

# Problem Set 2 Solutions

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1.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(E) &= \sum_{r,m,h,s,b,a,l} P(r,m,h,s,b,a,l,E) \\
 &= \sum_{r,m,h,s,b,a,l} P(r)P(m)P(h|r,m)P(s|h)P(a|h)P(b|h)P(E|s,b)P(l|b,a) \\
 &= \sum_b \sum_s P(E|s,b) \sum_h P(s|h)P(b|h) \sum_a P(a|h) \sum_l P(l|b,a) \sum_r P(r) \sum_m P(h|r,m)P(m)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) The corresponding elimination ordering is  $\prec = M, R, L, A, H, S, B$

(c)

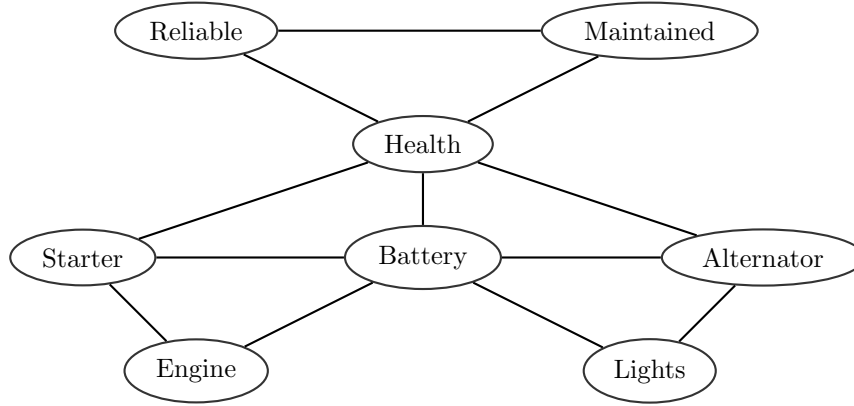


Figure 1: Moralized graph for the Bayesian Network

(d) The initial set of factors is  $\Phi = \{\phi(H, M, R), \phi(S, B, H), \phi(H, B, A), \phi(S, B, E), \phi(B, A, L)\}$

Step	Variable Eliminated	Intermediate Factor	Variables Involved	New Factor
1	$M$	$\psi_1(H, M, R) = \phi(H, M, R)$	$H, M, R$	$\tau_1(H, R) = \sum_m \psi_1(H, m, R)$
2	$R$	$\psi_2(H, R) = \tau_1(H, R)$	$H, R$	$\tau_2(H) = \sum_r \psi_2(H, r)$
3	$L$	$\psi_3(B, A, L) = \phi(B, A, L)$	$B, A, L$	$\tau_3(B, A) = \sum_l \psi_3(B, A, l)$
4	$A$	$\psi_4(A, B, H) = \tau_3(B, A)\phi(H, B, A)$	$H, B, A$	$\tau_4(B, H) = \sum_a \psi_4(a, B, H)$
5	$H$	$\psi_5(S, B, H) = \tau_2(H)\tau_4(B, H)\phi(S, B, H)$	$S, B, H$	$\tau_5(S, B) = \sum_h \psi_5(S, B, h)$
6	$B$	$\psi_6(S, B, E) = \tau_5(S, B)\phi(S, B, E)$	$S, B, E$	$\tau_6(S, E) = \sum_b \psi_6(S, b, E)$
7	$S$	$\psi_6(S, E) = \tau_6(S, E)$	$S, E$	$\tau_7(E) = \sum_s \psi_7(s, E)$

Table 1: Variable Elimination Procedure for  $P(E)$

(e) The largest induced scope is 2, and assuming each variable can take  $k$  possible values, the computational complexity would be  $O(nk^2)$ , since the factor has  $k^2$  entries.

(f) The induced graph is the same as the moralized network in part (c), since there are already edges between all variables appearing in some  $\psi$  generated by the variable elimination.

