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Announcements

Home Stretch

- P4 - Due Thursday 4/6
- HW9 - Due Tues 4/11 (day before Carnival)
- HW10 - Due Tues 4/25 (last week of school)
- P5 – Out 4/11, Due Thursday 4/27 (last week of school)
- Final exam – Thursday 5/4, 5:30-8:30pm

TA Applications! <https://www.ugrad.cs.cmu.edu/ta/F23/instructor/>

Carnival

- There will be lecture on 4/11 on HMMs
- No Recitation Friday 4/14, videos posted

Bayes Nets

✓ Part I: Representation and Independence

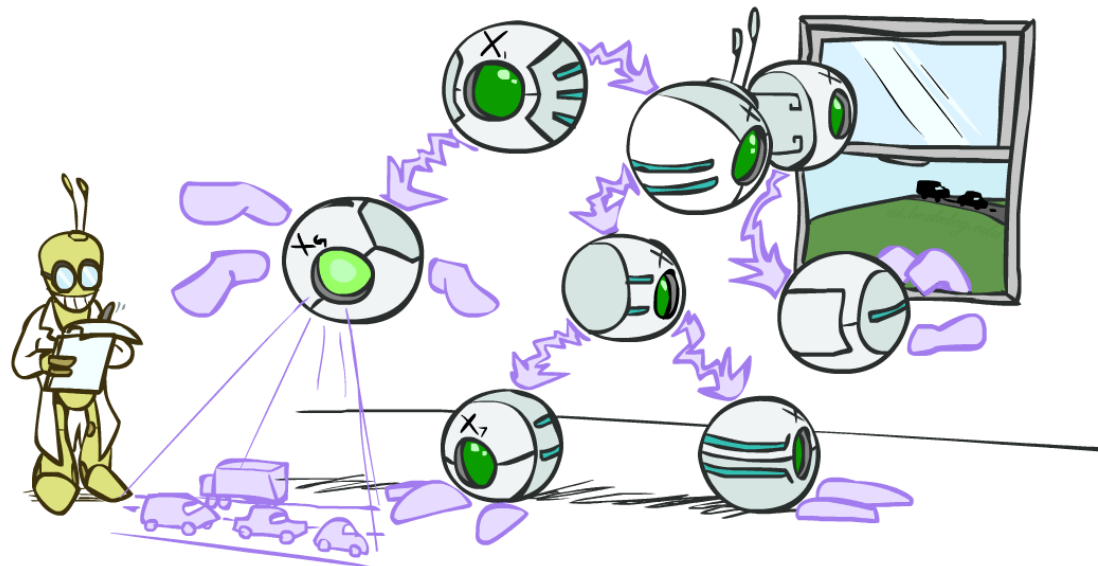
Part II: Exact inference

- Enumeration (always exponential complexity)
- Variable elimination (worst-case exponential complexity, often better)
- Inference is NP-hard in general

Part III: Approximate Inference

AI: Representation and Problem Solving

Bayes Nets Inference



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Slide credits: CMU AI and <http://ai.berkeley.edu>

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Normalization

Sometimes we don't care about exact probability; and we skip $P(e)$

$$P(Q | e) = \frac{\sum_{h_1} \sum_{h_2} P(Q, h_1, h_2, e)}{P(e)}$$

$$P(Q | e) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{h_1} \sum_{h_2} P(Q, h_1, h_2, e)$$

$$P(Q | e) = \alpha \sum_{h_1} \sum_{h_2} P(Q, h_1, h_2, e)$$

$$P(Q | e) \propto \sum_{h_1} \sum_{h_2} P(Q, h_1, h_2, e)$$

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Which second word gives the highest probability?

Break down problem

n-gram probability * audio probability

$P(\mathbf{limb} \mid \text{artificial, audio})$

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$P(\mathbf{intelligence} \mid \text{artificial, audio})$

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$P(\mathbf{flavoring} \mid \text{artificial, audio})$

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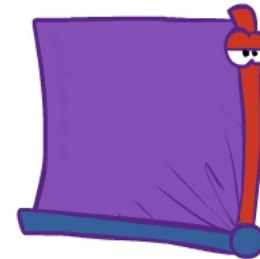
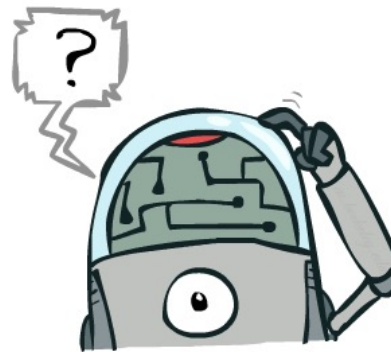
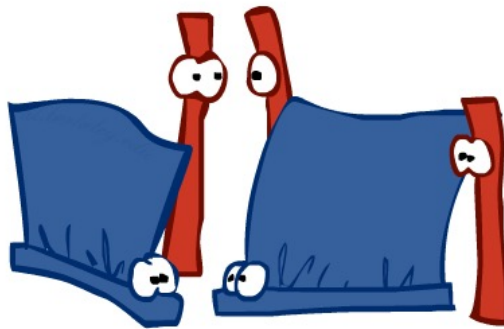
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$$\begin{aligned} \textit{second}^* &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} P(\textit{second} \mid \textit{artificial}, \textit{audio}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} \frac{P(\textit{second}, \textit{artificial}, \textit{audio})}{P(\textit{artificial}, \textit{audio})} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} P(\textit{second}, \textit{artificial}, \textit{audio}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} P(\textit{artificial}) P(\textit{second} \mid \textit{artificial}) P(\textit{audio} \mid \textit{artificial}, \textit{second}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} P(\textit{artificial}) P(\textit{second} \mid \textit{artificial}) P(\textit{audio} \mid \textit{second}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\textit{second}} P(\textit{second} \mid \textit{artificial}) P(\textit{audio} \mid \textit{second}) \\ &\qquad \text{n-gram probability} * \text{audio probability} \end{aligned}$$

