

CS5340 Uncertainty Modeling in Al

Lecture 6: Factor Graph and the Junction Tree Algorithm

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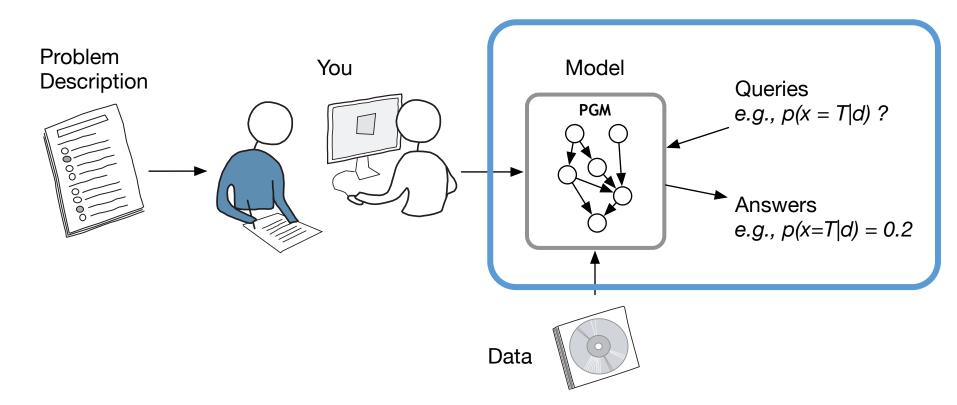


Recap from Lecture 5

Variable Elimination and Belief Propagation

CS5340 in a nutshell

CS5340 is about how to "represent" and "reason" with uncertainty in a computer.



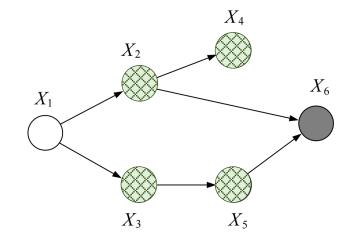


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Variable Elimination

Conditional probability:

$$p(x_1|\bar{x}_6) = \frac{p(x_1, \bar{x}_6)}{p(\bar{x}_6)}$$



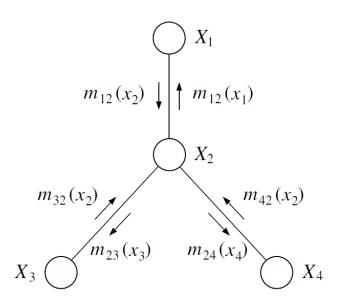
Marginal probability:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} p(x_{1},\bar{x}_{6}) & = & \sum_{x_{2}} \sum_{x_{3}} \sum_{x_{4}} \sum_{x_{5}} p(x_{1}) p(x_{2} \mid x_{1}) p(x_{3} \mid x_{1}) p(x_{4} \mid x_{2}) p(x_{5} \mid x_{3}) p(\bar{x}_{6} \mid x_{2},x_{5}) \\ & = & p(x_{1}) \sum_{x_{2}} p(x_{2} \mid x_{1}) \sum_{x_{3}} p(x_{3} \mid x_{1}) \sum_{x_{4}} p(x_{4} \mid x_{2}) \sum_{x_{5}} p(x_{5} \mid x_{3}) p(\bar{x}_{6} \mid x_{2},x_{5}) \\ & & \underbrace{m_{5}(x_{2},x_{3})}_{\bullet} & \text{eliminate } X_{5} \end{array}$$

- Summands can be pushed in due to the distributive law.
- $m_i(x_{S_i})$ denote the expression from performing Σ_{x_i} , where X_{S_i} are the variables, other than X_i , that appear in the summand.

Sum-Product Algorithm

- Two phases:
- Messages flow inward from leaves toward the root.
- Initiated once all incoming messages have been received by the root node messages flow outward from root toward the leaves.





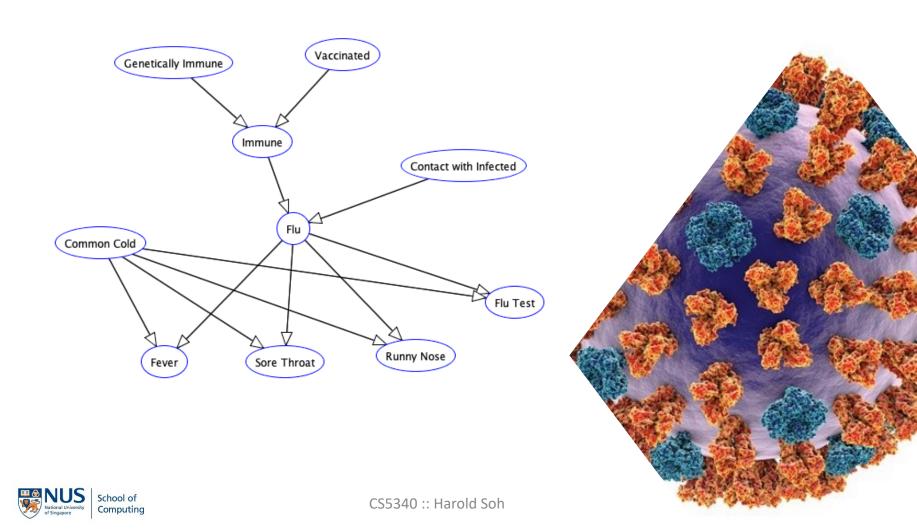
Ideas Summary

- Variable Elimination works for all graphs, but is query specific and can be computationally expensive.
- For *Trees*, use Sum-Product (Belief Propagation) algorithm which is very efficient.

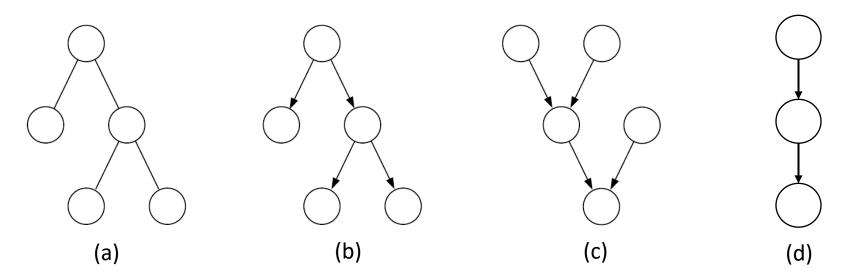
what if we want to address more complex structures than trees?



Our flu example was not a tree!



"Tree-Like" Graphs



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Course Schedule

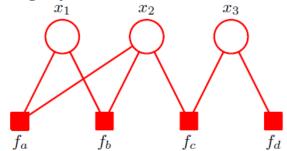
Week	Date	Lecture Topic	Tutorial Topic
1	12 Jan	Introduction to Uncertainty Modeling + Probability Basics	Introduction
2	19 Jan	Simple Probabilistic Models	Probability Basics
3	26 Jan	Bayesian networks (Directed graphical models)	More Basic Probability
4	2 Feb	Markov random Fields (Undirected graphical models)	DGM modelling and d-separation
5	9 Feb	Variable elimination and belief propagation	MRF + Sum/Max Product
6	16 Feb	Factor graph and the junction tree algorithm	Quiz 1
-	-	RECESS WEEK	
7	2 Mar	Mixture Models and Expectation Maximization (EM)	Linear Gaussian Models
8	9 Mar	Hidden Markov Models (HMM)	Probabilistic PCA
9	1 6 Mar	Monte-Carlo Inference (Sampling)	Linear Gaussian Dynamical System
10	23 Mar	Variational Inference	MCMC + Sequential VAE
11	30 Mar	Inference and Decision-Making (Special Topic)	Quiz 2
12	6 Apr	Gaussian Processes (Special Topic)	Wellness Day



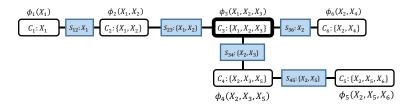
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 - Factor graph
 - Works on polytrees
 - Junction tree
 - Works in general
- In both cases, we will learn a sum-product algorithm

Factor graph:



Junction tree:





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- 1. Michael I. Jordan "An introduction to probabilistic graphical models", 2002. Chapters 4.2, 4.3 and 17 http://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~jordan/prelims/chapter17.pdf
- Daphne Koller and Nir Friedman, "Probabilistic graphical models" Chapter 10
- 3. David Barber, "Bayesian reasoning and machine learning" Chapter 6
- 4. Kevin Murphy, "Machine learning: a probabilistic approach" Chapter 20.4
- 5. Christopher Bishop "Machine learning and pattern recognition" Chapter 8.4.3
- 6. Lee Gim Hee's slides.



