

CS 440: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Homework #3 Part 1 Probabilistic Reasoning

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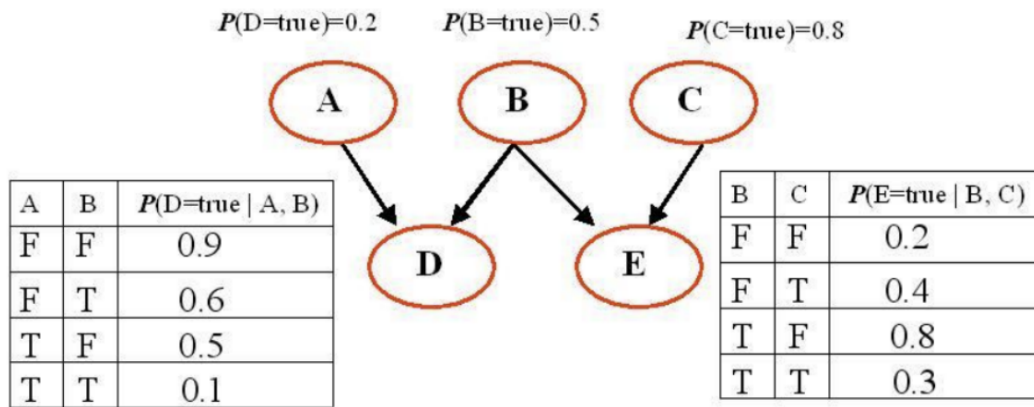
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Problem 1

Consider the following Bayesian network, where variables A through E are all Boolean valued. Note: there is a typo in the image, it should be $P(A = \text{true}) = 0.2$ instead of $P(D = \text{true}) = 0.2$



Part A

What is the probability that all five of these Boolean variables are simultaneously true? [Hint: You have to compute the joint probability distribution. The structure of the Bayesian network suggests how the joint probability distribution is decomposed to the conditional probabilities available]

Part B

What is the probability that all five of these Boolean variables are simultaneously false? [Hint: Answer similarly to above.]

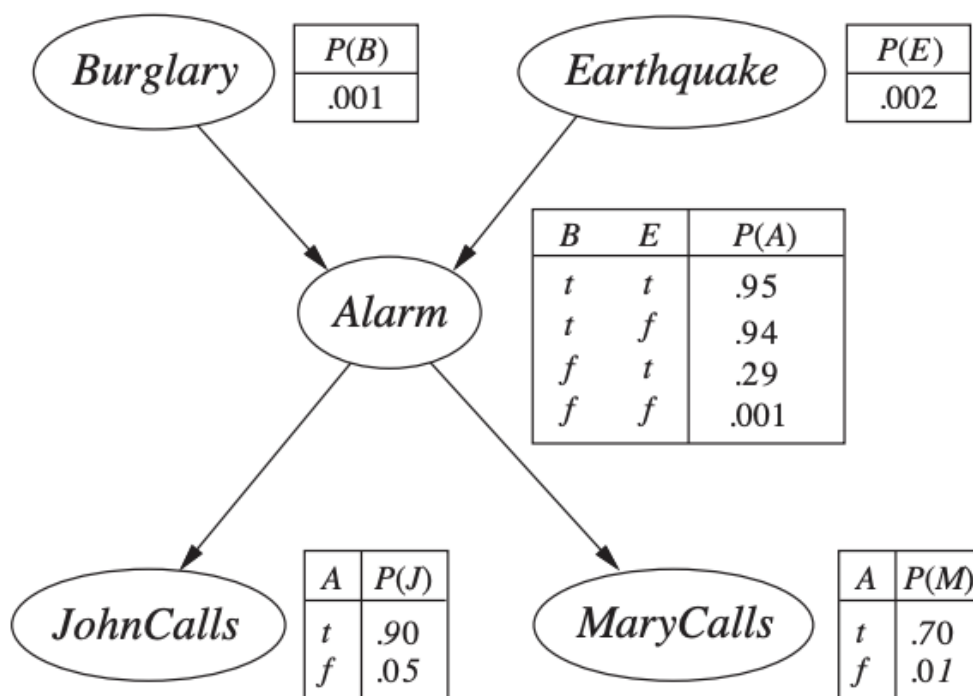
Solution.

Part C

What is the probability that A is false given that the four other variables are all known to be true?

Solution.

Problem 2



Part A

Calculate $P(\text{Burglary} | \text{JohnsCalls} = \text{true}, \text{MaryCalls} = \text{true})$ and show in detail the calculations that take place. Use your book to confirm that your answer is correct.

Solution.

Part B

Suppose a Bayesian network has the form of a *chain* : a sequence of Boolean variables X_1, \dots, X_n where $\text{Parents}(X_i) = X_{i-1}$ for $i = 2, \dots, n$. What is the complexity of computing $P(X_1 | X_n = \text{true})$ using enumeration. What is the complexity with variable elimination?

Solution.

Problem 3

Suppose you are working for a financial institution and you are asked to implement a fraud detection system. You plan to use the following information:

- When the card holder is travelling abroad, fraudulent transactions are more likely since tourists are prime targets for thieves. More precisely, 10% of the transactions are fraudulent when she is not travelling. On average, 5% of card holder is travelling. If a transaction is fraudulent, then the likelihood of a foreign purchase increases, unless the card holder happens to be travelling. More precisely, when the card holder is not travelling, 10% of transactions are foreign purchases whereas only 1% otherwise, when the card holder is travelling, then 90% legitimacy of the transactions.
- Purchases made over the internet are more likely to be fraudulent. This is especially true for card holders who don't own any computer. Currently, 75% of transactions. For those who don't own any computer or smart phone, a mere 0.1% is done over the internet, but that number increases to 1.1% if the card company doesn't know whether a card holder owns a computer or smart phone, however it can usually guess by verifying whether any of the recent transactions involve the purchase of computer related accessories. In any given week, 10% related item as opposed to just 0.1%.

Part A

Construct a Bayes Network to identify fraudulent transactions.

Solution.

Part B

What is the prior probability (i.e., before we search for previous computer related purchases and before we verify whether it is a foreign and/or an internet purchase) that the current transaction is a fraud? What is the probability that the current transaction is a fraud once we have verified that it is a foreign transaction, but not an internet purchase and that the card holder purchased computer related accessories in the past week?

Solution.