

# CSE 473: Artificial Intelligence Spring 2012

## Bayesian Networks - Learning

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## Bayes' Net Semantics

Formally:

- A set of **nodes**, one per variable  $X$
- A **directed, acyclic graph**
- A **CPT for each node**
  - CPT = "Conditional Probability Table"
  - Collection of distributions over  $X$ , one for each combination of parents' values

$P(X|A_1 \dots A_n)$

*A Bayes net = Topology (graph) + Local Conditional Probabilities*

## Probabilities in BNs

- Bayes' nets **implicitly** encode joint distributions
  - As a product of local conditional distributions
  - To see what probability a BN gives to a full assignment, multiply all the relevant conditionals together:

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$

- This lets us reconstruct any entry of the full joint
- Not every BN can represent every joint distribution
  - The topology enforces certain *independence* assumptions
  - Compare to the exact decomposition according to the chain rule!

## Example: Alarm Network

Only 10 params

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

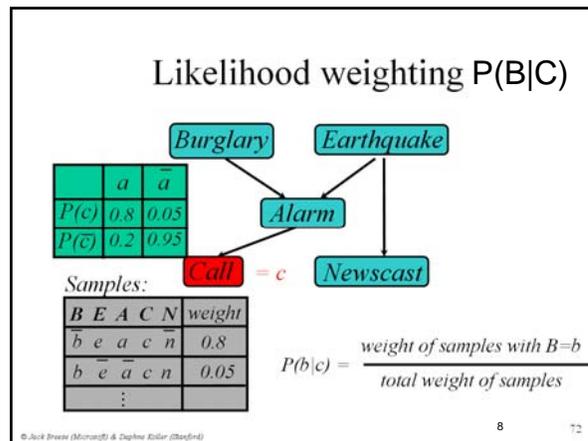
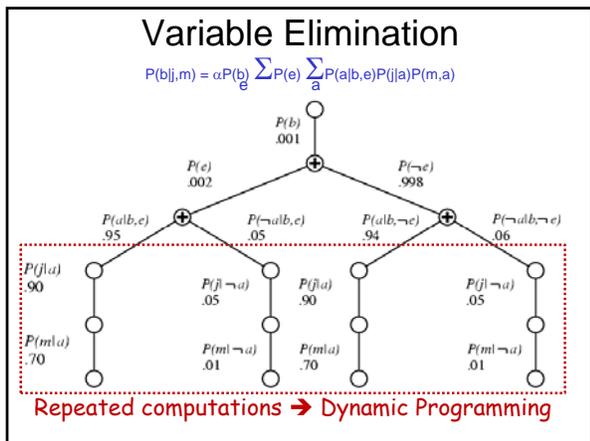
## Example: Car Diagnosis

Initial evidence: car won't start  
Testable variables (green), "broken, so fix it" variables (orange)  
Hidden variables (gray) ensure sparse structure, reduce parameters

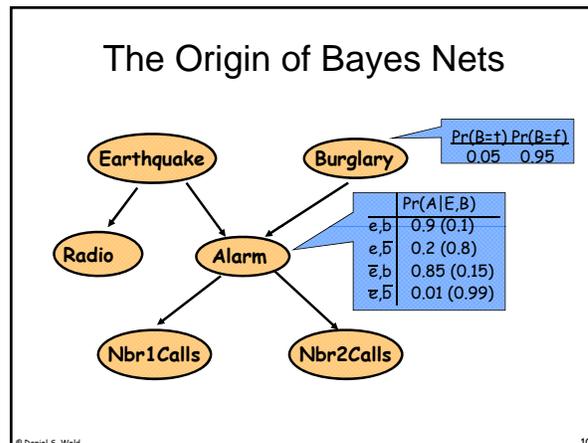
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## P(B | J=true, M=true)

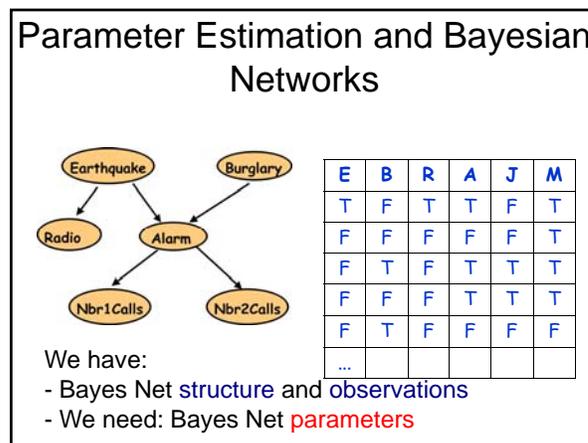
$$P(b|j,m) = \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(b,j,m,e,a)$$



