

Bayesian Networks

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Motivation from Logic

- Starting from logic:

$$\textit{Toothache} \Rightarrow \textit{Cavity}$$

- Rule is wrong; some exceptions:

$$\textit{Toothache}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textit{Cavity} \vee \textit{GumProblems} \vee \textit{Abscess} \vee \dots$$

- This is intractable to model
- Perhaps make the rule causal:

$$\textit{Cavity} \Rightarrow \textit{Toothache}$$

... but this rule is wrong as well...

Motivation from Logic

The monotonicity of logic is the problem... again

- Either you model everything exhaustively
 - Intractable to model; we are too ignorant
 - Even if you could, you will never be able to act
- Assume too much and get stuck when things don't go as expected

Epistemological change: we no longer believe in a set of possible worlds (models), we believe in a probability for each world!

World View

- Propositional
 - Global properties that are true or false
- Probabilistic
 - Belief is still a set of possible world
 - But now they have a degree of belief $\text{Pr}(\cdot)$
 - Knowledge Base $\text{KB} \approx \text{Pr}$
- *“Uncertainty is epistemological – pertaining to an agent’s beliefs of the world – rather than ontological – how the world is.”* [Poole et al.]
 - We can have different beliefs about the same world
 - What’s the probability that the world ends tomorrow?

Decision-Making Motivation

- Acting with partial (noisy) sensor information
 - ⇒ Consider ever logically possible explanation
- Example: drive to airport
 - ⇒ No plan is guaranteed to achieve goal
 - ⇒ Yet the agent must act
- Decisions depend on
 - Relative importance of goals (*utility*)
 - The likelihood of achieving them (*probability*)
 - ⇒ Maximum expected utility

Propositions are only Boolean?

- Categorical variables
 - Weather=sunny, Weather=rainy, Weather=snowy
 - 3 Boolean variables that are mutually exclusive
 - Sometimes called “indicator variables”
 - Can all be encoded in sentences...
- Continuous variables
 - Temperature=73.514, Temperature=78.785, ...
 - Infinitely many Boolean variables (and worlds).
 - In logic, see SAT Modulo Theories (SMT)
 - Special accommodations for continuous variables in statistics; we will mostly stick to the discrete world.

Sentences or “Events”

- Knowledge is a probability for every world: $\Pr(\omega)$
- What is the probability of a sentence α ?
(also called an “event” α in probability)
- Need to axiomatize probability [Kolmogorov]:
 1. Probabilities are non-negative: $0 \leq \Pr(\alpha)$
 2. The probability of a true event is 1: $\Pr(\text{true}) = 1$
 3. If α and β are mutually exclusive, then
 $\Pr(\alpha \vee \beta) = \Pr(\alpha) + \Pr(\beta)$.

Sentences or “Events”

- Knowledge is a probability for every world: $\text{Pr}(\omega)$
- What is the probability of a sentence α ?
(also called an “event” α in probability)
- A sentence α is equivalent to the disjunction of its models: $\alpha \equiv \omega_1 \vee \omega_8 \vee \omega_{11} \vee \omega_{17} \vee \dots$

$$\text{Pr}(\alpha) = \sum_{\omega \models \alpha} \text{Pr}(\omega) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{Mods}(\alpha)} \text{Pr}(\omega)$$

Properties of Probability

- Complement events

- $\Pr(\alpha) + \Pr(\neg\alpha) = 1$

- Why?



- Inclusion-exclusion

- $\Pr(\alpha \vee \beta) = \Pr(\alpha) + \Pr(\beta) - \Pr(\alpha \wedge \beta)$

- Why?



$$\Pr(\text{Earthquake}) = \Pr(\omega_1) + \Pr(\omega_2) + \Pr(\omega_3) + \Pr(\omega_4) = .1$$

$$\Pr(\text{Burglary}) = \Pr(\omega_1) + \Pr(\omega_2) + \Pr(\omega_5) + \Pr(\omega_6) = .2$$

$$\Pr(\text{Earthquake} \wedge \text{Burglary}) = \Pr(\omega_1) + \Pr(\omega_2) = .02$$

$$\Pr(\text{Earthquake} \vee \text{Burglary}) = .1 + .2 - .02 = .28$$

Conditional Probability

- What if I observe new information in the form of a sentence β ?
- Belief changes from $\Pr(\alpha)$ to $\Pr(\alpha|\beta)$
- Can also be axiomatized...
- But briefly

$$\Pr(\alpha|\beta) = \frac{\Pr(\alpha \wedge \beta)}{\Pr(\beta)}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \Pr(\text{Burglary}) & = .2 \\ \Pr(\text{Burglary}|\text{Earthquake}) & = .2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \Pr(\text{Alarm}) & = .2442 \\ \Pr(\text{Alarm}|\text{Earthquake}) & \approx .75 \uparrow \end{array}$$

Product Rule



Basic Properties of Probability



Betting Semantics



Inconsistent Beliefs

Agent 1		Agent 2		Outcomes and payoffs to Agent 1			
Proposition	Belief	Bet	Stakes	a, b	$a, \neg b$	$\neg a, b$	$\neg a, \neg b$
a	0.4	a	4 to 6	-6	-6	4	4
b	0.3	b	3 to 7	-7	3	-7	3
$a \vee b$	0.8	$\neg(a \vee b)$	2 to 8	2	2	2	-8
				-11	-1	-1	-1

Computing Probabilities: Example

	<i>toothache</i>		\neg <i>toothache</i>	
	<i>catch</i>	\neg <i>catch</i>	<i>catch</i>	\neg <i>catch</i>
<i>cavity</i>	0.108	0.012	0.072	0.008
\neg <i>cavity</i>	0.016	0.064	0.144	0.576



Monotonicity of Belief?

