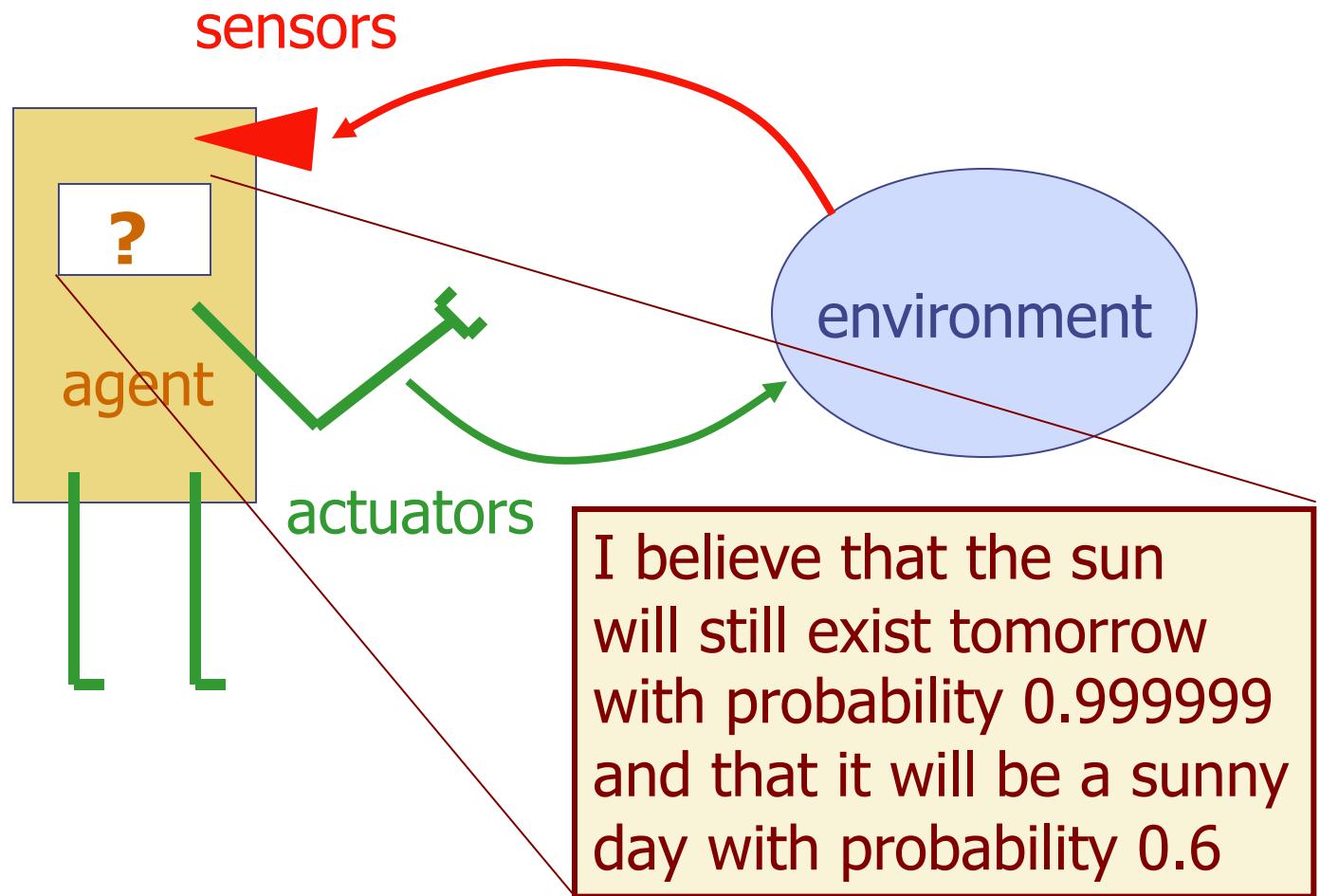


Bayesian Networks

Probabilistic Agent



Problem

- ◆ At a certain time t , the KB of an agent is some collection of beliefs
- ◆ At time t the agent's sensors make an observation that changes the strength of one of its beliefs
- ◆ How should the agent update the strength of its other beliefs?

ممکن است belief ها با یک دیگر مرتبط باشند (اطلاعات از یک اعتقاد موجب تغییر اعتقاد به سایر belief ها می شود). بنابراین agent باید ارزای داشته باشد که بتواند اعتقادش را به درست بودن سایر belief ها را upadat کند

Purpose of Bayesian Networks

- ◆ Facilitate the description of a collection of beliefs by making explicit causality relations and conditional independence among beliefs

یک سری پدیده احتمالاتی داریم که احتمال درست بودن یا نبودن آن را می‌دانیم
ولی فقط دانستن این احتمالات کافی نمی‌باشد زیرا ممکن است facts باشند
- ◆ Provide a more efficient way (than by using joint distribution tables) to update belief strengths when new evidence is observed

اطلاعات تصادفی را به صورت compact ذخیره کنیم داخل حافظه
و هم خیلی efficient بتوانیم بر روی آن محاسبه انجام دهیم .

اگر بخواهیم تمام اطلاعات آماری داده‌های تصادفی را نگه داریم :
باید یک توزیع احتمال توان از داده‌ها داشته باشیم
پس باید 2^n مقدار باید نگه داریم (چون باید جدول توزیع احتمال توان تمام داده‌ها باهم را داشته باشیم)

Other Names

این bayesian network ها گراف جهت دار هستند و بدون دور پک DAG است.

- ◆ Belief networks
- ◆ Probabilistic networks
- ◆ Causal networks

در این DAG به ازای هر رویداد تصادفی یک node داریم و یک پال از a به b می برم و وقتی a دلیل مستقیم b باشد یعنی پدیده a به طور مستقیم تاثیر در پدیده b داشته باشد . یعنی تغییری باشد که از طریق بقیه پدیده ها قابل بازنمایی نباشد

هر node یک سری parent دارد توزیع احتمالاتی هر node ای به شرط مشاهده parentها را باید در شبکه داشته باشیم باید توزیع احتمال شرطی هر node ای نسبت به parentها لایش را باید داشته باشیم به جای این که تابع توزیع احتمال تقام همه متغیرها را داشته باشیم ، توزیع احتمال شرطی هر node به شرط دیده شدن parent آن را نگه میداریم واضح است اگر گراف ، گراف تکی باشد این representation از قبیل خیلی بهتر است .

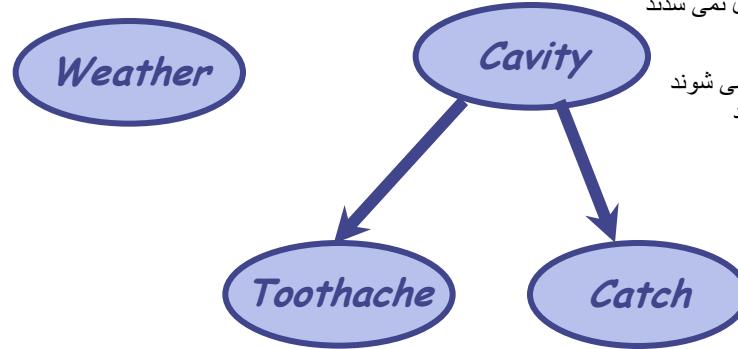
Bayesian Networks

- ◆ A simple, graphical notation for conditional independence assertions resulting in a compact representation for the full joint distribution
- ◆ Syntax:
 - a set of nodes, one per variable
 - a directed, acyclic graph (link = ‘direct influences’)
 - a conditional distribution (CPT) for each node given its parents:
 $P(X_i | \text{Parents}(X_i))$

Example

مثال ۱

Topology of network encodes conditional independence assertions:



اگر cavity را داشته باشیم از toothache مستقل می شود

اگر جهت فلاش ها بر عکس بود این دو از هم مستقل نمی شوند

بو تا اگر یک effect بینیم از یک دیگر مستقل نمی شوند
با دیدن cause ها از یک دیگر مستقل می شوند

Weather is independent of other variables
Toothache and Catch are independent given Cavity

Example

مثال ۲

فعالی خواهیم شبکه را طوری به وجود آوریم که cause ها را بالا بگذاریم و پال وصل کنیم به effect ها

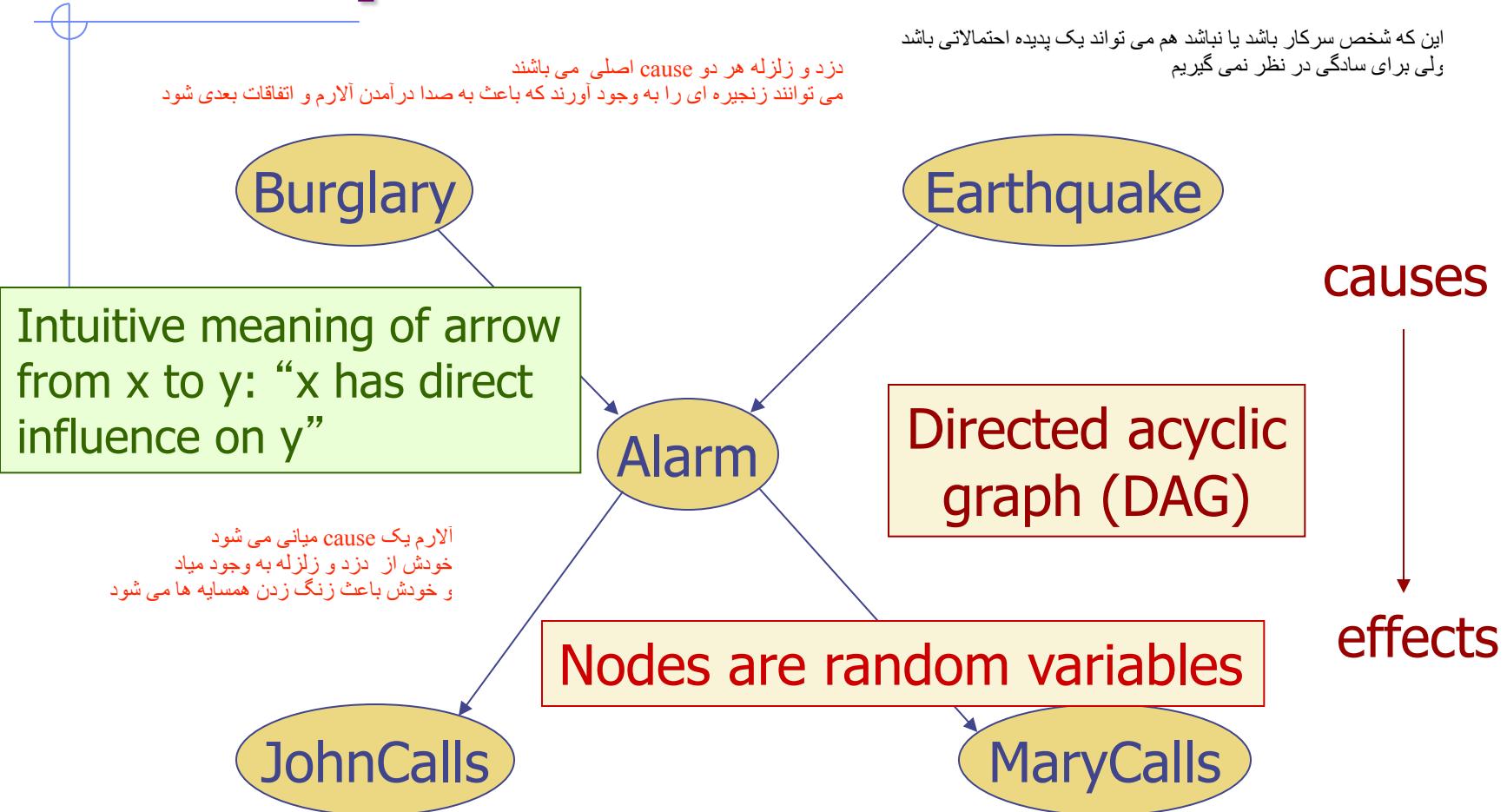
I'm at work, neighbor John calls to say my alarm is ringing, but neighbor Mary doesn't call. Sometime it's set off by a minor earthquake. Is there a burglar?