- (g) Since the ordering in part (b) produced the most efficient variable elimination in part (d), the associated clique tree is that of part (d), shown below:

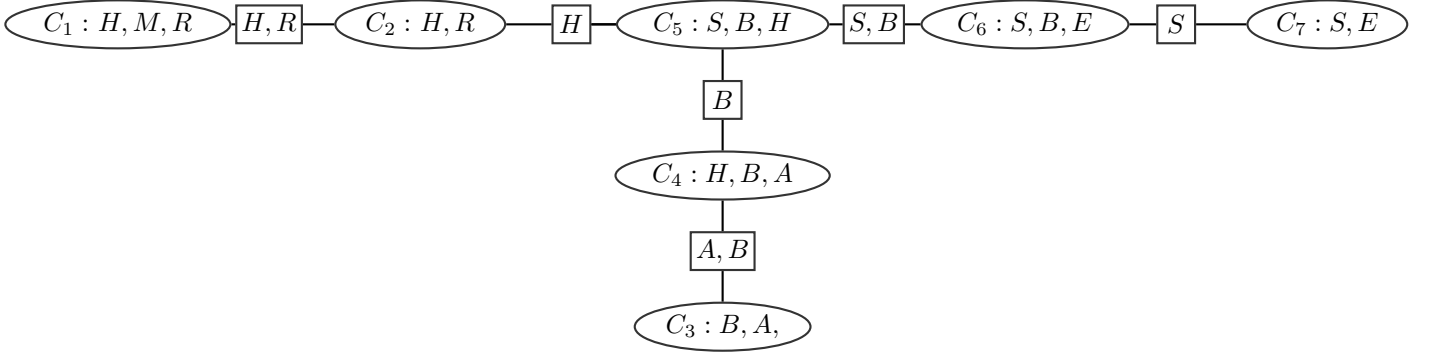


Figure 2: Clique Tree for the Bayesian Network

- (h) If we first eliminate  $H$ , there is an induced scope of 5, as we create a new factor  $\tau_1(R, M, S, B, A)$ , next we could eliminate  $B$ , to induce a scope of 6, as we create a new factor  $\tau_2(R, M, S, A, E, L)$  with the remaining 6 random variables. So any elimination ordering starting  $\prec = H, B \dots$  would lead to a computational complexity of  $O(nk^6)$

2.

- (a) Consider two clusters  $C_i$  and  $C_k$  in  $\mathcal{T}$ , a cluster tree for the graph  $\mathcal{H}$ , and a variable  $X$  that is eliminated at  $C_k$ . If  $W_{<(i,j)}$  and  $W_{<(j,i)}$  are separated given  $S_{i,j}$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ , then no clusters upstream from  $C_k$  can contain  $X$ , since  $X$  is not in the sepset of any upstream cluster of  $C_k$ . We know  $X$  must be present in the message  $m_{i \rightarrow j}$  to the next cluster from  $C_i$ , and this message is multiplied into the ensuing messages (so these clusters have  $X$  in their scope) until we reach  $C_k$ . Thus,  $X$  is in the scope of the unique path from  $C_i$  to  $C_k$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the running intersection property.

Assume that the cluster tree  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the running intersection property, so for some clusters  $C_i$  and  $C_k$  with a variable  $X$  that is eliminated at  $C_k$ ,  $X$  must be in every cluster in the unique path from  $C_i$  to  $C_k$ . Thus, it is also in the sepset between each clique along this unique path. If  $X$  is not in the sepset between two cliques  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ , then  $X$  cannot be upstream of  $C_j$ , so  $W_{<(i,j)}$  and  $W_{<(j,i)}$  must be separated given  $S_{i,j}$  if  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the running intersection property.

- (b) Variable elimination produces an induced chordal graph  $\mathcal{I}_{\Phi, \prec}$  that contains  $\mathcal{H}$ . We know by the definition of  $\mathcal{I}_{\Phi, \prec}$  that the scope of every generated factor  $\psi$ , which are the nodes of  $\mathcal{T}$ , is a clique in  $\mathcal{I}_{\Phi, \prec}$ . Now, let  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1 \dots X_n\}$  be a maximal clique in  $\mathcal{I}_{\Phi, \prec}$ , and  $X_1$  the first variable from  $\mathbf{X}$  in  $\prec$ . Then there are edges between  $X_1$  and all  $X_i \in \mathbf{X}$  before eliminating  $X_1$ , so there exist factors  $\phi_{X_1}(X_1, X_i)$  for all  $X_i \in \mathbf{X}$ . To eliminate  $X_1$ , we must create a factor  $\psi$  that contains  $X_1 \dots X_n$  and no other variables outside the clique (or otherwise they would be in  $\mathbf{X}$ ). So every maximal clique in  $\mathcal{I}_{\Phi, \prec}$  is the scope of some factor  $\psi$ , and thus a node in  $\mathcal{T}$ .
- (c) Consider the joint distribution between the variables in three cliques  $\mathbf{Y} = \{C_i, C_j, C_k\}$  such that  $C_i$  neighbors  $C_j$  and  $C_j$  neighbors  $C_k$ :