Inference

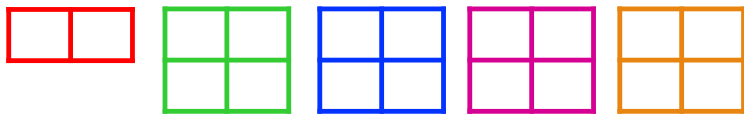
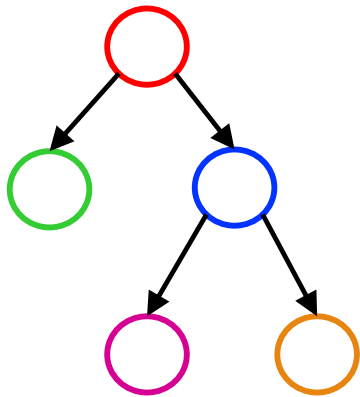
Inference: calculating some useful quantity from a probability model (joint probability distribution)

- Examples:
 - Posterior marginal probability
 - $P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k)$
 - e.g., what disease might I have?
 - Most likely explanation:
 - $\operatorname{argmax}_{q,r,s} P(Q=q, R=r, S=s | e_1, \dots, e_k)$
 - e.g., what was just said?



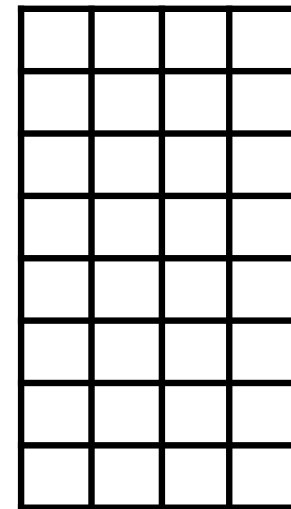
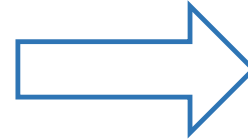
Answer Any Query from Bayes Net

