

HW #3 available on web site

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Review

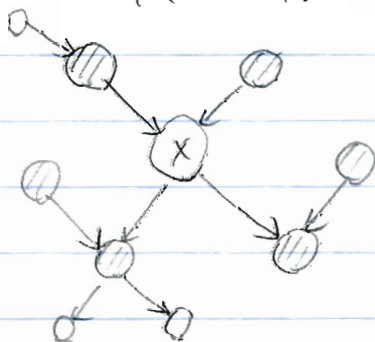
* d-separation

For sets of nodes X, Y, E :

$$\text{When is } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P(Y|E, X) = P(Y|E) \\ P(X|E, Y) = P(X|E) \\ P(X, Y|E) = P(X|E)P(Y|E) \end{array} \right\} ?$$

True if all paths from X to Y are "blocked."A path is blocked if it has a node Z that satisfies 1, 2, or 3:

- 1) $Z \in E \rightarrow \textcircled{Z} \rightarrow$ Intervening Cause
- 2) $Z \in E \leftarrow \textcircled{Z} \rightarrow$ Common Cause
- 3) $Z \notin E$
 $\text{desc}(Z) \notin E$  no observed common effect.

* Markov blanket B_X of node X consists of parents, children, and "Spouses" (other parents of children of X)Thm: $P(X|B_X, Y) = P(X|B_X)$ where $Y \notin \{X, B_X\}$ 

Inference

* Problem

E = Set of evidence nodes

Q = Set of query nodes

How to compute posterior probabilities $P(Q|E)$?

* Question: When can we perform inference efficiently?
(polynomial time in size of DAG and CPTs.)

Answer: polytrees

Def: polytree = singly connected network; at most one undirected path between any two nodes;
no loops.

* Goal: Compute $P(X|E)$

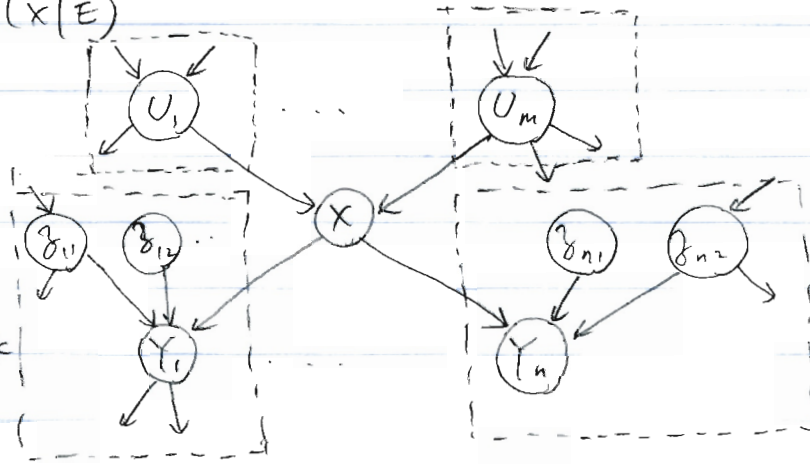
Node X

Evidence E

Parents U_i

Children Y_j

parents of children Z_{jk}



Boxes don't overlap: no loops in polytrees.

Types of evidence:

E_x^+ = upstream evidence "above" X , connected to X thru parents.

E_x^- = downstream evidence "below" X , connected to X thru children.

$$E = E_x^+ \cup E_x^-$$

assume $X \notin E$; otherwise inference is trivial.

* Inference in polytree

$$P(X|E) = P(X|E_x^-, E_x^+) \\ = \frac{P(X, E_x^- | E_x^+)}{P(E_x^- | E_x^+)} \quad \text{Conditionalized product rule.} \\ = \frac{P(X, E_x^- | E_x^+)}{\sum_x P(X=x, E_x^- | E_x^+)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Conditional Marginalization.}$$

Denominator is same computation as numerator, but Summed over different values of X .

