

## 100f - OGMS

- undirected graphs  $\textcircled{1} P(X_1, \dots, X_8) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \{ \phi(X_1) + \dots + \phi(X_6, X_5, X_8) \}^2 \textcircled{2}$
- OGMS  $\rightarrow$  expert systems (complex causality webs)

## HMM / dishonest casino

⑧ key areas to focus on  $\rightarrow$  10708 learning objectives

- Areas to focus on:-      - These should be included in 'lectures'
- BN definition
- formal specification of factorisation
- distinction between functional form of factorisation for OGMs, UGMS
- understand significance of conditional independence in PGMs
- know the 3 local structures visually, what C.I. relations they represent
- nuances of I-Maps; appl. to example (\*)
- local Markovian assumptions
- d-separation: semantics, operation
- global Markovian assumptions - Bayes ball.
- Equivalence theorem; difference with I-maps (\*)
- Soundness + completeness in context of (\*).

## Jordan (2003) Ch 2 (read; annotate/supplement)

- very clear formal setup
- in general, not making use of additional 'structure'; a joint probability distn of  $n$  random variables, each taking on  $r$  states requires full specification of  $r^n$  states in an  $n$ -dimensional probability table
- graphical models represent this more economically with ass. about structure via 'local relationships'
- formal notation:-

- directed graph  $G(V, E)$      $V$ -set of nodes     $E$ -edges     $G$ -acyclic
- 1-to-1 mapping r.v.s to nodes
- # For each node  $i \in V \rightarrow$  r.v.  $X_i$
- $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$  and r.v.s. =  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

- each node has a set of parent nodes, may be empty
- for each node  $i \in V$ , we denote  $\pi_i$  as the set of parents of node  $i$
- the set of random variables  $X_{\pi_i}$  are the parents of the r.v.  $X_i$
- parent-child relations  $\rightarrow$  locality  $\rightarrow$  economical rep. of joint p.d.
- to each node  $i$ ; associate function  $f_i(x_i, x_{\pi_i})$  with properties:-  
 $f_i(x_i, x_{\pi_i}) \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{x_i} f_i(x_i, x_{\pi_i}) = 1$
- the pre-conditional probability formalism is:
- let  $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$ ; given a set of functions  $\{f_i(x_i, x_{\pi_i}) : i \in V\}$ , define joint p.d.:-  
 $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{(2.1)}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n f_i(x_i, x_{\pi_i})$
- Have to verify definition obeys joint p.d. constants
- choice of numerical values for  $f_i \Rightarrow$  generation of specific joint p.d.
- Ranging over all numerical values  $\Rightarrow$  family of joint prob distr. associated with graph  $G$  (\*)
- This family can be characterised as products of local functions or graph-theoretically (edge patterns)
- (\*) The relationship between different ways of characterising family of probability distributions associated with a graph that is key to PLM
- conditional probability formalism:

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | x_{\pi_i}) \quad (2.2)$$

- $p(x_i | x_{\pi_i})$  - local condition prob. associated with graph  $G$
- Building blocks merely joint p.d. synthesised associated with  $G$ .
- Example given: (see diag).

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_6) = p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \quad (2.3)$$

Product of LCD

## representational economy:

-  $r^n$  joint prob. table  $\rightarrow r^{m+1}$  table  
 (no structure) (graph structure)

- $m_i$  - no. of parent nodes of  $X_i$
- local cond. dist.  $X_i - (m+1)$  dim table
- each node/r.v. has  $r$  values

② exponential growth in  $n$  exchanged for exponential growth in  $m_i$

(variables in domain)

(no. of parents of indiv. nodes  $X_i$  (fan-in))

- small fan-in  $\rightarrow$  enormous reduction in complexity

• ③ But there is more; not just data structure promise, but inferential machinery

## 2.1.1 conditional independence

### independence:

$x_A$  and  $x_B$  are independent, i.e.  $x_A \perp\!\!\!\perp x_B$  if :-

$$p(x_A, x_B) = p(x_A)p(x_B) \quad (2.4)$$

### conditional independence

$x_A$  and  $x_C$  are conditionally independent, given  $x_B$  if:-

$$p(x_A, x_C | x_B) = p(x_A | x_B)p(x_C | x_B) \quad (2.5)$$

OR

$$p(x_A | x_B, x_C) = p(x_A | x_C) \quad (2.6)$$

} moving  
from  
here is  
④

for all  $x_B$ :  $p(x_B) > 0$

(2.5) - independence ; with addition of conditioning on  $|x_B$   
 formula

(2.6) - "probability of  $x_A$  given  $x_B$  and  $x_C$  is equal to  
 probability of  $x_A$  given  $x_C$ " i.e. conditioning on  $x_B$  and  $x_C$   
 is the same as omitting  $x_B$  (conditioning variable) in prob.