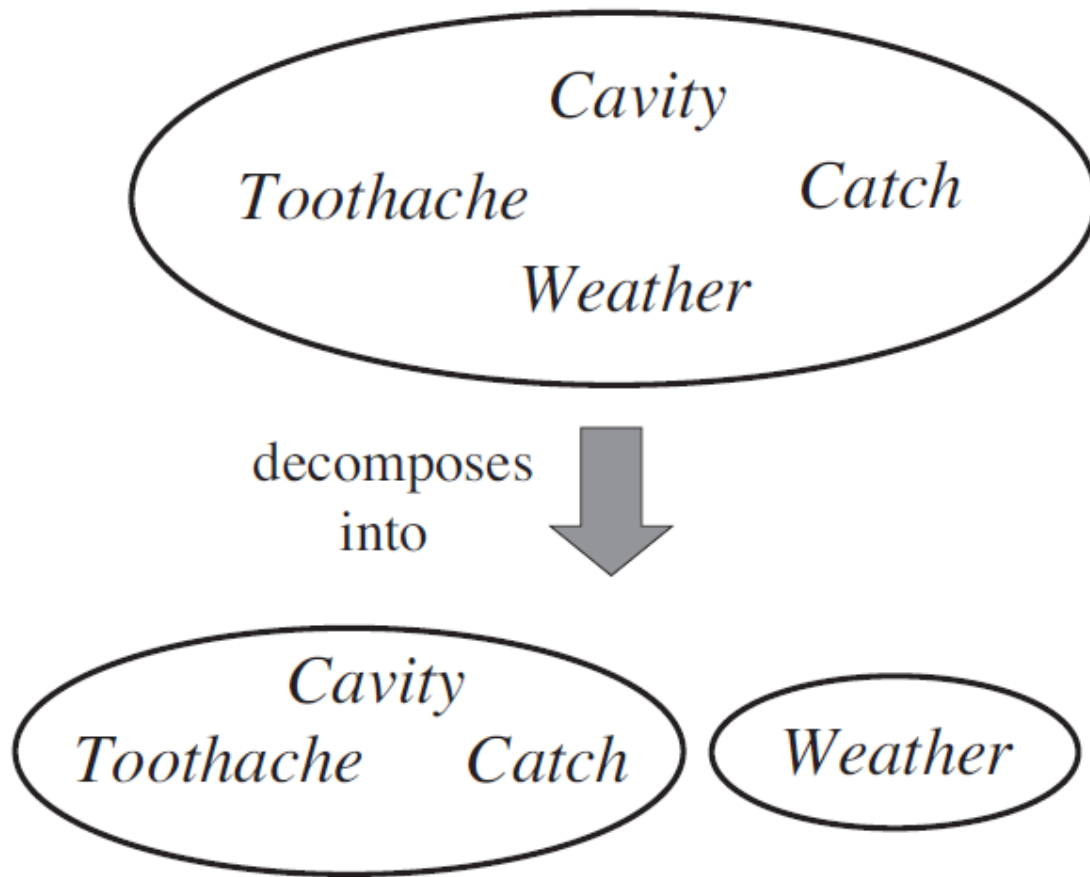
- Recall: monotonicity of logic
- Is it possible to observe something new and undo prior beliefs?

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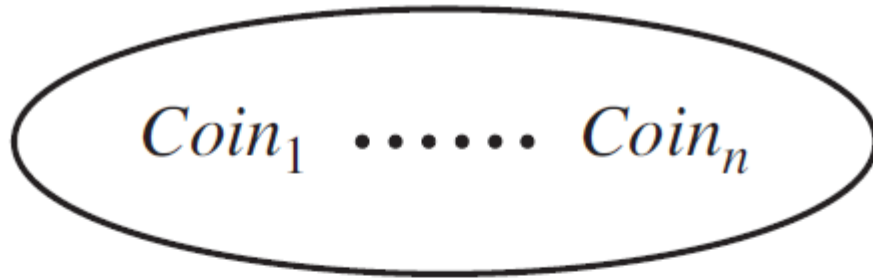
<i>world</i>	Earthquake	Burglary	Alarm	$\Pr(.)$
ω_1	true	true	true	.0190
ω_2	true	true	false	.0010
ω_3	true	false	true	.0560
ω_4	true	false	false	.0240
ω_5	false	true	true	.1620
ω_6	false	true	false	.0180
ω_7	false	false	true	.0072
ω_8	false	false	false	.7128

- Example:
 - Alarm and not Earthquake: $.1620 + .0072 = 0.1692$
 - Not Earthquake: $.9$
 - Alarm given not Earthquake: $.188$

