## **Bayesian Networks**

# (aka Bayes Nets, Belief Nets, Directed Graphical Models)

Chapter 14.1, 14.2, and 14.4 plus optional paper "Bayesian networks without tears"

[based on slides by Jerry Zhu and Andrew Moore]

#### **Full Joint Probability Distribution**

Making a joint distribution of *N* variables:

- 1. List all combinations of values (if each variable has *k* values, there are *k*<sup>N</sup> combinations)
- 2. Assign each combination a probability
- 3. They should sum to 1

Weather	Temperature	Prob.
Sunny	Hot	150/365
Sunny	Cold	50/365
Cloudy	Hot	40/365
Cloudy	Cold	60/365
Rainy	Hot	5/365
Rainy	Cold	60/365

#### Introduction

- Probabilistic models allow us to use probabilistic inference (e.g., Bayes's rule) to compute the probability distribution over a set of unobserved ("hypothesis") given a set of observed variables
- Full joint probability distribution table is great for inference in an uncertain world, but is terrible to obtain and store
- Bayesian Networks allow us to represent joint distributions in manageable chunks using
  - Independence, conditional independence
- Bayesian Network can do any inference

#### **Using the Full Joint Distribution**

 Once you have the joint distribution, you can do anything, e.g. marginalization:

$$P(E) = \sum_{\text{rows matching } E} P(\text{row})$$

• e.g., *P*(Sunny or Hot) = (150+50+40+5)/365

Convince yourself this is the same as P(sunny) + P(hot) - P(sunny) and hot)

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#### **Using the Joint Distribution**

You can also do inference:

$$P(Q \mid E) = \frac{\sum_{\text{rows matching Q AND E}} P(\text{row})}{P(Q \mid E)}$$

 $\sum_{\text{rows matching E}} P(\text{row})$ 

P(Hot | Rainy)

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#### **Bayesian Networks**

- Idea: Represent statistical dependencies graphically
- Directed, acylic graphs (DAGs)
- Nodes = random variables
  - "CPT" stored at each node quantifies conditional probability of node's r.v. given all its parents
- Directed arc from A to B means A "has a direct influence on" or "causes" B
  - Evidence for A increases likelihood of B (deductive influence from causes to effects)
  - Evidence for B increases likelihood of A (abductive influence from effects to causes)
- Encodes conditional independence assumptions

#### The Bad News

- Full Joint distribution requires a lot of storage space
- For N variables, each taking k values, the joint distribution has k<sup>N</sup> numbers (and k<sup>N</sup> – 1 degrees of freedom)
- It would be nice to use fewer numbers ...
- Bayesian Networks to the rescue!
  - Provides a decomposed / factorized representation of the FJPD
  - Encodes a collection of conditional independence relations

## **Example**

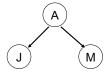
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- M: your other neighbor Mary calls you
- John and Mary do not communicate (they promised to call you whenever they hear the alarm)
- What kind of independence do we have?
- What does the Bayes Net look like?

## **Conditional Independence**

- Random variables can be dependent, but conditionally independent
- Example: Your house has an alarm
  - Neighbor John will call when he hears the alarm
  - Neighbor Mary will call when she hears the alarm
  - Assume John and Mary don't talk to each other
- Is JohnCall independent of MaryCall?
  - No If John called, it is likely the alarm went off, which increases the probability of Mary calling
  - P(MaryCall | JohnCall) ≠ P(MaryCall)

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#### **Conditional Independence**

 But, if we know the status of the alarm, JohnCall will not affect whether or not Mary calls

P(MaryCall | Alarm, JohnCall) = P(MaryCall | Alarm)

- We say JohnCall and MaryCall are conditionally independent given Alarm
- In general, "A and B are conditionally independent given C" means:

 $P(A \mid B, C) = P(A \mid C)$ 

 $P(B \mid A, C) = P(B \mid C)$ 

 $P(A, B \mid C) = P(A \mid C) P(B \mid C)$ 

Our BN: P(A,J,M) = P(A) P(J|A) P(M|A)Chain rule: P(A,J,M) = P(A) P(J|A) P(M|A,J)

Our BN assumes conditional independence, so P(M|A,J) = P(M|A)

