Converting Graphic Relationships into Conditional Probabilities in Bayesian Network

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Abstract

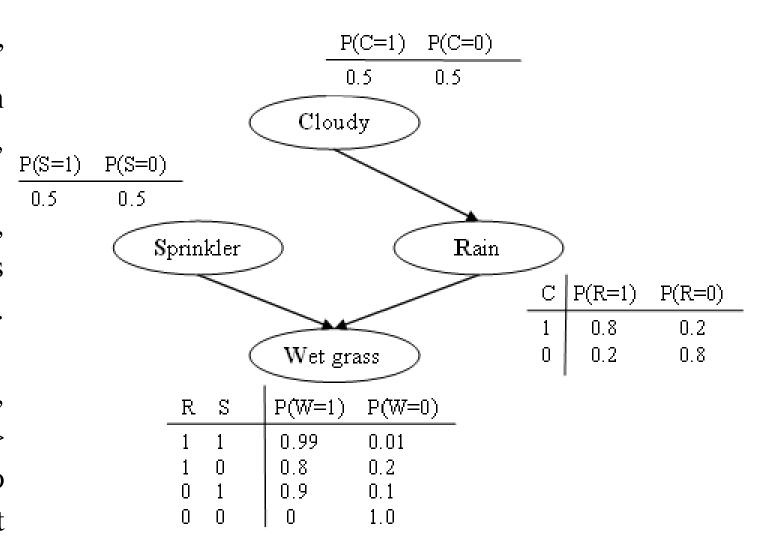
Bayesian network (BN) is a powerful mathematical tool for prediction and diagnosis applications. A large BN can be constituted of many simple networks which in turn are constructed from simple graphs. A simple graph consists of one child node and many parent nodes. The strength of each relationship between a child node and a parent node is quantified by a weight and all relationships share the same semantics such as prerequisite, diagnostic, and aggregation. The research focuses on converting graphic relationships into conditional probabilities in order to construct a simple BN from a graph. Diagnostic relationship is the main research object, in which sufficient diagnostic proposition is proposed for validating diagnostic relationship. Relationship conversion is adhered to logic gates such as AND, OR, and XOR, which is essential feature of the research.

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- In general, Bayesian network (BN) is a directed acyclic graph (DAG) consisting of a set of nodes and a set of arcs. Each node is a random variable. Each arc represents a relationship between two nodes.
- The strength of relationship in a graph can be quantified by a number called *weight*. There are some important relationships such as prerequisite, diagnostic, and aggregation.
- The difference between BN and normal graph is that the strength of every relationship in BN is represented by a conditional probability table (CPT) whose entries are conditional probabilities of a child node given parent nodes.
- There are two main approaches to construct a BN:
 - o The first approach aims to learn BN from training data by learning machine algorithms.
 - The second approach is that experts define some graph patterns according to specific relationships and then, BN is constructed based on such patterns along with determined CPT (s). This research focuses on such second approach.

- An example of BN, event "cloudy" is cause of event "rain" which in turn is cause of "grass is wet" (Murphy, 1998).
- Binary random variables (nodes) *C*, *S*, *R*, and *W* denote events such as cloudy, sprinkler, rain, and wet grass. Each node is associated with a CPT.
- Given "wet grass" evidence W=1, due to P(S=1|W=1) = 0.7 > P(R=1|W=1) = 0.67, which leads to conclusion that sprinkler is the most likely cause of wet grass.



- *Relationship conversion* aims to determined conditional probabilities based on weights and meanings of relationships. Especially, these relationships are adhered to logic X-gates (Wikipedia, 2016) such as AND-gate, OR-gate, and SIGMA-gate. The X-gate inference in this research is derived and inspired from noisy OR-gate described in the book "Learning Bayesian Networks" by author (Neapolitan, 2003, pp. 157-159).
- Authors (Díez & Druzdzel, 2007) also researched OR/MAX, AND/MIN, noisy XOR inferences but they focused on canonical models, deterministic models, ICI models whereas I focus on logic gate and graphic relationships.
- Factor graph (Wikipedia, Factor graph, 2015) represents factorization of a global function into many partial functions. Pearl's propagation algorithm (Pearl, 1986), a variant of factor graph, is very successful in BN inference. I did not use factor graph for constructing BN. The concept "X-gate inference" only implies how to convert simple graph into BN.

- In general, my research focuses on applied probability adhered to Bayesian network, logic gates, and Bayesian user modeling (Millán & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2002). The scientific results are shared with authors **Eva Millán** and **José Luis Pérez-de-la-Cruz**.
- As default, the research is applied in learning context in which BN is used to assess students' knowledge.
- Evidences are tests, exams, exercises, etc. and hypotheses are learning concepts, knowledge items, etc.
- Diagnostic relationship is very important to Bayesian evaluation in learning context because it is used to evaluate student's mastery of concepts. Now we start relationship conversion with a research on diagnostic relationship in the next section.

2. Diagnostic relationship

- In some opinions (Millán, Loboda, & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2010, p. 1666) like mine, the *diagnostic relationship* should be from hypothesis to evidence. For example, disease is hypothesis *X* and symptom is evidence *D*.
- The weight w of relationship between X and D is 1. Formula 2.1 specifies CPT of D when D is binary (0 and 1) for converting simplest diagnostic relationship to simplest BN.

$$P(D|X) = \begin{cases} D \text{ if } X = 1\\ 1 - D \text{ if } X = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (2.1)

• Evidence D can be used to diagnose hypothesis X if the so-called sufficient diagnostic proposition is satisfied. Such proposition is called shortly **diagnostic condition** stated that "D is equivalent to X in diagnostic relationship if P(X/D) = kP(D/X) given uniform distribution of X and the **transformation coefficient** k is independent from D. In other words, k is constant with regards to D and so D is called sufficient evidence".

2. Diagnostic relationship

- I survey three other common cases of evidence D such as $D \in \{0, 1, 2, ..., \eta\}$, $D \in \{a, a+1, a+2, ..., b\}$, and $D \in [a, b]$.
- In general, formula 2.6 summarizes CPT of evidence of single diagnosis relationship, satisfying **diagnostic condition**.

$$P(D|X) = \begin{cases} \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } X = 1\\ \frac{M}{S} - \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } X = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$k = \frac{N}{2}$$

$$(2.6)$$

Where

$$N = \begin{cases} 2 \text{ if } D \in \{0,1\} \\ \eta + 1 \text{ if } D \in \{0,1,2,...,\eta\} \\ b - a + 1 \text{ if } D \in \{a,a+1,a+2,...,b\} \end{cases} M = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } D \in \{0,1\} \\ \eta \text{ if } D \in \{0,1,2,...,\eta\} \\ b + a \text{ if } D \in \{a,a+1,a+2,...,b\} \\ b + a \text{ if } D \in \{a,a+1,a+2,...,b\} \end{cases}$$

$$S = \sum_{D} D = \frac{NM}{2} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } D \in \{0,1\} \\ \frac{\eta(\eta+1)}{2} \text{ if } D \in \{0,1,2,...,\eta\} \\ \frac{\eta(\eta+1)}{2} \text{ if } D \in \{0,1,2,...,\eta\} \end{cases}$$

$$S = \sum_{D} D = \frac{NM}{2} = \begin{cases} \frac{1 \text{ if } D \in \{0,1\}}{2} \\ \frac{h^2 - a^2}{2} \text{ if } D \text{ continuous and } D \in [a,b] \end{cases}$$

