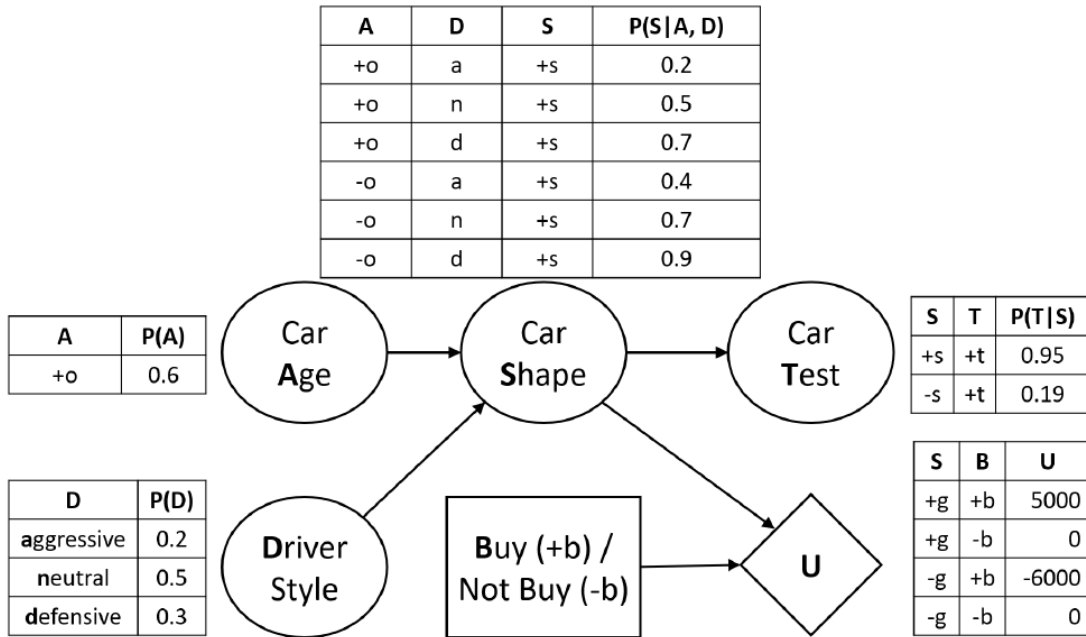


# Assignment 3

## Bayesian and Decision Networks

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### Question 1

The joint distribution for the Bayesian Network is as follows:

$$P(D, A, S, T) = P(D) * P(A) * P(S|A, D) * P(T|S)$$

### Question 2

To use variable elimination for this inference problem, we first need to find the initial factors.

$$P(S|T=+t) = \sum_{d,a} P(d) * P(a) * P(S|a, d) * P(+t|S)$$

#### Initial Factors:

- $f_1(D) = P(D)$
- $f_2(A) = P(A)$
- $f_3(S, A, D) = P(S|A, D)$

- $f_4(t, S) = P(+t|S)$

**Variable Elimination:**

1. Join  $f_1$  and  $f_3$

When we do the join, we get a new factor  $f_5(S, A, D)$

A	D	S	$f_5(S, A, D)$
+o	a	+s	0.04
+o	a	-s	0.16
+o	n	+s	0.25
+o	n	-s	0.25
+o	d	+s	0.21
+o	d	-s	0.09
-o	a	+s	0.08
-o	a	-s	0.12
-o	n	+s	0.35
-o	n	-s	0.15
-o	d	+s	0.27
-o	d	-s	0.03

2. Sum out  $D$

Getting  $f_6(A, S)$

A	S	$f_6(A, S)$
+o	+s	0.5
+o	-s	0.5
-o	+s	0.7
-o	-s	0.3

3. Join  $f_6$  and  $f_2$

Getting  $f_7(A, S)$

A	S	$f_7(A, S)$
+o	+s	0.3
+o	-s	0.3
-o	+s	0.28
-o	-s	0.12

4. Sum out A

S	$f_8(S)$
+s	0.58
-s	0.42

5. Join  $f_4$  and  $f_8$

Getting  $f_9(S)$

S	$f_8(S)$
+s	0.551
-s	0.0798

6. Normalize to get  $P(S|T = +t)$

S	$P(S T = +t)$
+s	$\cong 0.873$
-s	$\cong 0.127$

Therefore, the query

$$P(S = +s|T = +t) \cong 0.873$$

### Question 3

$$P(S) = \sum_{d,a,t} P(d) * P(a) * P(S|a, d) * P(t|S)$$

This query is very similar to the query in the previous question. If we reorder the summation, we can get:

$$P(S) = \sum_{d,a} P(d) * P(a) * P(S|a, d) * \sum_t P(t|S)$$

By definition of the conditional probabilities, the summation of  $P(t|S)$  over  $T$  equals 1. Therefore, the query simplifies to

$$P(S) = \sum_{d,a} P(d) * P(a) * P(S|a, d)$$

In fact, this query is solved in the previous question until step 5. The distribution over  $S$  in **step 4** equals  $P(S)$