- establish independence / conditional independence requires  
 factorising the joint probability distribution

- PGM: representing a p.d. within gm formalism involves making independence assumptions, which are embedded in the structure of the graph
- This graphical structure, other indep. relations can be derived, reflecting that certain factorisations of joint p.d. imply other factorisations
- Factorisations - read off via graph search algorithms
- Graphical structure encodes conditional independence:-
- Chain rule of prob: PMF in a general factored form, given an ordering on  $\{x_1, \dots, x_6\}$  :-  

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_6) = p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1, x_2)p(x_4|x_1, x_2, x_3)p(x_5|x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)p(x_6|x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$
- In an arbitrary node ordering
- In general:  $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i|x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}) \quad (2.7)$

- ① Compare (2.2) and (2.7)  $\Rightarrow$  conditioning variables dropped
- ② Missing variables in local c.p. functions  $\Rightarrow$  missing edges underlying graph
- ③ It is this transfer of interpretation from missing variables  $\rightarrow$  missing edges that underlies the probabilistic interpretation for missing edges in graph in terms of c.i.
- Formally:
  - Define an ordering  $I$  of nodes in a graph to be topological if for every node  $i \in V$  the nodes in  $T_i$  appear before  $i$  in the ordering.
  - E.g.  $I = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  (topological ordering for graph in 2.1)
- ④ Let  $v_i$  denote set of nodes that appear earlier than  $i$  in the ordering  $I$ , excluding the parent nodes  $T_i$ .
  - e.g.  $v_5 = \{1, 2, 4\}$
  - $v_i$  necessarily contains ancestors of node  $i$  (excluding parents  $T_i$ ) and may contain other nondescendant nodes also

Given a topological ordering  $\pi$  for a graph  $G$  we associate to the graph the following set of c.i. statements:-

$$\{x_i \perp\!\!\!\perp x_{\pi_i} \mid X_{\pi_i}\} \quad \text{for } i \in V \quad (2.8)$$

"Given the parents of a node  $(X_{\pi_i})$ , the node  $(X_i)$  is independent of all earlier nodes in the ordering  $(X_{\pi_i})$ ".

The example encodes following mdp. ass:-

$$(x_i \perp\!\!\!\perp \emptyset \mid \emptyset) \quad (2.9)$$

$$(x_2 \perp\!\!\!\perp \emptyset \mid x_1) \quad (2.10)$$

$$x_3 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_2 \mid x_1 \quad (2.11)$$

$$x_4 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_1, x_3\} \perp x_2 \quad (2.12)$$

$$x_5 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_1, x_2, x_4\} \perp x_3 \quad (2.13)$$

$$x_6 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_1, x_3, x_4\} \perp \{x_2, x_5\} \quad (2.14)$$

Interpretation of missing edges as c.i. consistent with (2.2) - no variance later

verified an example of (2.12) by direct calculation from (2.3) :-

$$p(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \sum_{x_5} \sum_{x_6} p(x_1, \dots, x_6) \quad (\text{marginalise}) \quad (2.15)$$

m.g.  $\{x_1, \dots, x_4\}$  (sub.s.)

$$p_{\text{prob}} = \sum_{x_5} \sum_{x_6} p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) p(x_4|x_2) p(x_5|x_3) p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \quad (2.16)$$

$$= p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) p(x_4|x_2) \underbrace{\sum_{x_5} p(x_5|x_3)}_{=1} \underbrace{\sum_{x_6} p(x_6|x_2, x_5)}_{=1} \quad (2.17)$$

$$= p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) p(x_4|x_2) \quad (2.18)$$

m.g. prob  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$  :-

$$p(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \sum_{x_4} p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) p(x_4|x_2) \quad (2.19)$$

$$= p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) \sum_{x_4} p(x_4|x_2)$$

$$= p(x_1) p(x_2|x_1) p(x_3|x_1) \quad (2.20)$$

$$\text{m.u.: } p(x_4|x_1, x_2, x_3) = p(x_4|x_2) \quad (\text{recall all c.i. definition!}) \quad (2.21)$$

• (1) above shows we can interpret missing edges in graph in terms of conditional independencies

(\*) (2): are there other conditional independence statements that are true of such joint probability distis; and do these have graphical interp.

There are other conditional independencies e.g.  $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_6 | \{X_2, X_3\}$ , not in list (2.14), but implied by the list.

(unifiable by algebra (tedious))

(3): we want to write down ALL conditional independencies implied by basic set.