Learning Outcomes

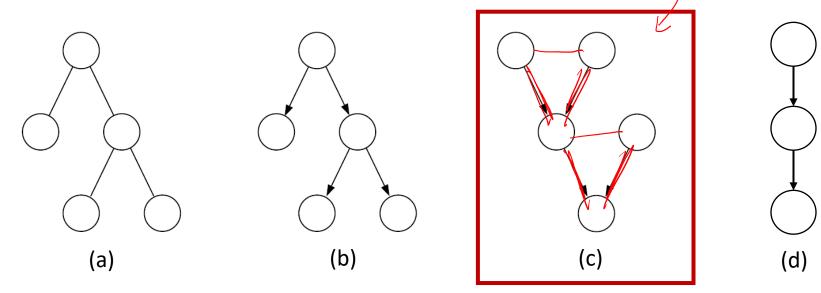
- Students should be able to:
- Represent a joint distribution with a factor graph, and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.
- 2. Convert a DGM/UGM into the junction tree and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.





Factor Graphs

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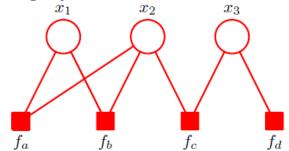


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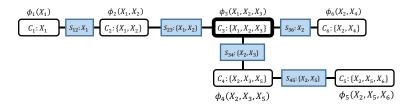
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Junction tree:

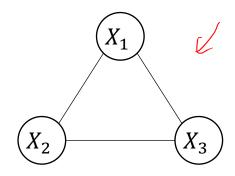




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Question: Factorization for UGM

What is the factorization for this UGM?



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$$\phi(x_1, x_2)\phi(x_2, x_3)\phi(x_1, x_3)$$

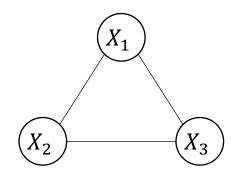
B.
$$\phi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

C.
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Question: Factorization for UGM

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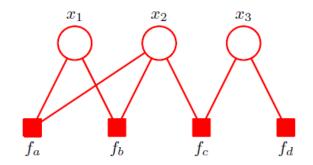
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Factor Graphs

- DGMs and UGMs: a global function of several variables is expressed as a product of factors over subsets of those variables.
- Factor graphs make this decomposition explicit by introducing additional nodes for the factors.

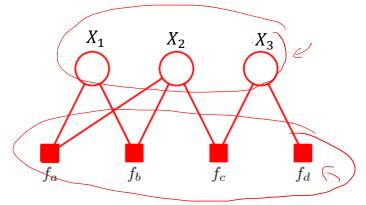




Factor Graphs: Graphical Representation

A factor graph is a bipartite graph:

$$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{E})$$



where

- vertices $\mathcal{V} \in \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$: index the random variables,
- vertices $\mathcal{F} \in \{..., f_s, ...\}$: index the factors and
- undirected edges \mathcal{E} : link each factor node f_S to all variable nodes X_S that f_S depends.
- We use round nodes to represent random variables and square nodes to represent factors.



Factor Graphs: Joint Distribution

 We write the joint distribution over a set of variables in the form of a product of factors:

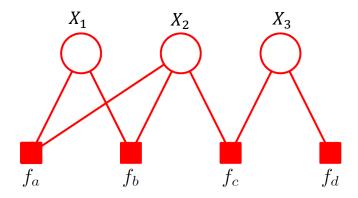
$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{s} f_s(\mathbf{x}_s)$$

- Where X_s denotes a subset of the variables $X \in \{X_1, ..., X_n\}$.
- Each factor f_s is a function of a corresponding set of variables X_s .



Factor Graphs

Example:



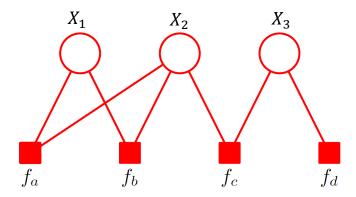
$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \underbrace{f_a(x_1, x_2) f_b(x_1, x_2) f_c(x_2, x_3) f_d(x_3)}_{\Psi(\mathbf{x}_c, \mathbf{x}_2)}$$

- Note that there are two factors $f_a(x_1, x_2)$ and $f_b(x_1, x_2)$ that are defined over the same set of variables.
- In an undirected graph, product of two such factors would simply be lumped together into the same clique potential.



Factor Graphs

Example:



$$p(\mathbf{x}) = f_a(x_1, x_2) f_b(x_1, x_2) f_c(x_2, x_3) f_d(x_3)$$

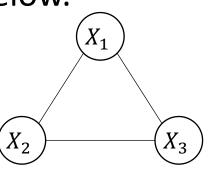
- Similarly, $f_c(x_2, x_3)$ and $f_d(x_3)$ could be combined into a single potential over X_2 and X_3 .
- The factor graph keeps such factors explicit, so is able to convey more detailed information about the underlying factorization.

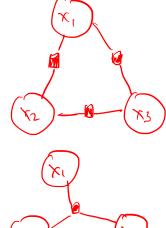


Question: Factorization for UGM

Draw out the factor graphs for each of the

factorizations below.





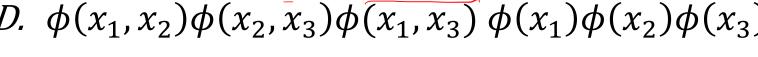
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Convert DGM to Factor Graph

Recall the factorization of DGMs is defined as:

$$p(x_1, ..., x_N) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(x_i | x_{\pi_i})$$

• Convert a DGM into a factor graph by representing the local conditional distributions $p(x_i|x_{\pi_i})$ as factors $f_s(\mathbf{x}_s)$.



Convert UGM to Factor Graph

Recall the factorization of UGMs is defined as:

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \prod_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \psi_c(\mathbf{y}_c|\boldsymbol{\theta}_c)$$

- Convert a UGM into a factor graph by representing the potential functions over the cliques as factors $f_s(\mathbf{x}_s)$.
- Normalizing coefficient 1/Z can be viewed as a factor defined over the empty set of variables.

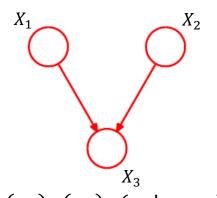


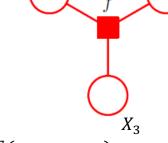
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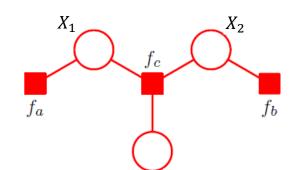
 Note that there may be several different factor graphs that correspond to the same DGM / UGM.

• Factor graphs are more specific about the precise form of the factorization. $f_a(x_1) = p(x_1)$

Example: Directed Graph







 $f_c(x_1, x_2, x_3) = p(x_3 | x_2, x_1)$

$$p(x_1)p(x_2)p(x_3|x_1,x_2)$$
 $f(x_1,x_2,x_3) = p(x_1)p(x_2)p(x_3|x_1,x_2)$

Two factor graphs representing the same distribution



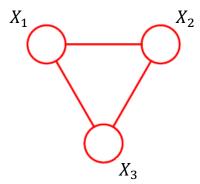
 $f_b(x_2) = p(x_2)$

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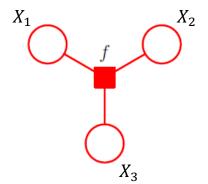
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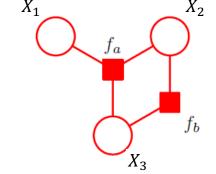
Example: Undirected Graph

$$f_a(x_1, x_2, x_3) f_b(x_2, x_3) = \psi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$



Single clique potential $\psi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$





$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \psi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

Two factor graphs representing the same distribution





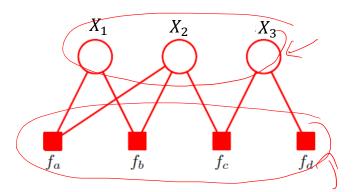
Factor Graphs and Sum Product

Belief Propagation on Factor Graphs

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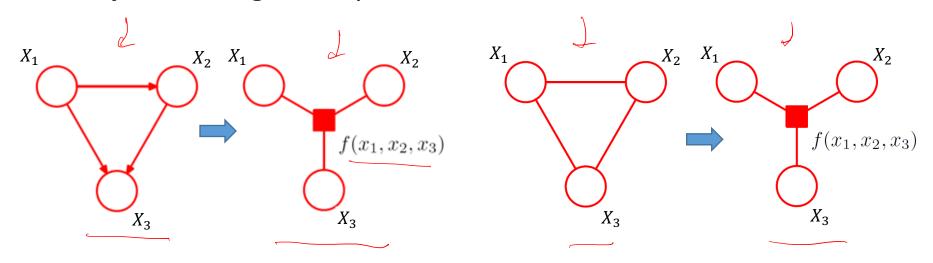
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Key Idea: Tree after conversion to Factor Graphs

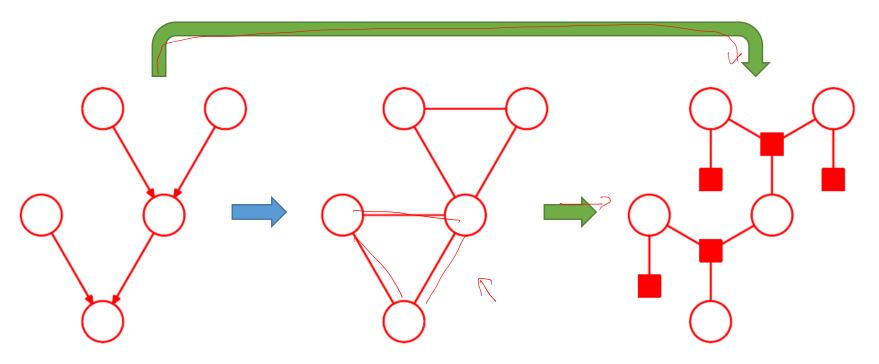
- Alternative representation for the sum-product algorithm for "tree-like" graphs.
- More importantly, some DGMs/UGMs with local cycles become a tree when converted to factor graphs.

