

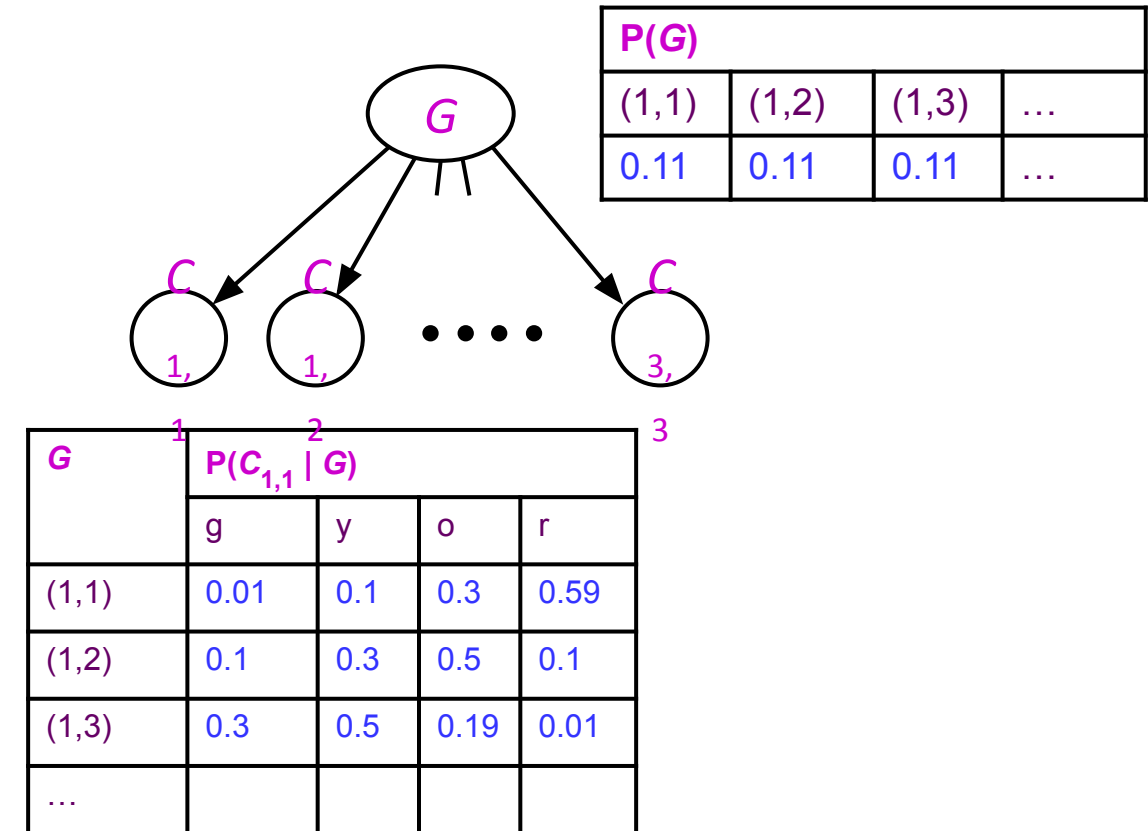
Bayes Net Syntax and Semantics



Bayes Net Syntax

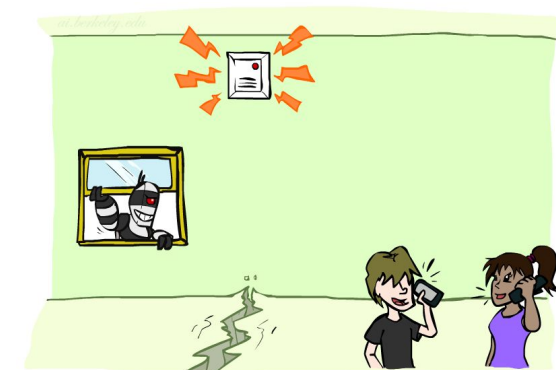
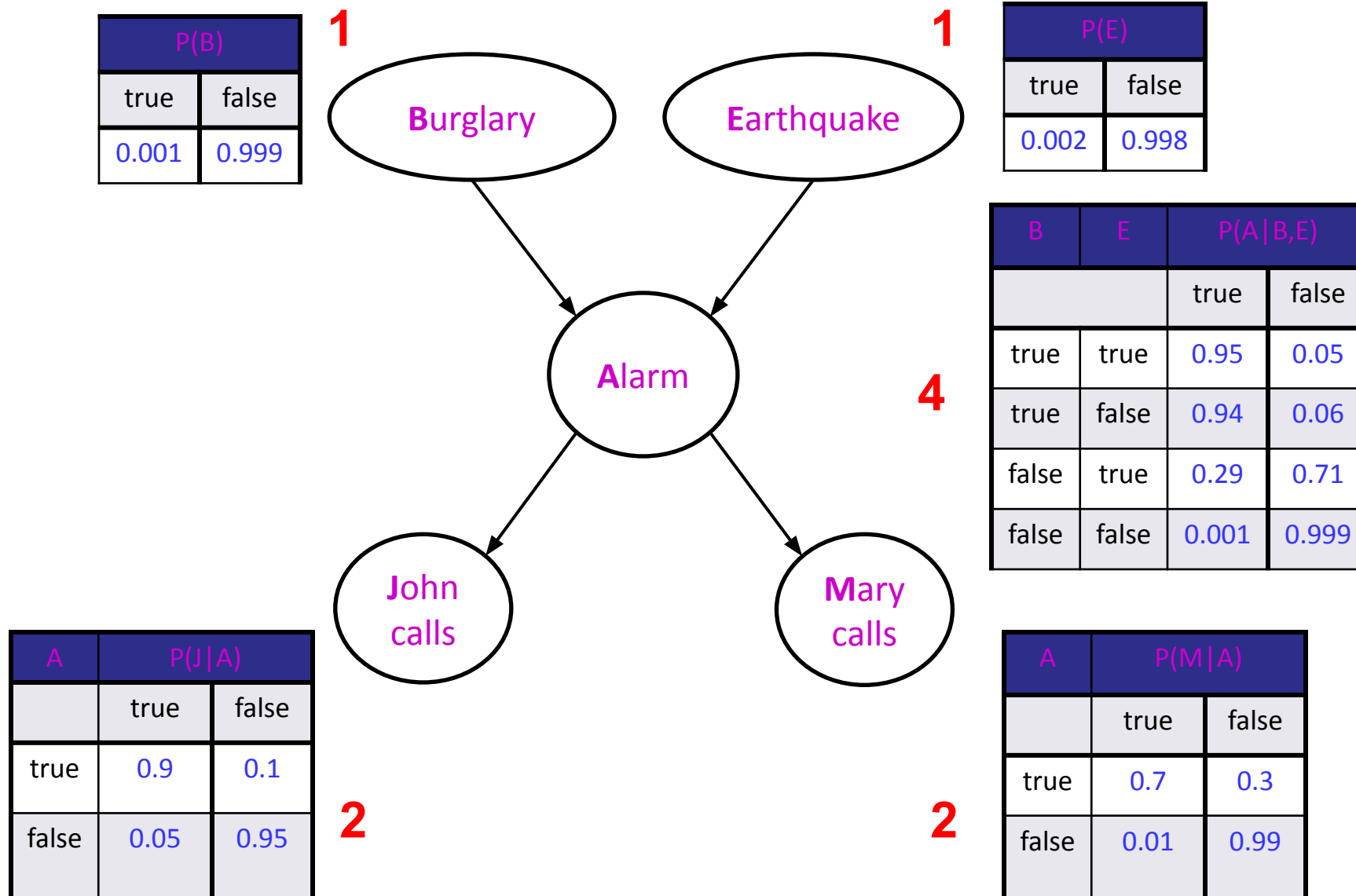


- A set of nodes, one per variable X_i
- A directed, acyclic graph
- A conditional distribution for each node given its **parent variables** in the graph
 - **CPT** (conditional probability table); each row is a distribution for child given values of its parents



Bayes net = Topology (graph) + Local Conditional Probabilities

Example: Alarm Network



Number of *free parameters* in each CPT:

Parent range sizes d_1, \dots, d_k

Child range size d

Each table row must sum to 1

$$(d-1) \prod_i d_i$$

General formula for sparse BNs

- Suppose
 - n variables
 - Maximum range size is d
 - Maximum number of parents is k
- Full joint distribution has size $O(d^n)$
- Bayes net has size $O(n \cdot d^k)$
 - Linear scaling with n as long as causal structure is local