- develop criterion for doing so without factorizing joint into all possible triplets triples of var. subsets

(4): that is, a general graph search algorithm to so find all implied independencies as well as explicit ones from graph structure.

## 2.17. conditional independence and Bayes ball

- Bayes ball - reachability and a def. of separation.

- we can not only derive C.I. assertions from (2.2); but otherwise avoid.

significance: • to each graph we associate family of joint prob. distri.

• family arises due to consideration of range over different choices of numerical values of local c.p.s.  $p(x_i | x_{\pi(i)})$ . list of

• view c.i. statements gen by Bayes ball as constants on  $\mathcal{P}$  joint p.d.

• those joint p.d.s that meet  $\rightarrow$  if not <sup>in the family</sup> out.

(5): relationship between characterization of a family of p.d.s in terms of conditional independencies; and numerical character in terms of local cond. prob. (S.2.1.3.)

## 3 canonical graphs

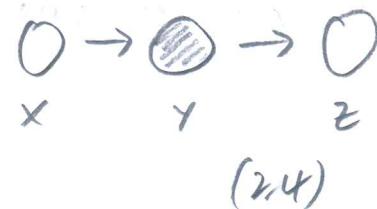
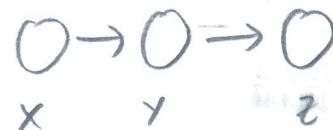
missing edges in PGM  $\rightarrow$  c.i.

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Missing edge:  $x \rightarrow z$

Hence C.I.:-

$\textcircled{1} X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$



(2.4)

② No other conditional independencies associated with this graph

Justifying ①: (DAG structure  $\Rightarrow$  C.I.)

$$\text{From DAG: } p(x, y, z) = p(x)p(y|x)p(z|y) \quad (2.23)$$

$$\text{From (2.23): } p(z|x, y) = \frac{p(x, y, z)}{p(x, y)} \quad (2.24)$$

$$= \frac{p(x)p(y|x)p(z|y)}{p(x)p(y|x)} \quad (2.25)$$

$$= p(z|y) \quad (2.26)$$

- Establishing C.I.

Justifying ②:-  $\textcircled{6ii}$

"There are no further conditional independencies associated with this graph"

- does NOT mean that no further conditional independencies can arise in any of the distributions in the family associated with this graph i.e. distributions with factorised form (2.23) (?)

- There exist some distributions which exhibit conditional independencies

- e.g. free to choose any local c.p.  $p(y|x) \rightarrow$  choose dist'n in which # prob. y same no matter value of x. then for this  $p(y|x)$ ,  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ .

$\textcircled{6ii}$ : Fig (2.4)  $\not\Rightarrow$   $X$  and  $Y$  are necessarily dependent (not independent).

$\textcircled{6ii}$ : Edges do not necessarily imply dependence

BUT  $\textcircled{6ii}$ : Missing edges do imply independence

- universally vs existentially qualified statements with respect to family of distributions associated with a graph.

$\textcircled{6ii}$ : asserted conditional independencies always hold for these distributions

- implied/non-asserted conditional independencies sometimes fail to hold for distributions associated with a particular graph, but sometimes do hold.

- ⑤
- An algorithm based on conditional independencies will be correct for all distns associated with a graph
  - An algorithm based on absence of c.i.s. will sometimes be correct, sometimes not.

mental model for cascade:- past-present-future

common parent

- missing edge:  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$



justification ①: - (DAG  $\rightarrow$  C.I.)

$$p(x,y,z) = p(y)p(x|y)p(z|y)$$

(2.28)

$$p(x,z|y) = \frac{p(y)p(x|y)p(z|y)}{p(y)}$$

(2.29)

$$\Rightarrow p(x,z|y) = p(x|y)p(z|y) \Rightarrow X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$$

(2.30)

mental model: 'hidden variable'

-  $X$ -shoe size ;  $Z$ - 'gray hair' ;  $Y$ -age

-  $X, Z \rightarrow$  m.pop., strong dep.

- But with  $Y$ -age, we might be willing to assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$ .

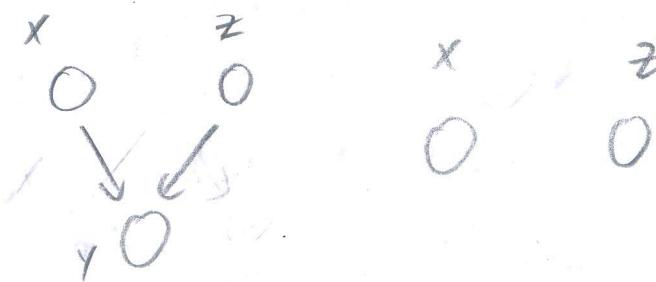
- Hidden  $Y$  explains all of observed  $X-Z$  dep.

