BAYESIAN CLASSIFIERS
WITH DISCRETE PREDICTORS

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Outline

Discrete Bayesian network classifiers (Bielza and Larrañaga, 2014)

Bayes decision rule

$$p(\mathbf{x}, c) = p(c|\mathbf{pa}(c)) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}(x_i))$$

The Bayes decision rule (minimization of the expected loss) for a 0-1 loss function:

$$c^* = \arg\max_c p(c|\mathbf{x}) = \arg\max_c p(\mathbf{x}, c)$$

Número de parámetros:

$$p(c|x_1,\ldots,x_n) \propto p(c, x_1,\ldots,x_n)$$

1   2^n-1   2

$p(c)\, p(x_1,\ldots,x_n|c)$

AUGMENTED NAIVE BAYES MODELS

$p(c|\mathbf{pa}(c)) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}(x_i))$

$p(c)\prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}_c(x_i))$

Naive Bayes | Selective naive Bayes | Semi-naive Bayes | ODE | k-DB | BAN

TAN   SPODE

Markov blanket-based | Unrestricted

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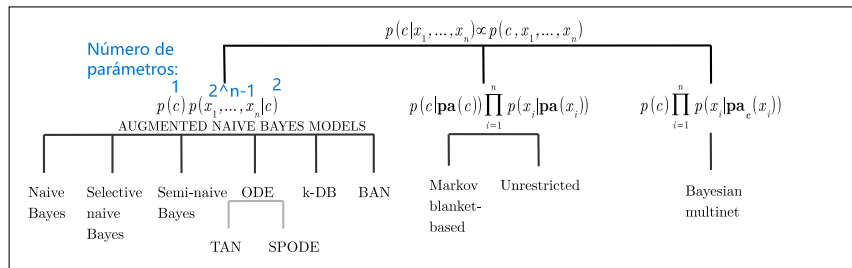
Most popular: Naive Bayes and Tree Augmented Naive Bayes (TAN) Categorization of discrete Bayesian network classifiers

Parameter Estimation

Maximun likelihood estimation

The mle estimator for $p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}(x_i))$ is given by $\frac{N_{ijk}}{N_{ij}}$

- N_{ijk} is the frequency in $\mathcal{D}$ of cases with $X_i = k$ and $\mathbf{Pa}(X_i) = j$
- N_{ij} is the frequency in $\mathcal{D}$ of cases with $\mathbf{Pa}(X_i) = j$ (i.e., $N_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{R_i} N_{ijk}$)

Bayesian estimation

Assuming a Dirichlet prior distribution over
$(p(X_i = 1|\mathbf{Pa}(X_i) = j), ..., p(X_i = R_i|\mathbf{Pa}(X_i) = j))$ with all hyperparameters equal to α,
the posterior distribution is Dirichlet with hyperparameters equal to $N_{ijk} + \alpha$,
$k = 1, ..., R_i$
$p(X_i = k|\mathbf{Pa}(X_i) = j)$ is estimated by $\frac{N_{ijk} + \alpha}{N_{ij} + R_i\alpha}$ (Lindstone rule)

- Laplace estimation: $\alpha = 1$
- Schurmann-Grassberger rule: $\alpha = \frac{1}{R_i}$

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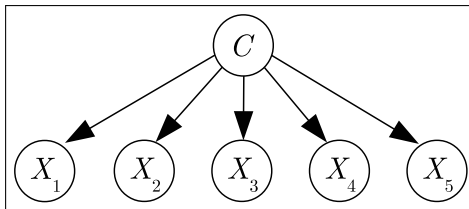# Naive Bayes as a Bayesian network

Naive Bayes (Minsky, 1961)

Predictor variables conditionally independent given C: $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|c)$

$c^* = arg \max_c P(C = c) \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i = x_i | C = c)$

Structure of a naïve Bayes

No relationship between the predictor variables

Con la fórmula general, tenemos 2*(2^n-1) posibilidades para la distribución conjunta.
Con Naive Bayes, este número se reduce a 1+n*1*2