Independence



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decomposes
into

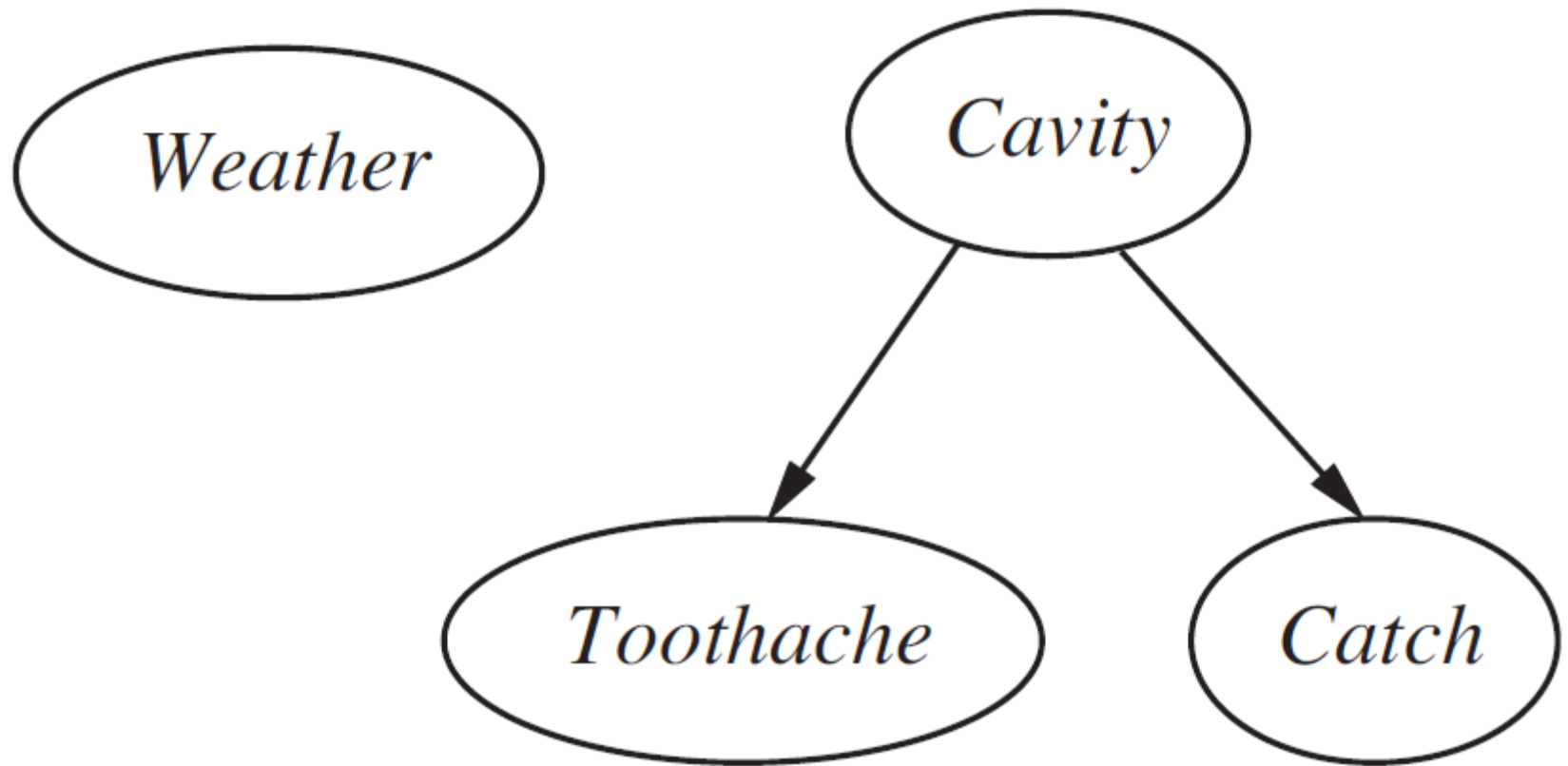


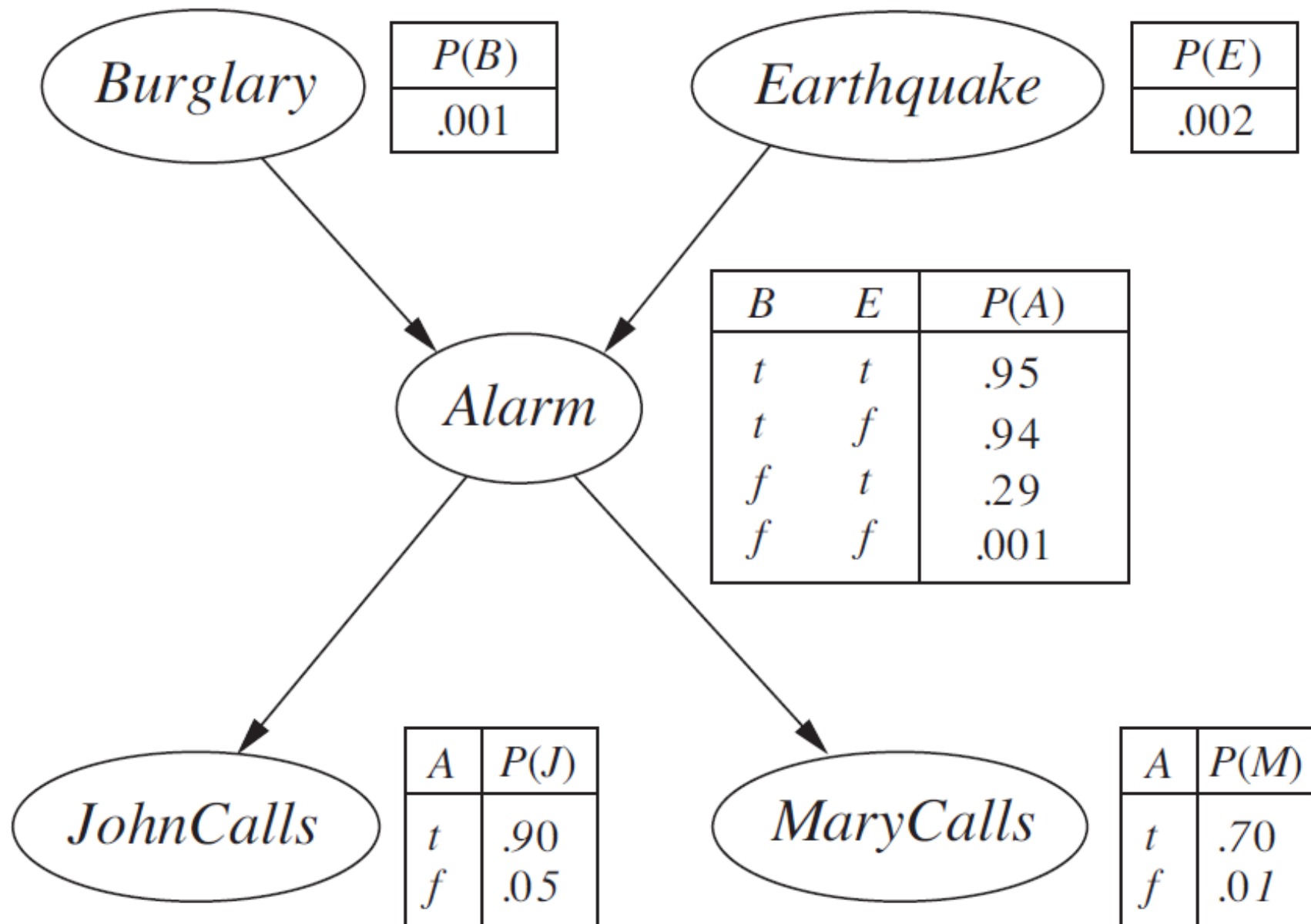
Naïve Bayes Assumption