- ### MCMC with Gibbs Sampling
- Fix the values of observed variables
  - Set the values of all non-observed variables randomly
  - Perform a random walk through the space of complete variable assignments. On each move:
    - Pick a variable X
    - Calculate  $\Pr(X=\text{true} \mid \text{Markov blanket})$
    - Set X to true with that probability
  - Repeat many times. Frequency with which any variable X is true is its posterior probability.
  - Converges to true posterior when frequencies stop changing significantly
    - stable distribution, mixing



- ### Learning Topics
- Learning Parameters for a Bayesian Network
    - Fully observable
      - Maximum Likelihood (ML)
      - Maximum A Posteriori (MAP)
      - Bayesian
    - Hidden variables (EM algorithm)
  - Learning Structure of Bayesian Networks



### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks

B
F
F
T
F
T

$P(B) = ? = 0.4$   
 $P(\neg B) = 1 - P(B) = 0.6$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks

E	B	A
T	F	T
F	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T
F	T	F
...		

$P(A|E,B) = ?$   
 $P(A|E,\neg B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,\neg B) = ?$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks

Coin

### Coin Flip

$C_1$

$P(H|C_1) = 0.1$

$C_2$

$P(H|C_2) = 0.5$

$C_3$

$P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

Which coin will I use?

$P(C_1) = 1/3$      $P(C_2) = 1/3$      $P(C_3) = 1/3$

Prior: Probability of a hypothesis before we make any observations

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Uniform Prior: All hypothesis are equally likely before we make any observations

### Experiment 1: Heads

Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|H) = ?$      $P(C_2|H) = ?$      $P(C_3|H) = ?$

$P(C_1|H) = \frac{P(H|C_1)P(C_1)}{P(H)}$

$P(H) = \sum_{i=1}^3 P(H|C_i)P(C_i)$

$C_1$

$P(H|C_1)=0.1$

$P(C_1)=1/3$

$C_2$

$P(H|C_2) = 0.5$

$P(C_2) = 1/3$

$C_3$

$P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

$P(C_3) = 1/3$

### Experiment 1: Heads

Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|H) = 0.066$   $P(C_2|H) = 0.333$   $P(C_3|H) = 0.6$

**Posterior:** Probability of a hypothesis given data

$C_1$ 	$C_2$ 	$C_3$ 
$P(H C_1) = 0.1$ $P(C_1) = 1/3$	$P(H C_2) = 0.5$ $P(C_2) = 1/3$	$P(H C_3) = 0.9$ $P(C_3) = 1/3$

### Terminology

- **Prior:**
  - Probability of a hypothesis before we see any data
- **Uniform Prior:**
  - A prior that makes all hypothesis equally likely
- **Posterior:**
  - Probability of a hypothesis after we saw some data
- **Likelihood:**
  - Probability of data given hypothesis

### Experiment 2: Tails

Now, Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|HT) = ?$   $P(C_2|HT) = ?$   $P(C_3|HT) = ?$

$P(C_1|HT) = \alpha P(HT|C_1)P(C_1) = \alpha P(H|C_1)P(T|C_1)P(C_1)$

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### Experiment 2: Tails

Now, Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|HT) = 0.21$   $P(C_2|HT) = 0.58$   $P(C_3|HT) = 0.21$

$P(C_1|HT) = \alpha P(HT|C_1)P(C_1) = \alpha P(H|C_1)P(T|C_1)P(C_1)$

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Which coin did I use?

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### Your Estimate?

What is the probability of heads after two experiments?

Most likely coin:  $C_2$   Best estimate for P(H)  $P(H|C_2) = 0.5$

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### Your Estimate?