$$P(\mathbf{Y}) = P(C_i \setminus \{S_{ij}\}, C_j \setminus \{S_{ij}, S_{jk}\}, C_k \setminus \{S_{jk}\}, S_{ij}, S_{jk})$$

Where the variables not in the sepsets are conditionally independent in two neighboring cliques, so

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{Y}) &= P(C_i \setminus \{S_{ij}\} | S_{ij}) P(C_j \setminus \{S_{ij}, S_{jk}\} | S_{jk}, S_{ij}) P(S_{ij}) P(C_k \setminus \{S_{jk}\} | S_{jk}) P(S_{jk}) \\ &= \frac{P(C_i)}{P(S_{ij})} \frac{P(C_j)}{P(S_{ij}) P(S_{jk})} \frac{P(C_k)}{P(S_{jk})} P(S_{ij}) P(S_{jk}) \\ &= \frac{P(C_i) P(C_j) P(C_k)}{P(S_{ij}) P(S_{jk})} \end{aligned}$$

So we can extend this process over the clique tree to compute the joint distribution as:

$$P(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\prod_i P(C_i)}{\prod_{i,j} P(S_{ij})}$$

- (d) Either  $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}$  or there are  $C_i, C_j \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $C_i \subseteq C_j$ . If we eliminate  $C_i$ ,  $\mathcal{T}'$  is family preserving since  $\text{Scope}[\phi_i] \subseteq C_i \subseteq C_j$ . We connect all neighbors of  $C_i$  to  $C_j$  when removing  $C_i$ , so any path through  $C_i$  is preserved via  $C_j$  since there can be no  $X \in C_i$  not in  $C_j$ . Thus, if  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the running intersection property, so does  $\mathcal{T}'$

### 3.

- (a) We can follow the algorithm for out of clique inference in a clique tree to solve for  $P(X_i, X_j)$ , given a calibrated clique tree  $\mathcal{T}$ . First we define  $\mathcal{T}'$  to be the subtree of  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $(X_i, X_j) \subseteq \text{Scope}[\mathcal{T}']$ , then define a new set of factors (letting  $C_j$  be the root):

$$\Phi = \{\beta_j\} \cup \{\phi_k = \frac{\beta_k}{\mu_{k,k+1}} \mid k \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}'} - \{j\}\}$$

Which can be done in linear time. Then we perform sum-product variable elimination on a ordering  $\prec = X_{i+1} \dots X_{j-1}$  of  $\mathbf{Z} = \text{Scope}[\mathcal{T}'] - \{X_i, X_j\}$ . The running time of the variable elimination is  $O(nk)$  since the largest induced width is one.

- (b) Naively, we must run the  $O(nk)$  process for all  $\binom{n}{2}$  combinations of  $i$  and  $j$ , so the running time would be  $O(n^3k)$
- (c) Following the procedure in part (a), perform variable elimination on the ordering  $\prec = X_2, X_3$  and set of factors  $\Phi = \{\beta_3(X_3, X_4), \frac{\beta_1(X_1, X_2)}{\mu_{1,2}(X_2)}, \frac{\beta_2(X_2, X_3)}{\mu_{2,3}(X_3)}\}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1, X_4) &= \sum_{X_3} \frac{\beta_3(X_3, X_4)}{\mu_{2,3}(X_3)} \sum_{X_2} \frac{\beta_1(X_1, X_2)\beta_2(X_2, X_3)}{\mu_{1,2}(X_2)} \\ &= \sum_{X_3} \frac{\beta_3(X_3, X_4)}{\mu_{2,3}(X_3)} P(X_1, X_3) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if we cache  $P(X_1, X_3)$ , we can compute  $P(X_1, X_4)$  more efficiently since we avoid re-computing  $P(X_1, X_3)$

