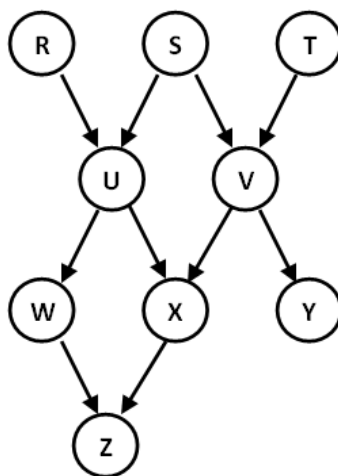


1. (10 points) **Bayes Nets: Independence**

Consider the Bayes Net graph below.



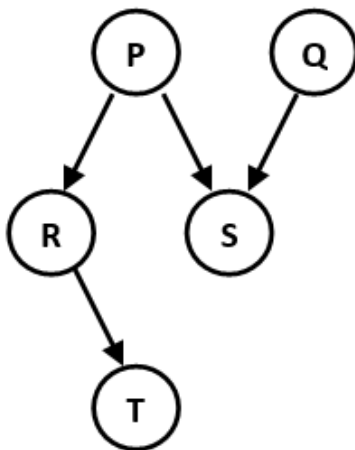
For each of the following statements, indicate whether (True) or not (False) the topology of the net guarantees that that the statement is true. If False, identify a path ("undirected") through which influence propagates between the two random variables being considered. (Be sure that the path follows the D-Separation rules covered in lecture.) The first one is done for you.

- (a) $R \perp\!\!\!\perp Z$: False (RUWZ)
- (b) $R \perp\!\!\!\perp Z \mid U$
- (c) $R \perp\!\!\!\perp T$
- (d) $R \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid X$
- (e) $R \perp\!\!\!\perp Z \mid U, X$ (This problem is optional, after being corrected from being the same as (b).)
- (f) $U \perp\!\!\!\perp V \mid S, X$

- (g) $W \perp Y | S$
- (h) $W \perp Y | Z$
- (i) $W \perp Y | U, V$
- (j) $W \perp T | U, X, Z$
- (k) $T \perp Z | X$

2. (6 points) **Bayes Net: Inference**

Below you see the structure of a Bayesian network.



- (a) (3 points) What are the probability distributions that have to be specified in order to completely define the network?
- (b) (3 points) How can you compute $P(S \mid Q = q, R = r)$? (corrected on May 27.) Describe the individual steps of your reasoning. You can assume that all variables are discrete, please use the following notation if you want to sum over the values of a variable, for example, $A: \sum_a P(A = a)$. You should define new factors such as $f_2(A, b) = \sum_c f_1(A, b, C = c)P(A|C = c)$. When you eliminate variables, please do so in alphabetical order.

3. (8 points) **Probabilities**

Consider the *joint probability distribution* below.

A	B	C	P(A,B,C)
false	false	false	0.17
false	false	true	0.08
false	true	false	0.17
false	true	true	0.08
true	false	false	0.13
true	false	true	0.12
true	true	false	0.13
true	true	true	0.12

(a) (2 points) What is $P(B = \textit{false})$? Provide the individual terms involved in this probability.

(b) (3 points) What is $P(A = \textit{false} \mid B = \textit{true})$? Provide the individual terms involved in this probability.

(c) (3 points) Are A and B independent, that is, $A \perp B$? Justify your answer.

4. (Optional, not graded) Hidden Markov Models

Consider a Hidden Markov Model where the hidden state X_t can be one of three values $\{A, B, C\}$. The transition probabilities are provided in the following table, where the row corresponds to X_{t-1} and the column to X_t .

	A	B	C
A	0.7	0.3	0
B	0.1	0.7	0.2
C	0	0.4	0.6

For example, $P(X_t = A \mid X_{t-1} = B) = 0.1$.

The noisy sensor model for evidence E_t corresponding to X_t gives the true hidden state with probability 0.8, and one of the other two states each with probability 0.1. For example, $P(E_t = B \mid X_t = A) = 0.1$.

(a) Assume our belief about the hidden state X_t is

X_t	$P(X_t)$
A	0.5
B	0.5
C	0

Compute the belief about the hidden state X_{t+1} before considering noisy evidence (no need to normalize):

X_{t+1}	$P(X_{t+1})$
A	
B	
C	

- (b) Given your answer from the previous question, now assume we have the noisy sensor reading $E_{t+1} = C$. Compute our posterior belief taking this evidence into account (no need to normalize):

X_{t+1}	$P(X_{t+1})$
A	
B	
C	

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- (c) Assume now we are using a particle filter with 3 particles to approximate our belief instead of using exact inference. Imagine we have just applied transition model sampling (elapse-time) from state X_t to X_{t+1} , and now have the set of particles $\{A, A, B\}$. What is our belief about X_{t+1} before considering noisy evidence?

X_{t+1}	$P(X_{t+1})$
A	
B	
C	

- (d) Now assume we receive sensor evidence $E_{t+1} = B$. What is the weight for each particle, and what is our belief now about X_{t+1} (before weighted resampling)?

Particle	Weight	X_{t+1}	$P(X_{t+1})$
A		A	
A		B	
B		C	

- (e) Will performing weighted resampling on these weighted particles to obtain our final three particle representation for X_{t+1} cause our belief to change? **Briefly** explain why or why not.

5. (Optional, not graded) Create Bayes Net

Create a Bayes net with exactly four states $\{A,B,C,D\}$, that follows all of the independence constraints below.

(a) $A \perp B$

(b) $A \not\perp D \mid B$

(c) $A \perp D \mid C$

(d) $A \not\perp C$

(e) $B \not\perp C$

(f) $A \not\perp B \mid D$

(g) $B \perp D \mid A, C$