$$\mathbf{P}(Cause, Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n) = \mathbf{P}(Cause) \prod_i \mathbf{P}(Effect_i \mid Cause)$$

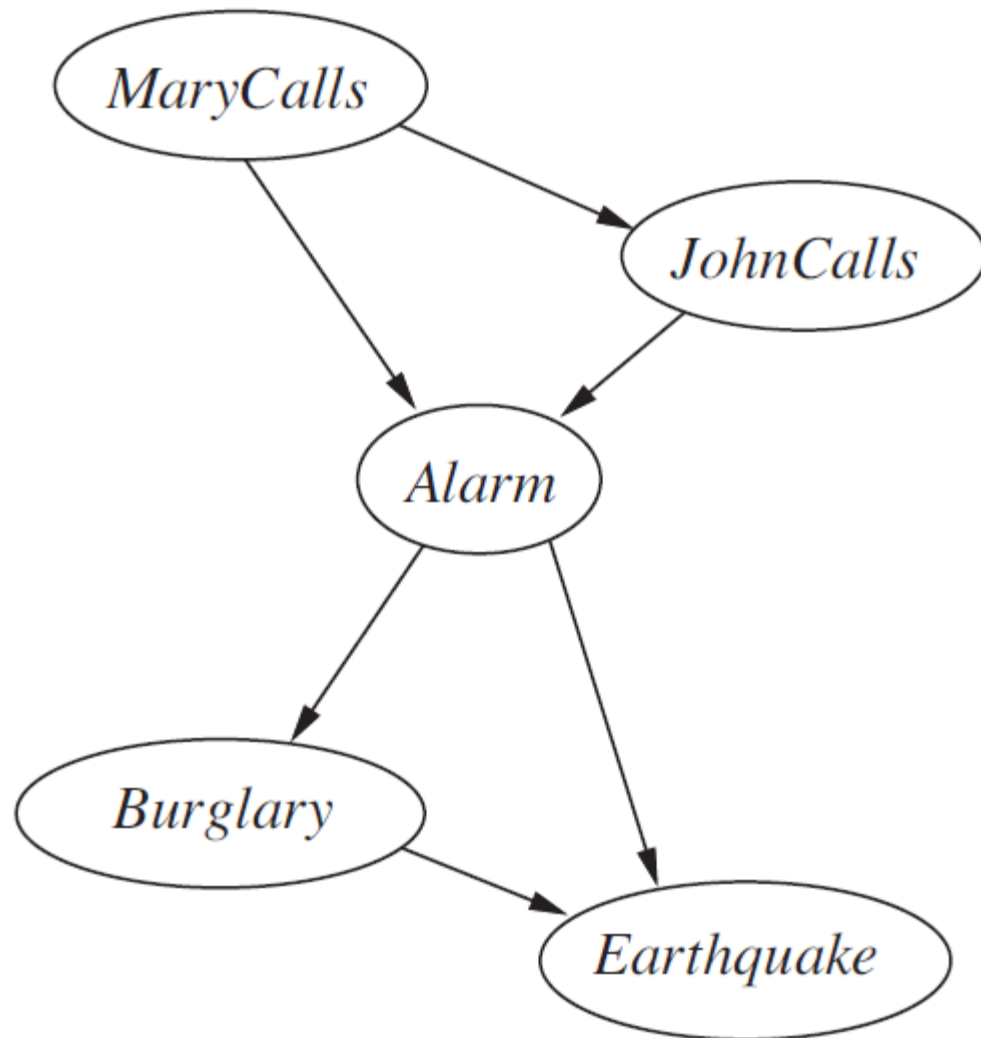
This is how spam filters work!

