

# Machine Learning

## Learning in graphical models



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# Recap

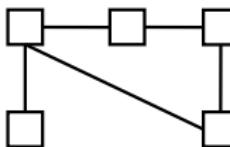
## Factorization and graphs

- Factorization (of a function)

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = f_A(x_1)f_B(x_1, x_2)f_C(x_1, x_3, x_4)$$

- Graph

- vertices (or nodes)
- edges (connecting vertices)



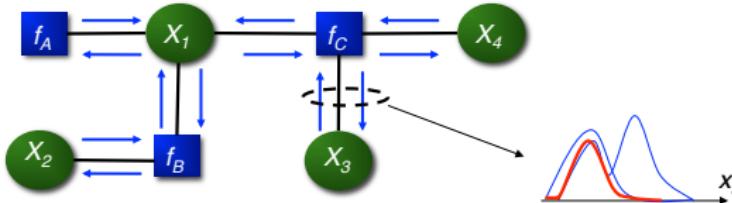
- Factor graph

- represents factorization by a graph
- normal style (not covered here) and conventional style

## Recap

## Very high-level

- Factor graphs represent factorizations of functions  
 $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = f_A(x_1)f_B(x_1, x_2)f_C(x_1, x_3, x_4)$



- Sum-product algorithm (SPA) computes the marginals  
 $g_{X_i}(x_i) = \int f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}_{\bar{i}}$  with  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_N]$
- SPA is a message passing algorithm

# This lecture

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Parameter estimation

Structure Learning

# Outline

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# Bayesian Network

## Directed graphical model

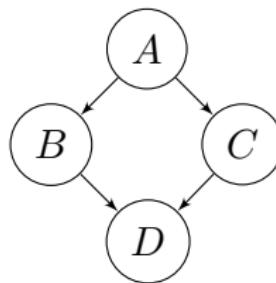


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# Bayesian Network

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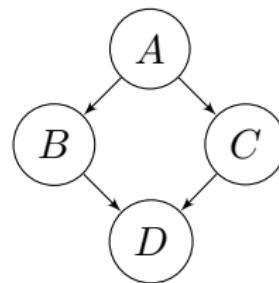


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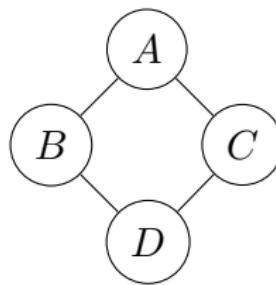


Figure:  $P(A, B, C, D) = \frac{1}{Z} \phi(A, B)\phi(A, C)\phi(B, D)\phi(C, D)$

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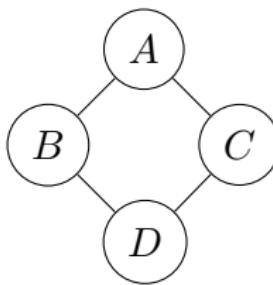


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# Parameter estimation: Overview

- Given data observations  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}$
- Given Bayesian network  $P(x|\theta) = \prod_j P(x_j|Par(x_j), \theta)$

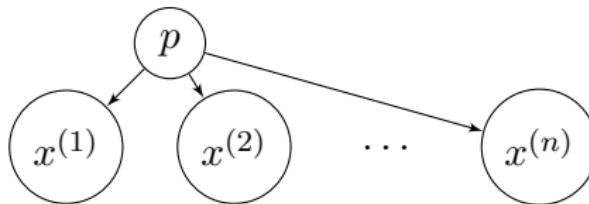
Goal

Find  $\theta^*$  that best models observed data.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- Likelihood  $L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(x^{(i)}|\theta)$
- $\theta^* = \arg \max L(\theta)$

## Example: Loaded coin



- Coin (model parameter  $p$ )
  - Heads  $P(x = 1|p) = p$ ,
  - Tail  $P(x = 0|p) = (1 - p)$
- Observation (coin tosses):  $x^{(1)} = 1, x^{(2)} = 0, \dots, x^{(n)} = 1$
- Model

$$P(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}|p) = \prod_i P(x^{(i)}|p) = p^{n_1} (1-p)^{n-n_1}$$

where  $n_1$  is number of heads.