Bayes Net



$P(A)$ $P(B|A)$ $P(C|A)$ $P(D|C)$ $P(E|C)$

Joint

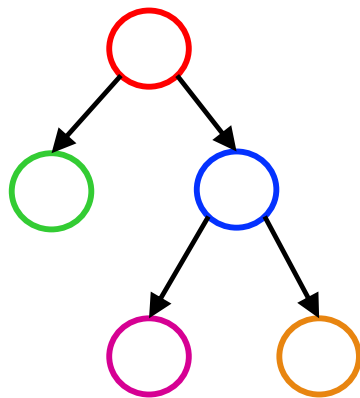


Query

$P(a | e)$

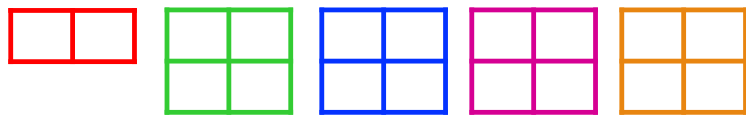
Next: Answer Any Query from Bayes Net

Bayes Net



Query

$$P(a | e)$$

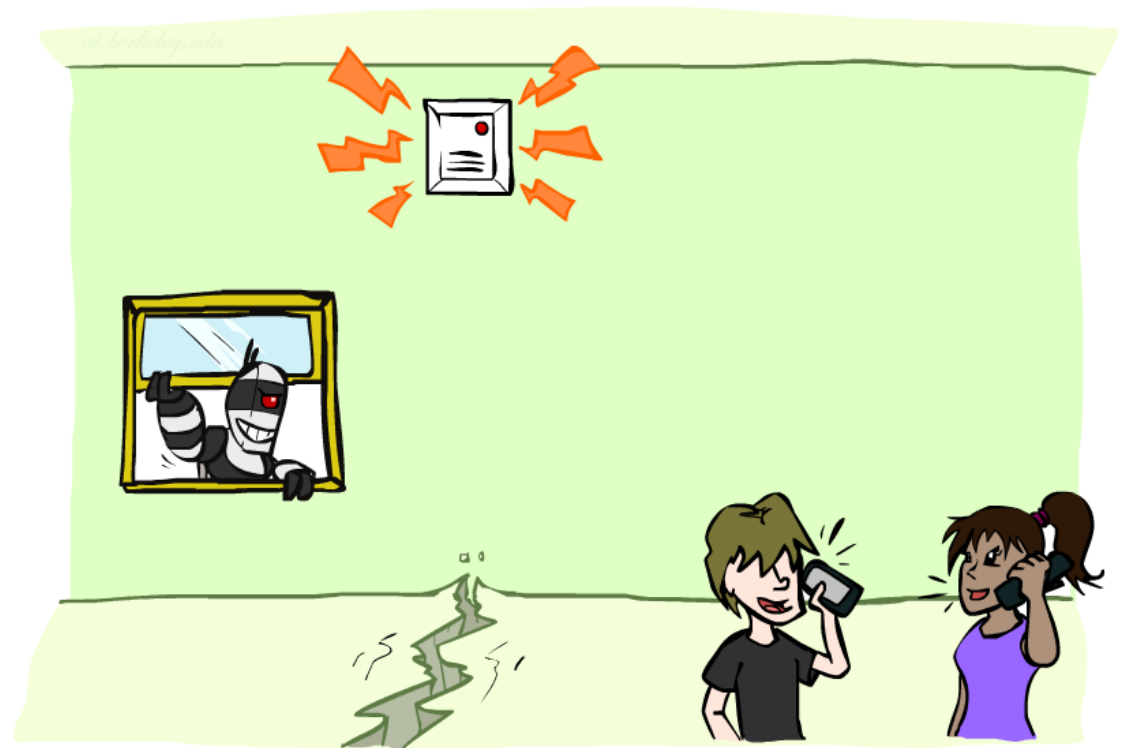


$$P(A) \quad P(B|A) \quad P(C|A) \quad P(D|C) \quad P(E|C)$$

Example: Alarm Network

Variables

- B: Burglary
- A: Alarm goes off
- M: Mary calls
- J: John calls
- E: Earthquake!



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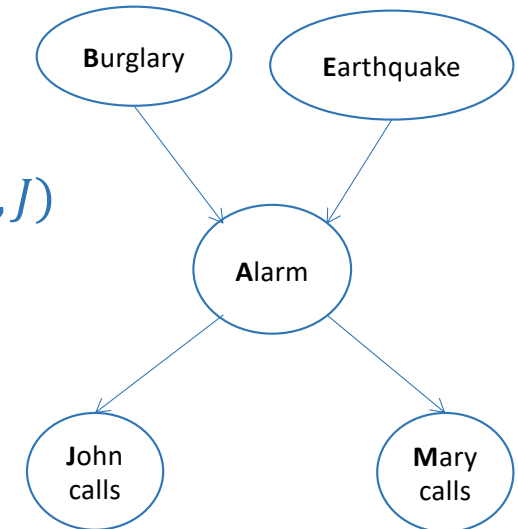
Joint distribution factorization example

Generic chain rule

- $P(X_1 \dots X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i | X_1 \dots X_{i-1})$

$$P(B, E, A, J, M) = P(B) P(E|B) P(A|B, E) P(J|B, E, A) P(M|B, E, A, J)$$

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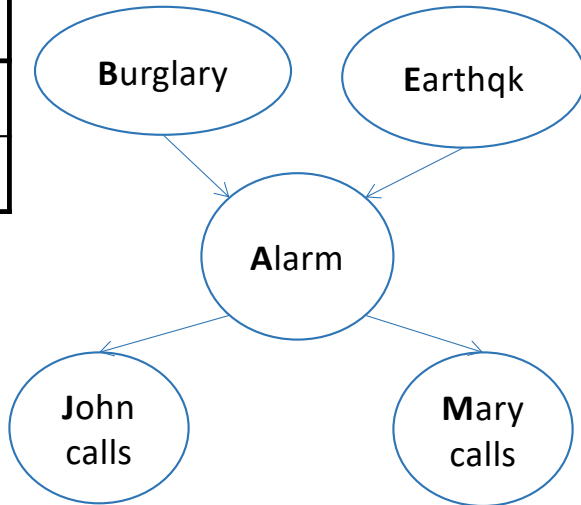
Bayes nets

- $P(X_1 \dots X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i | Parents(X_i))$

Example: Alarm Network

$$P(+b, -e, -a, -j, -m) =$$

B	P(B)
+b	0.001
-b	0.999

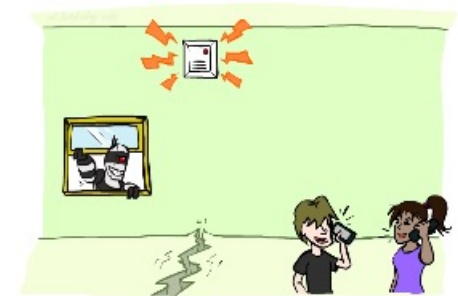


E	P(E)
+e	0.002
-e	0.998

A	J	P(J A)
+a	+j	0.9
+a	-j	0.1
-a	+j	0.05
-a	-j	0.95

A	M	P(M A)
+a	+m	0.7
+a	-m	0.3
-a	+m	0.01
-a	-m	0.99

B	E	A	P(A B,E)
+b	+e	+a	0.95
+b	+e	-a	0.05
+b	-e	+a	0.94
+b	-e	-a	0.06
-b	+e	+a	0.29
-b	+e	-a	0.71
-b	-e	+a	0.001
-b	-e	-a	0.999



