#### Lecture 9b: Bayesian Networks

CSCI 360 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence USC

## Here is where we are...



	3/1		Project 2 Out	
9	3/4	3/5	Quantifying Uncertainty	[Ch 13.1-13.6]
	3/6	3/7	Bayesian Networks	[Ch 14.1-14.2]
10	3/11	3/12	(spring break, no class)	
	3/13	3/14	(spring break, no class)	
11	3/18	3/19	Inference in Bayesian Networks	[Ch 14.3-14.4]
	3/20	3/21	Decision Theory	[Ch 16.1-16.3 and 16.5]
	3/23		Project 2 Due	
12	3/25	3/26	Advanced topics (Chao traveling to	NSF)
	3/27	3/28	Advanced topics (Chao traveling to	
	3/29		Homework 2 Out	
13	4/1	4/2	Markov Decision Processes	[Ch 17.1-17.2]
	4/3	4/4	Decision Tree Learning	[Ch 18.1-18.3]
	4/5		Homework 2 Due	
	4/5		Project 3 Out	
14	4/8	4/9	Perceptron Learning	[Ch 18.7.1-18.7.2]
	4/10	4/11	Neural Network Learning	[Ch 18.7.3-18.7.4]
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	4/17	4/18	Reinforcement Learning	[Ch 21.1-21.2]
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	4/24	4/25	Wrap-Up and Final Review	
	4/26		Project 3 Due	
	5/3	5/2	Final Exam (2pm-4pm)	

#### **Outline**

- What is Al?
- Problem-solving agent (search)
- Knowledge-based agent (logical reasoning)
- Probabilistic reasoning
  - Quantifying Uncertainty
  - Bayesian Networks
  - Inference in Bayesian Networks
  - Decision Theory
  - Markov Decision Processes
- Machine learning

#### What we have learned so far...

- Early AI researchers largely rejected using probability in their systems
  - "People don't think that way…"
- However, neither problem-solving nor logical reasoning agents tolerate approximation well...
  - Need probabilistic modeling/reasoning
    - Represent KB as relationships among random variables
    - KB can be learned from data
    - Given the KB, make inference about variables of interest
  - Example applications
    - Medical diagnosis: symptoms and diseases as random variables
    - Business decision making, e.g., predicting customer's behavior
    - Bio-informatics, e.g., gene expression levels as random variables
    - Computer science: vision, speech recognition, spam filtering, ...

### Recap: Making decision

#### Rational decision depends on

- (1) The relative importance of various goals and
- (2) likelihood that (and degree to which) they will be reached

**Decision theory** = Utility theory + Probability theory

Choose the action that yields the <u>highest expected utility</u>, averaged over all the possible outcomes of the action

#### Recap: Probability axioms

• A numerical probability  $P(\omega)$  for each possible world

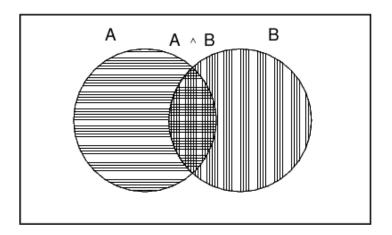
$$0 \le P(\omega) \le 1$$
 for every  $\omega$ 

$$\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} P(\omega) = 1$$

$$P(\neg a) = 1 - P(a)$$



$$P(a \lor b) = P(a) + P(b) - P(a \land b)$$

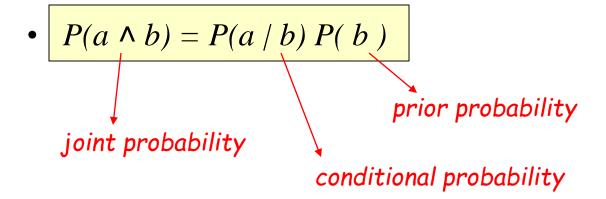


### Recap: Conditional (or posterior) probability

For any propositions a and b, we have

$$P(a \mid b) = \frac{P(a \land b)}{P(b)} \quad \text{whenever } P(b) > 0.$$





### Recap: Probability distribution

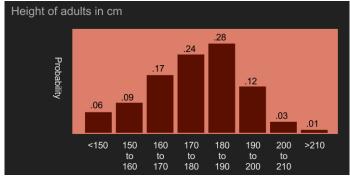
Probabilities of all possible values of a random variable

$$P(Weather = sunny) = 0.6$$
  
 $P(Weather = rain) = 0.1$   
 $P(Weather = cloudy) = 0.29$   
 $P(Weather = snow) = 0.01$ ,

