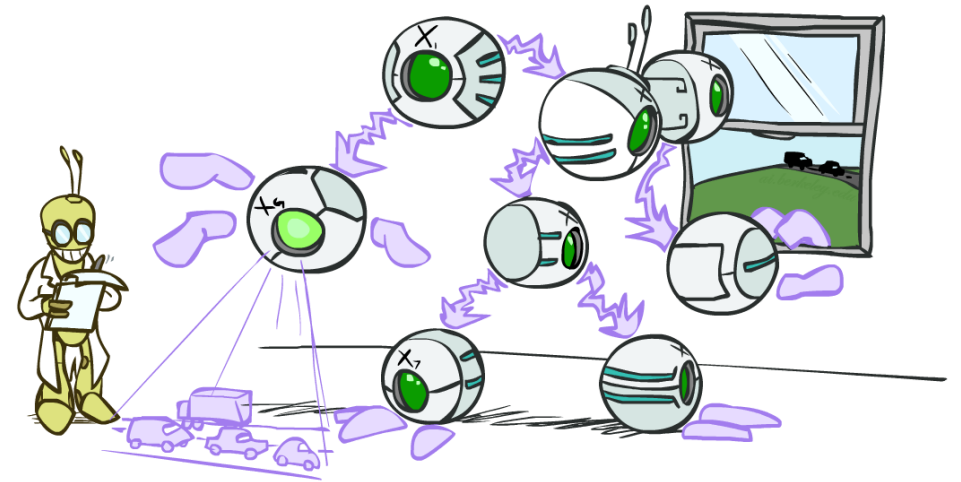


Bayes Nets II: Inference

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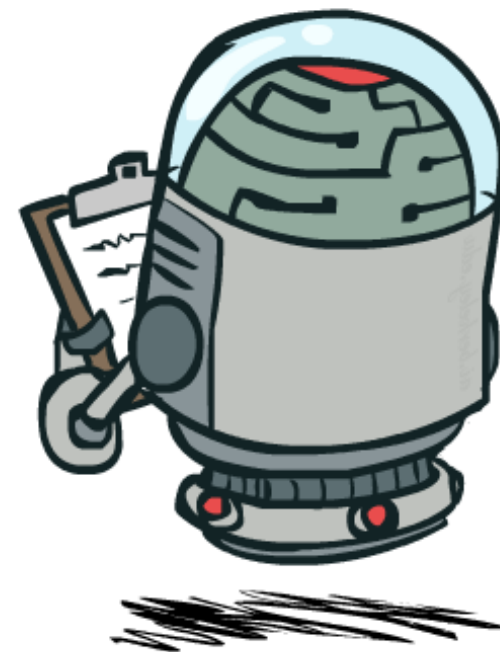
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Complete the **Mid-Quarter Feedback** survey!

ASSIGNMENTS

- **Project 3** due next Thursday (7.30)
- **Homework 3** released today, due in two weeks (8.6)



Bayes Nets



FOUNDATIONS

Bayes Nets provide a technique describing **complex joint distributions** using **simple conditional distributions**

- Use local causality / conditional independence
- Trading expressivity of joint distributions for efficiency of conditional distributions



Representation

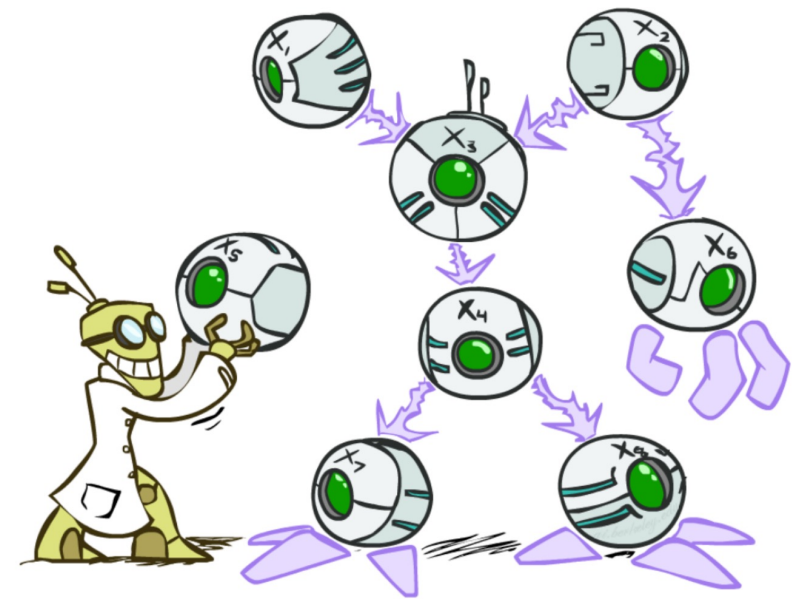
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Sampling

Monday

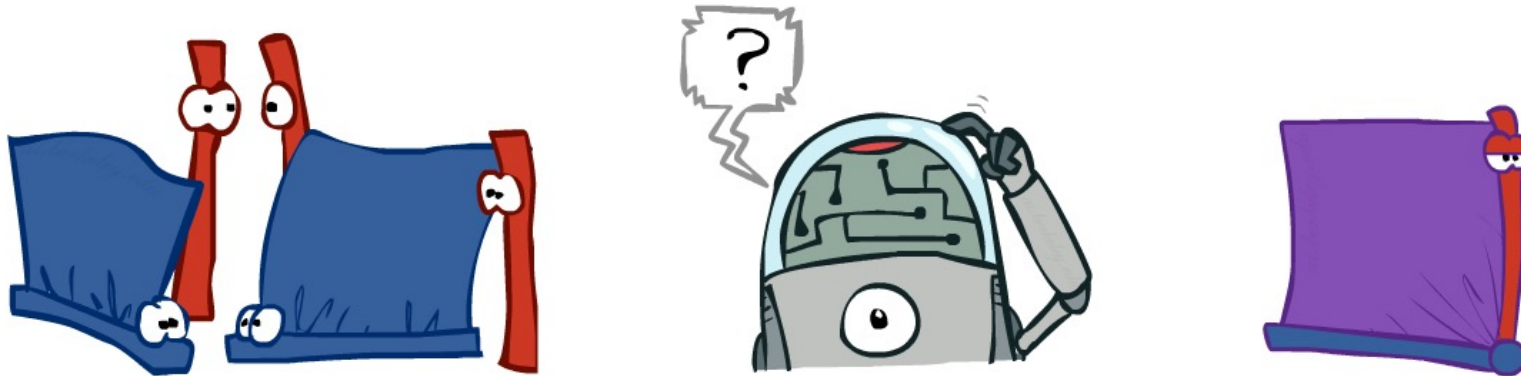


Inference

CONTEXT

Inference involves calculating some useful quantity from a joint distribution

- Given posterior probability $P(Q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$
- Most likely explanation is $\text{argmax}_q P(Q = q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$

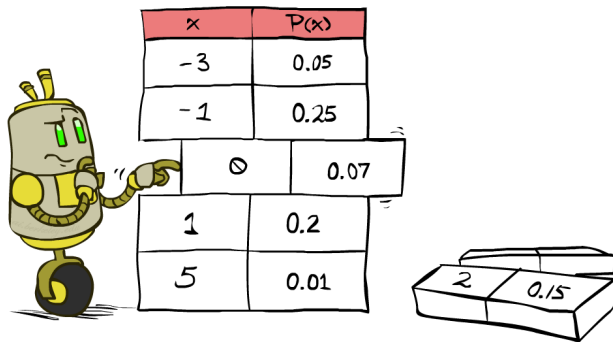


Inference by Enumeration

DEFINITION

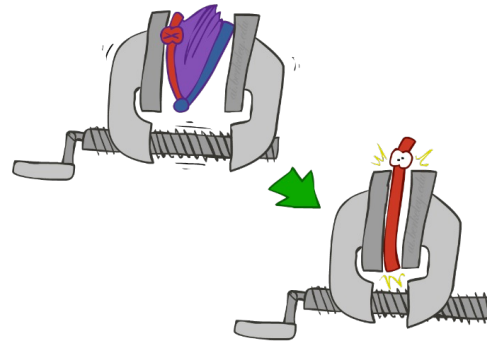
- Calculate probability of query Q given:
 - Observations about evidence variables $E_1, \dots, E_k = e_1, \dots, e_k$
 - Hidden (unobserved) variables $H_1, \dots, H_r$