Inference by Enumeration in Bayes Net

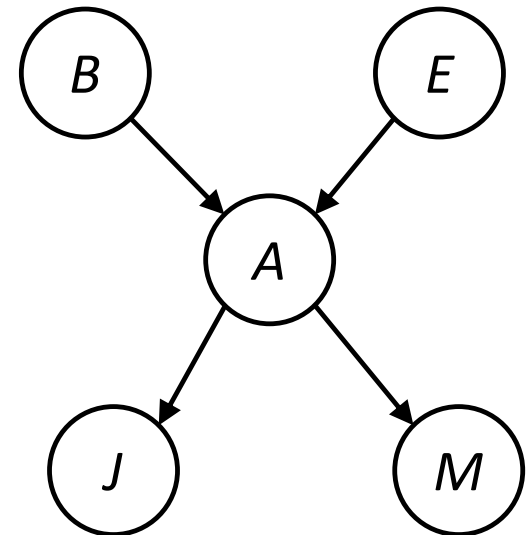
Inference by enumeration:

- Any probability of interest can be computed by summing entries from the joint distribution
- Entries from the joint distribution can be obtained from a BN by multiplying the corresponding conditional probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} P(B \mid j, m) &= \alpha P(B, j, m) \\ &= \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B, e, a, j, m) \\ &= \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a \mid B, e) P(j \mid a) P(m \mid a) \end{aligned}$$

So inference in Bayes nets means computing sums of products of numbers: sounds easy!!

Problem: sums of **exponentially many** products!



Can we do better?

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_e \sum_a P(B) P(e) P(a | B, e) P(j | a) P(m | a) \\ &= P(B) P(+e) P(+a | B, +e) P(j | +a) P(m | +a) \\ & \quad + P(B) P(-e) P(+a | B, -e) P(j | +a) P(m | +a) \\ & \quad + P(B) P(+e) P(-a | B, +e) P(j | -a) P(m | -a) \\ & \quad + P(B) P(-e) P(-a | B, -e) P(j | -a) P(m | -a) \end{aligned}$$

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Consider

- $x_1y_1z_1 + x_1y_1z_2 + x_1y_2z_1 + x_1y_2z_2 + x_2y_1z_1 + x_2y_1z_2 + x_2y_2z_1 + x_2y_2z_2$
- 16 multiplies, 7 adds
- Lots of repeated subexpressions!

Rewrite as

- $(x_1 + x_2)(y_1 + y_2)(z_1 + z_2)$

Inference Overview

Given random variables Q, H, E (query, hidden, evidence)

We know how to do inference on a joint distribution

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(q|e) &= \alpha P(q, e) \\
 &= \alpha \sum_{h \in \{h_1, h_2\}} P(q, h, e)
 \end{aligned}$$

We know Bayes nets can break down joint in to CPT factors

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(q|e) &= \alpha \sum_{h \in \{h_1, h_2\}} P(h) P(q|h) P(e|q) \\
 &= \alpha [P(h_1) P(q|h_1) P(e|q) + P(h_2) P(q|h_2) P(e|q)]
 \end{aligned}$$

But we can be more efficient

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(q|e) &= \alpha P(e|q) \sum_{h \in \{h_1, h_2\}} P(h) P(q|h) \\
 &= \alpha P(e|q) [P(h_1) P(q|h_1) + P(h_2) P(q|h_2)] \\
 &= \alpha P(e|q) P(q)
 \end{aligned}$$