Decision boundary of a naive Bayes

Decision boundary = hyperplane (Minsky, 1961)

$$p(x_i|c) = p(X_i = 0|C = c) \left[\frac{p(X_i = 1|C = c)}{p(X_i = 0|C = c)} \right]^{x_i}$$

with $x_i = 0, 1$. Then, substituting this in $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i|c)$ and taking the natural log:

$$\ln p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto \ln p(c) + \ln \prod_{i=1}^n p(X_i = 0|C = c) + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln \left[\frac{p(X_i = 1|C = c)}{p(X_i = 0|C = c)} \right]$$

$$w_{c0} = \ln p(c) + \ln \prod_{i=1}^n p(X_i = 0|C = c)$$

$$w_{ci} = \ln \left[\frac{p(X_i = 1|C = c)}{p(X_i = 0|C = c)} \right]$$

then $\ln p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto w_{c0} + \mathbf{w}_c^T \mathbf{x}$ with $\mathbf{w}_c^T = (w_{c1}, ..., w_{cn})$
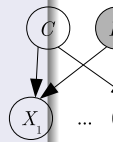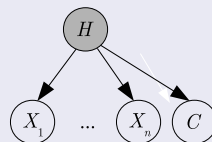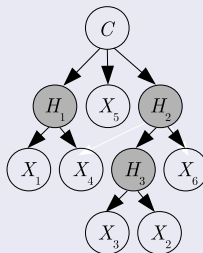The decision boundary is

$$\ln p(C = 0|\mathbf{x}) - \ln p(C = 1|\mathbf{x}) = (w_{00} - w_{10}) + (\mathbf{w}_0 - \mathbf{w}_1)^T \mathbf{x} = 0$$

which defines a hyperplane

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Naive Bayes con hidden variables

NO

Violating the conditional independence assumption

(a)   (b)   (c)   (d)

(a) Naive Bayes with a hidden variable *H* (Kwoh and Gilles 1996. (b) Hierarchical naive Bayes (Zhang et al., 2004; Langseth and Nielsen 2006). (c) Finite mixture model, with a hidden variable as a parent of the predictor variables and the class (Kontkanen et al., 1996). (d) Finite-mixture augmented naive Bayes (Monti and Cooper 1999)
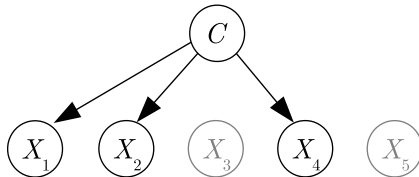
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Selective naive Bayes

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Relevant and non-redundant predictors : $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c|\mathbf{x}_F) = p(c) \prod_{i \in F} p(x_i|c)$
$\mathbf{X}_F$ denotes the projection of $\mathbf{X}$ onto the selected feature subset $F \subseteq \{1, 2, ..., n\}$

Same as idea as naive Bayes, but previousl or at the same tin
there is a feature selection

A selective naive Bayes structure for which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c)p(x_2|c)p(x_4|c)$

Filter and wrapper

- Filter: $\mathbb{I}(X_i, C)$ (Pazzani and Billsus, 1997) Compute the relevancy of each predictor variable using the mutual information with the class
- Wrapper: greedy forward (Langley and Sage, 1994), floating search (Pernkopf and O'Leary, 2003), genetic algorithms (Liu et al. 2001) and estimation of distribution algorithms (Inza et al., 2000) The cardinal of the search space (variables selected and not selected) is 2^n. In wrapper methods, we try to sele subset in an intelligent manner using a metric that we c decide

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Semi-naive Bayes

Relaxing conditional independencies by Cartesian products

The new predictor variables (original ones or Cartesian products of originals) are still conditionally independent given the class variable

$$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{j=1}^{K} p(\mathbf{x}_{S_j}|c),$$

where $S_j \subseteq \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ denotes the indices in the j-th feature (original or Cartesian product), $j = 1, ..., K$, $S_j \cap S_l = \varnothing$, for $j \neq l$

Supernode: cartesian product of two predictor variables.
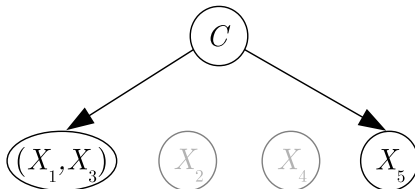
A semi-naive Bayes structure for which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1, x_3|c)p(x_5|c)$
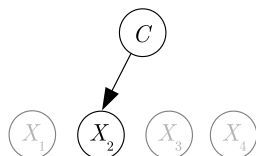
Semi-naive Bayes