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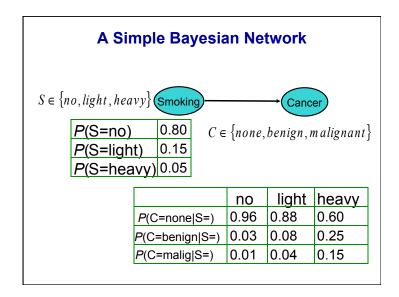
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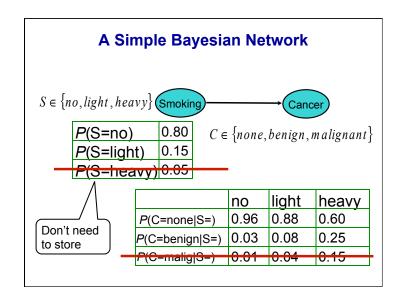
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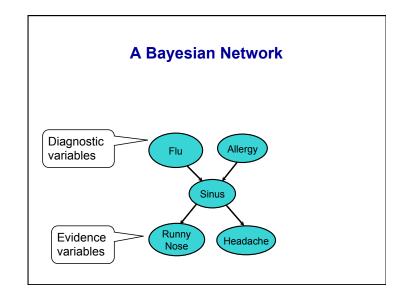
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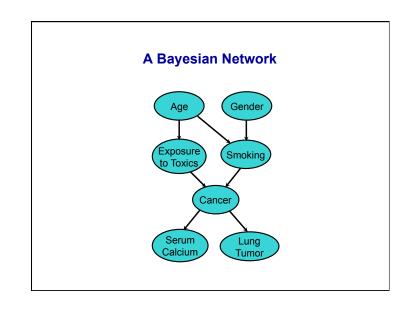
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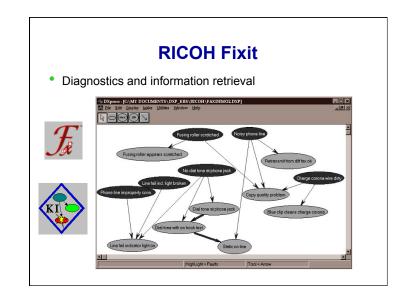


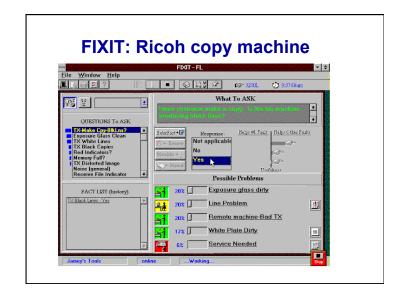


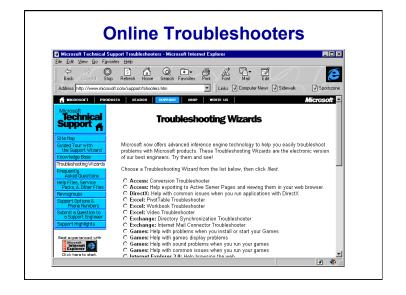


## **Applications**

- Medical diagnosis systems
- Manufacturing system diagnosis
- Computer systems diagnosis
- Network systems diagnosis
- Helpdesk troubleshooting
- Information retrieval
- Customer modeling

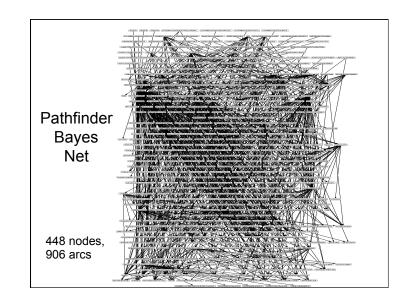


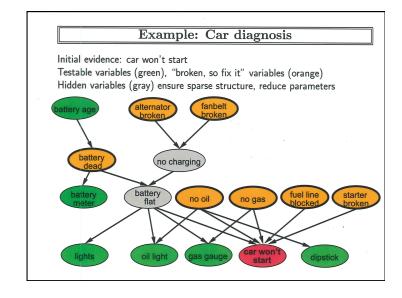


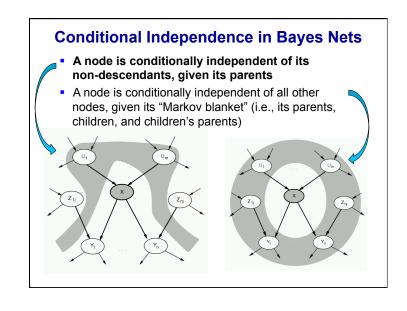


#### **Pathfinder**

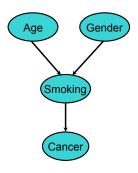
- Pathfinder was one of the first BN systems
- It performed diagnosis of lymph-node diseases
- It dealt with over 60 diseases and 100 symptoms and test results
- 14,000 probabilities
- Commercialized and applied to about 20 tissue types





