

# CS5340

## Uncertainty Modeling in AI

### Lecture 6: Factor Graph and the Junction Tree Algorithm

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# Course Schedule

Week	Date	Topic	Remarks
1	15 Aug	Introduction to probabilities and probability distributions	
2	22 Aug	Fitting probability models	Hari Raya Haji*
3	29 Aug	Bayesian networks (Directed graphical models)	
4	05 Sep	Markov random Fields (Undirected graphical models)	
5	12 Sep	I will be traveling	No Lecture
6	19 Sep	Variable elimination and belief propagation	
-	26 Sep	Recess week	No lecture
7	03 Oct	Factor graph and the junction tree algorithm	
8	10 Oct	Parameter learning with complete data	
9	17 Oct	Mixture models and the EM algorithm	
10	24 Oct	Hidden Markov Models (HMM)	
11	31 Oct	Monte Carlo inference (Sampling)	
12	07 Nov	Variational inference	
13	14 Nov	Graph-cut and alpha expansion	

\* Make-up lecture: 25 Aug (Sat), 9.30am-12.30pm, LT 15

# Acknowledgements

- A lot of slides and content of this lecture are adopted from:
  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/chapter4.pdf>  
<http://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~jordan/prelims/chapter17.pdf>
  2. 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

# Learning Outcomes

- Students should be able to:
  1. Represent a joint distribution with a **factor graph**, and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.
  2. Use the **max-product algorithm** to find the maximal probability and its configurations.
  3. Convert a DGM/UGM into the **junction tree** and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.

# Factor Graphs

- **DGMs and UGMs**: allow a global function of several variables to be expressed as a **product of factors** over subsets of those variables.
- **Factor graphs** make this decomposition explicit by introducing **additional nodes for the factors** in addition to the nodes representing the variables.
- Unlike DGMs and UGMs, factor graphs are **NOT** designed for **conditional independence**, but for **more explicit** details of the **factorization**.

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

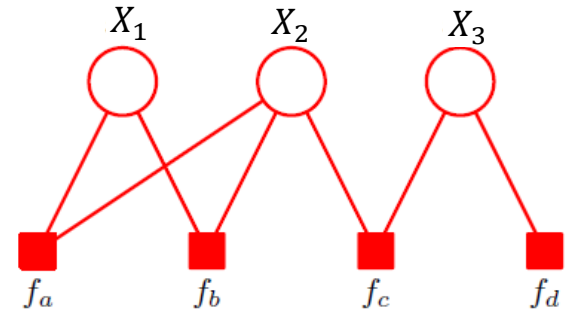


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# Factor Graphs: Joint Distribution

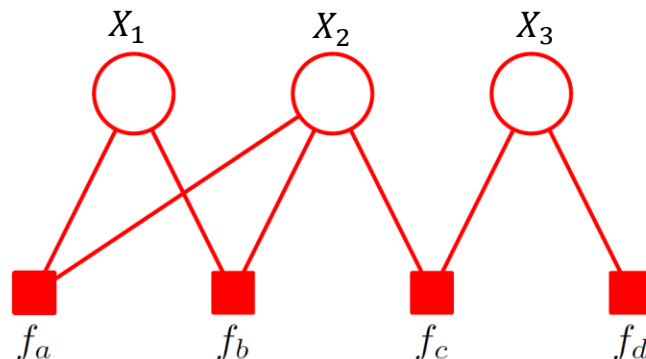
- We write the **joint distribution** over a set of variables in the form of a **product of factors**:

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

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

# Factor Graphs

**Example:**



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

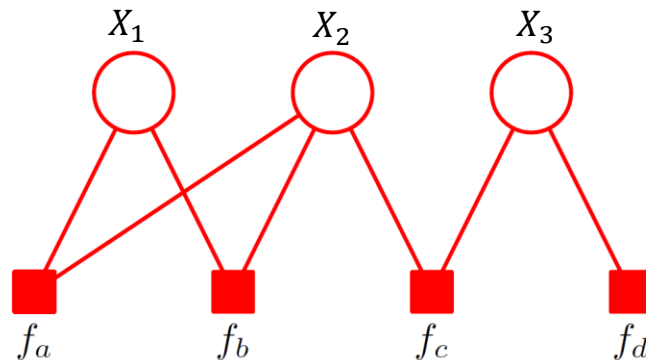
- Note that there are two factors  $f_a(x_1, x_2)$  and  $f_b(x_1, x_2)$  that are defined over the **same set of variables**.
- In an **undirected graph**, product of two such factors would simply be **lumped together** into the same clique potential.

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# 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.

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# Convert DGM to Factor Graph

- Recall the **factorization of DGMs** is defined as:

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

- Convert a DGM into a factor graph by representing the **local conditional distributions**  $p(x_i | x_{\pi_i})$  as **factors**  $f_s(x_s)$ .

# 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 maximal 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**.

# DGM/UGM to Factor Graph

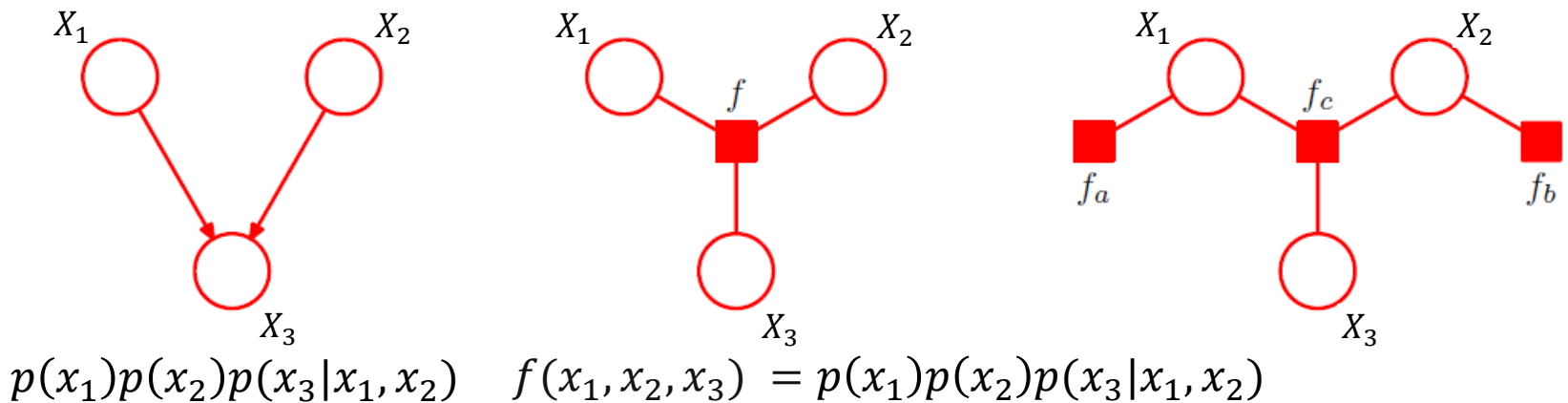
- Note that there may be **several different factor graphs** that correspond to the same DGM / UGM.
- Factor graphs to be **more specific** about the precise form of the factorization.

## Example: Directed Graph

$$f_a(x_1) = p(x_1)$$

$$f_b(x_2) = p(x_2)$$

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



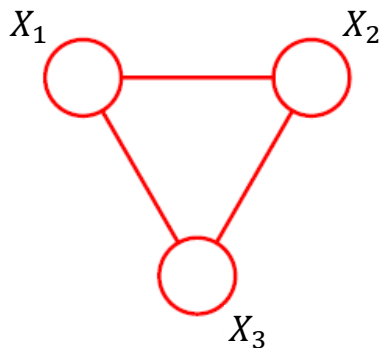
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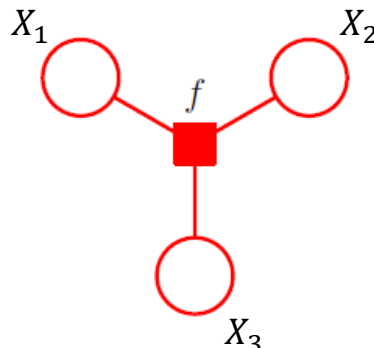
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## Example: Undirected Graph

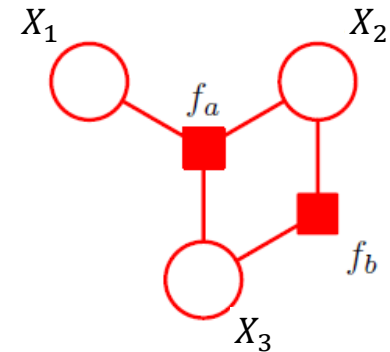
$$f_a(x_1, x_2, x_3)f_b(x_1, x_2) = \psi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$



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



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

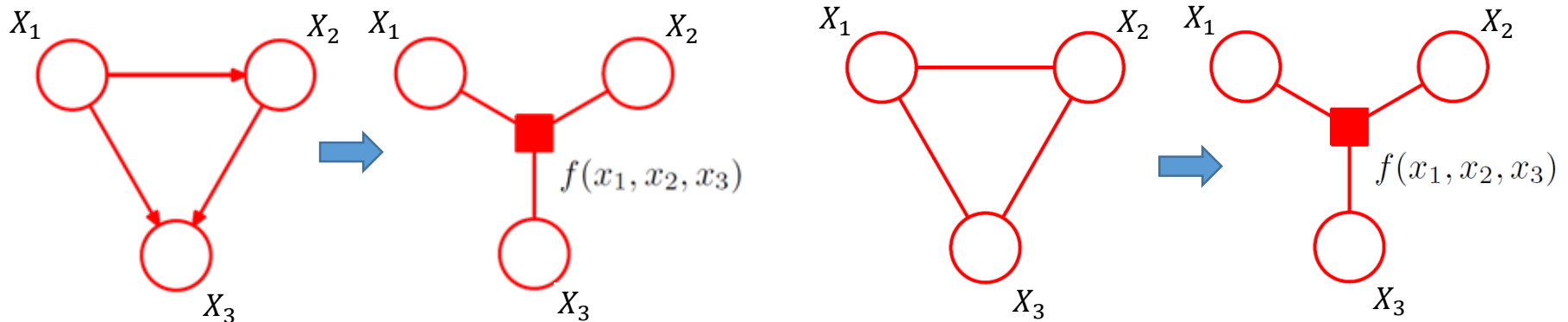


Two factor graphs representing the same distribution

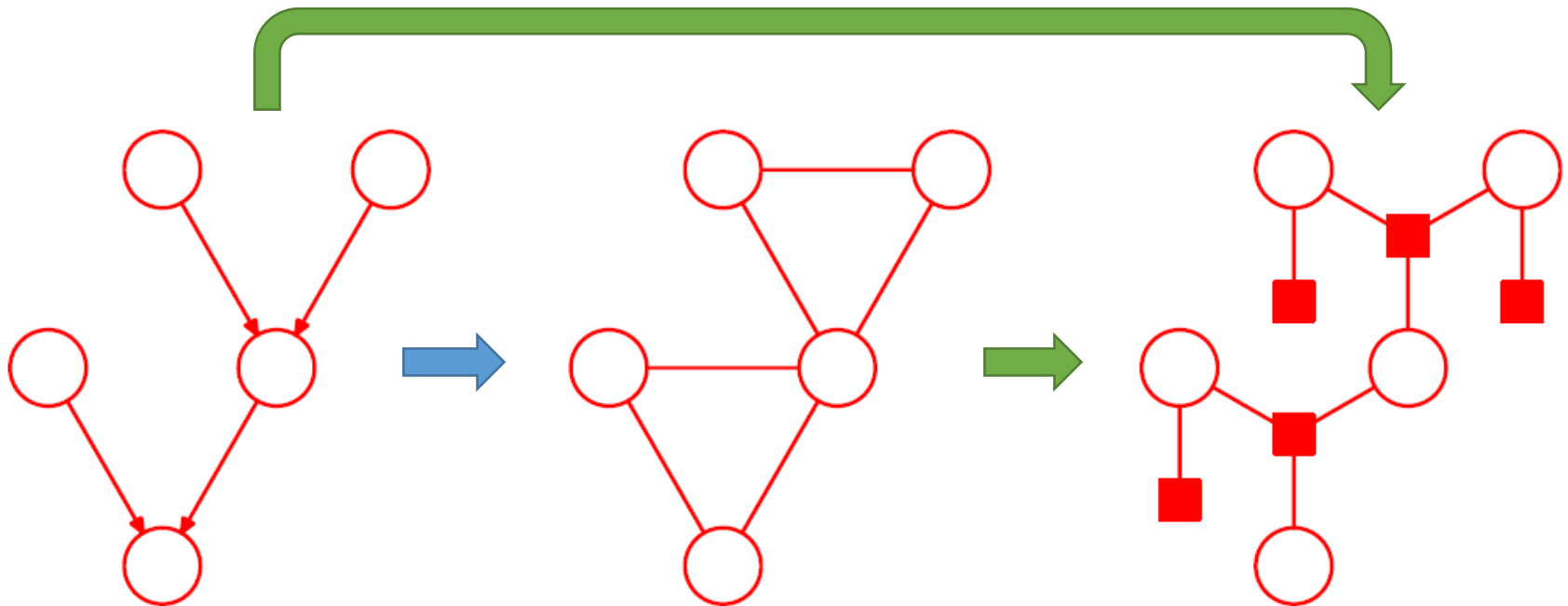
# Factor Graphs: Sum-Product Algorithm

- **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.