② "no other c.i.s. associated" with <sup>this</sup> graph

- no assertions of dependence, in particular we do not necessarily assume  $X$  and  $Z$  dependent because they depend on  $Y$ .

- But we assert the at least some distns. in which such dependence

& for d.



V-structure

$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z$

missing edge  $X-Y$

(statement about subgraph)

- vo-06 MS readings
- Koller + Friedman (2009)
- (iii): use the intuitive examples here to supplement, reinforce understanding; they hold the key to applying the reasoning
  - (iv): the purposes of this reading → clarifying BN semantics, I-maps, equivalence, soundness, completeness
  - (v): recall 36705, 11D as cornerstone of statistical analysis?
  - (vi): 10.708 → complementary through consideration of dependence
  - reason for parametrisation through cpd rather than full joint → modularity
  - Adding node will not require new joint p.d.; modular in cpd representation.
  - local vs global

### 3.2.2.2. Bayesian Network Semantics

#### definition 3.1

- A Bayesian network structure  $G$  is a DAG whose nodes represent r.v.s.  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ .
- let  $\text{Pa}_i^G$  represent parents of  $X_i$  in  $G$
- let NonDescendants $_i$  denote variables that are not descendants of  $X_i$
- $G$  encodes following set of conditional independence assumptions, called local independencies.
- These are denoted  $I_G$  :-
- for each variable  $X_i$  :  $(X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp \text{NonDescendants}_i \mid \text{Pa}_i^G)$
- "The local independencies state that each node  $X_i$  is conditionally independent of its nondescendants given parents"

### 3.2.3. Graphs and distri

- (i) :- 1.) Bayesian network graph with conditional independence assertions
- 2.) Bayesian network graph with conditional probability distributions
- These definitions are equivalent

⑥⑦:

(\*) distribution  $P$  satisfies local independencies associated with a graph  $G$   $\Leftrightarrow P$  is representable as a set of CPDs associated with graph  $G$

### • 3.2.3.1. - I-maps

- define set of independencies associated with distri  $P$   
definitions 3.2. independencies in  $P$

- let  $P$  be a distri over  $X$

(\*) we define  $I(P)$  to be the set of independence assertions of the form  $(X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid Z)$  that hold in  $P$ .

(\*) - we can rewrite statement that

" $P$  satisfies the local independencies associated with  $G$ " as  $I_G(G) \subseteq I(P)$

(\*) semantically, " $G$  is an I-map (independency map) for  $P$ "

### definition 3.3 - I-map

- let  $K$  be any graph object associated with a set of independencies  $I(K)$

- we say " $K$  is an I-map for a set of independencies  $I$  if  $I(K) \subseteq I$ "

(\*) semantically

" $G$  is an I-map for  $P$  if  $G$  is an I-map for  $I(P)$ "

⑥: do you understand these nuances?

- (i) direction of subset inclusion  $\Rightarrow$  for  $G$  to be an I-map of  $P$ ,

it is necessary that  $G$  does not mislead us regarding independencies in  $P$ .

- start example to help with this abstract definition

- note that  $I_G(G) \subseteq I(P)$  implies that  $I(P)$  may contain independence assertions not present in  $I_G(G)$ !

- these definitions are finicky  $\rightarrow$  do some scribblings

## Intuition from I-map to factorisation

write statements  
mathematically

- BN structure  $G$  encodes a set of c.i. assumptions
- Every distri for which  $G$  is an I-map must satisfy the assumptions
- This is key to understanding factorised representation
- Consider any distri  $P$  for which student BN  $G_{\text{student}}$  is an I-map.
- Decompose joint distribution via chain rule:-
- $P(I, D, G, L, S) = P(I)P(D|I)P(G|I, D)P(L|I, D, G)P(S|I, D, G, L)$  (3.15)
- No assumptions, but not helpful
- Apply c.i. assumptions, induced by B.N.
- Some  $G_{\text{student}}$  is an I-map for our distri.  $P$
- (3.14)  $\rightarrow (I \perp D) \in I(P) \Rightarrow P(D|I) = P(D)$
- (3.10)  $\rightarrow (L \perp I, D|G) \in I(P) \Rightarrow P(L|I, D, G) = P(L|G)$
- (3.11)  $\rightarrow (S \perp D, G, L|I) \in I(P) \Rightarrow P(S|D, G, L, I) = P(S|I)$
- Hence  $P(I, D, G, L, S) = P(I)P(D)P(G|I, D)P(L|G)P(S|I)$  (3.16)

- Any entry in joint distri can be computed as a product of factors, one for each var.
- Each factor  $\rightarrow$  a conditional prob. of variable given network parents
- This factorisation applies to any distribution  $P$  for which  $G_{\text{student}}$  is an I-map