In a vector format

$$P(Weather) = \langle 0.6, 0.1, 0.29, 0.01 \rangle$$

Other examples



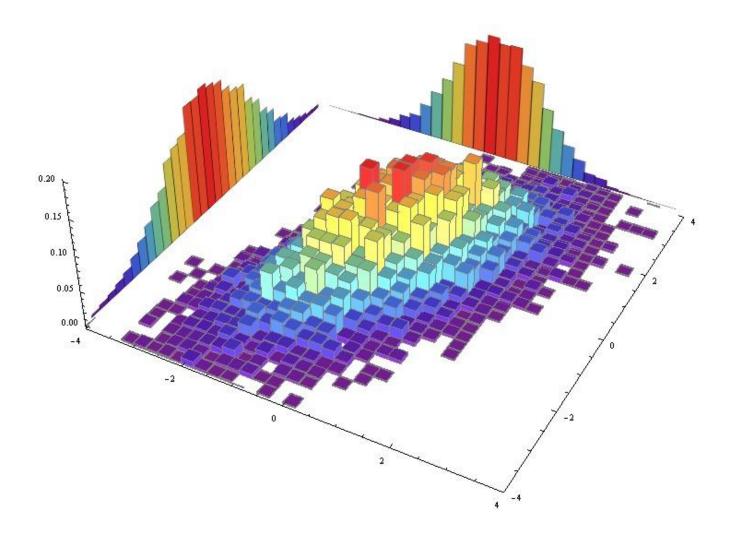




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## Recap: Joint probability distribution

Probabilities of all possible values of multiple variables



## Recap: Marginal probability

 Extracting the distribution over a subset of variables from the full joint distribution

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#### Example

$$P(cavity) = 0.108 + 0.012 + 0.072 + 0.008 = 0.2$$

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#### Example

$$P(cavity \mid toothache) =$$

$$P(\neg cavity \mid toothache) =$$

Sum of the two is always 1.0

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No need to compute

P (toothache)

#### Example

 $P(cavity \mid toothache) = \frac{P(cavity \land toothache)}{P(toothache)}$   $= \frac{0.108 + 0.012}{0.108 + 0.012 + 0.016 + 0.064} = 0.6$ 

$$P(\neg cavity \mid toothache) = \frac{P(\neg cavity \land toothache)}{P(toothache)} = \frac{0.016 + 0.064}{0.108 + 0.012 + 0.016 + 0.064} = 0.4$$

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#### Example

$$\mathbf{P}(Cavity \mid toothache) = \alpha \mathbf{P}(Cavity, toothache)$$

$$=\alpha \langle 0.12,0.08\rangle = \langle 0.6,0.4\rangle \ .$$
 Assume that 
$$\alpha = 1/(0.12 + 0.08)$$
 
$$= 1/0.2$$
 
$$= 5$$

## Recap: Independence to reduce table size

Consider P(Toothache, Catch, Cavity, Weather), which has
 32 entries in the full joint distribution table

	tool	thache	¬toot	hache	toot	toothache		¬toothache		toothache		hache	toothache		¬toothache	
	catch	$\neg catch$	catch	¬catch	catch	¬catch	catch	¬catch	catch	$\neg catch$	catch	$\neg catch$	catch	$\neg catch$	catch	¬catch
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Applying the product rule

P(toothache, catch, cavity, cloudy)

- = P(cloudy | toothache, catch, cavity)P(toothache, catch, cavity)
- But weather is not influenced by dentistry!

