Exercise 8: Bayesian networks – Problems Josefine Gassner

# 1 Presented Problems

### **Problem 8.1:**

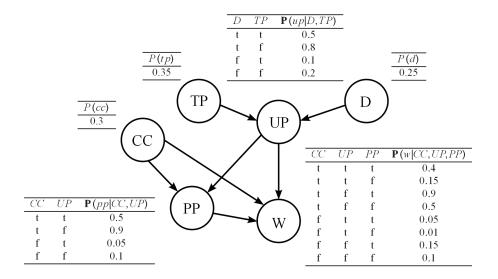


Figure 1: A Bayesian Network with Boolean random variables: D = DemotivatedPilot, TP = TalentedPilot, CC = CompetitiveCar, UP = UnderPerformance, PP = PolePosition, W = Wins (the values in the tables are guessed).

Consider the Bayesian network about a race in Fig.1. The true and false event of the random variables are abbreviated with the lowercase and the negated lowercase respectively (e.g. D = true is d and D = false is  $\neg d$ ).

- a. Which of these statements are true?
  - i. TP, UP and D are independent.
  - ii. TP and D are independent.
  - iii. PP and D are conditionally independent given UP.
  - iv. TP and D are conditionally independent given CC.
  - v.  $\mathbf{P}(D|TP,UP) = \mathbf{P}(D|TP,CC,UP,PP,W)$ .
- **b.** Write the formula for computing the joint probability distribution in terms of the conditional probabilities exploiting the conditional independencies in the considered network.
- **c.** Calculate  $P(\neg d, tp, cc, \neg up, pp, w)$  and  $P(\neg d, tp, cc, \neg up, \neg pp, w)$ .
- **d.** Calculate the probability that the pilot wins given that she/he is talented, motivated and starts from the pole position on the grid.

### Problem 8.2:

Consider a driving situation that contains the Boolean random variables H = Hurry, CD = CarefulDriver, DF = DriveFast, A = Accident and GF = GetFined. In order to have a more compact notation, abbreviate the true and false event of the random variables with the lowercase and the negated lowercase respectively (e.g. H = true is h and H = false is  $\neg h$ ).

**a.** Draw the Bayesian network corresponding to:

 $\mathbf{P}(H,CD,DF,A,GF) = \mathbf{P}(GF|DF,A)\mathbf{P}(A|DF)\mathbf{P}(DF|CD,H)\mathbf{P}(CD)\mathbf{P}(H).$ 

				CD	Н	$\mathbf{P}(df CD,H)$	DF	A	$\mathbf{P}(gf DF,A)$
$\frac{P(h)}{0.5}$	$\frac{P(cd)}{0.6}$	DF	$\mathbf{P}(a DF)$	t	t	0.15	t	t	0.99
		t	0.7	t	f	0.01	t	f	0.4
		f	0.25	f	t	0.99	f	t	0.5
				f	f	0.1	f	f	0.05

- **b.** Calculate  $P(CD|\neg a, gf)$  using enumeration.
- **c.** Calculate  $P(CD|\neg a, gf)$  using variable elimination.
- **d.** Compare the number of operations required to compute the result in **b.** and **c.**.

## 2 Additional Problems

#### Problem 8.3:

(Taken from [1] Ex. 14.1) We have a bag of three biased coins a, b, and c with probabilities of coming up heads of 20%, 60%, and 80%, respectively. One coin is drawn randomly from the bag (with equal likelihood of drawing each of the three coins), and then the coin is flipped three times to generate the outcomes X1, X2, and X3.

- **a.** Draw the Bayesian network corresponding to this setup and define the necessary conditional probability tables.
- **b.** Calculate which coin was most likely to have been drawn from the bag if the observed flips come out heads twice and tails once.

## References

[1] S. Russell and P. Norvig, Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach. Prentice Hall, 2010.