Variables: Burglar, Earthquake, Alarm, JohnCalls, MaryCalls

Network topology reflects “causal” knowledge:

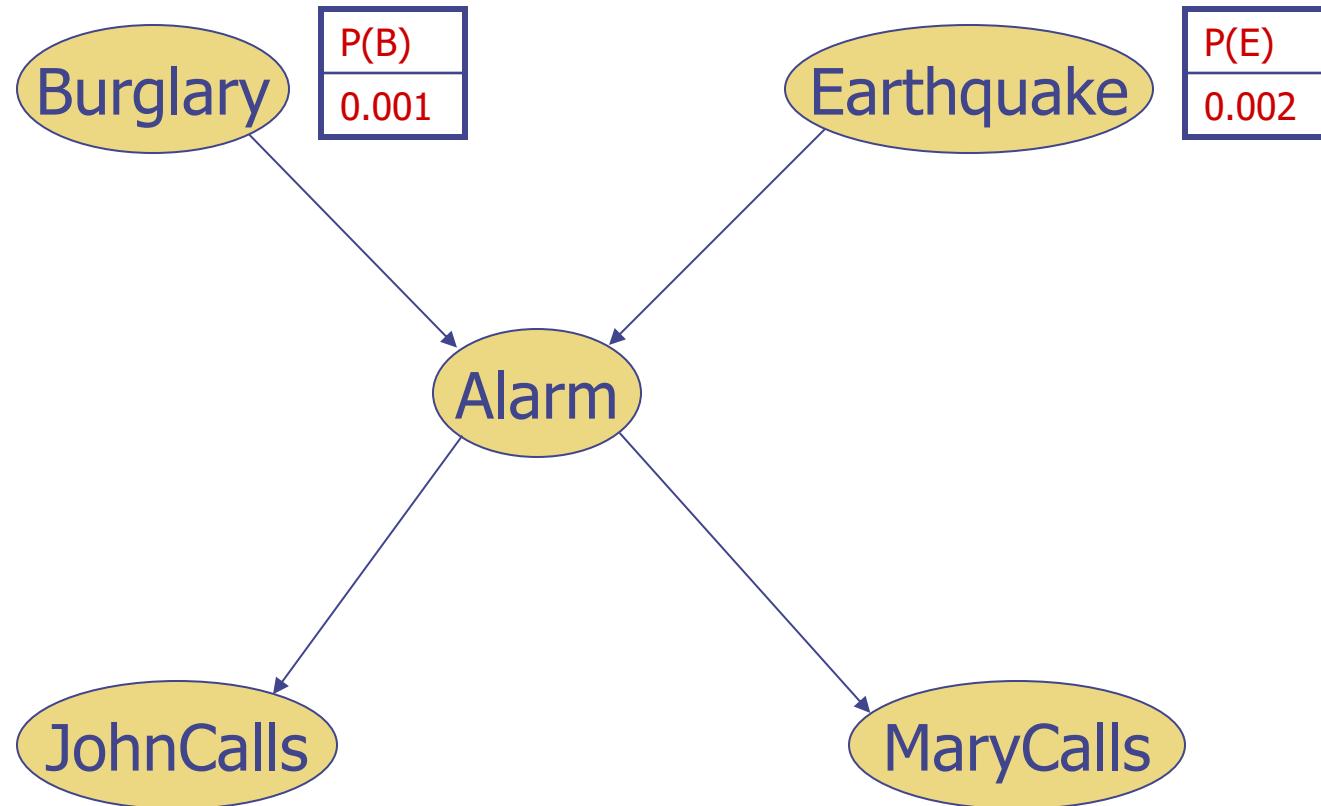
- A burglar can set the alarm off
- An earthquake can set the alarm off
- The alarm can cause Mary to call
- The alarm can cause John to call

A Simple Belief Network

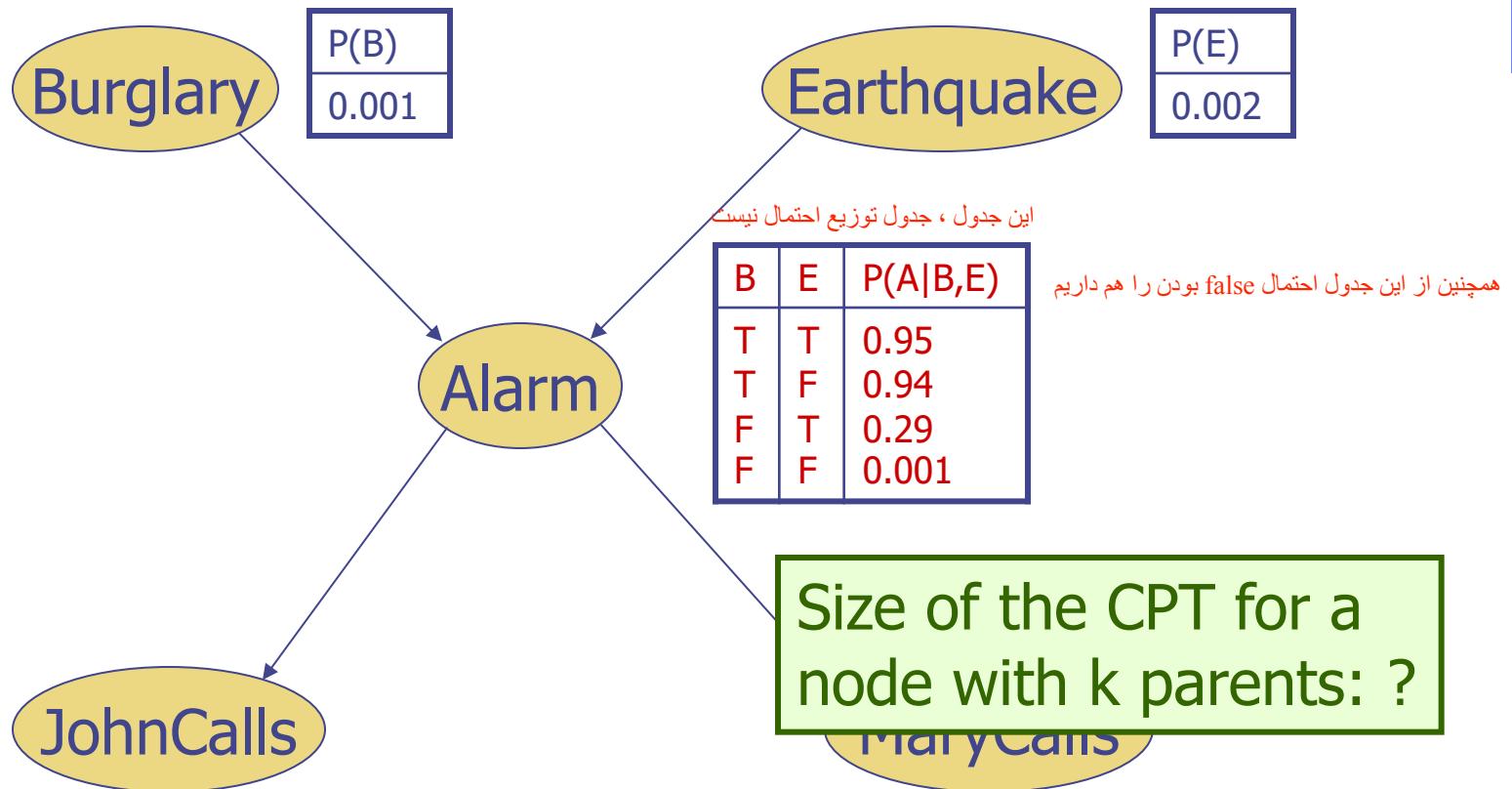


اگر john و merry هر دو با هم زندگی کنند می توانند یک رابطه causal با یک دیگر داشته باشند
بین زنگ زدن john و دزد هم می تواند رابطه causal داشته باشد مثلًا زمانی که john خودش دزد باشد

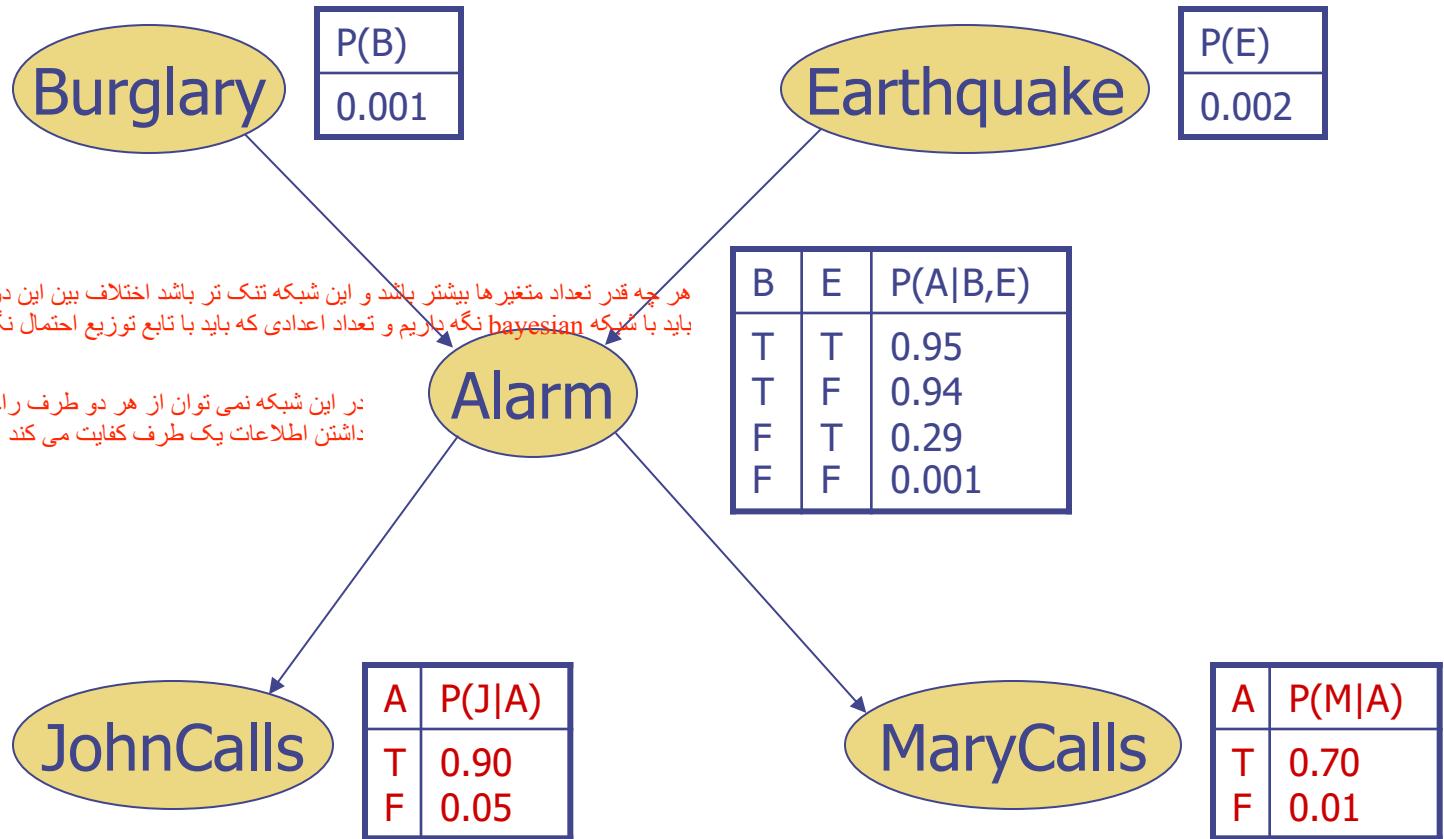
Assigning Probabilities to Roots



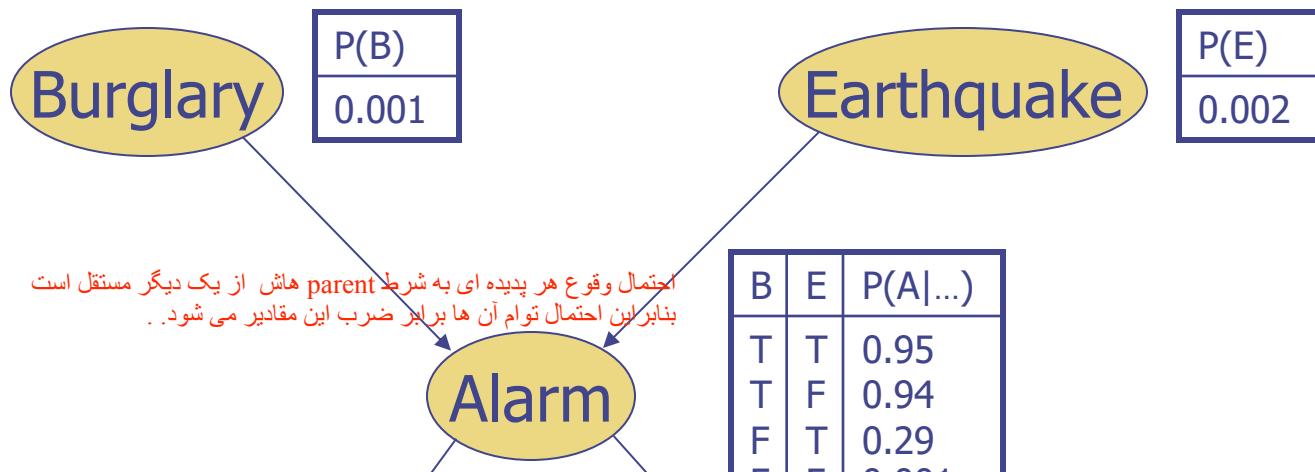
Conditional Probability Tables



Conditional Probability Tables



What the BN Means



$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1, \dots, n} P(x_i | \text{Parents}(X_i))$$