$$P(cloudy | toothache, catch, cavity) = P(cloudy)$$

 $P(toothache, catch, cavity, \frac{cloudy}{cloudy}) = P(\frac{cloudy}{cloudy})P(toothache, catch, cavity)$ 

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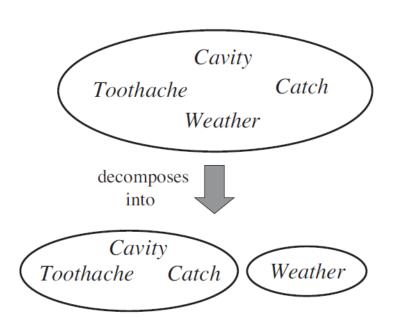
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 The 32-element table can be reduced to a 8-element table and a 4-element table

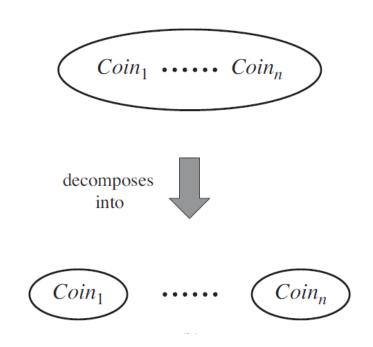
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#### Recap: Independence to reduce table size

#### Leveraging the (absolute) independence



Weather and dentistry are independent



Coin flips are independent

### Recap: Conditional independence

 Variables X and Y are conditional independent, given a third variable Z

$$\mathbf{P}(X,Y \mid Z) = \mathbf{P}(X \mid Z)\mathbf{P}(Y \mid Z)$$

Alternatively, we have

$$\mathbf{P}(X \mid Y, Z) = \mathbf{P}(X \mid Z)$$

$$\mathbf{P}(Y \mid X, Z) = \mathbf{P}(Y \mid Z)$$

For X, variable Y doesn't provide any additional information, given Z

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#### Recap: Conditional independence to reduce table size

• For n effects that are conditionally independent given the cause, the **full joint distribution** table size grows as O(n) instead of  $O(2^n)$ 

$$\mathbf{P}(Cause, \mathit{Effect}_1, \dots, \mathit{Effect}_n) = \mathbf{P}(Cause) \prod_i \mathbf{P}(\mathit{Effect}_i \mid Cause)$$

## Recap: Bayes' rule

Derive Bayes' rule from the product rule of conditional probability

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This equation underlies most modern AI systems for probabilistic inference...



## Recap: Quiz 4 solution

- Assume that the doctor knows some unconditional facts:
  - Prior probability that a patient has a disease P(d) = 0.01
  - Probability of test positive given no diseasé
  - Probability of test positive given disease

- $P(tp / \neg d) = 0.096$
- Now, a patient has test positive; what is the probability that this particular patient has the disease?

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P(d|tp) = P(tp/d) P(d) / P(tp)
= P(tp/d) P(d) / (P(tp/d) P(d) + P(tp/\neg d) P(\neg d))
= 0.8*0.01 / (0.8*0.01 + 0.096*0.99)
= 0.008 / (0.008+0.09504)
= 0.0776
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#### **Outline**

- Representing knowledge in Bayesian networks
- Semantics of Bayesian networks
- Efficient representation of conditional distributions
- Exact inference in Bayesian networks

# Why Bayesian networks?

- Full joint distribution can be used to answer any query about the world
  - But table size is exponential in the number of variables
- Independence and conditional independence relations are important in simplifying the table
  - But they are unnatural and tedious to specify
- Bayesian networks is a data structure to represent both joint distributions and the dependencies among variables

## Example

#### Medical diagnosis

- S1, S2, ...: symptoms (e.g. high temperature) or causes of diseases (e.g. age)
- D1, D2, ...: diseases (e.g. flu, kidney stone, ...)

S1	<b>S2</b>	<b>S3</b>	•••	<b>D1</b>	<b>D2</b>	D3	•••	P(S1, S2, S3,, D1, D2, D3,)
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- When the doctor observes presence of S1 and absence of S3, calculate
  - $P(D1 \mid S1, \neg S3) = P(D1, S1, \neg S3) / P(S1, \neg S3) = ...$
  - $P(D2 | S1, \neg S3) = ...$
  - $P(D3 | S1, \neg S3) = ...$
  - **–** ...