Infer $P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k)$
from full probability
model $P(X_1, \dots, X_n)$



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

2 0.15



$$P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k) = \frac{P(Q, e_1, \dots, e_k)}{P(e_1, \dots, e_k)}$$

$$P(Q, h_1, \dots, h_r, e_1, \dots, e_k)$$

Select model entries
consistent with evidence

$$P(Q, e_1, \dots, e_k) = \sum_{h_1, \dots, h_r} P(Q, h_1, \dots, h_r, e_1, \dots, e_k)$$

Sum out hidden variables to
calculate joint probability

Normalize by joint
probability of the evidence

Bayes Net Inference by Enumeration

FOUNDATIONS

- Goal:

- $P(Q|e) = \alpha \sum_h P(Q, h, e)$

- In a Bayes Net:

- $P(Q, h, e) = \prod_i P(X_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$

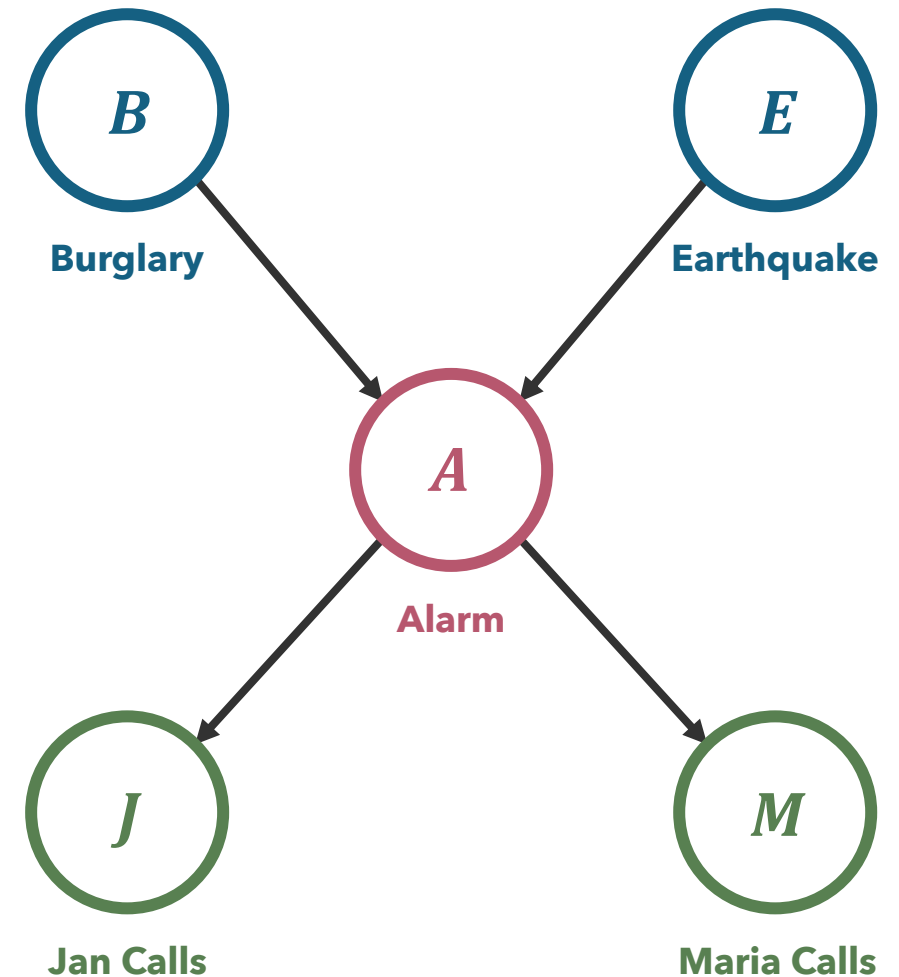
- For example:

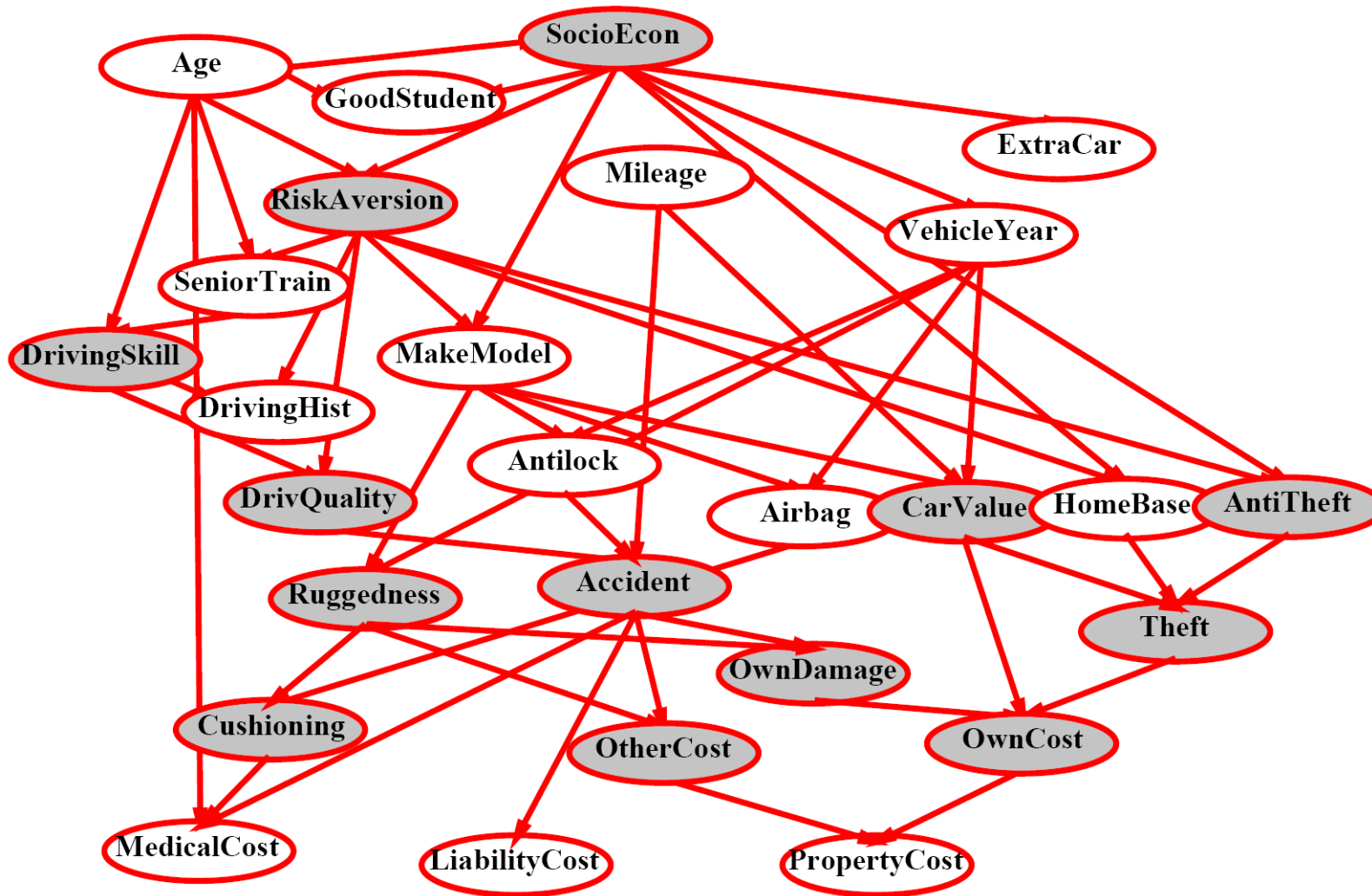
$$P(B|j, m) = \alpha \sum_{e, a} P(B) \cdot P(e) \cdot P(a|B, e) \cdot P(j|a) \cdot P(m|a)$$

- Therefore, inference involves computing **sums of products**

- Problem:

- Sums of **exponentially many products**!