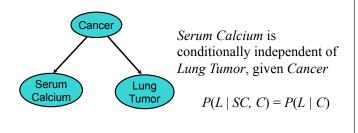


## **Conditional Independence**



Cancer is conditionally independent of Age and Gender given Smoking

## **More Conditional Independence**



## **Interpreting Bayesian Nets**

- 2 nodes are (unconditionally) independent if there's no undirected path between them
- If there's an undirected path between 2 nodes, then whether or not they are independent or dependent depends on what other evidence is known



A and B are independent given nothing else, but are dependent given C

#### **Example with 5 Variables**

- B: there's burglary in your house
- E: there's an earthquake
- A: your alarm sounds
- J: your neighbor John calls you
- M: your other neighbor Mary calls you
- B, E are independent
- J is directly influenced by only A (i.e., J is conditionally independent of B, E, M, given A)
- M is directly influenced by only A (i.e., M is conditionally independent of B, E, J, given A)

#### **Creating a Bayes Net**

 Step 1: Add variables. Choose the variables you want to include in the Bayes Net

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(A)

(J) (M)

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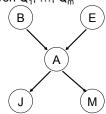
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## **Creating a Bayes Net**

- Step 2: Add directed edges
  - The graph must be acyclic
  - If node X is given parents Q<sub>1</sub>, ..., Q<sub>m</sub>, you are promising that any variable that's **not** a descendant of X is conditionally independent of X given Q<sub>1</sub>, ..., Q<sub>m</sub>



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#### **Creating a Bayes Net**

• Step 3: Add CPT's

 $P(J|\neg A) = 0.05$ 

 Each table must list P(X | Parent values) for all combinations of parent values

 $P(M|\neg A) = 0.01$ 

P(B) = 0.001
B
P(A | B, E) = 0.95
P(A | B, ¬E) = 0.94
P(A | ¬B, E) = 0.29
P(A | ¬B, ¬E) = 0.001

P(J|A) = 0.9
P(M|A) = 0.7

e.g., you must specify P(J|A) AND  $P(J|\neg A)$  since they don't have to sum to 1!

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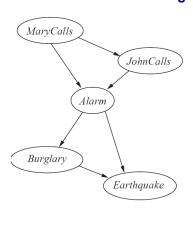
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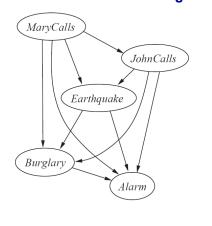
#### **Creating a Bayes Net**

- 1. Choose a set of relevant variables
- 2. Choose an ordering of them, call them  $x_1, ..., x_N$
- 3. for i = 1 to N:
  - 1. Add node  $x_i$  to the graph
  - Set parents(x<sub>i</sub>) to be the minimal subset of {x<sub>1</sub>... x<sub>i-1</sub>}, such that x<sub>i</sub> is conditionally independent of all other members of {x<sub>1</sub>...x<sub>i-1</sub>} given parents(x<sub>i</sub>)
  - 3. Define the CPT's for  $P(x_i | assignments of parents(x_i))$
- Different ordering leads to different graph, in general
- Best ordering when each variable is considered after all variables that directly influence it

## The Bayesian Network Created from a Different Variable Ordering



## The Bayesian Network Created from a Different Variable Ordering



## **Compactness of Bayes Nets**

- A Bayesian Network is a graph structure for representing conditional independence relations in a compact way
- A Bayes net encodes the full joint distribution, often with far less parameters (i.e., numbers)
- A full joint table needs k<sup>N</sup> parameters (N variables, k values per variable)
  - grows exponentially with N
- If the Bayes net is sparse, e.g., each node has at most M parents (M << N), only needs O(Nk<sup>M</sup>) parameters
  - grows linearly with N
  - can't have too many parents, though

#### **Variable Dependencies**

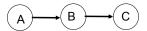
Directed arc from one variable to another variable



- Is A guaranteed to be independent of B?
  - No Information can be transmitted over 1 arc
    - Example: My knowing the Alarm went off, increases my belief there has been a Burglary, and similarly, my knowing there has been a Burglary increases my belief the Alarm went off

