

# Assignment2

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## Problem 1

Given the local Markov property for UGs,

$X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X \setminus Cl(X_i, \mathcal{G}) | Ne(X_i, \mathcal{G})$  and  $X_i \sim X_j$

$\Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \cup (X \setminus Cl(X_i, \mathcal{G}) \cup X_j) | Ne(X_i, \mathcal{G})$

$\Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | Ne(X_i, \mathcal{G}) \cup (X \setminus Cl(X_i, \mathcal{G}) \cup X_j)$  (by weak union)

$\Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | Ne(X_i, \mathcal{G}) \cup (X \setminus Ne(X_i, \mathcal{G}) \cup X_i \cup X_j)$

$\Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | X \setminus (X_i \cup X_j) \Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | X \setminus \{X_i, X_j\}$

This is the pairwise Markov property. Therefore, we can conclude that local Markov property  $\Rightarrow$  pairwise Markov property in undirected graph  $\mathcal{G}$ .

## Problem 2

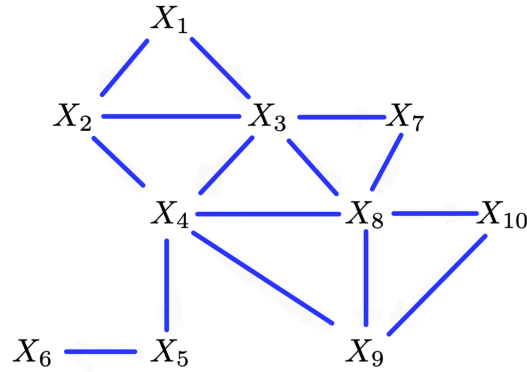


Figure 1: Moralized graph

- (a) When factorizing by maximal clique, the joint distribution can be written as:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \phi_{123}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \phi_{234}(x_2, x_3, x_4) \phi_{378}(x_3, x_7, x_8) \phi_{348}(x_3, x_4, x_8) \phi_{489}(x_4, x_8, x_9) \phi_{234}(x_8, x_9, x_{10}) \phi_{45}(x_4, x_5) \phi_{56}(x_5, x_6)$$

There are 8 factor potentials.

- (b) When the scope has 3 variables, there are 3 parameters for each variable, 3 parameters for pairs, and 1 parameter for three-way interaction. When the scope has two variables, there are 2 parameters for

single variable and 1 parameters for pairs. From (a), we have 6 scopes with 3 variables and 2 scopes with 2 variables. Therefore, there are  $(3 + 3 + 1) \times 6 + (2 + 1) \times 2 = 48$  variables in total.

(c) There are 10 variables and each can take on either 0 or 1, so there are  $2^{10} = 1024$  possible combinations. The joint distribution must sum to 1, and the last one will be determined automatically when all the other 9 variable are set. So  $2^{10} - 1 = 1023$  parameters would be required.

(d) Factorization property in DAG  $\mathcal{G}$ :

$$p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{10}) = \prod_{i=1}^{10} p(x_i | Pa(X_i, \mathcal{G}))$$

$$= p(x_1) p(x_2 | x_1) p(x_3 | x_1) p(x_4 | x_2, x_3) p(x_5 | x_4) p(x_6 | x_5) p(x_7 | x_3) p(x_8 | x_3, x_7) p(x_9 | x_4, x_8, x_{10}) p(x_{10} | x_8)$$

When  $x_i = 1$ , the probability can be written as  $p(x_i = 1 | Pa(X_i, \mathcal{G}))$ . The probability where  $x_i = 0$  can be obtained by  $1 - p(x_i = 1 | Pa(X_i, \mathcal{G}))$  so we can focus on the combination of the parents. By the above factorization formula, the required number of parameters are  $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^1 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + 2^1 = 29$ .