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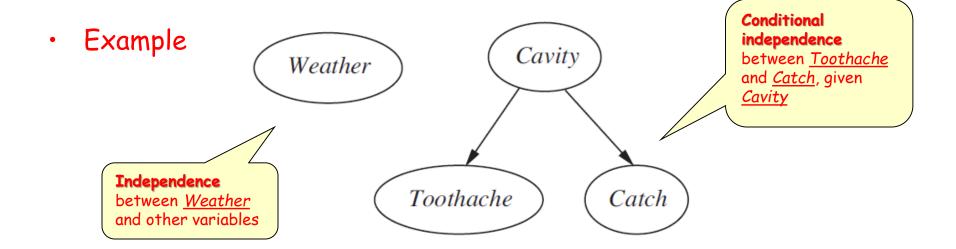
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- We need to acquire too many probabilities from the expert.
- Many of the probabilities are very close to zero and thus hard to specify by experts.

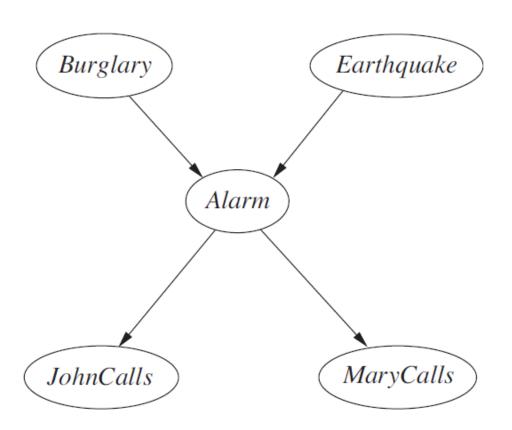
# Bayesian network

- A directed acyclic graph (DAG) where
  - Each node corresponds to a random variable,
  - Each edge from node X to node Y represents a direct influence of X on Y,
  - Each node  $X_i$  has a conditional probability distribution  $P(X_i | Parents(X_i))$  that quantifies the effect of the parents on the node.