#### **Causal Chain**

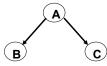
• This local configuration is called a "causal chain:"



- Is A guaranteed to be independent of C?
  - No Information can be transmitted between A and C through B if B is not observed
    - Example: Not knowing Alarm means that my knowing that a Burglary has occurred increases my belief that Mary calls, and similarly, knowing that Mary Calls increases my belief that there has been a Burglary

#### **Common Cause**

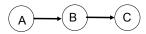
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- Is it guaranteed that B and C are independent?
  - No Information can be transmitted through A to the children of A if A is not observed
- Is it guaranteed that B and C are independent given A?
  - Yes Observing the cause, A, blocks the influence between effects B and C; "B is conditionally independent of C given A"

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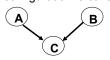
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- Is A independent of C given B?
  - Yes Once B is observed, information cannot be transmitted between A and C through B; B "blocks" the information path; "C is conditionally independent of A given B"
    - Example: Knowing that the Alarm went off means that also knowing that a Burglary has taken place will **not** increase my belief that Mary Calls

#### **Common Effect**

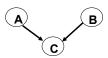
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- Are A and B independent?
  - Yes
    - Example: Burglary and Earthquake cause the Alarm to go off, but they are not correlated
  - Proof:  $P(a,b) = \Sigma_c P(a,b,c)$  by marginalization
    - =  $\Sigma_c P(a) P(b|a) P(c|a,b)$  by chain rule
    - =  $\Sigma_c P(a) P(b) P(c|a,b)$  by cond. indep.
    - = P(a) P(b)  $\Sigma_c$  P(c|a,b)
    - = P(a) P(b) since last term = 1

#### **Common Effect**

• This configuration is called "common effect:"



- Are A and B independent given C?
  - No Information can be transmitted through C among the parents of C if C is observed
    - Example: If I already know that the Alarm went off, my further knowing that there has been an Earthquake, decreases my belief that there has been a Burglary. Called "explaining away."
  - Similarly, if C has descendant D and D is given, then A and B are not independent

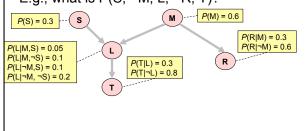
#### **D-Separation**

Determining if two variables in a Bayesian Network are independent or conditionally independent given a set of observed evidence variables, is determined using "d-separation"

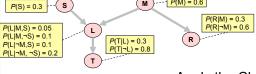
D-separation is covered in CS 760

## Computing a Joint Entry from a Bayes Net

How to compute an entry in the joint distribution? E.g., what is  $P(S, \neg M, L, \neg R, T)$ ?



## Computing with Bayes Net



Apply the Chain Rule + conditional independence!

$$\begin{split} &P(\mathsf{T}, \neg \mathsf{R}, \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \neg \mathsf{R}, \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R}, \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R}, \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R}, \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R} \mid \mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) * P(\mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R} \mid \neg \mathsf{M}) * P(\mathsf{L}, \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R} \mid \neg \mathsf{M}) * P(\mathsf{L} \mid \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) * P(\neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) \\ &= P(\mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{L}) * P(\neg \mathsf{R} \mid \neg \mathsf{M}) * P(\mathsf{L} \mid \neg \mathsf{M}, \mathsf{S}) * P(\neg \mathsf{M} \mid \mathsf{S}) * P(\mathsf{S}) \end{split}$$

 $P(T \mid L) * P(\neg R \mid \neg M) * P(L \mid \neg M, S) * P(\neg M) * P(S)$ 

#### **Variable Ordering**

Before applying chain rule, best to reorder all of the variables, listing first the leaf nodes, then all the parents of the leaves, etc. Last variables listed are those that have no parents, i.e., the root nodes.

So, for previous example, P(S,L,M,T,R) = P(T,R,L,S,M)

#### **The General Case**

$$P(X_{1}=x_{1}, X_{2}=x_{2},..., X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, X_{n}=x_{n})$$

$$= P(X_{n}=x_{n}, X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1})$$

$$= P(X_{n}=x_{n} | X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1}) * P(X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1})$$

$$= P(X_{n}=x_{n} | X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1}) * P(X_{n-1}=x_{n-1} | ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1}) *$$

$$P(X_{n-2}=x_{n-2}, ..., X_{2}=x_{2}, X_{1}=x_{1})$$

$$\vdots$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} P((X_{i}=x_{i}) | ((X_{i-1}=x_{i-1}), ..., (X_{1}=x_{1})))$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} P((X_{i}=x_{i}) | Assignments of Parents(X_{i}))$$

# Computing Joint Probabilities using a Bayesian Network

How is *any* joint probability computed?