JohnCalls

A	P(J A)
T	0.90
F	0.05

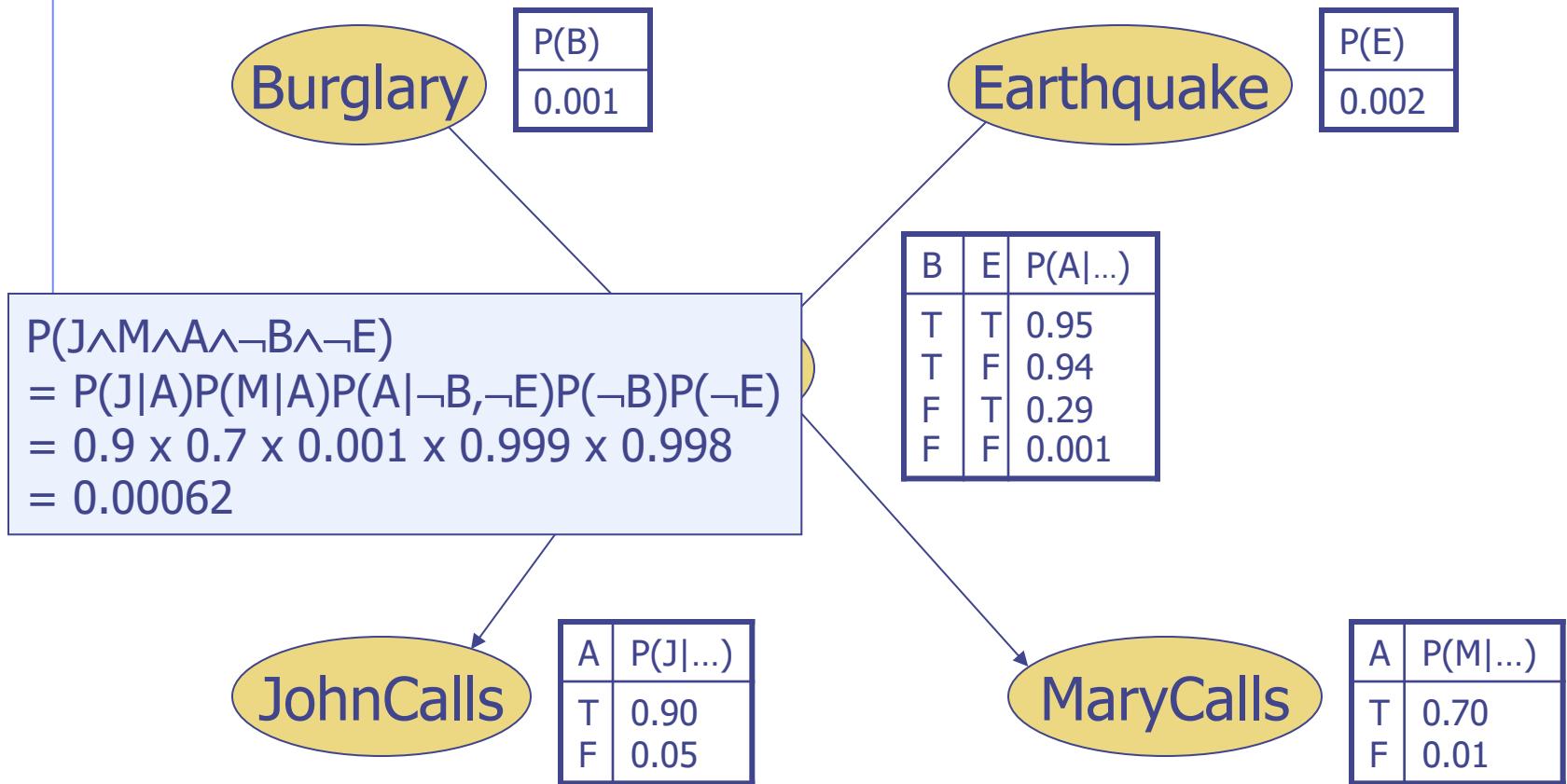
MaryCalls

A	P(M A)
T	0.70
F	0.01

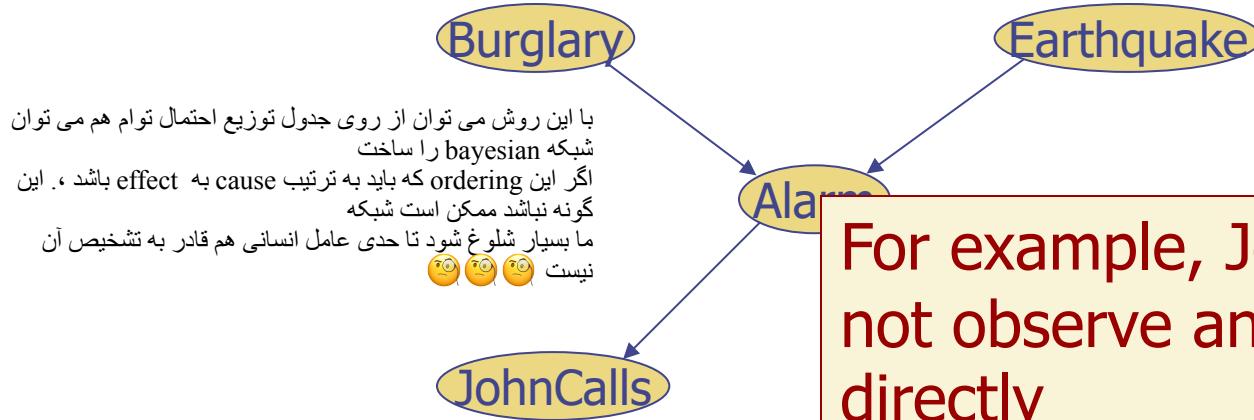
$$P(\text{john, merry}, b, \text{alarm}) = p(j|m, a, b, e) * p(m, a, b, e)$$

Calculation of Joint Probability

پک node به شرط parent هاش از بچه های خودش هم مستقل می شود.
چون گراف ما است بنابراین یک پایینی دارد که ما از آن جا شروع می کنیم
جاداکردن احتمال هارا از پایین به بالا انجام می دهیم



What The BN Encodes



For example, John does not observe any burglaries directly

◆ Each of the beliefs JohnCalls and MaryCalls is independent of Burglary and Earthquake given Alarm or \neg Alarm

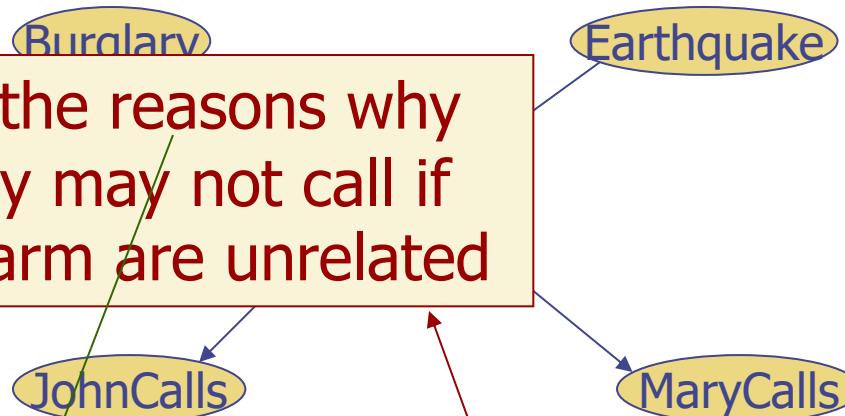
◆ The beliefs JohnCalls and MaryCalls are independent given Alarm or \neg Alarm

ممکن است اطلاعات causal محیط را نداشته باشیم یعنی بتوانیم توزیع احتمال را از روی یک سری داده آماری بدست بیاوریم و بعد بتوانیم قضاوت کنیم که شبکه bayesian چه طور بکشیم

اگر این شرایط باشد : الان باید از خاصیت دوم (هر کسی به شرط parent هاش در شبکه مستقل باشد) استفاده کرد بنابراین برای اینکه یک شبکه bayesian بسازیم یک ترتیب بین node ها به دست می آوریم (با در نظر گرفتن تمام اتفاقات تصادفی) بعد node ها را یکی یکی اضافه می کنیم و می بینیم که node اضافه شده چه parent ای باشد داشته باشد تا از بقیه متغیرها مستقل شود ؟

What The BN Encodes

For instance, the reasons why John and Mary may not call if there is an alarm are unrelated



◆ Each of the beliefs

Note that these reasons could be other beliefs in the network. The probabilities summarize these non-explicit beliefs

◆ The beliefs JohnCalls and MaryCalls are independent given Alarm or \neg Alarm

or \neg Alarm

Structure of BN

- ◆ The relation:

E.g., JohnCalls is influenced by Burglary, but not
m directly. JohnCalls is directly influenced by Alarm
predecessors in the BN given its parents

- ◆ Said otherwise, the parents of a belief X_i are all the beliefs that “directly influence” X_i
- ◆ Usually (but not always) the parents of X_i are its causes and X_i is the effect of these causes

Construction of BN

- ◆ Choose the relevant sentences (random variables) that describe the domain
- ◆ Select the ordering guarantees that the BN will have no cycles
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- ◆ For $j=1, \dots, n$ do:
 - Add a node in the network labeled by X_j
 - Connect the node of its parents to X_j
 - Define the CPT of X_j

X_i

Example

در این مثال ترتیب را به صورت برعکس در نظر می گیریم یعنی از effect ها به cause ها

- ◆ Suppose we choose the ordering M, J, A, B, E

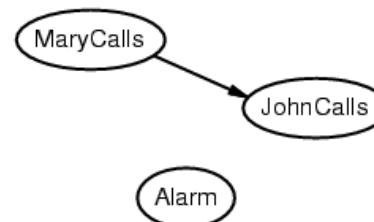
MaryCalls

JohnCalls

$$P(J / M) = P(J)?$$

Example

- ◆ Suppose we choose the ordering M, J, A, B, E

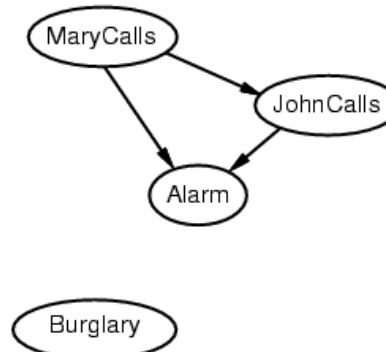


$P(J | M) = P(J)? \text{No}$

$P(A | J, M) = P(A | J)? \quad P(A | J, M) = P(A)?$

Example

- ◆ Suppose we choose the ordering M, J, A, B, E



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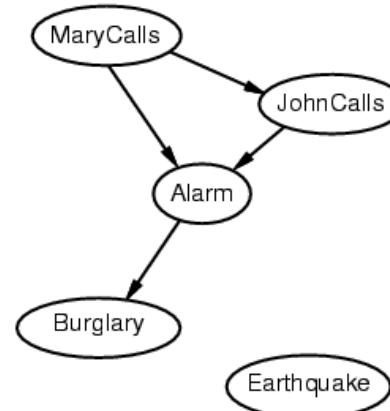
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$P(B | A, J, M) = P(B | A)?$

$P(B | A, J, M) = P(B)?$

Example

- ◆ Suppose we choose the ordering M, J, A, B, E



$P(J | M) = P(J)? \text{No}$

$P(A | J, M) = P(A | J)? \quad P(A | J, M) = P(A)? \text{No}$

$P(B | A, J, M) = P(B | A)? \text{Yes}$

$P(B | A, J, M) = P(B)? \text{No}$

$P(E | B, A, J, M) = P(E | A)?$

$P(E | B, A, J, M) = P(E | A, B)?$

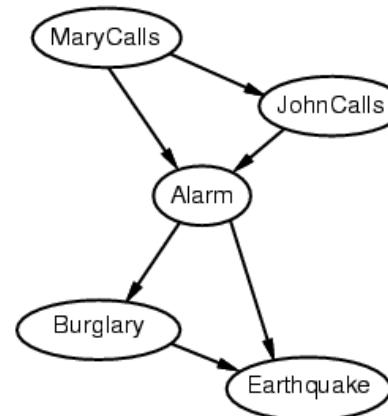
Example

◆ Suppose we choose the ordering M, J, A, B, E

همیشه node های پایینی را چک می کنیم که آیا مستقل می شود یا نه ؟

آیا میشه فقط به آلام مربوط کرد یا به هر دوی.