$P(\text{Antilock}|\text{observed variables})?$

Can We Do Better?

CONTEXT

- Consider $uwy + uwz + uxy + uxz + vwy + vwz + vxy + vxz$

- 16 multiplications, 7 additions
- Lots of repeated subexpressions!

- Rewrite as $(u + v)(w + x)(y + z)$

- Bayes Net Example

- $\sum_{e,a} P(B) \cdot P(e) \cdot P(a|B, e) \cdot P(j|a) \cdot P(m|a)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \boxed{P(B) \cdot P(e)} \cdot P(a|B, e) \cdot \boxed{P(j|a) \cdot P(m|a)} + \boxed{P(B) \cdot P(\neg e)} \cdot P(a|B, \neg e) \cdot \boxed{P(j|a) \cdot P(m|a)} \\
 &+ \boxed{P(B) \cdot P(e)} \cdot P(\neg a|B, e) \cdot \boxed{P(j|\neg a) \cdot P(m|\neg a)} + \boxed{P(B) \cdot P(\neg e)} \cdot P(\neg a|B, \neg e) \cdot \boxed{P(j|\neg a) \cdot P(m|\neg a)}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Variable Elimination

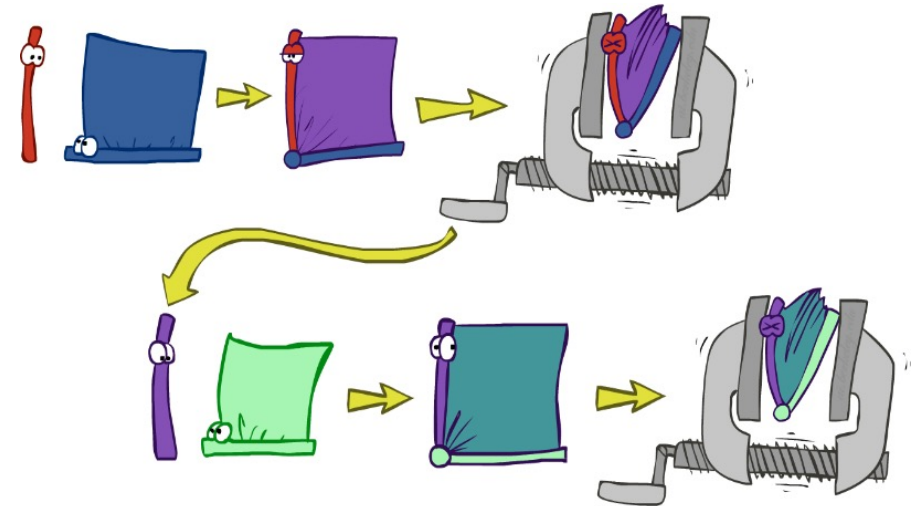
FOUNDATIONS

- Idea: Move summations inwards as far as possible

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

- Perform calculations from inside out

- Sum over a first, then sum over e
- Problem:
 - $P(a|B, e)$ is a series of numbers depending on the value of B
- Solution:
 - Use arrays of numbers with appropriate operations
 - These are called **factors**