Bayes net global semantics

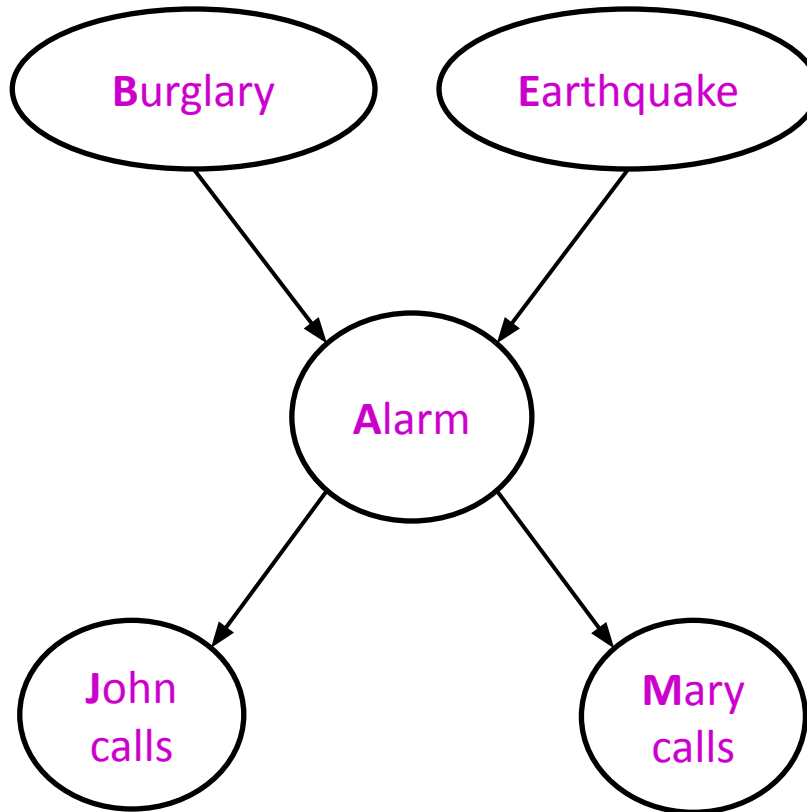


- Bayes nets encode joint distributions as product of conditional distributions on each variable:

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid \text{Parents}(X_i))$$

Example

P(B)	
true	false
0.001	0.999



P(E)	
true	false
0.002	0.998

$$P(b, \neg e, a, \neg j, \neg m) =$$

$$P(b) P(\neg e) P(a|b, \neg e) P(\neg j|a) P(\neg m|a)$$

$$= 0.001 \times 0.998 \times 0.94 \times 0.1 \times 0.3 = 0.000028$$

B	E	P(A B,E)	
		true	false
true	true	0.95	0.05
true	false	0.94	0.06
false	true	0.29	0.71
false	false	0.001	0.999

A	P(J A)	
	true	false
true	0.9	0.1
false	0.05	0.95

A	P(M A)	
	true	false
true	0.7	0.3
false	0.01	0.99

Conditional independence in BNs



- Compare the Bayes net global semantics

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid \text{Parents}(X_i))$$

with the chain rule identity

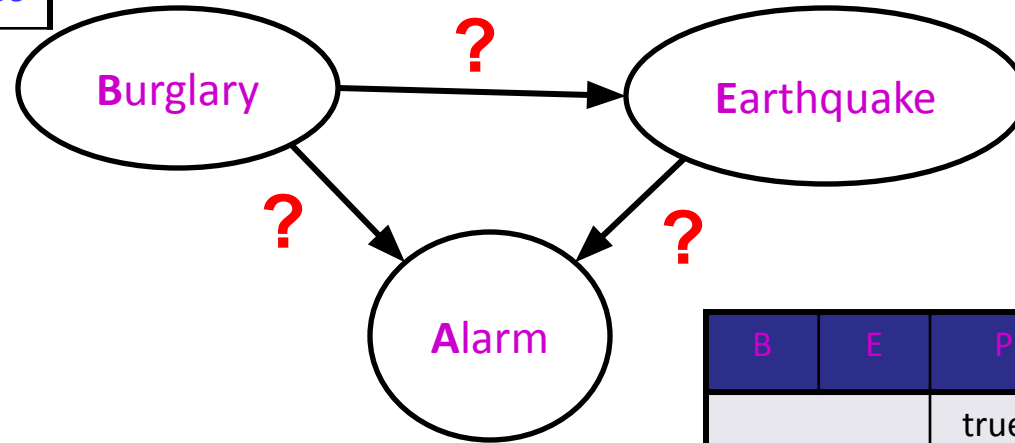
$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$$

- Assume (without loss of generality) that X_1, \dots, X_n sorted in topological order according to the graph (i.e., parents before children), so $\text{Parents}(X_i) \subseteq X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}$
- So the Bayes net asserts conditional independences $P(X_i \mid X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}) = P(X_i \mid \text{Parents}(X_i))$
 - To ensure these are valid, choose parents for node X_i that “shield” it from other predecessors

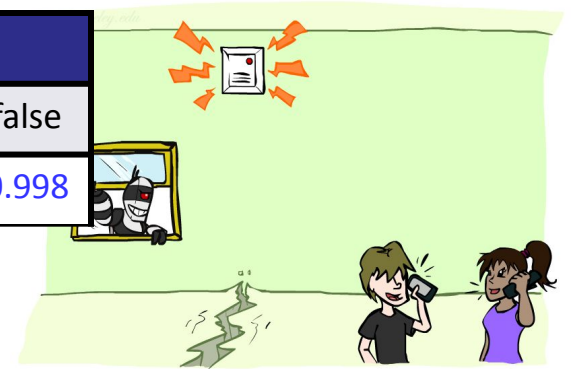
Example: Burglary

- Burglary
- Earthquake
- Alarm

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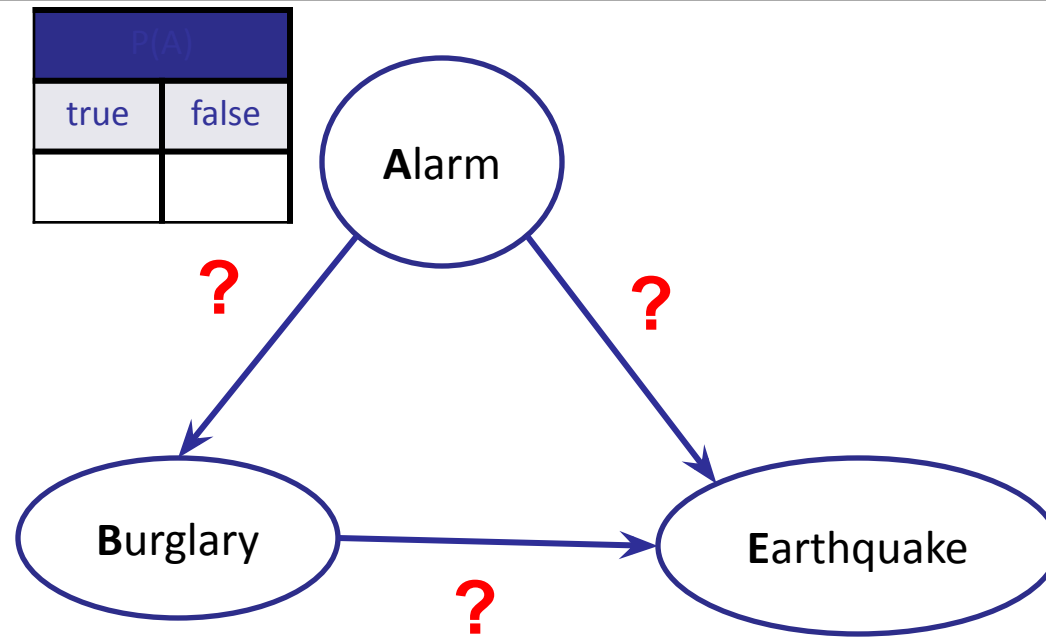


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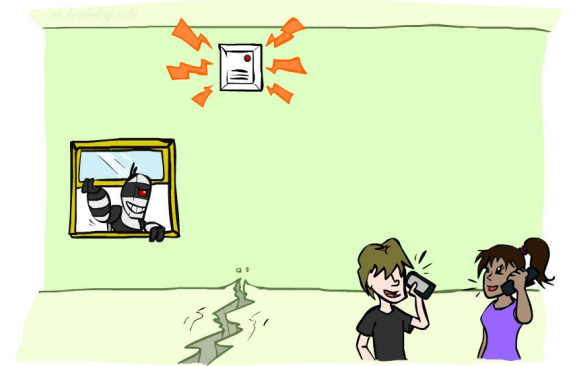
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A	P(B A)	
	true	false
true	?	
false		