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# 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  $\nu$ : flow **from variable to factor nodes**.
  2. Messages  $\mu$ : flow **from factor to variable nodes**.



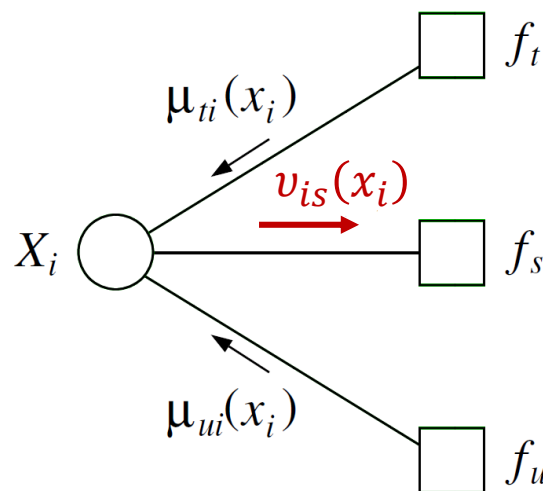
# Neighborhood Sets of a Node

- $N(s) \subset \mathcal{V}$ : 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  $f_s$** :

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



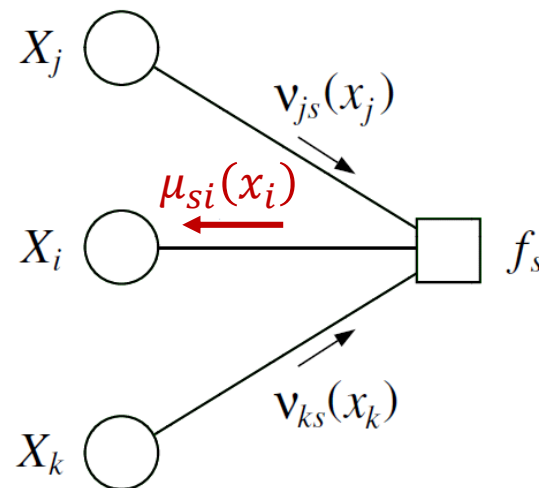
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# Messages from Factor to Variable Nodes

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

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

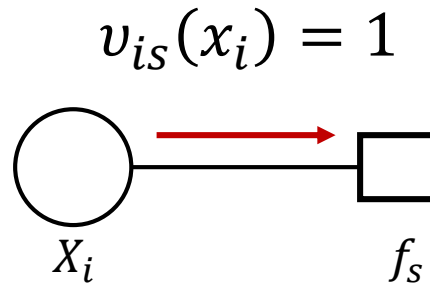


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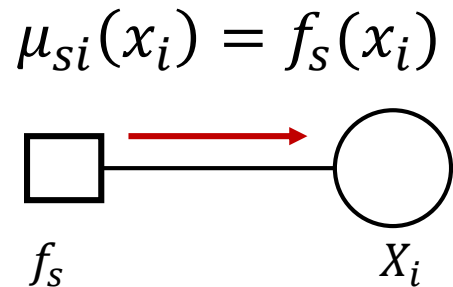
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# Messages From The Leaf Nodes

- Message from a **leaf variable node to factor node**:



- Message from a **leaf factor node to variable node**:



# 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

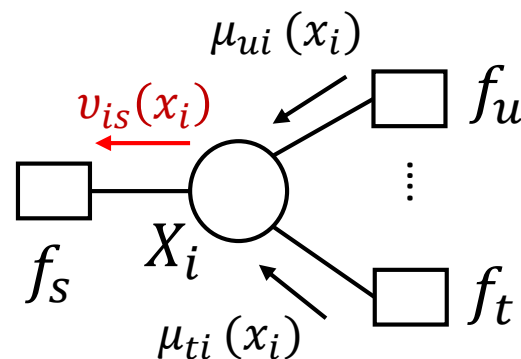
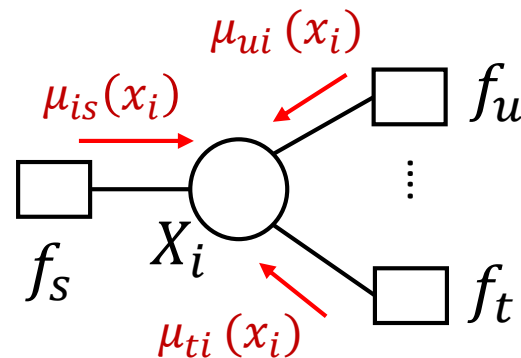
- Once a node  $X_i$  has received the messages from all its neighbors, the **marginal probability** is given by:

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

$$= \nu_{is}(x_i) \mu_{si}(x_i)$$

since

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



# Factor Tree Sum-Product Algorithm

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( $i$ )

1. EVIDENCE( $E$ )      // add **evidence potentials** (convert conditioning into marginalization)
  - for**  $i \in E$   
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  - for**  $i \notin E$   
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2.  $\mu\text{-COLLECT}(i, s)$       // recursively collect messages from leaves to root

**for**  $j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i$   
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**Message from variable node  $X_i$  to the factor node  $f_s$ :**

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$$\prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j)$$

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3.  $\nu\text{-DISTRIBUTE}(i, s)$  // distribute messages from root to leaves

$\nu\text{-SENDMESSAGE}(i, s)$

**for**  $j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i$

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

4. COMPUTEMARGINAL( $i$ ) // compute **marginal probability**

$$p(x_i) \propto \nu_{is}(x_i) \mu_{si}(x_i)$$

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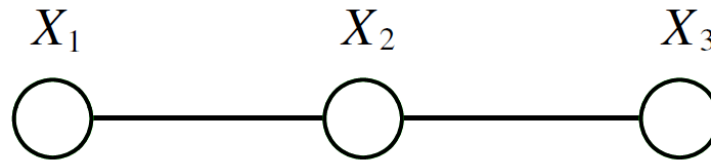
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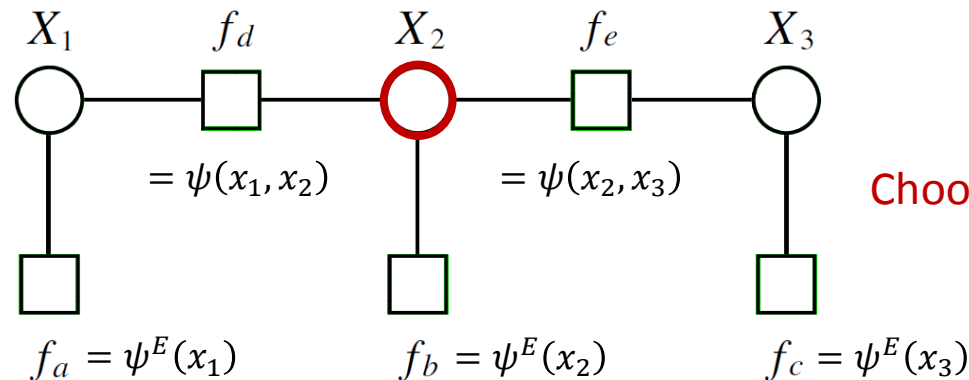
# Factor Tree Sum-Product Algorithm

**Example:**

$$p(x|\bar{x}_E) = \frac{1}{Z^E} (\psi^E(x_1)\psi^E(x_2)\psi^E(x_3)\psi(x_1, x_2)\psi(x_2, x_3))$$



Convert UGM into a factor graph

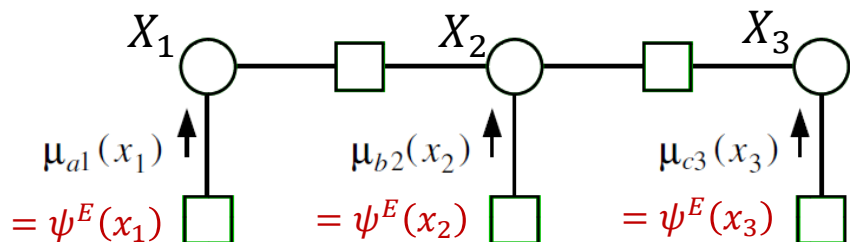


Choose  $X_2$  as root node

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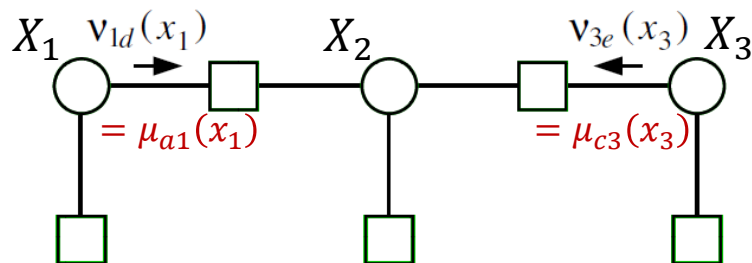
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## Example:



**Collect** messages from leaf nodes:

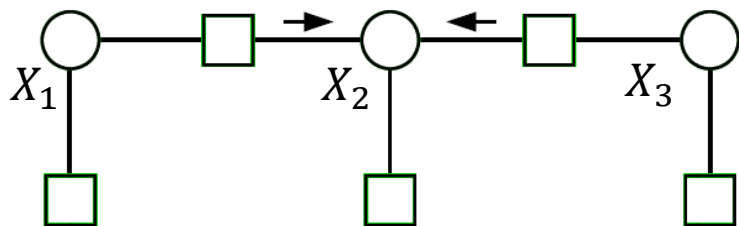
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**Collect** variable to factor messages:

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

$$\mu_{d2}(x_2) = \sum_{x_1} \psi(x_1, x_2) \mu_{a1}(x_1) \quad \mu_{e2}(x_2) = \sum_{x_3} \psi(x_2, x_3) \mu_{c3}(x_3)$$