* So focus on numerator.

$$P(X, E_x^- | E_x^+) = P(X | E_x^+) P(E_x^- | X, E_x^+) \quad \text{Conditionalized product rule} \\ = \underbrace{P(X | E_x^+)}_{\text{d-separation, Case I}} \underbrace{P(E_x^- | X)}_{\text{d-separation, Case I}}$$

Goal: upstream recursion downstream recursion.

* "Upstream" recursion

$$P(X | E_x^+) = \sum_{\vec{u}} P(X, \vec{U} = \vec{u} | E_x^+) \quad \text{marginalization over parents.} \\ = \sum_{\vec{u}} P(\vec{U} = \vec{u} | E_x^+) P(X | \vec{U} = \vec{u}, E_x^+) \quad \text{Conditionalized product rule} \\ = \sum_{\vec{u}} P(\vec{U} = \vec{u} | E_x^+) P(X | \vec{U} = \vec{u}) \quad \text{d-separation Case I or II} \\ = \sum_{\vec{u}} P(X | \vec{U} = \vec{u}) \prod_{i=1}^m P(U_i = u_i | E_x^+) \quad \text{d-separation Case II} \\ \quad \quad \quad (X \text{ is unobserved common effect})$$

Let $E_{U_i} \setminus x$ denote evidence inside i th parent's box:

evidence connected to U_i except via path through X .

$$P(X | E_x^+) = \sum_{\vec{u}} P(X | \vec{U} = \vec{u}) \prod_{i=1}^m P(U_i = u_i | E_x^+) \\ = \underbrace{\sum_{\vec{u}} P(X | \vec{U} = \vec{u})}_{\text{CPT at node } X} \prod_{i=1}^m \underbrace{P(U_i = u_i | E_{U_i} \setminus x)}_{\substack{\text{recursive instance} \\ \text{of original problem.}}} \quad \text{d-separation, Case III} \\ \quad \quad \quad (X \text{ is unobserved common effect})$$

* Downstream recursion

How to compute $P(E_{\bar{x}} | x)$?

Possible but slightly more complicated.

* Termination conditions

- root node (no parents)
- leaf node (no children)
- evidence node (trivial)

* Running time:

linear in # node

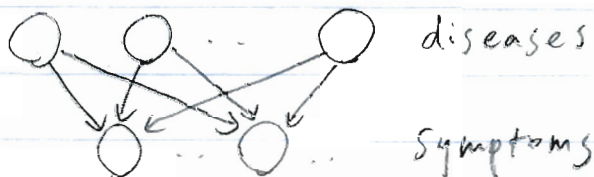
linear in size of CPTs

(b/c you must sum over parent values $\sum_{\vec{u}} \{P(x | \vec{O} = \vec{u})\}$)

* Loopy BNs - how to perform inference?

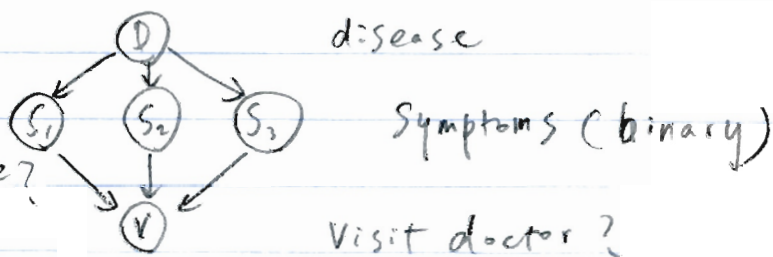
Ex: medical diagnosis.

2-layer network



Ex: Simple example

How to do exact inference?



Turn loopy BN into polytree

One approach: node clustering



merge nodes to form polytree

merge S_1, S_2, S_3 into mega-node S

merge CPTs $P(S_1 | D)$, $P(S_2 | D)$, $P(S_3 | D)$ into $P(S | D)$

Apply polytree algorithm: Size of mega-node: 2^3

Size of mega-CPT: 2^4

S takes on
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 2^3 values.

* Polytrees algorithm. linear in CPT size.

but CPT size grows exponentially with clustering.

How to choose optimal clustering?

Computationally hard problem!