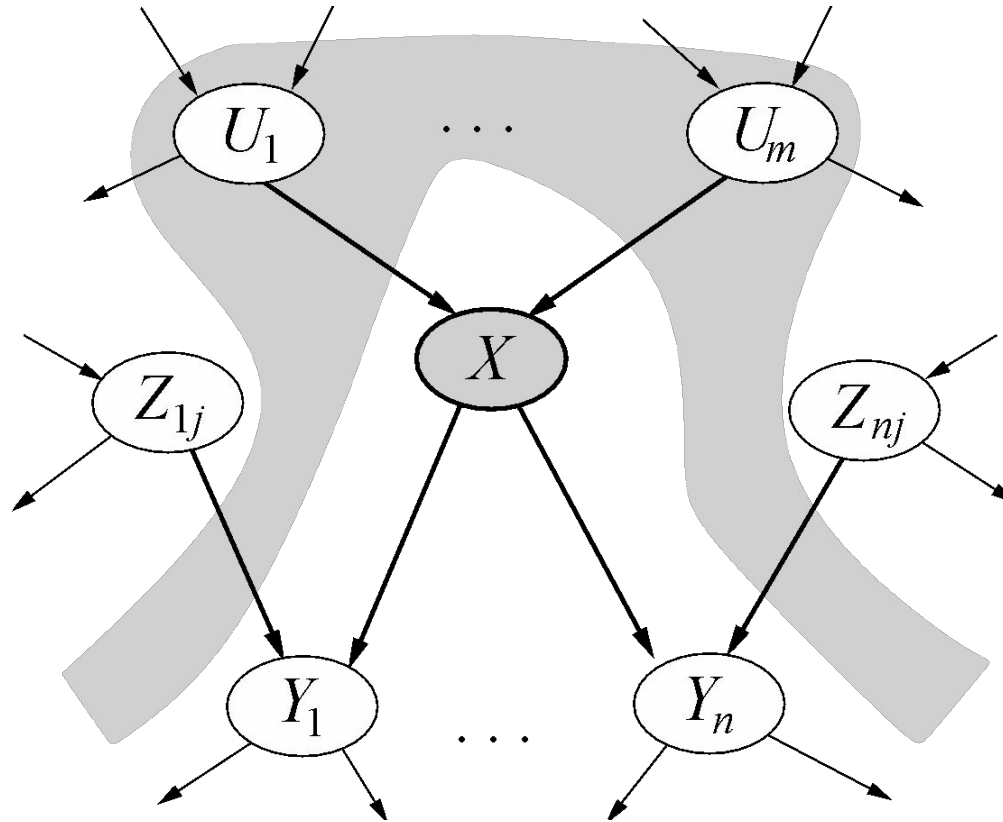
P(A)	
true	false



A	B	P(E A,B)	
		true	false
true	true	?	
true	false		
false	true		
false	false		

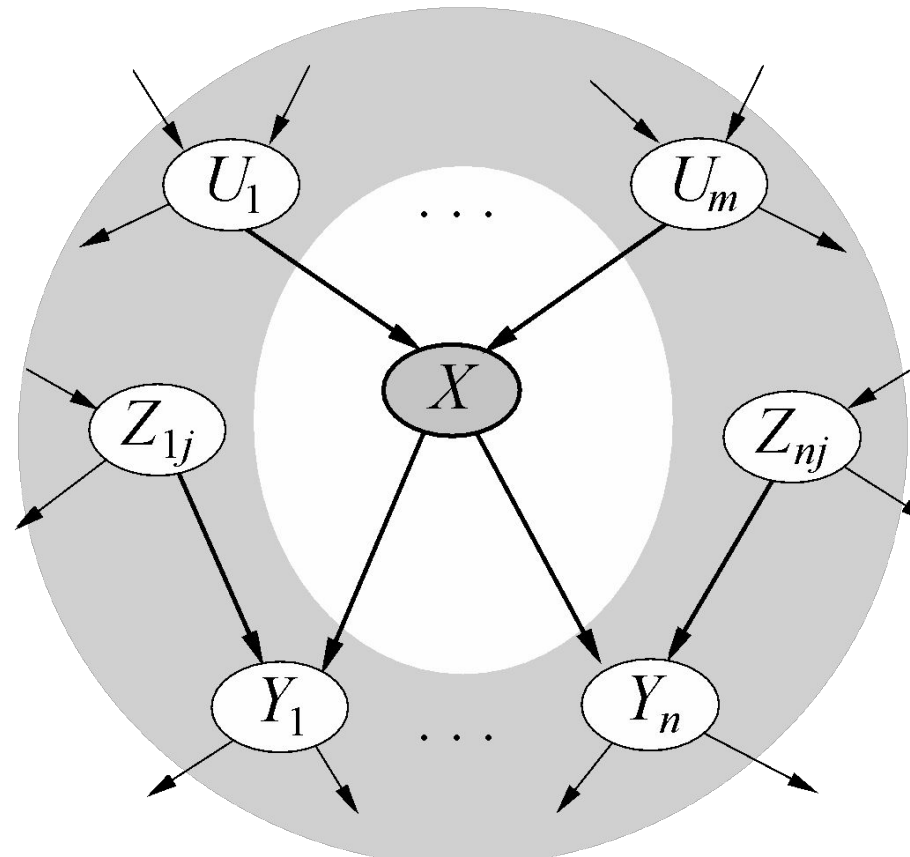
Conditional independence semantics

- *Every variable is conditionally independent of its non-descendants given its parents*
- Conditional independence semantics \Leftrightarrow global semantics



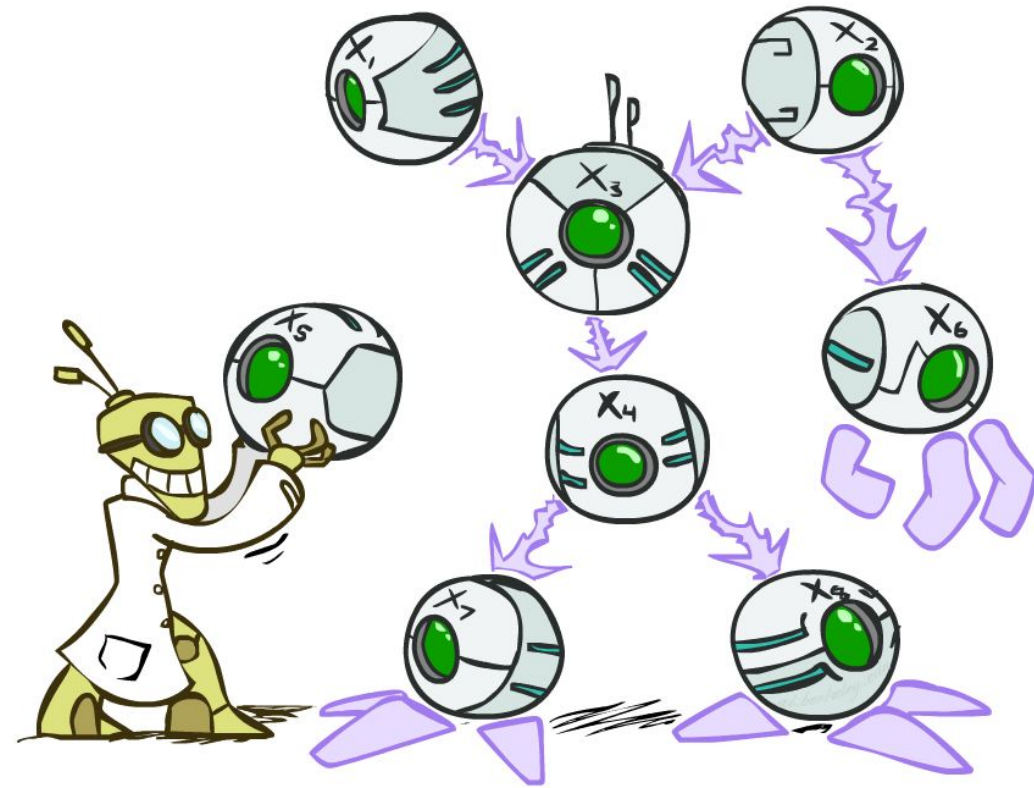
Markov blanket

- A variable's Markov blanket consists of parents, children, children's other parents
- ***Every variable is conditionally independent of all other variables given its Markov blanket***



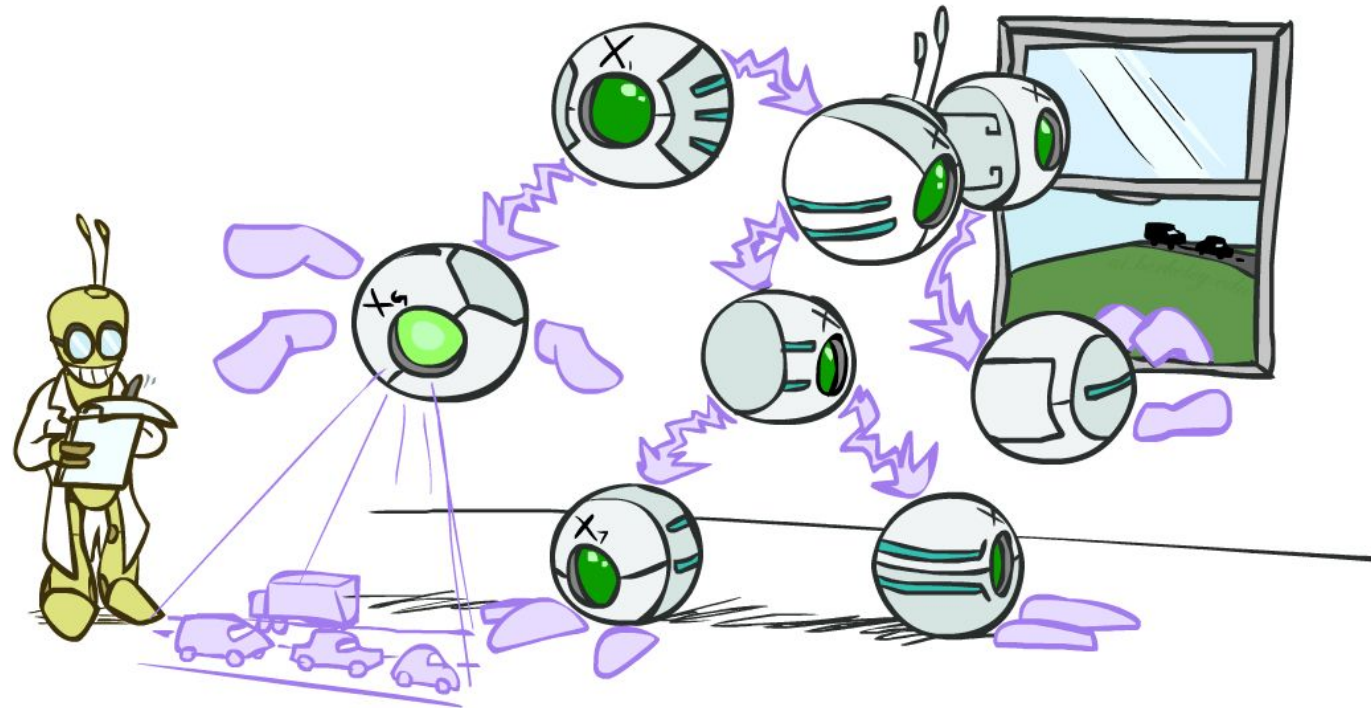
Summary

- Independence and conditional independence are important forms of probabilistic knowledge
- Bayes net encode joint distributions efficiently by taking advantage of conditional independence
 - Global joint probability = product of local conditionals
 - Local causality => exponential reduction in total size