2. Diagnostic relationship

As an example, we prove that the CPT of evidence $D \in \{0, 1, 2, ..., \eta\}$, a special case of formula 2.6, satisfies diagnostic condition.

$$P(D|X) = \begin{cases} \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } X = 1\\ \frac{\eta}{S} - \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } X = 0 \end{cases} \text{ where } D \in \{0, 1, 2, ..., \eta\} \text{ and } S = \sum_{D=0}^{n} D = \frac{\eta(\eta + 1)}{2} \end{cases}$$

In fact, we have:

$$P(D|X = 0) + P(D|X = 1) = \frac{D}{S} + \frac{\eta - D}{S} = \frac{2}{(\eta + 1)}$$

$$\sum_{D=0}^{\eta} P(D|X=1) = \sum_{D=0}^{\eta} \frac{D}{S} = \frac{\sum_{D=0}^{\eta} D}{S} = \frac{S}{S} = 1$$

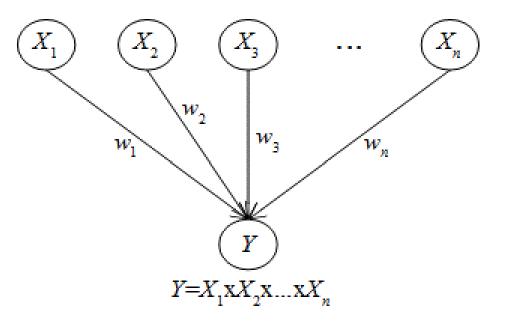
$$\sum_{D=0}^{\eta} P(D|X=0) = \sum_{D=0}^{\eta} \frac{\eta - D}{S} = \frac{\eta(\eta + 1) - S}{S} = 1$$

Suppose the prior probability of X is uniform: P(X = 0) = P(X = 1). We have:

$$P(X|D) = \frac{P(D|X)P(X)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D|X)}{P(D|X=0) + P(D|X=1)} = \frac{\eta + 1}{2}P(D|X)$$

So, the transformation coefficient k is $\frac{\eta+1}{2}$.

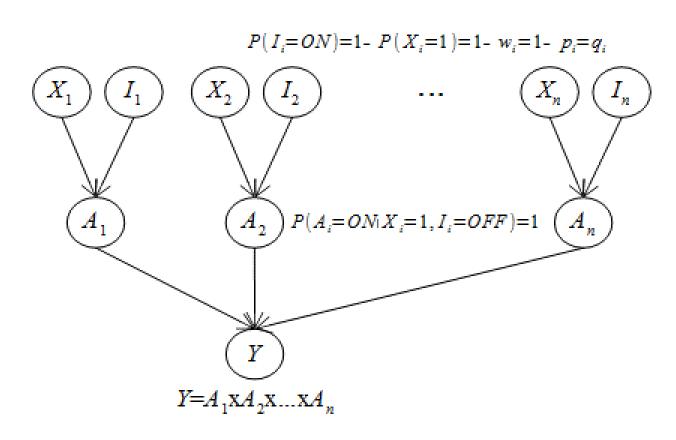
- The diagnostic relationship is now extended with more than one hypothesis. Given a *simple graph* consisting of one child variable Y and n parent variables X_i . Each relationship from X_i to Y is quantified by a normalized weight w_i where $0 \le w_i \le 1$.
- Now we convert graphic relationships of simple graph into CPT (s) of simple BN. These relationships are adhere to X-gates such as AND-gate, OR-gate, and SIGMA-gate. Relationship conversion is to determine X-gate inference. The simple graph is also called X-gate graph or X-gate network.



X-gate network

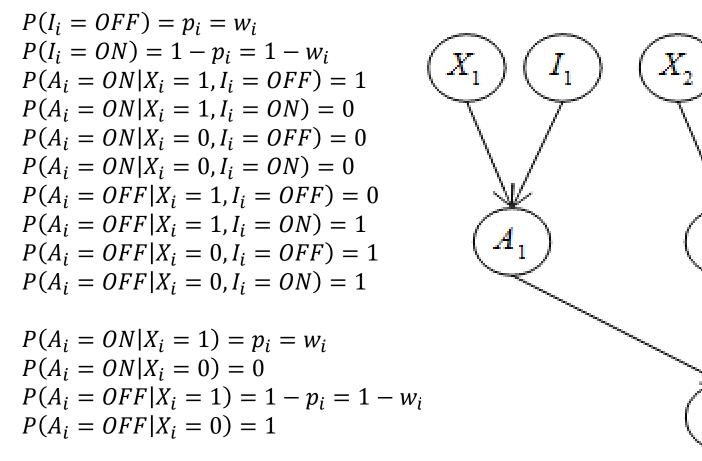
X-gate inference is based on three following assumptions mentioned in (Neapolitan, 2003, p. 157)

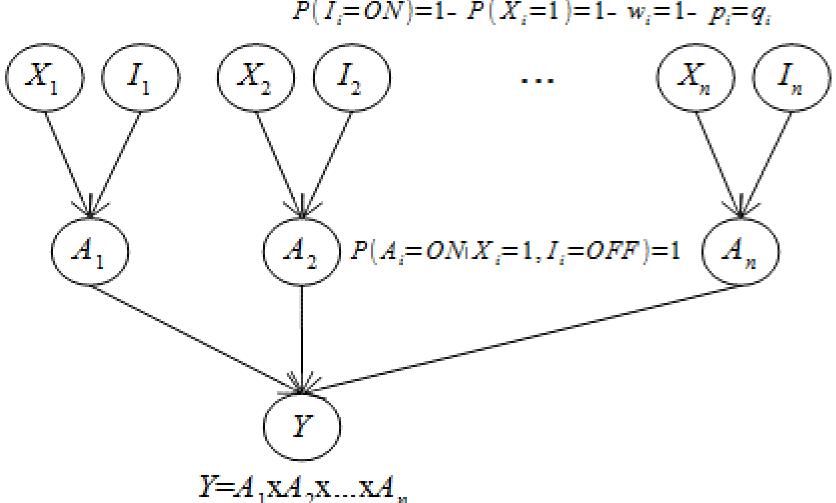
- X-gate inhibition: Given a relationship from source X_i to target Y, there is a factor I_i that inhibits X_i from integrated into Y.
- *Inhibition independence*: Inhibitions are mutually independent.
- Accountability: X-gate network is established by accountable variables A_i for X_i and I_i . Each X-gate inference owns particular combination of A_i (s).



