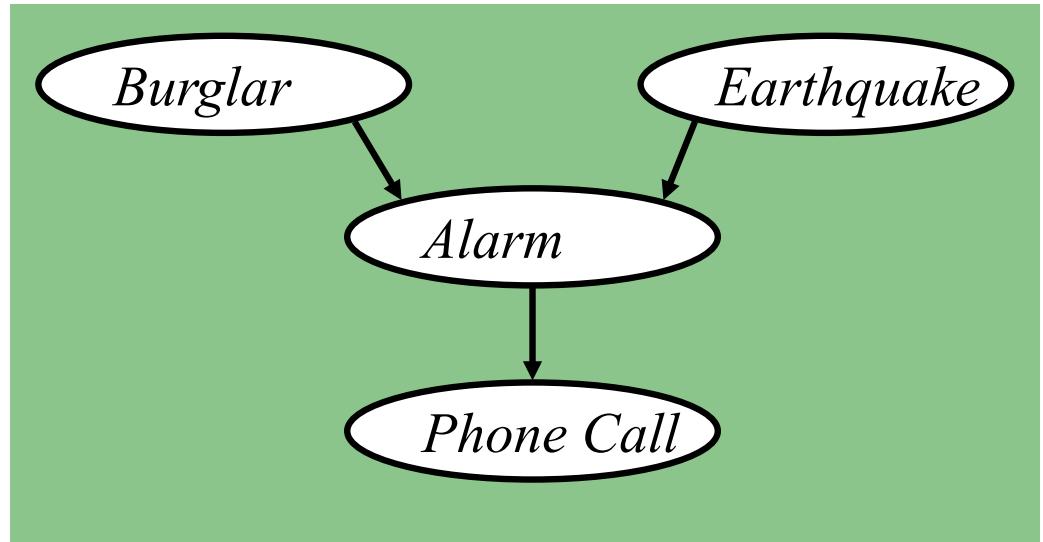


$$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z \mid Y$$

(The other two
cases can be
shown just as
easily.)

The “Burglar Alarm” example

- Your house has a twitchy burglar alarm that is also sometimes triggered by earthquakes.
- Earth arguably doesn't care whether your house is currently being burgled
- While you are on vacation, one of your neighbors calls and tells you your home's burglar alarm is ringing. Uh oh!



Quiz: True or False?

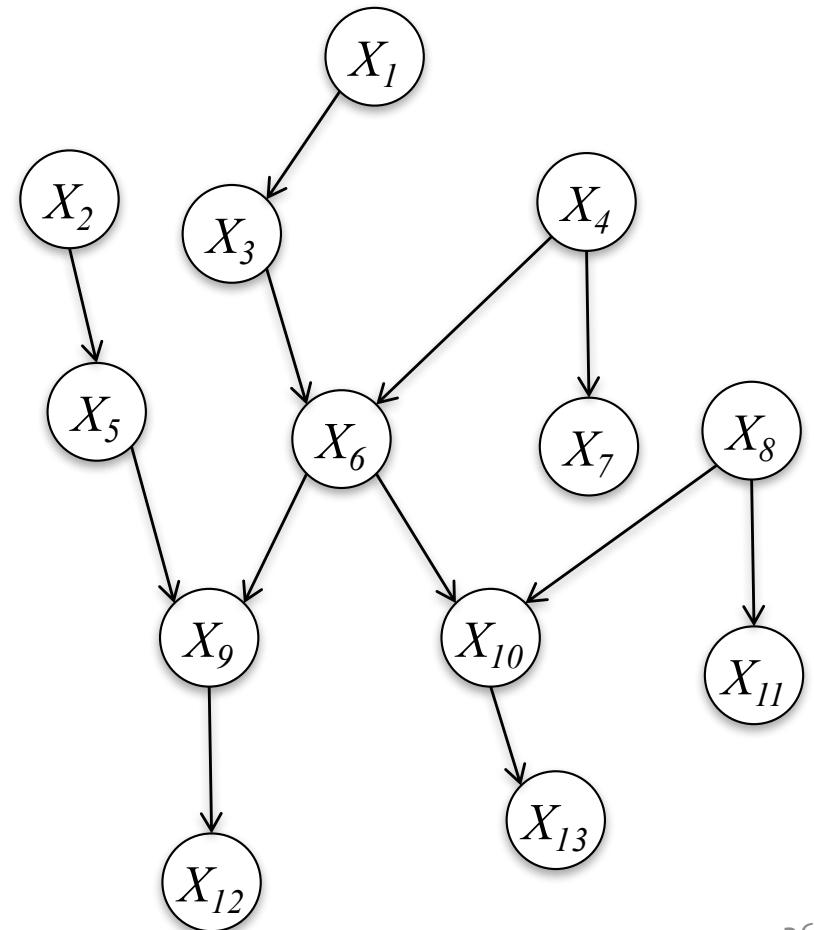
$$\text{Burglar} \perp\!\!\!\perp \text{Earthquake} \mid \text{PhoneCall}$$

Markov Blanket

Def: the **co-parents** of a node are the parents of its children

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Thm: a node is **conditionally independent** of every other node in the graph given its **Markov blanket**