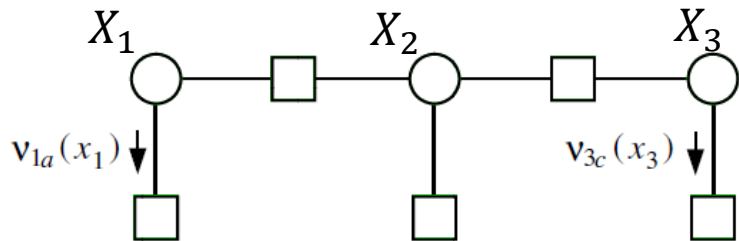
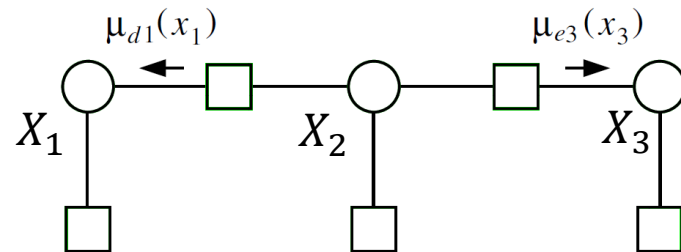
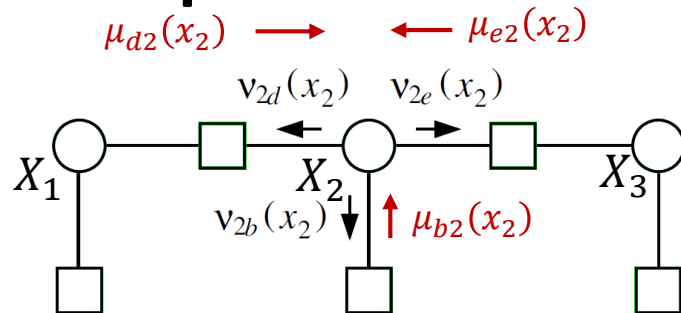
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# Factor Tree Sum-Product Algorithm

## Example:



**Distribute** variable to factor messages:

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Distribute** variable to factor messages:

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

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

# 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:**

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:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{si}(x_i) &= \sum_{x_{\mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i}} \left( f_s(x_{\mathcal{N}(s)}) \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}(s) \setminus i} \nu_{js}(x_j) \right) \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \psi(x_i, x_j) \nu_{js}(x_j) \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus s} \mu_{tj}(x_j) \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \left( \psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{t \in \mathcal{N}'(j) \setminus s} \mu_{tj}(x_j) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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

# Maximum a Posterior Probabilities

- **Marginalization problem**: summing over all configurations of sets of random variables.
- **Maximum a Posterior (MAP) problem**: maximizing over all sets of random variables.
- Two aspects to MAP:
  1. Finding the **maximal probability**.
  2. Finding a **configuration** that achieves the maximal probability.

# Maximal Probability

- Given a probability distribution  $p(x \mid \bar{x}_E)$ , the **maximum a posterior probability** is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\max_x p(x \mid \bar{x}_E) &= \max_x \frac{p(x, \bar{x}_E)}{p(\bar{x}_E)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Can be removed since we are finding max over } X. \\ &= \max_x p(x, \bar{x}_E) \\ &= \max_x p(x) \delta(x_E, \bar{x}_E) \\ &= \max_x p(x)^E\end{aligned}$$

where

- $\bar{X}_E$  is the set of observed variables, and
- $p(x)^E$  is the unnormalized representation of the conditional probability  $p(x, \bar{x}_E)$ .

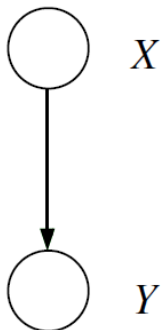


# Fallacy

- Can we solve the MAP problem by computing the:
  - marginal probability for **each variable**, and
  - assignment of each variable that **maximizes its individual marginal**?

**NO!!!**

**Illustration:**



1	.6
2	.2
3	.2

$p(x)$

		$y$		
		1	2	3
$x$	1	0	.6	.4
	2	1	0	0
	3	1	0	0

$p(y | x)$

	1	2	3
	.4	.36	.24

$p(y)$

Marginal probabilities:

$$\max_x p(x) = p(x = 1) = 0.6$$

$$\max_y p(y) = p(y = 1) = 0.4$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x,y} p(x, y) &= p(x = 1, y = 2) \\ &= 0.36 \end{aligned}$$

# From Marginal to MAP Algorithms

- **Distributive law** of multiplication over addition:

$$a \cdot b_1 + a \cdot b_2 + \dots + a \cdot b_n = a \cdot (b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n)$$

- Plays a **key role** in elimination and sum-product algorithms:

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5) &= \sum_{x_6} \underbrace{p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)}_a p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \\ &= \sum_{x_6} a \cdot p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \\ &= a \cdot p(x_6 = 0|x_2, x_5) + \dots + a \cdot p(x_6 = k|x_2, x_5) \\ &= a \cdot (p(x_6 = 0|x_2, x_5) + \dots + p(x_6 = k|x_2, x_5)) \quad \text{(Distributive law)} \\ &= p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3) \sum_{x_6} p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \end{aligned}$$

# From Marginal to MAP Algorithms

- **Distributive law** applies to the “**max**” operator too!

$$\max(a. b_1, a. b_2, \dots, a. b_n) = a. \max(b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n)$$

- Turn the elimination algorithm into the “**MAP-elimination**” algorithm by replacing the “sum” with “max” operator:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x_6} p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_6) &= \max_{x_6} p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \\ &\quad \text{“max” operator can be pushed in!} \\ &= \underbrace{p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)}_{\text{independent of } x_6} \max_{x_6} p(x_6|x_2, x_5) \end{aligned}$$

- Becomes the “**max-product**” algorithm.

# MAP-Elimination Algorithm

MAP-ELIMINATE( $\mathcal{G}, E$ )    // main steps of the “MAP-Elimination Algorithm”

1. INITIALIZE( $\mathcal{G}$ )
2. EVIDENCE( $E$ )
3. UPDATE( $\mathcal{G}$ )
4. MAXIMUM

1. INITIALIZE( $\mathcal{G}$ )    // choose elimination ordering, and add local condition probabilities in **active list**  
    choose an ordering  $I$     // **same** as the “variable elimination algorithm”  
    **for** each node  $X_i$  in  $\mathcal{V}$   
        place  $p(x_i | x_{\pi_i})$  on the active list

2. EVIDENCE( $E$ )    // add evidence potentials in **active list**  
    **for** each  $i$  in  $E$     // **same** as the “variable elimination algorithm”  
        place  $\delta(x_i, \bar{x}_i)$  on the active list

3. UPDATE( $\mathcal{G}$ )    // **maximization**, and update active list  
    **for** each  $i$  in  $I$   
        find all potentials from the active list that reference  $x_i$  and remove them from the active list  
        let  $\phi_i^{\max}(x_{T_i})$  denote the product of these potentials  
        let  $m_i^{\max}(x_{S_i}) = \max_{x_i} \phi_i^{\max}(x_{T_i})$   
        place  $m_i^{\max}(x_{S_i})$  on the active list

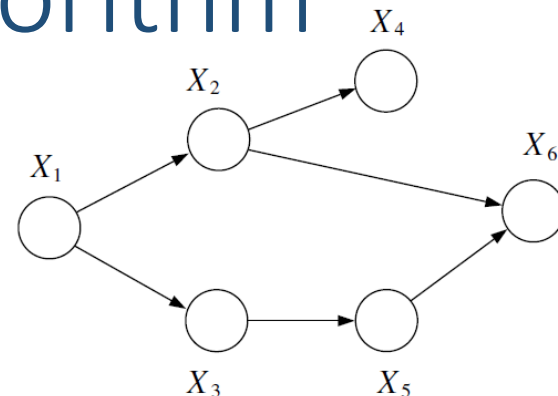
4. MAXIMUM  
     $\max_x p^E(x) =$  the scalar value on the active list

# MAP-Elimination Algorithm

## Example:

Elimination order:  $I = \{6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1\}$

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



$$\begin{aligned}
 \max_x p(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_5 | \bar{x}_6) &= \max_{x_1} \max_{x_2} \max_{x_3} \max_{x_4} \max_{x_5} \max_{x_6} \frac{p(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_5, \bar{x}_6)}{p(\bar{x}_6)} \\
 &= \max_{x_1} \max_{x_2} \max_{x_3} \max_{x_4} \max_{x_5} \max_{x_6} p(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_5, \bar{x}_6) \\
 &= \max_{x_1} \max_{x_2} \max_{x_3} \max_{x_4} \max_{x_5} \max_{x_6} p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)p(x_6|x_2, x_5)\delta(x_6, \bar{x}_6) \\
 &= \max_{x_1} p(x_1) \max_{x_2} p(x_2|x_1) \max_{x_3} p(x_3|x_1) \max_{x_4} p(x_4|x_2) \max_{x_5} p(x_5|x_3) \underbrace{\max_{x_6} p(x_6|x_2, x_5)\delta(x_6, \bar{x}_6)}_{m_6(x_2, x_5)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\max_{x_4} p(x_4|x_2) \max_{x_5} p(x_5|x_3) m_6(x_2, x_5)}_{m_5(x_2, x_3)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\max_{x_3} p(x_3|x_1) m_5(x_2, x_3)}_{m_4(x_2, x_3)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\max_{x_2} p(x_2|x_1) m_4(x_2, x_3)}_{m_3(x_1, x_2)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\max_{x_1} p(x_1) m_3(x_1, x_2)}_{m_2(x_1)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\max_{x_1} p(x_1) m_2(x_1)}_{m_1(x_1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Underflow Problem

- **Products of probabilities** (numbers between 0 and 1) tend to **underflow**!
- Can be overcome by transforming to the **monotone log scale**:

$$\max_x p^E(x) = \max_x \log p^E(x)$$

- Fortunately, the **distributive law** still holds:

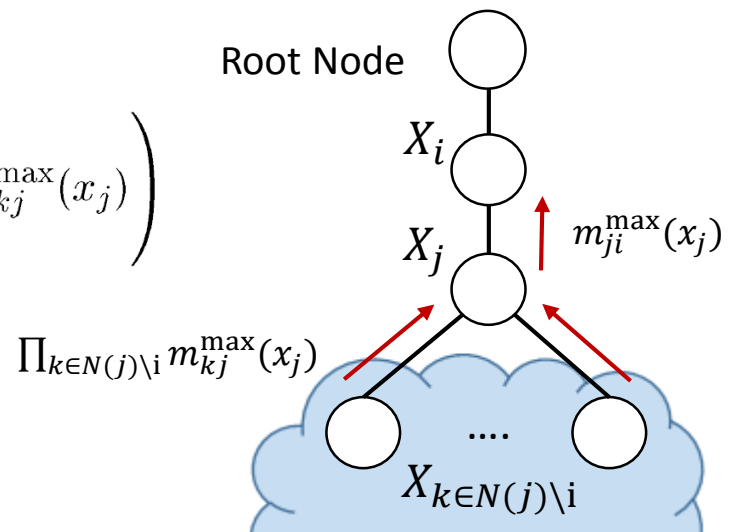
$$\max(a + b_1, a + b_2, \dots, a + b_n) = a + \max(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$$

- Turns the “**max-product**” algorithm into the “**max-sum**” algorithm.

# Max-Product Algorithm for Trees

- Find the **MAP probability** for a tree.
- We choose any node  $X_f$  as the **root** of the tree, and messages are propagated (inward pass) from the **leaves to the root**.
- Message from  $X_j$  to  $X_i$**  (closer to root):

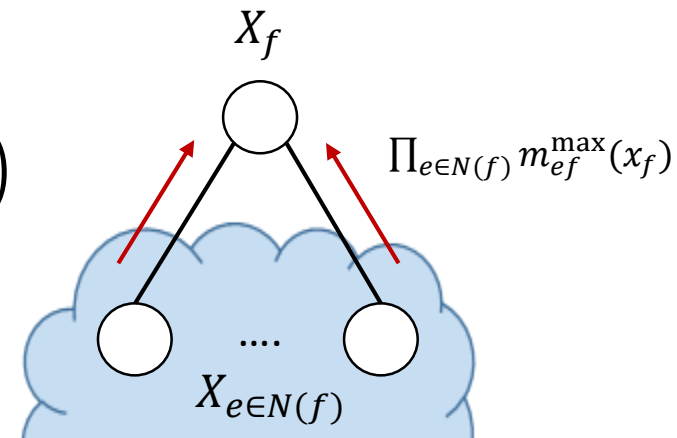
$$m_{ji}^{\max}(x_i) = \max_{x_j} \left( \psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i} m_{kj}^{\max}(x_j) \right)$$



# Max-Product Algorithm for Trees

- Collect all messages at the root and compute the **MAP probability** as:

$$\max_x p^E(x) = \max_{x_f} \left( \psi^E(x_f) \prod_{e \in N(f)} m_{ef}^{\max}(x_f) \right)$$



- Do we need to pass the messages **back to the leaves**?