extended X-gate network with accountable variables

Probabilities of inhibitions I_i (s) and accountable variables A_i with formulas 3.2, 3.3





$$P(Y|X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n}) = \frac{P(Y,X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}$$
(Due to Bayes' rule)
$$= \frac{\sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y,X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n}|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * P(A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n})}{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}$$
(Due to total probability rule)
$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y,X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n}|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * \frac{P(A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n})}{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}$$

$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n}|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * \frac{P(A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n})}{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}$$
(Because Y is conditionally independent from X_{i} (s) given A_{i} (s))
$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * \frac{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n},A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n})}{P(X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})}$$

$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) * P(A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}|X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})$$
(Due to Bayes' rule)
$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(A_{i}|X_{1},X_{2},...,X_{n})$$
(Because A_{i} (s) are mutually independent)
$$= \sum_{A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}} P(Y|A_{1},A_{2},...,A_{n}) \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(A_{i}|X_{i})$$
The X-gate $P(Y=1|X_{1},...,X_{n})$

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(Because each A_i is only dependent on X_i)

$$P(Y|X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$$

$$= \sum_{A_1, A_2, ..., A_n} P(Y|A_1, A_2, ..., A_n) \prod_{i=1}^n P(A_i|X_i)$$

X-gate probability (3.4)

The X-gate inference is represented by X-gate probability $P(Y=1 | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$ specified by (Neapolitan, 2003, p. 159)

- Given $\Omega = \{X_1, X_2, ..., X_n\}$ where $|\Omega| = n$ is cardinality of Ω .
- Let $a(\Omega)$ be an arrangement of Ω is a set of n instances $\{X_1=x_1, X_2=x_2, ..., X_n=x_n\}$ where x_i is 1 or 0. The number of all $a(\Omega)$ is $2^{|\Omega|}$. For instance, given $\Omega = \{X_1, X_2\}$, there are $2^2=4$ arrangements as follows: $a(\Omega) = \{X_1=1, X_2=1\}$, $a(\Omega) = \{X_1=1, X_2=0\}$, $a(\Omega) = \{X_1=0, X_2=0\}$. Let $a(\Omega:\{X_i\})$ be the arrangement of Ω with fixed X_i .
- Let $c(\Omega)$ and $c(\Omega:\{X_i\})$ be the number of arrangements $a(\Omega)$ and $a(\Omega:\{X_i\})$, respectively.
- Let x denote the X-gate operator, for instance, $x = \emptyset$ for AND-gate, $x = \emptyset$ for OR-gate, $x = not\emptyset$ for NAND-gate, $x = not\emptyset$ for NOR-gate, $x = \emptyset$ for XOR-gate, $x = not\emptyset$ for XNOR-gate, $x = \emptyset$ for U-gate, x = + for SIGMA-gate. Given an x-operator, let $s(\Omega:\{X_i\})$ and $s(\Omega)$ be sum of all $P(X_1xX_2x...xX_n)$ through every arrangement of Ω with and without fixed X_i , respectively.

$$s(\Omega) = \sum_{a} P(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n | a(\Omega))$$

$$s(\Omega: \{X_i\}) = \sum_{a} P(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n | a(\Omega: \{X_i\}))$$

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public class ArrangementGenerator {
  private ArrayList<int[]> arrangements; private int n, r;
  private ArrangementGenerator(int n, int r) {
    this.n = n; this.r = r; this.arrangements = new ArrayList();
  private void create(int[] a, int i) {
     for(int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
        a[i] = j;
        if(i < r - 1) create(a, i + 1);
        else if(i == r - 1) {
          int[] b = new int[a.length];
          for(int k = 0; k < a.length; k++) b[k] = a[k];
          arrangements.add(b);
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code for producing all arrangements

• Connection between $s(\Omega:\{X_i=1\})$ and $s(\Omega:\{X_i=0\})$, between $c(\Omega:\{X_i=1\})$ and $c(\Omega:\{X_i=0\})$.

$$s(\Omega: \{X_i = 1\}) + s(\Omega: \{X_i = 0\}) = s(\Omega)$$

 $c(\Omega: \{X_i = 1\}) + c(\Omega: \{X_i = 0\}) = c(\Omega)$

• Let K be a set of X_i (s) whose values are 1 and let L be a set of X_i (s) whose values are 0. K and L are mutually complementary.

$$\begin{cases} K = \{i: X_i = 1\} \\ L = \{i: X_i = 0\} \\ K \cap L = \emptyset \\ K \cup L = \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \end{cases}$$

• AND-gate condition (3.7)

$$P(Y = 1|A_i = OFF \text{ for some } i) = 0$$

• AND-gate inference (3.8)

$$P(X_1 \odot X_2 \odot \dots \odot X_n) = P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i & \text{if all } X_i (s) \text{ are } 1\\ 0 & \text{if there exists at least one } X_i = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$P(Y = 0 | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) = \begin{cases} 1 - \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i & \text{if all } X_i \text{ (s) are 1} \\ 1 & \text{if there exists at least one } X_i = 0 \end{cases}$$

• OR-gate condition (3.9)

$$P(Y = 1|A_i = ON \text{ for some } i) = 1$$

• OR-gate inference (3.10)

$$P(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n) = 1 - P(Y = 0 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 - \prod_{i \in K} (1 - p_i) & \text{if } K \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } K = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

$$P(Y = 0 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i \in K} (1 - p_i) & \text{if } K \neq \emptyset \\ 1 & \text{if } K = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

• NAND-gate inference and NOR-gate inference (3.11)

$$P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \odot X_2 \odot \dots \odot X_n)) = \begin{cases} 1 - \prod_{i \in L} p_i & \text{if } L \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } L = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

$$P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n)) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n q_i & \text{if } K = \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } K \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

• Two XOR-gate conditions (3.12)

$$P\left(Y = 1 \middle| \begin{cases} A_i = ON \text{ for } i \in O \\ A_i = OFF \text{ for } i \notin O \end{cases} \right) = P(Y = 1 | A_1 = ON, A_2 = OFF, ..., A_{n-1} = ON, A_n = OFF) = 1$$

$$P\left(Y = 1 \middle| \begin{cases} A_i = ON \text{ for } i \in E \\ A_i = OFF \text{ for } i \notin E \end{cases} \right) = P(Y = 1 | A_1 = OFF, A_2 = ON, ..., A_{n-1} = OFF, A_n = ON) = 1$$