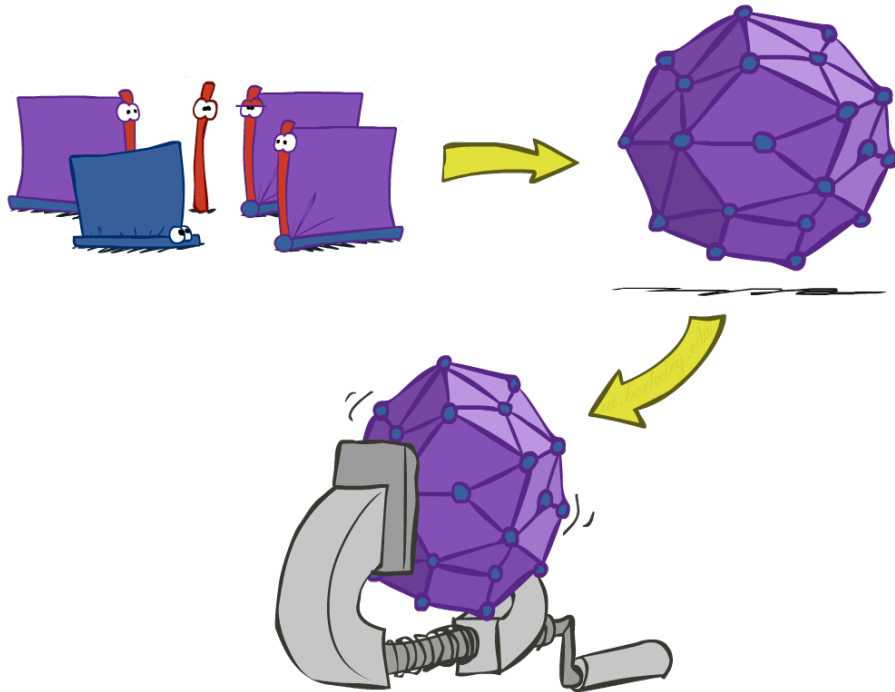


Inference by Enumeration vs. Variable Elimination



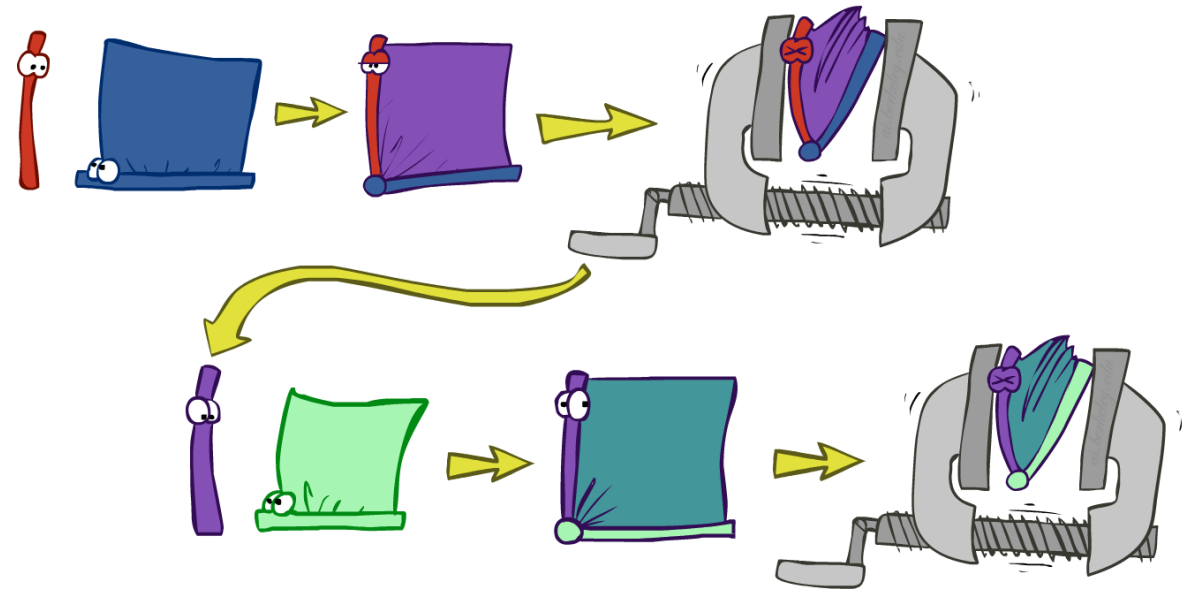
CONTEXT

Inference by Enumeration



join, then marginalize

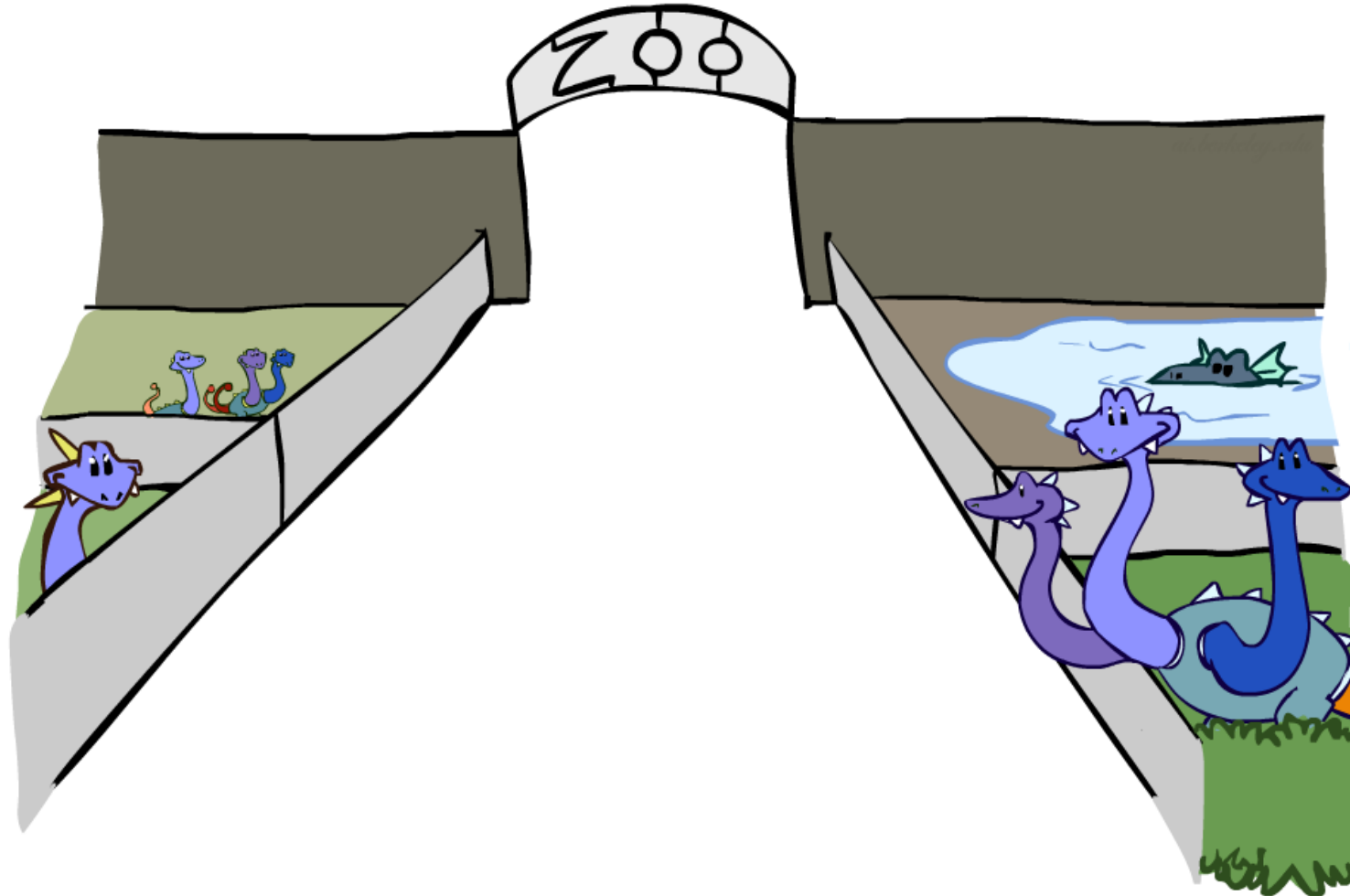
Variable Elimination



marginalize as you go

Factor Zoo

EXAMPLE



Joint Factors

FOUNDATIONS

- Joint Distribution $P(X, Y)$

- Entries $P(x, y)$ for all x, y
- $|X| \times |Y|$ matrix
- $\sum_{x,y} P(x, y) = 1$

$P(T, W)$

T/W	sun	rain
hot	0.4	0.1
cold	0.2	0.3

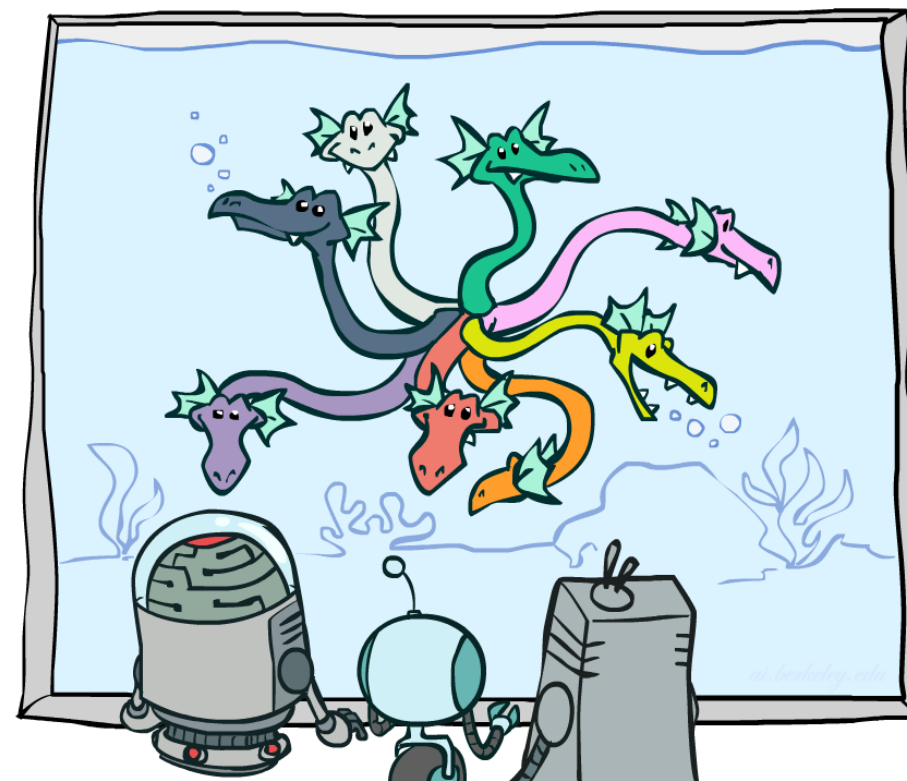
- Projected Joint Distribution $P(x, Y)$

- Slice of the joint distribution
- Entries $P(x, y)$ for fixed x , all y
- $|Y|$ -element vector
- $\sum_y P(x, y) = P(x)$

$P(\text{cold}, W)$

T/W	sun	rain
cold	0.2	0.3

Number of variables (capital letters) = **dimensionality**



Conditional Factors

FOUNDATIONS

- Single Conditional $P(X|y)$
 - Entries $P(x|y)$ for fixed y , all x
 - $|X|$ -element vector
 - $\sum_x P(x|y) = 1$
- Family of Conditionals $P(X|Y)$
 - Entries $P(x|y)$ for all x, y
 - $|X| \times |Y|$ matrix
 - $\sum_{x,y} P(x|y) = |Y| \cdot \sum_x P(x|y) = |Y|$
- Specified Family $P(x|Y)$
 - Entries $P(x|y)$ for fixed x , all y
 - $|Y|$ -element vector
 - $\sum_y P(x|y) = ?$

$$P(W|\text{cold})$$

T/W	sun	rain
cold	0.4	0.6

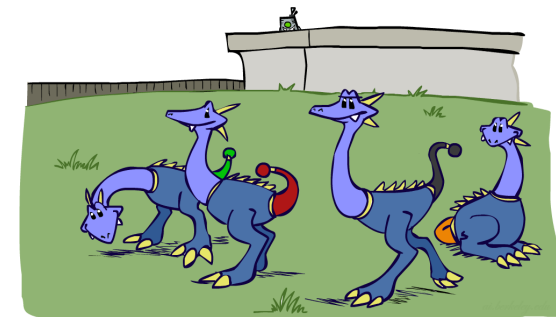
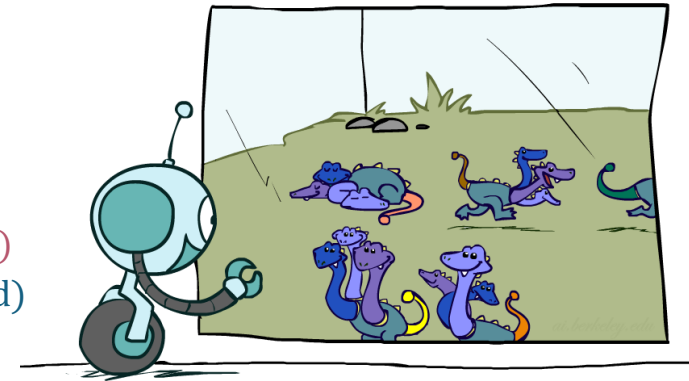
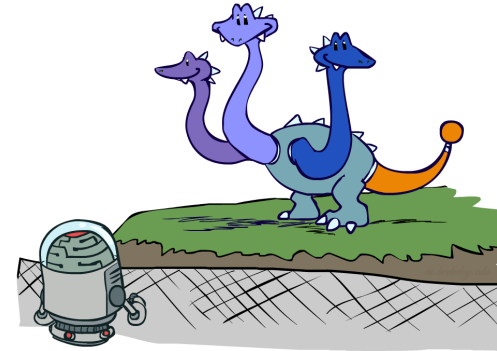
$$P(W|T)$$