## Loaded coin

- Likelihood

$$L(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(x^{(n)}|p) = n_1 \log p + (n - n_1) \log(1 - p)$$

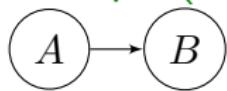
- Maximum Likelihood Estimate  $p^*$

$$\begin{aligned} p^* &= \arg \max_p L(p) \\ &= \arg \max_p n_1 \log p + (n - n_1) \log(1 - p) \\ &= \frac{n_1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

# Decomposability

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} L(\theta) \\
 &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_j \log P(X_j = x_j^{(i)} | \text{Par}(X_j) = \text{Par}(x_j), \theta_j) \\
 &= \sum_j \arg \max_{\theta_j} L(\theta_j)
 \end{aligned}$$

## Example (On board)



- $P(A, B) = P_a(X_a | \theta_a)P_{b|a}(X_b | X_a, \theta_{b|a})$
- $\theta_a^* = \arg \max_{\theta_a} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(X_a^{(i)} = x_a^{(i)} | \theta_a)$
- $\theta_{b|a}^* = \arg \max_{\theta_{b|a}} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_{b|a}(X_b^{(i)} = x_b^{(i)} | X_a^{(i)} = x_a^{(i)}, \theta_a)$

# Learning from incomplete data

## Expectation Maximization (EM)

- $Y$  latent variable

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta) &= \log \sum_y P(x, y|\theta) = \log \sum_y q(y) \frac{P(x, y|\theta)}{q(y)} \\ &\geq \sum_y q(y) \log \frac{P(x, y|\theta)}{q(y)} \\ &= \sum_y q(y) \log p(x, y|\theta) - \sum_y q(y) \log q(y) = \mathcal{F}(q, \theta) \end{aligned}$$

- E-step:  $q^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \arg \max_q \mathcal{F}(q, \theta^{(t)})$
- M-step:  $\theta^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \arg \max_\theta \mathcal{F}(q^{(t+1)}, \theta)$

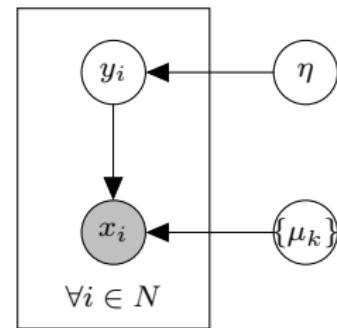
## Example

## (spherical) Gaussian mixture model

- $Y_i$  Latent variable  $P(Y_i = k) = \eta_k$
- $P(x_i|y_i = k, \mu_k) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_k, I)$
- If one knows  $Y_i$ :  

$$\hat{\mu}_k = \langle x_i \rangle_{i:y_i=k}$$
- If one knows  $\{\mu_k\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y}_i &= \arg \max_k P(y_i = k|x_i, \mu_k) \\ &= \arg \max_k P(y_i = k)\mathcal{N}(x_i|\mu_k, I)\end{aligned}$$



## Gaussian Mixture Model Example (contd.)

EM

- Iteration  $t$ , Estimates:  $\hat{\mu}_k^{(t)}$
- E-step: Find  $P(\hat{y}_i = k|x_i, \hat{\mu}_k)$  based on current  $\hat{\mu}_k^{(t)}$
- M-step: Compute  $\hat{\mu}_k^{(t+1)}$  based on  $\hat{y}_i$

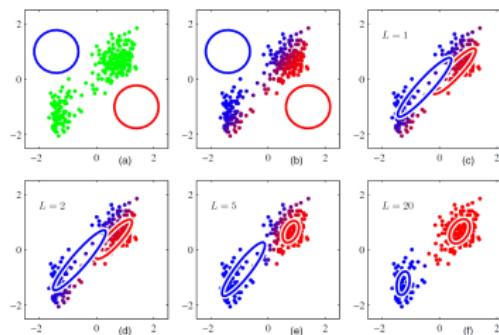


Figure: Bishop book

## Parameter estimation in undirected graphical models

$$\begin{aligned} P(X|\theta) &= \frac{1}{Z(\theta)} \exp\left(\sum_c \theta_c \psi_c(X_c)\right) \\ Z(\theta) &= \sum_X \exp\left(\sum_c \theta_c \psi_c(X_c)\right) \end{aligned}$$