اگر الارم را مشاهده کنیم و بدانیم دزد نبوده پس احتمال زلزله بیشتر می شود
پس زلزله به دزدی مربوط است .



$$P(J | M) = P(J)? \text{No}$$

$$P(A | J, M) = P(A | J)? \quad P(A | J, M) = P(A)? \text{No}$$

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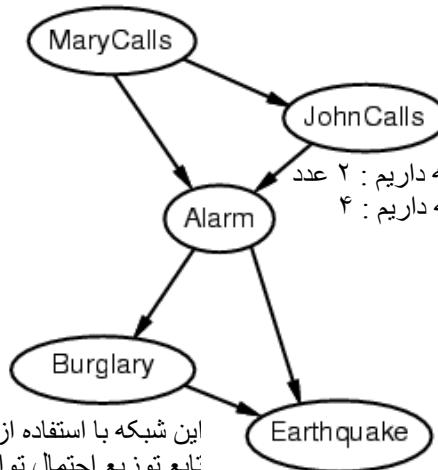
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$$P(E | B, A, J, M) = P(E | A)? \text{No}$$

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Example summary

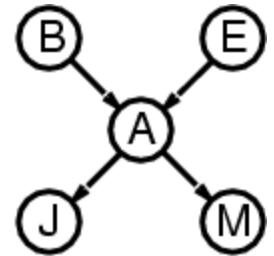
این شبکه با استفاده از مفهوم استقلال شرطی یک representation خلاصه تری از تابع توزیع احتمال توأم می دهد



وقتی داریم شبکه را می سازیم node ها را که هر کدام نماینده یک پدیده تصادفی هستند را می گذاریم و به هر node جدید باید یال هایی از node های قبلی بکشیم یال ها را طوری اضافه می کنیم که به شرط مشاهده parent ها یک node از بقیه گره ها مستقل شوند یعنی فقط parent ها درباره احتمال پدیده اطلاعات بدند

توزیع احتمال johnCalls را به ازای تمام حالت های merryCalls باید نگه داریم : ۲ عدد توزیع احتمال alarm را به شرط مشاهده تمام حالت های Burglary هایش را نگه داریم : ۴

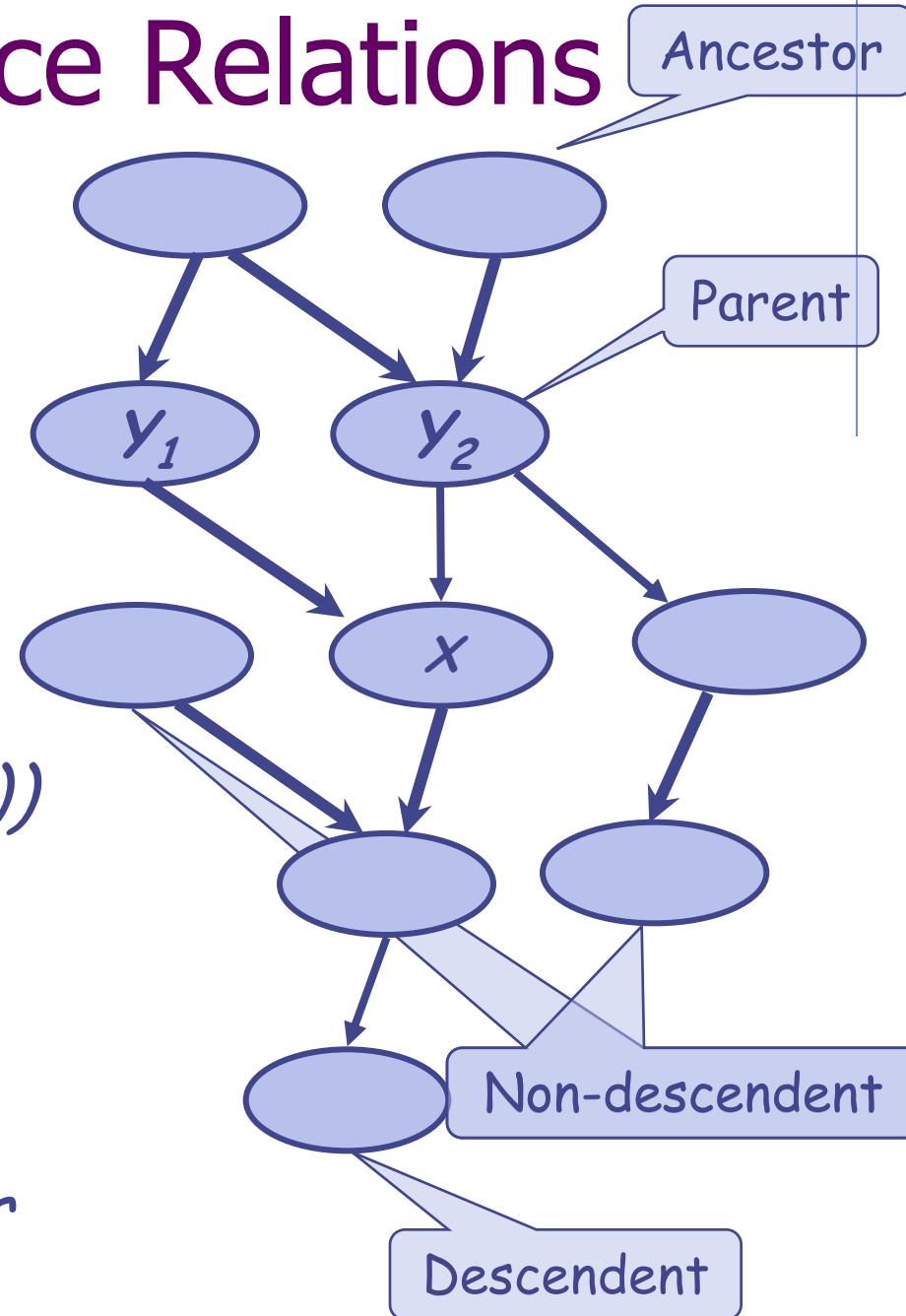
Compactness



- ◆ A CPT for Boolean X_i with k Boolean parents has $2k$ rows for the combinations of parent values
- ◆ Each row requires one number p for $X_i = \text{true}$ (the number for $X_i = \text{false}$ is just $1-p$)
- ◆ If each variable has no more than k parents, the complete network requires $O(n \cdot 2^k)$ numbers
- ◆ I.e., grows linearly with n , vs. $O(2^n)$ for the full joint distribution
- ◆ For burglary net, $1 + 1 + 4 + 2 + 2 = 10$ numbers (vs. $25-1 = 31$)

Cond. Independence Relations

- 1. Each random variable X , is conditionally independent of its non-descendants, given its parents $Pa(X)$
- Formally,
 $I(X; \text{NonDesc}(X) | Pa(X))$
- 2. Each random variable is conditionally independent of all the other nodes in the graph, given its neighbor



Inference in BNs

- ◆ Set E of evidence variables that are observed, e.g., $\{\text{JohnCalls}, \text{MaryCalls}\}$
- ◆ Query variable X , e.g., Burglary, for which we would like to know the posterior probability distribution $P(X|E)$

J	M	$P(B ...)$
T	T	?

Distribution conditional to the observations made

Inference Patterns

Burglary

Earthquake

- Basic use of a BN: Given new observations, compute the new strengths of some (or all) beliefs

JohnCalls

MaryCalls

Burglary

Earthquake

Alarm

Causal

JohnCalls

MaryCalls

Burglary

Earthquake

Alarm

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JohnCalls

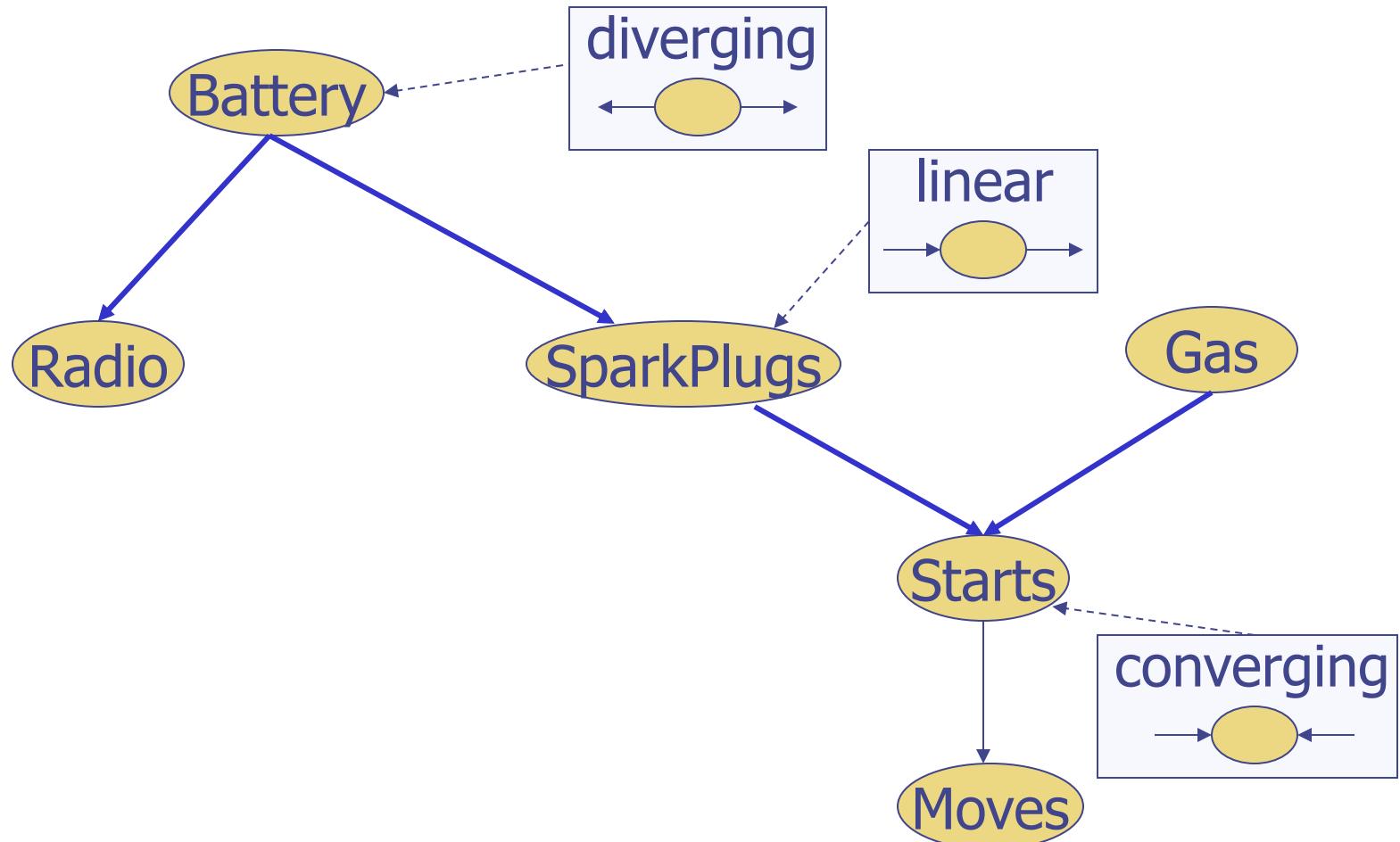
MaryCalls

- Other use: Given the strength of a belief, which observation should we gather to make the greatest change in this belief's strength