CS 188: Artificial Intelligence

Bayes Nets: Exact Inference



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Bayes Nets

✓ Part I: Representation

Part II: Exact inference

- Enumeration (always exponential complexity)
- Variable elimination (worst-case exponential complexity, often better)
- Inference is NP-hard in general

Part III: Approximate Inference

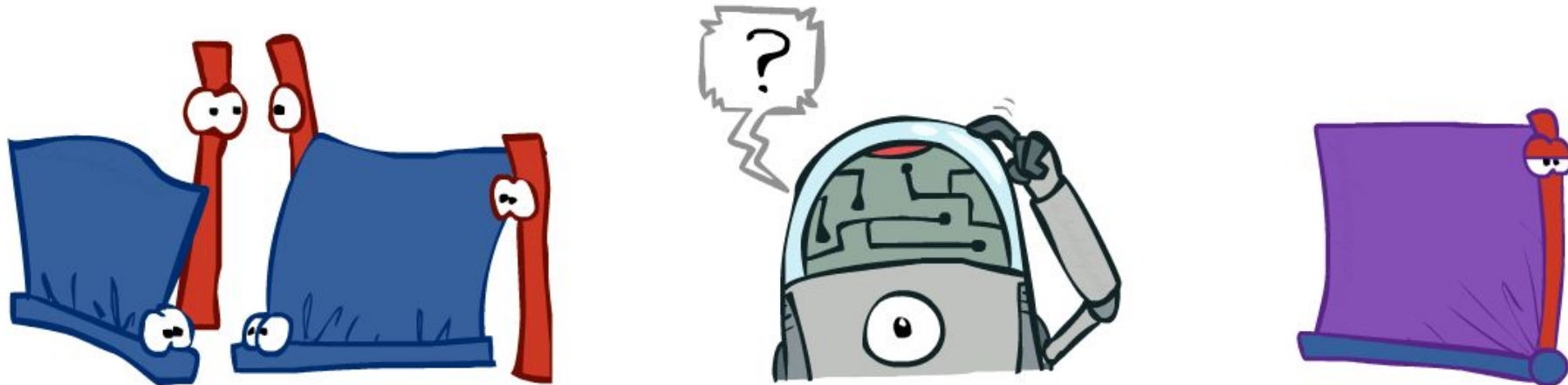
Later: Learning Bayes nets from data

Inference

- Inference: calculating some useful quantity from a probability model (joint probability distribution)

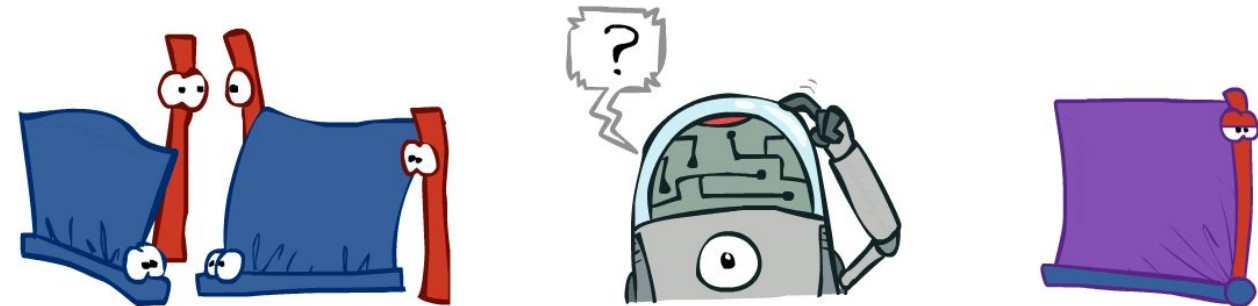
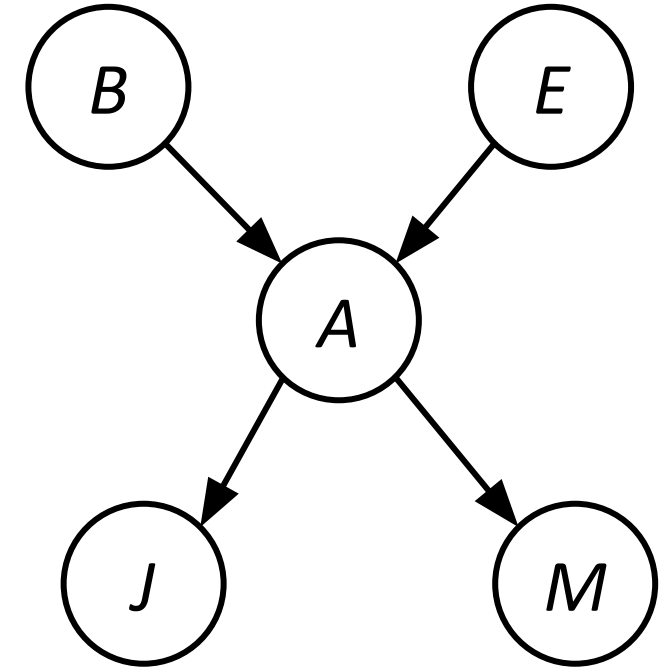
- Examples:

- Posterior marginal probability
 - $P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k)$
 - E.g., what disease might I have?
- Most likely explanation:
 - $\operatorname{argmax}_{q,r,s} P(Q=q, R=r, S=s | e_1, \dots, e_k)$
 - E.g., what did he say?



Inference by Enumeration in Bayes Net

- Reminder of inference by enumeration:
 - Any probability of interest can be computed by summing entries from the joint distribution: $P(\mathbf{Q} \mid \mathbf{e}) = \alpha \sum_{\mathbf{h}} P(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e})$
 - Entries from the joint distribution can be obtained from a BN by multiplying the corresponding conditional probabilities
- $P(B \mid j, m) = \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B, e, a, j, m)$
- $= \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a \mid B, e) P(j \mid a) P(m \mid a)$
- So inference in Bayes nets means computing sums of products of numbers: sounds easy!!
- Problem: sums of **exponentially many** products!



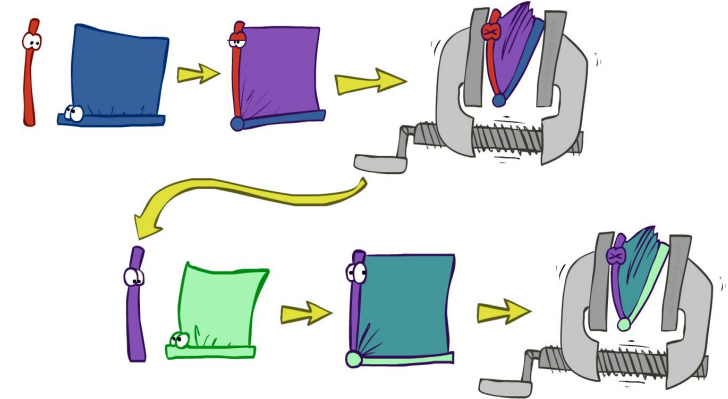
Can we do better?