**The forward sequential selection and joining (FSSJ) (Pazzani, 1996)**

1. Starts from an empty structure. The accuracy is obtained by using the simple decision rule where the most likely label is assigned to all instances

2. Then the algorithm considers the best option between:
   - (a) Adding a variable not used by the current classifier as conditionally independent of the features (original or Cartesian products) used in the classifier, and
   - (b) Joining a variable not used by the current classifier with each feature (original or Cartesian products) present in the classifier

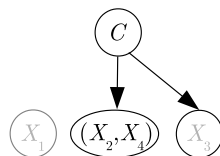We are using the accuracy so we have a wrapper feature selection

Building process (FSSJ)
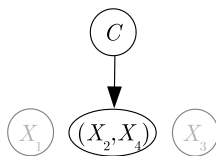
(a)   (b)   (c)

(a) The selective naive Bayes with X_2 has yielded the best accuracy
(b) After building the models with these sets of predictor variables:
$\{X_2, X_1\}, \{X_2, X_3\}, \{X_2, X_4\}, \{(X_2, X_1)\}, \{(X_2, X_3)\}$ and $\{(X_2, X_4)\}$, the last option is selected according to its accuracy
(c) The winner model out of $\{X_1, (X_2, X_4)\}, \{X_3, (X_2, X_4)\}, \{(X_1, X_2, X_4)\}$, and $\{(X_3, X_2, X_4)\}$. The accuracy does not improve with $\{X_1, X_3, (X_2, X_4)\}, \{(X_1, X_3), (X_2, X_4)\}$, and $\{X_3, (X_1, X_2, X_4)\}$, and the process stops
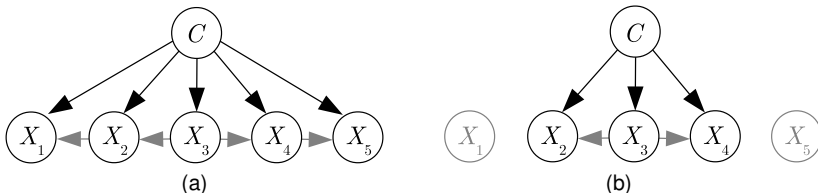
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Tree augmented naive Bayes

Tree augmented naive Bayes (Friedman et al., 1997)

The predictor subgraph is necessarily a tree: all predictor variables contain exactly one parent, except for one variable that has no parents, called the *root*

$$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_r|c) \prod_{i=1, i \neq r}^{n} p(x_i|c, x_{j(i)})$$

where X_r denotes the root node and $\{X_{j(i)}\} = \mathbf{Pa}(X_i) \setminus C$, for any $i \neq r$

(a) A TAN structure, whose root node is X_3, for which
$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c, x_2)p(x_2|c, x_3)p(x_3|c)p(x_4|c, x_3)p(x_5|c, x_4)$. (b) Selective TAN (Blanco et al., 2005), for
which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_2|c, x_3)p(x_3|c)p(x_4|c, x_3)$

Learning algorithm for TAN

Kruskal algorithm: the weight of the edges is given by the conditional information 👈

Algorithm 1: Learning a TAN structure

Input : A data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), ..., (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$ with $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, ..., X_n)$
Output: A TAN structure

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1 **for** $i < j, i, j = 1, ..., n$ **do**
2   Compute $\mathbb{I}(X_i, X_j | C) = \sum_{i,j,r} p(x_i, x_j, c_r) \log_2 \frac{p(x_i, x_j | c_r)}{p(x_i | c_r) p(x_j | c_r)}$
                                        3-order statistic
3 **endfor**
4 Build a complete undirected graph where the nodes are $X_1, ..., X_n$. Annotate the
    weight of an edge connecting X_i and X_j by $\mathbb{I}(X_i, X_j | C)$
5 Build a maximum weighted spanning tree:
6   Select the two edges with the heaviest weights
7 **while** *The tree contains fewer than n − 1 edges* **do**
8   **if** *They do not form a cycle with the previous edges* **then** Select the next
       heaviest edge
9   **else** Reject the edge and continue
10   **endwhile**
11 Transform the resulting undirected tree into a directed one by choosing a root node
    and setting the direction of all edges to be outward from this node
12 Construct a TAN structure by adding a node C and an arc from C to each X_i