Bayesian Networks

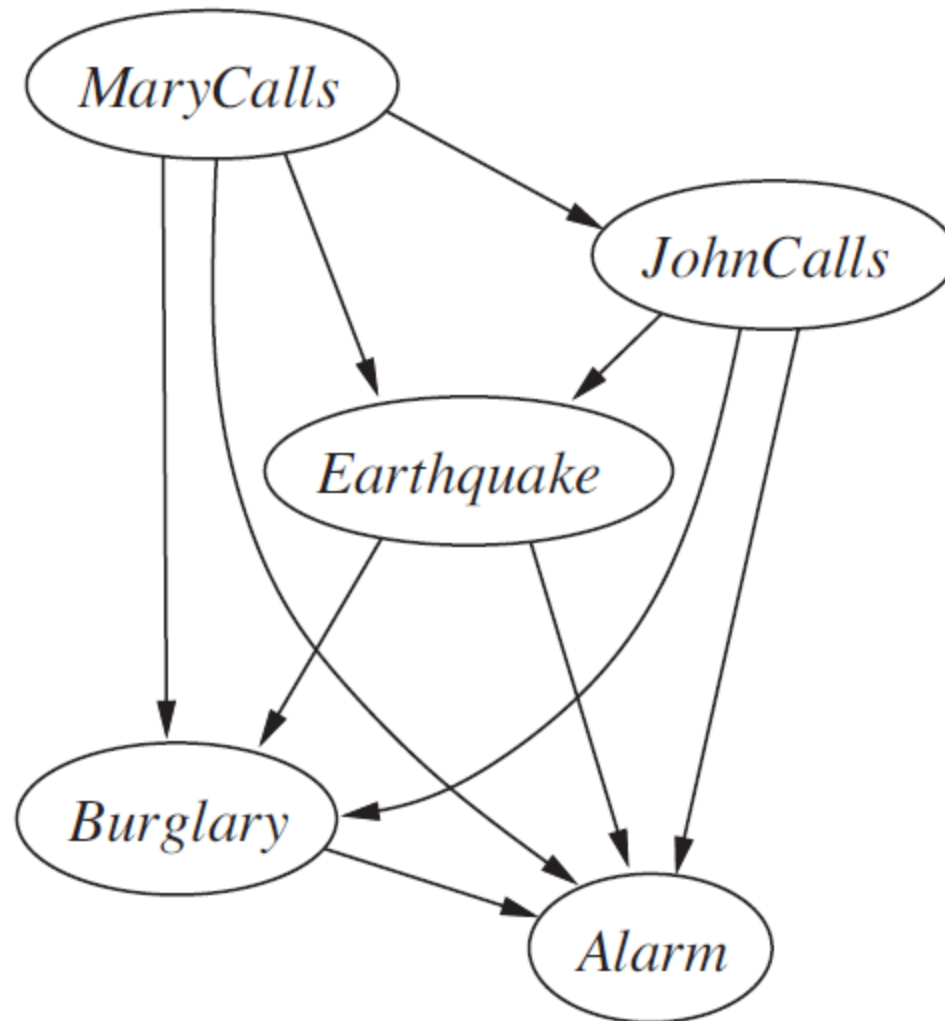




Conditional Independence and Order



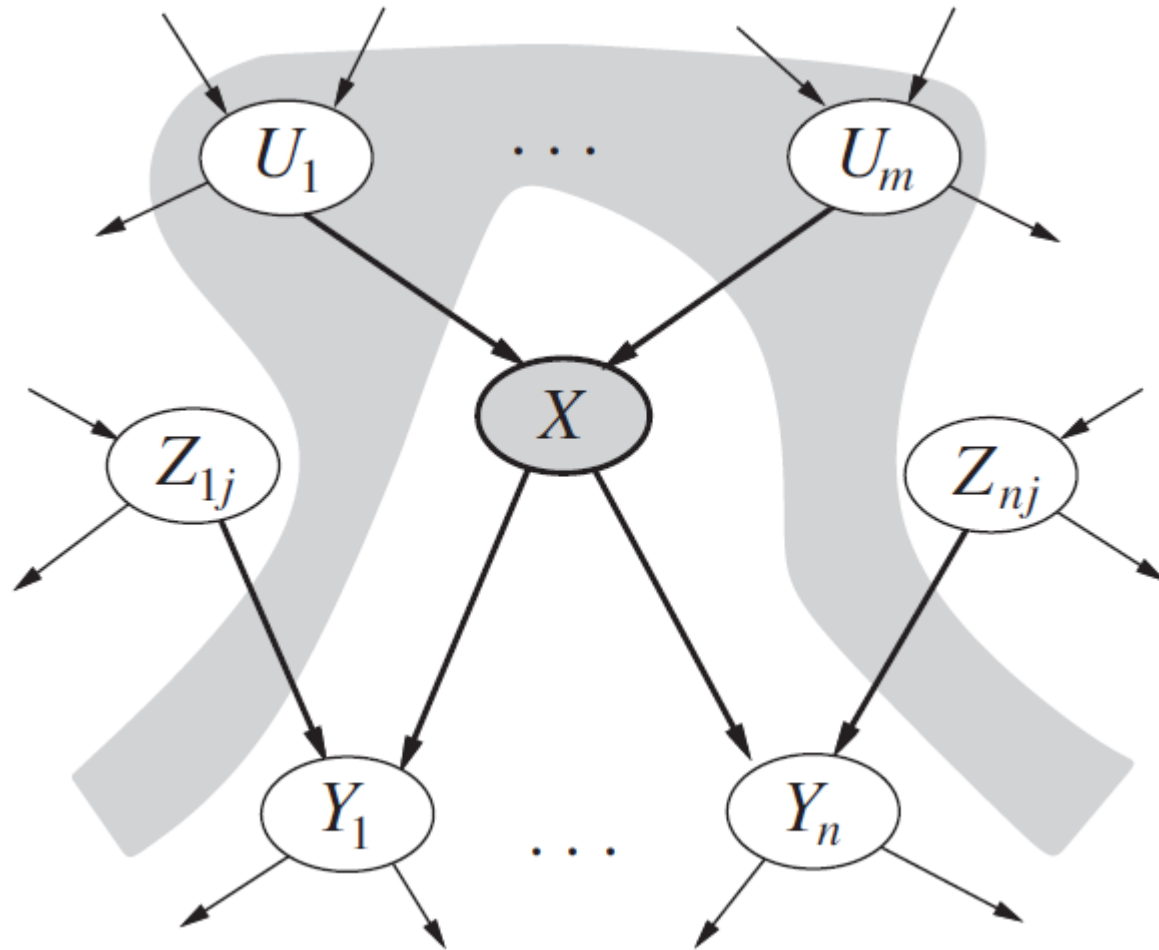