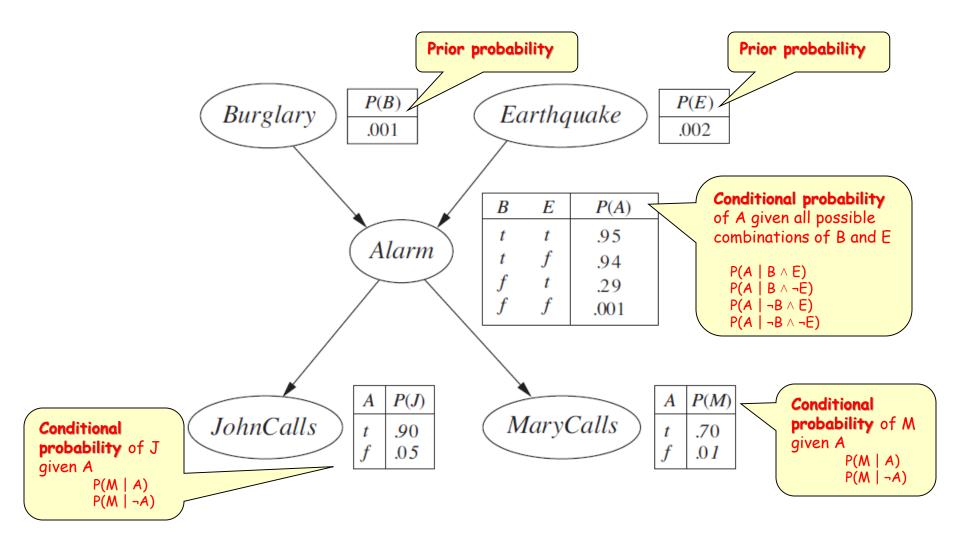
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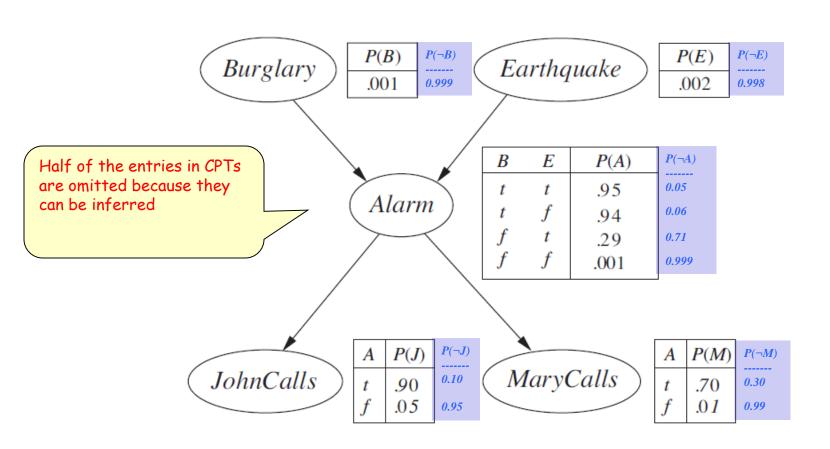
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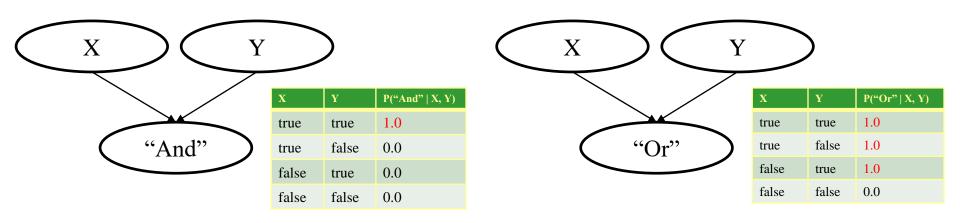
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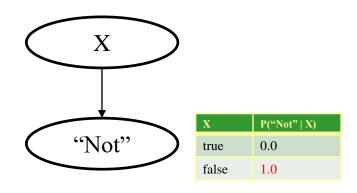
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## Bayesian networks for Boolean functions

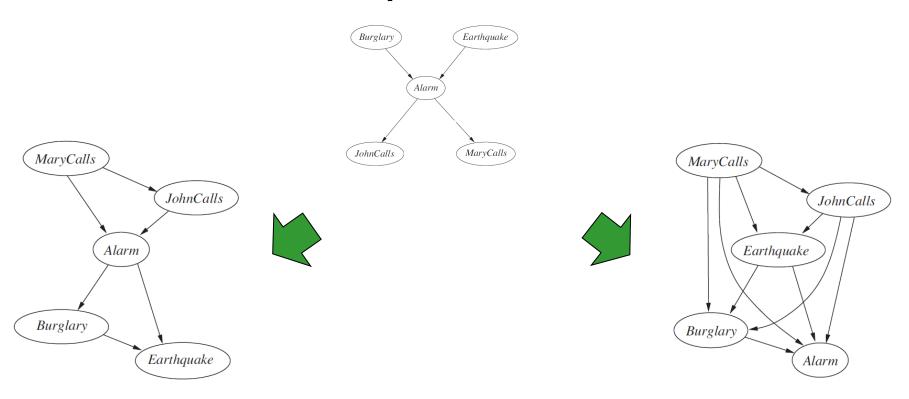
Can Bayesian networks represent all Boolean functions? – Yes.
 f(Feature\_1, ..., Feature\_n) = some propositional sentence