• Let O be the set of X_i (s) whose indices are odd. Let O_1 and O_2 be subsets of O, in which all X_i (s) are 1 and 0, respectively. Let E be the set of X_i (s) whose indices are even. Let E_1 and E_2 be subsets of E, in which all X_i (s) are 1 and 0, respectively. **XOR-gate inference** (3.13) is:

$$\left(\prod_{i \in O_1} p_i \right) \left(\prod_{i \in E_1} (1 - p_i) \right) + \left(\prod_{i \in E_1} p_i \right) \left(\prod_{i \in O_1} (1 - p_i) \right) \text{ if } O_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } E_2 = \emptyset$$

$$\left(\prod_{i \in O_1} p_i \right) \left(\prod_{i \in E_1} (1 - p_i) \right) \text{ if } O_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } E_1 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } E_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\prod_{i \in O_1} p_i \text{ if } O_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } E_1 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } O_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\left(\prod_{i \in E_1} p_i \right) \left(\prod_{i \in O_1} (1 - p_i) \right) \text{ if } E_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } O_1 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } O_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\prod_{i \in E_1} p_i \text{ if } E_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } O_1 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } O_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$0 \text{ if } O_2 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } E_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$0 \text{ if } O_2 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } E_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$0 \text{ if } O_2 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } O_2 \neq \emptyset \text{ and } O_2 \neq \emptyset$$

• Two XNOR-gate conditions (3.14)

$$P(Y = 1 | A_i = ON, \forall i) = 1$$

$$P(Y = 1 | A_i = OFF, \forall i) = 1$$

• XNOR-gate inference (3.15)

$$P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes \dots \otimes X_n)) = P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n p_i + \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - p_i) & \text{if } L = \emptyset \\ \prod_{i \in K} (1 - p_i) & \text{if } L \neq \emptyset \text{ and } K \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

$$1 \text{ if } L \neq \emptyset \text{ and } K = \emptyset$$

Let *U* be a set of indices such that $A_i = ON$ and let $\alpha \ge 0$ and $\beta \ge 0$ be predefined numbers. The **U-gate inference** is defined based on α , β and cardinality of *U*. Formula 3.16 specifies three common **U-gate conditions**.

$ U =\alpha$	$P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 1$ if there are exactly α variables
	$A_i = ON(s)$. Otherwise, $P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 0$.
$ U \ge \alpha$	$P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 1$ if there are at least α variables
	$A_i = ON(s)$. Otherwise, $P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 0$.
$ U \leq oldsymbol{eta}$	$P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 1$ if there are at most β variables
	$A_i = ON(s)$. Otherwise, $P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 0$.
$\alpha \leq U \leq \beta$	$P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 1$ if the number of $A_i = ON$ (s) is
	from α to β . Otherwise, $P(Y = 1 A_1, A_2,, A_n) = 0$.

Let P_U be the U-gate probability, following formula 3.17 specifies **U-gate inference** and cardinality of U where U is the set of subsets (U) of K

- Let $S_U = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} \prod_{i \in U} p_i \prod_{j \in K \setminus U} (1 p_j)$ and $P_U = P(X_1 \uplus X_2 \uplus ... \uplus X_n) = P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$
- As a convention, $\prod_{i \in U} p_i = 1$ if |U| = 0 and $\prod_{j \in K \setminus U} (1 p_j) = 1$ if |U| = |K|
- |U|=0: we have $P_U = \begin{cases} \prod_{j=1}^n (1-p_j) & \text{if } |K| > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } |K| = 0 \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}| = 1$
- $|U| \ge 0$: we have $P_U = \begin{cases} S_U & \text{if } |K| > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } |K| = 0 \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}| = 2^{|K|}$. The case $|U| \ge 0$ is the same to the case $|U| \le n$.
- |U|=n: we have $P_U = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n p_i & \text{if } |K| = n \\ 0 & \text{if } |K| < n \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}| = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |K| = n \\ 0 & \text{if } |K| < n \end{cases}$

U-gate inference (continue)

•
$$|U|=\alpha$$
 and $0<\alpha< n$: we have $P_U=\begin{cases} S_U \text{ if } |K|\geq \alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}|=\begin{cases} \binom{|K|}{\alpha} \text{ if } |K|\geq \alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$
• $|U|\geq\alpha$ and $0<\alpha< n$: we have $P_U=\begin{cases} S_U \text{ if } |K|\geq\alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}|=\begin{cases} \sum_{j=\alpha}^{|K|}\binom{|K|}{j} \text{ if } |K|\geq\alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$
• $|U|\leq\beta$ and $0<\beta< n$: we have $P_U=\begin{cases} S_U \text{ if } |K|>0 \\ 1 \text{ if } |K|=0 \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}|=\begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{\min(\beta,|K|)}\binom{|K|}{j} \text{ if } |K|>0 \\ 1 \text{ if } |K|=0 \end{cases}$
• $\alpha\leq |U|\leq\beta$ and $0<\alpha< n$ and $0<\beta< n$: we have $P_U=\begin{cases} S_U \text{ if } |K|\geq\alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$ and $|\mathcal{U}|=\begin{cases} \sum_{j=\alpha}^{\min(\beta,|K|)}\binom{|K|}{j} \text{ if } |K|\geq\alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } |K|<\alpha \end{cases}$

- U-gate condition on |U| can be arbitrary and it is only relevant to A_i (s) (ON or OFF) and the way to combine A_i (s). For example, AND-gate and OR-gate are specific cases of U-gate with |U|=n and $|U| \ge 1$, respectively. XOR-gate and XNOR-gate are also specific cases of U-gate with specific conditions on A_i (s).
- In this research, U-gate is the most general nonlinear gate where U-gate probability contains products of weights.
- Next, we will research a so-called SIGMA-gate that contains only linear combination of weights.

• The SIGMA-gate inference (Nguyen, 2016) represents aggregation relationship satisfying **SIGMA-gate condition** specified by formula 3.18.

$$P(Y) = P\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) \quad (3.18)$$

Where the set of A_i (s) is complete and mutually exclusive.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i = 1 \text{ and } A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j$$

• The sigma sum $\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i$ indicates that Y is exclusive union of A_i (s) and here, it does not express arithmetical additions.

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i$$

$$P(Y) = P\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) = P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P(A_i)$$

• In general, formula 3.19 specifies the theorem of **SIGMA-gate inference** (Nguyen, 2016). The base of this theorem was mentioned by authors (Millán & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2002, pp. 292-295).

$$P(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{i \in K} w_i$$

$$P(Y = 0 | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = 1 - \sum_{i \in K} w_i = \sum_{i \in I} w_i$$

Where the set of A_i (s) is complete and mutually exclusive.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i = 1 \text{ and } A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j$$

• Next slide is the proof of SIGMA-gate theorem.