**Maximum Likelihood Estimate:** The best hypothesis that fits observed data assuming uniform prior

Most likely coin: Best estimate for P(H)

$C_2$    $P(H|C_2) = 0.5$

$C_2$   
  
 $P(H|C_2) = 0.5$   
 $P(C_2) = 1/3$

### Using Prior Knowledge

- Should we always use a **Uniform Prior** ?
- **Background knowledge:**  
Heads => we have to buy Dan chocolate  
Dan *likes* chocolate...  
=> Dan is more likely to use a coin biased in his favor

$C_1$        $C_2$        $C_3$

$P(H|C_1) = 0.1$      $P(H|C_2) = 0.5$      $P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

### Using Prior Knowledge

We can encode it in the **prior**:

$P(C_1) = 0.05$      $P(C_2) = 0.25$      $P(C_3) = 0.70$

$C_1$        $C_2$        $C_3$

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### Experiment 1: Heads

Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|H) = ?$      $P(C_2|H) = ?$      $P(C_3|H) = ?$

**$P(C_i|H) = \alpha P(H|C_i)P(C_i)$**

$C_1$        $C_2$        $C_3$

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### Experiment 1: Heads

Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|H) = 0.006$      $P(C_2|H) = 0.165$      $P(C_3|H) = 0.829$

Compare with ML posterior after Exp 1:  
 $P(C_1|H) = 0.066$      $P(C_2|H) = 0.333$      $P(C_3|H) = 0.600$

$C_1$        $C_2$        $C_3$

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### Experiment 2: Tails

Which coin did I use?

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### Experiment 2: Tails

Which coin did I use?

$P(C_1|HT) = 0.035$   $P(C_2|HT) = 0.481$   $P(C_3|HT) = 0.485$

$P(C_i|HT) = \alpha P(HT|C_i)P(C_i) = \alpha P(H|C_i)P(T|C_i)P(C_i)$

 C <sub>1</sub>	 C <sub>2</sub>	 C <sub>3</sub>
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### Your Estimate?

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### Your Estimate?

Maximum A Posteriori (MAP) Estimate:  
The best hypothesis that fits observed data assuming a non-uniform prior

Most likely coin:  Best estimate for P(H)  
 $P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

 C <sub>3</sub>
$P(H C_3) = 0.9$ $P(C_3) = 0.70$

### Did We Do The Right Thing?

$P(C_1|HT) = 0.035$   $P(C_2|HT) = 0.481$   $P(C_3|HT) = 0.485$

 C <sub>1</sub>	 C <sub>2</sub>	 C <sub>3</sub>
$P(H C_1) = 0.1$	$P(H C_2) = 0.5$	$P(H C_3) = 0.9$

### Did We Do The Right Thing?

$P(C_1|HT) = 0.035$   $P(C_2|HT) = 0.481$   $P(C_3|HT) = 0.485$

C<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>3</sub> are almost equally likely

 C <sub>1</sub>	 C <sub>2</sub>	 C <sub>3</sub>
$P(H C_1) = 0.1$	$P(H C_2) = 0.5$	$P(H C_3) = 0.9$

### A Better Estimate

Recall:  $P(H) = \sum_{i=1}^3 P(H|C_i)P(C_i) = 0.680$

$P(C_1|HT)=0.035$     $P(C_2|HT)=0.481$     $P(C_3|HT)=0.485$



$C_1$   
 $P(H|C_1) = 0.1$



$C_2$   
 $P(H|C_2) = 0.5$



$C_3$   
 $P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

### Bayesian Estimate

Bayesian Estimate: Minimizes prediction error, given data assuming an arbitrary prior

$$P(H) = \sum_{i=1}^3 P(H|C_i)P(C_i) = 0.680$$

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$C_1$   
 $P(H|C_1) = 0.1$



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$C_3$   
 $P(H|C_3) = 0.9$

### Comparison

After more experiments: **HTHHHHHHHHH**

**ML (Maximum Likelihood):**  
 $P(H) = 0.5$   
 after 10 experiments:  $P(H) = 0.9$

**MAP (Maximum A Posteriori):**  
 $P(H) = 0.9$   
 after 10 experiments:  $P(H) = 0.9$

**Bayesian:**  
 $P(H) = 0.68$   
 after 10 experiments:  $P(H) = 0.9$

### Summary

	Prior	Hypothesis
Maximum Likelihood Estimate	Uniform	The most likely
Maximum A Posteriori Estimate	Any	The most likely
Bayesian Estimate	Any	Weighted combination