Example: Turning local cycle into a tree





Polytrees



- Cycles appear after directed to undirected graph conversion.
- Local cycles disappeared after factor graph conversion.
- Note the factor graph conversion can be directly from a DGM.



Factor Graphs: Sum-Product Algorithm

 Our goal: Compute all singleton marginal probabilities under the factorized representation of the joint probability.

• As in the earlier Sum-Product algorithm, we define two kinds of messages:

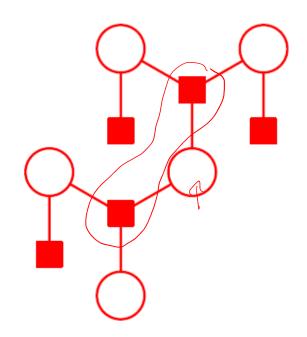
- 1. Messages v: flow from variable to factor nodes.
- 2. Messages μ : flow from factor to variable nodes.





Neighborhood Sets of a Node

- $N(s) \subset \mathcal{V}$: Set of neighbors of a factor node $s \in \mathcal{F}$.
 - N(s) refers to the indices of all variables referenced by the factor f_s .
- $N(i) \subset \mathcal{F}$: Set of neighbors of a variable node $i \in \mathcal{V}$.
 - N(i) for a variable node X_i refers to the set of all factors that referenced X_i .

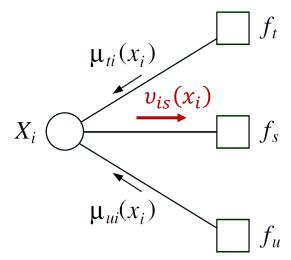




Messages from Variable to Factor Nodes

• Message $v_{is}(x_i)$ flows from the variable node X_i to the factor node f_s :

$$\nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i)$$



• The product is taken over all incoming messages to the variable node X_i , other than the factor node f_s .



Messages from Factor to Variable Nodes

• Message $\mu_{si}(x_i)$ flows from the factor node f_s to the variable node X_i :

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Messages From The Leaf Nodes

Message from a leaf variable node to factor node:

$$v_{is}(x_i) = 1$$

$$X_i \qquad f_s$$

Message from a leaf factor node to variable node:

$$\mu_{si}(x_i) = f_s(x_i)$$

$$f_s \qquad X_i$$



Message-Passing Protocol

A node can send a message to a neighboring node when (and only when) it has received messages from all of its other neighbors.

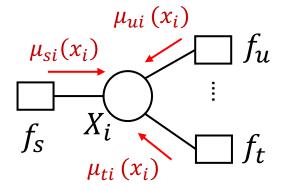
Applies to both variable and factor nodes.



Marginal Probability of a Node

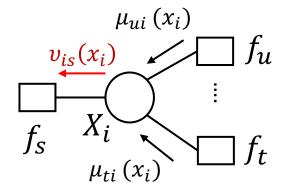
• Once a node X_i has received the messages from all its neighbors, the marginal probability is given by:

$$p(x_i) \propto \prod_{s \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \mu_{si}(x_i)$$
$$= \nu_{is}(x_i) \mu_{si}(x_i)$$



since

$$\nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i)$$





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Sum-Product(\mathcal{T},E) \hspace{1cm} // \hspace{1cm} main \hspace{1cm} steps \hspace{1cm} of \hspace{1cm} \textbf{Sum-Product algorithm}
1. \hspace{1cm} Evidence(E) \\ \hspace{1cm} f = ChooseRoot(\mathcal{V})
2. \hspace{1cm} \textbf{for} \hspace{1cm} s \in \mathcal{N}(f) \\ \hspace{1cm} \hspace{1cm} \mu\text{-Collect}(f,s)
3. \hspace{1cm} \textbf{for} \hspace{1cm} s \in \mathcal{N}(f) \\ \hspace{1cm} \hspace{1cm} \nu\text{-Distribute}(f,s)
4. \hspace{1cm} \textbf{for} \hspace{1cm} i \in \mathcal{V} \\ \hspace{1cm} Compute Marginal(i)
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// recursively collect messages from leaves to root
\mu-Collect(i, s)
     for j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i
           \nu-Collect(s, j)
                                                                                                                                         \nu_{is}(x_i)
     \mu-SENDMESSAGE(s, i)
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4. Compute Marginal (i) // compute marginal probability $p(x_i) \propto \nu_{is}(x_i)\mu_{si}(x_i)$

 ν -DISTRIBUTE(i, t)



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SUM-PRODUCT(\mathcal{T}, E) // main steps of Sum-Product algorithm

1. EVIDENCE(E)
f = \text{CHOOSEROOT}(\mathcal{V})

2. for s \in \mathcal{N}(f)
\mu\text{-COLLECT}(f, s)

3. for s \in \mathcal{N}(f)
\nu\text{-DISTRIBUTE}(f, s)

4. for i \in \mathcal{V}
COMPUTEMARGINAL(i)
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3. \nu-DISTRIBUTE(i, s)
\nu-SENDMESSAGE(i, s)
for j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i
\not\sim \mu-DISTRIBUTE(s, j)
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\mu-Distribute(s,i)
\mu-SendMessage(s,i)
for t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \backslash s
\sim \nu-Distribute(i,t)
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// distribute messages from root to leaves
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Message from variable node X_i to the factor node f_s: \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s) \qquad \qquad \nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i) Message from factor node f_s to the variable node X_i:
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\mu_{si}(x_i) = \sum_{x_{\mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i}}^{=} \left( f_s(x_{\mathcal{N}(s)}) \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j) \right)
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4. ComputeMarginal(i)
$$p(x_i) \propto \nu_{is}(x_i)\mu_{si}(x_i)$$

// compute marginal probability



Example:

$$p(x|\bar{x}_{E}) = \frac{1}{Z^{E}} (\psi^{E}(x_{1})\psi^{E}(x_{2})\psi^{E}(x_{3})\psi(x_{1}, x_{2})\psi(x_{2}, x_{3}))$$

$$X_{1} \qquad X_{2} \qquad X_{3}$$



Convert UGM into a factor graph

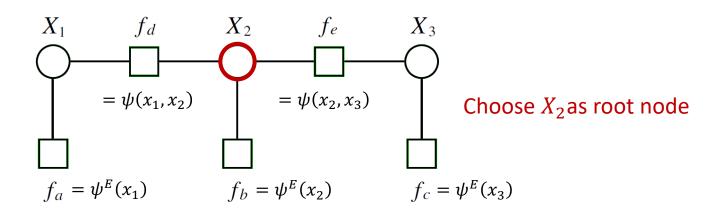
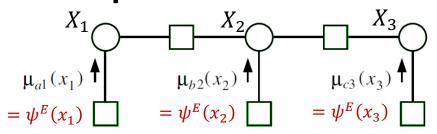


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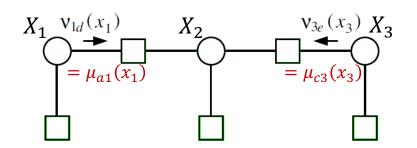


Example:



Collect messages from leaf nodes:

$$\mu_{si}(x_i) = f_s(x_i) = \psi^E(x_i)$$



Collect variable to factor messages:

$$\nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i)$$

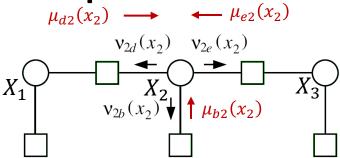
Collect factor to variable messages:

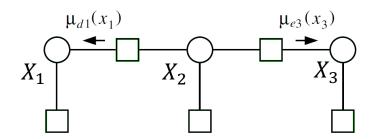
$$\mu_{si}(x_i) = \sum_{x_{\mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i}} \left(f_s(x_{\mathcal{N}(s)}) \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j) \right)$$