Proof of SIGMA-gate theorem

$$(Y|X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) = P(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$$

$$(\text{due to SIGMA} - \text{gate condition})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$$

$$(\text{because } A_i \text{ (s) are mutually exclusive})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i | X_i)$$

$$(\text{because } A_i \text{ is only dependent on } X_i)$$

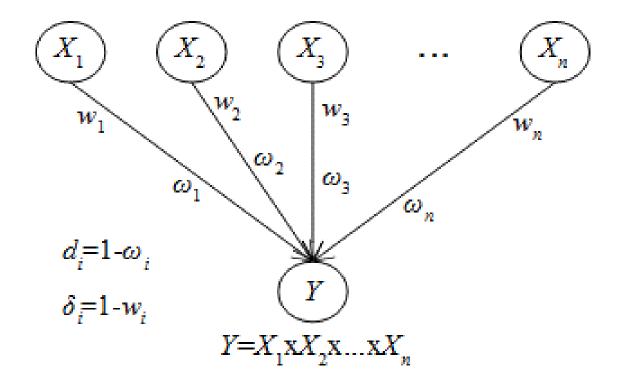
It implies
$$P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P(A_i = ON | X_i)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i \in K} P(A_i = ON | X_i = 1)\right)$$

$$+ \left(\sum_{i \notin K} P(A_i = ON | X_i = 0)\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i \in K} w_i + \sum_{i \notin K} 0 = \sum_{i \in K} w_i$$
(Due to formula 3.3)

- As usual, each arc in simple graph is associated with a "clockwise" strength of relationship between X_i and Y. Event $X_i=1$ causes event $A_i=ON$ with "clockwise" weight w_i .
- I define a so-called "counterclockwise" strength of relationship between X_i and Y denoted ω_i . Event X_i =0 causes event A_i =OFF with "counterclockwise" weight ω_i .
- In other words, each arc in simple graph is associated with a clockwise weight w_i and a counterclockwise weight ω_i . Such graph is called *biweight simple graph*.



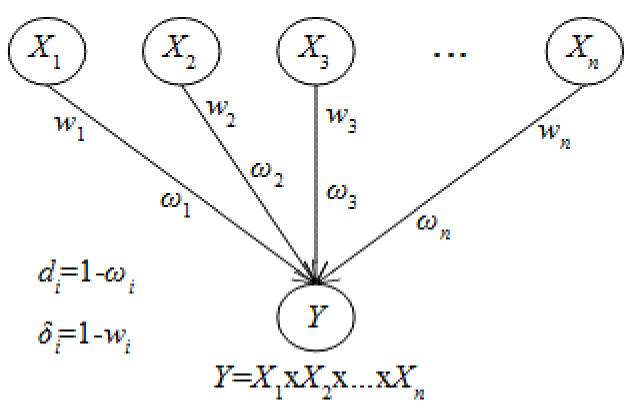
Bi-weight simple graph

$$P(A_i = ON | X_i = 1) = p_i = w_i$$

 $P(A_i = ON | X_i = 0) = 1 - \rho_i = 1 - \omega_i$
 $P(A_i = OFF | X_i = 1) = 1 - p_i = 1 - w_i$
 $P(A_i = OFF | X_i = 0) = \rho_i = \omega_i$

$$\begin{aligned} d_i &= 1 - \omega_i \\ \delta_i &= 1 - w_i \\ W_i &= w_i + d_i \\ \mathcal{W}_i &= \omega_i + \delta_i \end{aligned}$$

Bi-weight simple graph



From bi-weight graph, we get bi-inferences for AND-gate, OR-gate, NAND-gate, NOR-gate, XOR-gate, XNOR-gate, and U-gate

- $P(X_1 \odot X_2 \odot ... \odot X_n) = \prod_{i \in K} p_i \prod_{i \in L} d_i$
- $P(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus ... \oplus X_n) = 1 \prod_{i \in K} \delta_i \prod_{i \in L} \rho_i$
- $P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \odot X_2 \odot ... \odot X_n)) = 1 \prod_{i \in L} \rho_i \prod_{i \in K} \delta_i$
- $P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus ... \oplus X_n)) = \prod_{i \in L} d_i \prod_{i \in K} p_i$
- $P(X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes ... \otimes X_n) = \prod_{i \in O_1} p_i \prod_{i \in O_2} d_i \prod_{i \in E_1} \delta_i \prod_{i \in E_2} \rho_i + \prod_{i \in E_1} p_i \prod_{i \in E_2} d_i \prod_{i \in O_1} \delta_i \prod_{i \in O_2} \rho_i$
- $P(\operatorname{not}(X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes ... \otimes X_n)) = \prod_{i \in K} p_i \prod_{i \in L} d_i + \prod_{i \in K} \delta_i \prod_{i \in L} \rho_i$
- $P(X_1 \uplus X_2 \uplus ... \uplus X_n) = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} (\prod_{i \in U \cap K} p_i \prod_{i \in U \cap L} d_i) (\prod_{i \in \overline{U} \cap K} \delta_i \prod_{i \in \overline{U} \cap L} \rho_i)$

• Formula 3.22 specifies **SIGMA-gate bi-inference**.

$$P(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = \sum_{i \in K} w_i + \sum_{i \in L} d_i$$

Where the set of X_i (s) is complete and mutually exclusive.

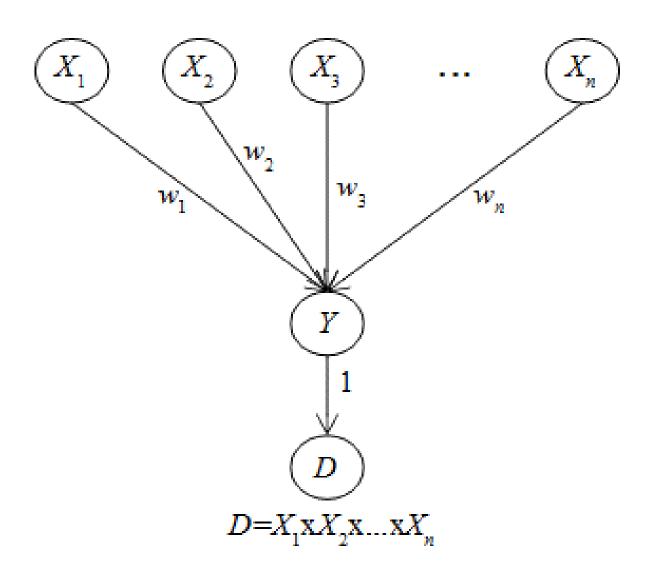
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} W_i = 1 \text{ and } X_i \cap X_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j$$
• Following is the proof of SIGMA-gate bi-inference.

$$P(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i = ON | X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i \in K} P(A_i = ON | X_i = 1) + \sum_{i \in L} P(A_i = ON | X_i = 0) = \sum_{i \in K} w_i + \sum_{i \in L} d_i$$

4. Multi-hypothesis diagnostic relationship

- Given a simple graph, if we replace the target source *Y* by an evidence *D*, we get a so-called *multi-hypothesis diagnostic* relationship whose property adheres to X-gate inference. Such relationship is called shortly *X-gate diagnostic relationship*.
- According to aforementioned X-gate network, the target variable must be binary whereas evidence *D* can be numeric. Thus, we add an augmented target binary variable *Y* and then, the evidence *D* is connected directly to *Y*. Finally, we have X-gate diagnostic network or **X-D** network.