Variable

Enumeration

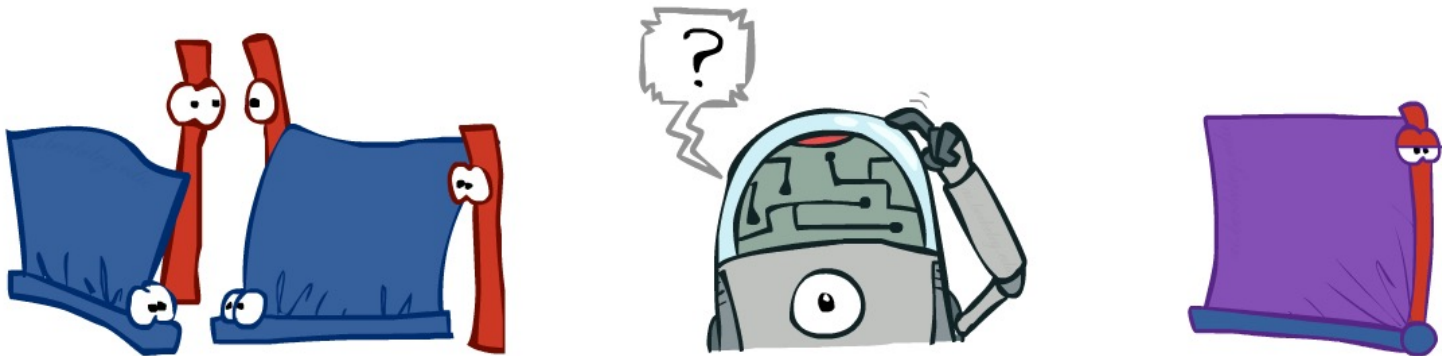
Elimination

Now just extend to larger Bayes nets and a variety of queries

Factor Tables

$$\begin{aligned} P(+b, -e, -a, -j, -m) &= P(+b) * P(-e) * P(-a|+b, -e) * P(-j|-a) * P(-m|-a) \\ &= 0.001 * 0.998 * 0.06 * 0.95 * 0.99 \end{aligned}$$

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- Multiplication order can change (commutativity)
- Multiplication pairs don't have to make sense (associativity)

Variable elimination: The basic ideas

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Move summations inwards as far as possible, inner sum is easier to compute

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Variable Elimination

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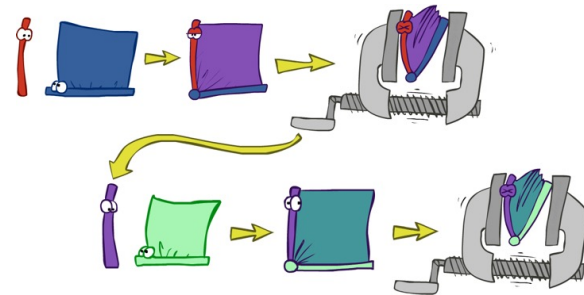
Start with initial factors:

- Local CPTs (but instantiated by evidence)

x	P(x)
-3	0.05
-1	0.25
0	0.07
1	0.2
5	0.01

While there are still hidden variables (not Q_i or evidence):

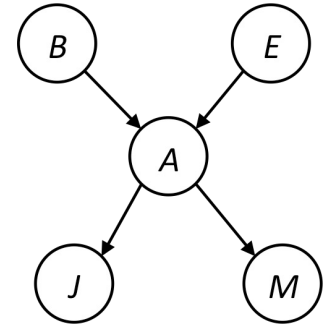
- Pick a hidden variable H
- Join all factors mentioning H
- Eliminate (sum out) H



Join all remaining factors and normalize

$$\text{stick} \times \text{blue square} = \text{purple square} \times \frac{1}{Z}$$

Example



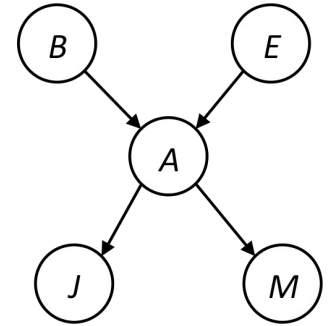
Query $P(B \mid j, m)$

$$= \alpha \sum_e \sum_a P(j|a) P(e) P(m|a) P(a|B, e) P(B)$$

Push summations inwards such that products that do not depend on the variable are pulled out of the sum.

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(j|a) P(m|a) P(a|B, e)$$

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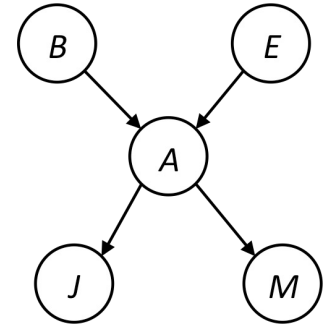
Choose A (inner most sum)

Create a table $t_1 = P(A|B, e)P(j|A)P(m|A)$

How many entries does each table for each value of A have?

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a t_1(A, B, e, j, m)$$

Example



Query $P(B \mid j, m)$

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a t(A, B, e, j, m)$$

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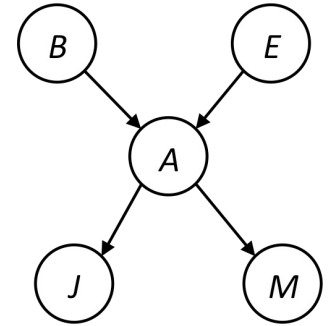
Sum over A in the table to create a factor $f_1 = \sum_a t(A, B, e, j, m)$

How many entries does this new factor table have?

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) f_1(B, e, j, m)$$

Example

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Choose E (inner most sum)

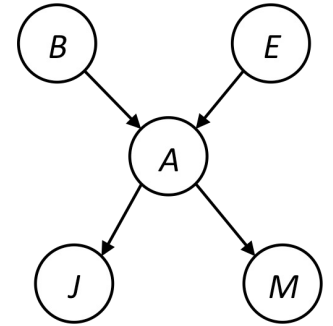
Create a table $t_2 = P(e) f_1(B, e, j, m)$

How many entries does each table for each value of E have?