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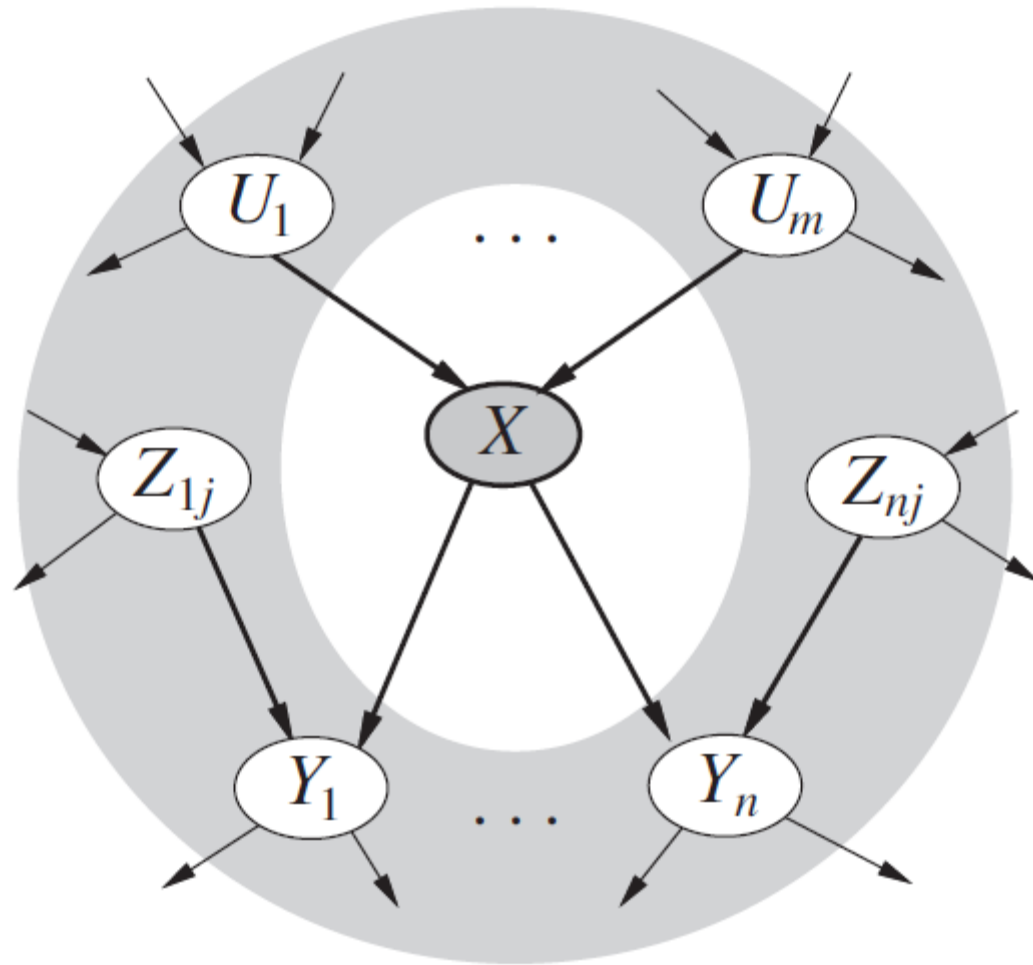
Topological Semantics