- Consider $uwy + uwz + uxy + uxz + vwy + vwz + vxy + vxz$
 - 16 multiplies, 7 adds
 - Lots of repeated subexpressions!
- Rewrite as $(u+v)(w+x)(y+z)$
 - 2 multiplies, 3 adds
- $\sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a)$
- $= P(B)P(e)P(a|B,e)P(j|a)P(m|a) + P(B)P(\neg e)P(a|B,\neg e)P(j|a)P(m|a)$
 $+ P(B)P(e)P(\neg a|B,e)P(j|\neg a)P(m|\neg a) + P(B)P(\neg e)P(\neg a|B,\neg e)P(j|\neg a)P(m|\neg a)$

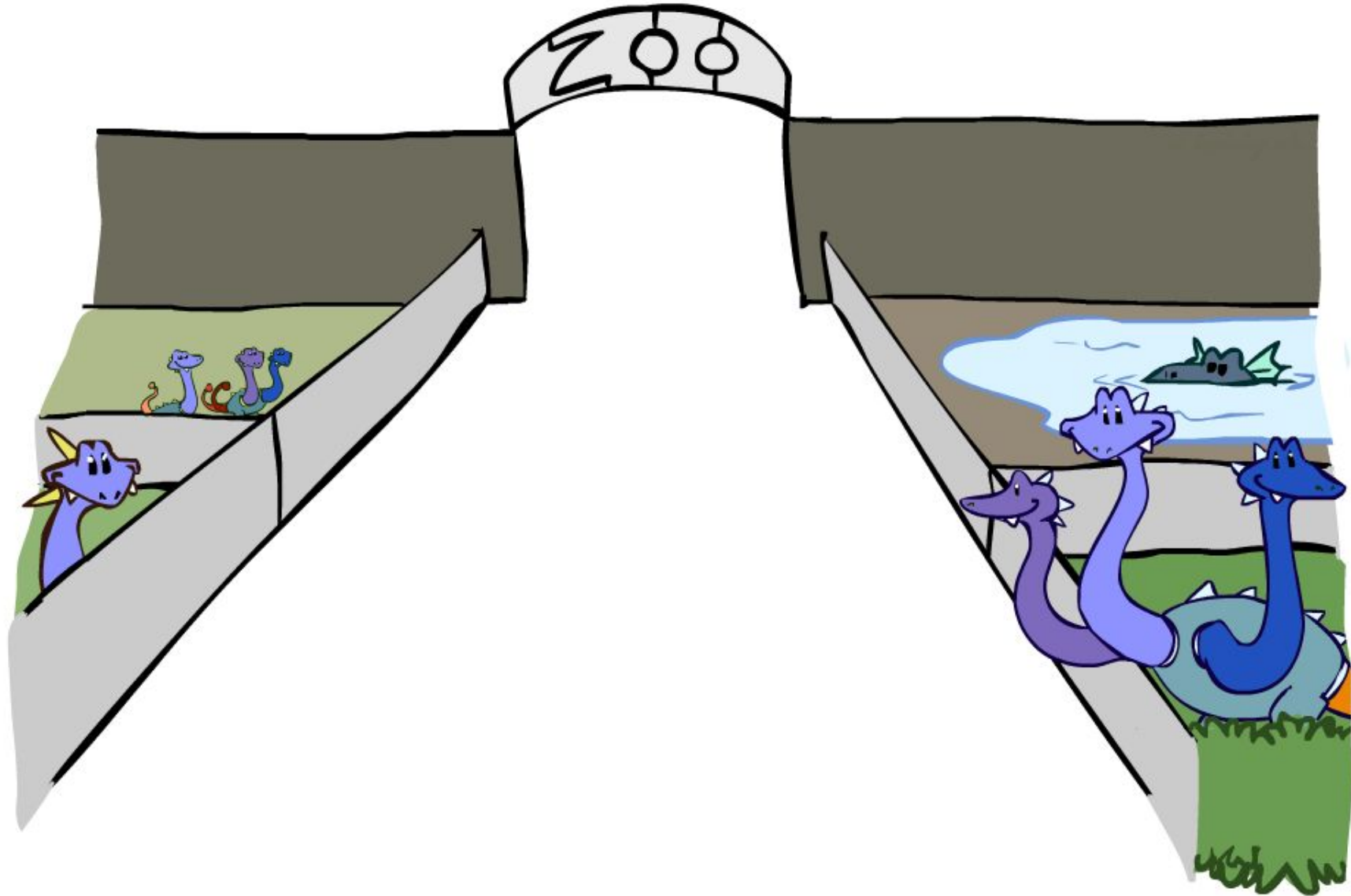
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Variable elimination: The basic ideas

- Move summations inwards as far as possible
 - $P(B \mid j, m) = \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a \mid B, e) P(j \mid a) P(m \mid a)$
 - $= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a \mid B, e) P(j \mid a) P(m \mid a)$
- Do the calculation from the inside out
 - I.e., sum over a first, then sum over e
 - Problem: $P(a \mid B, e)$ isn't a single number, it's a bunch of different numbers depending on the values of B and e
 - Solution: use arrays of numbers (of various dimensions) with appropriate operations on them; these are called **factors**



Factor Zoo



Factor Zoo I

- Joint distribution: $P(X,Y)$

- Entries $P(x,y)$ for all x, y
- $|X| \times |Y|$ matrix
- Sums to 1

$P(A,J)$

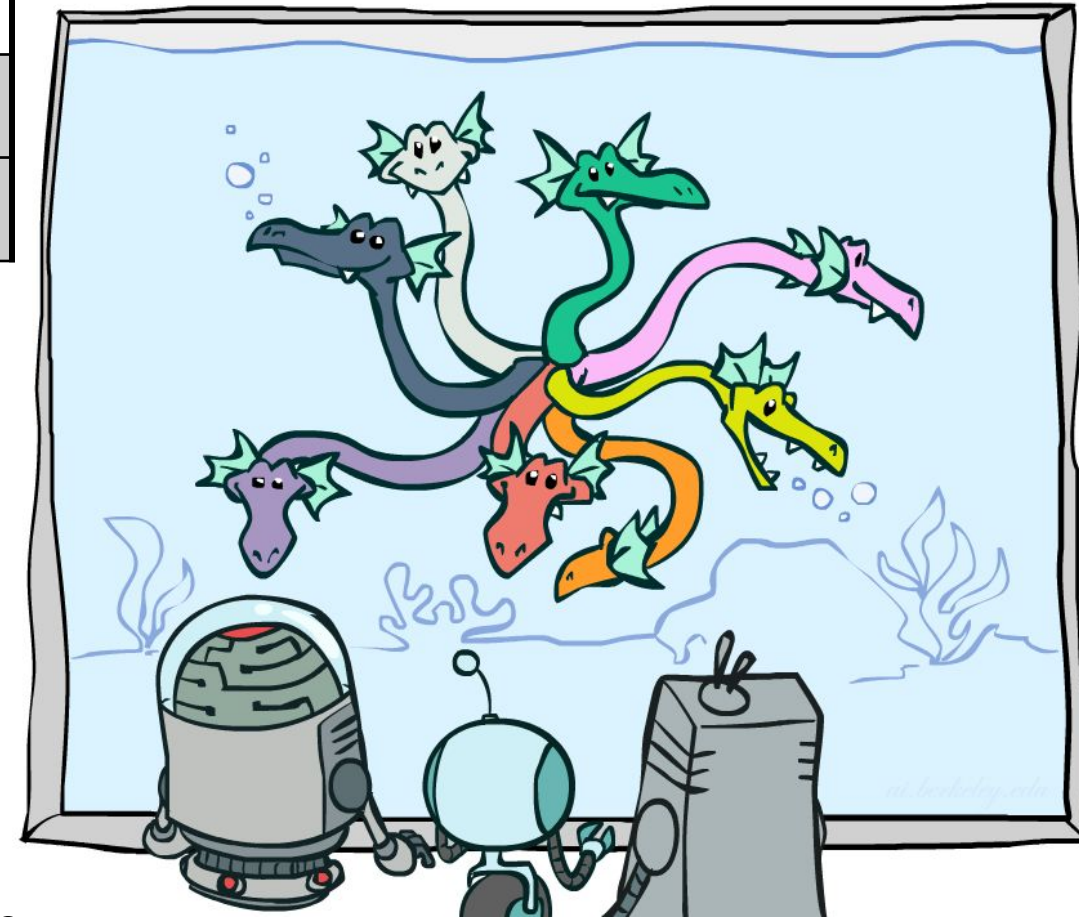
$A \setminus J$	true	false
true	0.09	0.01
false	0.045	0.855

- Projected joint: $P(x,Y)$

- A slice of the joint distribution
- Entries $P(x,y)$ for one x , all y
- $|Y|$ -element vector
- Sums to $P(x)$

$P(a,J)$

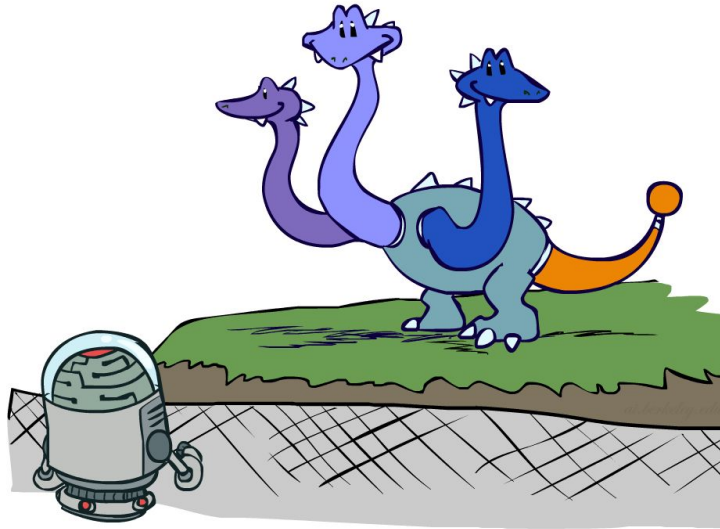
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Number of variables (capitals) = dimensionality of the table