- Given  $X^{(1)}, \dots, X^{(n)}$

$$L(\theta) = \sum_i \log p(X^{(i)}|\theta) = \sum_i \sum_c \theta_c \psi_c(X_c) - N \log Z(\theta) !!!$$

- Finding  $\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} L(\theta)$  using coordinate descent.
- Related: Iterative proportional fitting (IPF)

## Gradient-based method

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_c^{(t+1)} &= \theta_c^{(t)} + \epsilon g(\theta_c^{(t)}) \\ g(\theta_c^{(t)}) &= \frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_c} L(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_c(X_c) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_c} \log Z(\theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_c(X_c) - \sum_X \frac{1}{Z(\theta)} \psi_c(X_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_c(X_c) - \mathbb{E}_{X_c|\theta}(\psi_c(X_c))\end{aligned}$$

# Example: Boltzmann Machine

## Example: Boltzmann machine

- $P(X|W) = \frac{1}{Z(W)} \exp(-w_{12}x_1x_2 - w_{23}x_2x_3)$
- Data:  $(x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, x_3^{(i)})$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$

$$\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{12}} L(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n x_1^{(i)} x_2^{(i)} - \frac{\sum_{x_1, x_2} x_1 x_2 e^{-w_{12} x_1 x_2}}{Z_{12}(w_{12})}$$

where  $Z_{12}(w_{12}) = \sum_{x_1, x_2} e^{-w_{12} x_1 x_2}$

# Parameter Estimation: Summary

All variables observed	Maximum Likelihood (MLE)
Hidden variables	Expectation Maximization (EM)
Markov Network (undirected)	Gradient-based (IPF)

Table: Parameter estimation

Not discussed

- Conjugate priors/MAP Estimate
- MCMC for parameter estimation

# Outline

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Structure Learning

# Overview: Structure Learning

## Skeleton construction

- Conditional-Independence based
- Mutual-Information based
- Sparsity assumption ( $\ell_1$  prior)

## Edge orientation (Bayesian networks)

Based on conditional independence.

# Conditional Independence

- $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \Rightarrow (X, Y) \notin E$
- $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y|Z \Rightarrow (X, Y) \notin E$
- Incrementally removes edges whenever conditional independence if observed.
- Method is not scalable.

## Example

On board

# Mutual-Information based

$I(X, Y)$  is the "mutual information" (positive number) between random variables  $X$  and  $Y$

$$I(X, Y) = \sum_{x,y} P(x, y) * \log \frac{P(x, y)}{P_x(x)P_y(y)}$$

- $I(X, Y) \geq 0$  ,  $I(X, Y) = 0$  if  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$

## Example (On board)

- $X \sim Ber(0.5)$  i.e.  $P(X = 0) = P(X = 1) = 0.5$
- $Y_1 \sim Ber(0.5)$  (independent of  $X$ );  $Y_2 = X$  (dependent)
- $I(X, Y_1) = 0$
- $I(X, Y_2) = 1$

# Optimal tree selection

## Chow-Liu algorithm (1968)

For tree  $T = (V, E)$ , the Kullback-Liebler divergence measure is

$$D(\tilde{P} \parallel P_T) = - \sum_{(i,j) \in E} I_{ij} + \text{const.}$$

and the optimal tree has minimum  $D(\tilde{P} \parallel P_T)$  i.e.

$$T^* = \arg \min_T D(\tilde{P} \parallel P_T) = \arg \max_T \sum_{(i,j) \in E} I_{ij}$$

where  $I_{ij}$  is the "mutual information" (positive number) between dimension  $i$  and  $j$

$$I_{ij} = \sum_{x_i, x_j} \tilde{P}_{ij}(x_i, x_j) * \log \frac{\tilde{P}_{ij}(x_i, x_j)}{\tilde{P}_i(x_i)\tilde{P}_j(x_j)}$$