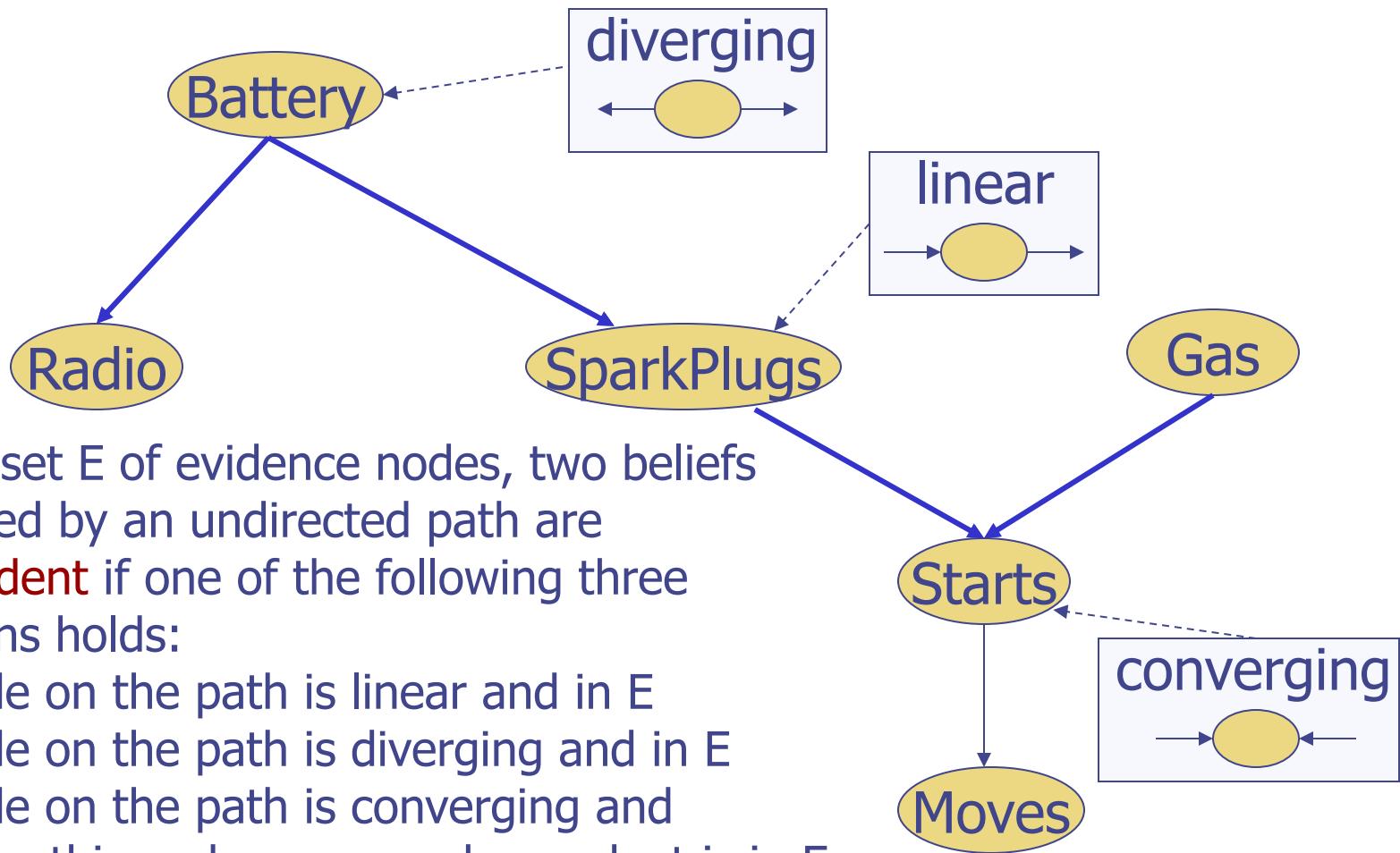
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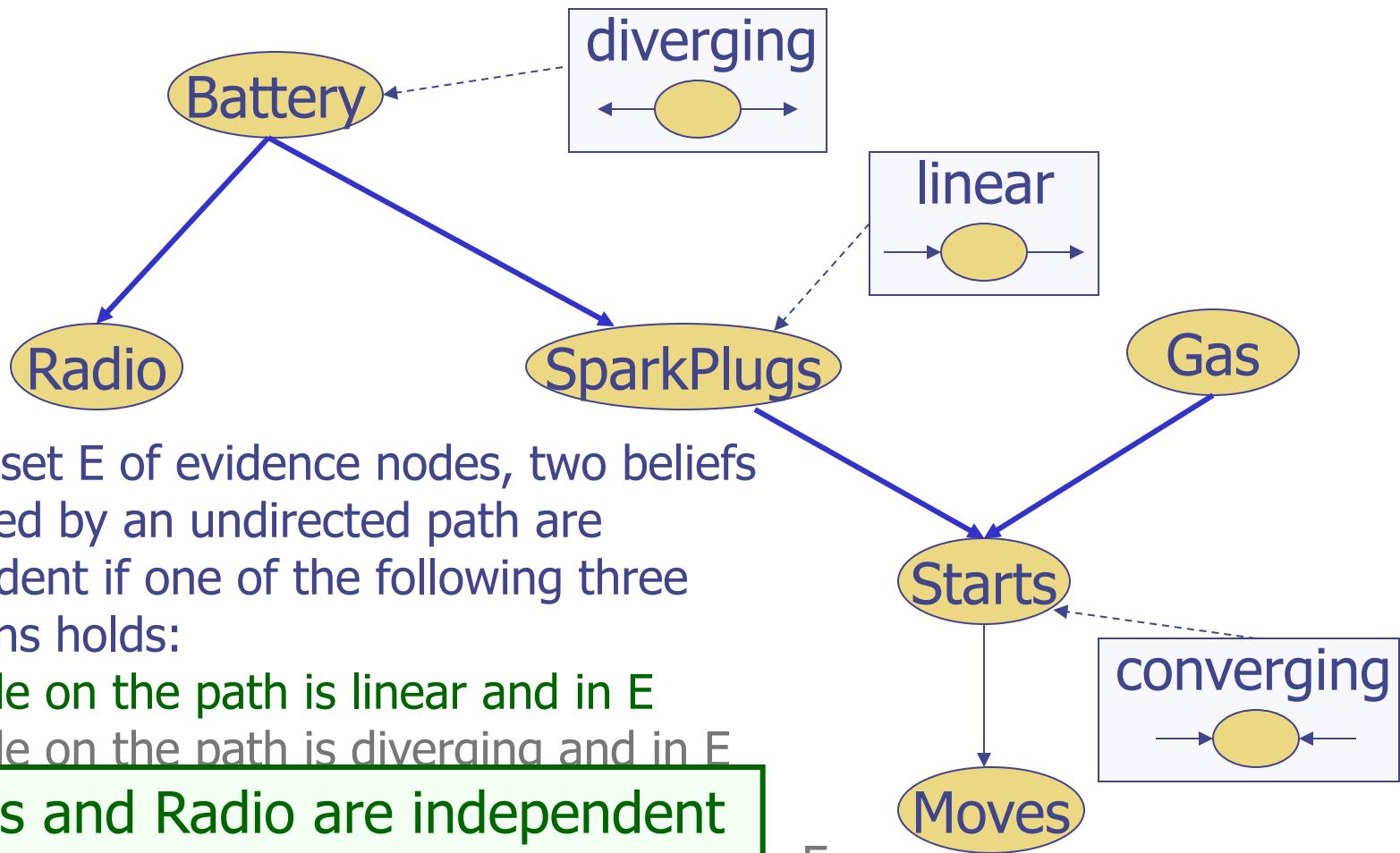
Types Of Nodes On A Path