Easy to compute

Still easy to compute  
Incorporates prior knowledge

Minimizes error  
Great when data is scarce  
Potentially much harder to compute

### Bayesian Learning

Use Bayes rule:



Posterior

$$P(Y | X) = \frac{P(X | Y) P(Y)}{P(X)}$$

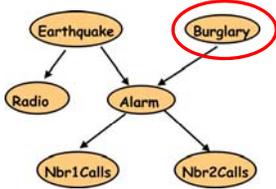


Prior

Data Likelihood   Normalization

Or equivalently:  $P(Y | X) \propto P(X | Y) P(Y)$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks



B
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Prior =  + data =  Now compute either MAP or Bayesian estimate

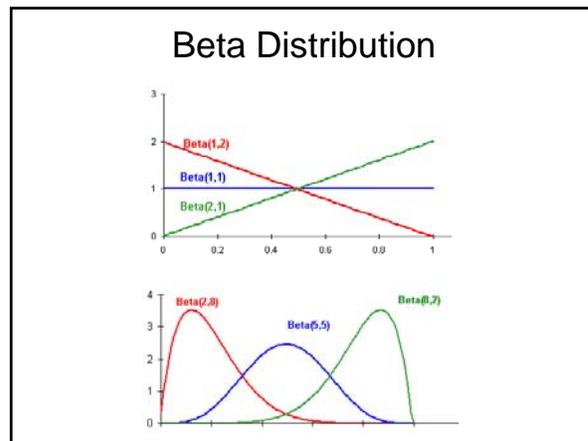
### What Prior to Use?

- Prev, you *knew*: it was one of only three coins
 



  - Now more complicated...
- The following are two common priors
- **Binary variable Beta**
  - Posterior distribution is binomial
  - Easy to compute posterior
- **Discrete variable Dirichlet**
  - Posterior distribution is multinomial
  - Easy to compute posterior

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### Beta Distribution

- Example: Flip coin with Beta distribution as prior over  $p$  [prob(heads)]
  1. Parameterized by two positive numbers:  $a, b$
  2. Mode of distribution ( $E[p]$ ) is  $a/(a+b)$
  3. Specify our prior belief for  $p = a/(a+b)$
  4. Specify confidence in this belief with high initial values for  $a$  and  $b$
- Updating our prior belief based on data
  - incrementing  $a$  for every heads outcome
  - incrementing  $b$  for every tails outcome

### One Prior: Beta Distribution

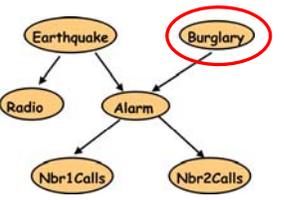
$$\beta_{a,b}(x) = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}$$

$0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $a, b > 0$

Here  $\Gamma(y) = \int_0^\infty x^{y-1} e^{-x} dx$

For any positive integer  $y$ ,  $\Gamma(y) = (y-1)!$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks



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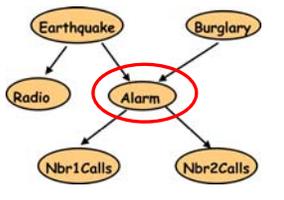
Prior

$P(B|\text{data}) = \text{Beta}(1,4)$  "+ data" =  $(3,7)$ 

.3	.7
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Prior  $P(B) = 1/(1+4) = 20\%$  with equivalent sample size 5

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks



E	B	A
T	F	T
F	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T
F	T	F
...		

$P(A|E,B) = ?$   
 $P(A|E,\neg B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,\neg B) = ?$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks

E	B
T	F
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...	

A
T
F
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$P(A|E,B) = ?$  Prior  
 $P(A|E,-B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,B) = \text{Beta}(2,3)$   
 $P(A|\neg E,-B) = ?$

### Parameter Estimation and Bayesian Networks

E	B
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...	

A
T
F
T
T
F

$P(A|E,B) = ?$  Prior  
 $P(A|E,-B) = ?$   
 $P(A|\neg E,B) = \text{Beta}(2,3) + \text{data} = (3,4)$   
 $P(A|\neg E,-B) = ?$

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