**No!**

MAP probabilities for all choices of the root node are **the same**.



# Maximum a Posteriori Configurations

- This is the problem of finding **a configuration  $x^*$**  such that:

$$x^* \in \operatorname{argmax}_x p^E(x)$$

- Making use of the messages to the root  $X_f$  from the **sum-product algorithm**, we obtain a value:

$$x_f^* \in \arg \max_{x_f} \left( \psi^E(x_f) \prod_{e \in \mathcal{N}(f)} m_{ef}^{\max}(x_f) \right)$$

that necessarily belongs to **a maximum configuration**.

# Maximum a Posteriori Configurations

- Can we perform an **outward pass** of the messages from the root to leaves so that we can find the MAP configurations for all  $x$ ?

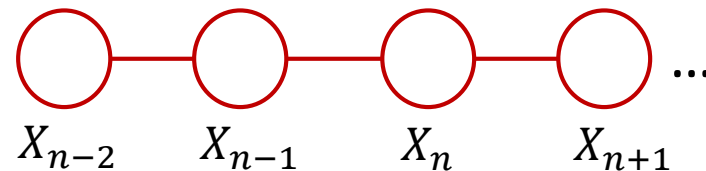
**NO!**

- **No guarantee** that the values  $x^*$  found this way belong to the **same maximizing configuration**.

# Maximum a Posteriori Configurations

## Example:

A lattice, or trellis, diagram shows two sets of configurations (black paths) in a chain model that give rise to the same MAP probability.



$$x_n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

Trellis diagram shows each possible state of the random variable.

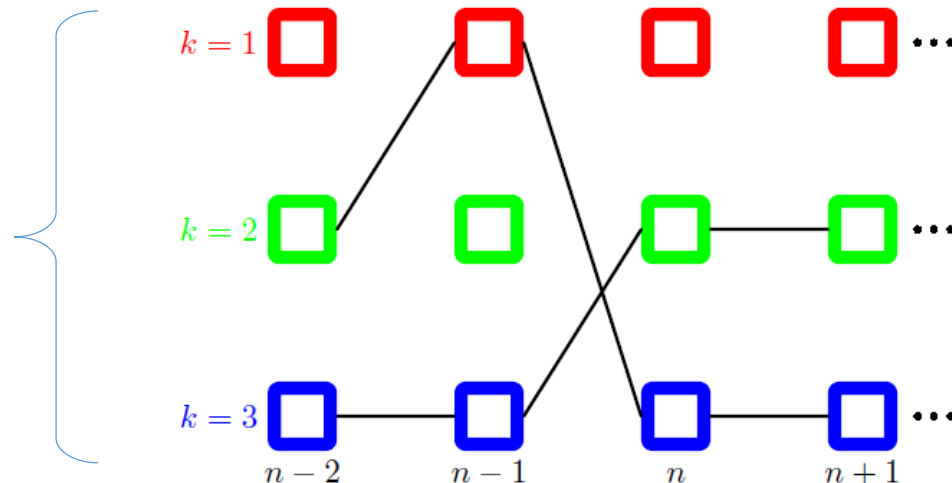


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# Max-Product Algorithm for Trees

- **Solution:** we also have to **record the maximizing values** in a table  $\delta_{ji}(x_i)$  when a message  $m_{ji}^{\max}(x_i)$  is sent from  $X_j$  to  $X_i$  (closer to root):

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

- More precisely, for each  $X_i$ , the function  $\delta_{ji}(x_i)$  **picks out a value of  $X_j$  (can be several)** that achieves the maximum.

# Max-Product Algorithm for Trees

- Having defined  $\delta_{ji}(x_i)$  during the **inward pass**, we use  $\delta_{ji}(x_i)$  to define a consistent maximizing configuration during an **outward pass**:
  1. Choose a maximizing value  $x_f^*$  at the root  $X_f$ .
  2. Set  $x_e^* = \delta_{ef}(x_f^*)$  for each  $e \in N(f)$ .
  3. Procedure continues outward to the leaves.

# Max-Product Algorithm for Trees

MAX-PRODUCT( $\mathcal{T}, E$ )     // main steps of the “MAP-Product Algorithm” for a tree  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$

EVIDENCE( $E$ )

$f = \text{CHOOSEROOT}(\mathcal{V})$

1. **for**  $e \in \mathcal{N}(f)$

    COLLECT( $f, e$ )

$MAP = \max_{x_f} (\psi^E(x_f) \prod_{e \in \mathcal{N}(f)} m_{ef}^{\max}(x_f))$

    // compute MAP probability at root

$x_f^* = \arg \max_{x_f} (\psi^E(x_f) \prod_{e \in \mathcal{N}(f)} m_{ef}^{\max}(x_f))$

    // get MAP configuration at root

2. **for**  $e \in \mathcal{N}(f)$

    DISTRIBUTE( $f, e$ )

1. COLLECT( $i, j$ )

    // inward message passing

**for**  $k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i$

        COLLECT( $j, k$ )

SENDMESSAGE( $j, i$ )

2. DISTRIBUTE( $i, j$ )

    // outward message passing

SETVALUE( $i, j$ )

**for**  $k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i$

        DISTRIBUTE( $j, k$ )

SENDMESSAGE( $j, i$ )

$m_{ji}^{\max}(x_i) = \max_{x_j} (\psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i} m_{kj}^{\max}(x_j))$      // compute MAP probability message

$\delta_{ji}(x_i) \in \arg \max_{x_j} (\psi^E(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \mathcal{N}(j) \setminus i} m_{kj}^{\max}(x_j))$      // get MAP configurations

SETVALUE( $i, j$ )     // get MAP configuration in outward pass

$x_j^* = \delta_{ji}(x_i^*)$

# From Variable Elimination to Junction Tree

- **Variable Elimination** is query sensitive: we must re-run the entire algorithm for each query node.
- The **Junction Tree algorithm** generalizes Variable Elimination to avoid this.

# From Variable Elimination to Junction Tree

- Main idea behind Junction Trees:
  - **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

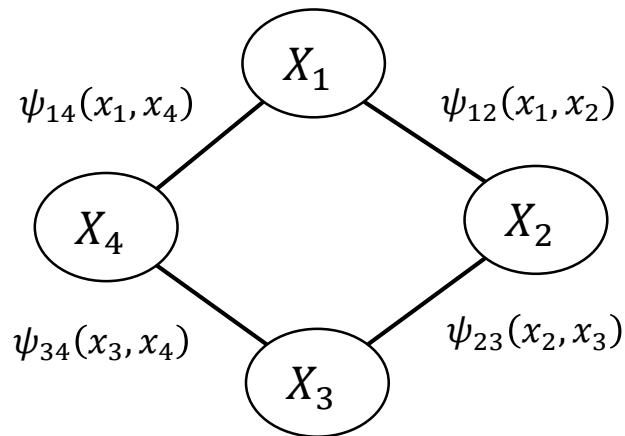
- Undirected graph such that:
  1. **Nodes** are **clusters**  $C_i \subseteq \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ , where  $X_i$  are the random variables.
  2. **Edge** between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$  associated with **sepset**  $S_{ij} = C_i \cap C_j$ .
- **Family preservation**: given a set of potentials  $\Psi \in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

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

# Cluster Graphs

Example:

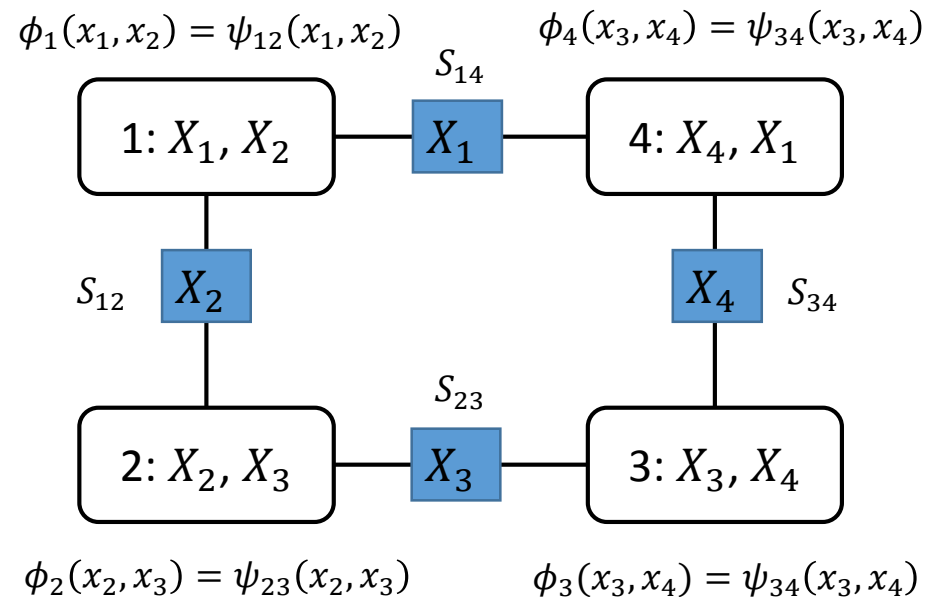
Undirected Graphical Model



Cluster Graph

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

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



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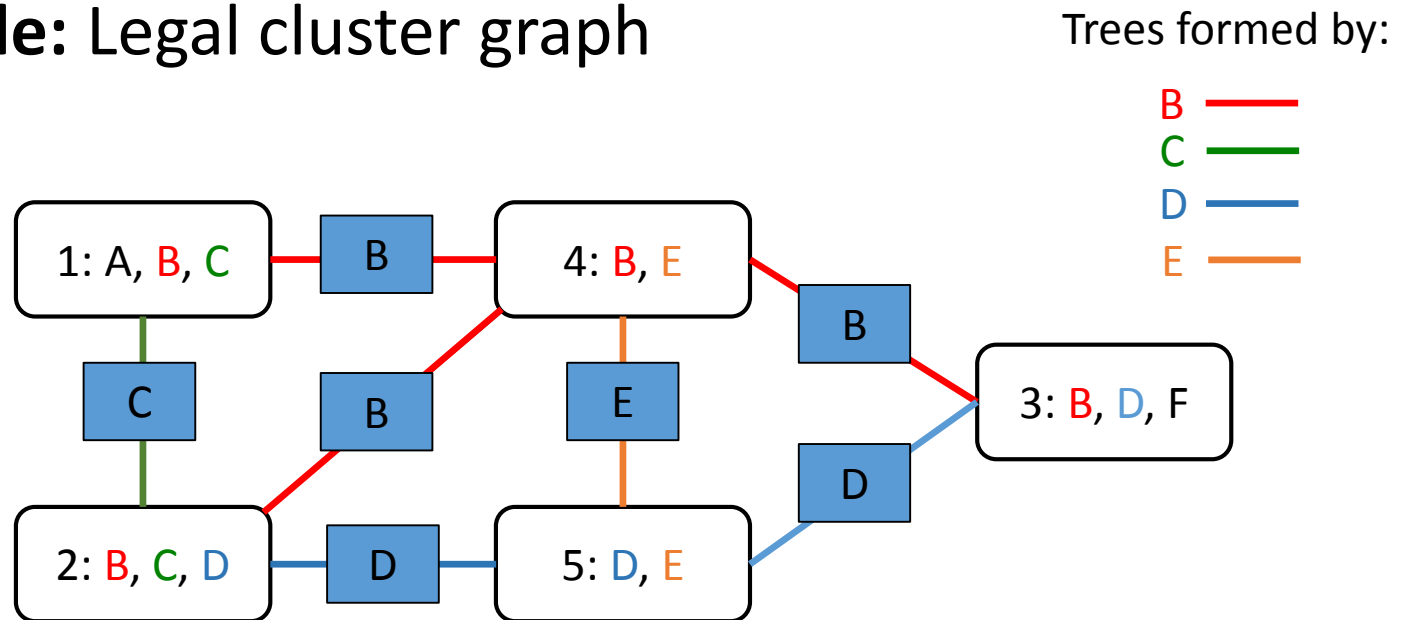
# Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property:

- 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**.

# Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property:

- A valid cluster graph **must fulfil** the running intersection property.

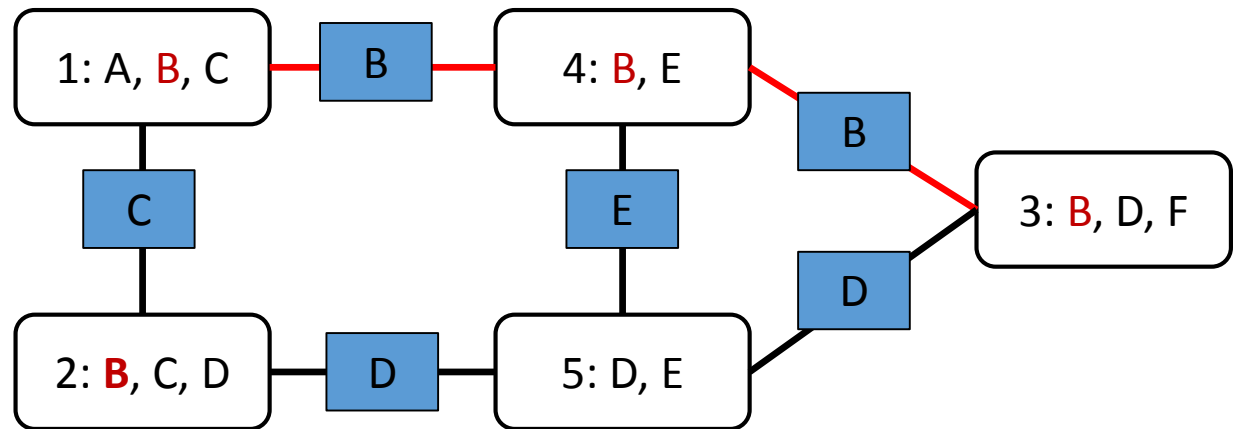
**Example:** Legal cluster graph



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# Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property:

**Example:** Illegal cluster graph I

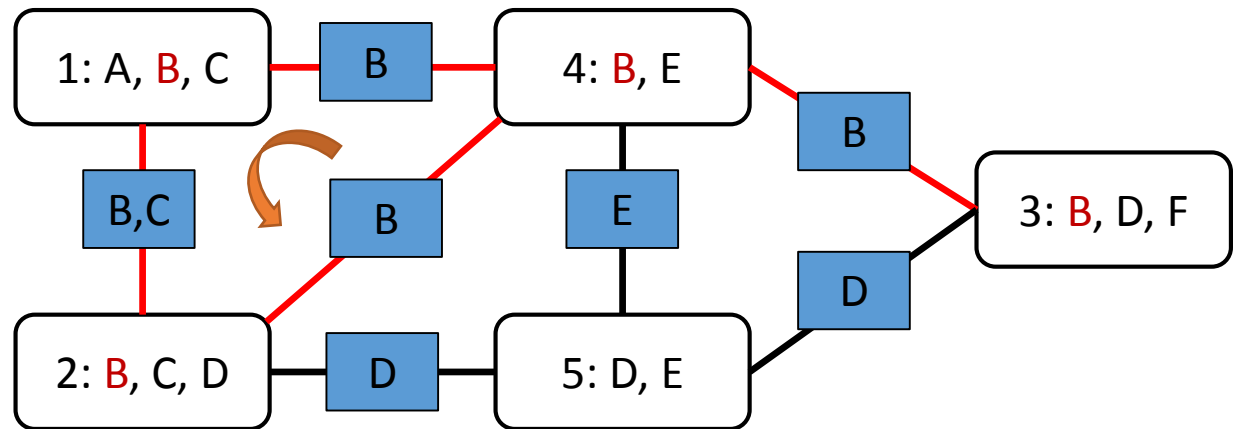


B is **disconnected** from the path!

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# Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property:

## Example: Illegal cluster graph II

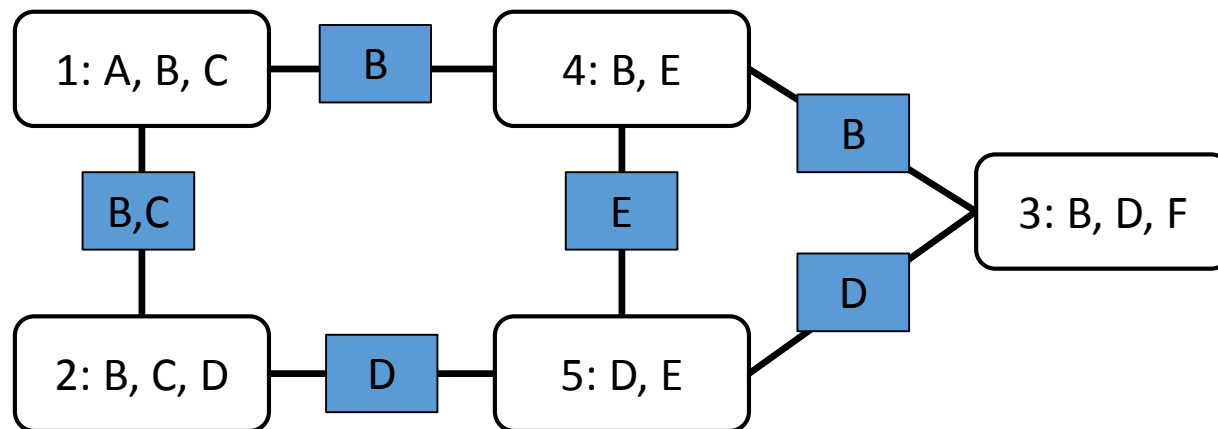


B forms a **cycle**!

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# Running Intersection Property: Junction Tree Property:

**Example:** Alternative legal cluster graph



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# 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**”.



# 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**.

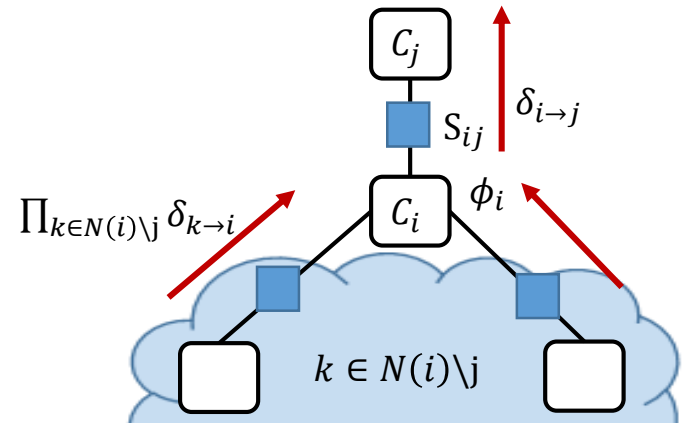
# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

- 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  $C_j$ .

# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

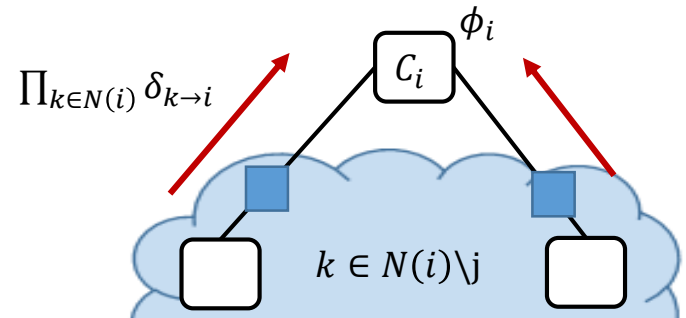
- Use the sum-product algorithm to compute **messages** from  $C_i$  to  $C_j$ :

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



- The **unnormalized\*** marginal probability of clique  $C_i$  is given by:

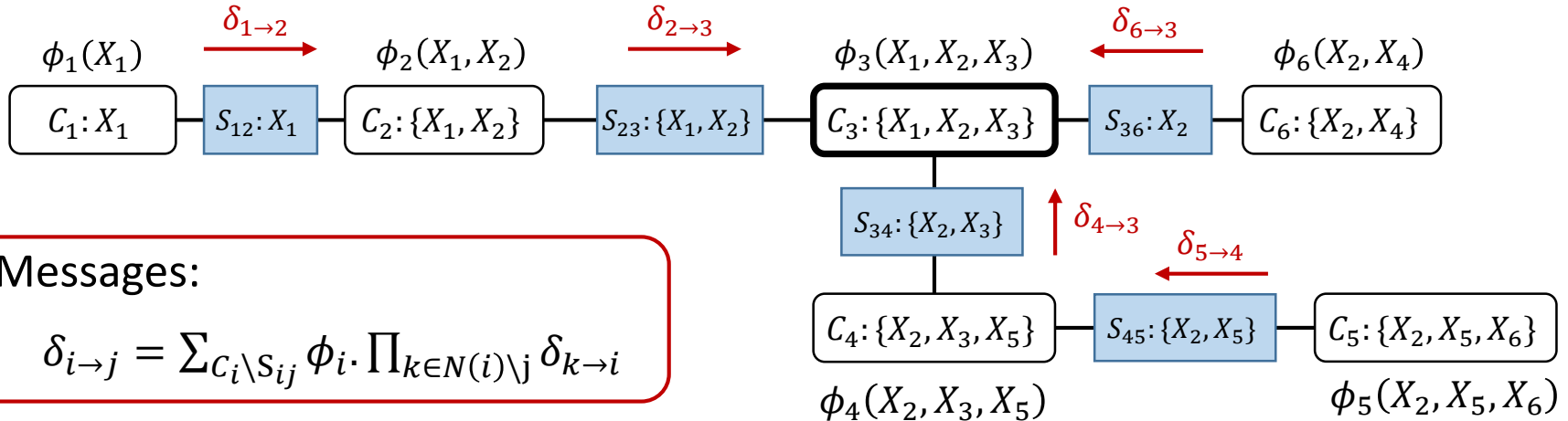
$$\tilde{p}(C_i) = \phi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in N(i)} \delta_{k \rightarrow i}$$



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

# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

**Example:** Let's choose  $C_3$  as the root



Messages:

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

Inward pass:

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

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

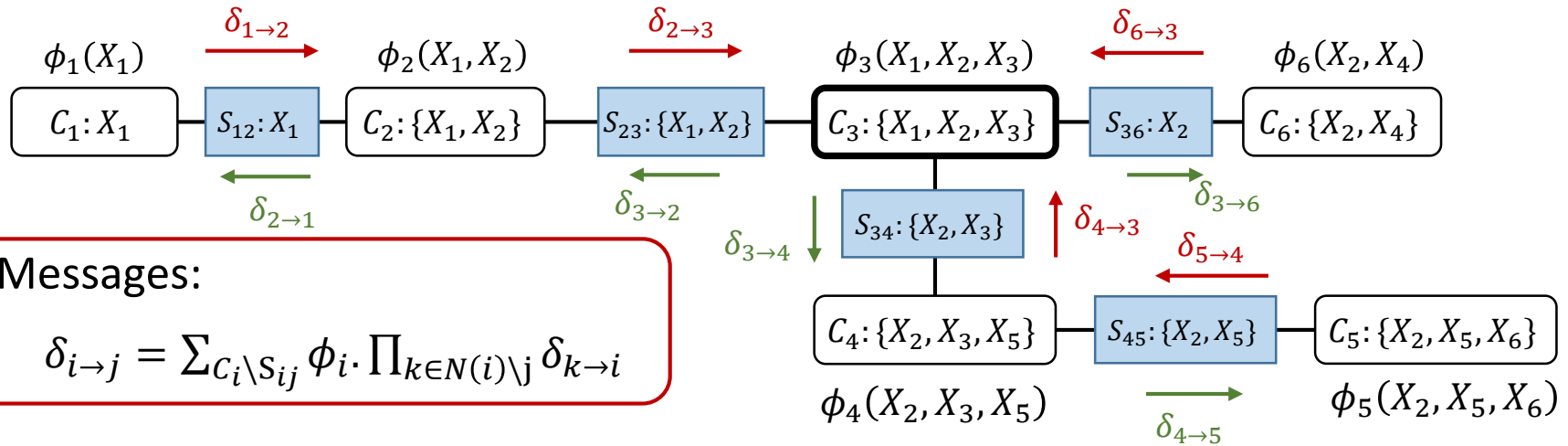
$$\delta_{5 \rightarrow 4} = \sum_{C_5 \setminus S_{45}} \phi_5 = \sum_{X_6} \phi_5$$

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

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

# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

**Example:** Let's choose  $C_3$  as the root



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

Outward pass:

$$\delta_{3 \rightarrow 2} = \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{23}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{6 \rightarrow 3} \cdot \delta_{4 \rightarrow 3}$$

$$\delta_{2 \rightarrow 1} = \sum_{C_2 \setminus S_{12}} \phi_2 \cdot \delta_{3 \rightarrow 2}$$

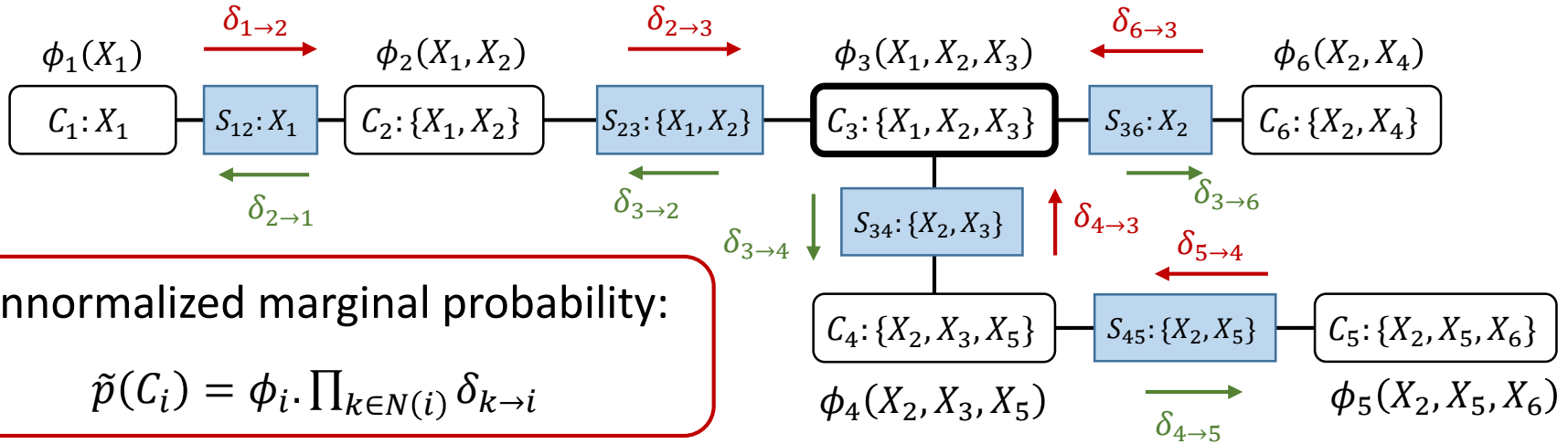
$$\delta_{3 \rightarrow 6} = \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{36}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{2 \rightarrow 3} \cdot \delta_{4 \rightarrow 3}$$

$$\delta_{3 \rightarrow 4} = \sum_{C_3 \setminus S_{34}} \phi_3 \cdot \delta_{2 \rightarrow 3} \cdot \delta_{6 \rightarrow 3}$$

$$\delta_{4 \rightarrow 5} = \sum_{C_4 \setminus S_{45}} \phi_4 \cdot \delta_{3 \rightarrow 4}$$

# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

**Example:** Let's choose  $C_3$  as the root



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

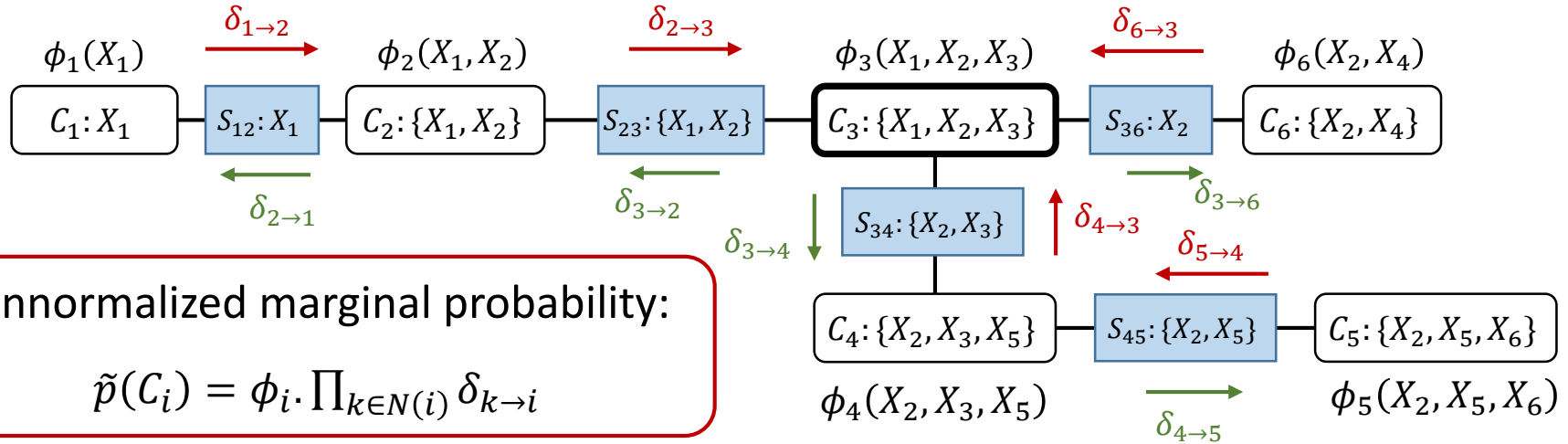
Marginal probability:

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

**Result is equivalent to variable elimination!**

# Junction Tree : Sum-Product Algorithm

**Example:** Let's choose  $C_3$  as the root



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

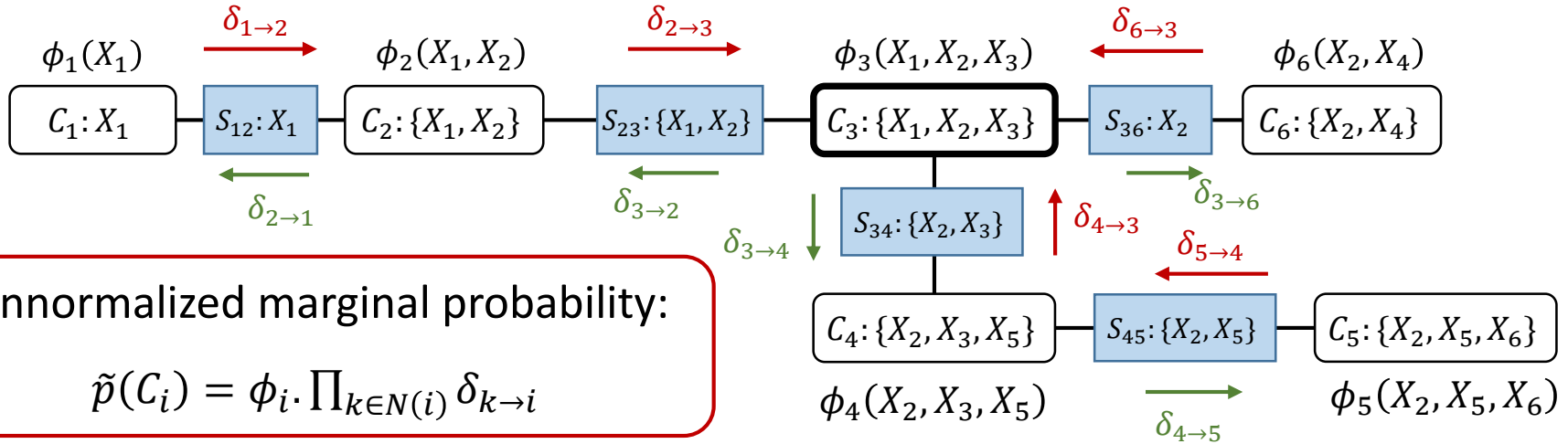
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$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}(C_5) &= \tilde{p}(X_2, X_5, X_6) \\ &= \phi_5 \cdot \delta_{4 \rightarrow 5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}(C_6) &= \tilde{p}(X_2, X_4) \\ &= \phi_6 \cdot \delta_{3 \rightarrow 6} \end{aligned}$$



# Constructing the Junction Tree

## 1. **Triangulation**: Get the **reconstituted graph**

Choose an elimination ordering  $I$

DIRECTEDGRAPHELIMINATE( $G, I$ )

1.  $G^m = \text{MORALIZE}(G)$  // for DGM, skip this step if UGM
2.  $\text{UNDIRECTEDGRAPHELIMINATE}(G^m, I)$  // get reconstituted graph

### 1. MORALIZE( $G$ )

**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. UNDIRECTEDGRAPHELIMINATE( $\mathcal{G}, I$ )

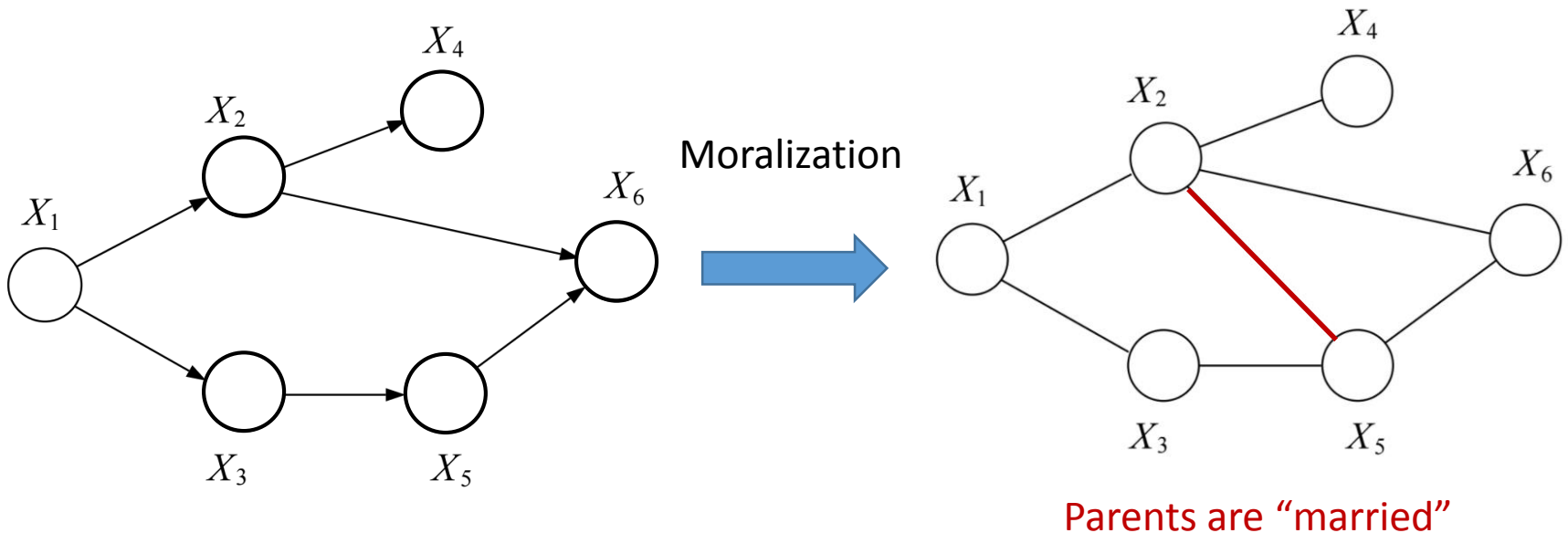
**for** each node  $X_i$  in  $I$   
    connect all of the remaining neighbors of  $X_i$   
    remove  $X_i$  from the graph  
**end**