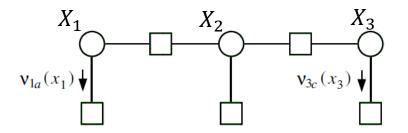
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Example:







Distribute variable to factor messages:

$$\nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i)$$

$$\nu_{2b}(x_2) = \mu_{d2}(x_2)\mu_{e2}(x_2)$$

$$\nu_{2d}(x_2) = \mu_{b2}(x_2)\mu_{e2}(x_2)$$

$$\nu_{2e}(x_2) = \mu_{b2}(x_2)\mu_{d2}(x_2)$$

Distribute factor to variable messages:

$$\mu_{si}(x_i) = \sum_{x_{\mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i}} \left(f_s(x_{\mathcal{N}(s)}) \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j) \right)$$

$$\mu_{d1}(x_1) = \sum_{x_2} \psi(x_1, x_2) \nu_{2d}(x_2)$$

$$\mu_{e3}(x_3) = \sum_{x_2} \psi(x_2, x_3) \nu_{2e}(x_2)$$

Distribute variable to factor messages:

$$\nu_{is}(x_i) = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus s} \mu_{ti}(x_i)$$

$$\nu_{1a}(x_1) = \mu_{d1}(x_1), \quad \nu_{3c}(x_3) = \mu_{e3}(x_3)$$



Exercise: Relation Between Sum-Product for UGMs and Factor Graph

• $m_{ji}(x_i)$ in the undirected graph is equal to $\mu_{si}(x_i)$ in the factor graph

Proof Sketch:

UGM:

$$m_{ji}(x_i) = \sum_{x_j} \left(\psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i} m_{kj}(x_j) \right)$$

Factor Graph:

$$\mu_{si}(x_i) = \sum_{x_{\mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i}} \left(f_s(x_{\mathcal{N}(s)}) \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s)\setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{x_j} \psi(x_i, x_j) \nu_{js}(x_j)$$

$$= \sum_{x_j} \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(j)\setminus s} \mu_{tj}(x_j)$$

$$= \sum_{x_j} \left(\psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}'(j)\setminus s} \mu_{tj}(x_j) \right)$$

N'(j) denotes the neighbourhood of X_j , omitting the singleton factor node associated with $\psi^E(x_j)$.





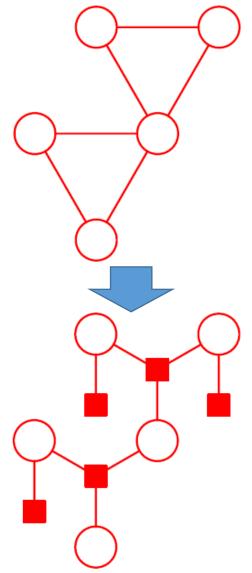
Junction Trees

Cluster Graph, Family Preservation, Running-Intersection Property

Factor Graph Idea

• Insight:

- Convert graph into a Factor tree.
- Run Belief-propagation on the tree (efficient!)
- Works for PolyTrees, but not in general
- For general graphs, we will use another data structure called a **Junction Tree**.





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Junction Tree Algorithm

- Main idea behind Junction Tree Algorithm:
 - Probability distributions corresponding to loopy undirected graphs can be re-parameterized as trees.
 - > We can run the Sum-Product algorithm on the tree re-parameterization.



Cluster Graphs & Family Preservation

• Undirected graph such that:



- 1. Nodes are clusters $C_i \subseteq \{X_1, ..., X_n\}$, where X_i are the random variables.
- 2. Edge between C_i and C_j associated with sepset $S_{ij} = C_i \cap C_j$.
- Family preservation: given a set of potentials $\Psi \in \{\psi_1, ..., \psi_k\}$ from an UGM, we assign each ψ_k to a cluster $C_{\alpha(k)}$ s.t. $Scope[\psi_k] \subseteq C_{\alpha(k)}$.
- Cluster potential is defined as:

$$\phi_{\underline{i}}(C_{\underline{i}}) = \prod_{k:\alpha(k)=i} \psi_{k}$$

$$\langle \chi_{i}, \chi_{i} \rangle \subseteq \langle \chi_{i}, \chi_{i}, \chi_{i} \rangle.$$

Cluster Graphs

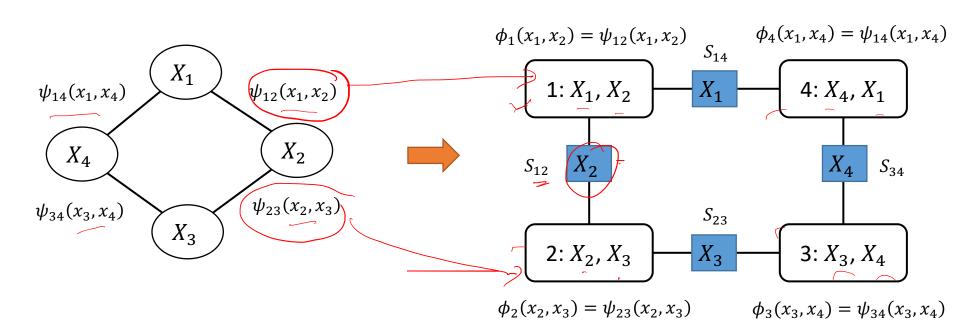
Example:

Cluster Graph

Undirected Graphical Model

Sepset: $S_{ij} \subseteq C_i \cap C_j$

Cluster potential: $\phi_i(C_i) = \prod_{k:\alpha(k)=i} \psi_k$





Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property

• For each pair of clusters C_i , C_j and variable $X \in C_i \cap C_j$:

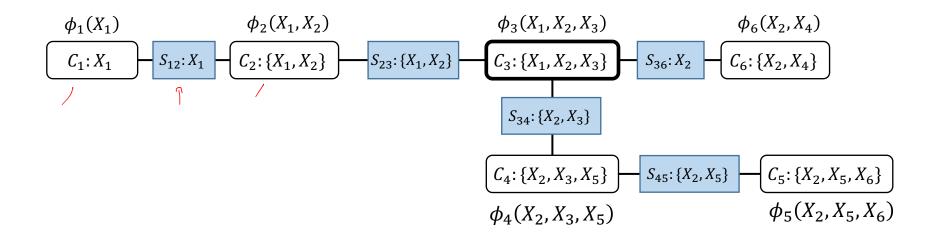
There exists an unique path between C_i and C_j for which all clusters and sepsets contain X.

• Equivalently: For any *X*, the set of clusters and sepsets containing *X* form a tree.

Clique Trees a.k.a. Junction Trees

- A cluster graph without cycles is known as the cluster tree.
- A cluster tree that fulfills the running intersection property is called the clique tree, a.k.a. junction tree.
- We refer to a "cluster" in a clique tree as "clique", and "cluster potential" as "clique potential".

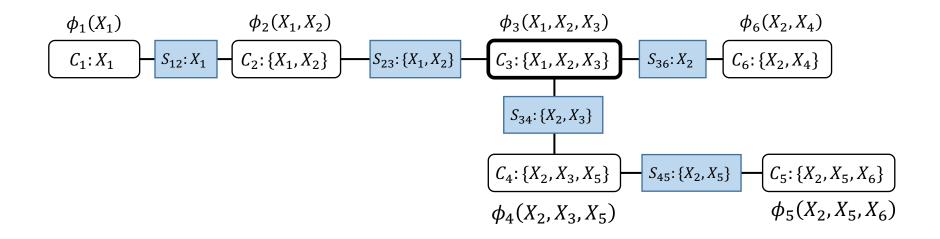




Is this a valid clique tree?