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e t_2(B, e, j, m)$$

Example

$$= \alpha P(B) \sum_e t_2(B, E, j, m)$$



Choose E (inner most sum)

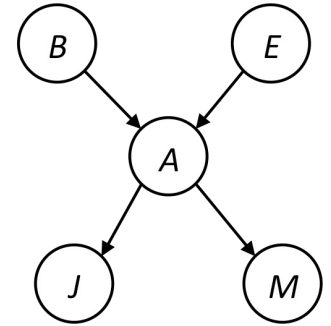
Sum over E in the table to create a factor $f_2 = \sum_e t_2(B, E, j, m)$

How many entries does this new factor table have?

$$= \alpha P(B) f_2(B, j, m)$$

Example

$$= \alpha P(B) f_2(B, j, m)$$



Multiply remaining probability to create joint probability $P(B, j, m)$

How many entries does this probability table have?

Don't forget the normalization to compute the conditional probability!

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{P(j, m)} =$$

$$P(B|j, m) = \alpha P(B, j, m)$$

Order matters

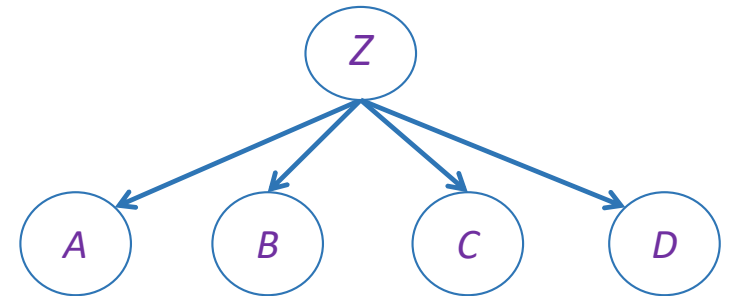
- Elimination Order: C, B, A, Z

- $P(D) = \alpha \sum_{z,a,b,c} P(D|z) P(z) P(a|z) P(b|z) P(c|z)$
- $= \alpha \sum_z P(D|z) P(z) \sum_a P(a|z) \sum_b P(b|z) \sum_c P(c|z)$
- Largest factor has 2 variables (D,Z)

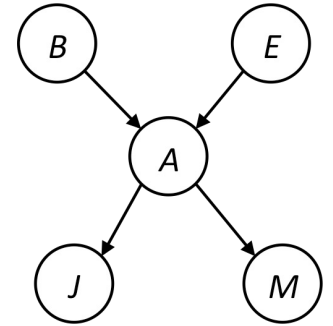
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- $P(D) = \alpha \sum_{a,b,c,z} P(a|z) P(b|z) P(c|z) P(D|z) P(z)$
- $= \alpha \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c \sum_z P(a|z) P(b|z) P(c|z) P(D|z) P(z)$
- Largest factor has 4 variables (A,B,C,D) (or 5 if you count pre-summation over Z)

- In general, with n leaves, factor of size 2^n



New Example



Query $P(E | m)$

$$= \alpha \sum_b \sum_a \sum_j P(j|a) P(E) P(m|a) P(a|b, E) P(b)$$

Push summations inwards such that products that do not depend on the variable are pulled out of the sum.

$$= \alpha P(E) \sum_b P(B) \sum_a P(m|a) P(a|b, E) \sum_j P(j|a)$$

VE: Computational and Space Complexity

The computational and space complexity of variable elimination is determined by the largest factor (and it's space that kills you)

The elimination ordering can greatly affect the size of the largest factor.