# Compactness and node ordering

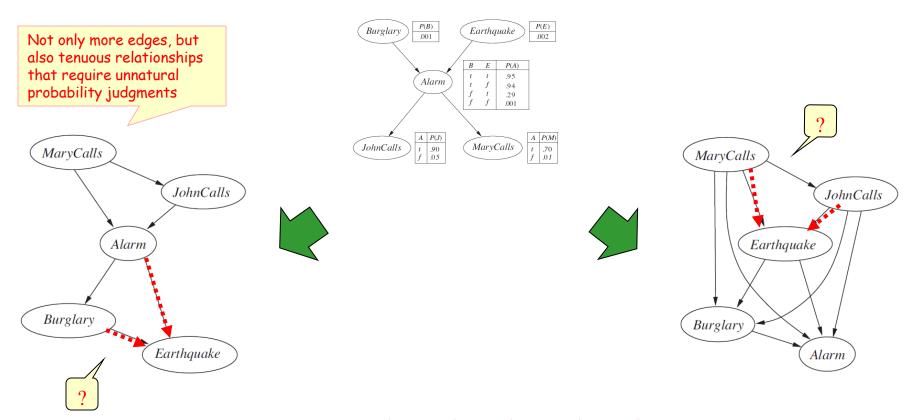
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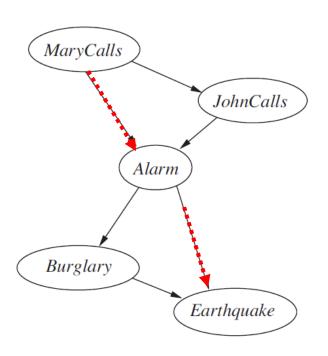
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# Compactness and node ordering

- Distinction between causal model and diagnostic model
  - If we try to build a diagnostic model, with links from symptoms to causes, we have to specify additional dependencies between otherwise independent causes
  - Example: from MaryCalls to Alarm, or from Alarm to Burglary



#### Solution: stick to a causal model

- (1) Fewer dependences
- (2) Easier to come up with probability

# Let's go through an example

- Note: each way of factoring joint distribution corresponds to a different Bayesian network
- Example: 6 ways of factoring P(A, B, C), including
  - $P(A, B, C) = P(C \mid B, A) P(B, A) = P(C \mid B, A) P(B \mid A) P(A)$



(First picking A, then picking B, and finally picking C, each time conditioning the picked random variable on all random variables picked earlier)



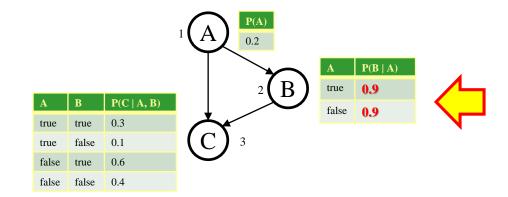
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## Bayesian network is not unique

- The network topology determines how many probabilities need to be specified for the conditional probability tables.
  - Let's choose  $P(A, B, C) = P(C \mid B, A) P(B \mid A) P(A)$ .

A	В	C	<b>P</b> ( <b>A</b> , <b>B</b> , <b>C</b> )
true	true	true	0.054
true	true	false	0.126
true	false	true	0.002
true	false	false	0.018
false	true	true	0.432
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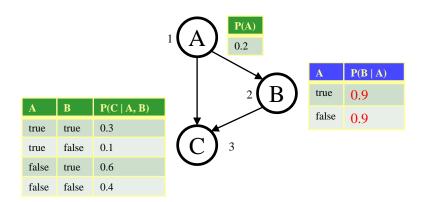
## Independence detected

- Here:  $P(B | A) = P(B | \neg A)$ .
- Thus, A and B are independent
- Detailed explanation

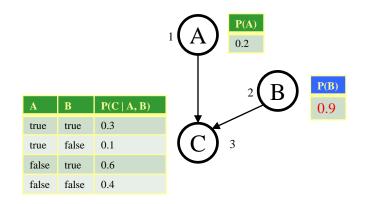
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- P(B) = P(B \land A) + P(B \land \neg A)
= P(B \mid A) P(A) + P(B \mid \neg A) P(\neg A)
= P(B \mid A) P(A) + P(B \mid A) P(\neg A)
= P(B \mid A) (P(A) + P(\neg A))
= P(B \mid A)
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# Simplifying Bayesian network