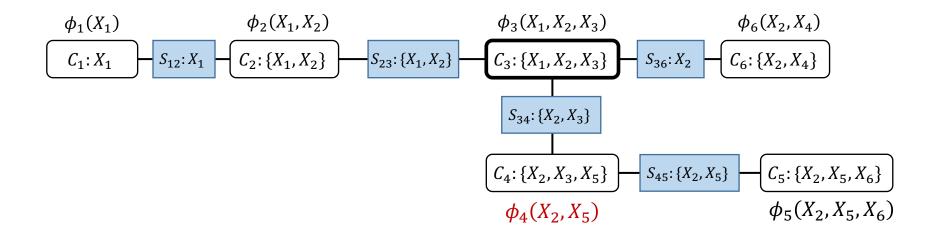
Verify that family preservation and the running intersection property hold





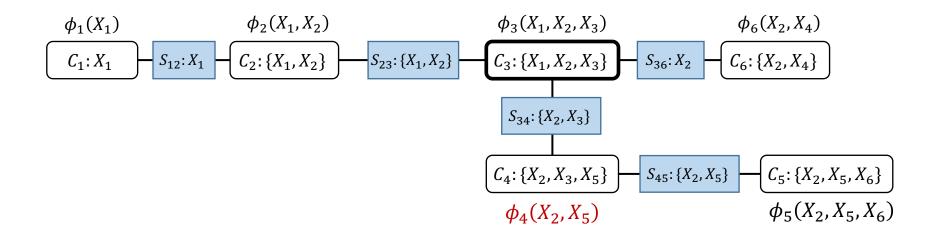
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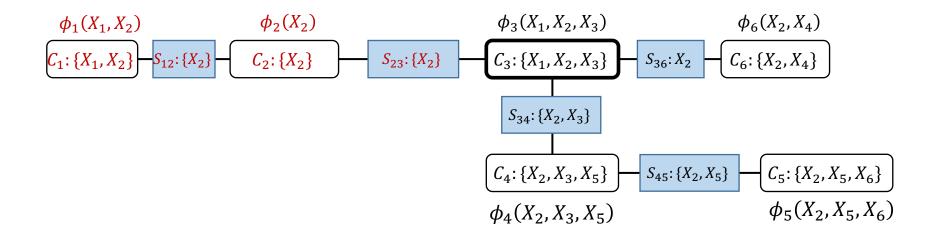
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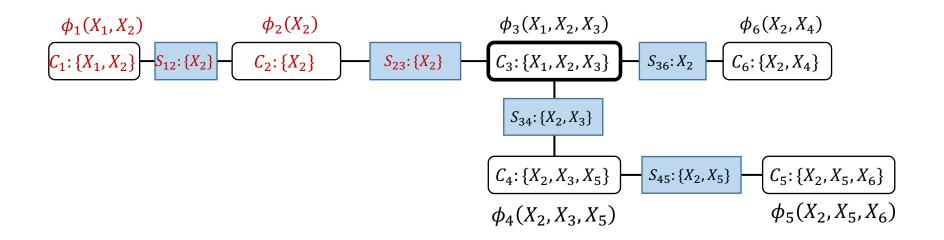
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Is this a valid clique tree?

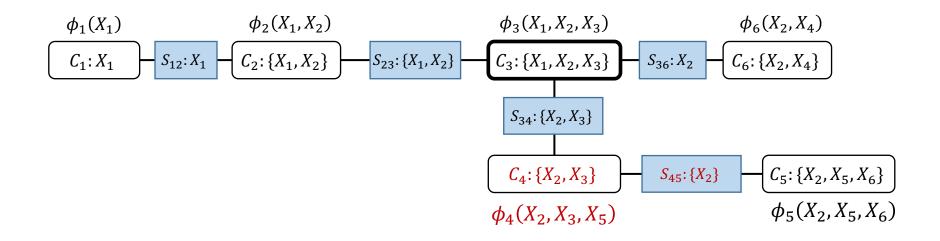




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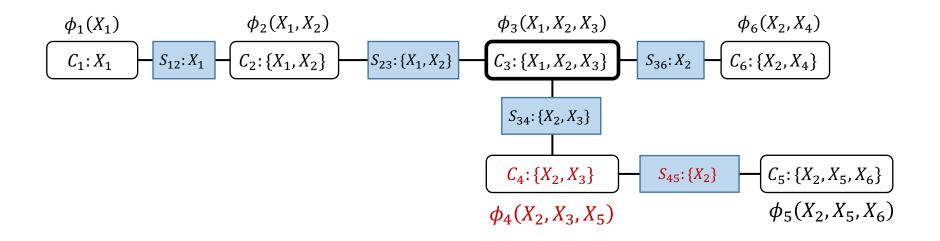
No! Running intersection fail.





Is this a valid clique tree?





Is this a valid clique tree?

No! Family Preservation Fail.





Sum-Product on Junction Trees

Clique Trees a.k.a. Junction Trees

We will first look at how to compute all marginals via the junction tree, before looking at how to convert a DGM/UGM into a junction tree.



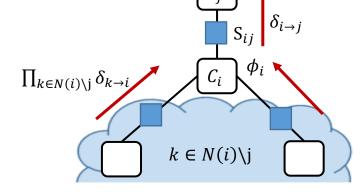
- We first randomly choose a root clique, followed by message passing:
 - Inward messages towards the root clique from the leaf cliques.
 - Outward messages from the root clique towards the leaf cliques.
- Message passing protocol: C_i is ready to pass message to a neighbour C_j when it has received messages from all neighbors except for C_i .



Use the sum-product algorithm to compute messages

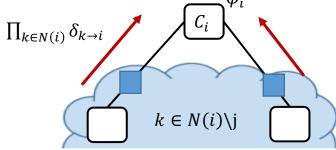
from C_i to C_j :

$$\delta_{i\to j} = \sum_{C_i \setminus S_{ij}} \phi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} \delta_{k\to i}$$



• The unnormalized* marginal probability of clique C_i is given by:

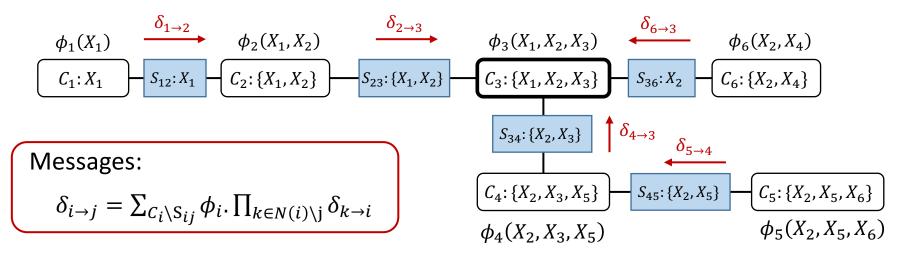
$$\tilde{p}(C_i) = \phi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in N(i)} \delta_{k \to i}$$



*Unnormalized probability because the clique potentials come from the UGM potentials, where we ignored the partition function



Example: Let's choose C_3 as the root



Inward pass:

$$\delta_{1\to 2} = \sum_{C_1 \setminus S_{12}} \phi_1 = \phi_1$$

$$\delta_{2\to 3} = \sum_{C_2 \setminus S_{23}} \phi_2 \cdot \delta_{1\to 2} = \phi_2 \cdot \phi_1$$

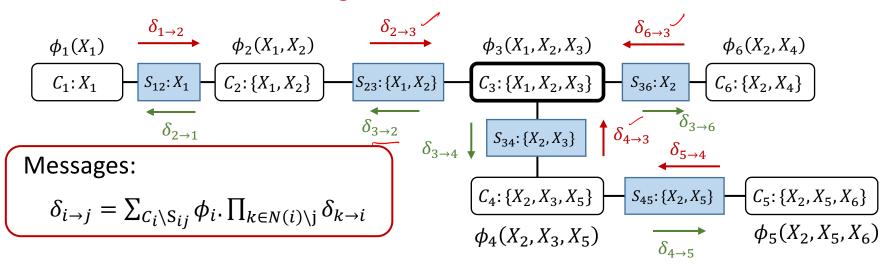
$$\delta_{5\to 4} = \sum_{C_5 \setminus S_{45}} \phi_5 = \sum_{X_6} \phi_5$$

$$\delta_{4\to 3} = \sum_{C_4 \setminus S_{34}} \phi_4 \cdot \delta_{5\to 4} = \sum_{X_5} \phi_4 \sum_{X_6} \phi_5$$

$$\delta_{6\to 3} = \sum_{C_6 \setminus S_{36}} \phi_6 = \sum_{X_4} \phi_6$$



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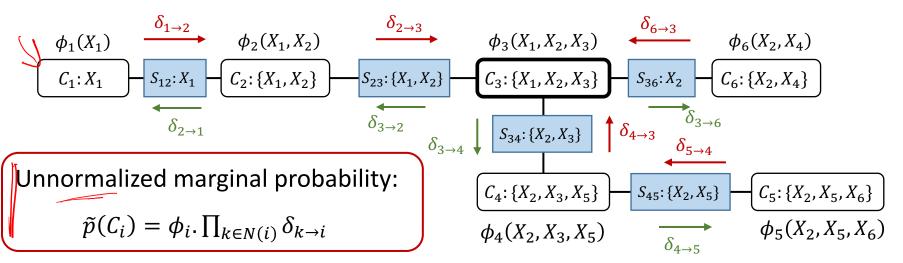
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Outward pass:

$$\begin{split} \delta_{3\to 2} &= \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{23}} \phi_3 \left(\delta_{6\to 3} \cdot \delta_{4\to 3} \right) - \sum_{\chi_3} \delta_{\zeta_3} \delta_{\gamma_3} \\ \delta_{2\to 1} &= \sum_{C_2 \setminus S_{12}} \phi_2 \cdot \delta_{3\to 2} \\ \delta_{3\to 6} &= \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{36}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{2\to 3} \cdot \delta_{4\to 3} \\ \delta_{3\to 4} &= \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{34}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{2\to 3} \cdot \delta_{6\to 3} \\ \delta_{4\to 5} &= \sum_{C_4 \setminus S_{45}} \phi_4 \cdot \delta_{3\to 4} \end{split}$$

