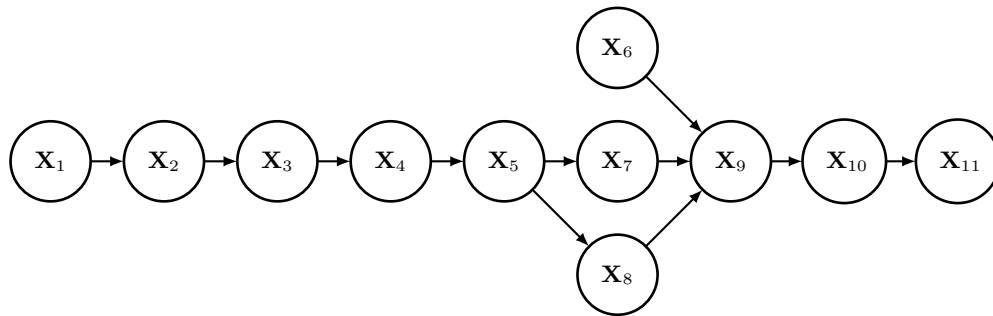


50.007 Machine Learning, Fall 2021
Homework 5

Due Thursday 9 December 2021, 5pm

This homework will be graded by Zhang Qi

In this homework, we would like to look at the Bayesian Networks. You are given a Bayesian network as below. All nodes can take 2 different values: $\{1, 2\}$.



Question 1. Without knowing the actual value of any node, are node X_1 and X_6 independent of each other? What if we know the value of node X_5 and X_{10} ? (10 points)

Question 2. What is the *effective* number of parameters needed to for this Bayesian network? What would be the *effective* number of parameters for the same network if node X_3 , X_8 and X_9 can take 5 different values: $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, and all other nodes can only take 4 different values: $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$? (10 points)

Question 3. If we have the following probability tables for the nodes. Compute the following probabilities. Clearly write down all the necessary steps.

(a) Calculate the following conditional probability:

$$P(X_3 = 1 | X_4 = 2)$$

(8 points)

(b) Calculate the following conditional probability:

$$P(X_5 = 2 | X_2 = 1, X_{11} = 2, X_1 = 1)$$

(12 points)

(Hint: find a short answer. The values in some of the probability tables may reveal some useful information.)

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Question 4. Now, assume we do not have any knowledge about the probability tables for the nodes in the network, but we have the following 12 observations/samples. Find a way to estimate the probability tables associated with the nodes \mathbf{X}_7 and \mathbf{X}_9 respectively. (10 points)

X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	X_6	X_7	X_8	X_9	X_{10}	X_{11}
1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	1
1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1
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1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
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1	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
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