# Chow-Liu algorithm

**Input:**  $\mathcal{D}$  {Matrix  $(N \times K)$  containing facet labels for  $N$  queries}

for  $i = 1$  to  $K$  do

    for  $j = (i+1)$  to  $K$  do

        Find  $I_{ij}$  {Mutual information based on  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $O(NK^2)$ }

    end for

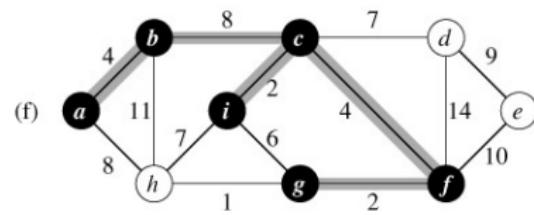
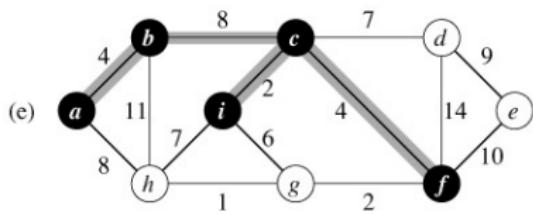
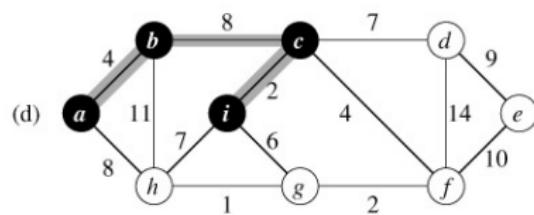
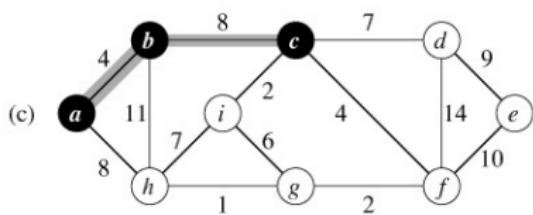
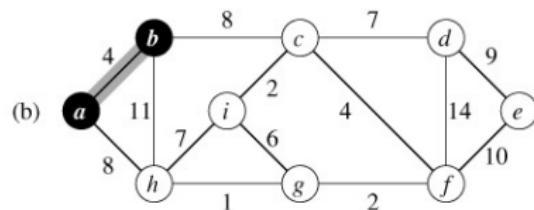
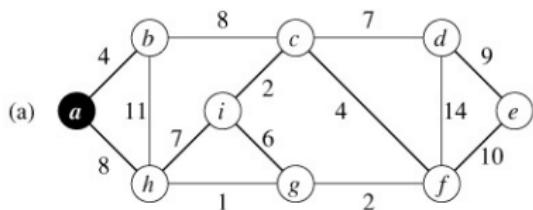
end for

Find MST over  $\{I_{ij}\}$  {Prim/Kruskal's algorithm  $O(K \log K)$ }

**Output:**  $P_{T^*}$  {Optimal tree-structured distribution  $O(NK^2)$ }

## Recap: Prim's algorithm

Greedy approach



Comparing  $P_T$  with independent dimensions ( $P_I$ )

$\mathbf{x_1x_2x_3}$	$\tilde{P}_{123}$	$P_I \sim \tilde{P}_1 \tilde{P}_2 \tilde{P}_3$	$P_T \sim \tilde{P}_{1 2} \tilde{P}_{3 2} \tilde{P}_2$
000	0.2	0.21	0.142857
100	0	0.21	0.0571429
010	0.1	0.09	0.1
110	0.2	0.09	0.2
001	0.3	0.14	0.357143
101	0.2	0.14	0.142857
011	0	0.06	0
111	0	0.06	0

$$D(\tilde{P}||P_I) = 0.4605$$

Kullback-Liebler divergence

$$D(\tilde{P}||\hat{P}) = \sum_{\mathbf{f}} \tilde{P}(\mathbf{f}) * \log \frac{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{f})}{\hat{P}(\mathbf{f})}$$

$$D(\tilde{P}||P_T) = 0.0823$$

# Sparsity-based

- Finding structure is hard for general graphs.
- Assumption: Total number of edges is few (sparse model)

$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} L(\theta) + \|\theta\|_1 \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} L(\theta) + \sum_c \theta_c\end{aligned}$$

- Leads to few large  $\theta_c > 0$  and other  $\theta_c = 0$ .

# Summary: Structure learning

Incremental Chow-Liu Sparsity-based	Conditional Independence Mutual Information Laplace prior ( $\ell_1$ ) on $\theta$	Does not scale Tree-structured dn. Sparse graphs only
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- Learning structure for general graphical models is a hard (intractable) problem.
- Domain expertise helps in model selection.

# Conclusion

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