# 10-708 PGM (Spring 2019): Homework 1 v1.1

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以下是我对这些题目的作答,仅供参考,如有错误疏漏,请批评指正。解答中所指"定理、定义 x.x"均出自 Koller & Friedman(2009)教材。

# 1 Bayesian Networks [20 points] (Xun)

State True or False, and briefly justify your answer in a few sentences. You can cite theorems from Koller and Friedman (2009). Throughout the section, P is a distribution and  $\mathcal{G}$  is a BN structure.

判断对错,并简要给出原因。可以引用 Koller 和 Friedman (2009) 教材中的定理。在这一大题中,P 表示概率分布,G 表示贝叶斯网络结构。

1. [2 points] If  $A \perp B \mid C$  and  $A \perp C \mid B$ , then  $A \perp B$  and  $A \perp C$ . (Suppose the joint distribution of A, B, C is positive.)

## Solution

错误。反例: B = C (无论 A 是否独立于 B 或 C)。 具体来说,从题目给出的两个条件独立出发,有:

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

而 A, B, C 的联合概率分布可以分别由  $(A, C \mid B)$  和  $(A, B \mid C)$  得出:

$$P(A, B, C) = P(A, B \mid C)P(C) = P(A, C \mid B)P(B)$$
  
(由条件独立性) =  $P(A \mid C)P(B, C) = P(A \mid B)P(B, C)$ 

从而推得:

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

如果  $A \perp B$  且  $A \perp C$ ,确实能导致上式成立,因为此时上式直接等价于 P(A) = P(A)。但这并不是唯一能使上式成立的情况:例如 B = C,此时无论 A 是否独立于 B, C,都能使上式成立。

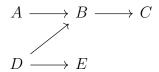


Figure 1: A Bayesian network.

2. [2 points] In Figure 1,  $E \perp C \mid B$ .

### Solution

**正确**。B 形成了对 E 和 C 的 d-分离。

条件概率形式的推导比较复杂,直接从 d-separation 的角度出发。C 与 E 之间唯一的通路是:

$$E \leftarrow D \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$$

只有这条通路完全被打通,E 和 C 才相互(条件)**不**独立。而以 B 作为条件时, $D \to B \to C$  的通路被阻断,此时根据 d-separation 原则(定理 3.4 的逆否命题),有  $E \perp C \mid B$  成立。

3. [2 points] In Figure 1,  $A \perp E \mid C$ .

### Solution

**错误**。在已知 C 的情况下,A 与 E 间不存在 d-分离。

尽管 B 作为 v-structure 的顶点并不存在于条件集里,但 C 是 B 的子节点(相当于也知道 B 的部分信息),从而使  $A \to B \leftarrow D$  的路径开放。而由于并不控制 D 作为条件, $E \leftarrow D \to B$  的路径也开放,因此从 A 到 E 的路径并未被阻断。因此, $A \not\perp E \mid C$ 。【金标准,必然排除条件独立】

这一命题可以通过将因果图亲缘化、无向化来近似地判断,去掉 C 后,能够看到 A-D-E 这条无向边通路,并判断 A 与 E 并不能保证条件独立。参见附录中图 3开始的全过程。【结果仅供参考,不能完全排除条件独立的可能性】

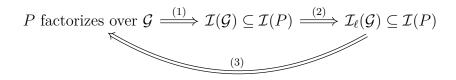


Figure 2: Some relations in Bayesian networks.

4. [2 points] In Figure 2, relation (1) is true.

### Solution

**正确**。参照定理 3.1 和 3.2,命题"P factorizes over(according to) G" 是命题" $\mathcal{G}$  是 P 的 I-map" 的充要条件;由定义 3.3 知," $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  是  $\mathcal{I}(P)$  的 I-map" 等价于  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(P)$ 。

顺便复习一下  $\mathcal{I}$  的定义, $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  是贝叶斯网络  $\mathcal{G}$  中含有的所有条件独立关系的集合。类似的, $\mathcal{I}(P)$  是概率分布 P 中条件独立关系的集合。而如果  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(P)$ ,则称图  $\mathcal{G}$  是概率分布 P 的 I-map。而  $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G})$  则是贝叶斯网络  $\mathcal{G}$  中的局部条件独立性假设的集合:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G}) := \{ X_i \perp NonDecendants_{X_i} \mid Pa_{X_i}, \forall i \}$$

5. [2 points] In Figure 2, relation (2) is true.