Factor Zoo II

- Single conditional: $P(Y \mid x)$
 - Entries $P(y \mid x)$ for fixed x , all y
 - Sums to 1

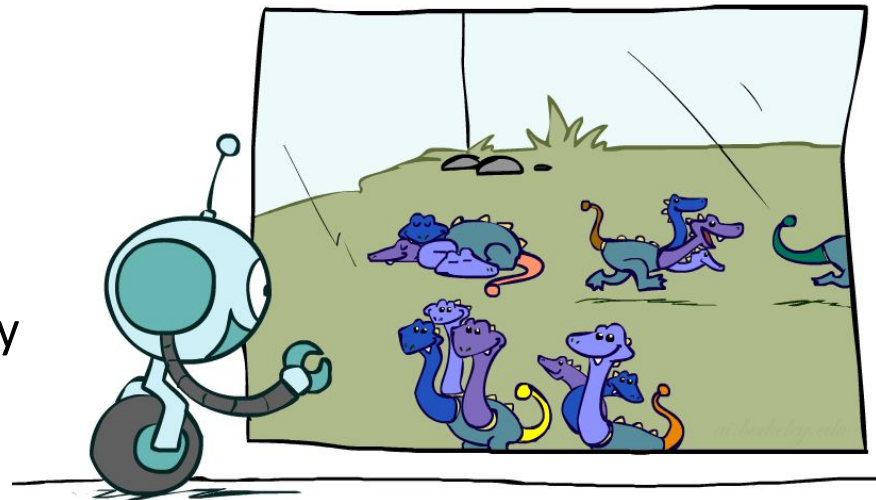


$P(J|a)$

$A \setminus J$	true	false
true	0.9	0.1

- Family of conditionals:
 $P(X \mid Y)$

- Multiple conditionals
- Entries $P(x \mid y)$ for all x, y
- Sums to $|Y|$



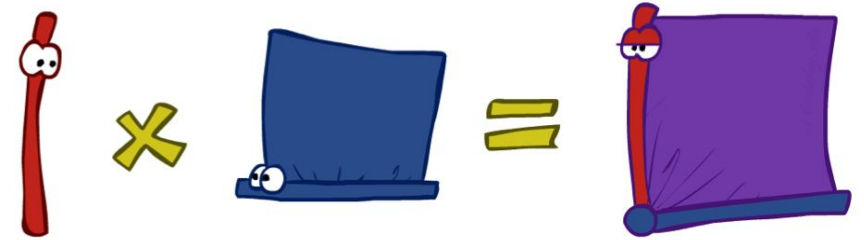
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$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{true} \\ \text{false} \end{array} \right\} - P(J|a)$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{true} \\ \text{false} \end{array} \right\} - P(J|\neg a)$

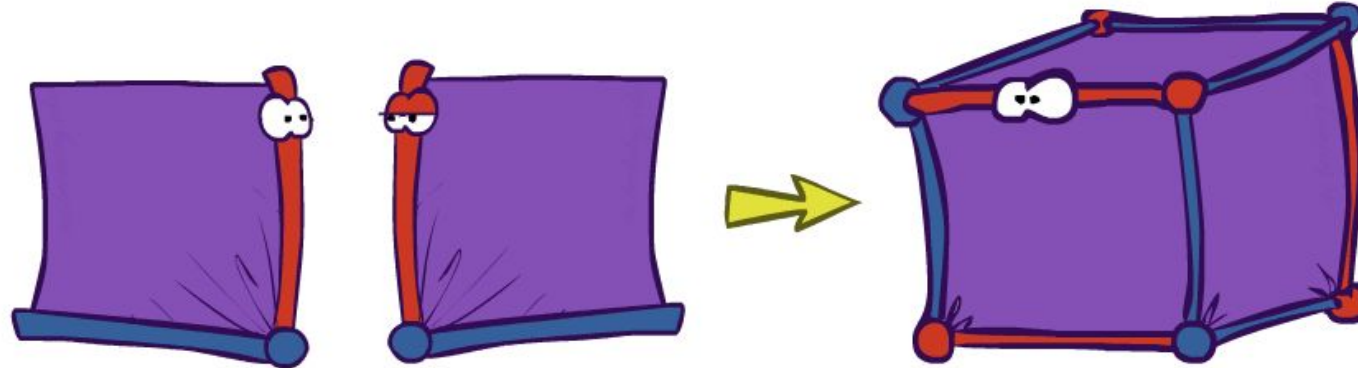
Operation 1: Pointwise product

- First basic operation: **pointwise product** of factors (similar to a **database join**, **not** matrix multiply!)
 - New factor has **union** of variables of the two original factors
 - Each entry is the product of the corresponding entries from the original factors
- Example: $P(J|A) \times P(A) = P(A,J)$



$P(A)$			$P(J A)$			$P(A,J)$		
true	0.1	\times	A \ J	true	false	A \ J	true	false
false	0.9		true	0.9	0.1	true	0.09	0.01
			false	0.05	0.95	false	0.045	0.855

Example: Making larger factors



- Example: $P(A,J) \times P(A,M) = P(A,J,M)$

$P(A,J)$

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\times

$P(A,M)$

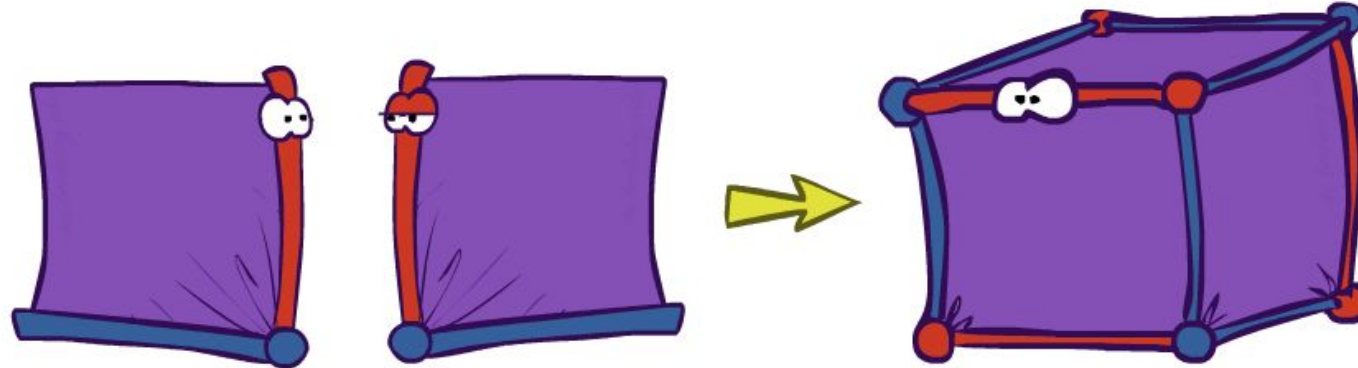
A \ M	true	false
true	0.07	0.03
false	0.009	0.891

$=$

$P(A,J,M)$

J \ M	true	false	
J \ M	true	false	
true			18 A=false
false		.0003	A=true

Example: Making larger factors



- Example: $P(U,V) \times P(V,W) \times P(W,X) = P(U,V,W,X)$
- Sizes: $[10,10] \times [10,10] \times [10,10] = [10,10,10,10]$
- I.e., 300 numbers blows up to 10,000 numbers!
- Factor blowup can make VE very expensive

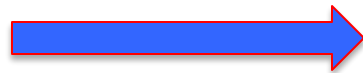
Operation 2: Summing out a variable

- Second basic operation: **summing out** (or eliminating) a variable from a factor
 - Shrinks a factor to a smaller one
- Example: $\sum_j P(A, J) = P(A, j) + P(A, \neg j) = P(A)$

$P(A, J)$

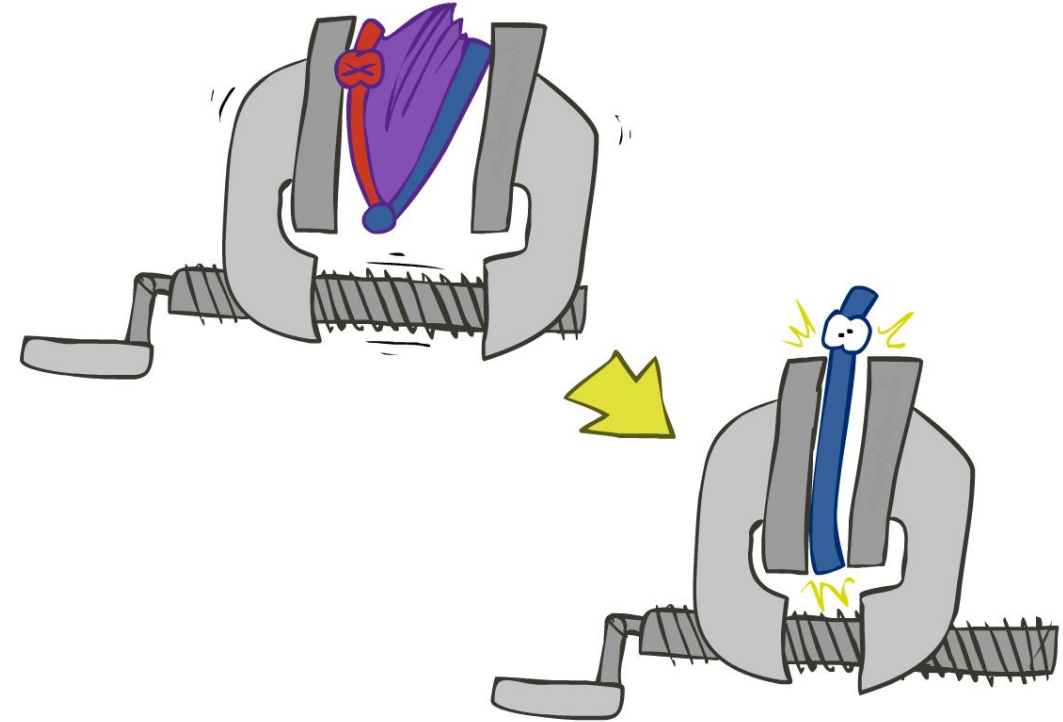
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Sum out J