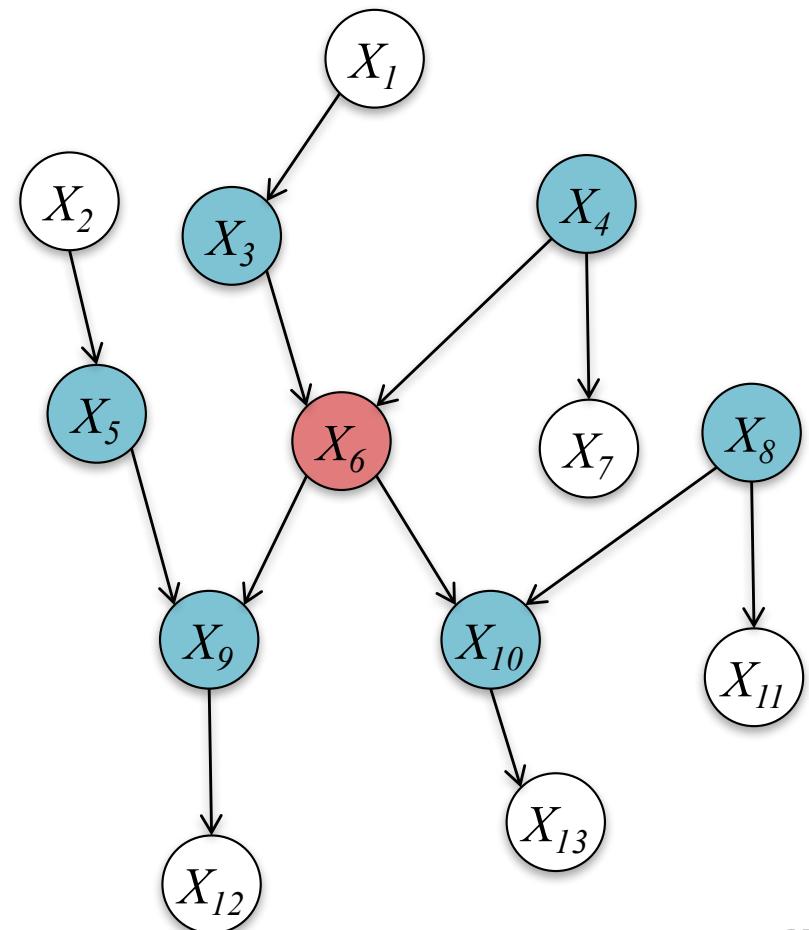
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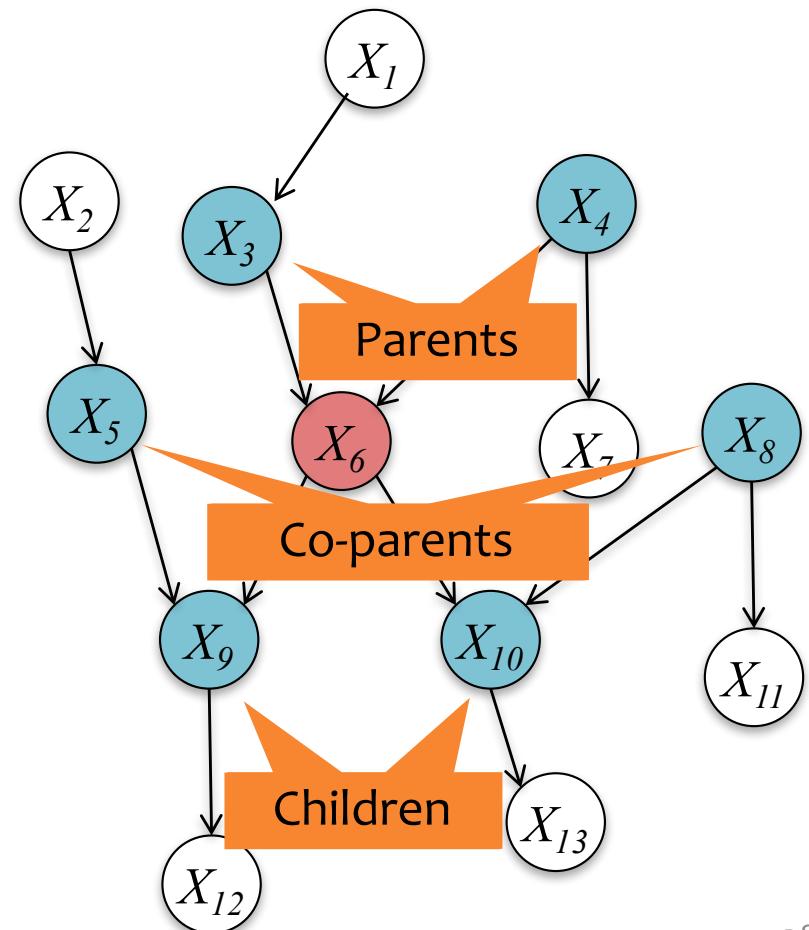
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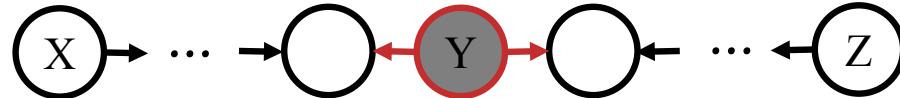
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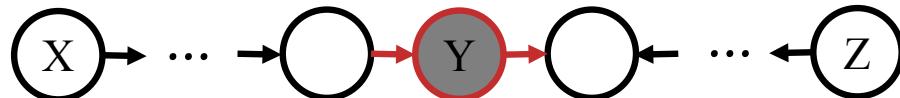
Variables X and Z are **d-separated** given a **set** of evidence variables E iff every path from X to Z is “blocked”.