Independence allows us to simplify Bayesian network



Need to specify 7 probabilities for all conditional probability tables



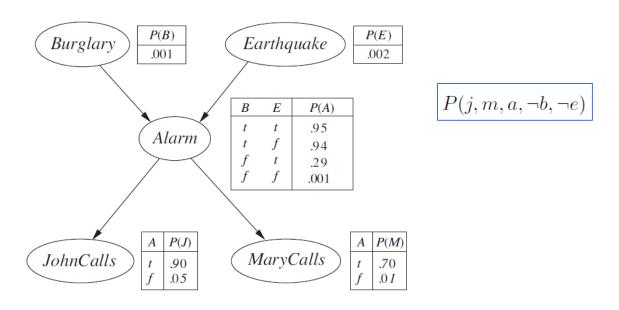
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- Two different, but equivalent views
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- How to construct networks
- How to design inference procedures

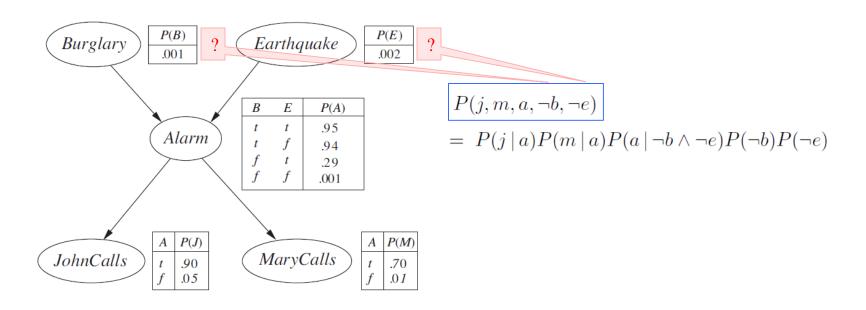
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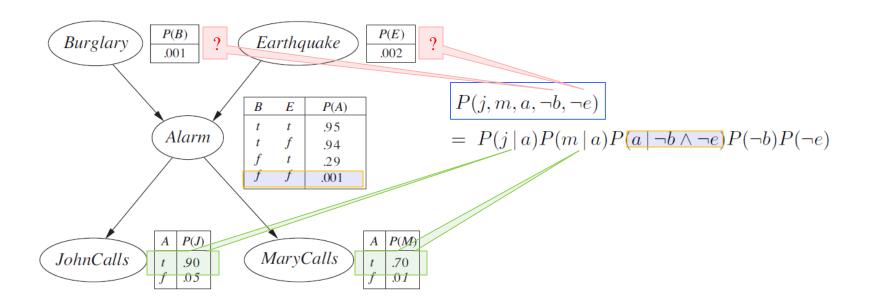
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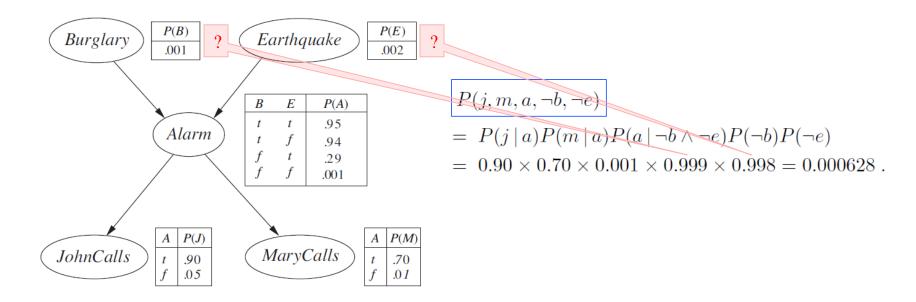
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# How to construct Bayesian networks

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$$P(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = P(x_n | x_{n-1},\ldots,x_1)P(x_{n-1},\ldots,x_1)$$

Then, we repeat the process

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P(x_n \mid x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1) P(x_{n-1} \mid x_{n-2}, \dots, x_1) \cdots P(x_2 \mid x_1) P(x_1)$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i \mid x_{i-1}, \dots, x_1) .$$