There is a relationship between the conditional mutual information and the maximal likelihood. Using this
algorithm we build the tree with the highest maximal likelihood (the tree that is more likely given the data)

TAN building process

$$\mathbb{I}(X_1, X_3|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_2, X_4|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_2|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_3, X_4|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_4|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_3, X_5|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_5|C) >$$

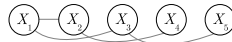$$\mathbb{I}(X_2, X_3|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_2, X_5|C) > \mathbb{I}(X_4, X_5|C)$$
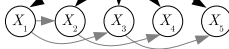

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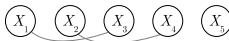
(e) Undirected tree

We stop when we have n-1 edges (in this case 5-1).
In each step, we have to check the tree condition (no loops)

(g) Directed tree

(h)

(a-c) Edges are added according to conditional mutual information quantities arranged in ascending order. (d-e) Edges $X_3 - X_4$ and $X_1 - X_4$ (dashed lines) cannot be added since they form a cycle. (f) Maximum weighted spanning tree. (g) The directed tree obtained by choosing X_1 as the root node. (h) Final TAN structure

The class is relevant to obtain the directed tree because we have used the mutual information of pairs of variables GIVEN the class
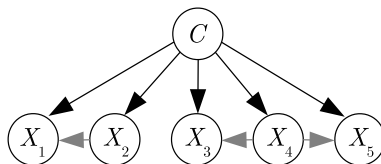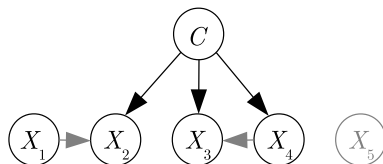
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TAN building process

Forest augmented naive Bayes (FAN) (Lucas, 2004)

- FAN: a forest –i.e., a disjoint union of trees– in the predictor subgraph, augmented with a naive Bayes. The forest is obtained using a maximum weighted spanning forest algorithm (Fredman and Tarjan, 1987)
- Selective FAN: allows the predictor variables to be optionally dependent on the class variable, that is, missing arcs from C to some X_i can be found (Ziebart et al., 2007)

(a)   (b)

(a) FAN with two root nodes X_2 and X_4: $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c, x_2)p(x_2|c)p(x_3|c, x_4)p(x_4|c)p(x_5|c, x_4)$. (b) Selective FAN: $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_2|c, x_1)p(x_3|c, x_4)p(x_4|c)$

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Superparent-one-dependence estimators

Superparent-one-dependence estimators (SPODE) (Keogh and Pazzani, 2002)

- One-dependence estimators (ODEs): each predictor variable is allowed to depend on at most one other predictor in addition to the class (is a particular case of a TAN model)
- SPODEs are an ODE where all predictors depend on the same predictor, called the superparent, in addition to the class

$$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_{sp}|c) \prod_{i=1, i \neq sp}^{n} p(x_i|c, x_{sp})$$

where X_{sp} denotes the superparent node
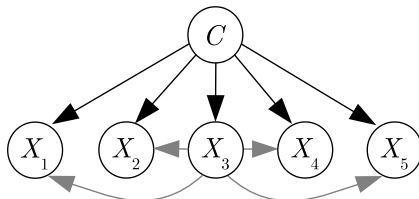
A SPODE structure, with X_3 as superparent, for which
$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c, x_3)p(x_2|c, x_3)p(x_3|c)p(x_4|c, x_3)p(x_5|c, x_3)$

Superparent-one-dependence estimators

Averaged one-dependence estimator (AODE) (Webb et al., 2005)

- AODE averages the predictions of all qualified SPODEs (metaclassifier)
- 'Qualified" means including, for each instance $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, ..., x_{sp}, ..., x_n)$, only the SPODEs for which the probability estimates are accurate, that is, where the training data contain more than m cases satisfying $X_{sp} = x_{sp}$ ($m = 30$)

$$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{SP}_{\mathbf{x}}^m|} \sum_{X_{sp} \in \mathcal{SP}_{\mathbf{x}}^m} p(c)p(x_{sp}|c) \prod_{i=1, i \neq sp}^{n} p(x_i|c, x_{sp})$$

where $\mathcal{SP}_{\mathbf{x}}^m$ denotes for each $\mathbf{x}$ the set of predictor variables qualified as superparents and $|\cdot|$ is its cardinality.