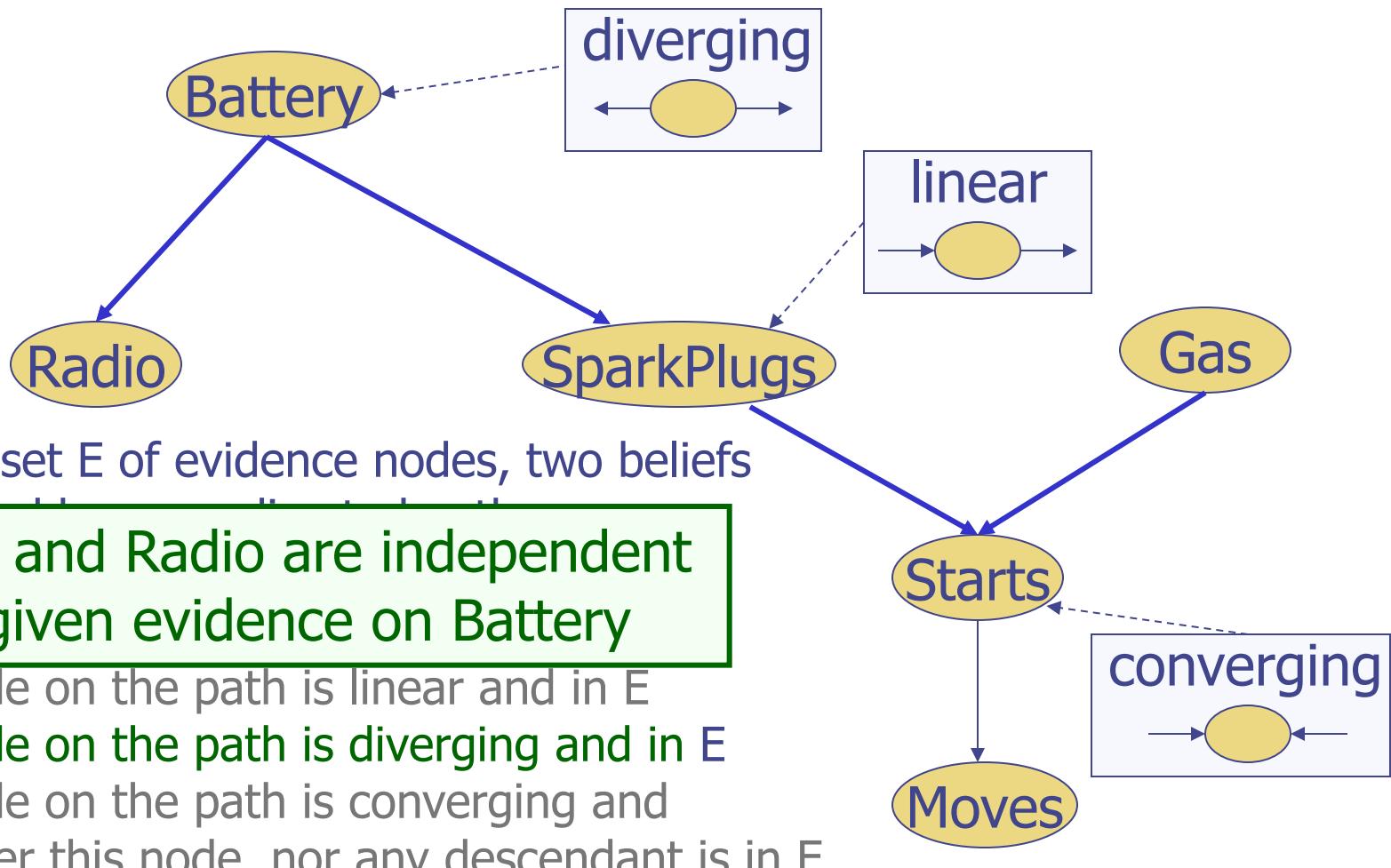
Independence Relations In BN



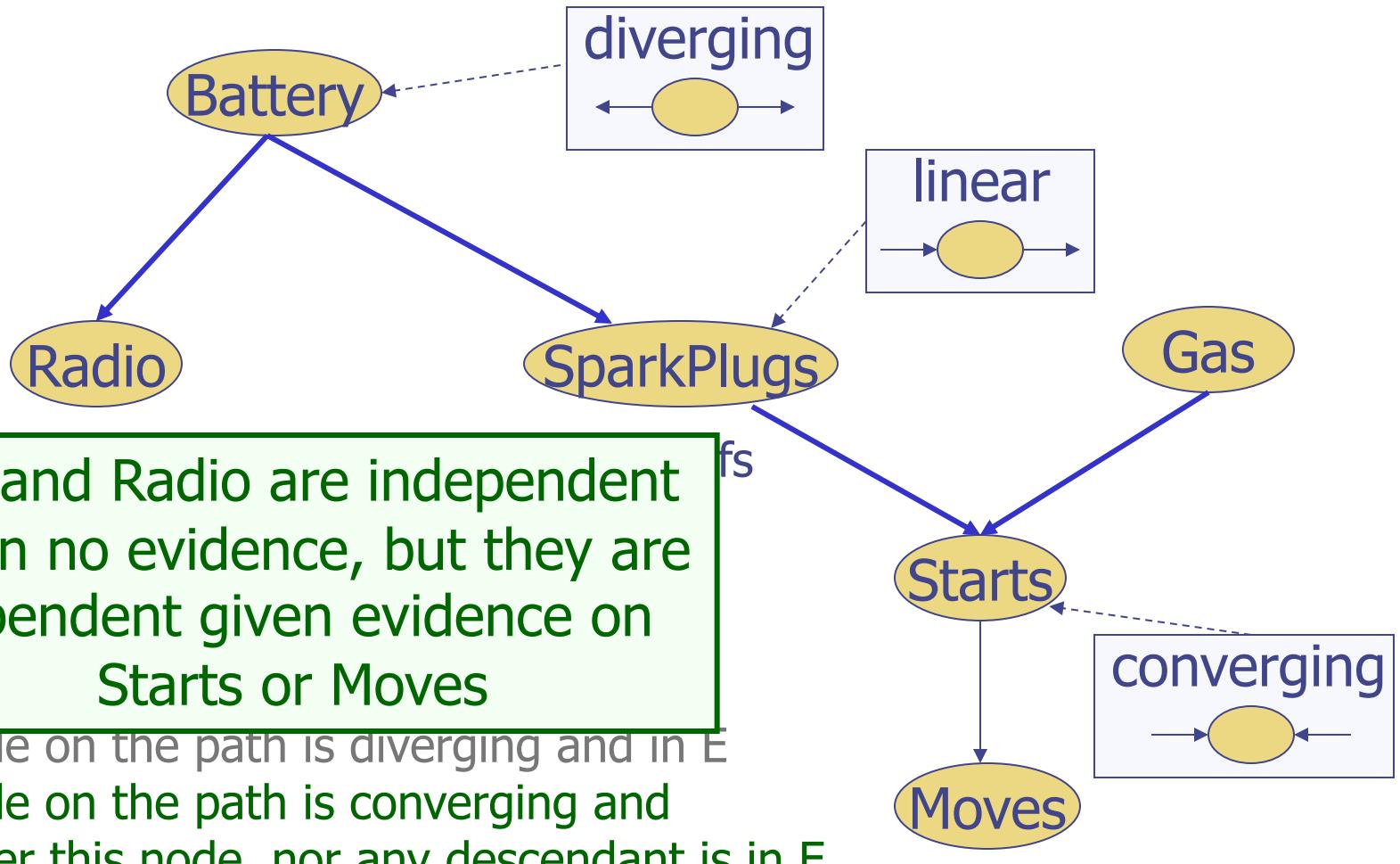
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Independence Relations In BN



BN Inference

◆ Simplest Case:



$$P(B) = P(a)P(B|a) + P(\sim a)P(B|\sim a)$$

$$P(B) = \sum_A P(A)P(B | A)$$



$$P(C) = ???$$

$$p(c) = \text{SIGMA on } (a,b) (p(a) * p(b|a) * p(c|b))$$

BN Inference

◆ Chain:



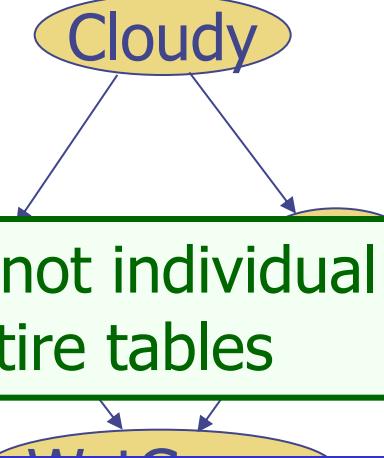
$$p(X_n) = \text{SIGMA on } (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) (p(x_1) * p(x_2|x_1) * p(x_3|x_2) * \dots * p(x_n|x_{n-1}))$$

What is time complexity to compute $P(X_n)$?

What is time complexity if we computed the full joint?

Inference Ex. 2

میتوان فاکتور گیری کرد
in powerpoint



Algorithm is computing not individual probabilities, but entire tables

- Two ideas crucial to avoiding exponential blowup:
 - because of the structure of the BN, some subexpression in the joint depends only on a small number of variables
 - By computing them once and caching the result, we can avoid generating them exponentially many times

$$= \sum_{R,S} P(W | r, s) \pi_C(r, s)$$

$$\pi_C(r, s)$$

Variable Elimination

General idea:

- ◆ Write query in the form

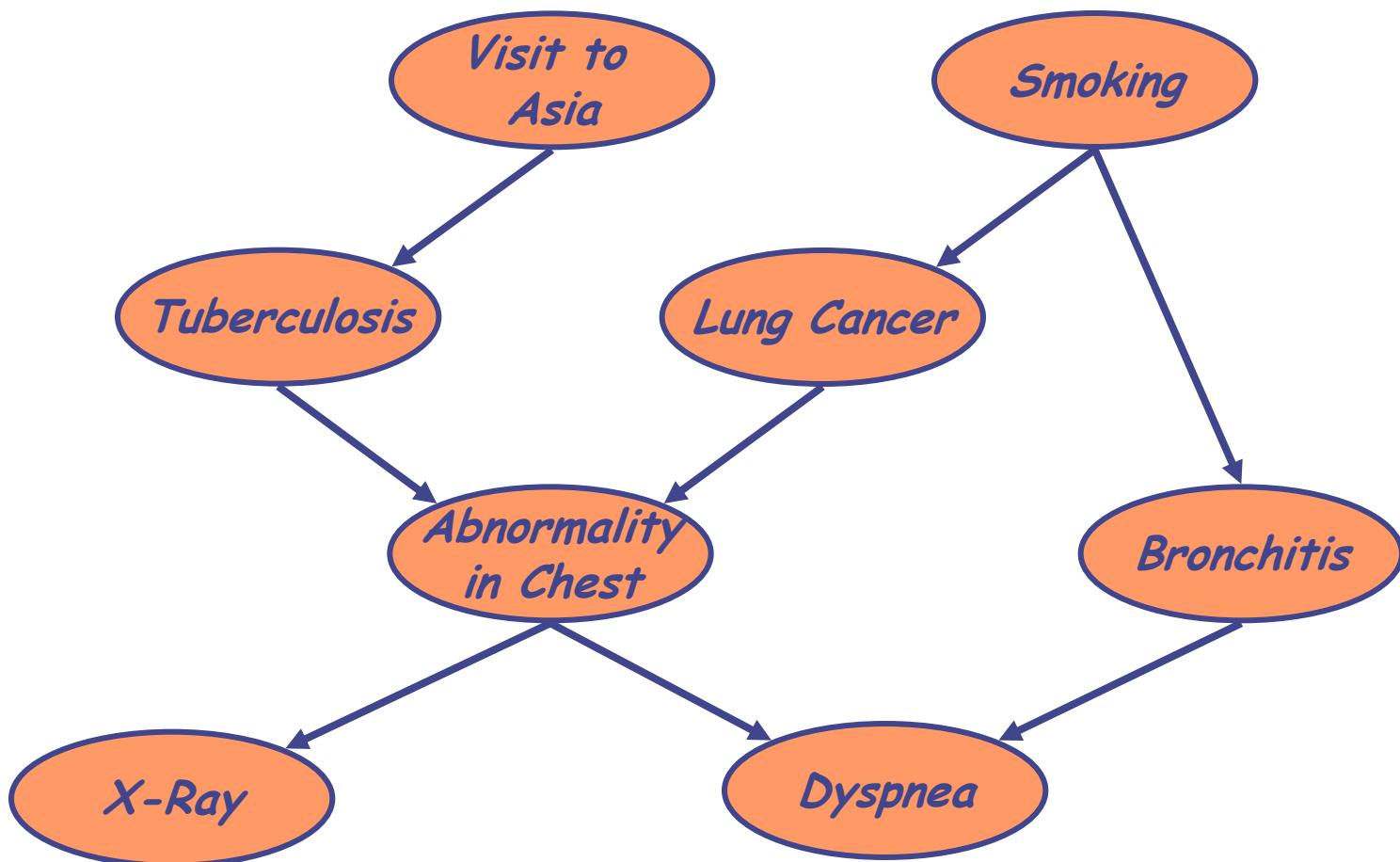
$$P(X_n, e) = \sum_{x_k} \cdots \sum_{x_3} \sum_{x_2} \prod_i P(x_i | pa_i)$$

- ◆ Iteratively

- Move all irrelevant terms outside of innermost sum
- Perform innermost sum, getting a new term
- Insert the new term into the product

A More Complex Example

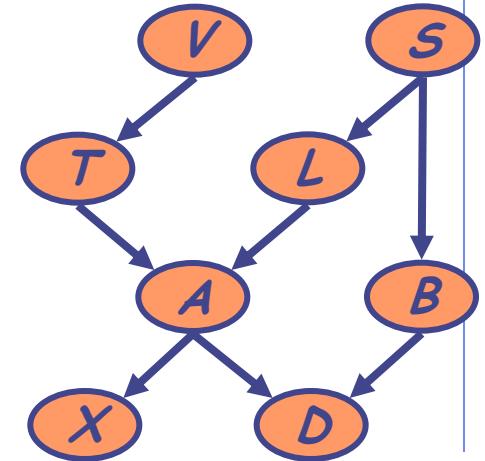
◆ “Asia” network:



- ◆ We want to compute $P(d)$
- ◆ Need to eliminate: v, s, x, t, l, a, b

Initial factors

$$P(v)P(s)P(t | v)P(l | s)P(b | s)P(a | t, l)P(x | a)P(d | a, b)$$



- ◆ We want to compute $P(d)$
- ◆ Need to eliminate: v, s, x, t, l, a, b

Initial factors

$$P(v)P(s)\underline{P(t|v)}P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

Eliminate: v

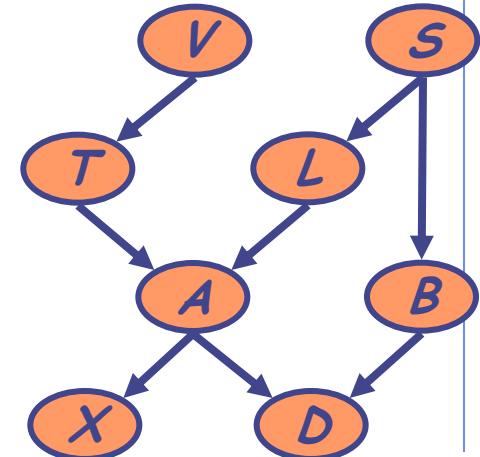
Compute:

$$f_v(t) = \sum_v P(v)P(t|v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{f_v(t)}P(s)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

Note: $f_v(t) = P(t)$

In general, result of elimination is not necessarily a probability term



- ◆ We want to compute $P(d)$
- ◆ Need to eliminate: s, x, t, l, a, b

◆ Initial factors

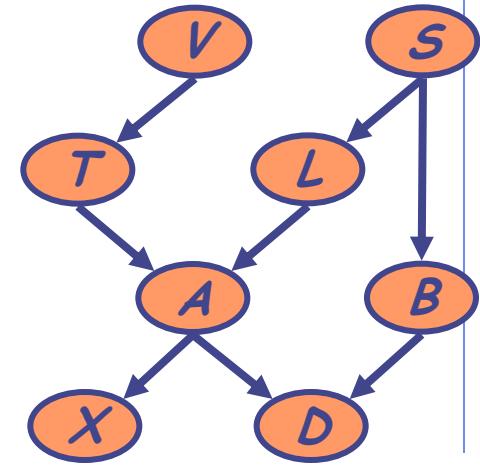
$$P(v)P(s)P(t|v)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b) \\ \Rightarrow f_v(t)P(s)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

Eliminate: s

Compute: $f_s(b,l) = \sum_s P(s)P(b|s)P(l|s)$

$$\Rightarrow f_v(t)f_s(b,l)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

برای ۴ حالت مختلف L و B باید احتمال رانگه داریم

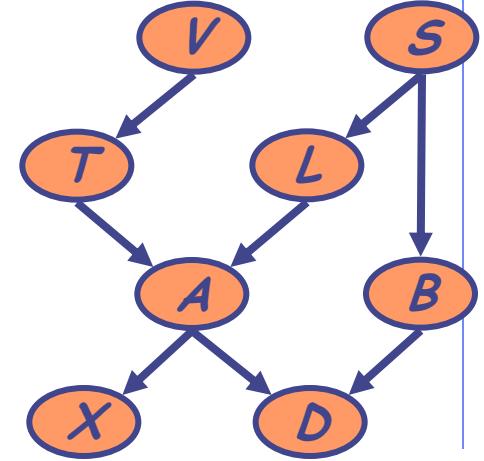


Summing on s results in a factor with two arguments $f_s(b,l)$
 In general, result of elimination may be a function of several variables

- ◆ We want to compute $P(d)$
- ◆ Need to eliminate: x, t, l, a, b

◆ Initial factors

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P(v)P(s)P(t|v)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b) \\
 \Rightarrow & f_v(t)P(s)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b) \\
 \Rightarrow & f_v(t)f_s(b,l)P(a|t,l)\underline{P(x|a)}P(d|a,b)
 \end{aligned}$$



در این مثال خاص وقتی بر روی X سیگما می‌زنیم حاصل یک می‌شود چون که اگر بر روی متغیر اصلی یک تابع احتمال شرطی سیگما بزنیم یک می‌شود

Eliminate: X

در واقع برای محاسبه احتمال d اصلاً نیازی به X نداریم به همین خاطر حاصل یک می‌شود

Compute:

$$f_x(a) = \sum_x P(x|a)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_v(t)f_s(b,l)\underline{f_x(a)}P(a|t,l)P(d|a,b)$$

Note: $f_x(a) = 1$ for all values of a !!