- (d) From part (c), we can observe the simple recurrence relation:

$$P(X_i, X_j) = \sum_{X_{j-1}} \frac{\beta_{j-1}(X_{j-1}, X_j)}{\mu_{j-2,j-1}(X_{j-1})} P(X_i, X_{j-1})$$

A dynamic programming algorithm would be, for each  $i \in [n-2]$ , cache the result of  $P(X_i, X_{i+2})$ , and then use this to iteratively compute  $P(X_i, X_{i+3}), P(X_i, X_{i+4}), \dots, P(X_i, X_n)$  using the above recurrence relation (and caching the last computed result). This process would take  $O(nk)$  time for each  $i$ , so the total running time of the algorithm is  $O(n^2k)$ .

### 4.

- (a) x

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} m_{j \rightarrow i} &= \sum_{x_j} \psi_j(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \text{Nb}(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{k \rightarrow j} \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \phi(x_j) \phi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in \text{Nb}(j) \setminus \{i\}} \sum_{x_k} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\Lambda_{kk}x_k^2 + 2\eta_k x_k) - \Lambda_{kj}x_k x_j) \prod_{l \in \text{Nb}(k) \setminus \{j\}} m_{l \rightarrow k}(x_k) \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\Lambda_{jj}x_j^2 + 2\eta_j x_j) - \Lambda_{ji}x_j x_i) \prod_{k \in \text{Nb}(j) \setminus \{i\}} \sum_{x_k} \mathcal{N}^{-1}([x_k, x_j]; \eta_k, \Lambda_k) \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_k; \bar{\eta}, \bar{\Lambda}) \\ &= \sum_{x_j} \mathcal{N}^{-1}([x_j, x_i]; \eta_j, \Lambda_j) \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_j; \bar{\eta}_k, \bar{\Lambda}_k) \\ &= \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_i; \bar{\eta}_j, \bar{\Lambda}_j) \end{aligned}$$

- (c) The belief at node  $i$  is the product of the incoming messages:

$$\beta(x_i) = \prod_{j \in \text{Nb}_i} m_{j \rightarrow i}$$

Which we can see from part (b) is a product of Gaussians with node  $i$ 's neighbors marginalized out. So,

$$\beta(x_i) = \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_i; \bar{\eta}, \bar{\Lambda})$$

### 5.1

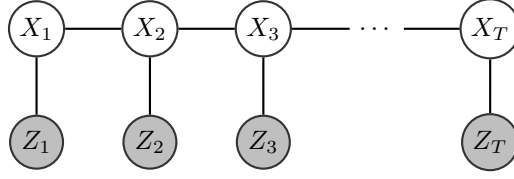


Figure 3: Undirected Hidden Markov model

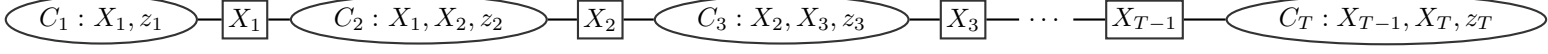


Figure 4: Clique Tree for the Undirected HMM

(a)  $\Phi = \{\phi(X_1) = P(X_1), \phi(X_t, Z_t) = P(Z_t|X_t), \phi(X_{t-1}, X_t) = P(X_t|X_{t-1})\}$

(b)

(c) We can easily compute the first two messages:

$$m_{1 \rightarrow 2}(X_1) = \phi(X_1, z_1) = P(X_1, z_1),$$

$$m_{2 \rightarrow 3}(X_2) = \sum_{X_1} \phi(X_1, X_2) \phi(X_2, z_2) m_{1 \rightarrow 2}(X_1) = \sum_{X_1} P(X_2|X_1) P(z_2|X_2) P(X_1, z_1)$$