Sum the relevant joint probabilities:

Compute: P(a,b)

 $= P(a,b,c,d) + P(a,b,c,\neg d) + P(a,b,\neg c,d) + P(a,b,\neg c,\neg d)$ 

Compute: P(c)

$$= P(a,b,c,d) + P(a,\neg b,c,d) + P(\neg a,b,c,d) + P(\neg a,\neg b,c,d) + P(a,b,c,\neg d) + P(a,\neg b,c,\neg d) + P(\neg a,b,c,\neg d) + P(\neg a,\neg b,c,\neg d)$$

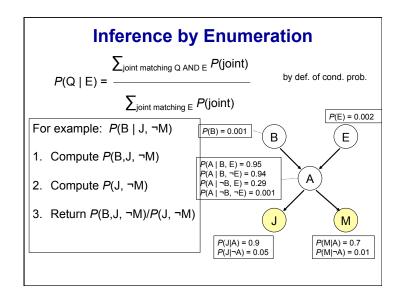
 A BN can answer any query (i.e., probability) about the domain by marginalization ("summing out") over the relevant joint probabilities

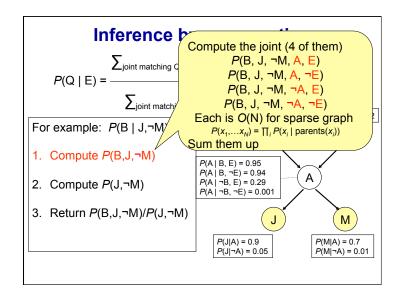
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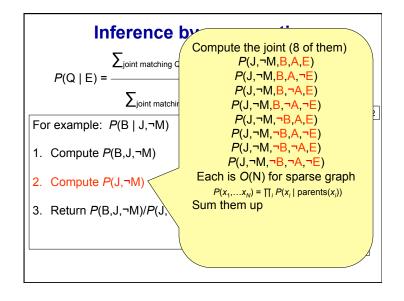
- We defined a Bayes net, using small number of parameters, to describe the joint probability
- Any joint probability can be computed as

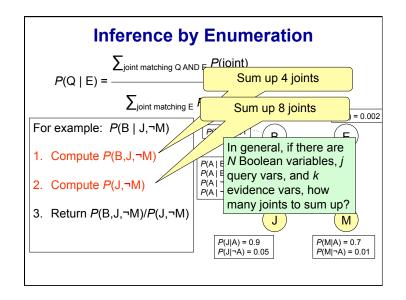
$$P(x_1,...,x_N) = \prod_i P(x_i \mid parents(x_i))$$

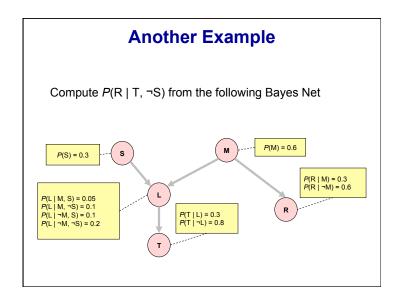
- The above joint probability can be computed in time linear in the number of nodes, N
- With this joint distribution, we can compute any conditional probability, P(Q | E); thus we can perform any inference
- How?