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

# Constructing the Junction Tree

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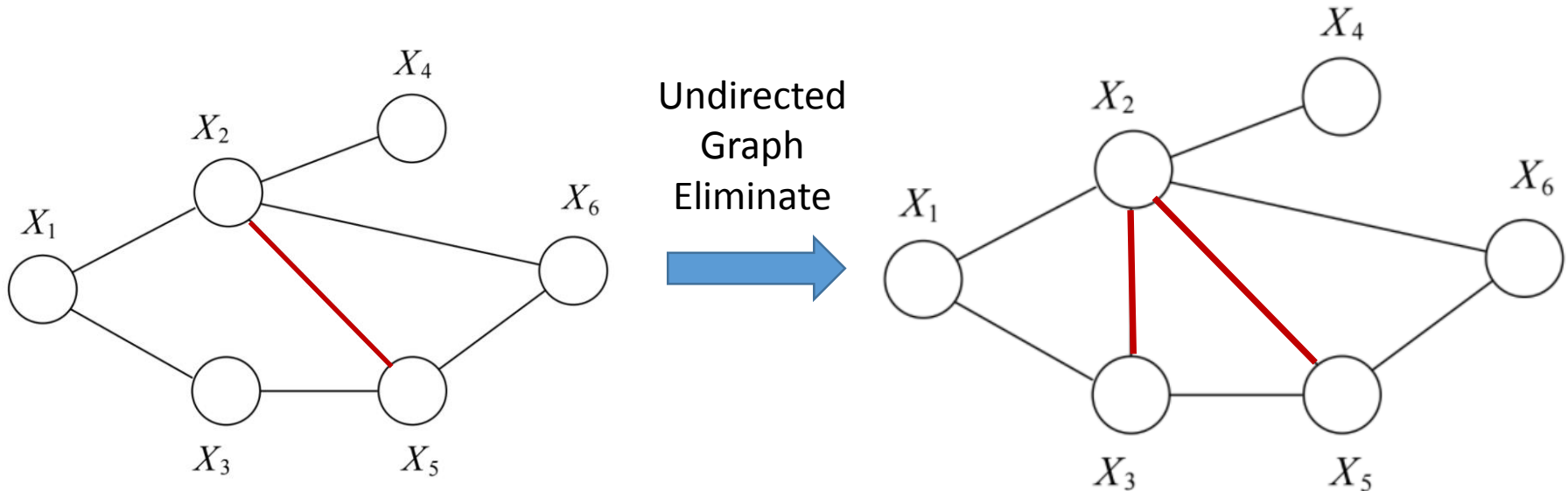


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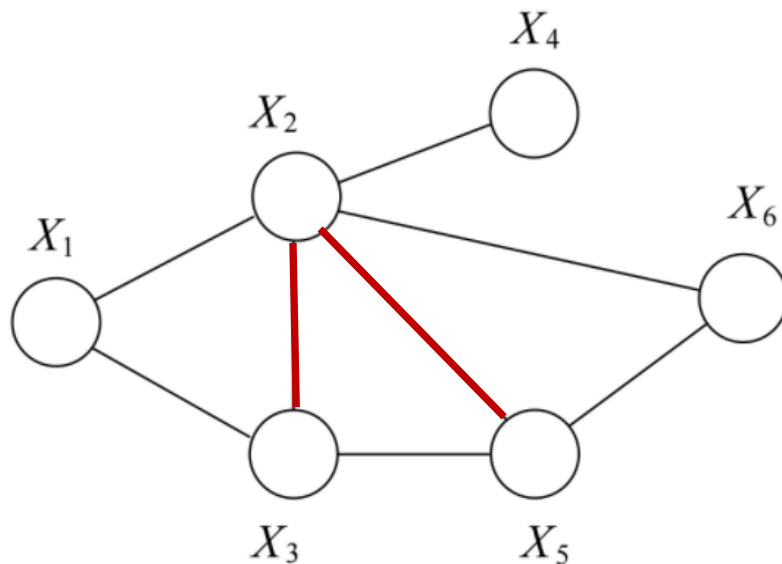
Parents are “married”

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

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# Constructing the Junction Tree

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

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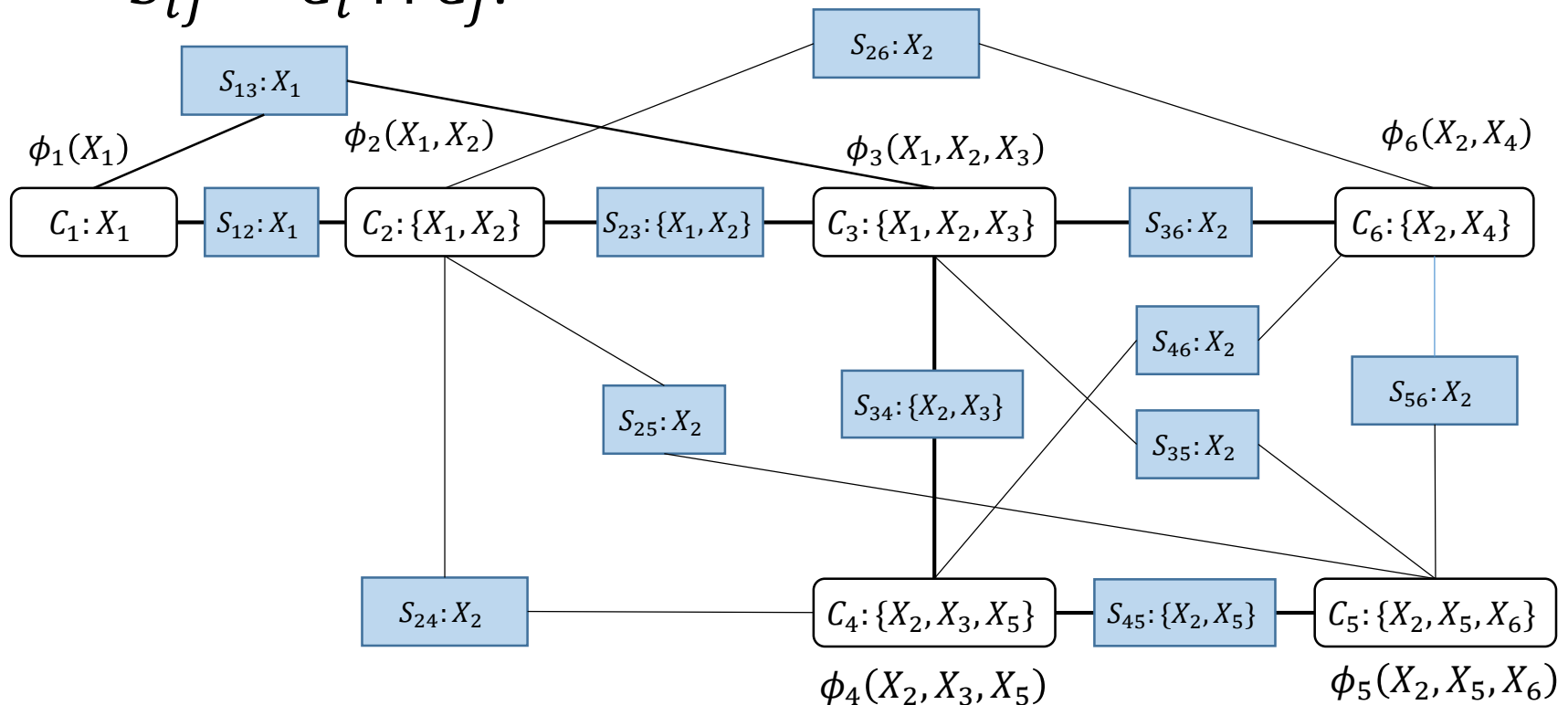
$$C_2: \{X_1, X_2\}$$

$$C_1: X_1$$

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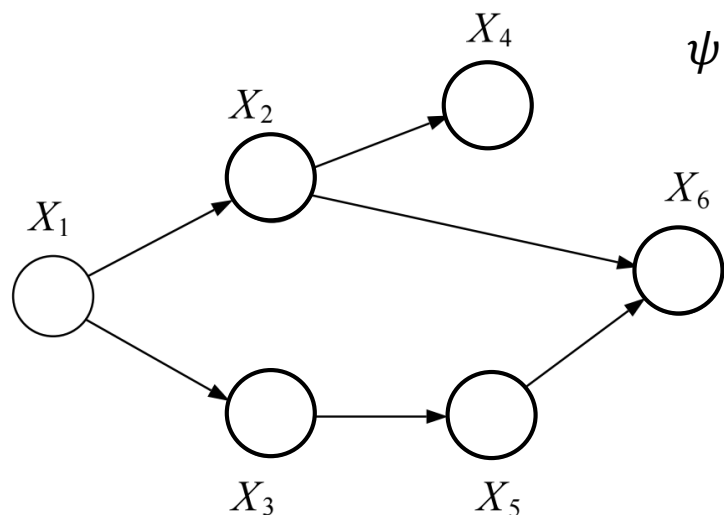
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3. **Assign cluster potentials:** cluster potentials are formed by condition probabilities (DGM), or potentials (UGM).