*What knowledge is encoded in
Bayesian network structure?*

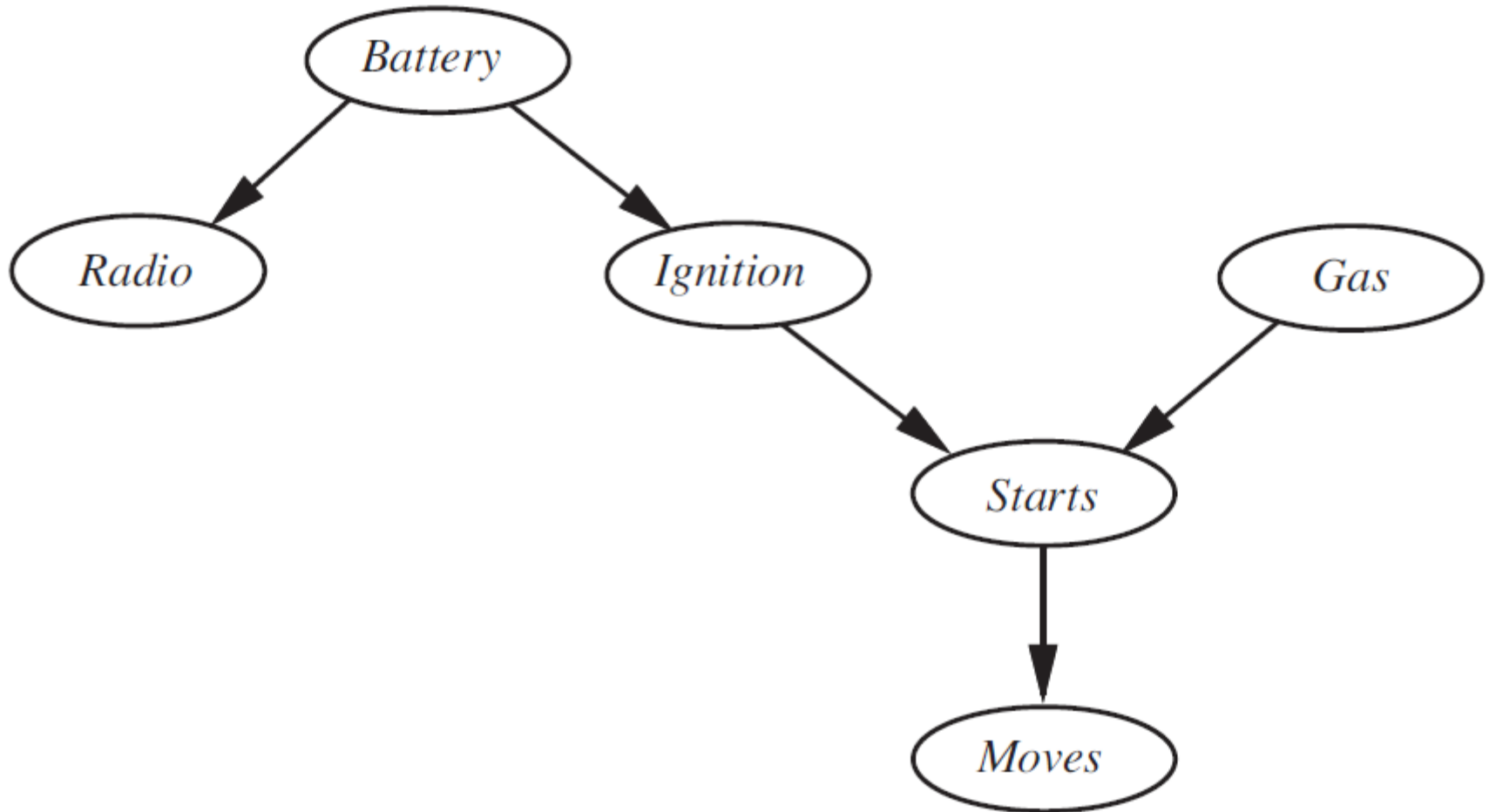
Markovian Assumptions



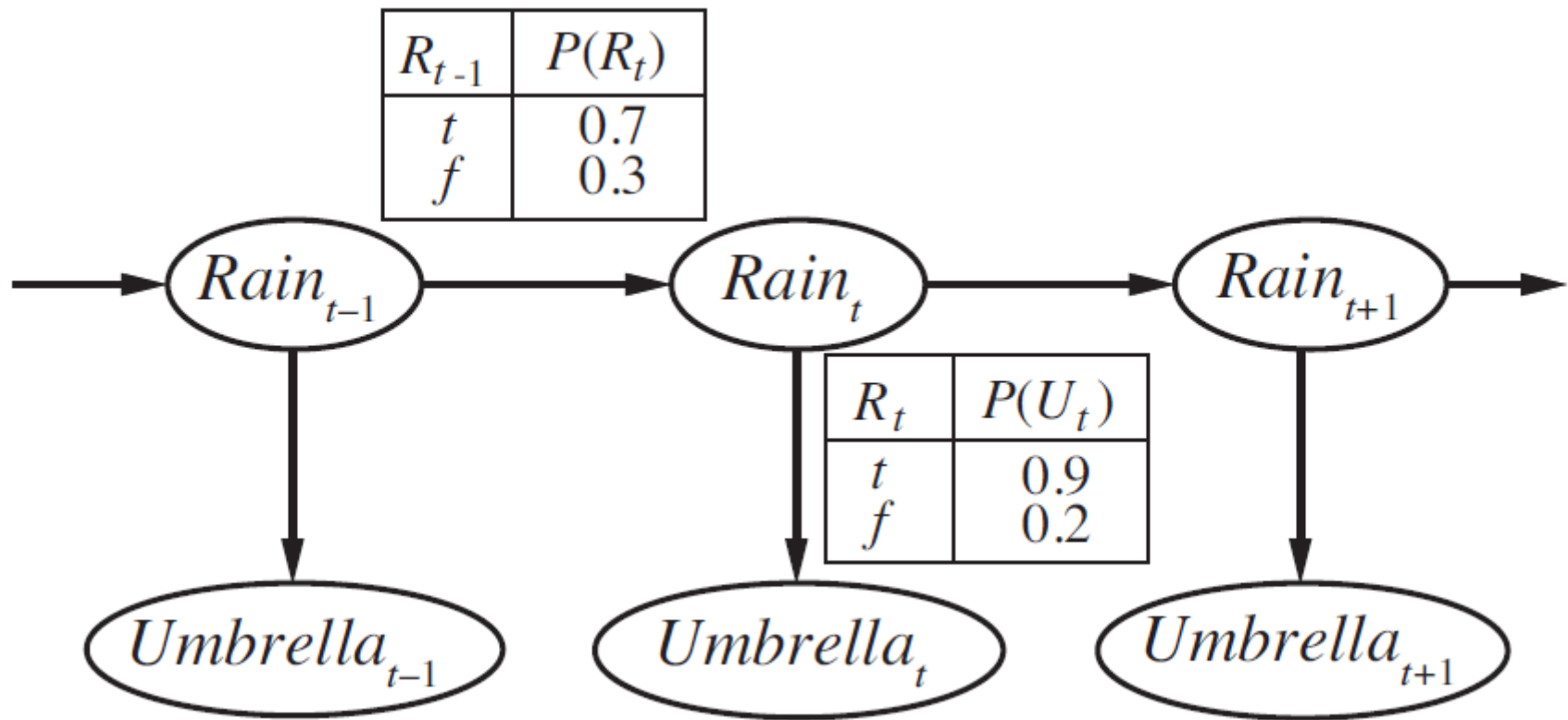
Markov Blanket



Example Network



Markov Chains and Hidden Markov Models



Inference by Enumeration



Factors Multiplication

A	B	$\mathbf{f}_1(A, B)$
T	T	.3
T	F	.7
F	T	.9
F	F	.1

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B	C	$\mathbf{f}_2(B, C)$
T	T	.2
T	F	.8
F	T	.6
F	F	.4

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A	B	C	$\mathbf{f}_3(A, B, C)$
T	T	T	$.3 \times .2 = .06$
T	T	F	$.3 \times .8 = .24$
T	F	T	$.7 \times .6 = .42$
T	F	F	$.7 \times .4 = .28$
F	T	T	$.9 \times .2 = .18$
F	T	F	$.9 \times .8 = .72$
F	F	T	$.1 \times .6 = .06$
F	F	F	$.1 \times .4 = .04$

Summing out Variable from Factor

A	B	C	$\mathbf{f}_3(A, B, C)$
T	T	T	$.3 \times .2 = .06$
T	T	F	$.3 \times .8 = .24$
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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{f}(B, C) &= \sum_a \mathbf{f}_3(A, B, C) = \mathbf{f}_3(a, B, C) + \mathbf{f}_3(\neg a, B, C) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} .06 & .24 \\ .42 & .28 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} .18 & .72 \\ .06 & .04 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} .24 & .96 \\ .48 & .32 \end{pmatrix} .\end{aligned}$$

Variable Elimination