So a general expression for  $t \rightarrow t+1$  is:

$$m_{t \rightarrow t+1}(X_t) = \sum_{X_{t-1}} \phi(X_{t-1}, X_t) \phi(X_t, z_t) m_{t-1 \rightarrow t}(X_{t-1})$$

$$= \sum_{X_{t-1}} P(X_t|X_{t-1}) P(z_t|X_t) m_{t-1 \rightarrow t}(X_{t-1})$$

Where  $m_{t-1 \rightarrow t}(X_{t-1}) = P(X_{t-1}, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t-1})$ . Thus,  $m_{t \rightarrow t+1}(X_t) = P(X_t, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t)$

(d) Starting with the first message:

$$m_{T \rightarrow T-1}(X_{T-1}) = \sum_{X_T} \phi(X_{T-1}, X_T) \phi(X_T, z_T)$$

$$= \sum_{X_T} P(X_T|X_{T-1}) P(z_T|X_T)$$

So a general expression for  $t+1 \rightarrow t$  is:

$$m_{t+1 \rightarrow t}(X_t) = \sum_{X_{t+1}} \phi(X_t, X_{t+1}) \phi(X_{t+1}, z_{t+1}) m_{t+2 \rightarrow t+1}(X_{t+1})$$

$$= \sum_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1}|X_t) P(z_{t+1}|X_{t+1}) m_{t+2 \rightarrow t+1}(X_{t+1})$$

$$= \sum_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1}|X_t) P(z_{t+1}|X_{t+1}) P(z_{t+2}, z_{t+3}, \dots, z_T|X_{t+1})$$

$$= P(z_{t+1}, z_{t+2}, \dots, z_T|X_t)$$

(e)

$$P(X_t|z_1, z_2, \dots, z_T) = \frac{P(X_t, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_T)}{P(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_T)}$$

$$= \frac{P(z_{t+1}, z_{t+2}, \dots, z_T|X_t) P(X_t, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t)}{\sum_X P(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z})}$$

$$= \frac{m_{t+1 \rightarrow t}(X_t) m_{t \rightarrow t+1}(X_t)}{\sum_X \phi(X_1, z_1) \prod_{t=2}^T \phi(X_{t-1}, X_t) \phi(X_t, z_t)}$$

## 5.2

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t(X_t) &= P(Z_1, \dots, Z_t, X_t) = \sum_{X_{t-1}} P(Z_1, \dots, Z_t, X_{t-1}, X_t) \\
&= \sum_{X_{t-1}} P(Z_t | Z_1, \dots, Z_{t-1}, X_t, X_{t-1}) P(X_t | Z_1, \dots, Z_{t-1}, X_{t-1}) P(Z_1, \dots, Z_{t-1}, X_{t-1}) \\
&= \sum_{X_{t-1}} P(Z_t | X_t) P(X_t | X_{t-1}) \alpha_{t-1}(X_{t-1})
\end{aligned}$$

Where  $\alpha_1(X_1) = P(Z_1 | X_1) P(X_1)$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_t(X_t) &= P(Z_{t+1}, \dots, Z_T | X_t) \sum_{X_{t+1}} P(Z_{t+1}, \dots, Z_T, X_{t+1} | X_t) \\
&= \sum_{X_{t+1}} P(Z_{t+2} \dots Z_T | X_{t+1}, X_t, Z_{t+1}) P(Z_{t+1} | X_{t+1}, X_t) P(X_{t+1} | X_t) \\
&= \sum_{X_{t+1}} P(Z_{t+2} \dots Z_T | X_{t+1}) P(Z_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | X_t) \\
&= \sum_{X_{t+1}} \beta_{t+1}(X_{t+1}) P(Z_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | X_t)
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Similar 5.1 (e) we have that  $P(X_t | Z_1, \dots, Z_T) \propto P(X_t, Z_1, \dots, Z_T) = P(Z_{t+1}, \dots, Z_T | X_t) P(X_t, Z_1, \dots, Z_t) = \beta_t(X_t) \alpha_t(X_t)$

(d)  $\beta_t(X_t) = P(Z_{t+1}, \dots, Z_T | X_t) = m_{t+1 \rightarrow t}(X_t)$  and  $\alpha_t(X_t) = P(X_t, Z_1, \dots, Z_t) = m_{t \rightarrow t+1}(X_t)$

## 6

(a) I did not collaborate

(b)