A path is “blocked” whenever:

1. $\exists Y$ on path s.t. $Y \in E$ and Y is a “common parent”



2. $\exists Y$ on path s.t. $Y \in E$ and Y is in a “cascade”



3. $\exists Y$ on path s.t. $\{Y, \text{descendants}(Y)\} \notin E$ and Y is in a “v-structure”



D-Separation

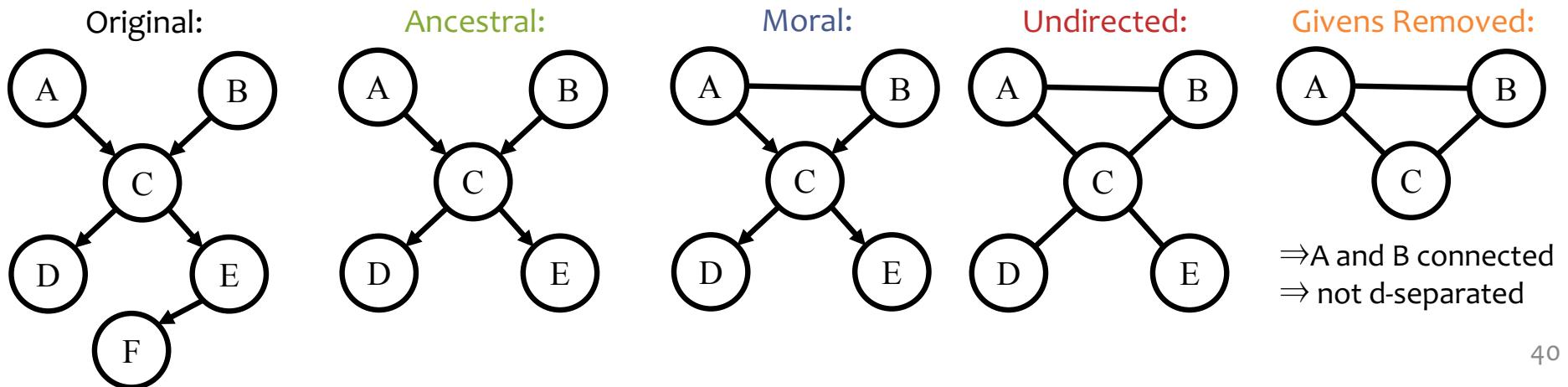
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Definition #2:

Variables X and Z are **d-separated** given a **set** of evidence variables E iff there does **not** exist a path in the **undirected ancestral moral graph with E removed**.

1. **Ancestral graph**: keep only X, Z, E and their ancestors
2. **Moral graph**: add undirected edge between all pairs of each node's parents
3. **Undirected graph**: convert all directed edges to undirected
4. **Givens Removed**: delete any nodes in E

Example Query: $A \perp\!\!\!\perp B | \{D, E\}$



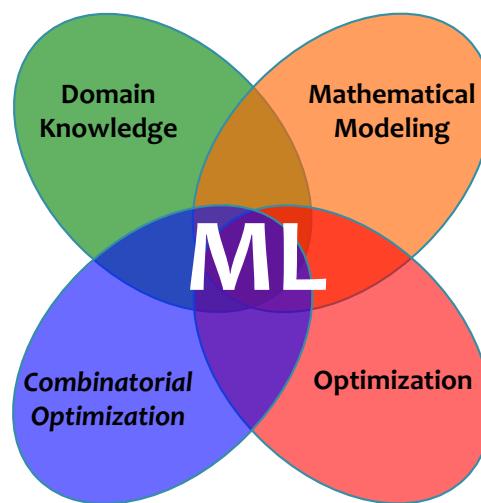
SUPERVISED LEARNING FOR BAYES NETS

Machine Learning

The **data** inspires the structures we want to predict

Inference finds {best structure, marginals, partition function} for a new observation

(**Inference** is usually called as a subroutine in learning)