- E.g., previous slide's example 2^n vs. 2

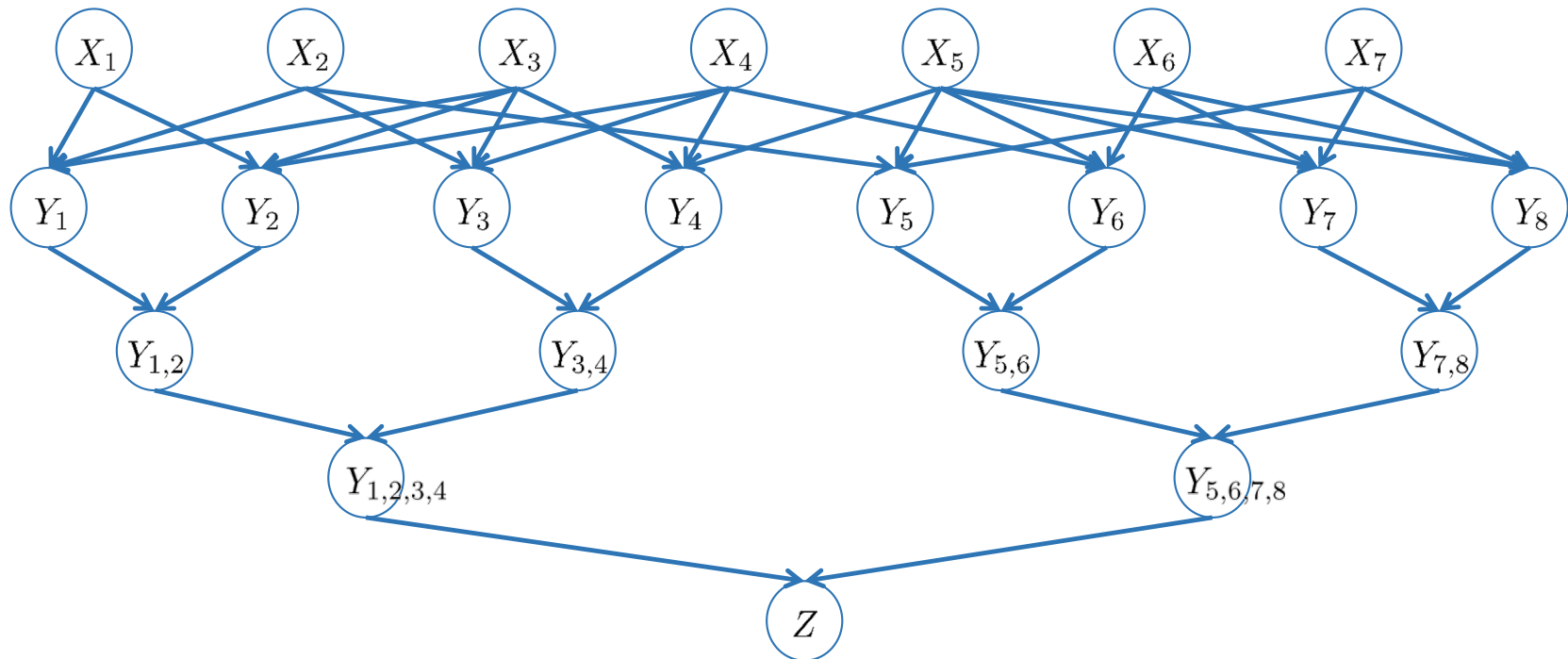
Does there always exist an ordering that only results in small factors?

- **No!**

VE: Computational and Space Complexity

Inference in Bayes' nets is NP-hard.

No known efficient probabilistic inference in general.



Bayes Nets

✓ Part I: Representation and Independence

✓ Part II: Exact inference

✓ ■ Enumeration (always exponential complexity)

✓ ■ Variable elimination (worst-case exponential complexity, often better)

✓ ■ Inference is NP-hard in general

Part III: Approximate Inference

Additional Variable Elimination Slides

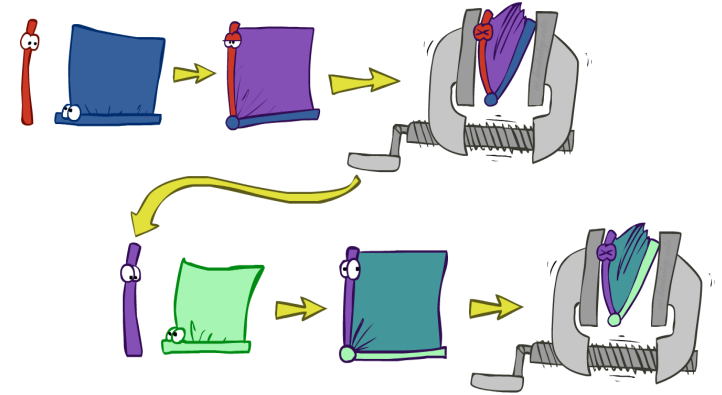
Variable elimination: The basic ideas

Move summations inwards as far as possible

$$\begin{aligned} \blacksquare P(B | j, m) &= \alpha \sum_e \sum_a P(B) P(e) P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a) \\ &= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a) \end{aligned}$$

Do the calculation from the inside out

- I.e., sum over a first, then sum over e
- Problem: $P(a|B,e)$ isn't a single number, it's a bunch of different numbers depending on the values of B and e
- Solution: use arrays of numbers (of various dimensions) with appropriate operations on them; these are called **factors**



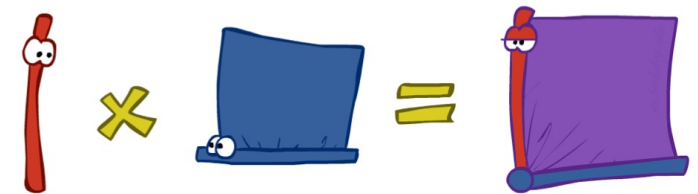
Operation 1: Pointwise product

First basic operation: **pointwise product** of factors
(similar to a **database join**, **not** matrix multiply!)