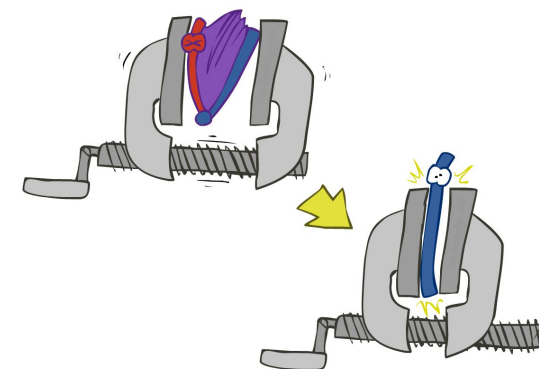
$P(A)$

	0.1
true	0.1
false	0.9

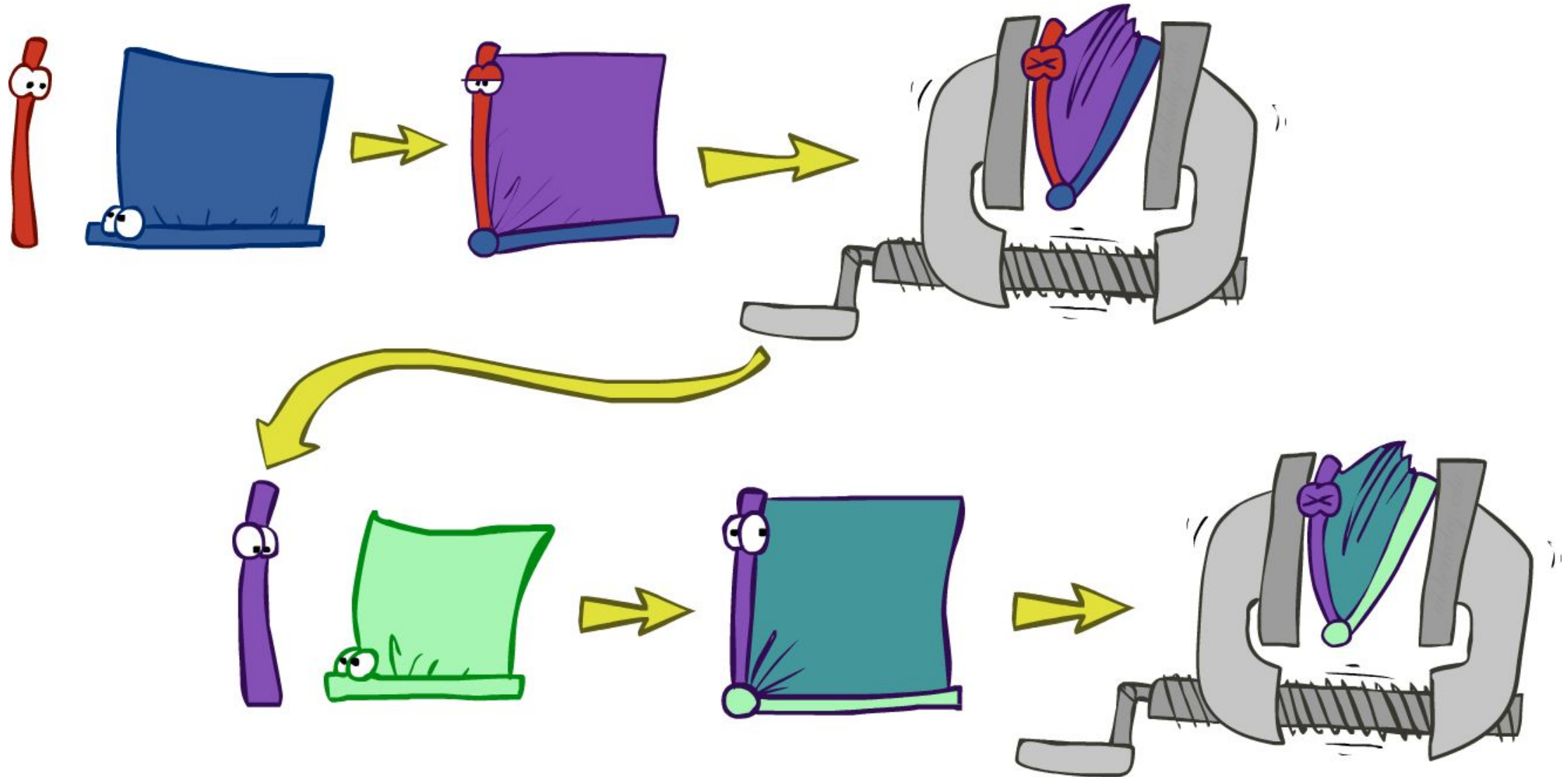


Summing out from a product of factors

- Project the factors each way first, then sum the products
- Example: $\sum_a P(a|B,e) \times P(j|a) \times P(m|a)$
- $= P(a|B,e) \times P(j|a) \times P(m|a) +$
- $P(\neg a|B,e) \times P(j|\neg a) \times P(m|\neg a)$



Variable Elimination

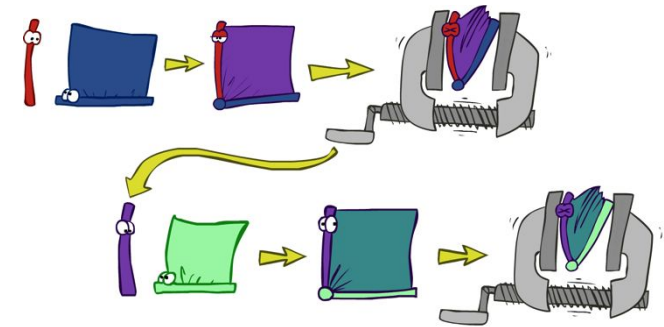


Variable Elimination

- Query: $P(Q|E_1=e_1, \dots, E_k=e_k)$
- Start with initial factors:
 - Local CPTs (but instantiated by evidence)
- While there are still hidden variables (not Q or evidence):
 - Pick a hidden variable H_j
 - Eliminate (sum out) H_j from the product of all factors mentioning H_j
- Join all remaining factors and normalize

x	P(x)
-3	0.05
-1	0.25
0	0.07
1	0.2
5	0.01

2 0.15

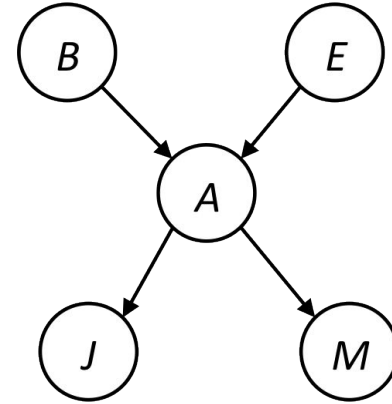


$$\text{stick figure} \times \text{blue square} = \text{purple square} \times \alpha$$

Example

Query $P(B \mid j, m)$

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(A \mid B, E)$	$P(j \mid A)$	$P(m \mid A)$
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Choose A

$P(A \mid B, E)$	\Rightarrow	Σ	\Rightarrow	$P(j, m \mid B, E)$
$P(j \mid A)$				
$P(m \mid A)$				

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(j, m \mid B, E)$
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Example

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(j,m B,E)$
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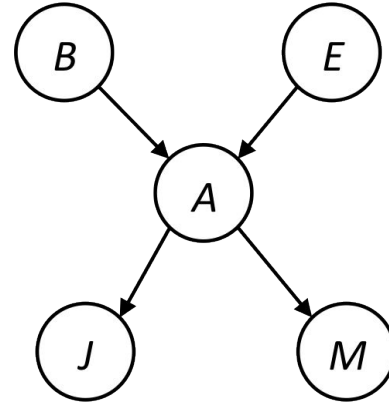
Choose E

$$\begin{array}{c} P(E) \\ P(j,m|B,E) \end{array} \xrightarrow{\times} \xrightarrow{\Sigma} P(j,m|B)$$

$P(B)$	$P(j,m B)$
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Finish with B

$$\begin{array}{c} P(B) \\ P(j,m|B) \end{array} \xrightarrow{\times} P(j,m,B) \xrightarrow{\text{Normalize}} P(B | j,m)$$