Our **model** defines a score for each structure

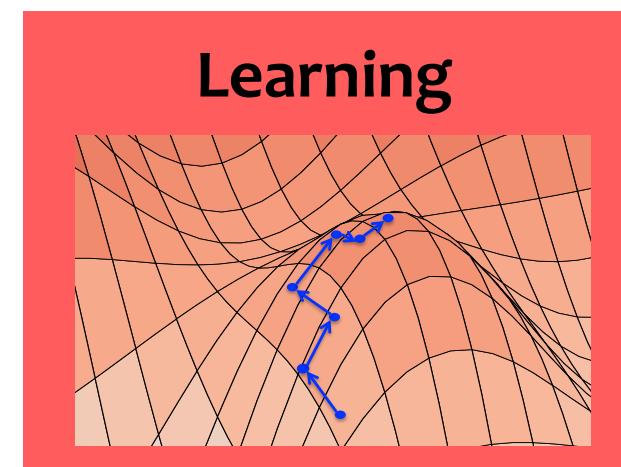
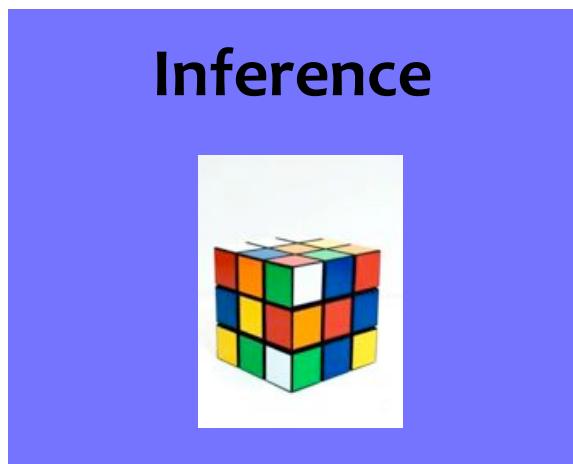
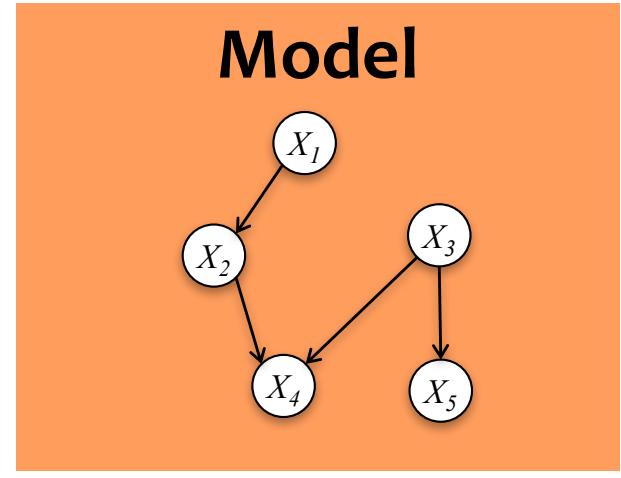
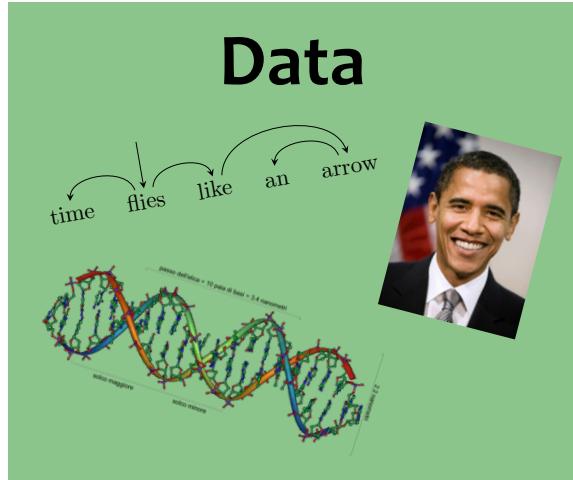
It also tells us what to optimize



Learning tunes the parameters of the model



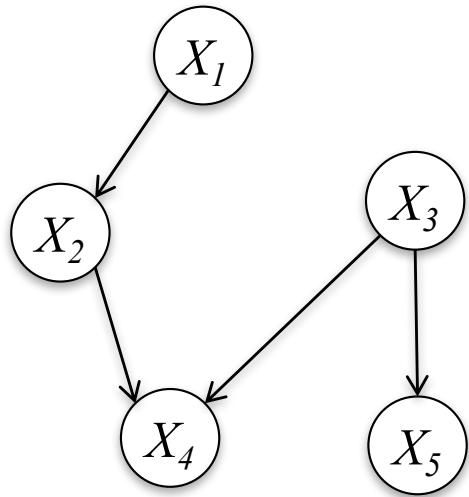
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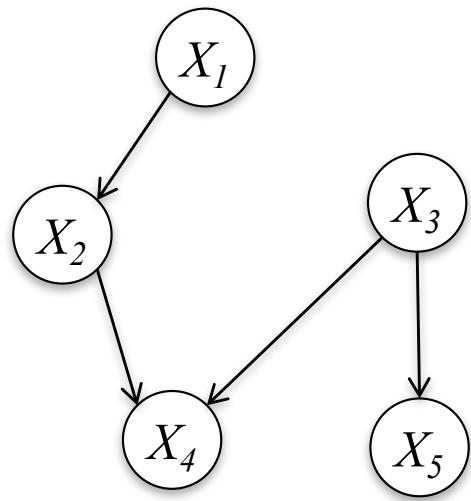