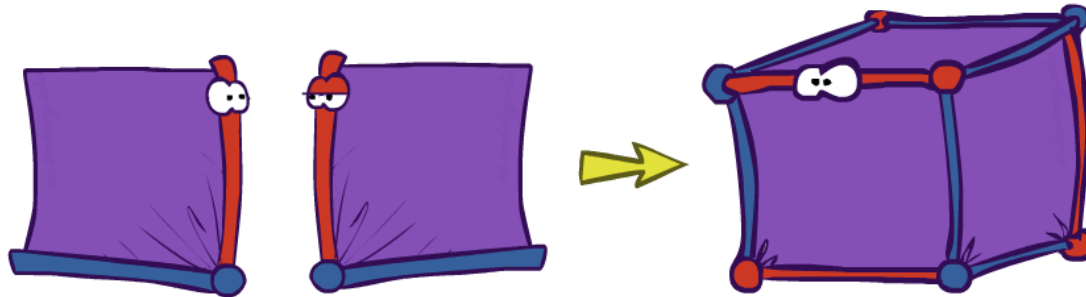
- New factor has **union** of variables of the two original factors
- Each entry is the product of the corresponding entries from the original factors

Example: $P(A) \times P(J|A) = P(A,J)$

$P(A)$			$P(J A)$			$P(A,J)$		
true	0.1	X	A \ J	true	false	A \ J	true	false
false	0.9		true	0.9	0.1	true	0.09	0.01
			false	0.05	0.95	false	0.045	0.855



Example: Making larger factors



Example: $P(J/A) \times P(M/A) = P(J,M/A)$

$P(J/A)$

A \ J	true	false
true	0.99	0.01
false	0.145	0.855

x

$P(M/A)$

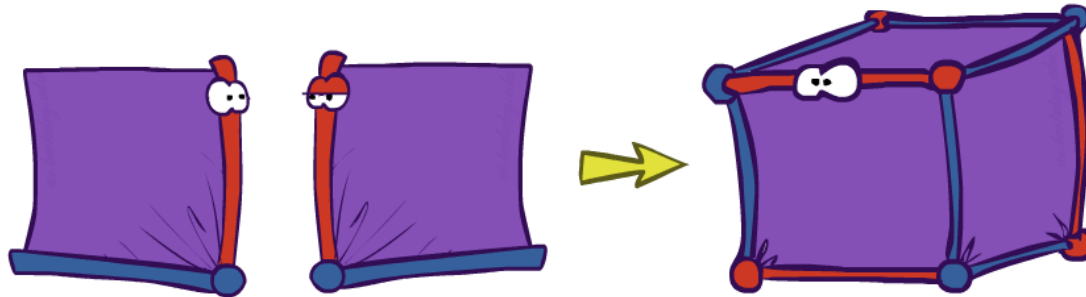
A \ M	true	false
true	0.97	0.03
false	0.019	0.891

=

$P(J,M/A)$

	J \ M	true	false	
J \ M	true			
true				18 A=false
false			.0003	A=true

Example: Making larger factors



Example: $f_1(U,V) \times f_2(V,W) \times f_3(W,X) = f_4(U,V,W,X)$

Sizes: $[10,10] \times [10,10] \times [10,10] = [10,10,10,10]$

I.e., 300 numbers blows up to 10,000 numbers!

Factor blowup can make VE very expensive

Operation 2: Summing out a variable

Second basic operation: **summing out** (or eliminating) a variable from a factor

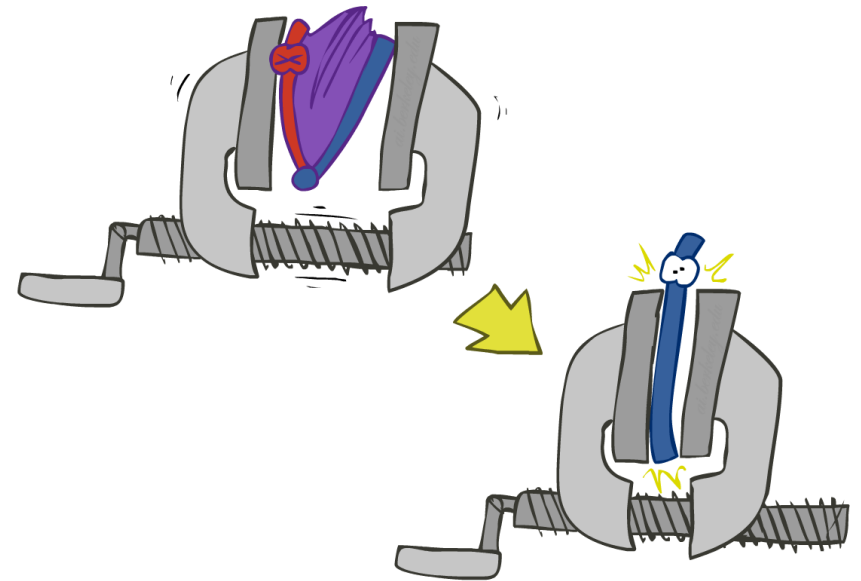
- Shrinks a factor to a smaller one

Example: $\sum_j P(A,J) = P(A,j) + P(A,\neg j) = P(A)$

$P(A,J)$		
$A \setminus J$	true	false
true	0.09	0.01
false	0.045	0.855

Sum out J

$P(A)$	
true	0.1
false	0.9



Summing out from a product of factors

Project the factors each way first, then sum the products

- Example: $\sum_a P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a)$
 $= P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a) + P(\neg a|B,e) P(j|\neg a) P(m|\neg a)$
 $= P(a,j,m|B,e) + P(\neg a,j,m|B,e)$
 $= P(j,m|B,e)$