T/W	sun	rain
hot	0.8	0.2
cold	0.4	0.6

$$P(W|\text{hot})$$
$$P(W|\text{cold})$$

$$P(\text{sun}|T)$$

T/W	sun
hot	0.8
cold	0.4





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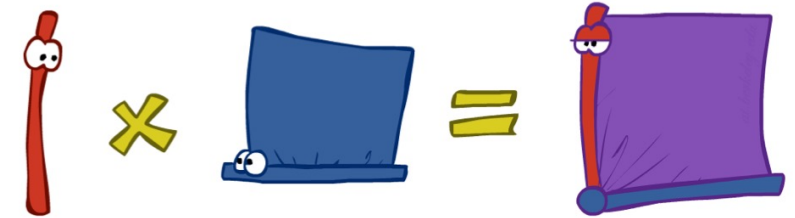
Operation 1: Pointwise Product

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DEFINITION

- Join factors using a **pointwise product**

- Like a database join, not a matrix multiplication!
- New factor has the union of variables of the original factors
- Each entry is the product of the corresponding entries from the original factors



- Example:

$$P(W|T) \times P(T) = P(W, T)$$

$P(T, W)$			$P(W T)$				$P(T, W)$		
T	$P(T)$		T/W	sun	rain		T/W	sun	rain
hot	0.5	×	hot	0.8	0.2	→	hot	0.4	0.1
cold	0.5		cold	0.4	0.6		cold	0.2	0.3

- Alarm Example:



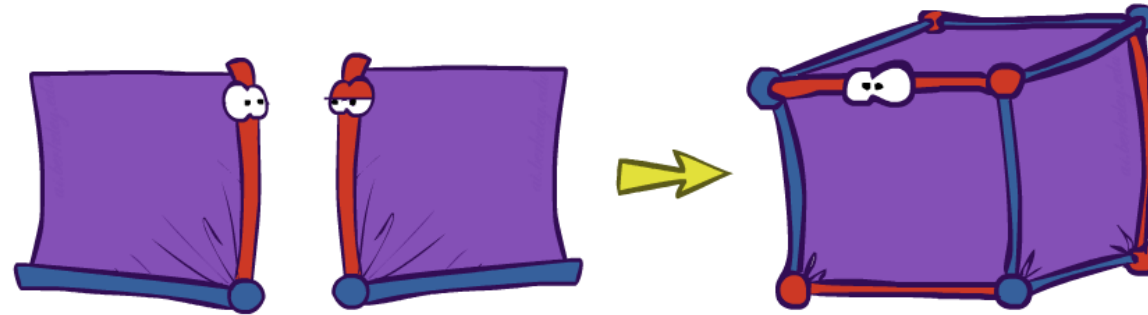
$P(A, J, M)$

	J/M	true	false
J/M	true		0.762
	false	0.0003	

$A = \text{true}$

Beware of Large Factors!

CONTEXT



- Example:

- Variables U, V, W, X , each with range 10
- $P(U, V)$, $P(V, W)$, $P(W, X)$ each have 10×10 entries

$$P(U, V) \times P(V, W) \times P(W, X) = P(U, V, W, X)$$

- $P(U, V, W, X)$ has $10^4 = 10,000$ entries!

Operation 2: Marginalize

DEFINITION

- Sum out (**marginalize**) to eliminate a variable from a factor
 - Shrinks a factor to a smaller one
 - A *projection* operation
- Example:

$$\sum_t P(W, t) = P(W)$$

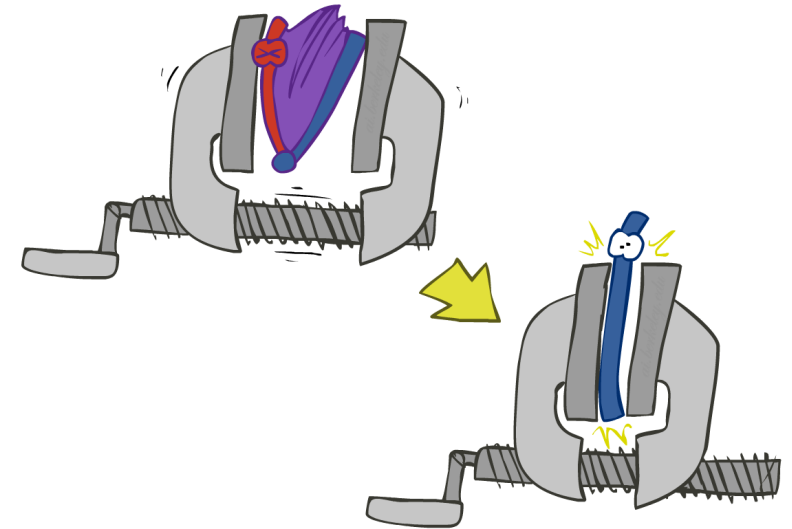
$P(W, T)$

T/W	sun	rain
hot	0.4	0.1
cold	0.2	0.3



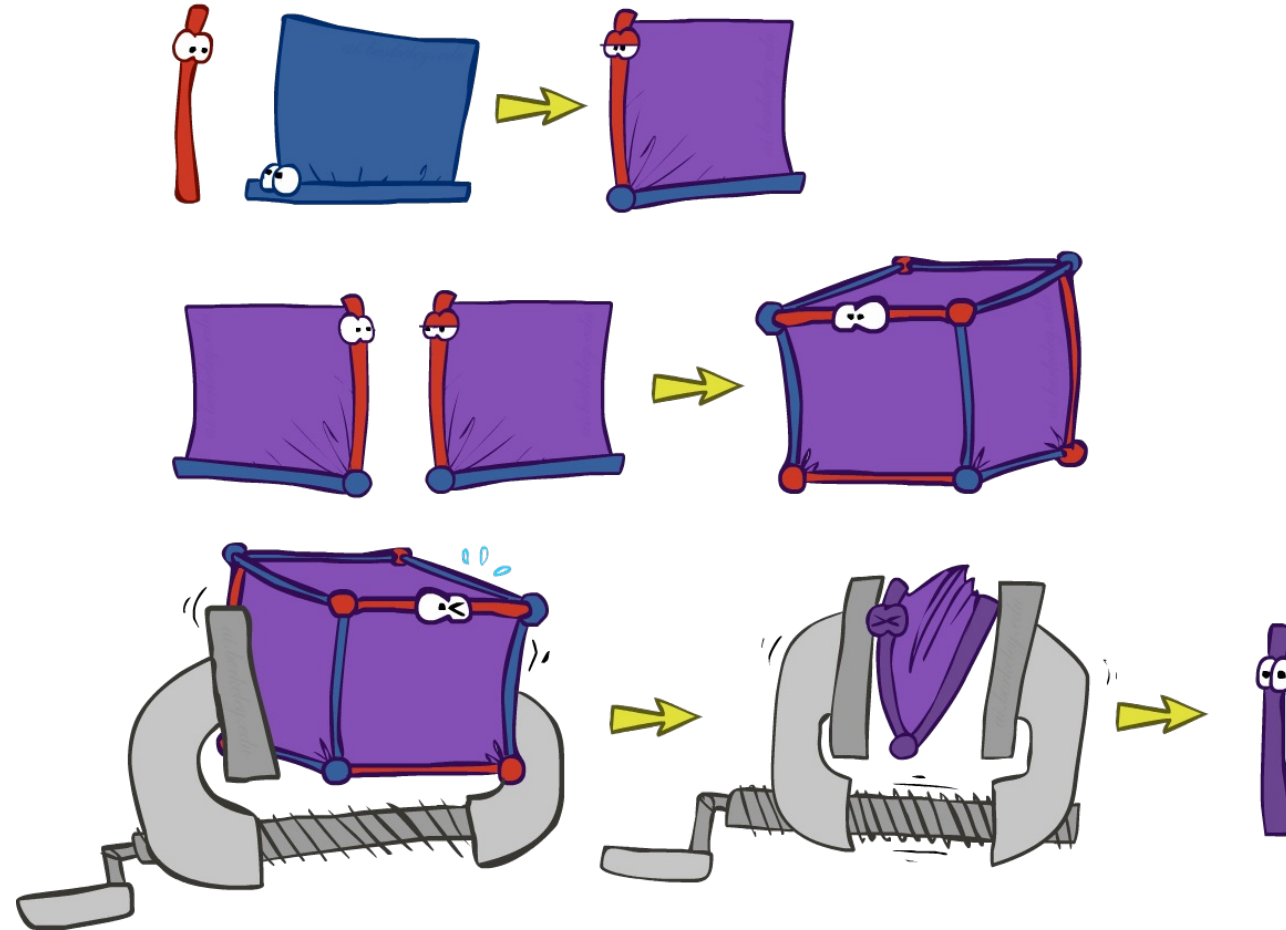
$P(W)$

W	$P(W)$
sun	0.6
rain	0.4



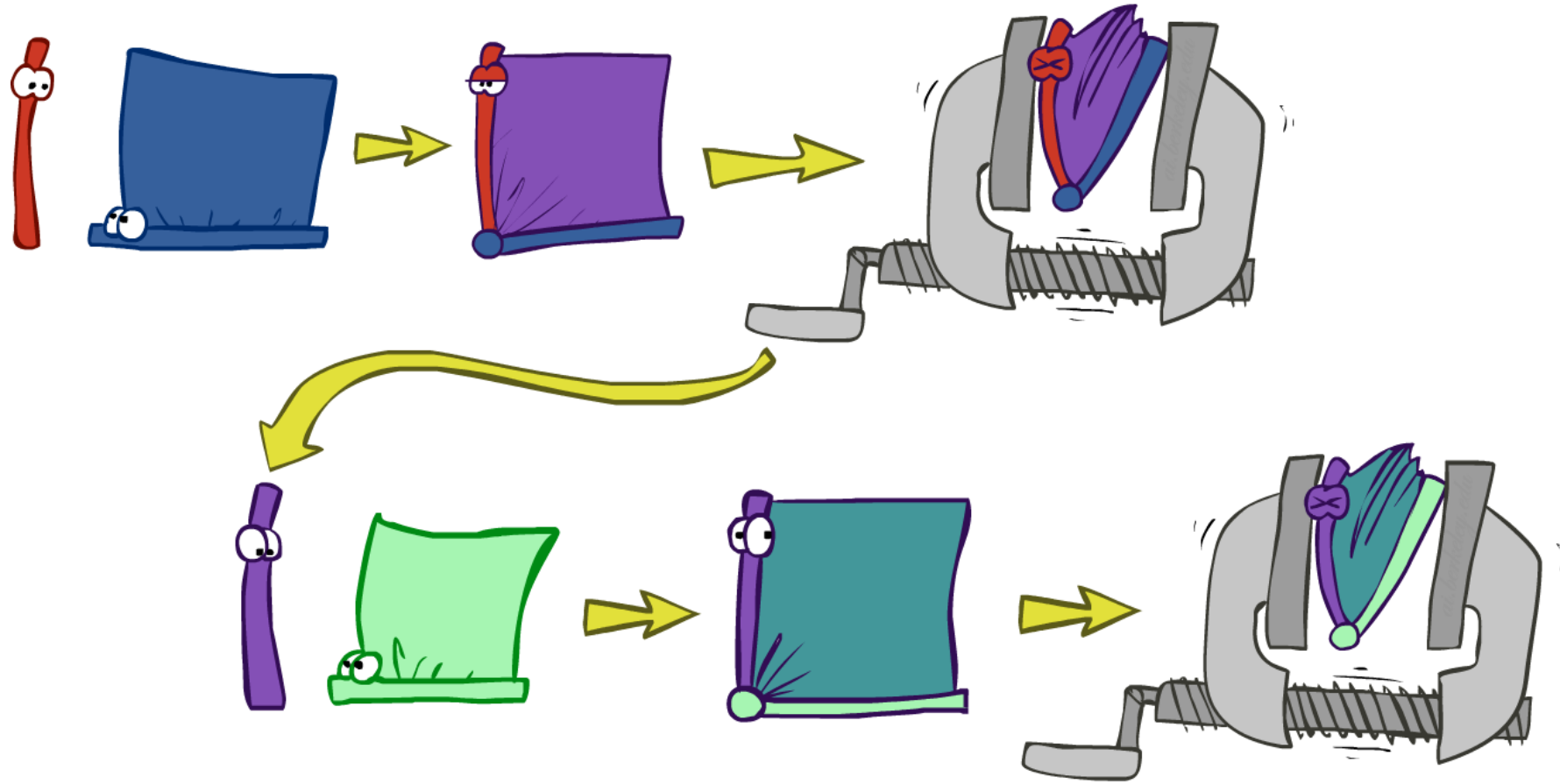
'Long' Way: Inference by Enumeration

CONTEXT



Shortcut: Variable Elimination

CONTEXT



Variable Elimination Implementation

DEFINITION

Query: $P(Q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$

1. Start with initial factors

- Local CPTs instantiated by evidence

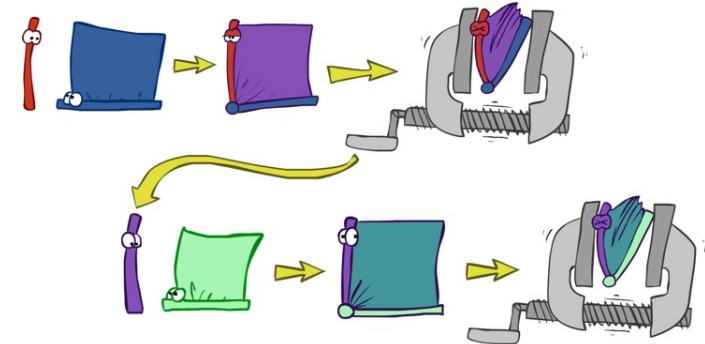


x	$P(x)$
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-1	0.25
0	0.07
1	0.2
5	0.01

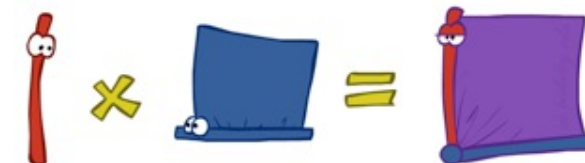
2	0.15
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2. While there are still hidden variables:

- Pick a hidden variable H_j
- Eliminate (sum out) H_j from the product of all factors mentioning H_j



3. Join remaining factors and normalize





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Alarm Variable Elimination (1)

EXAMPLE

- Query:** $P(B|j, m)$

- Initial Factors:

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(A B, E)$	$P(j A)$	$P(m A)$
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- Variable Elimination Round 1**

- Choose A , join factors with A :