- AODE avoids model selection, thereby decreasing the variance component of the classifier

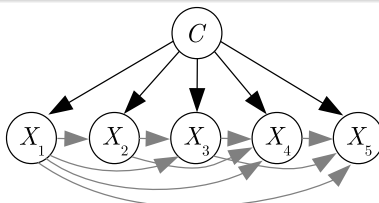# Outline

k-dependence Bayesian classifiers (*k*-DB) (Sahami, 1996)

k-DB

- *k*-DB allows each predictor variable to have a maximum of *k* parent variables apart from the class variable. Naive Bayes and TAN are particular cases
- $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|c, x_{i_1}, ..., x_{i_k})$ where $X_{i_1}, ..., X_{i_k}$ are the parents of X_i

An example of a 3-DB structure for which
$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c)p(x_2|c, x_1)p(x_3|c, x_1, x_2)p(x_4|c, x_1, x_2, x_3)p(x_5|c, x_1, x_3, x_4)$
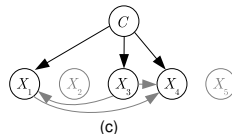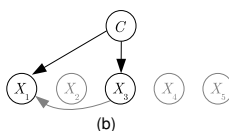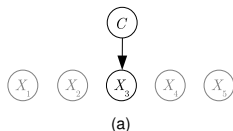
Learning a *k*-DB

- The inclusion order of the predictor variables X_i in the model is given by $\mathbb{I}(X_i, C)$, starting with the highest
- Once X_i enters the model, its parents are selected by choosing the *k* variables X_j in the model with the highest values of $\mathbb{I}(X_i, X_j|C)$
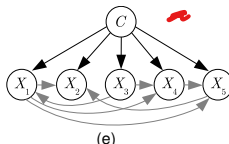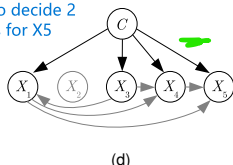
Building a *k*-DB with *k*=2

$$\mathbb{I}(X_3, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_4, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_5, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_2, C).$$

$$\mathbb{I}(X_3, X_4 \,|\, C) \quad > \quad \mathbb{I}(X_2, X_5 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_3 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_2 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_2, X_4 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_2, X_3 \,|\, C)$$

$$> \quad \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_4 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_4, X_5 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_1, X_5 \,|\, C) > \mathbb{I}(X_3, X_5 \,|\, C)$$

(a) (b) (c)

Do not need to decide anything

Need to decide 2 parents for X5

(d) (e)

An example of *k*-DB structure learning with $k = 2$. (a-c) Variables X_3, X_1 and X_4 enter the model one by one, taking as parents the current predictor variables. (d) X_5 enters the model with parents X_1 and X_4. (e) X_2 enters the model with parents X_1 and X_5. This is the final *k*-DB structure

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Bayesian network augmented naive Bayes (BAN) (Ezawa and Norton, 1996)

BAN

- Any Bayesian network structure as the predictor subgraph
- The posterior distribution is $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}(x_i))$
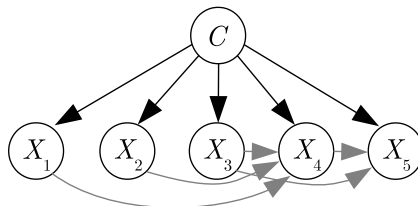
A BAN structure for which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c)p(x_1|c)p(x_2|c)p(x_3|c)p(x_4|c, x_1, x_2, x_3)p(x_5|c, x_3, x_4)$

Bayesian network augmented naive Bayes (BAN) (Ezawa and Norton, 1996)

Building a BAN

1. Ranks the n predictor variables based on $\mathbb{I}(X_i, C)$, and then it selects the minimum number of predictor variables k satisfying $\sum_{j=1}^{k} \mathbb{I}(X_j, C) \geq t_{CX} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathbb{I}(X_j, C)$, where $0 < t_{CX} < 1$ is the threshold