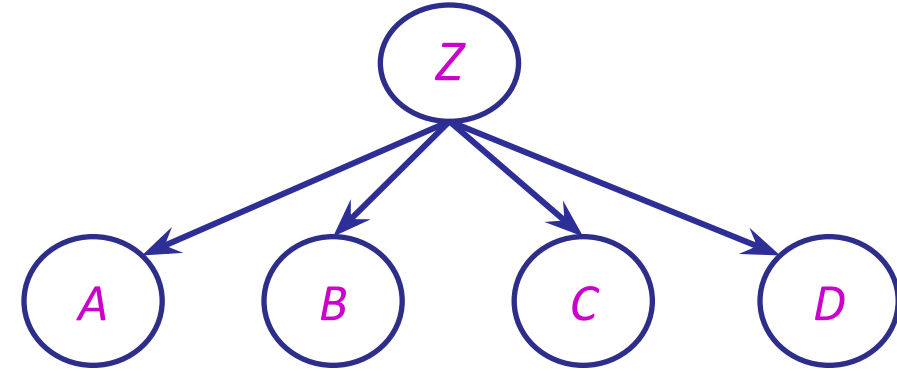
Order matters

- Order the terms Z, A, B C, D

- $P(D) = \alpha \sum_{z,a,b,c} P(z) P(a|z) P(b|z) P(c|z) P(D|z)$
- $= \alpha \sum_z P(z) \sum_a P(a|z) \sum_b P(b|z) \sum_c P(c|z) P(D|z)$
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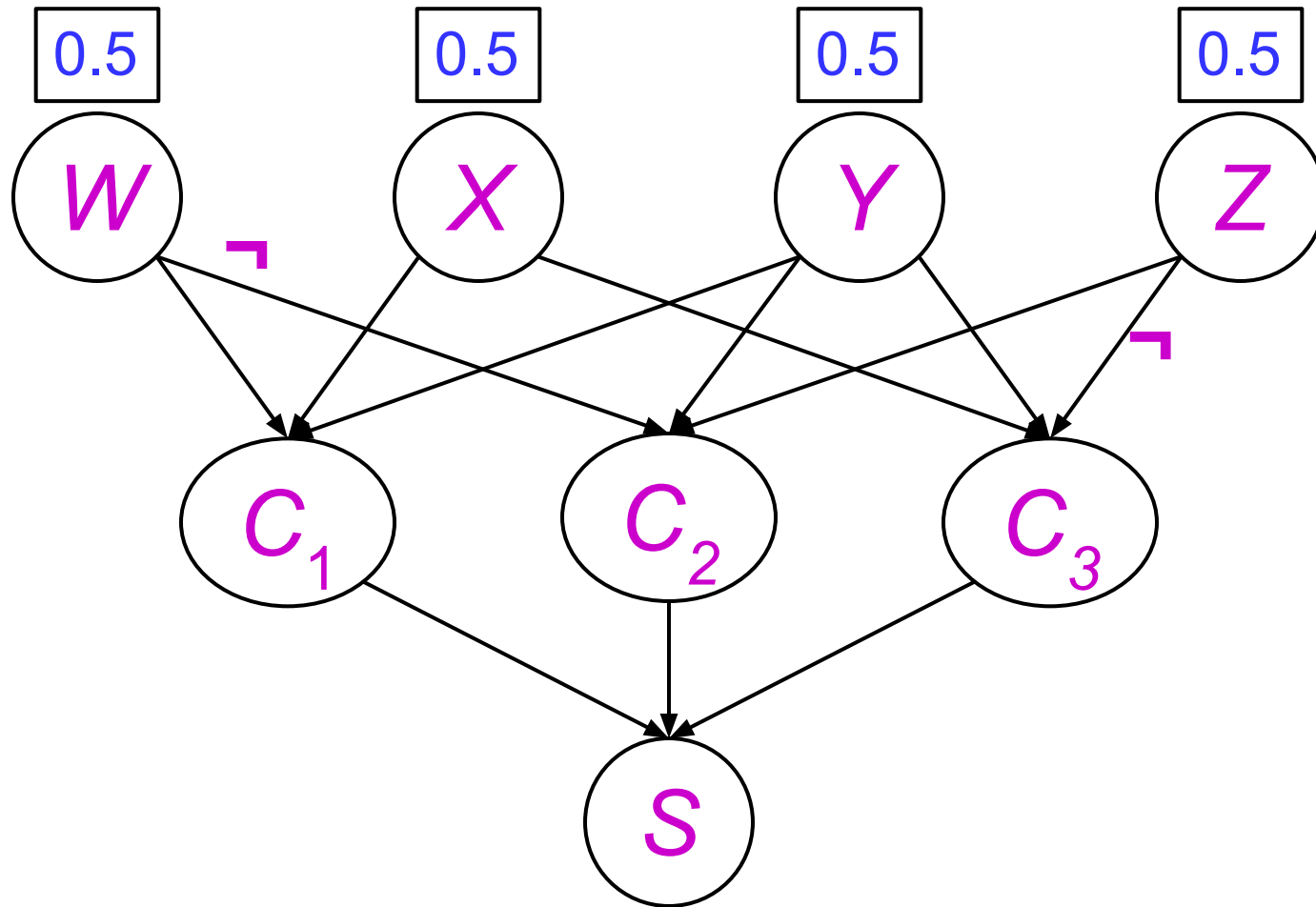
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- $= \alpha \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c \sum_z P(a|z) P(b|z) P(c|z) P(D|z) P(z)$
- Largest factor has 4 variables (A,B,C,D)
- In general, with n leaves, factor of size 2^n



VE: Computational and Space Complexity

- The computational and space complexity of variable elimination is determined by the largest factor (and it's space that kills you)
- The elimination ordering can greatly affect the size of the largest factor.
 - E.g., previous slide's example 2^n vs. 2
- Does there always exist an ordering that only results in small factors?
 - No!

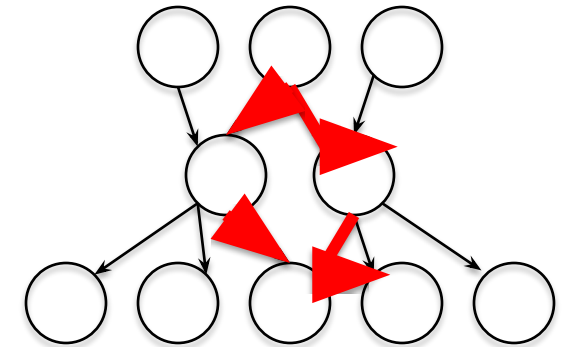
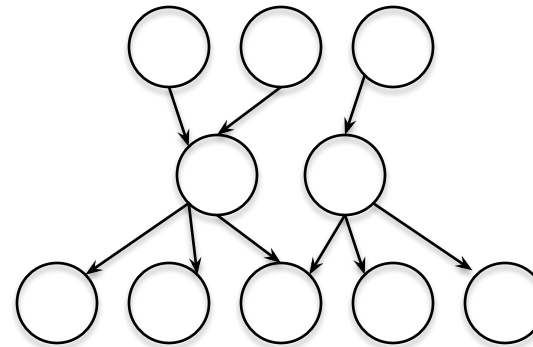
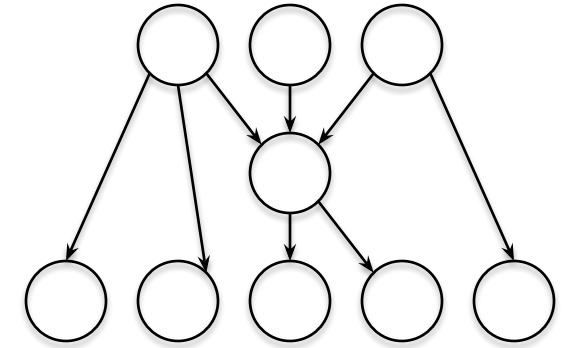
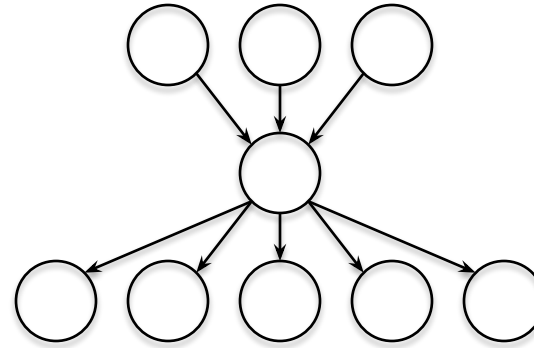
Worst Case Complexity? Reduction from SAT



- Variables: W, X, Y, Z
- CNF clauses:
 1. $C_1 = W \vee X \vee Y$
 2. $C_2 = Y \vee Z \vee \neg W$
 3. $C_3 = X \vee Y \vee \neg Z$
- Sentence $S = C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge C_3$
- $P(S) > 0$ iff S is satisfiable
 - \Rightarrow **NP-hard**
- $P(S) = K \times 0.5^n$ where K is the number of satisfying assignments for clauses
 - \Rightarrow **#P-hard**

Polytrees

- A polytree is a directed graph with no undirected cycles
- For poly-trees the complexity of variable elimination is **linear in the network size** if you eliminate from the leaf towards the roots



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