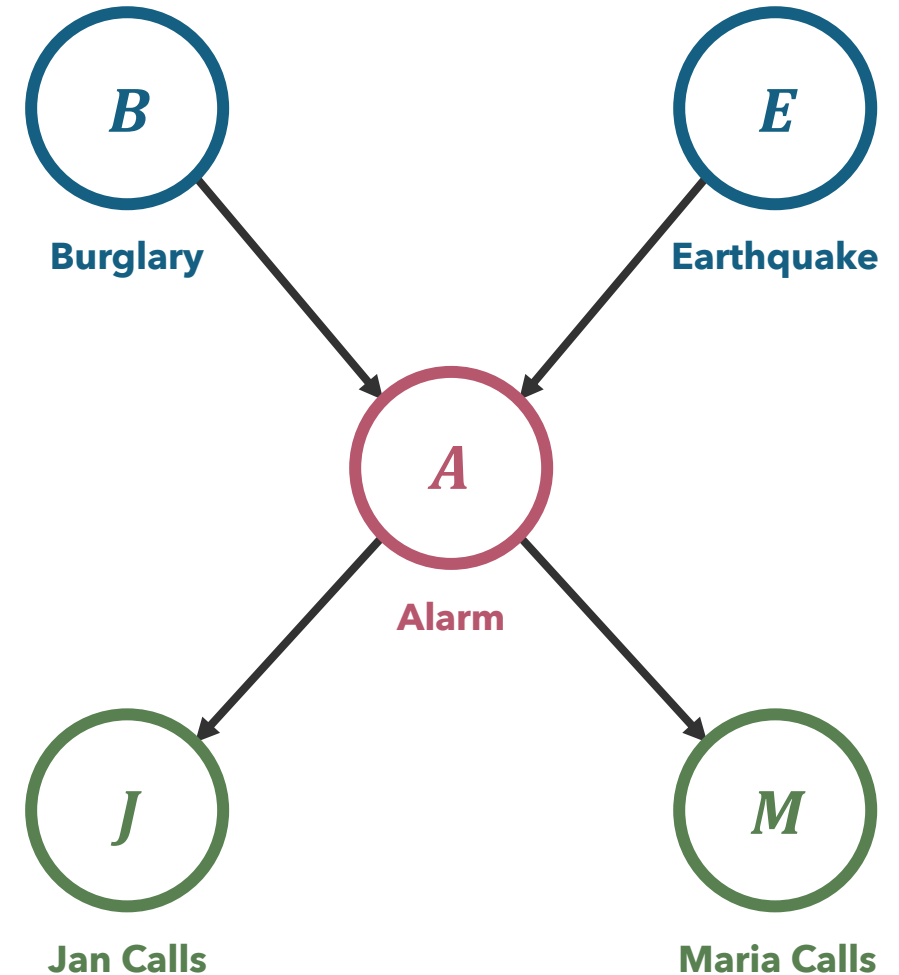
$$P(A|B, E) \times P(j|A) \times P(m|A) = P(j, m, A|B, E)$$

- Marginalize A :

$$\sum_{a \in A} P(j, m, A|B, E) = P(j, m|B, E)$$

- Remaining Factors:

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(j, m B, E)$
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Alarm Variable Elimination (2)

EXAMPLE

- **Query:** $P(B|j, m)$

- Current Factors:

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(j, m B, E)$
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- Variable Elimination Round 2

- Choose E , join factors with E :

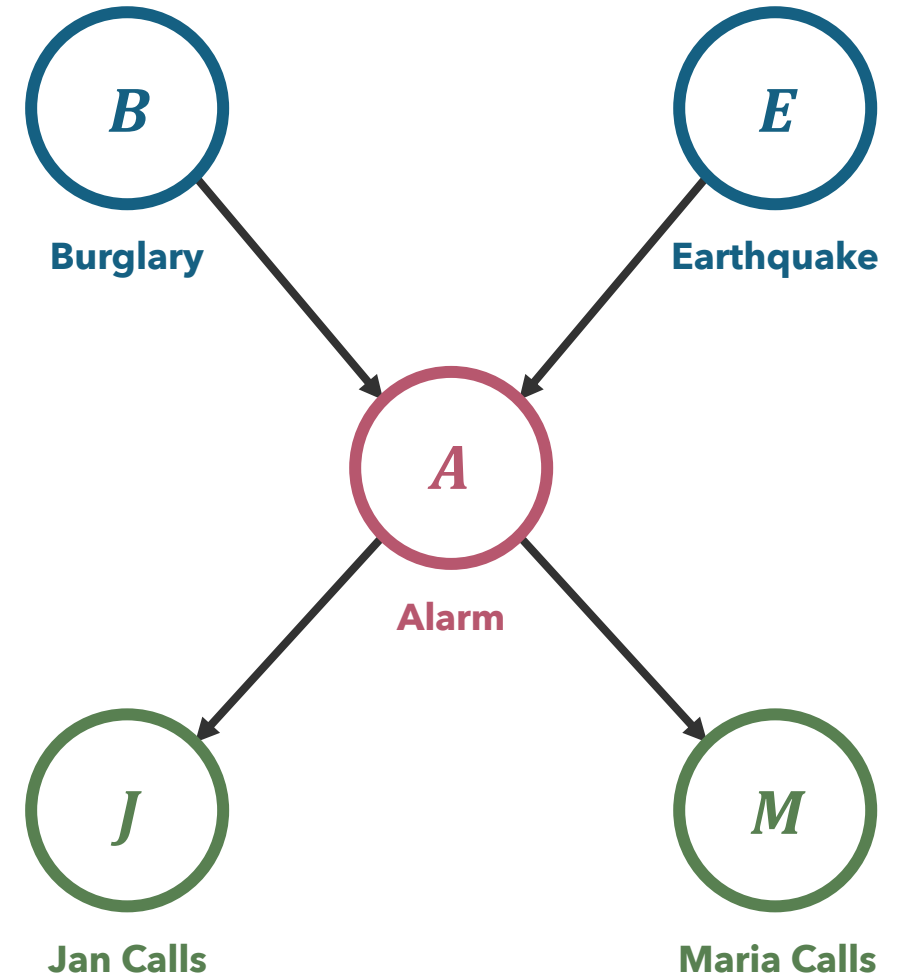
$$P(E) \times P(j, m|B, E) = P(j, m, E|B)$$

- Marginalize E :

$$\sum_{e \in E} P(j, m, E|B) = P(j, m|B)$$

- Remaining Factors:

$P(B)$	$P(j, m B)$
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Alarm Variable Elimination (3)

EXAMPLE

- **Query:** $P(B|j, m)$

- Current Factors:

$P(B)$	$P(j, m B)$
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- Note $P(B|j, m) \propto P(j, m, B)$

- Variable Elimination Round 3

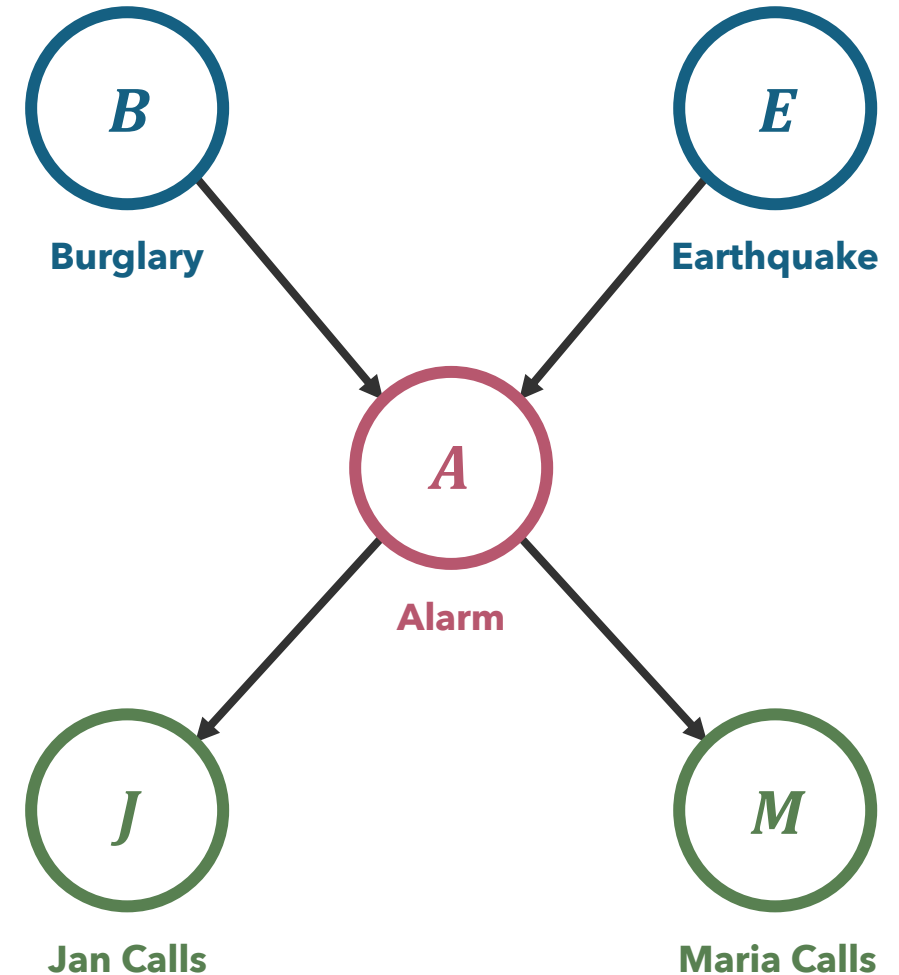
- Choose B , join factors with B :