2. $\mathbb{I}(X_i, X_j | C)$ is computed for all pairs of the selected variables. The edges corresponding to the highest values are selected until a percentage t_{XX} of the overall conditional mutual information $\sum_{i<j}^{k} \mathbb{I}(X_i, X_j | C)$ is surpassed

3. Edge directionality is based on the variable ranking of the first step: higher-ranked variables point toward lower-ranked variables
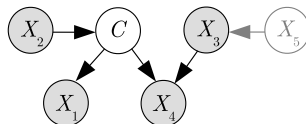
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Markov blanket-based Bayesian classifier (Koller and Sahami, 1996)

Markov blanket-based Bayesian classifier

- If C can have parents: $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c|\mathbf{pa}(c)) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}(x_i))$
- The Markov blanket (its parents, its children and the parents of the children) of C is the only knowledge needed to predict its behavior

A Markov blanket structure for C for which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c|x_2)p(x_1|c)p(x_2)p(x_3)p(x_4|c, x_3)$
The Markov blanket of C is $\mathbf{MB}(C) = \{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$

Markov blanket-based Bayesian classifier (Koller and Sahami, 1996)

Building a MB(C)

- Start from the set of all the predictor variables and eliminate a variable at each step (backward greedy strategy) until we have approximated **MB**(C)

- A feature is eliminated if it gives little or no additional information about C beyond what is subsumed by the remaining features

- Eliminates feature by feature trying to keep $p(C|\textbf{MB}^{(t)}(C))$, the conditional probability of C given the current estimation of the Markov blanket at step t, as close to $p(C|\textbf{X})$ as possible

- Closeness is defined by the Kullback-Leibler divergence

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Unrestricted Bayesian classifiers

Unrestricted Bayesian classifiers

- Do not consider C as a special variable in the induction process
- Any existing Bayesian network structure learning algorithm can be used
- The corresponding Markov blanket of C can be used later for classification purposes
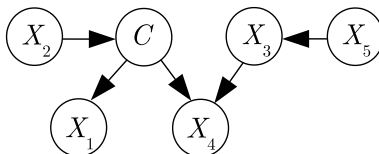
An unrestricted Bayesian network classifier structure for which $p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c|x_2)p(x_1|c)p(x_2)p(x_3)p(x_4|c, x_3)$

Outline

Bayesian multinets (Geiger and Heckerman, 1996)

Bayesian multinets

- Several (local) Bayesian networks associated with a subset of a partition of the domain of a variable *H*, called the hypothesis or distinguished variable
- Asymmetric conditional independence assertions are represented in each local network topology
- For classification problems, the distinguished variable is the class variable *C*

$$p(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(c) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathbf{pa}_c(x_i))$$

Pa$_c(X_i)$ parent set of X_i in the local Bayesian network associated with $C = c$

(a)

(b)
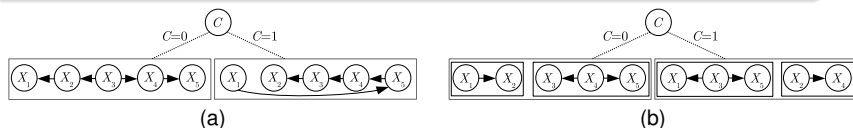
(a) Bayesian multinet as a collection of trees:
$p(C = 0|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(C = 0)p(x_1|C = 0, x_2)p(x_2|C = 0, x_3)p(x_3|C = 0, x_3)p(x_5|C = 0, x_4)$ and
$p(C = 1|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(C = 1)p(x_1|C = 1)p(x_2|C = 1, x_3)p(x_3|C = 1, x_4)p(x_4|C = 1, x_5)p(x_5|C = 1, x_1)$
(b) Bayesian multinet as a collection of forests:
$p(C = 0|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(C = 0)p(x_1|C = 0)p(x_2|C = 0, x_1)p(x_3|C = 0, x_4)p(x_4|C = 0)p(x_5|C = 0, x_4)$ and
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Outline

Bayesian network based classifiers

- Provides a posterior probability for each possible value of the class
- Competitive results (accuracy, Brier, ROC) with the state of the art in supervised classifiers
- Knowledge discovery from the structure of the Bayesian network

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