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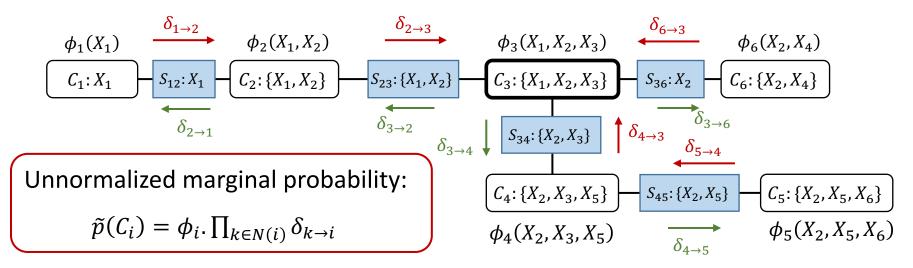
$$\begin{split} \tilde{p}(C_1) &= \tilde{p}(X_1) = \phi_1 \cdot \prod_{k \in N(1)} \delta_{k \to 1} \\ &= \phi_1 \cdot \delta_{2 \to 1} \\ &= \tilde{\phi}_1 \cdot \sum_{C_2 \setminus S_{12}} \phi_2 \cdot \delta_{3 \to 2} \\ &= \phi_1 \cdot \sum_{X_2} \phi_2 \cdot \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{23}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{6 \to 3} \cdot \delta_{4 \to 3} \\ &= \phi_1 \cdot \sum_{X_2} \phi_2 \cdot \sum_{X_3} \phi_3 \cdot \sum_{X_4} \phi_6 \cdot \sum_{X_5} \phi_4 \sum_{X_6} \phi_5 \end{split}$$

Result is equivalent to variable elimination!

Marginal probability:

$$p(X_1) = \frac{\tilde{p}(X_1)}{\sum_{X_1} \tilde{p}(X_1)}$$

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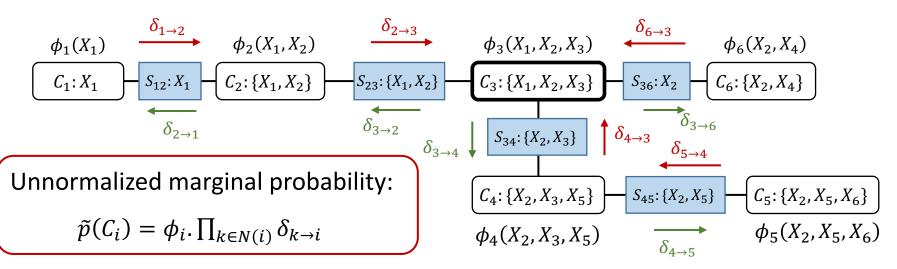
$$\begin{split} \tilde{p}(C_2) &= \tilde{p}(X_1, X_2) \\ &= \phi_2. \prod_{k \in N(2)} \delta_{k \to 2} \\ &= \phi_2. \delta_{1 \to 2} . \delta_{3 \to 2} \end{split}$$

Marginal probabilities:

$$p(X_1, X_2) = \frac{\tilde{p}(X_1, X_2)}{\sum_{X_1} \sum_{X_2} \tilde{p}(X_1, X_2)}$$
$$p(X_2) = \sum_{X_1} p(X_1, X_2)$$



Example: Let's choose C_3 as the root



$$\tilde{p}(C_{3}) = \tilde{p}(X_{1}, X_{2}, X_{3})
= \phi_{3} \cdot \delta_{2 \to 3} \cdot \delta_{6 \to 3} \cdot \delta_{4 \to 3}
\tilde{p}(C_{5}) = \tilde{p}(X_{2}, X_{5}, X_{6})
= \phi_{5} \cdot \delta_{4 \to 5}
\tilde{p}(C_{4}) = \tilde{p}(X_{2}, X_{3}, X_{5})
= \phi_{4} \cdot \delta_{3 \to 4} \cdot \delta_{5 \to 4}
\tilde{p}(C_{5}) = \tilde{p}(X_{2}, X_{5}, X_{6})
= \phi_{5} \cdot \delta_{4 \to 5}
\tilde{p}(C_{6}) = \tilde{p}(X_{2}, X_{4})
= \phi_{6} \cdot \delta_{3 \to 6}$$





Constructing the Junction Tree

Constructing the Junction Tree

- 1. Triangulation via graph elimination
- 2. Obtain clusters (cliques generated via elimination) and all possible sepsets
- Get clique tree / junction tree: find the maximum spanning tree with cardinality of sepsets as weight of edges.



1. Triangulation: Get the reconstituted graph

Choose an elimination ordering I

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DIRECTEDGRAPHELIMINATE(G, I)

1. G^m = \text{Moralize}(G) // for DGM, skip this step if UGM

2. UndirectedgraphEliminate(G^m, I) // get reconstituted graph

1. Moralize(G)
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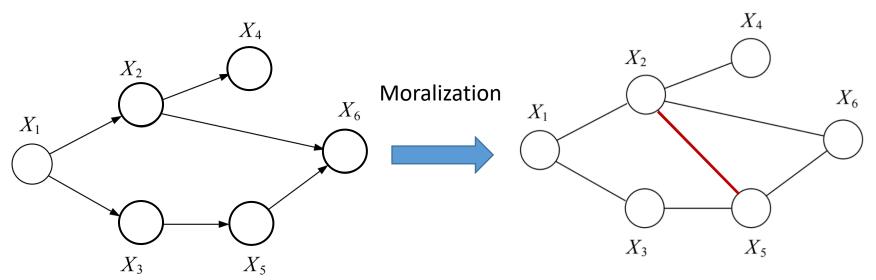
for each node X_i in I connect all of the parents of X_i end drop the orientation of all edges return G

2. Underected Graph Eliminate (G, I) for each node X_i in I connect all of the remaining neighbors of X_i remove X_i from the graph end



1. Triangulation: Get the reconstituted graph

Choose an elimination ordering I = (6; 5; 4; 3; 2; 1)



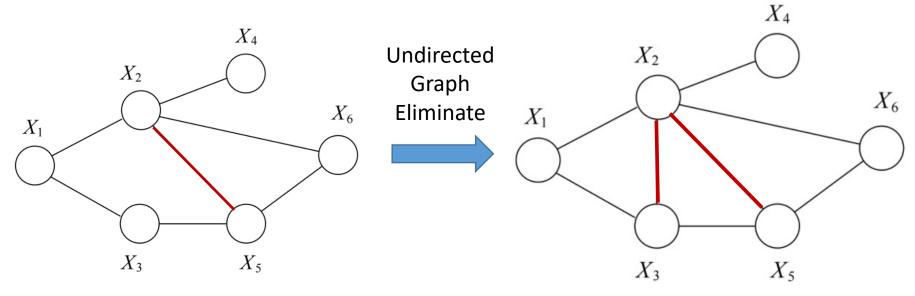
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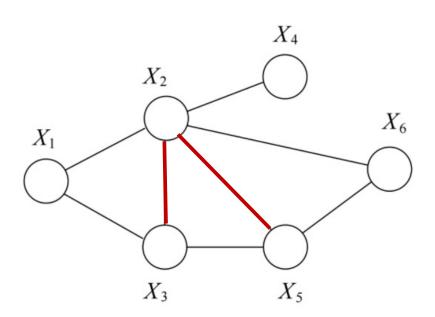
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Reconstituted graph: additional edges (red) added during the elimination process



Image source: "An introduction to probabilistic graphical models", Michael I. Jordan, 2002.