### Problem 3

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_1$ :

$$A \perp_d B | \phi, B \perp_d D | \phi, D \perp_d C | \phi, C \perp_d A | \phi, A \perp_d D | \phi, B \perp_d C | \phi$$

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_2$ :

$$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B | \{E, C, D\}, B \perp\!\!\!\perp D | \{E, A, C\}, D \perp\!\!\!\perp C | \{E, A, B\}, C \perp\!\!\!\perp A | \{E, D, B\}, A \perp\!\!\!\perp D | \{E, B, C\}, B \perp\!\!\!\perp C | \{E, A, D\}$$

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_3$ :

$$A \perp_d B | E, B \perp_d D | E, D \perp_d C | E, C \perp_d A | E, A \perp_d D | E, B \perp_d C | E$$

Both BN and MRF models infer conditional independencies based on the absence of edges. In a BN, non-adjacent variables require some set  $S$  (possibly empty) to make them independent, whereas in an MRF, non-adjacent variables are independent when conditioned on all remaining variables.

Adding adjacency between  $A$  and  $B$  changes the independencies as follows.

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_1$ :

$$A \text{ and } B \text{ are no longer independent, } B \perp_d D | \phi \text{ or } B \perp_d D | A, D \perp_d C | \phi \text{ or } D \perp_d C | \{A, B\},$$

$$C \perp_d A | \phi \text{ or } C \perp_d A | B, A \perp_d D | \phi \text{ or } A \perp_d D | B, B \perp_d C | \phi \text{ or } B \perp_d C | A$$

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_2$ :

$A$  and  $B$  are no longer independent. Aside from that, all the independencies remain the same.

Independencies of  $\mathcal{G}_3$ :

$A$  and  $B$  are no longer independent.

- When  $B \rightarrow A$  is added,  $A$  becomes a collider so all the independencies remain the same except  $A$  and  $B$ .

- When  $B \leftarrow A$  is added:

$$B \perp_d D | \{E, A\}, D \perp_d C | \{E, A\}, C \perp_d A | \{E, A\}, A \perp_d D | \{E, A\}, B \perp_d C | \{E, A\}$$

### Problem 4

Proof of  $\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in DAG  $\mathcal{G} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in  $(\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m$ :

When  $\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in DAG  $\mathcal{G}$ , all the paths from  $\mathbf{A}$  to  $\mathbf{B}$  through  $\mathbf{C}$  should be blocked. Noncollider in  $\mathbf{C}$  makes the path non-active and collider in  $\mathbf{C}$  makes the path active given  $\mathbf{C}$  is in the conditioning set. If there

are more than one node between  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , the path will be non-active because we cannot have nodes in  $\mathbf{C}$  between  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  to be all colliders. In other words,  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are d-connected only when there is a node in  $\mathbf{C}$  that is a child of both  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ . So, there is no node  $c$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  such that  $A \rightarrow c \leftarrow B$  under  $\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$ . Additionally, there is no direct path between  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  in DAG  $\mathcal{G}$ . Thus, when constructing  $(\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m$ , the non-adjacency of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  is maintained. Therefore,  $\mathbf{A} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in  $(\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m$  holds.

Proof of  $\neg(\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C} \text{ in DAG } \mathcal{G}) \Rightarrow \neg(\mathbf{A} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C} \text{ in } (\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m)$ :

When  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are not d-separated given  $\mathbf{C}$ , at least one path from  $\mathbf{A}$  to  $\mathbf{B}$  has to be active. As mentioned above, this is true only when there is node  $c$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  such that  $A \rightarrow c \leftarrow B$  under  $\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$ . The moralization of DAG  $\mathcal{G}$  will create a new edge between  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , so they will no longer be independent given  $\mathbf{C}$  in  $\mathbf{A} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in  $(\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m$ .

Therefore,  $\mathbf{A} \perp_d \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in DAG  $\mathcal{G}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{A} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{B} | \mathbf{C}$  in  $(\mathcal{G}_{An(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})})^m$ .