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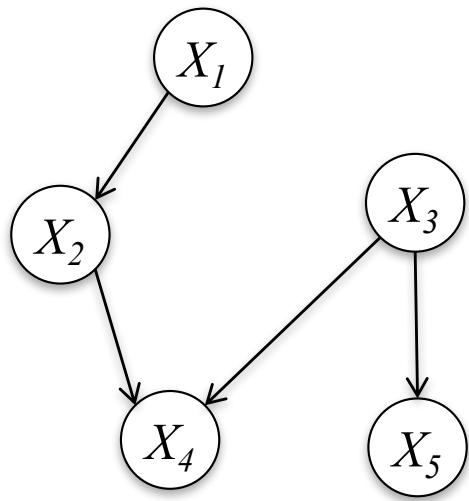
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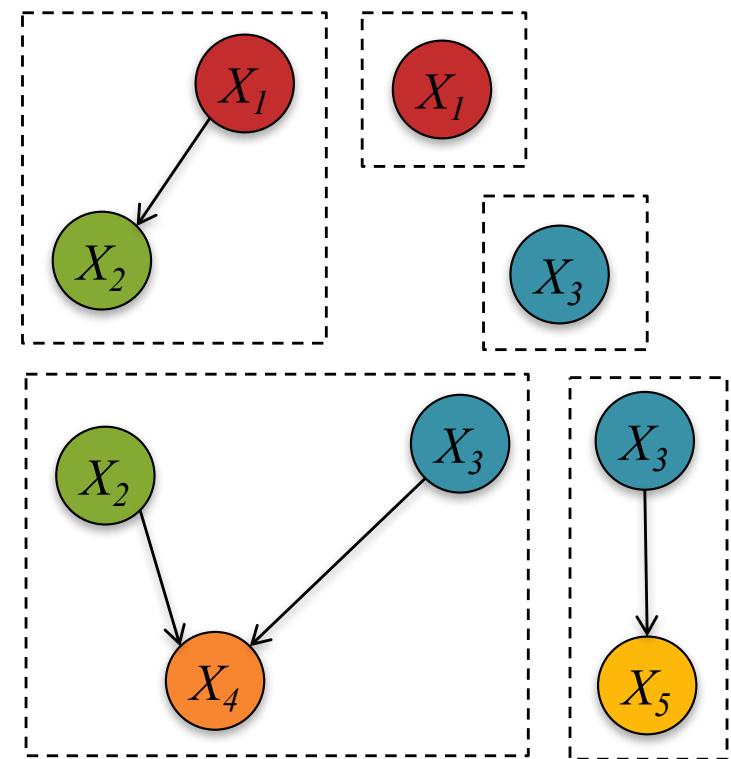
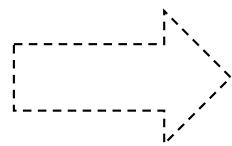
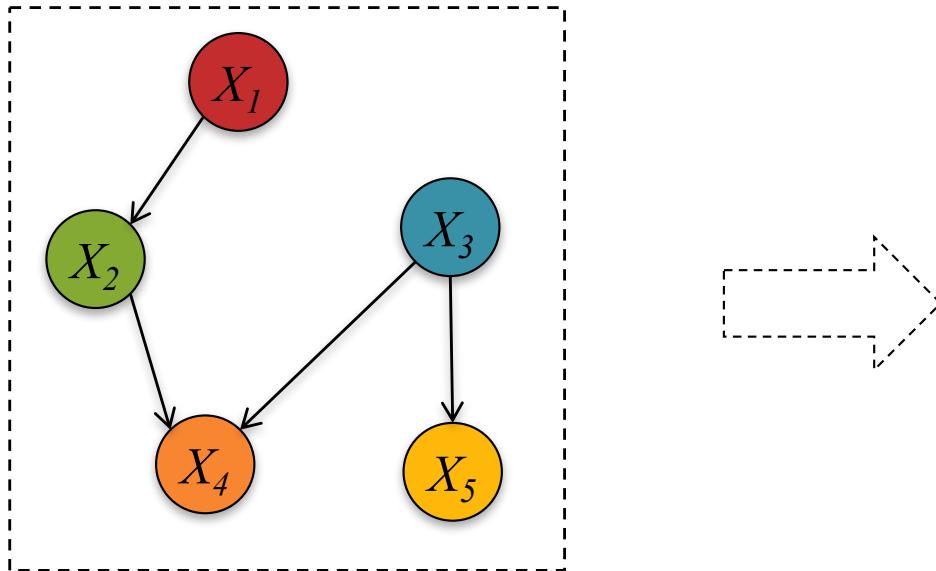


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How do we learn these **conditional** and **marginal** distributions for a Bayes Net?

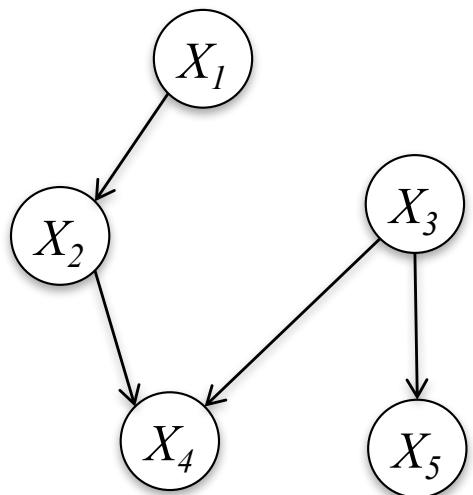
Learning Fully Observed BNs

Learning this fully observed Bayesian Network is **equivalent** to learning five (small / simple) independent networks from the same data



Learning Fully Observed BNs

How do we **learn** these
conditional and **marginal**
distributions for a Bayes Net?



$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \log p(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \log p(X_5|X_3, \theta_5) + \log p(X_4|X_2, X_3, \theta_4) \\ &\quad + \log p(X_3|\theta_3) + \log p(X_2|X_1, \theta_2) \\ &\quad + \log p(X_1|\theta_1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\theta_1^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_1} \log p(X_1|\theta_1)$$

$$\theta_2^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_2} \log p(X_2|X_1, \theta_2)$$

$$\theta_3^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_3} \log p(X_3|\theta_3)$$

$$\theta_4^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_4} \log p(X_4|X_2, X_3, \theta_4)$$

$$\theta_5^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_5} \log p(X_5|X_3, \theta_5)$$

Learning Fully Observed BNs

Whiteboard

- Example: Learning for Tornado Alarms

INFERENCE FOR BAYESIAN NETWORKS

A Few Problems for Bayes Nets

Suppose we already have the parameters of a Bayesian Network...

1. How do we compute the probability of a specific assignment to the variables?
 $P(T=t, H=h, A=a, C=c)$
2. How do we draw a sample from the joint distribution?
 $t, h, a, c \sim P(T, H, A, C)$
3. How do we compute marginal probabilities?
 $P(A) = \dots$
4. How do we draw samples from a conditional distribution?
 $t, h, a \sim P(T, H, A | C = c)$
5. How do we compute conditional marginal probabilities?
 $P(H | C = c) = \dots$



Can we
use
samples
?