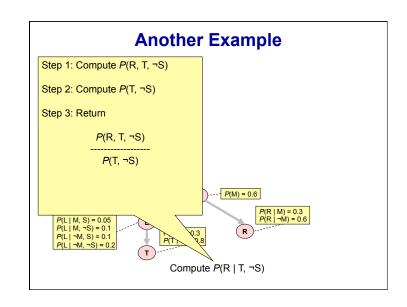


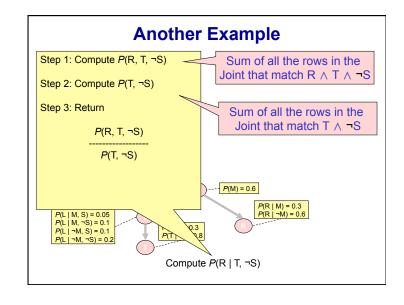


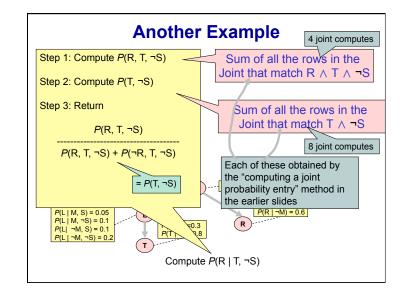












- Inference through a Bayes Net can go both "forward" and "backward" through arcs
- Causal (top-down) inference
  - Given a cause, infer its effects
  - E.g., *P*(T | S)
- Diagnostic (bottom-up) inference
  - Given effects/symptoms, infer a cause
  - E.g., *P*(S | T)

#### **The Bad News**

- In general if there are N variables, while evidence contains j variables, and each variable has k values, how many joints to sum up? k(N-j)
- It is this summation that makes inference by enumeration inefficient
  - Computing conditional probabilities by enumerating all matching entries in the joint is expensive:

#### Exponential in the number of variables

- Some computation can be saved by carefully ordering the terms and re-using intermediate results (variable elimination algorithm)
- A more complex algorithm called a join tree (junction tree) can save even more computation
- But, even so, exact inference with an arbitrary Bayes
   Net is NP-Complete

#### The Good News

We can do inference. That is, we can compute **any** conditional probability:

P( Some variable | Some other variable values )

$$P(E_1 \mid E_2) = \frac{P(E_1 \land E_2)}{P(E_2)} = \frac{\sum\limits_{\text{joint entries matching } E_1 \text{ and } E_2}}{\sum\limits_{\text{joint entries matching } E_2}} P(\text{joint entry})$$

"Inference by Enumeration" Algorithm

#### **Variable Elimination Algorithm**

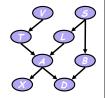
General idea:

Write query in the form

$$P(x_n, \mathbf{e}) = \sum_{x_k} \cdots \sum_{x_3} \sum_{x_2} \prod_i P(x_i \mid pa_i)$$

- Iteratively
  - Move all irrelevant terms outside of innermost sum.
  - Perform innermost sum, getting a new term
  - Insert the new term into the product

## Compute P(d)



Need to eliminate: v, s, x, t, I, a, b

Initial factors:

P(v, s, t, l, a, b, x, d) =

#### P(v)P(s)P(t|v)P(l|s)P(b|s)P(a|t,l)P(x|a)P(d|a,b)

Inference by Enumeration (i.e., brute force) approach:

$$P(d) = \sum_{x} \sum_{b} \sum_{a} \sum_{c} \sum_{s} \sum_{c} \sum_{v} P(v, s, t, l, a, b, x, d)$$

• We want to compute P(d)

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Initial factors

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Eliminate: v

Compute:  $f_v(t) = \sum_{v} P(v)P(t|v)$ 

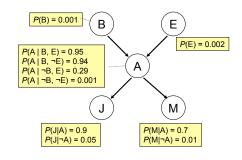
 $\Rightarrow f_{v}(t)P(s)P(l\,|\,s)P(b\,|\,s)P(a\,|\,t,l)P(x\,|\,a)P(d\,|\,a,b)$ 

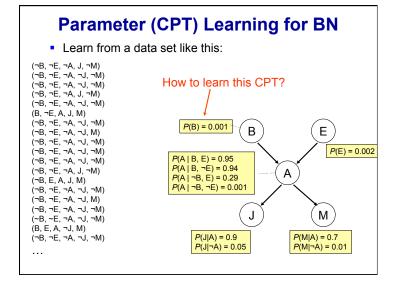
Note:  $f_{\nu}(t) = P(t)$ 

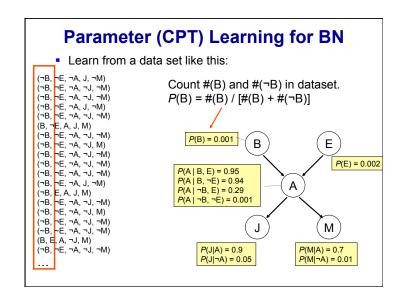
Idea behind Variable Elimination Algorithm

