CSE 473

Lecture 21 (Chapter 14)

Bayesian Networks



(Courtesy Mike West)



$$p(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = \frac{n_{ij}}{N}$$



Total number of events = N





Summing out a variable is called marginalization





Thomas Bayes

Reverand Thomas Bayes Nonconformist minister (1702-1761)



- Publications:
- Divine Benevolence, or an Attempt to Prove That the Principal End of the Divine Providence and Government is the Happiness of His Creatures (1731)
- An Introduction to the Doctrine of Fluxions (1736)
- An Essay Towards Solving a Problem in the Doctrine of Chances (1764)

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Start with Definition of Conditional Probability

$$P(x \mid y) = \frac{P(x, y)}{P(y)}$$
$$P(y \mid x) = \frac{P(y, x)}{P(x)} = \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)}$$



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Bayes' Rule

$$P(x, y) = P(x | y)P(y) = P(y | x)P(x)$$
i.e.

$$P(x | y) = \frac{P(y | x) P(x)}{P(y)}$$

What is this useful for?

$$P(Cause | Effect) = \frac{P(Effect | Cause) P(Cause)}{P(Effect)}$$

Bayes' rule is used to Compute *Diagnostic* Probability from *Causal* Probability

$$P(Cause | Effect) = \frac{P(Effect | Cause)P(Cause)}{P(Effect)}$$

E.g. let M be meningitis, S be stiff neck P(M) = 0.0001, P(S) = 0.1, P(S|M) = 0.8 (note: these can be estimated from patients)

$$P(M \mid S) = \frac{P(S \mid M)P(M)}{P(S)} = \frac{0.8 \times 0.0001}{0.1} = 0.0008$$

Note: posterior probability of meningitis still very small! (But chance of M did increase from 0.0001 to 0.0008 given stiff neck)

Normalization in Bayes' Rule

$$P(x \mid y) = \frac{P(y \mid x) P(x)}{P(y)} = \alpha P(y \mid x) P(x)$$
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{P(y)} = \alpha$$

 α is called the normalization constant (can be calculated by summing over numerator values)

Bayes Example 1: State Estimation

- Suppose a robot obtains measurement z
- What is P(doorOpen|z)?
- Use Bayes' rule!



Causal vs. Diagnostic Reasoning

- P(open|z) is diagnostic.
- P(z|open) is causal.
- Often causal knowledge is easier to obtain.
 Count frequencies!
- Bayes rule allows us to use causal knowledge to diagnose a situation:

$$P(open \mid z) = \frac{P(z \mid open)P(open)}{P(z)}$$

State Estimation Example

- Suppose: P(z/open) = 0.6 $P(z/\neg open) = 0.3$
- $P(open) = P(\neg open) = 0.5$
- P(open/z) = ?

$$P(open \mid z) = \frac{P(z \mid open)P(open)}{P(z \mid open)p(open) + P(z \mid \neg open)p(\neg open)}$$
$$P(open \mid z) = \frac{0.6 \cdot 0.5}{0.6 \cdot 0.5 + 0.3 \cdot 0.5} = \frac{0.30}{0.45} = 0.67$$

Measurement z raises the probability that the door is open from 0.5 to 0.67

Is there a general representation scheme for efficient probabilistic inference?



Enter...Bayesian networks



What are Bayesian networks?

- Simple, graphical notation for conditional independence assertions
 - Allows compact specification of full joint distributions

Example: Back at the Dentist's

 Topology of network encodes conditional independence assertions:



- Weather is independent of the other variables
- Toothache and Catch are <u>conditionally</u> independent of each other given Cavity

Conditional Independence and the "Naïve Bayes Model"

 $\mathbf{P}(Cavity|toothache \wedge catch) \\ = \alpha \mathbf{P}(toothache \wedge catch|Cavity) \mathbf{P}(Cavity) \\ - \alpha \mathbf{P}(toothache \wedge catch|Cavity) \mathbf{P}(Cavity) \\ - \alpha \mathbf{P}(toothache \wedge catch|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|Cavity|C$

 $= \alpha \mathbf{P}(toothache|Cavity) \mathbf{P}(catch|Cavity) \mathbf{P}(Cavity)$

This is an example of a *naive Bayes* model:

 $\mathbf{P}(Cause, Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n) = \mathbf{P}(Cause)\Pi_i \mathbf{P}(Effect_i | Cause)$



Total number of parameters is linear in n

Bayesian networks

- Syntax:
 - set of nodes, one per random variable
 - directed, acyclic graph (link ≈ "directly influences")
 - conditional distribution for each node given its parents:
 - $P(X_i | Parents(X_i))$
- For discrete variables X_i, conditional distribution = conditional probability table (CPT) = probabilities for X_i given each combination of parent values



Example 2: Burglars and Earthquakes

- You are at a "Done with the AI class" party.
- Neighbor John calls to say your home alarm has gone off (but neighbor Mary doesn't).
- Sometimes your alarm is set off by minor earthquakes.
- Question: Is your home being burglarized?

Next Time

- Bayesian Networks for Burglary Detection and More!
- Inference Algorithms
 - Variable Elimination (VE)
- Hidden Markov Models
- To Do:
 - Project 3 due Sunday before midnight