#### Solution

**正确**。 $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G})$  是  $\mathcal{G}$  中的局部条件独立性,而贝叶斯网络中还可能存在其他条件独立性,即  $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G})$  是  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  的子集。由集合性质知该命题正确。 "其他的条件独立性"例如: $A_3 \leftarrow A_2 \leftarrow A_1 \leftarrow P \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow B_2 \rightarrow B_3$ 。在控制  $A_1, P, B_1$  中任意一点的条件下, $A_3, B_3$  条件独立,而  $A_1, P, B_1$  都不是  $A_3, B_3$  的父节点。

6. [2 points] In Figure 2, relation (3) is true.

### Solution

**正确**。首先看  $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G})$  与  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  的关系,如果二者相等,则(3)必然成立。 如果  $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G})$  是  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  的真子集,如何? 按照定义 3.2 和 3.3, $\mathcal{I}_{\ell}(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(P)$  时  $\mathcal{G}$  即为 P 的 I-map,进而有(3)成立。

7. [2 points] If  $\mathcal{G}$  is an I-map for P, then P may have extra conditional independencies than  $\mathcal{G}$ .

#### Solution

**正确**。 $\mathcal{G}$  是 P 的一个 I-map 的充要条件是:  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(P)$ ,而等号并不总是成立,也就是  $\mathcal{I}(P)$  中含有  $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{G})$  中不具有的某些条件独立性断言,这等价于题中命题。

8. [2 points] Two BN structures  $\mathcal{G}_1$  and  $\mathcal{G}_2$  are I-equivalent iff they have the same skeleton and the same set of v-structures.

### Solution

**错误**。命题 " $G_1$  与  $G_2$  是 I-等价的"的充要条件是 " $G_1$ ,  $G_2$  具有相同的框架 (定理 3.8),与相同的无亲缘性集 (the same set of immorality)"。所谓的"immorality" 指的是对于 v-structure  $X \to Z \leftarrow Y$ ,亲代节点 X,Y 之间没有有向边连接。

9. [2 points] The minimal I-map of a distribution is the I-map with fewest edges.

### Solution

错误。最小 I-map 指的是不能再删除任何的边,而不是边最少。参考 Koller & Friedman(2009) 的图 3.8(b) 和 3.8(c),这两个贝叶斯网络都是同一个分布的最小 I-map,但显然 (c) 图比 (b) 图多很多条边。

10. [2 points] The P-map of a distribution, if exists, is unique.

### Solution

错误。对于同一个 P 来说,如果有 P-map,也不见得唯一。 $X \to Z \to Y$ , $Y \to Z \to X$  代表了完全相同的条件独立性,即  $X \perp Y \mid Z$ 。对于这两张因果图完美对应的 P 来说,这两个因果图都是它的 P-map,二者具有 I-等价,但并不唯一。

# 2 Undirected Graphical Models [25 points] (Paul)

## 2.1 Local, Pairwise and Global Markov Properties [18 points]

- 1. Prove the following properties:
  - [2 points] If  $A \perp (B, D) \mid C$  then  $A \perp B \mid C$ .
  - [2 points] If  $A \perp (B, D) \mid C$  then  $A \perp B \mid (C, D)$  and  $A \perp D \mid (B, C)$ .
  - [2 points] For strictly positive distributions, if  $A \perp B \mid (C, D)$  and  $A \perp C \mid (B, D)$  then  $A \perp (B, C) \mid D$ .

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Solution

对上述三个性质的证明。

性质 1:

性质 2:

性质 3:
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- 2. [6 points] Show that for any undirected graph G and distribution P, if P factorizes according to G, then P will also satisfy the global Markov properties of G.
- 3. [6 points] Show that for any undirected graph G and distribution P, if P satisfies the local Markov property with respect to G, then P will also satisfy the pairwise Markov property of G.