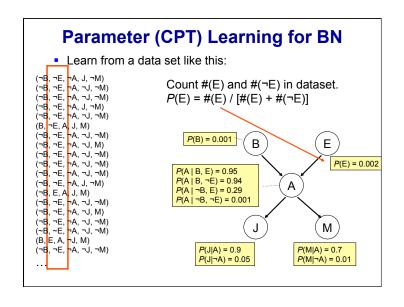
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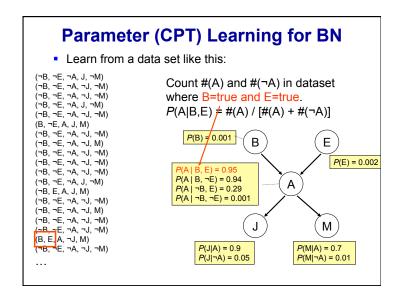
- Where do you get these CPT numbers?
  - Ask domain experts, or
  - Learn from data

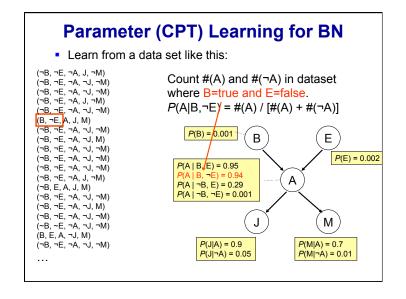


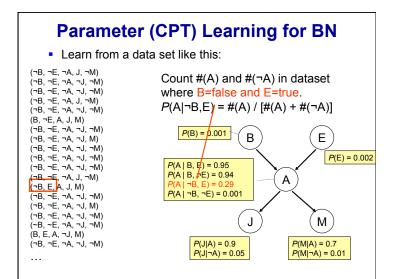


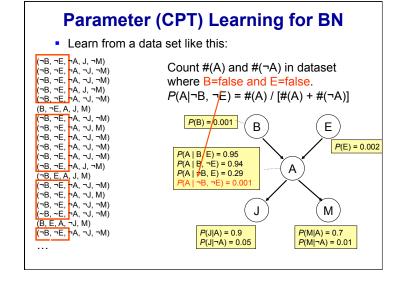












#### Parameter (CPT) Learning for BN

'Unseen event' problem

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(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, J, ¬M)
                                Count #(A) and #(\negA) in dataset
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
                                where B=true and E=true.
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, J, ¬M)
                                P(A|B,E) = \#(A) / [\#(A) + \#(\neg A)]
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(B, ¬E, A, J, M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
                                What if there's no row with
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
                                (B, E, \neg A, *, *) in the dataset?
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, J, ¬M)
                                Do you want to set
(¬B, E, A, J, M)
                                P(A|B,E) = 1
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, M)
                                P(\neg A|B,E) = 0?
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(~B, ~E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
(B, E, A, ¬J, M)
                                Why or why not?
(¬B, ¬E, ¬A, ¬J, ¬M)
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#### Parameter (CPT) Learning for BN

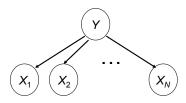
- P(X=x | parents(X)) = (frequency of x given parents) is called the Maximum Likelihood (ML) estimate
- ML estimate is vulnerable to the 'unseen event' problem when the dataset is small
  - flip a coin 3 times, all heads → one-sided coin?
- Simplest solution: 'Add one' smoothing

## **Smoothing CPTs**

- · 'Add one' smoothing: add 1 to all counts
- In the previous example, count #(A) and #(¬A) in dataset where B=true and E=true
  - $P(A|B,E) = [\#(A)+1] / [\#(A)+1 + \#(\neg A)+1]$
  - If #(A)=1, #(¬A)=0:
    - without smoothing P(A|B,E) = 1,  $P(\neg A|B,E) = 0$
    - with smoothing P(A|B,E) = 0.67,  $P(\neg A|B,E) = 0.33$
  - If #(A)=100, #(¬A)=0:
    - without smoothing P(A|B,E) = 1,  $P(\neg A|B,E) = 0$
    - with smoothing P(A|B,E) = 0.99,  $P(\neg A|B,E) = 0.01$
- Smoothing saves you when you don't have enough data, and hides away when you do
- It's a form of Maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimation

#### **BN Special Case: Naïve Bayes**

- A special Bayes Net structure:
  - a 'class' variable Y at root, compute  $P(Y | X_1, ..., X_N)$
  - evidence nodes  $X_i$  (observed features) are all leaves
  - conditional independence between all evidence assumed. Usually not valid, but often empirically OK