Now, compare to Bayesian network

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

$$\mathbf{P}(X_i \mid X_{i-1}, \dots, X_1) = \mathbf{P}(X_i \mid Parents(X_i))$$

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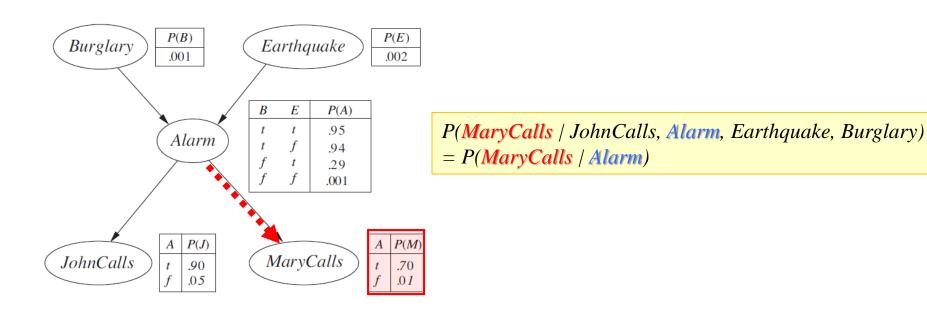
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$$\mathbf{P}(X_i \mid X_{i-1}, \dots, X_1) = \mathbf{P}(X_i \mid Parents(X_i))$$

- For i = 1 to n do:
  - Choose, from  $X_1, ..., X_{i-1}$ , a minimum set of parents for  $X_i$ , to satisfy the equation
  - Insert edges from the parents to  $X_i$
  - CTPs: write down the conditional probability table,  $P(X_i \mid Parents(X_i))$

## How to construct Bayesian networks (cont'd)

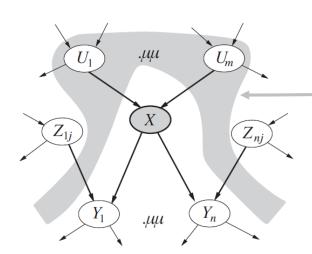


$$\mathbf{P}(X_i \mid X_{i-1}, \dots, X_1) = \mathbf{P}(X_i \mid Parents(X_i))$$

- For i = 1 to n do:
  - Choose, from  $X_1, ..., X_{i-1}$ , a minimum set of parents for  $X_i$ , to satisfy the equation
  - Insert edges from the parents to  $X_i$
  - CTPs: write down the conditional probability table,  $P(X_i \mid Parents(X_i))$

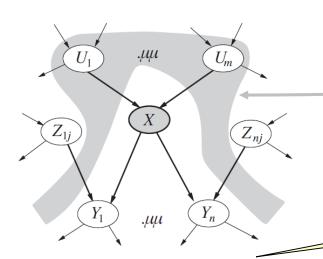
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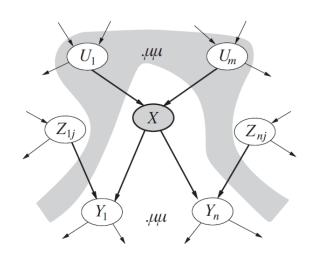
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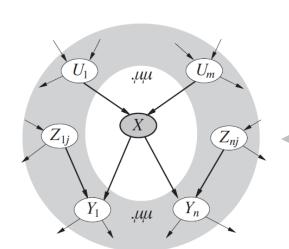
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Markov blanket of X includes

- (1) its parents
- (2) its children,
- (3) its children's parents

X is conditionally independent of all other nodes, given Markov blanket





# **Summary**

- Bayesian network is a well-developed representation for uncertain knowledge
  - It is often exponentially smaller than full joint distribution
  - It plays similar role as propositional logic for definite knowledge
- Bayesian network is a DAG where
  - a node denotes a random variable, together with local conditional distribution of that variable, given its parents
  - It's a concise representation of conditional independence
  - It represents full joint distribution, as product of corresponding entries in the local conditional distributions