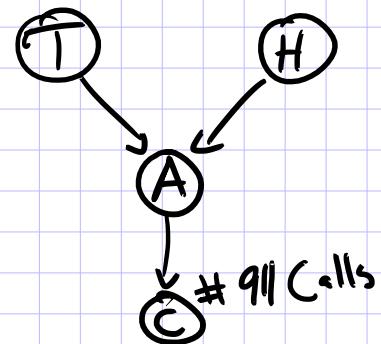
Inference for Bayes Nets

Whiteboard

- Background: Marginal Probability
- Sampling from a joint distribution
- Gibbs Sampling

Sampling from a Joint Distribution

Ex: Tornado



We can use these samples to estimate many different probabilities!

$T \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi)$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$H \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\eta)$$

$$\pi = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$A \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\alpha_{H,T})$$

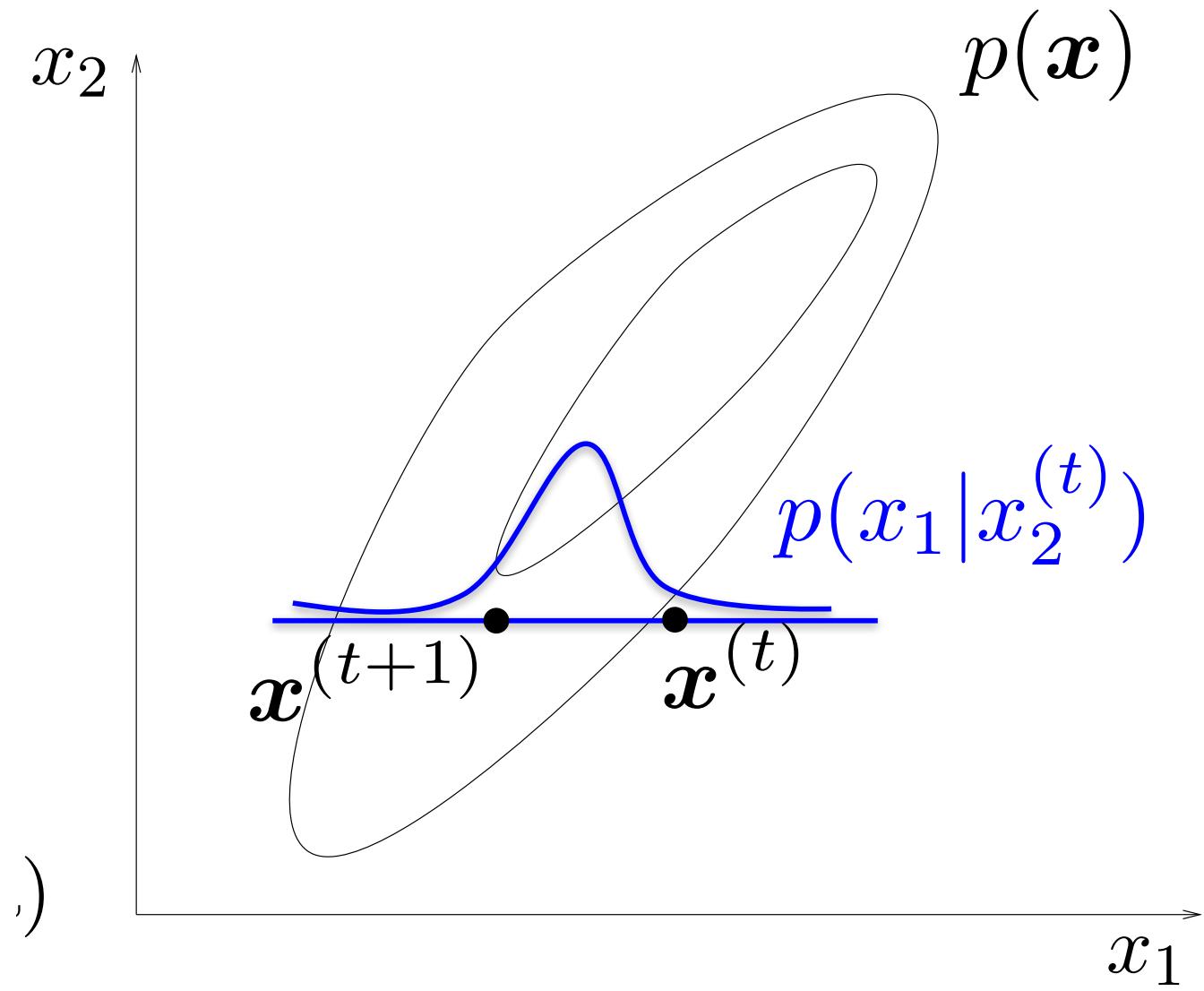
$$\alpha =$$

$$C \sim \text{Unif}(\{1, \dots, 63\}) + A * \text{Unif}(\{1, \dots, 63\})$$

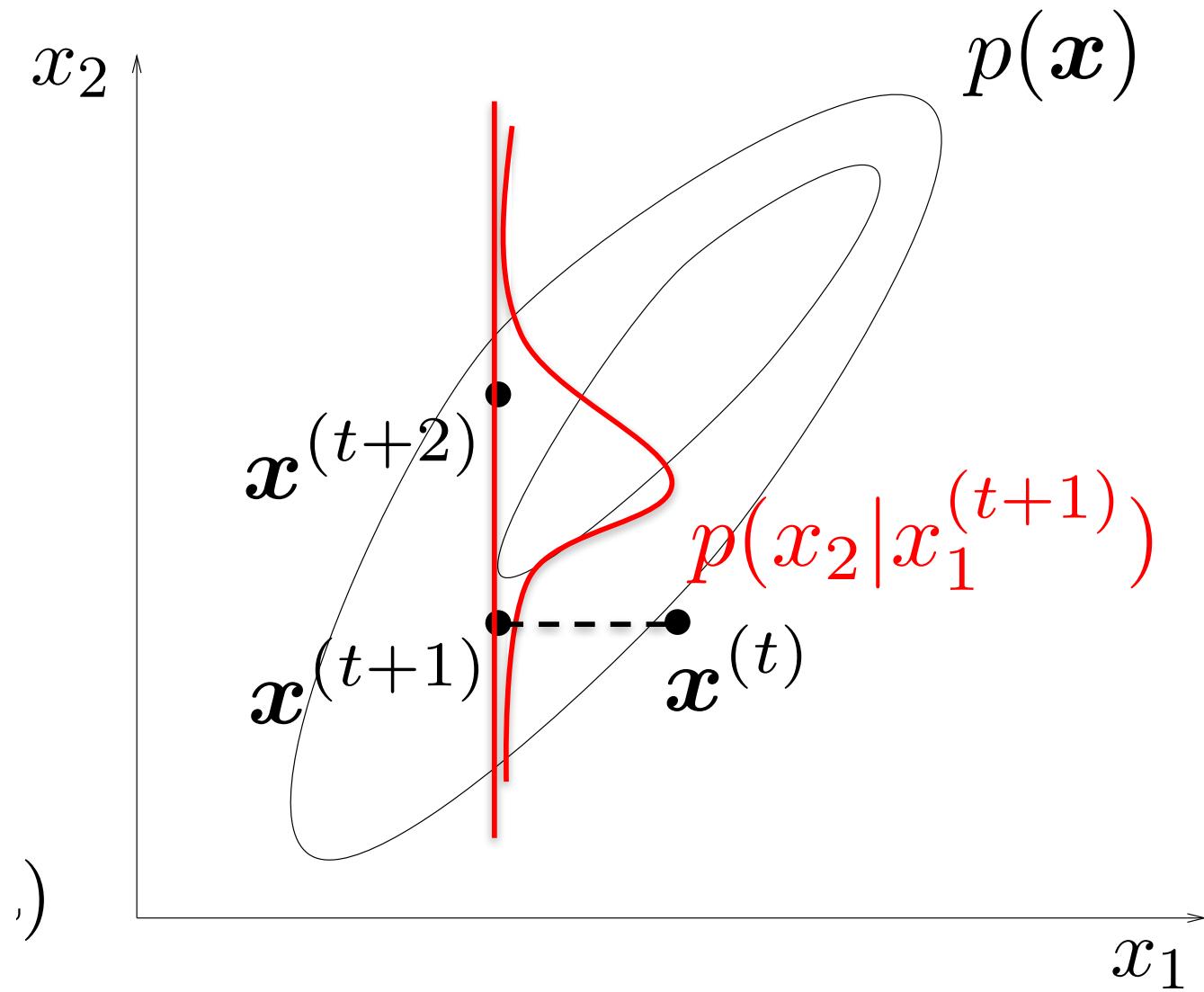
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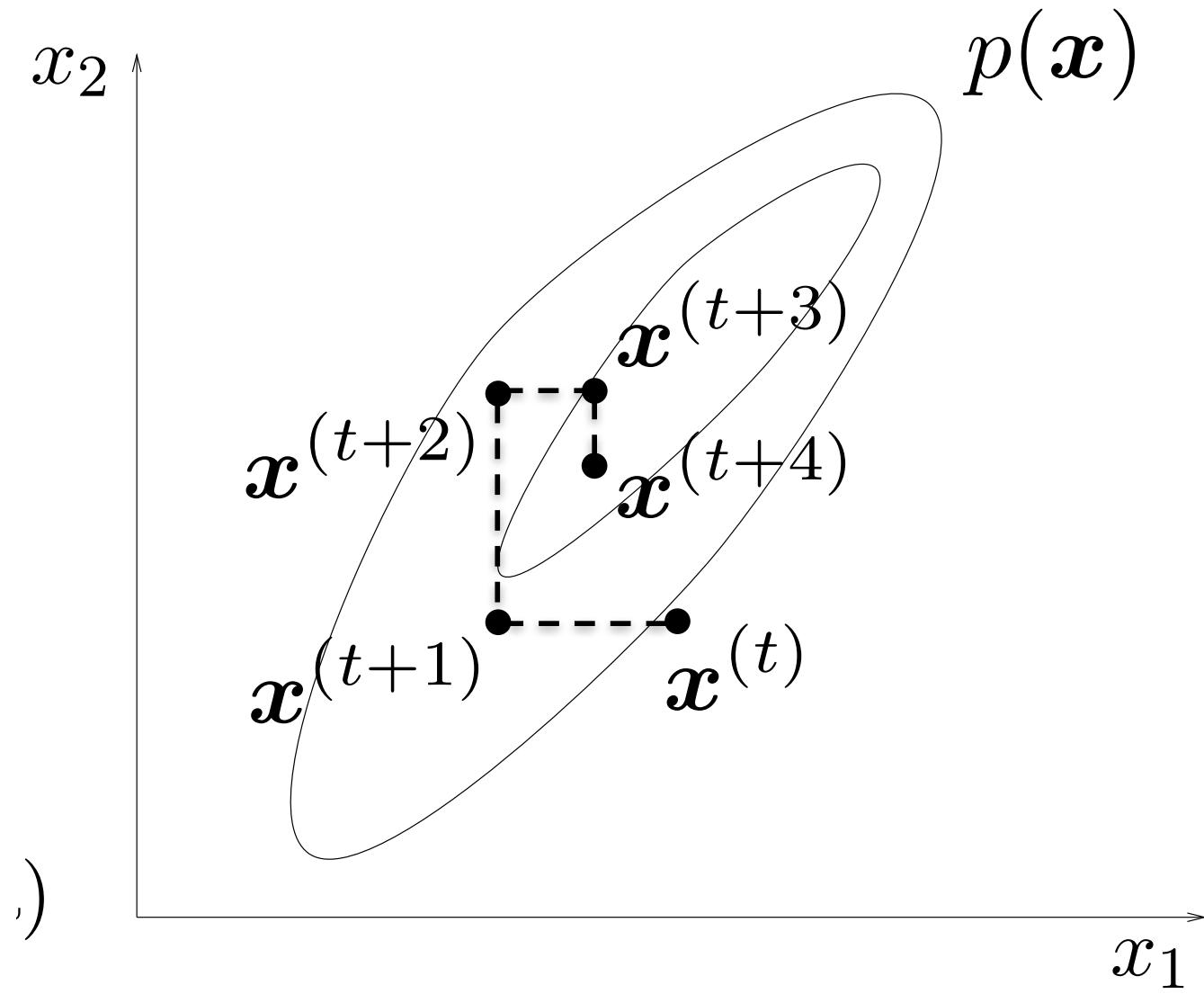
Gibbs Sampling