Formally:

### Def 3.4 (Factorisation)

- Let  $G$  be a BN graph over  $X_1, \dots, X_n$
- We say a distri  $P$  over some space factorises according to  $G$  if  $P$  can be expres:-

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i | \text{Pa}_{X_i}^G)$$

- Chain rule for BN.
- Individual factors  $P(X_i | \text{Pa}_{X_i}^G)$  are CPDs (conditional prob distri)

### 03.5. Bayesian Network

- A Bayesian network is a pair  $B = (G, P)$  where  $P$  factorises over  $G$ , and where  $P$  is specified as a set of CPDs associated with  $G$ 's nodes.
- The distri  $P$  is often annotated  $P_B$ .
- Phenomenon holds for  $G$  without more generality.

### Theorem (3.1)

- Let  $G$  be a BN structure over a set of r.v.s.  $X$ , and let  $P$  be a joint distribution over the same space.

(\*) If  $G$  is an I-map for  $P$ , then  $P$  factorises according to  $G$ .

Proof: - see Koller & Friedman (many use for exercises)

Comments: - C.I. assumptions implied by BN structure  $G$  allow factorisation of a distri  $P$  for which  $G$  is an I-map into small CPDs.

- (@) 1.3.1. Shows direction of fundamental connection between the c.i. independencies encoded by the BN structure and the factorisation of distri into local probabilistic models / CPDs.

- C.I.  $\Rightarrow$  factorisation

- Theorem 3.2 (converse: factorisation according to  $G \Rightarrow$  C.I.)

- Let  $G$  be a BN structure over a set of r.v.s.  $X$  and let  $P$  be a joint distri over some space.

(\*) If  $P$  factorises according to  $G$ , then  $G$  is an I-map for  $P$ .

### 3.3 Independencies in graphs

- Graph structure  $G \rightarrow$  encodes a set of c.i. assumptions  $I_G(G)$

- Knowing only that a distribution factorises over  $G$ ; we can conclude that distri satisfies  $I_G(G)$ . (i.e.  $I_G(G) \subseteq I(P)$ )

(@) recall Jordan :- Are there any other independencies that we can 'read off' directly from  $G$ .

- Are there other independencies that hold for every distribution  $P$  that factorises over  $G$ ?  
(a distri family)

(@) A question about implied independencies i.e.  $I(P) - I_G(G) (?)$

## D-separation

- who can we guarantee that an independence  $(X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z)$  holds in a distribution associated with a BN structure  $G$ .
  - in interests of conciseness, I'm going to leave connects
  - the next section is on the canonical local structures / independencies;
    - ~ Jordan, cascade, common parent, v-structure.
  - Koller (2009) adds additional info/intuition and categories as:-
  - 1. Direct connection  $X \rightarrow Y$
  - 2. Indirect connection, (3-node networks)
    - i) Indirect causal
    - ii) Indirect evidential
    - iii) Common cause
    - iv) Common effect
- } each contains intuition
- key is to note that the key event is whether a node is observed or unobserved (under which C.I statements, (de)separations) / decoupling is generated)
  - Koller (2009): (i) when probabilistic influence can flow from  $X$  to  $Y$  via  $Z$ ; then we have an active trail / blocking
  - 10/108 12 notes: Better summary linking Bayes Ball to Koller's idea of active trails.
  - ②: essentially: (Bayes Ball-reachability - Bell-blocked - Jordan)
    - probabilistic influence - active-trails-blocked (Koller)
    - ↳ both encode intuitions about what leads to d-separator
- general case:
- longer trail  $X_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow X_n$
  - for influence to flow from  $X_1$  to  $X_n$ ; it needs to flow through every node on trail.
  - $X_i$  can influence  $X_n$  if every two edge trail  $X_{i-1} \Rightarrow X_i \Rightarrow X_{i+1}$  along trail allows influence to flow.

formally:

D.3.6.

Let  $G$  be a BN structure; and  $X_1 \Rightarrow X_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow X_n$  a trail in  $G$ .

Let  $Z$  be a subset of observed r.v.s.