2. Get all clusters and all possible sepsets: Use elimination cliques as clusters, sepset is $S_{ij} = C_i \cap C_j$.



$$C_5: \{X_2, X_5, X_6\}$$

$$C_4$$
: { X_2 , X_3 , X_5 }

$$C_6$$
: { X_2 , X_4 }

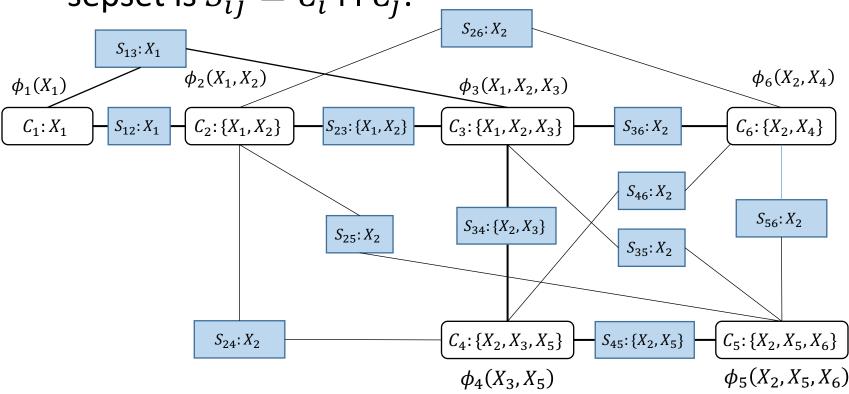
$$C_3$$
: { X_1 , X_2 , X_3 }

$$C_2$$
: { X_1, X_2 }

$$C_1: X_1$$

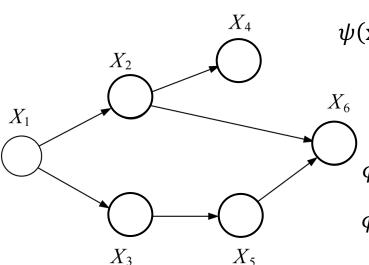


2. Get all clusters and all possible sepsets: Use eliminate cliques as clusters, sepset is $S_{ij} = C_i \cap C_j$.





3. Assign cluster potentials: cluster potentials are formed by condition probabilities (DGM), or potentials (UGM).



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

$$\psi(x_1)\psi(x_1,x_2)\psi(x_1,x_3)\psi(x_2,x_4)\psi(x_3,x_5)\psi(x_2,x_5,x_6)$$

Use each conditional probability / potential only once!

$$\phi_1(X_1) = p(x_1),$$
 $\phi_2(X_1, X_2) = p(x_2|x_1)$

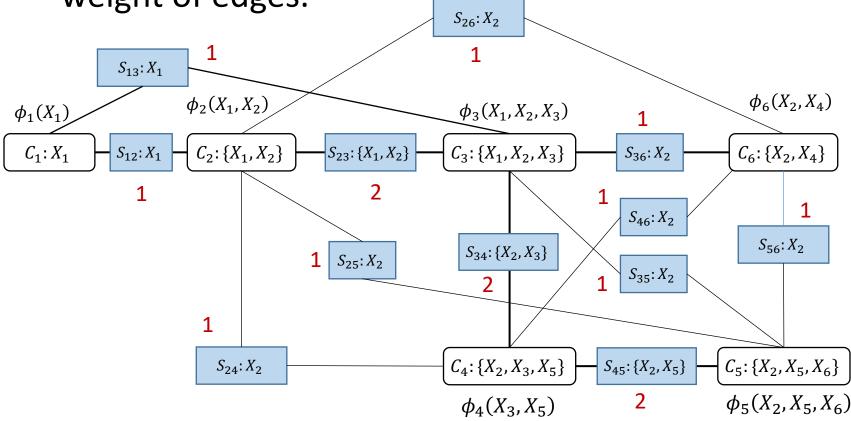
$$\phi_3(X_1, X_2, X_3) = p(x_3|x_1), \quad \phi_4(X_3, X_5) = p(x_5|x_3)$$

$$\phi_5(X_2, X_5, X_6) = p(x_6|x_2, x_5),$$

$$\phi_6(X_2, X_4) = p(x_4 | x_2)$$



4. Get clique tree / junction tree: find the maximum spanning tree with cardinality of sepsets as weight of edges.





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Theorem: A cluster tree T is a clique tree / junction tree only if it is a maximal spanning tree.

Exercise: Prove this.

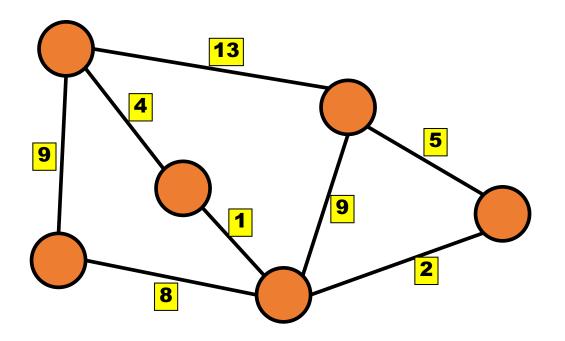


From CS2040: Data Structures and Algorithms

- Adapted from my other course.
- Imagine you're a 1st year undergrad again. ©



we have the following graph



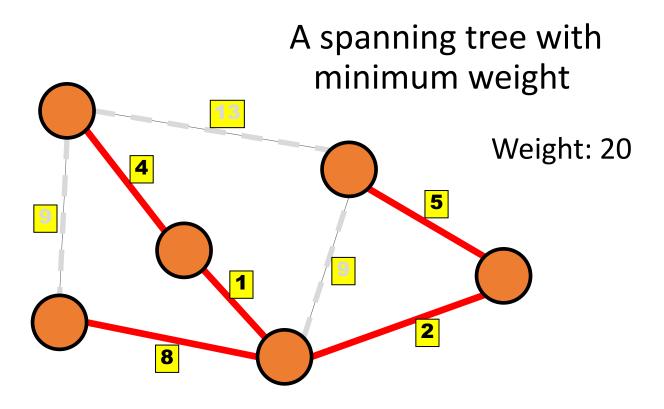


spanning tree: definition

A **spanning tree** is an acyclic subset of the edges that connects all nodes **13** Weight: 32 9

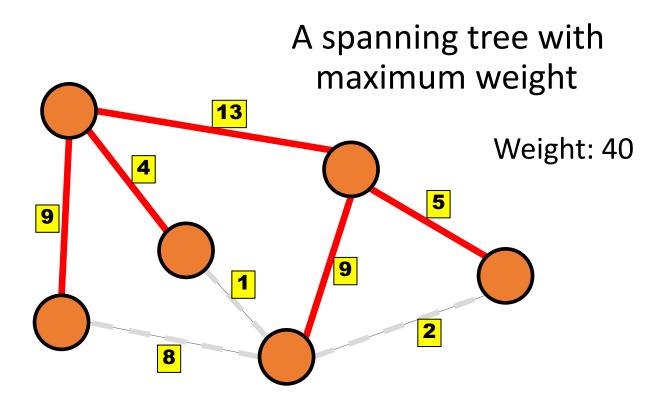


minimum spanning Tree





maximum spanning tree





Prim's algorithm

Basic idea:

- S: set of nodes connected by blue edges.
- Initially: $S = \{A\}$
- Repeat:
 - Identify cut: $\{S, V S\}$
 - Find minimum/maximum weight edge on cut.
 - Add new node to S.

Prim's "grows" the tree one node at a time.

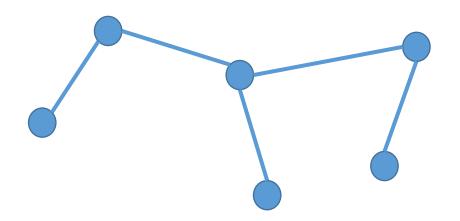
Analysis:

Each vertex added/removed once from the priority queue: $O(V \log V)$

Each edge \rightarrow one decreaseKey: $O(E \log V)$

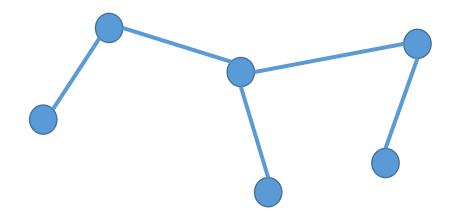


Prim's algorithm





another strategy?





Kruskal's algorithm

(Kruskal 1956)

Basic idea:

- Graph *F* : a set of trees (initially each vertex is a separate tree)
- Set of edges $S = \{e \in E\}$
- While *S* is nonempty and *F* is not spanning:
- Remove minimum/maximum weight edge from S
- If removed edge connects two trees
 - add it to the *F* (combine the trees)



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Kruskal "merges" smaller trees into a bigger tree

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3. Get clique tree / junction tree: find the maximum spanning tree with cardinality of sepsets as weight of edges.

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KRUSKAL(G):
1 A = Ø
2 foreach v ∈ G.V:
3    MAKE-SET(v)
4 foreach (u, v) in G.E ordered by weight(u, v), decreasing:
5    if FIND-SET(u) ≠ FIND-SET(v):
6         A = A ∪ {(u, v)}
7         UNION(u, v)
8 return A
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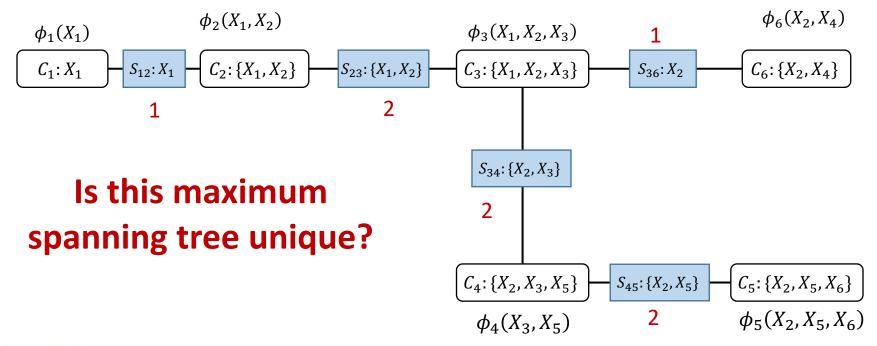
Can be more than 1 maximum spanning tree!