4. Multi-hypothesis diagnostic relationship

$$P(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n, D) = \frac{P(D, X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)}{P(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)} \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$
(Due to Bayes' rule)

$$= \frac{\sum_{Y} P(D, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n | Y) P(Y)}{P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)} \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

(Due to total probability rule)

$$= \frac{\sum_{Y} P(D, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n | Y) P(Y)}{P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)} \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{Y} P(D, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n | Y) * \frac{P(Y)}{P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)}\right) * \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{Y} P(D|Y) * \frac{P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n | Y) P(Y)}{P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)}\right) * \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

(Because D is conditionally independent from all X_i (s) given Y)

$$= \left(\sum_{Y} P(D|Y) * \frac{P(Y, X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)}{P(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)}\right) * \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{Y} P(D|Y)P(Y|X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(X_i)$$

(Due to Bayes' rule)

$$=\sum_{Y}P(X_1,X_2,\ldots,X_n,Y,D)$$

$$P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, D) = P(D|X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i)$$

Joint probability of X-D network (4.1)

4. Multi-hypothesis diagnostic relationship

Basic probabilities relevant to X-D network with uniform distribution

•
$$P(\Omega, Y, D) = P(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n, Y, D) = P(D|Y)P(Y|X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i)$$

•
$$P(D|X_i) = \frac{P(X_i,D)}{P(X_i)} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Omega,Y,D\}\setminus\{X_i,D\}} P(\Omega,Y,D)}{\sum_{\{\Omega,Y,D\}\setminus\{X_i\}} P(\Omega,Y,D)}$$

•
$$P(X_i|D) = \frac{P(X_i,D)}{P(D)} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Omega,Y,D\}\setminus\{X_i,D\}} P(\Omega,Y,D)}{\sum_{\{\Omega,Y,D\}\setminus\{D\}} P(\Omega,Y,D)}$$

•
$$P(X_i, D) = \frac{1}{2^n S} ((2D - M)S(\Omega; \{X_i\}) + 2^{n-1}(M - D))$$

$$P(D) = \frac{1}{2^n S} \left((2D - M)S(\Omega) + 2^n (M - D) \right)$$

Conditional probability, posterior probability, and transformation coefficient of X-D network according to formula 4.4

•
$$P(D|X_i = 1) = \frac{P(X_i = 1, D)}{P(X_i = 1)} = \frac{(2D - M)s(\Omega:\{X_i = 1\}) + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{2^{n-1}S}$$

• $P(D|X_i = 0) = \frac{P(X_i = 0, D)}{P(X_i = 0)} = \frac{(2D - M)s(\Omega:\{X_i = 0\}) + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{2^{n-1}S}$
• $P(X_i = 1|D) = \frac{P(X_i = 1, D)}{P(D)} = \frac{(2D - M)s(\Omega:\{X_i = 1\}) + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{(2D - M)s(\Omega) + 2^n(M - D)}$
• $P(X_i = 0|D) = 1 - P(X_i = 1|D) = \frac{(2D - M)s(\Omega:\{X_i = 0\}) + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{(2D - M)s(\Omega) + 2^n(M - D)}$
• $k = \frac{P(X_i|D)}{P(D|X_i)} = \frac{2^{n-1}S}{(2D - M)s(\Omega) + 2^n(M - D)}$

Diagnostic theorem

Given X-D network is combination of diagnostic relationship and X-gate inference:

$$P(Y = 1 | X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) = P(X_1 x X_2 x ... x X_n)$$

$$P(D|Y) = \begin{cases} \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } Y = 1\\ \frac{M}{S} - \frac{D}{S} & \text{if } Y = 0 \end{cases}$$

The diagnostic condition of X-D network is satisfied if and only if

$$s(\Omega) = \sum_{a} P(Y = 1|a(\Omega)) = 2^{|\Omega|-1}, \forall \Omega \neq \emptyset$$

At that time, the transformation coefficient becomes:

$$k = \frac{N}{2}$$

Note that weights $p_i=w_i$ and $\rho_i=\omega_i$, which are inputs of $s(\Omega)$, are abstract variables. Thus, the equality $s(\Omega)=2^{|\Omega|-1}$ implies all abstract variables are removed and so $s(\Omega)$ does not depend on weights.

Proof of diagnostic theorem

The transformation coefficient is rewritten as follows: $k = \frac{2^{n-1}S}{2D(s(\Omega)-2^{n-1})+M(2^n-s(\Omega))}$

Given binary case when D=0 and S=1, we have: $2^{n-1} = 2^{n-1} * 1 = 2^{n-1}S = aD^j = a * 0^j = 0$

There is a contradiction, which implies that it is impossible to reduce k into the following form: $k = \frac{aD^J}{bD^J}$

Therefore, if k is constant with regard to D then, $2D(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) + M(2^n - s(\Omega)) = C \neq 0, \forall D$

Where C is constant. We have:
$$\sum_{D} \left(2D(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) + M(2^n - s(\Omega)) \right) = \sum_{D} C \Rightarrow 2S(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) + NM(2^n - s(\Omega)) = NC \Rightarrow 2^nS = NC$$

It is implied that
$$k = \frac{2^{n-1}S}{2D(s(\Omega)-2^{n-1})+M(2^n-s(\Omega))} = \frac{NC}{2C} = \frac{N}{2}$$

This holds
$$2^{n}S = N\left(2D(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) + M(2^{n} - s(\Omega))\right) = 2ND(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) + 2S(2^{n} - s(\Omega))$$

$$\Rightarrow 2ND(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) - 2S(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (ND - S)(s(\Omega) - 2^{n-1}) = 0$$

Assuming ND=S we have: $ND = S = 2NM \Rightarrow D = 2M$

There is a contradiction because M is maximum value of D. Therefore, if k is constant with regard to D then $s(\Omega) = 2^{n-1}$. Inversely, if $s(\Omega) = 2^{n-1}$

then k is:
$$k = \frac{2^{n-1}S}{2D(2^{n-1}-2^{n-1})+M(2^n-2^{n-1})} = \frac{N}{2}$$

In general, the event that *k* is constant with regard to *D* is equivalent to the event $s(\Omega) = 2^{n-1}$.

Probabilities and transformation coefficient according to X-D network with AND-gate reference called *AND-D network* according to formula 4.5.

$$P(D|X_{i} = 1) = \frac{(2D - M) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{2^{n-1}S}$$

$$P(D|X_{i} = 0) = \frac{M - D}{S}$$

$$P(X_{i} = 1|D) = \frac{(2D - M) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} + 2^{n-1}(M - D)}{(2D - M) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} + 2^{n}(M - D)}$$

$$P(X_{i} = 0|D) = \frac{2^{n-1}(M - D)}{(2D - M) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} + 2^{n}(M - D)}$$

$$k = \frac{2^{n-1}S}{(2D - M) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} + 2^{n}(M - D)}$$

For convenience, we validate diagnostic condition with a case of two sources $\Omega = \{X_1, X_2\}$, $p_1 = p_2 = w_1 = w_2 = 0.5$, $D \in \{0,1,2,3\}$. By applying diagnostic theorem stated for AND-D network, because $s(\Omega) = 0.25$, AND-D network does not satisfy diagnostic condition.

