# Homework 1

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# Problem 1:

I will assume that each random variable can take on d values.

#### Part A

To satisfy p(W|X,Y,Z), we need d-1 parameters for values of W and each of those values are conditioned on  $d^3$  possible configurations of X,Y,Z, thus we need  $d^3(d-1)$  parameters.

To satisfy p(Z|X,Y), we need  $d^2(d-1)$  parameters because we have d-1 parameter values each conditioned on  $d^2$  configurations.

To satisfy p(Y|X), we need d(d-1) parameters because we have d-1 parameter values each conditioned on d configurations.

To satisfy p(X), we need d-1 parameters because we have d-1 parameter values.

Our total is thus

$$\frac{d^4-1}{d-1}(d-1)$$

Simplifying, our final total is

$$d^4 - 1$$

Thus this Bayesian network does not simplify the joint distribution

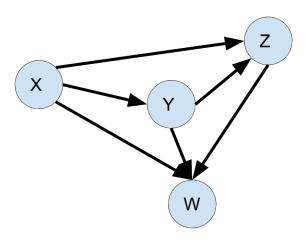


Figure 1: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part A

# Part B

For each random variable, we need d-1 parameters. They are all independent Thus our total is just 4(d-1)



Figure 2: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part B

## Part C

The variables p(Z|Y), p(W|Y), p(X|Y) each need d(d-1) parameters since we have d-1 parameter values conditioned on d configurations.

The factor p(Y) needs d-1 parameters

Thus our total is (3d+1)(d-1)

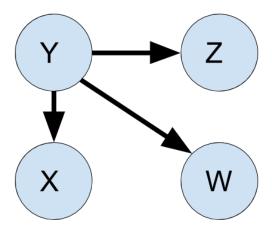


Figure 3: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part C

# Part D

To satisfy p(X) and p(Y) we need d-1 parameters for each of them

To satisfy p(W|X) we need d(d-1) parameters since there are d-1 parameter values conditioned on d configurations.

To satisfy p(Z|X,Y) we need  $d^2(d-1)$  parameters since there are d-1 parameter values conditioned on  $d^2$  configurations.

Our total is thus

$$(d^2 + d + 2)(d - 1) = (d^2 + d + 1)(d - 1) + (d - 1) = (d^3 - 1) + (d - 1) = d^3 + d - 2$$

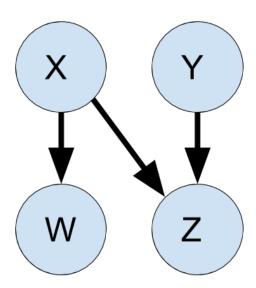


Figure 4: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part D

## Part E

To satisfy p(Z) we need d-1 parameters

To satisfy p(Y|Z) we need d(d-1) parameters as there are d-1 values conditioned on d configurations.

To satisfy p(X|Y) we need d(d-1) parameters for same reason as p(Y|Z)

To satisfy p(W|X) we need d(d-1) parameters for same reason as p(Y|Z)

Our total is thus (3d+1)(d-1) parameters

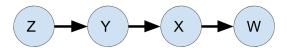


Figure 5: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part E

## Part F

To satisfy p(X) we need d-1 parameters

To satisfy the other three factors, we need d(d-1) parameters for each of them for the same reason as p(Y|Z) in part E

Our total is thus (3d+1)(d-1) parameters

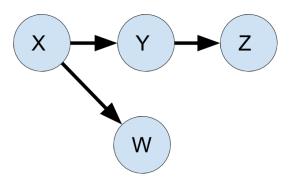


Figure 6: Minimal Directed Graphical Model for Part F

### Problem 2:

#### Part A

No

There is a "vee" structure between them and the variables are unobserved. Thus all paths are inactive and they are conditionally independent

#### Part B

Yes

This allows you to infer new values for  $power\_in\_building$  This will in turn mean new probabilities for  $Sam\_reading\_book$ 

#### Part C

Yes

Observing a value for  $screen\_lit\_up$  lets you infer information about the probability of  $power\_in\_wire$ . Knowledge of  $projector\_plugged\_in$  combined with the information about  $power\_in\_wire$  will affect  $power\_in\_building$ . This will in turn affect  $Sam\_reading\_book$  because it is connected through a chain to  $power\_in\_building$ .

#### Part D

If  $lamp\_works$  was observed, then we would update the probabilities for  $projector\_lamp\_on$  We would then have to update the probabilities for  $screen\_lit\_up$  This would cause us to update probabilities for  $ray\_says\_screen\_is\_dark$ 

### Part E

If we observe just *power\_in\_projector* then the same variables from Part D will have their probabilities changed.

We would also update the probability for  $projector\_switch\_on$ We would also have to update  $power\_in\_building$  and  $power\_in\_wire$ 

# Problem 3:

#### Part A

We need to solve the following

$$p(0,0;\theta) + p(0,1;\theta) + p(1,0;\theta) + p(1,1;\theta) = 1$$

This ends up being the following:

$$exp(-A(\theta)) + exp(-A(\theta)) + exp(\theta_x - A(\theta)) + exp(\theta_x + \theta_{xy} - A(\theta)) = 1$$

After doing some factoring

$$\frac{exp(\theta_x) + exp(\theta_{xy} + \theta_x) + 2}{exp(A(\theta))} = 1$$

After cross multiplying and solving for  $A(\theta)$ 

$$A(\theta) = log(exp(\theta_x) + exp(\theta_{xy} + \theta_x) + 2)$$

## Part B

After letting  $\theta_{xy} = 1$  we have the following

$$A(\theta) = log(exp(\theta_x) + exp(1 + \theta_x) + 2)$$

After some factoring

$$A(\theta) = log(exp(\theta_x)(1 + exp(1)) + 2)$$

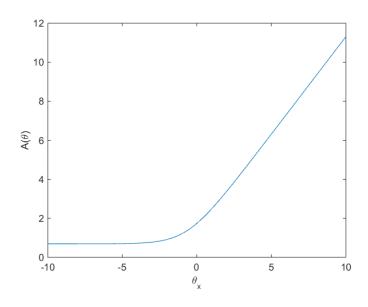


Figure 7: Plot for  $A(\theta)$ . It appears convex as expected

# Part C

This is the partial with respect to  $\theta_x$ 

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial \theta_x} = \frac{exp(\theta_x) + exp(\theta_x + \theta_{xy})}{exp(\theta_x) + exp(\theta_x + \theta_{xy}) + 2}$$

This is the partial with respect to  $\theta_{xy}$ 

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial \theta_{xy}} = \frac{exp(\theta_x + \theta_{xy})}{exp(\theta_x) + exp(\theta_x + \theta_{xy}) + 2}$$

Thus we have

$$\nabla A(\theta) = \left[\frac{exp(1) + exp(3)}{exp(1) + exp(3) + 2}, \frac{exp(3)}{exp(1) + exp(3) + 2}\right]$$

Approximately

$$\nabla A(\theta) = [0.91937, 0.80978]$$

This is also the expected value of the distribution if  $\theta = [1, 2]$