# 1 Dependencies in a Directed Graphical Model

1.1 In the graphical model of Figure 1, is  $W_{d,n} \perp W_{d,n+1} \mid \theta_d, \beta_{1:K}$ ?

Yes.

1.2 In the graphical model of Figure 1, is  $\theta_d \perp \theta_{d+1} \mid Z_{d,1:N}$ ?

No.

1.3 In the graphical model of Figure 1, is  $\theta_d \perp \theta_{d+1} \mid \alpha, Z_{1:D,1:N}$ ?

Yes.

1.4 In the graphical model of Figure 2, is  $W_{d,n} \perp W_{d,n+1} \mid \Lambda_d, \beta_{1:K}$ ?

No.

1.5 In the graphical model of Figure 2, is  $\theta_d \perp \theta_{d+1} \mid Z_{d,1:N}, Z_{d+1,1:N}$ ?

No.

1.6 In the graphical model of Figure 2, is  $\Lambda_d \perp \Lambda_{d+1} \mid \Phi, Z_{1:D.1:n}$ ?

No.

### 2 Likelihood of a Tree Graphical Model

# 2.1 Implement a dynamic programming algorithm that for a given $T, \Theta, \beta$ computes $p(\beta \mid T, \Theta)$

This algorithm is based on the derivation given in video 7.6b, module 7.

We start by defining a binary-tree shaped DGM, with root node A, and nodes B, C being children of A, and  $O_1$ ,  $O_2$  being both leaves and children of B.

Now, we can define a function

$$s(u,i) = p(O \cap \downarrow u \mid u = i)$$

Here O refers to the set of all observations (located on the leaves) and  $\downarrow u$  denotes the set of nodes that are descendants of u.

We know that all nodes (and thus all observations) are descended from the root, thus s(A, i) denotes the probability of all observations, given that the root takes on value i. We know that we can get the probability of only the observations from the conditional probability using the product rule and marginalization

$$s(A,i) = p(O \mid A = i)$$

$$p(O \mid A = i) = \frac{p(O, A = i)}{p(A = i)}$$

$$p(O) = \sum_{A} \frac{p(O, A = i)}{p(A = i)} p(A = i)$$

$$p(O) = \sum_{i} s(A, i) p(A = i)$$

Furthermore, we can define a recurrence relationship for s, using the conditional independence properties encoded in the DGM

$$s(A, i) = p(O \cap \downarrow B \mid A = i)p(O \cap \downarrow C \mid A = i)$$

"Unmarginalizing" either of these terms results in

$$p(O \cap \downarrow B \mid A = i) = \sum_{i} p(O \cap \downarrow B, B = j \mid A = i)$$

Using the product rule and conditional independence

$$\sum_{j} p(O \cap \downarrow B, B = j \mid A = i) = \sum_{j} p(O \cap \downarrow B \mid B = j) p(B = j \mid A = i)$$

Now, we recognize that

$$p(O \cap \downarrow B \mid B = j) = s(B, j)$$

Putting this together

$$s(A,i) = \sum_{j} s(B,j) p(B=j \mid A=i) \times \sum_{k} s(C,k) p(C=k \mid A=i)$$

We can also see that when we reach node B, who has children that are leaves, we reach our base case and the recursion ends.

$$s(B, i) = p(O_1 \mid B = i)p(O_2 \mid B = i)$$

Now, in order to calculate p(O), we will need to calculate s(A,i) with i taking on all K values. We also see that as the recursion becomes a layer removed from A we will calculate s(B,j), whose computation does not depend on i. Thus we will do the same computations K times. As s(B,j) is itself a recurrent function call with the same problem, these inefficiencies quickly add up. If we instead make use of dynamic programming, and save the result of each s(u,i) that we compute in a map with (u,i) as the key, we will only need to calculate each item once. This makes our algorithm time complexity O(Kn) where n = ||nodes|| as opposed to  $K^d$  where d is depth of the tree, a great improvement.

Code that implements this algorithm can be found in Appendix 1.

## 2.2 Report $p(\beta \mid T, \Theta)$ for each given data

#### 2.2.1 Small tree

Sample: 0 Beta: [nan 2. nan 0. 2.] Likelihood: 0.009786075668602368

Sample: 1 Beta: [nan 3. nan 0. 0.] Likelihood: 0.015371111945909397

Sample: 2 Beta: [nan 1. nan 0. 0.] Likelihood: 0.02429470256988136

Sample: 3 Beta: [nan 0. nan 3. 4.] Likelihood: 0.005921848333806081

Sample: 4 Beta: [nan 3. nan 3. 3.] Likelihood: 0.016186321212555956

#### 2.2.2 Medium tree

Sample: 0

3. nan nan 0. nan 0. 4. nan nan 1. 0. 4. 0. 1. 1. nan 3. 3. 1. 0. 0. 2. 4. nan 1. 2. 3. 0.]

Likelihood: 1.7611947348905713e-18

Sample: 1

3. nan nan 1. nan 3. 1. nan nan 4. 3. 1. 1. 4. 3. nan 3. 1. 0. 2. 4. 3. 2. nan 4. 4. 0. 0.]

Likelihood: 2.996933026124685e-18

Sample: 2

4. nan nan 4. nan 4. 4. nan nan 2. 1. 2. 3. 0. 3. nan 3. 2. 2. 2. 1. 4. 2. nan 4. 3. 3. 4.]

Likelihood: 2.891411201505415e-18

Sample: 3

3. nan nan 2. nan 4. 2. nan nan 4. 4. 2. 3. 0. 3. nan 3. 4. 1. 2. 3. 4. 2. nan 1. 0. 3. 0.]

Likelihood: 4.6788419411270006e-18

Sample: 4

0. nan nan 1. nan 0. 1. nan nan 1. 1. 2. 4. 1. 0. nan 3. 0. 0. 3. 3. 3. 1. nan 2. 3. 3. 1.

Likelihood: 5.664006737201378e-18

#### 2.2.3 Large tree

Sample: 0

Likelihood: 3.63097513075208e-69

Sample: 1

Likelihood: 3.9405421986921234e-67

Sample: 2

Likelihood: 5.549061147187144e-67

Sample: 3

Likelihood: 9.89990102807915e-67

Sample: 4

Likelihood: 3.11420969368965e-72