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kruskal%27s_algorithm



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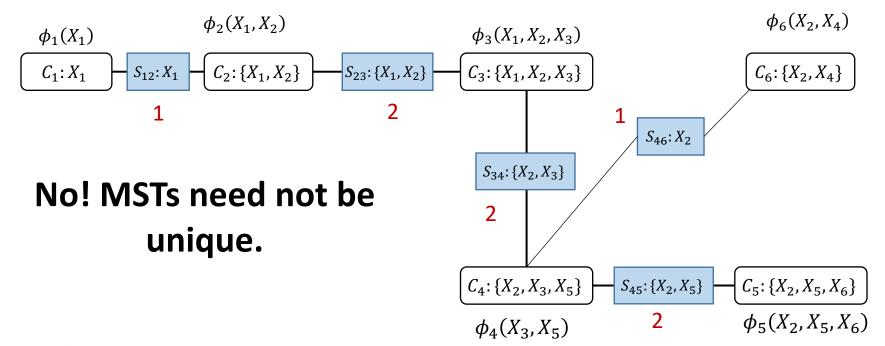
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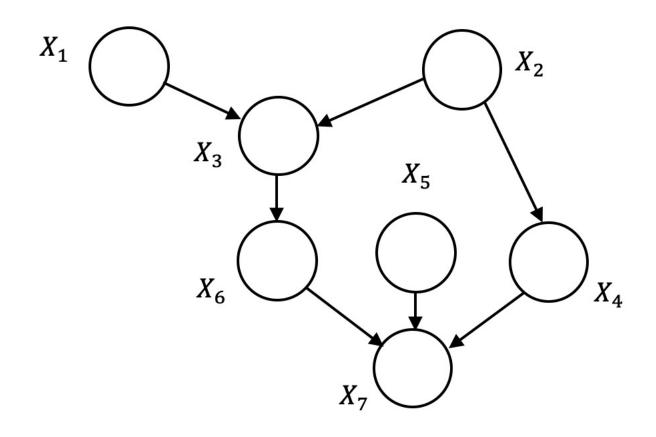




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Junction Tree Tutorial





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Computational Complexity

- General inference is NP-hard
- Junction tree algorithm does not reduce this complexity.
 - Even with a good ordering, it is possible to construct cases where the cliques are large (e.g., a lattice)
- However, NP-hardness is a worst-case result
- We will learn about approximate algorithms in the coming weeks
 - Note: approximate inference is also NP-hard in general.

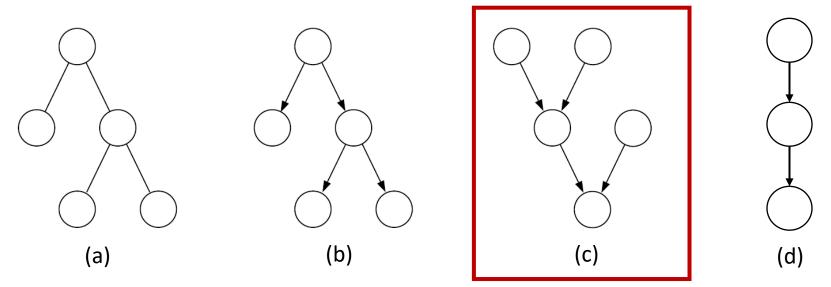




Recap

Factor Graphs, Junction Tree Algorithm

"Tree-Like" Graphs



- a) Undirected tree: without any loop (unique path between any two nodes)
- b) Directed tree: only 1 single parent for every node, moralizations lead to an undirected tree.
- c) Polytree: nodes with more than 1 parent. Not a directed tree, moralizations lead to loops.
- d) Chain: this is also a directed tree (more on chains when we look at Hidden Markov Models).

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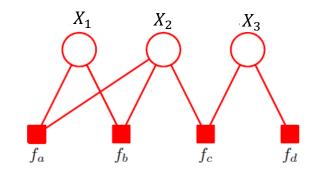
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Factor Graphs: Graphical Representation

• A factor graph is a bipartite graph:

$$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{F},\mathcal{E})$$



where

- vertices $\mathcal{V} \in \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$: index the random variables,
- vertices $\mathcal{F} \in \{..., f_s, ...\}$: index the factors and
- undirected edges \mathcal{E} : link each factor node f_S to all variable nodes X_S that f_S depends.
- We use round nodes to represent random variables and square nodes to represent factors.



Factor Tree Sum-Product Algorithm

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Sum-Product (\mathcal{T}, E) // main steps of Sum-Product algorithm

1. EVIDENCE(E)
f = \text{ChooseRoot}(\mathcal{V})
2. for s \in \mathcal{N}(f)
\mu\text{-Collect}(f, s)
3. for s \in \mathcal{N}(f)
\nu\text{-Distribute}(f, s)
4. for i \in \mathcal{V}
\text{ComputeMarginal}(i)
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1. \text{EVIDENCE}(E) // add evidence potentials (convert conditioning into marginalization) 

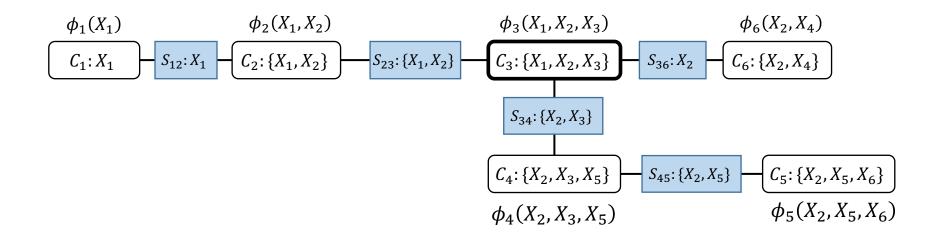
for i \in E \psi^E(x_i) = \psi(x_i)\delta(x_i, \bar{x}_i) 

for i \notin E \psi^E(x_i) = \psi(x_i)
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2. \mu\text{-Collect}(i,s) // recursively collect messages from leaves to root  \begin{array}{c|c} \text{for } j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \backslash i \\ \hline \nu\text{-Collect}(s,j) \\ \mu\text{-SendMessage}(s,i) \end{array}  \mu\text{-SendMessage}(s,i)  \begin{array}{c|c} \mu\text{-Collect}(s,i) \\ \hline \text{for } t \in \mathcal{N}(i) \backslash s \\ \hline \mu\text{-Collect}(i,t) \\ \hline \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s) \end{array}  \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s)  \begin{array}{c|c} \mu\text{-tother}(i,s) \\ \hline \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s) \\ \hline \end{array}  \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s)  \begin{array}{c|c} \mu\text{-tother}(i,s) \\ \hline \end{array}  \nu\text{-SendMessage}(i,s)
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Junction Tree Example



Is this a valid clique tree?

Verify that family preservation and the running intersection property hold

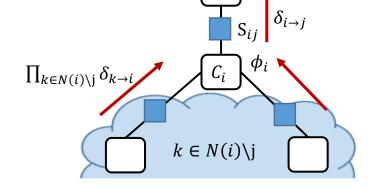


Junction Tree: Sum-Product Algorithm

Use the sum-product algorithm to compute messages

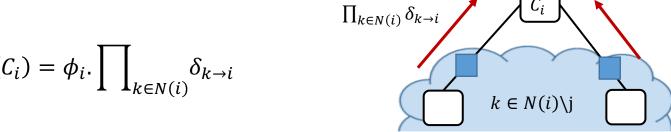
from C_i to C_i :

$$\delta_{i\to j} = \sum_{C_i \setminus S_{ij}} \phi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} \delta_{k\to i}$$



• The unnormalized* marginal probability of clique C_i is given by:

$$\tilde{p}(C_i) = \phi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in N(i)} \delta_{k \to i}$$



*Unnormalized probability because the clique potentials come from the UGM potentials, where we ignored the partition function



- 1. Triangulation via graph elimination
- 2. Obtain clusters (cliques generated via elimination) and all possible sepsets
- Get clique tree / junction tree: find the maximum spanning tree with cardinality of sepsets as weight of edges.



Learning Outcomes

- Students should be able to:
- Represent a joint distribution with a factor graph, and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.
- 2. Convert a DGM/UGM into the junction tree and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.