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Question:

How do we draw samples from a conditional distribution?

$$y_1, y_2, \dots, y_J \sim p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_J | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$$

(Approximate) Solution:

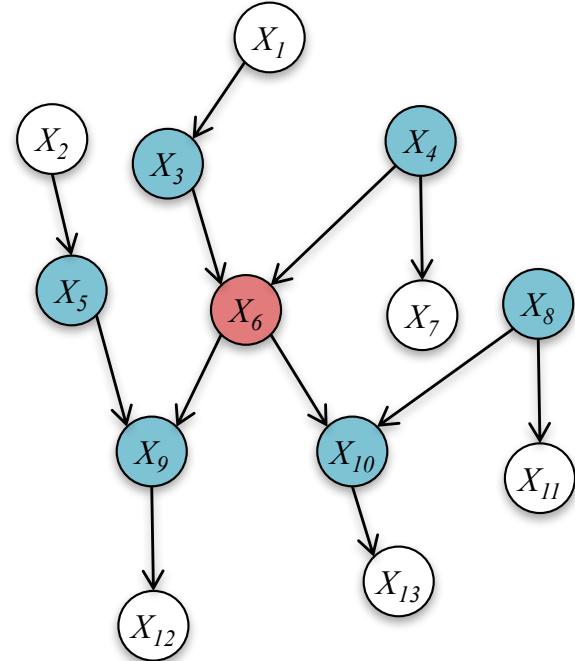
- Initialize $y_1^{(0)}, y_2^{(0)}, \dots, y_J^{(0)}$ to arbitrary values
- For $t = 1, 2, \dots$:
 - $y_1^{(t+1)} \sim p(y_1 | y_2^{(t)}, \dots, y_J^{(t)}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$
 - $y_2^{(t+1)} \sim p(y_2 | y_1^{(t+1)}, y_3^{(t)}, \dots, y_J^{(t)}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$
 - $y_3^{(t+1)} \sim p(y_3 | y_1^{(t+1)}, y_2^{(t+1)}, y_4^{(t)}, \dots, y_J^{(t)}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$
 - ...
 - $y_J^{(t+1)} \sim p(y_J | y_1^{(t+1)}, y_2^{(t+1)}, \dots, y_{J-1}^{(t+1)}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$

Properties:

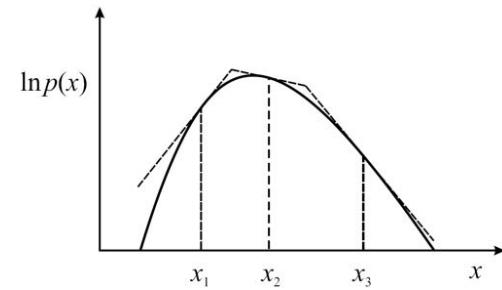
- This will eventually yield samples from $p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_J | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_J)$
- But it might take a long time -- just like other Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods

Gibbs Sampling

**Full conditionals
only need to
condition on the
Markov Blanket**



- Must be “easy” to sample from conditionals
- Many conditionals are log-concave and are amenable to adaptive rejection sampling



Learning Objectives

Bayesian Networks

You should be able to...

1. Identify the conditional independence assumptions given by a generative story or a specification of a joint distribution
2. Draw a Bayesian network given a set of conditional independence assumptions
3. Define the joint distribution specified by a Bayesian network
4. Use domain knowledge to construct a (simple) Bayesian network for a real-world modeling problem
5. Depict familiar models as Bayesian networks
6. Use d-separation to prove the existence of conditional independencies in a Bayesian network
7. Employ a Markov blanket to identify conditional independence assumptions of a graphical model
8. Develop a supervised learning algorithm for a Bayesian network
9. Use samples from a joint distribution to compute marginal probabilities
10. Sample from the joint distribution specified by a generative story
11. Implement a Gibbs sampler for a Bayesian network