◆ We want to compute $P(d)$

◆ Need to eliminate: t, l, a, b

◆ Initial factors

$$P(v)P(s)P(t|v)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

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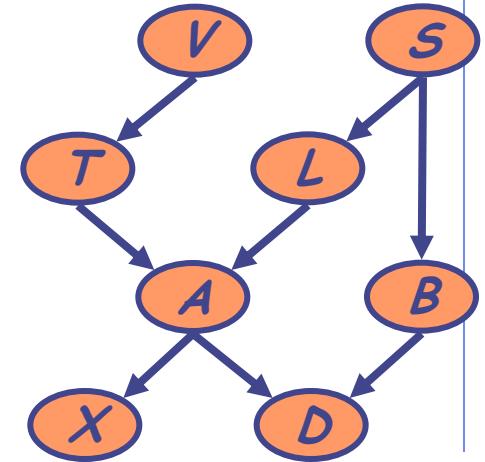
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Eliminate: t

Compute: $f_t(a,l) = \sum_t f_v(t)P(a|t,l)$

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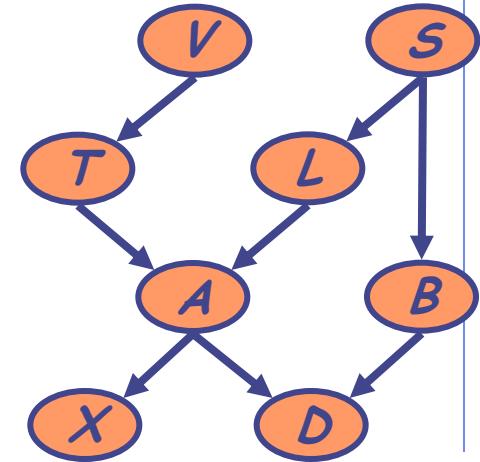
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Eliminate: t

Compute: $f_t(a,b) = \sum_l f_s(b,l)f_t(a,l)$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{f_t(a,b)}\underline{f_x(a)}P(d|a,b)$$



◆ We want to compute $P(d)$

◆ Need to eliminate: b

◆ Initial factors

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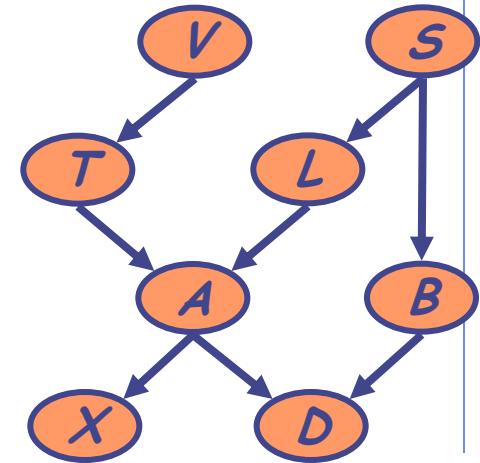
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Eliminate: a,b

Compute:

$$f_a(b,d) = \sum_a f_t(a,b)f_x(a)p(d|a,b) \quad f_b(d) = \sum_b f_a(b,d)$$



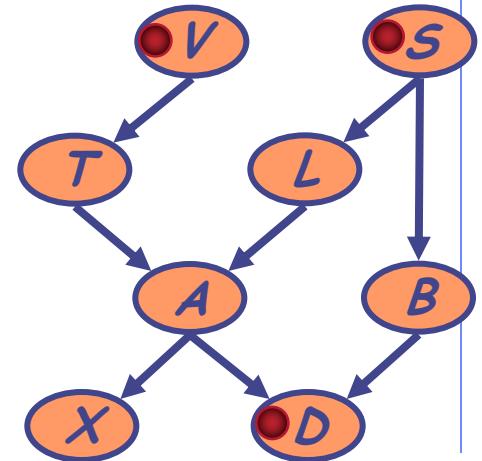
Variable Elimination

- ◆ We now understand variable elimination as a sequence of **rewriting** operations
- ◆ Actual computation is done in elimination step
- ◆ Computation depends on order of elimination

Dealing with evidence

- ◆ How do we deal with evidence?

- ◆ Suppose get evidence $V = t, S = f, D = t$
- ◆ We want to compute $P(L, V = t, S = f, D = t)$



با داشتن اطلاعات از evidence ها بخواهیم احتمال یک پدیده را حساب کنیم :
یکتابع احتمال توام محاسبه کرد درباره متغیری که می خواهیم درباره آن قضاآوت کنیم
با توجه به شواهدی که از دنیا مشاهده کردیم
وقتی این شواهد را می بینیم در رابطه توزیع احتمال توام به جای بعضی از متغیرها مقدار قرار می گیرد
باید خانه هایی را جمع بزنیم که شرایط در آن برقرار است .

Dealing with Evidence

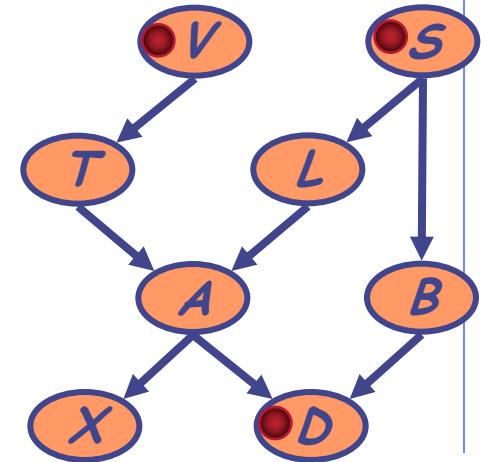
- ◆ We start by writing the factors:

$$P(v)P(s)P(t|v)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)$$

- ◆ Since we know that $V = t$, we don't need to eliminate V
- ◆ Instead, we can replace the factors $P(V)$ and $P(T|V)$ with

$$f_{P(V)} = P(V = t) \quad f_{P(T|V)}(T) = P(T | V = t)$$

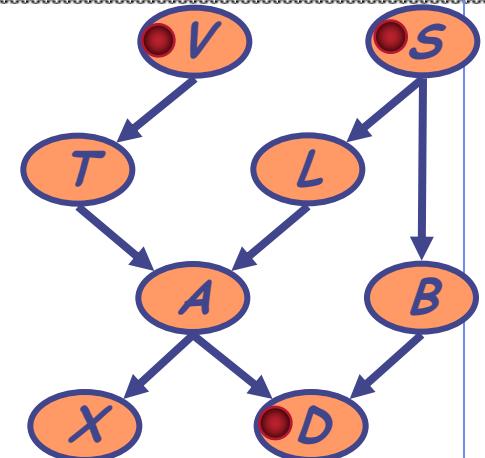
- ◆ These “select” the appropriate parts of the original factors given the evidence
- ◆ Note that $f_{P(V)}$ is a constant, and thus does not appear in elimination of other variables



Dealing with Evidence

- Given evidence $V = t, S = f, D = t$
- Compute $P(L, V = t, S = f, D = t)$
- Initial factors, after setting evidence:

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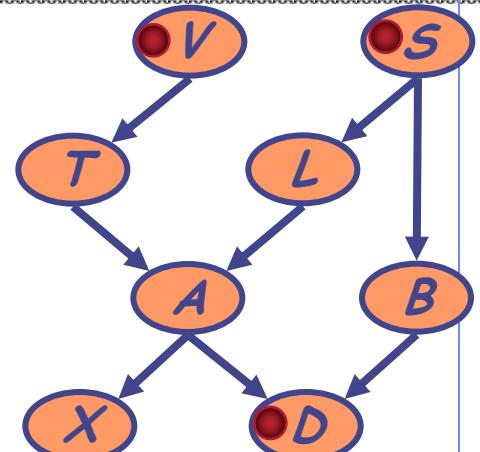
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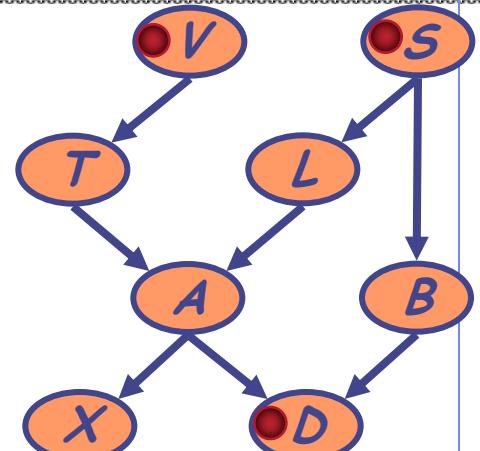
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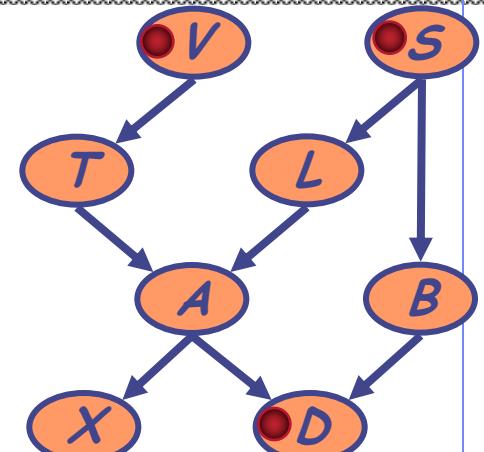
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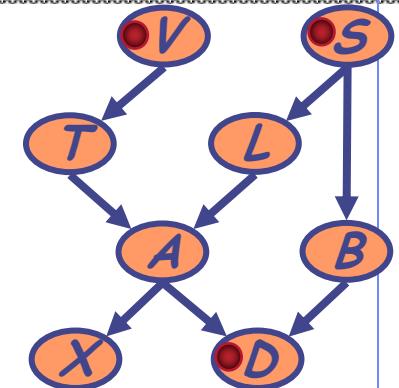
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- Eliminating a , we get

$$\cancel{f_{P(V)} f_{P(S)} f_{P(t|V)}(t)} f_{P(l|S)}(l) f_{P(b|S)}(b) f_a(b, l)$$

- Eliminating b , we get

$$\cancel{f_{P(V)} f_{P(S)} f_{P(t|V)}(t)} f_b(l)$$

Variable Elimination Algorithm

- ◆ Let X_1, \dots, X_m be an ordering on the non-query variables

$$\sum_{X_1} \sum_{X_2} \dots \sum_{X_m} \prod_j P(X_j | \text{Parents}(X_j))$$

- ◆ For $I = m, \dots, 1$
 - Leave in the summation for X_i only factors mentioning X_i
 - Multiply the factors, getting a factor that contains a number for each value of the variables mentioned, including X_i
 - Sum out X_i , getting a factor f that contains a number for each value of the variables mentioned, not including X_i
 - Replace the multiplied factor in the summation