The trail  $X_1 \Rightarrow X_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow X_n$  is active given  $Z$  if:-

- whenever we have a v-structure  $X_{i-1} \rightarrow X_i \leftarrow X_{i+1}$  then  $X_i$  or one of its descendants are in  $\underline{Z}$ .
  - no other node along the trail is in  $\underline{Z}$
  - If  $X_i$  or  $X_n$  are in  $\underline{Z}$ , the trail is not active.
  - need to account for graphs with more than one trail between nodes
  - d-separation (\*): d-separation
    - i) Bayes ball algorithm
    - ii) separation on normalised ancestral graph
    - iii) Active trails (ii). Multiple algs for some distribution
- D.3.7 (d-separation)
- Let  $X, Y, Z$  be three sets of nodes in  $G$ .
- We say  $X$  and  $Y$  are d-separated given  $Z$  i.e.  $d\text{-sep}_G(X; Y | Z)$ , if there is no active trail between any nodes  $X \in X$  and  $Y \in Y$  given  $Z$ .
- $I(G)$  is the set of independencies that correspond to d-separation
- $$I(G) = \{ (X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z) : d\text{-sep}_G(X; Y | Z) \}$$
- This set is called the set of global Markov independencies.  
 The independencies in  $I(G)$  are precisely those that are guaranteed to hold for every distribution over  $G$ .
- some formalities (mathematical) regarding dsep. (i.e. proof style)  
desirable properties of d-separation
3. (Soundness of dsep)
- If a distri  $P$  factorises according to  $G$ , then  $I(G) \subseteq I(P)$
- mark: Any independence reported by d-separation is satisfied by the underlying distri
- If two nodes  $X$  and  $Y$  are d-separated given some  $\underline{Z}$ , we are guaranteed they are c.i. given  $\underline{Z}$ .
- Completeness - d-separation detects all possible independencies
- If two variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent given  $\underline{Z}$ ; they are d-separated defined in this form  $\rightarrow$  no specification of distribution in which  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent
- c. actually a statement which involve a set of distri./distri family?

### D3.8. (Faithful)

- A distri  $P$  is faithful to  $G$  if, whenever  $(X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z) \in I(P)$ ; then  $dsep_G(X; Y | Z)$ .
- Any independence in  $P$  is reflected in the d-sep. properties of graph (7)
- A candidate formalisation of completeness is in terms of converse/contrapositive (11)(c) (x)(y)
- (\*) For any distri  $P$  that factorises over  $G$ , we have that  $P$  is faithful to  $G$
- (\*) i.e. if  $X$  and  $Y$  are not d-separated given  $Z$  in  $G$ ; then  $X$  and  $Y$  are dependent in all distrib.  $P$  that factors over  $G$ . (12)

(11) - converse to soundness (11)(c)

- If true, two together (which?) imply that for any  $P$  that factorises over  $G$ , we have  $I(P) = I(G)$ .

→ - Highly desirable property is false (?) which (?)

- (\*) - even if a distri factorises over  $G$ , it can still contain additional independencies
- (\*) not reflected in structure

completeness property does not hold for this candidate definition of completeness

Settle for a weaker definition:-

- If  $(X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z)$  in all distri  $P$  that factorise over  $G$ , then  $dsep_G(X; Y | Z)$ .
- contrapositive:- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are not d-separated given  $Z$  in  $G$ ; then  $X$  and  $Y$  are dependent in some distribution that factorises over  $G$ .

- formally construct theorem:

### 1.3.4

- let  $G$  be a BN structure.

- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are not d-separated given  $Z$  in  $G$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are dependent given  $Z$  in some distribution that factorises over  $G$ .

Proof:- See Molle (2009).

- Remark: completeness result tells us that our definition of  $I(G)$  is maximal. for any independence assertion not a consequence of d-separation in  $G$  one can find a counterexample distri  $P$  that factors over  $G$ .

### 13.5 (measure theoretic qual.)

- for almost all distributions  $P$  that factorise over  $G$ , that is for all distributions except for a set of measure zero in the space of CPD parameterisations, we have  $I(P) = I(G)$ .

stronger than 13.4

- (\*) - results state that for almost all parameterisations  $P$  of the graph  $G$  (that is for almost all possible choices of CPDs for the variables), the d-separation test precisely characterise all independences that hold for  $P$ .

### 3.3.4. I-equivalence

- $I(G)$  specifies a set of c.i. assertions associated with a graph.
- can abstract away details of graph structure and view as specification of indep. properties
- (\*) - very different BN structures can be equivalent in that they encode precisely the same set of c.i. assertions (e.g. local structures/canonical maps).

### 0.3.9. (I-equivalence)

- two graph structures  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  over  $X$  are I-equivalent if  $I(K_1) = I(K_2)$
- the set of all graphs over  $X$  is partitioned into a set of mutually exclusive and exhaustive I-equivalence classes.
- which is the set of equivalence classes induced by the I-equivalence relation

(\*) I-equivalence of 2 graphs  $\Rightarrow$  any distn  $P$  that can be factorised over one of these graphs can be factorised over the other.