## 2.2 Gaussian Graphical Models [7 points]

Now we consider a specific instance of undirected graphical models. Let  $X = \{X_1, ..., X_d\}$  be a set of random variables and follow a joint Gaussian distribution  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Lambda^{-1})$  where  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{S}^{++}$  is the precision matrix. Let  $X_j, X_k$  be two nodes in X, and  $Z = \{X_i \mid i \notin \{j, k\}\}$  denote the remaining nodes. Show that  $X_j \perp X_k \mid Z$  if and only if  $\Lambda_{jk} = 0$ .

# 3 Exact Inference [40 points] (Xun)

## 3.1 Variable elimination on a grid [10 points]

Consider the following Markov network:

We are going to see how *tree-width*, a property of the graph, is related to the intrinsic complexity of variable elimination of a distribution.

1. [2 points] Write down largest clique(s) for the elimination order E, D, H, F, B, A, G, I, C.

### Solution

The largest clique for order above is:

- 2. [2 points] Write down largest clique(s) for the elimination order A, G, I, C, D, H, F, B, E.
- 3. [2 points] Which of the above ordering is preferable? Explain briefly.
- 4. [4 points] Using this intuition, give a reasonable ( $\ll n^2$ ) upper bound on the treewidth of the  $n \times n$  grid.

## 3.2 Junction tree in action: part 1 [10 points]

Consider the following Bayesian network  $\mathcal{G}$ :

$$\begin{array}{cccc} A & \longrightarrow & B & \longrightarrow & C \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ E & \longrightarrow & D \end{array}$$

We are going to construct a junction tree  $\mathcal{T}$  from  $\mathcal{G}$ . Please sketch the generated objects in each step.

- 1. [1 pts] Moralize  $\mathcal{G}$  to construct an undirected graph  $\mathcal{H}$ .
- 2. [3 pts] Triangulate  $\mathcal{H}$  to construct a chordal graph  $\mathcal{H}^*$ .

(Although there are many ways to triangulate a graph, for the ease of grading, please use the triangulation that corresponds to the elimination order A, B, C, D, E.)

- 3. [3 pts] Construct a cluster graph  $\mathcal{U}$  where each node is a maximal clique  $C_i$  from  $\mathcal{H}^*$  and each edge is the sepset  $S_{i,j} = C_i \cap C_j$  between adjacent cliques  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ .
- 4. [3 pts] Run maximum spanning tree algorithm on  $\mathcal{U}$  to construct a junction tree  $\mathcal{T}$ . (The cluster graph is small enough to calculate maximum spanning tree in one's head.)

## 3.3 Junction tree in action: part 2 [20 points]

Continuing from part 1, now assume all variables are binary and the CPDs are parameterized as follows:

					Ŀ	D	P(D C,E)
$\overline{A P(A)}$	$\frac{A  B  P(B A)}{}$	A  E  P(E A)	$\frac{B  C  P(C B)}{}$	0	0	0	$x_7$
$\frac{}{0}$ $x_0$	0 0 $x_1$	0 0 $x_3$	0 0 $x_5$	0	1	0	$x_8$
$\frac{\sigma}{\sigma}$	$1  0 \qquad x_2$	$1  0 \qquad x_4$	1 0 $x_6$	1	0	0	$x_9$
				1	1	0	$x_{10}$

D = D(D|C|E)

We are going to implement belief propagation on  $\mathcal{T}$ . The provided template junction\_tree.py contains the following tasks:

- initial\_clique\_potentials(): Compute initial clique potentials  $\psi_i(C_i)$  from factors  $\phi_i$ .
- messages(): Compute messages  $\delta_{i\to j}$  from initial clique potentials  $\psi_i(\boldsymbol{C}_i)$ .
- beliefs(): Compute calibrated clique beliefs  $\beta_i(C_i)$  and sepset beliefs  $\mu_{i,j}(S_{i,j})$ , using initial clique potentials  $\psi_i(C_i)$  and messages  $\delta_{i\to j}$ .
- Using the beliefs  $\beta_i(C_i), \mu_{i,j}(S_{i,j})$ , compute
  - query1(): P(B)
  - query2(): P(A|C)
  - query3(): P(A, B, C, D, E)

Please finish the unimplemented TODO blocks and submit completed junction\_tree.py to Gradescope (https://www.gradescope.com/courses/36025).