Complexity of variable elimination

- ◆ Suppose in one elimination step we compute

$$f_x(y_1, \dots, y_k) = \sum_x f'_x(x, y_1, \dots, y_k)$$

$$f'_x(x, y_1, \dots, y_k) = \prod_{i=1}^m f_i(x, y_{1,1}, \dots, y_{1,I_i})$$

This requires

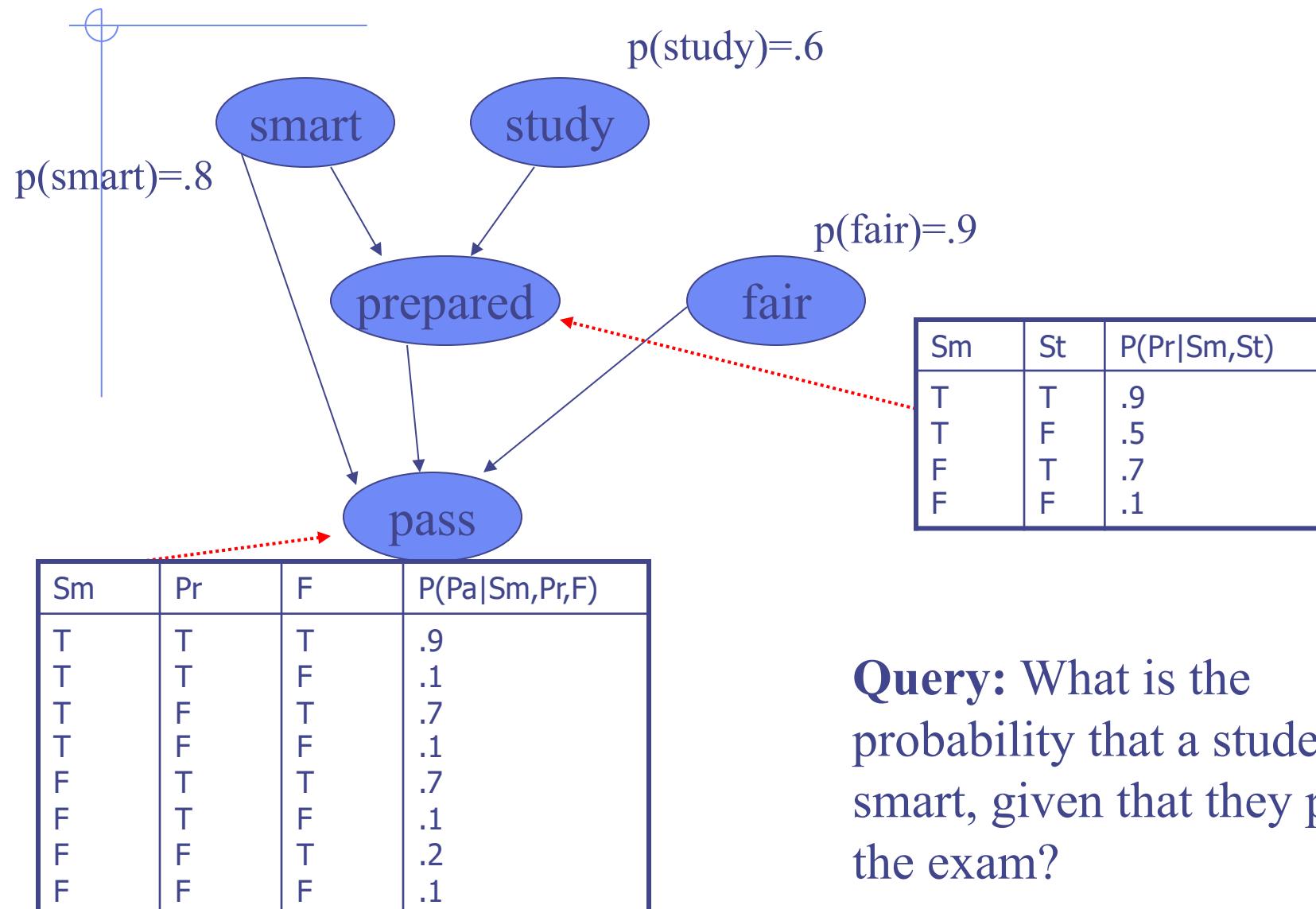
- ◆ $m \cdot |\text{Val}(X)| \cdot \prod_i |\text{Val}(Y_i)|$ multiplications
 - For each value for x, y_1, \dots, y_k , we do m multiplications
- ◆ $|\text{Val}(X)| \cdot \prod_i |\text{Val}(Y_i)|$ additions
 - For each value of y_1, \dots, y_k , we do $|\text{Val}(X)|$ additions

Complexity is exponential in number of variables in the intermediate factor!

Understanding Variable Elimination

- ◆ We want to select “good” elimination orderings that reduce complexity
- ◆ This can be done by examining a graph theoretic property of the “induced” graph; we will not cover this in class.
- ◆ This reduces the problem of finding good ordering to graph-theoretic operation that is well-understood—unfortunately computing it is NP-hard!

Exercise: Variable elimination



Query: What is the probability that a student is smart, given that they pass the exam?

Approaches to inference

◆ Exact inference

- Inference in Simple Chains
- Variable elimination
- Clustering / join tree algorithms

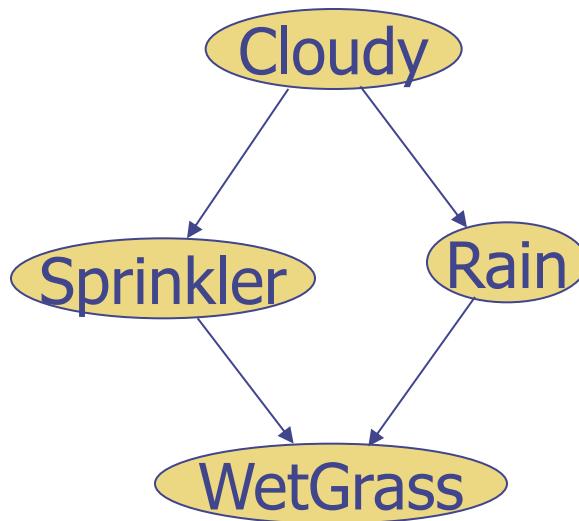
◆ Approximate inference

- Stochastic simulation / sampling methods
- Markov chain Monte Carlo methods

Stochastic simulation - direct

- ◆ Suppose you are given values for some subset of the variables, G , and want to infer values for unknown variables, U
- ◆ Randomly generate a very large number of instantiations from the BN
 - Generate instantiations for **all** variables – start at root variables and work your way “forward”
- ◆ Rejection Sampling: keep those instantiations that are consistent with the values for G
- ◆ Use the frequency of values for U to get estimated probabilities
- ◆ Accuracy of the results depends on the size of the sample (asymptotically approaches exact results)

Direct Stochastic Simulation

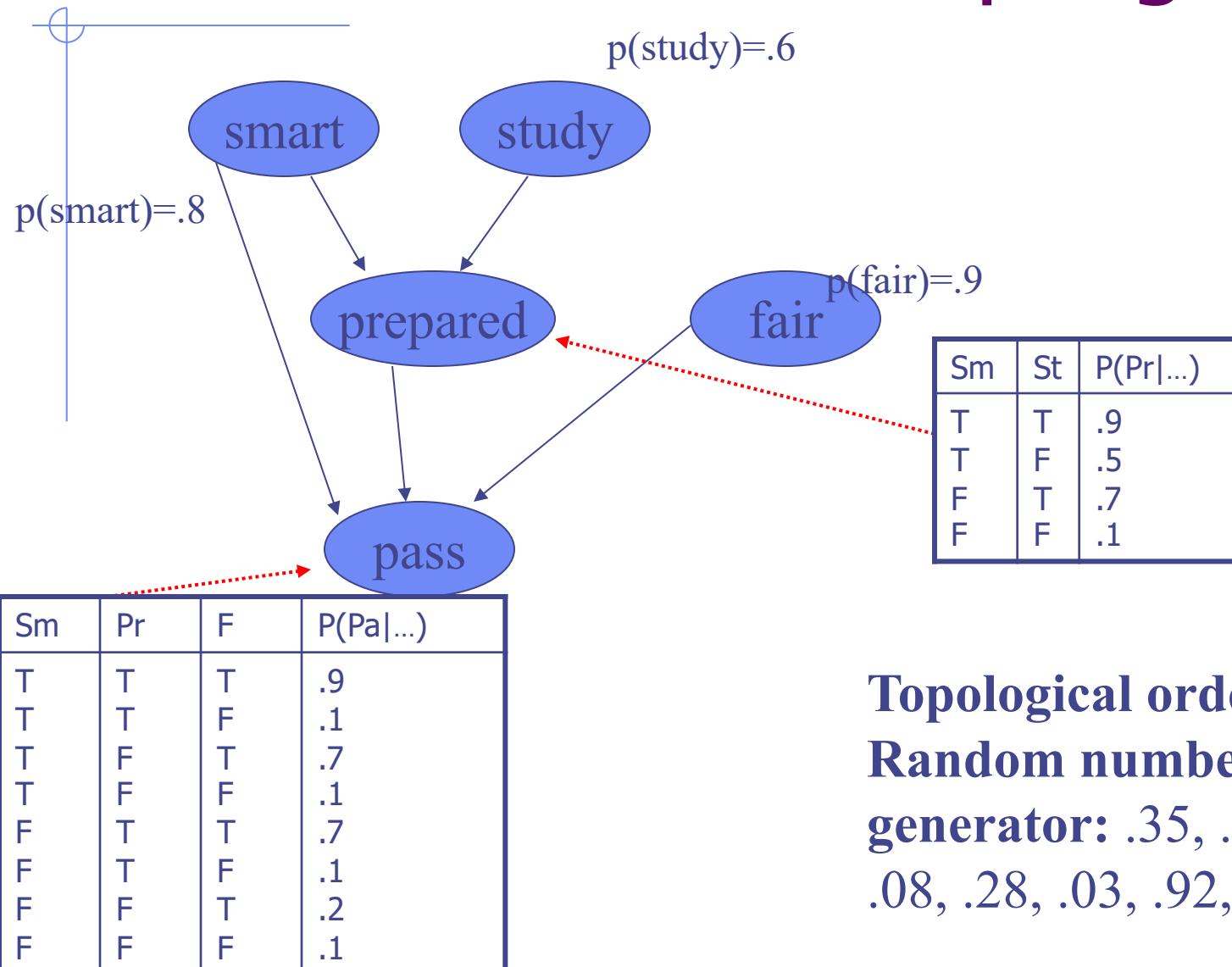


$P(\text{WetGrass}|\text{Cloudy})?$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{WetGrass}|\text{Cloudy}) \\ = P(\text{WetGrass} \wedge \text{Cloudy}) / P(\text{Cloudy}) \end{aligned}$$

1. Repeat N times:
 - 1.1. Guess Cloudy at random
 - 1.2. For each guess of Cloudy, guess Sprinkler and Rain, then WetGrass
2. Compute the ratio of the # runs where WetGrass and Cloudy are True over the # runs where Cloudy is True

Exercise: Direct sampling



Topological order = ...?
Random number generator: .35, .76, .51, .44,
 .08, .28, .03, .92, .02, .42

Likelihood weighting

- ◆ Idea: Don't generate samples that need to be rejected in the first place!
- ◆ Sample only from the unknown variables Z
- ◆ Weight each sample according to the likelihood that it would occur, given the evidence E

Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithm

◆ So called because

- Markov chain – each instance generated in the sample is dependent on the previous instance
- Monte Carlo – statistical sampling method

◆ Perform a random walk through variable assignment space, collecting statistics as you go

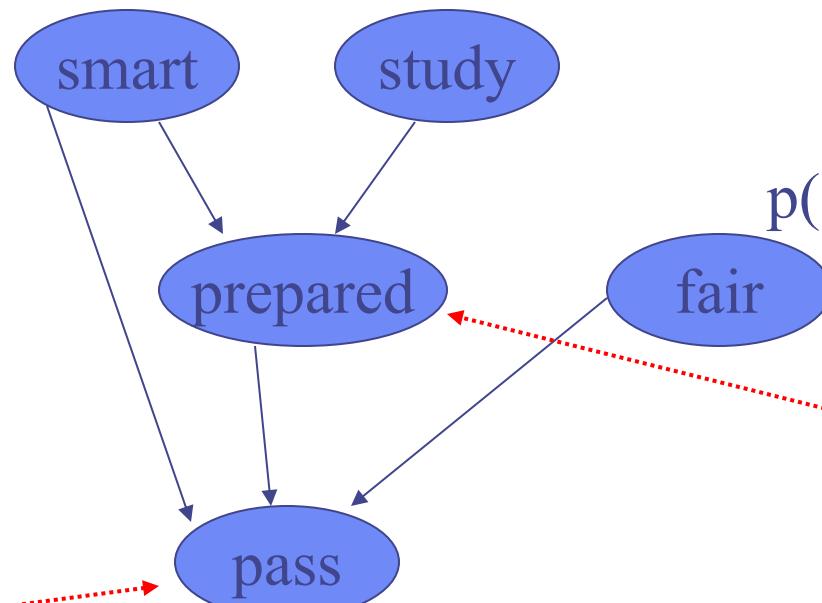
- Start with a random instantiation, consistent with evidence variables
- At each step, for some nonevidence variable, randomly sample its value, consistent with the other current assignments

◆ Given enough samples, MCMC gives an accurate estimate of the true distribution of values

Exercise: MCMC sampling

 $p(\text{smart}) = .8$

$p(\text{study}) = .6$



$p(\text{fair}) = .9$

Sm	St	P(Pr ...)
T	T	.9
T	F	.5
F	T	.7
F	F	.1

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Summary

◆ Bayes nets

- Structure
- Parameters
- Conditional independence

◆ BN inference

- Exact Inference
 - ◆ Variable elimination
- Sampling methods

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Microsoft's cost-cutting helps users

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