- AND-gate, OR-gate, XOR-gate, and XNOR-gate do not satisfy diagnostic condition and so they should not be used to assess hypotheses. However, it is not asserted if U-gate and SIGMA-gate satisfy such diagnostic condition.
- Formula 4.6 specifies probabilities of **SIGMA-D network** in order to validate it, as follows:

$$P(D|X_i = 1) = \frac{(2D - M)w_i + M}{2S}$$

$$P(D|X_i = 0) = \frac{(M - 2D)w_i + M}{2S}$$

$$P(X_i = 1|D) = \frac{(2D - M)w_i + M}{2M}$$

$$P(X_i = 0|D) = \frac{(M - 2D)w_i + M}{2M}$$

$$k = \frac{N}{2}$$

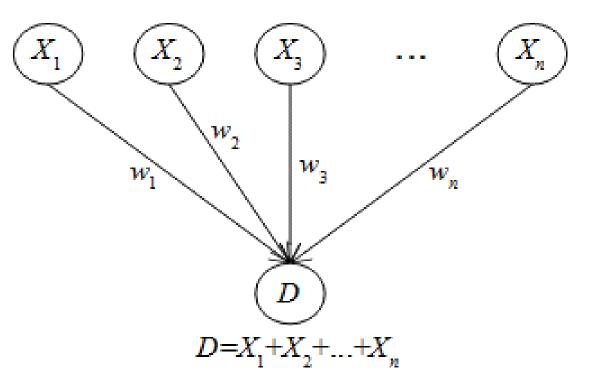
• By applying diagnostic theorem stated for SIGMA-D network, we have $s(\Omega) = 2^{n-1} \sum_i (w_i + 1)^{n-1} \sum_i (w_i + 1)^{n-1}$

- In case of SIGMA-gate, the augmented variable *Y* can be removed from X-D network. The evidence *D* is now established as direct target variable, which composes so-called **direct SIGMA-D network**.
- CPT of direct SIGMA-D network is determined by formula 4.7.

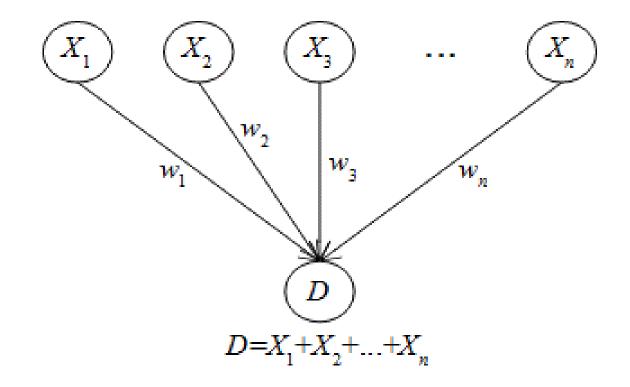
$$P(D|X_1, X_2, ..., X_n) = \sum_{i \in K} \frac{D}{S} w_i + \sum_{j \in L} \frac{M - D}{S} w_j$$

Where the set of X_i (s) is complete and mutually exclusive.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i = 1 \text{ and } X_i \cap X_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j$$



- Direct **SIGMA-D** network shares the same conditional probabilities $P(X_i/D)$ and $P(D/X_i)$ with SIGMA-D network, as seen in formula 4.6.
- Direct SIGMA-D network also satisfies diagnostic condition when its $s(\Omega) = 2^{n-1}$.



- The most general nonlinear X-D network is U-D network whereas SIGMA-D network is linear one. Aforementioned nonlinear X-D network such as AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, and NXOR are specific cases of X-D network. Now we validate if U-D network satisfies diagnostic condition.
- The U-gate inference given arbitrary condition on U is $P(X_1 \uplus X_2 \uplus ... \uplus X_n) = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} (\prod_{i \in U \cap K} p_i \prod_{i \in U \cap L} (1 1))$

The function f is sum of many large expressions and each expression is product of four possible sub-products (Π) as follows:

$$Expr = \prod_{i \in U \cap K} p_i \prod_{i \in U \cap L} (1 - \rho_i) \prod_{i \in \overline{U} \cap K} (1 - p_i) \prod_{i \in \overline{U} \cap L} \rho_i$$

In any case of degradation, there always exist expression Expr (s) having at least 2 sub-products (Π), for example: $Expr = \prod_{i \in U \cap K} p_i \prod_{i \in U \cap L} (1 - \rho_i)$

Consequently, there always exist Expr (s) having at least 5 terms relevant to p_i and p_i if $n \ge 5$, for example:

$$Expr = p_1 p_2 p_3 (1 - \rho_4) (1 - \rho_5)$$

Thus, degree of f will be larger than or equal to 5 given $n \ge 5$. Without loss of generality, each p_i or ρ_i is sum of variable x and a variable a_i or b_i , respectively. Note that all p_i , ρ_i , a_i are b_i are abstract variables.

$$p_i = x + a_i$$
$$\rho_i = x + b_i$$

The equation $f-2^{n-1}=0$ becomes equation g(x)=0 whose degree is $m \ge 5$ if $n \ge 5$.

$$g(x) = \pm x^m + C_1 x^{m-1} + \dots + C_{m-1} x + C_m - 2^{n-1} = 0$$

Where coefficients C_i (s) are functions of a_i and b_i (s). According to Abel-Ruffini theorem (Wikipedia, Abel-Ruffini theorem, 2016), equation g(x) = 0 has no algebraic solution when $m \ge 5$. Thus, abstract variables p_i and p_i cannot be eliminated entirely from g(x)=0, which causes that **there is no specification of U-gate inference** $P(X_1xX_2x...xX_n)$ so that diagnostic condition is satisfied.

- It is concluded that there is no nonlinear X-D network satisfying diagnostic condition but a new question is raised: Does there exist the general linear X-D network satisfying diagnostic condition?
- Such linear network is called **GL-D** network and SIGMA-D network is specific case of GL-D network. The GL-gate probability must be linear combination of weights.

$$P(X_1 \times X_2 \times ... \times X_n) = C + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i w_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i d_i$$

• The GL-gate inference is singular if α_i and β_i are functions of only X_i as follows:

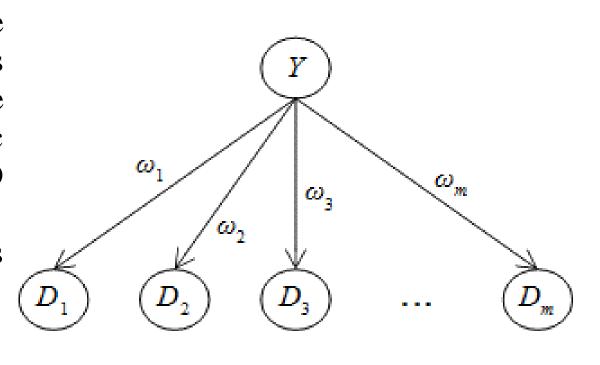
$$P(X_1 \times X_2 \times ... \times X_n) = C + \sum_{i=1}^n h_i(X_i) w_i + \sum_{i=1}^n g_i(X_i) d_i$$