In the implementation, please represent factors as numpy.ndarray and store different factors in a dictionary with its scope as the key. For example, as provided in the template, phi['ab'] is a factor  $\phi_{AB}$  represented as a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, where phi['ab'][0, 0] =  $\phi_{AB}(A = 0, B = 0) = P(B = 0|A = 0) = x_1$ . For messages, one can use delta['ab\_cd'] to denote a message from AB to CD. Most functions can be written in 3 lines of code. You may find np.einsum() useful.

# 4 Parameter Learning [15 points] (Xun)

$$\begin{array}{cccc} Y_1 & \longrightarrow & Y_2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & Y_T \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_1 & & X_2 & & & X_T \end{array}$$

Consider an HMM with  $Y_t \in [M]$ ,  $X_t \in \mathbb{R}^K$   $(M, K \in \mathbb{N})$ . Let  $(\pi, A, \{\mu_i, \sigma_i^2\}_{i=1}^M)$  be its parameters, where  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}^M$  is the initial state distribution,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times M}$  is the transition matrix,  $\mu_i \in \mathbb{R}^K$  and  $\sigma_i^2 > 0$  are parameters of the emission distribution, which is defined to be an isotropic Gaussian. In other words,

$$P(Y_1 = i) = \pi_i \tag{1}$$

$$P(Y_{t+1} = j | Y_t = i) = A_{ij} (2)$$

$$P(X_t|Y_t=i) = \mathcal{N}(X_t; \mu_i, \sigma_i^2 I). \tag{3}$$

We are going to implement the Baum-Welch (EM) algorithm that estimates parameters from data  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times T \times K}$ , which is a collection of N observed sequences of length T. Note that there are different forms of forward-backward algorithms, for instance the  $(\alpha, \gamma)$ -recursion, which is slightly different from the  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -recursion we saw in the class. For the ease of grading, however, please implement the  $(\alpha, \beta)$  version, and remember to normalize the messages at each step for numerical stability.

Please complete the unimplemented TODO blocks in the template baum\_welch.py and submit it to Gradescope (https://www.gradescope.com/courses/36025). The template has its own toy problem to verify the implementation. The test cases are ran on other randomly generated problem instances.

# References

D. Koller and N. Friedman. *Probabilistic Graphical Models: Principles and Techniques*. MIT Press, 2009.

# A 题目解答中提到的自制图表

## A.1 问题 1.3: 贝叶斯网络的亲缘化

判断  $A \perp E \mid C$  的方法,比较方便的是改成亲缘图——当然,如果你记得住 do-calculus 里 v-structure 通路阻断的条件是"不知道顶点及其任何子节点",是最好的。

亲缘图第一步是保留命题中出现的所有节点(待判断节点、条件节点)及其父节点的子图,删去无关的其他节点。但是这里待判断的恰好是 A, E,条件节点是 C,也就是整张图都要保留下来。

注:如果我们要判断  $A \perp E \mid B$ ,那么 C 以及 B,C 间的连线在这一步就可以去掉了。

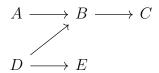


Figure 3: 题目 1.3-原图(也是第一步处理后的图)

第二步: 亲缘化,对于任意节点  $X_i$ ,如果它同时具有两个及以上的父节点(形成了以  $X_i$  为节点的 v-structure),那么父节点间两两连接为无向边。如果两个父节点间本就以有向 边连接,则提前改为无向边吧——反正下一步所有的边都要改成无向的。在图 3中,需要 连接的就是 A 和 D:

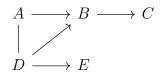


Figure 4: 题目 1.3-亲缘化

第三步, 无向化。把所有的有向边都变成无向边, 这个很简单。

第四步,删除条件节点及连接它们的路径,处理过程到此结束,参考下图。



Figure 5: 题目 1.3-无向化并删除条件节点

显然,A = E 之间仍然存在 A - D - E 的无向链路,因此**无从保证二者在已知** C **时的条件独立性**。但**不能绝对的说二者一定不独立**,因为仍然存在数值独立的可能性,例如, $P(A \mid B)$  与 P(A) 对于 A, B 所有可能的取值均相等。

但反过来说,如果两个节点在亲缘化以后没有连在一起,那两个节点一定是条件独立的。