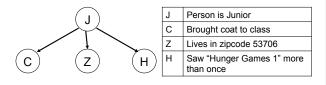


## **Naïve Bayes Classifier**

• Find  $v = \underset{\text{argmax}_{v}P(Y = v)}{\operatorname{max}_{v}P(Y = v)\prod_{i=1}^{n}P(X_{i} = u_{i}|Y = v)}$ Class variable Evidence variable

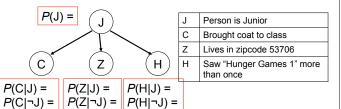
- Assumes all evidence variables are conditionally independent of each other given the class variable
- Robust since it gives the right answer as long as the correct class is more likely than all others

#### A Special BN: Naïve Bayes Classifiers



• What's stored in the CPTs?

#### A Special BN: Naïve Bayes Classifiers



#### Is the Person a Junior?

- Input (evidence): C, Z, H
- Output (query): J

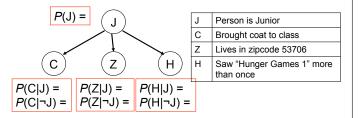
P(J|C,Z,H)

- = P(J,C,Z,H) / P(C,Z,H) by def. of cond. prob.
- =  $P(J,C,Z,H) / [P(J,C,Z,H) + P(\neg J,C,Z,H)]$  by marginalization where

P(J,C,Z,H) = P(J)P(C|J)P(Z|J)P(H|J) by chain rule and conditional independence associated with Bayes Net

 $P(\neg J, C, Z, H) = P(\neg J)P(C|\neg J)P(Z|\neg J)P(H|\neg J)$ 

#### A Special BN: Naïve Bayes Classifiers

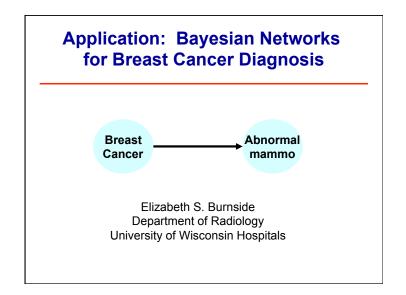


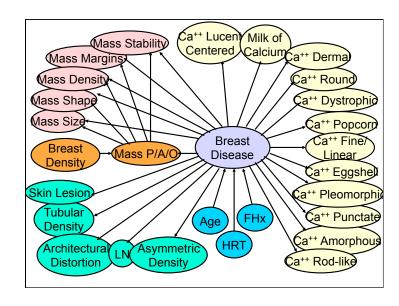
- A new person shows up in class wearing an "I live in Union South where I saw the 'Hunger Games 1' every night" coat.
- What's the probability that the person is a Junior?

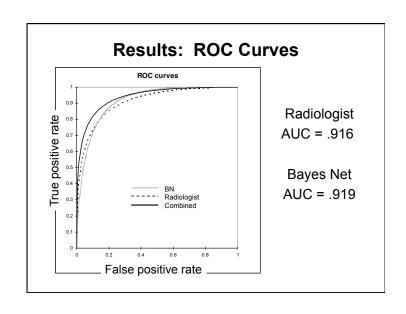
#### **Smoothing CPTs for Naïve Bayes**

- "Add 1 Smoothing" ensures that each conditional probability > 0
- Assume c possible classes (i.e., class variable has c possible values) and a "bag of words" model for describing each example ("document"): If there are k distinct token types in the vocabulary, v<sub>1</sub>, ..., v<sub>k</sub>, each example is represented by a vector of length k where the i<sup>th</sup> entry is the number of times word i occurs in the example
- Let n<sub>ci</sub> = number of times token type v<sub>i</sub> occurs in all training examples in class c, including multiple occurrences in the same training example
- Let  $n_c$  = total number of tokens in all examples in class c
- Compute conditional probabilities as:

P(
$$v_i \mid c$$
) =  $\frac{n_{ci} + 1}{n_c + k}$ 







#### **Bayesian Network Properties**

- Bayesian Networks compactly encode joint distributions
- Topology of a Bayesian Network is only guaranteed to encode conditional independencies
  - Arcs do not necessarily represent causal relations

## **What You Should Know**

- Inference with joint distribution
- Problems of joint distribution
- Bayesian Networks: representation (nodes, arcs, CPT) and meaning
- Compute joint probabilities from Bayes net
- Inference by enumeration
- Naïve Bayes