- (\*) - no intrinsic property of  $P$  that would allow us to associate it with one graph rather than an equivalent one.
- (\*) - important implications on our ability to determine dir. of influence

## 12 - Bayes ball / a-sep. (suppl.)

(\*) 2 main perspectives; both encoding some set of rules on a-separation

- Jordan (2003): Bayes-ball algorithm / blocking

- Kolter (2009): Probabilistic influence / active trails

④ a-separation has to account for naive graph  
sep. and fail w/ V-structures.

Jordan (2003) : ch2

(\*) decide whether a given condit. independence statement

$X_A \perp\!\!\!\perp X_B | X_C$  is true for a directed graph  $G$ .

(\*) formally; this means that the statement holds for every distribution that factors according to  $G$  (later).

(\*) use 3 canonical graphs (local structures)

(\*) Reachability algorithm:-

- shade node you are conditioning on i.e.  $X_C$

- place a ball at one of r.v.s i.e.  $X_A$  (source)

- send it to the other r.v. i.e.  $X_B$  (destination)

④ : does a ball reach the destination  $X_B$  from source  $X_A$ ?

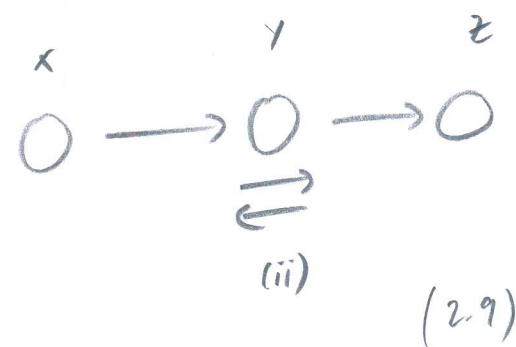
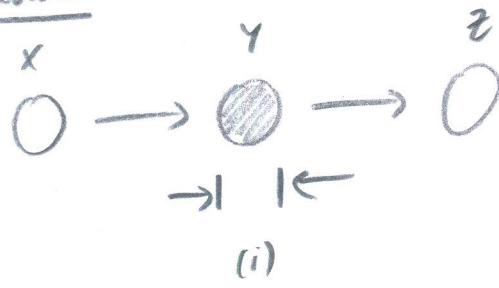
YES  $\rightarrow X_A \perp\!\!\!\perp X_B | X_C$  is not true

NO  $\rightarrow X_A \perp\!\!\!\perp X_B | X_C$  is true.

(\*) Bayes ball specifies a set of rules on ball movement

④ Balls can travel in any dir along directed edges

- Cascade

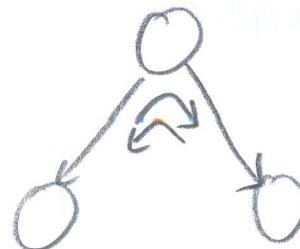
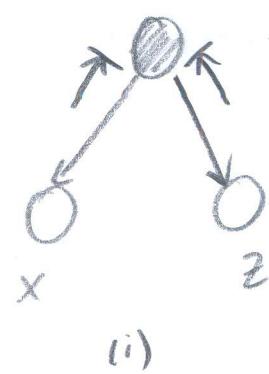


(i) assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$

• For this structure;  
ball is blocked when conditioning

(ii) do not assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$

## common parent



(2.10)

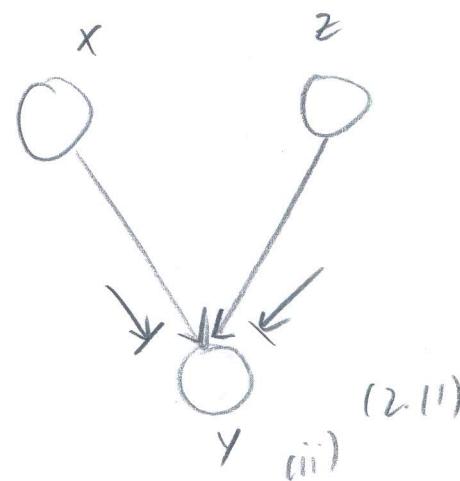
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ii) do not assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$

- for this structure, ball is blocked when conditioning.

(\* note for cascade and common parents; conditioning on a node has the effect of blocking balls. This does not extend to V-structures; as Jordan points out.)