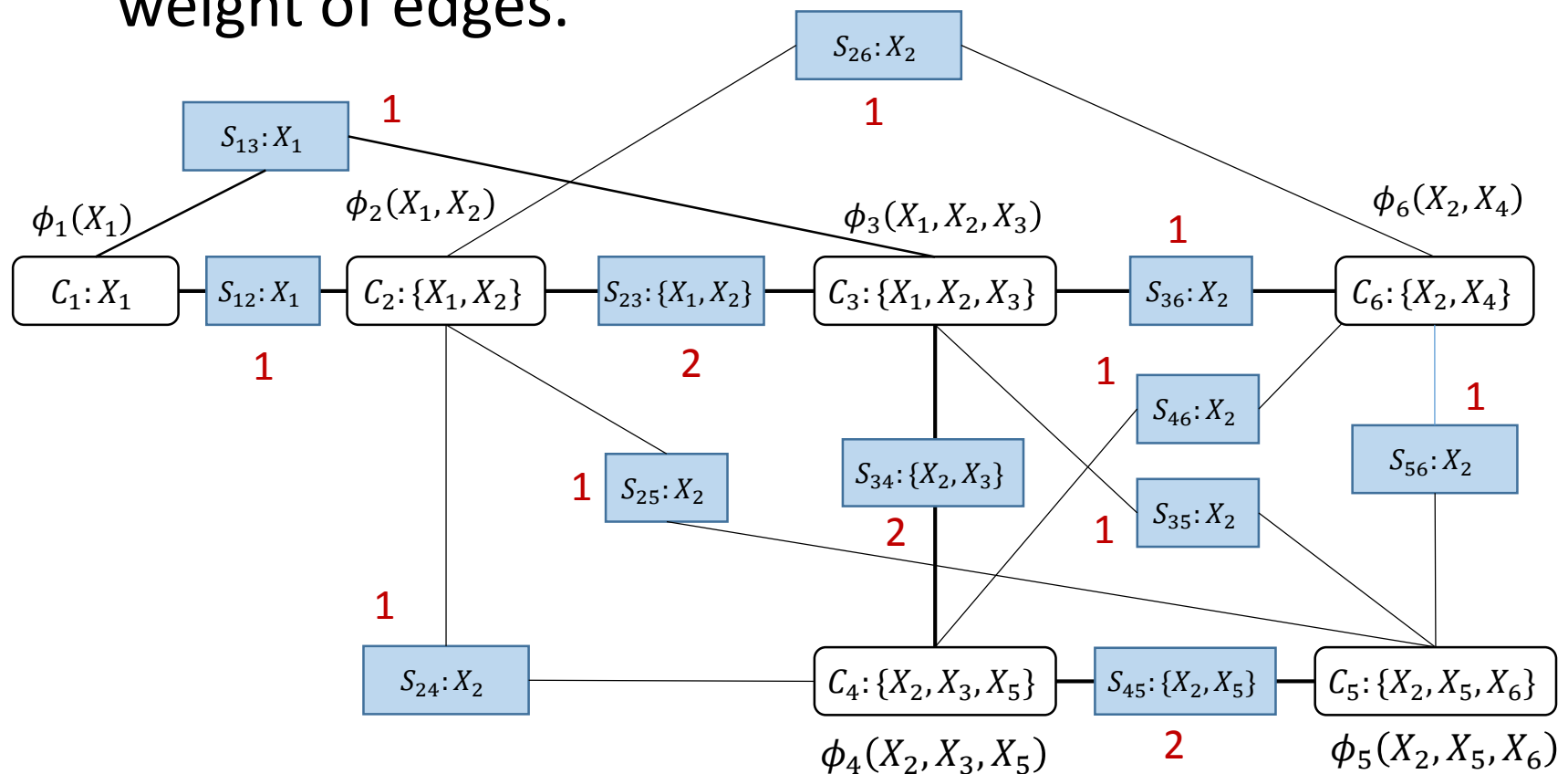
$$p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_3)p(x_6|x_2, x_5)$$
$$\psi(x_1)\psi(x_1, x_2)\psi(x_1, x_3)\psi(x_2, x_4)\psi(x_3, x_5)\psi(x_2, x_5, x_6)$$

Use each conditional probability /  
potential only once!

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_1(X_1) &= p(x_1), & \phi_2(X_1, X_2) &= p(x_2|x_1) \\ \phi_3(X_1, X_2, X_3) &= p(x_3|x_1), & \phi_4(X_2, X_3, X_5) &= p(x_5|x_3) \\ \phi_5(X_2, X_5, X_6) &= p(x_6|x_2, x_5), \\ \phi_6(X_2, X_4) &= p(x_4|x_2)\end{aligned}$$

# Constructing the Junction Tree

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



# Constructing the Junction Tree

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

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



# Constructing the Junction Tree

## Proof:

Consider a random variable  $X_k$  and a cluster tree  $T$  with cluster  $C_i$  and sepset  $S_j$ , the fact that  $T$  is a tree implies:

$1(a)$  : **indicator function** that returns 1 if  $a$  is true, 0 otherwise

Minus 1 because for tree  
**#edges = #nodes - 1**

$$\sum_{j=1}^{M-1} 1(X_k \in S_j) \leq \sum_{i=1}^M 1(X_k \in C_i) - 1,$$

# times  $X_k$  appear in the **sepsets**

# times  $X_k$  appear in the **cluster**

$M$ : # clusters

The inequality sign **becomes equality** when  $X_k$  forms a sub-tree, i.e. **running intersection property** is fulfilled.

# Constructing the Junction Tree

## Proof:

Total weight of a cluster tree  $w(T)$  is equal to the sum of the cardinalities of its sepsets:

$$\begin{aligned}
 w(T) &= \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} |S_j| \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \sum_{k=1}^N 1(X_k \in S_j) \\
 &= \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} 1(X_k \in S_j)}_{\text{sum of cardinalities of all sepsets}} \leq \overbrace{\sum_{k=1}^N \left[ \sum_{i=1}^M 1(X_k \in C_i) - 1 \right]}^{\text{sum of cardinalities of all clusters minus \# random variables}} \quad \leftarrow \text{From the previous slide} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^N 1(X_k \in C_i) - N \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^M |C_i| - N
 \end{aligned}$$

$M$ : # cliques  
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# Constructing the Junction Tree

**Proof:**

$$w(T) = \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} |S_j| \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ \sum_{i=1}^M 1(X_k \in C_i) - 1 \right]$$

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- We saw from previous slide that for the **running intersection property**, i.e. junction tree to hold, the **inequality has to become equality**.
- This implies a maximum sum of cardinalities of all sepsets, i.e. **maximal spanning tree**!

# Constructing the Junction Tree

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

```
KRUSKAL(G):  
1 A =  $\emptyset$   
2 foreach v  $\in$  G.V:  
3   MAKE-SET(v)  
4 foreach (u, v) in G.E ordered by weight(u, v), increasing:  
5   if FIND-SET(u)  $\neq$  FIND-SET(v):  
6     A = A  $\cup$  {(u, v)}  
7     UNION(u, v)  
8 return A
```

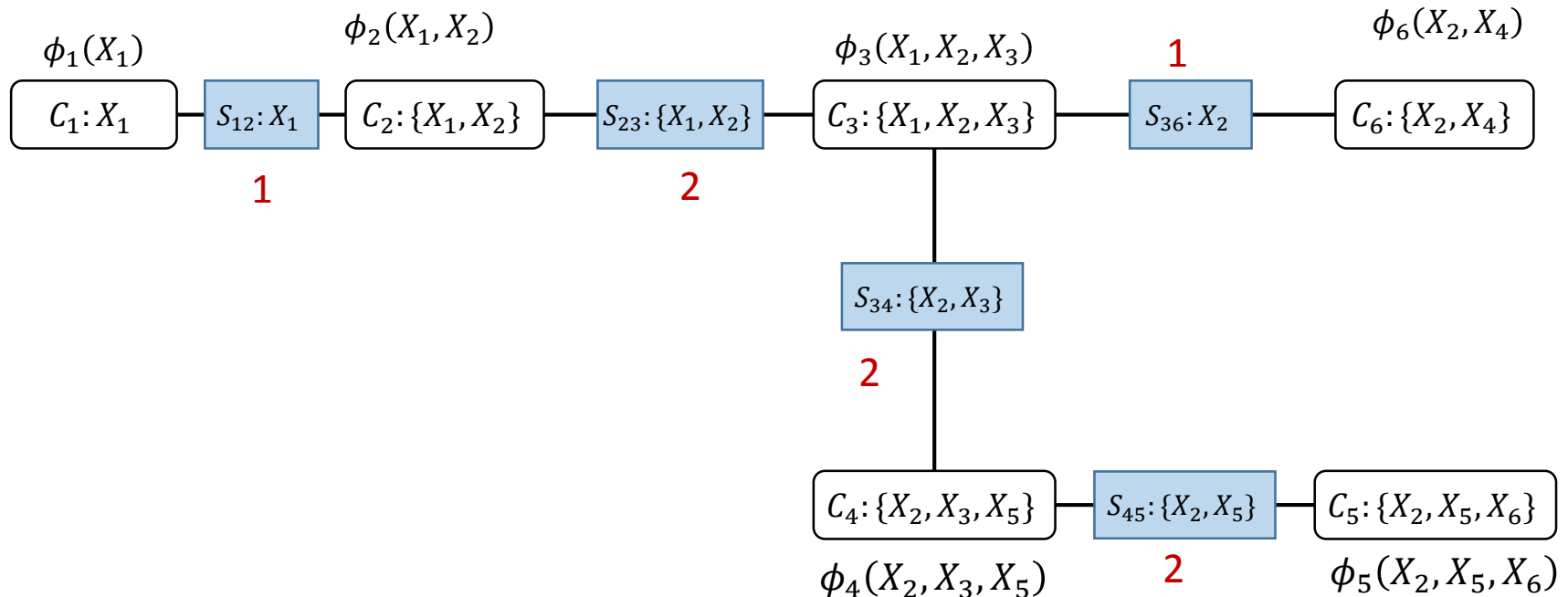
Can be more than 1 maximum spanning tree!

Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kruskal%27s\\_algorithm](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kruskal%27s_algorithm)

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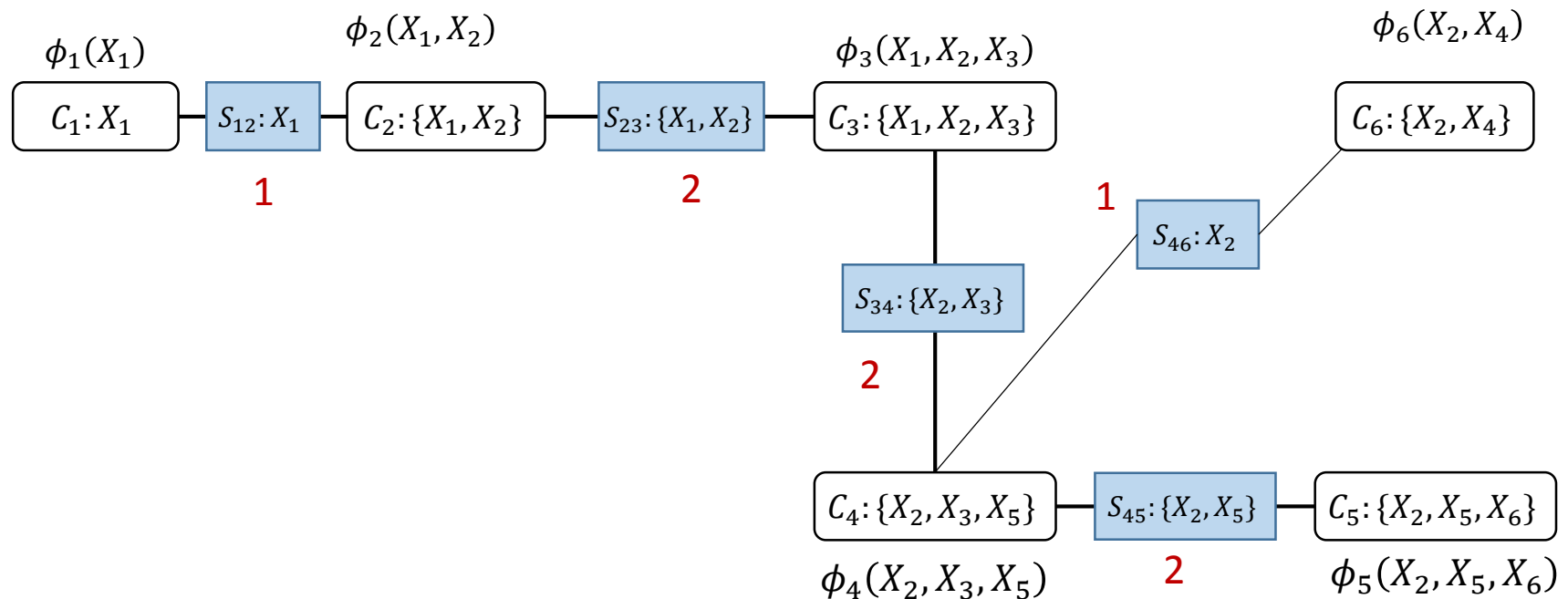
**Example:**



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# Summary

- We have looked at how to:
  1. Represent a joint distribution with a **factor graph**, and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.
  2. Use the **max-product algorithm** to find the maximal probability and its configurations.
  3. Convert a DGM/UGM into the **junction tree** and use it to compute the marginal/conditional probabilities.