S	$f_g(S)$
+s	0.58
-s	0.42

Therefore,

$$P(S = +g) = 0.58$$

## Question 4

$$EU(Buy) = P(S = +g) * U(+g, +b) + P(S = -g) * U(-g, +b)$$

$$EU(\neg Buy) = P(S = +g) * U(+g, -b) + P(S = -g) * U(-g, -b)$$

From the results of the previous question:

$$EU(Buy) = 0.58 * 5000 + 0.42 * -6000 = 380$$

$$EU(\neg Buy) = 0$$

## Question 5

This is a value of information problem.

$$VPI(T) = \left[ \sum_t P(t) * MEU(B|t) \right] - MEU(Buy)$$

To find this expression, we need to first find  $MEU(Buy|T)$

$$EU(Buy | T) = P(S = +g | T) * U(+g, +b) + P(S = -g | T) * U(-g, +b)$$

$$EU(\neg Buy | T) = P(S = +g | T) * U(+g, -b) + P(S = -g | T) * U(-g, -b)$$

It is easily seen that  $EU(\neg Buy | T) = 0$ . For finding  $EU(Buy | T)$ , we need to do a few more calculations.

We can calculate this expected utility using the query  $P(S|T = +t)$  from the second question and finding  $P(S|T = -t)$ .

$$P(S|T = -t) = \propto P(S, -t) = P(S) * P(-t|S)$$

From this equation, we can find the joint distribution of  $P(S, -t)$  as:

S	$P(S, -t)$
+s	0.029
-s	0.3402

When we normalize this distribution:

S	$P(S   T = -t)$
+s	0.079
-s	0.921

From this calculation,  $EU(B | T)$  is a distribution over  $T$  and  $B$ :

T	B	$U(B   T)$
+t	Buy	3603
-t	Buy	-5131
+t	¬Buy	0
-t	¬Buy	0

From this, we find that  $MEU(B|T)$  is as follows:

For  $T = +t$ ; optimal action is *Buy* and  $MEU(B|T) = 3603$

For  $T = -t$ ; optimal action is *Not Buy* and  $MEU(B|T) = 0$

Now that we found  $U(\text{Buy} | T)$ , we only need to find  $P(T)$  and then we will be ready to find the VPI.

To find  $P(T)$ , we can join the tables of  $P(S, -t)$  above and  $P(S, +t)$  from the second question and then marginalize over  $S$ .

S	T	$P(S, T)$
+s	+t	0.551
+s	-t	0.029
-s	+t	0.0798
-s	-t	0.3402

From this joint distribution:

T	$P(T)$
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+t	0.6308
-t	0.3692

Using the maximum expected utilities, prior maximum expected utility, and the probabilities of  $T$ , we get:

$$VPI(T) = 0.6308 * 3603 + (0.3692 * (0)) - 380 = 1892.77$$

Therefore, the maximum amount of money to pay for tests is this.

## Question 6

In rejection sampling (likelihood weighting method), we first set the weight  $w = 1.0$ , then start sampling in the given order. When we come across an evidence variable  $E_i = e_i$ , we set the weight  $w$  to  $w = w * P(e_i | Parents(E_i))$

A	D	S	T	Weight
+o	d	+s	+t	$w = P(A = +o) * P(T = +t   S = +s) = 0.6 * 0.95 = 0.57$
+o	d	+s	+t	$w = P(A = +o) * P(T = +t   S = -s) = 0.6 * 0.19 = 0.114$

## Question 7

In Gibbs sampling, we arbitrarily sample a non-evidence variable  $X_i$  using the distribution of that variable conditioned on the current values of the variables in the Markov blanket of  $X_i$ . The Markov blanket of a random variable in a BN contains the variable, its parents, children, and the parents of its children. This can be seen in the following computations:

$$P(S|A, D, T) = \frac{P(S, A, D, T)}{P(A, D, T)}$$

$$P(S|A, D, T) = \frac{P(D) * P(A) * P(S|D, A) * P(T|S)}{\sum_s P(D) * P(A) * P(s|D, A) * P(T|s)}$$

$$P(S|A, D, T) = \frac{P(S|D, A) * P(T|S)}{\sum_s P(s|D, A) * P(T|s)}$$

Given the sample  $\{A = -o, D = n, S = +s, T = -t\}$ ,

$$P(S|-o, n, -t) = \frac{P(S|n, -o) * P(-t|S)}{\sum_s P(s|n, -o) * P(-t|s)}$$

First let us calculate the denominator:

$$\sum_s P(s|n, -o) * P(-t|s) = (0.7 * 0.05) + (0.3 * 0.81) = 0.278$$

The distribution in the numerator divided by 0.32 (the distribution to sample  $S$  from) becomes:

S	<i>Gibbs sample distribution</i>
+S	<b>0.126</b>
-S	<b>0.874</b>