## V-structure



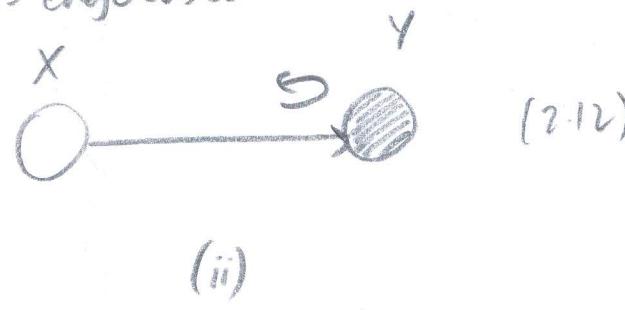
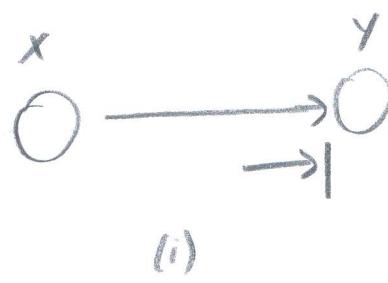
(2.11)

i) do not assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$

- for this structure, ball passes through when conditioning.

ii) assert  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z | Y$

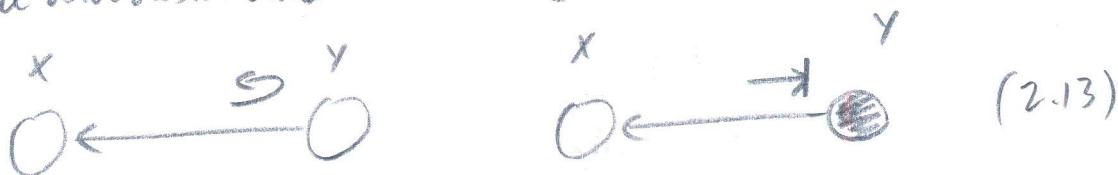
(\* source and destination node same - edge cases



(2.12)

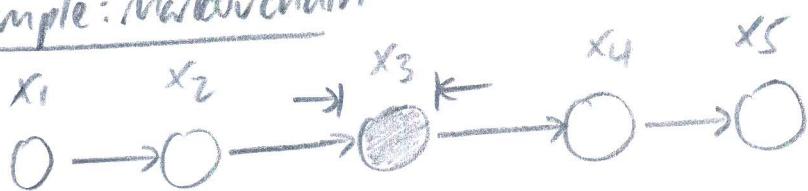
- for this structure, ball passes through when conditioning

(\*) source and destination node - edge cases



- for this structure; ball is blocked when conditioning)

(\*) Example: Markov chain



- without d-sep:-

$$p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_6) = p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_2)p(x_4|x_3)p(x_5|x_4)$$

(for ordering: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_6) = p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_2, x_1)p(x_4|x_3, x_2, x_1)p(x_5|x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1)$$

- here; without d-sep:-

$$x_5 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_3, x_2, x_1\} \mid x_4$$

$$x_4 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_2, x_1\} \mid x_3$$

$$x_3 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_1 \mid x_2$$

$$x_2 \perp\!\!\!\perp \emptyset \mid x_1$$

$$x_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp \emptyset \mid \emptyset$$

(\*) with d-sep:

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- yielding some additional condit. indep.: -  
(not exhaustive list) (using cascade + d-sep)

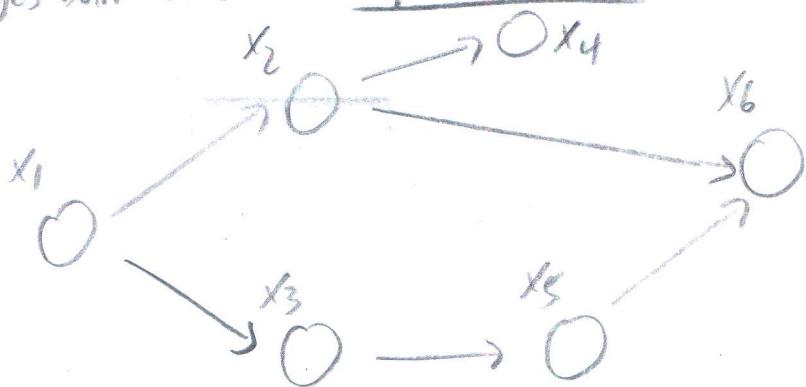
$$x_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_5 \mid x_4 \quad x_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_5 \mid x_2 \quad x_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_5 \mid \{x_2, x_4\} \quad \text{etc.}$$

- Bayes ball short-cuts algebraic manipulation

(\*) In general, in this cascade, with time as a natural model, we can  
any subs.

any subset of 'future' nodes is conditionally indep. of 'past' nodes  
given the subset that blocks them.

(\*) Bayes ball - another composite example



- other than existing (C.I.) statements in (2.9) - (2.14), we have further C.I. statements

- i)  $x_4 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{x_1, x_3\} | x_2$
- ii)  $x_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_6 | \{x_2, x_3\}$
- iii)  $x_2 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_3 | \{x_1, x_6\}$  not true

