Exact and Approximate Weighted Model Integration Using Knowledge Compilation



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Probabilistic Inference

Probabilistic inference algorithms are targeted towards:

- either continuous distributions: symbolic inference, Hamilton Monte Carlo, variational Bayesian Inference, ...
- or discrete distributions: SAT, weighted model counting, ...

We want to combine state-of-the-art from both

→ best of both worlds!

Weighted Model Integration

working
$$\leftrightarrow$$
 (cooling \land (t² < 30)) \lor (t < 5)
$$p(\text{cooling}) = 0.99$$

$$t \sim \mathcal{N}_{t}(20, 5)$$

Question:

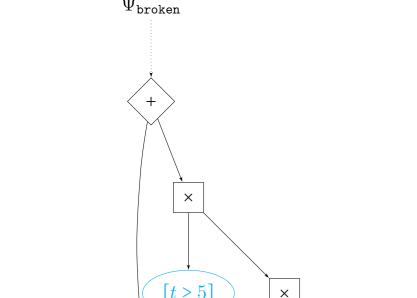
Exact: Symbo

p(working) = ?

In general:

$$p(x|e) = \frac{p(e|x)p(x)}{f_x p(x,e)}$$

Two Algorithms



 $[t \ge 5]$ $[t^2 < 30]$ 0.99

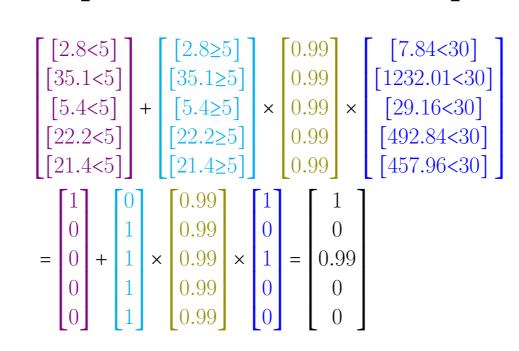
 $[t<5] + 0.99[t\ge5][t^2<30]$

p(working) $= \int ([t<5] + 0.99[t^2<30][t\ge5]) \mathcal{N}_t(20,5) dt$

Integrals become easily intractable.

Approximate: Sampo

$$t \approx [2.8, 35.1, 5.4, 22.2, 21.4]$$



$$p(\text{working})$$
= $\frac{1}{5} \sum_{i=1}^{5} \Psi_{\text{broken},i}^{\text{MC}} = 1.99/5 = 0.39$

Pure vector calculus and can be executed on the GPU!

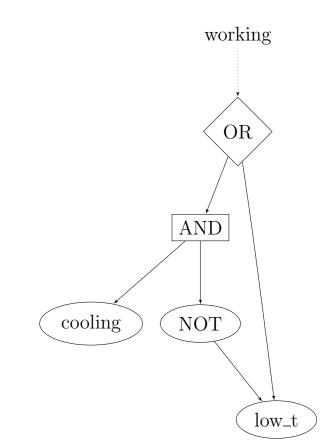
- → cheap probabilistic inference
- → embarrassingly parallelizable

Knowledge Compilation

offline: compile theory (expensive) online: fast inference (cheap)

- evaluation in linear time
- conditioning in poly-time
- repeated querying

working ↔ cooling ∨ low_t



Algebraic Model Counting

Generalized framework for probabilistic inference:

• define specific semiring $(\mathcal{A}, \oplus, \otimes, e^{\oplus}, e^{\otimes})$ for specific task

Link to belief propagation:

- sum-product: \oplus is normal addition
- max-product: ⊕ is maximization

We defined a custom probability density semiring with custom elements:

$$\mathcal{A} = \{(a, \mathcal{V}(a))\}$$

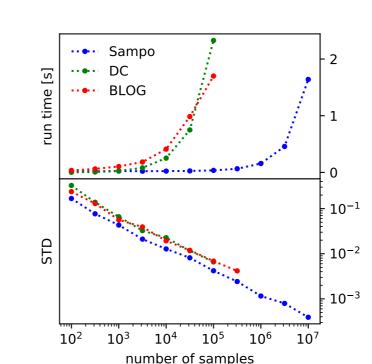
$$a = [t<5] + 0.99[t^2<30][t \ge 5]$$

$$V(a) = \{t\}$$

Results

- Symbo is faster on 9/10 benchmark problems than PSI, excluding knowledge compilation
- Symbo is faster on 7/10 benchmark problems than PSI, including knowledge compilation

Logical reasoning generally improves symbolic inference!



- Sampling on the GPU → constant time complexity
- Avoid sampling categorical variables → reduction in variance