- Suppose h_i and g_i are probability mass functions with regard to X_i . For all i, we have: $0 \le h_i(X_i) \le 1$, $0 \le g_i(X_i) \le 1$, $h_i(X_i = 1) + h_i(X_i = 0) = 1$, $g_i(X_i = 1) + g_i(X_i = 0) = 1$
- **GL-D network** satisfies diagnostic condition if $s(\Omega) = 2^n C + 2^{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (w_i + d_i) = 2^{n-1} \Rightarrow 2C + \sum_{i=1}^n (w_i + d_i) = 1$
- Suppose the set of X_i (s) is complete, we have $\sum_{i=1}^n (w_i + d_i) = 1$. This implies C=0.
- Shortly, formula 4.10 specifies the singular GL-gate inference so that GL-D network satisfies diagnostic condition.

$$P(X_1 \times X_2 \times ... \times X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i(X_i) w_i + \sum_{i=1}^n g_i(X_i) d_i$$

Where h_i and g_i are probability mass functions and the set of X_i (s) is complete $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (w_i + d_i) = 1$

- According to authors (Millán & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2002), a hypothesis can have multiple evidences as seen in the next figure. This is multi-evidence diagnostic relationship opposite to aforementioned multi-hypothesis diagnostic relationship, which is called shortly **M-E-D** network.
- The joint probability of M-E-D network is $P(Y, D_1, D_2, ..., D_m) = P(Y) \prod_{j=1}^m P(D_j | Y) = P(Y) P(D_1, D_2, ..., D_m | Y)$
- The possible transformation coefficient is $\frac{1}{k} = \prod_{j=1}^{m} P(D_j | Y = 1) + \prod_{j=1}^{m} P(D_j | Y = 0)$



• M-E-D network will satisfy diagnostic condition if k = 1 because all hypotheses and evidence are binary, which leads that following equation specified by following formula 4.11 has 2m real roots $P(D_i/Y)$ for all $m \ge 2$.

$$\prod_{j=1}^{m} P(D_j | Y = 1) + \prod_{j=1}^{m} P(D_j | Y = 0) = 1 \quad (4.11)$$

• Suppose equation 4.11 has 4 real roots as follows: $a_1 = P(D_1 = 1|Y = 1)$, $a_2 =$ $P(D_2 = 1|Y = 1), b_1 = P(D_1 = 1|Y = 0), b_2 = P(D_2 = 1|Y = 0)$

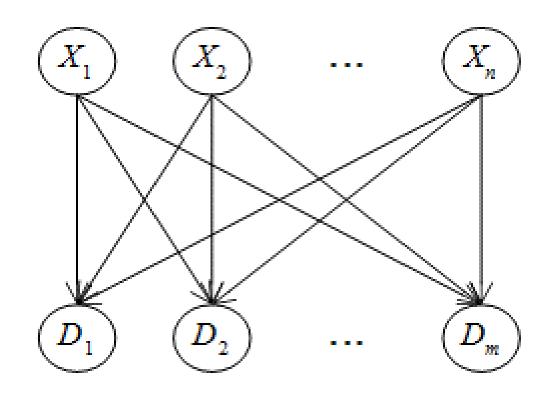
• From equation 4.11, it holds
$$\begin{cases} a_1 = a_2 = 0 \\ b_1 = b_2 \\ a_1^2 + b_1^2 = 1 \\ b_1 = 2 \end{cases}$$
 or
$$\begin{cases} a_1 = a_2 = 0.5 \\ b_1 = b_2 \\ a_1^2 + b_1^2 = 1 \\ b_1 = 1.5 \end{cases}$$
 which leads a

contradiction (b_1 =2 or b_1 =1.5) and so it is impossible to apply the diagnostic condition into M-E-D network.

- It is impossible to **model M-E-D network by X-gates**. The potential solution for this problem is to group many evidences $D_1, D_2, ..., D_m$ into one representative evidence D which in turn is dependent on hypothesis Y but this solution will be inaccurate in specifying conditional probabilities because directions of dependencies become inconsistent (relationships from D_j to D and from Y to D) except that all D_j (s) are removed and D becomes a vector. However evidence vector does not simplify the hazardous problem and it changes the current problem into a new problem.
- Another solution is to reverse the direction of relationship, in which the hypothesis is dependent on evidences so as to take advantages of X-gate inference as usual. However, the reversion method violates the viewpoint in this research where diagnostic relationship must be from hypothesis to evidence.

- Another solution to model **M-E-D network** by X-gates is based on a so-called *partial diagnostic condition* that is a loose case of diagnostic condition for M-E-D network, which is defined as follows:
- The joint probability of M-E-D is: $P(Y, D_1, D_2, ..., D_m) = P(Y) \prod_{j=1}^m P(D_j | Y)$
- M-E-D network satisfies partial diagnostic condition because $P(Y|D_j) = \frac{1}{2}P(D_j|Y)$
- Partial diagnostic condition expresses a different viewpoint. It is not an optimal solution because we cannot test a disease based on only one symptom while ignoring other obvious symptoms, for example.

- If we are successful in specifying conditional probabilities of M-E-D network, it is possible to define an extended network which is constituted of n hypotheses $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ and m evidences $D_1, D_2, ..., D_m$. Such extended network represents multi-hypothesis multi-evidence diagnostic relationship, called M-HE-D network.
- The M-HE-D network is the most general case of diagnostic network, which was mentioned in (Millán & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2002, p. 297). We can construct any large diagnostic BN from M-HE-D networks and so the research is still open.



5. Conclusion

- In short, relationship conversion is to determine conditional probabilities based on logic gates that is adhered to semantics of relationships. The weak point of logic gates is to require that all variables must be binary.
- In order to lessen the impact of such weak point, I use numeric evidence for extending capacity of simple BN. However, combination of binary hypothesis and numeric evidence leads to errors or biases in inference. Therefore, I propose the *diagnostic condition* so as to confirm that numeric evidence is adequate to make complicated inference tasks in BN.
- A large BN can be constituted of many simple BN (s). Inference in large BN is hazardous problem. In future, I will research effective inference methods for the special BN that is constituted of X-gate BN (s).
- Moreover, I try my best to research deeply M-E-D network and M-HE-D network whose problems I cannot solve absolutely now.

5. Conclusion

- Two main documents I referred to do this research are the book "Learning Bayesian Networks" by the author (Neapolitan, 2003) and the article "A Bayesian Diagnostic Algorithm for Student Modeling and its Evaluation" by authors (Millán & Pérez-de-la-Cruz, 2002).
- Especially, the SIGMA-gate inference is based on and derived from the work of the authors Eva Millán and José Luis Pérez-de-la-Cruz.
- This research is originated from my PhD research "A User Modeling System for Adaptive Learning" (Nguyen, 2014).
- Other references relevant to user modeling, overlay model, and Bayesian network are (Fröschl, 2005), (De Bra, Smits, & Stash, 2006), (Murphy, 1998), and (Heckerman, 1995).

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