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

- Normalize by $P(j, m)$:

$$\alpha = \sum_{b \in B} P(j, m, b) = P(j, m)$$

- Final Factor: $P(B|j, m) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot P(j, m, B)$



Common Cause Variable Elimination

EXAMPLE

- **Query:** $P(X_3|y_1, y_2, y_3)$

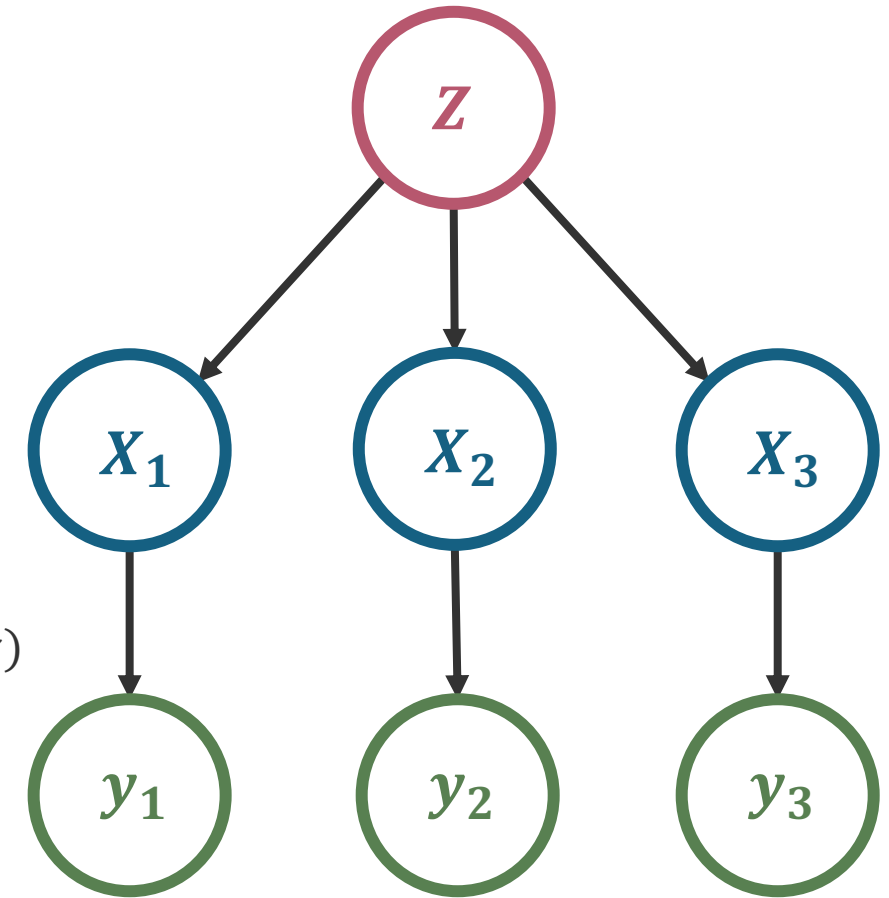
- Initial Factors:

$P(Z)$	$P(X_1 Z)$	$P(X_2 Z)$	$P(X_3 Z)$	$P(y_1 X_1)$	$P(y_2 X_2)$	$P(y_3 X_3)$
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- Variable Elimination

- Eliminate X_1 : $f_1(Z, y_1) = \sum_{x_1} P(x_1|Z) \cdot P(y_1|x_1)$
- Eliminate X_2 : $f_2(Z, y_2) = \sum_{x_2} P(x_2|Z) \cdot P(y_2|x_2)$
- Eliminate Z : $f_3(X_3, y_1, y_2) = \sum_z P(z) \cdot f_1(Z, y_1) \cdot f_2(Z, y_2) \cdot P(X_3|z)$
- Join remaining factors:
 $f_4(X_3, y_1, y_2, y_3) = P(X_3, y_1, y_2, y_3) = P(y_3|X_3) \cdot f_3(X_3, y_1, y_2)$
- Normalize over X_3 :

$$P(X_3|y_1, y_2, y_3) = \frac{f_4(X_3, y_1, y_2, y_3)}{\sum_{x_3} f_4(x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3)}$$





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Try It Yourself

EXAMPLE

- Evidence
 - $C = c_1, B = b_2$
- Initial Factors

$P(A)$	$P(b_2)$	$P(c_1 A)$	$P(D A, b_2)$	$P(E c_1, D)$
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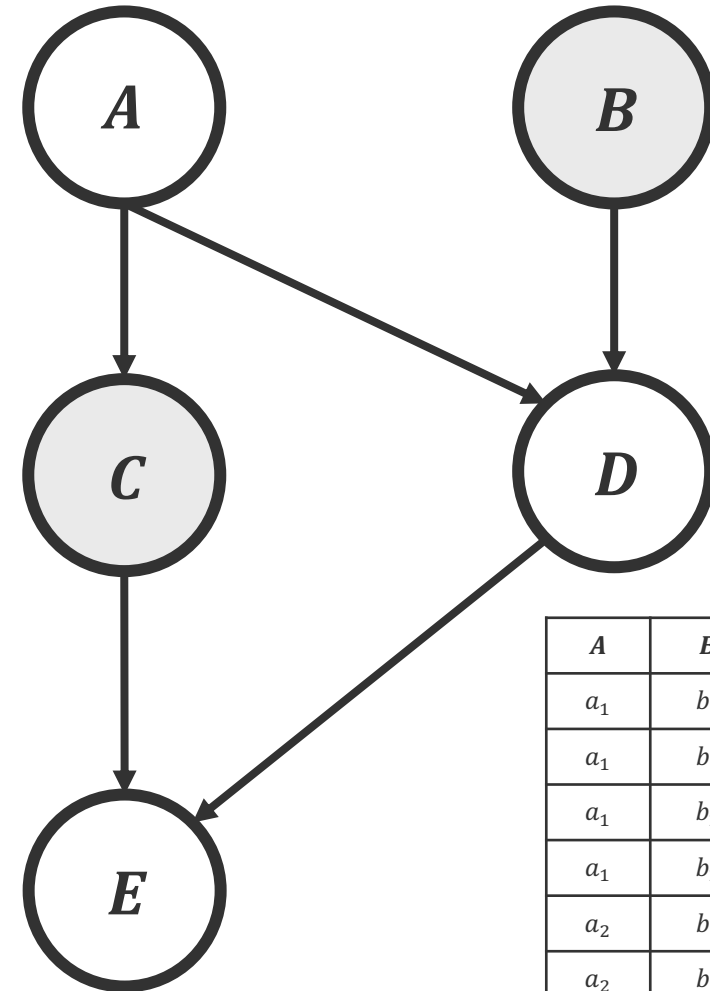
- What is $P(A, b_2, D)$?
- What is $P(c_1|E)$?

A/C	c_1	c_2
a_1	0.3	0.7
a_2	0.5	0.5

C	D	E	$P(E C, D)$
c_1	d_1	e_1	0.5
c_1	d_1	e_2	0.5
c_1	d_2	e_1	0.7
c_1	d_2	e_2	0.3
c_2	d_1	e_1	0.6
c_2	d_1	e_2	0.4
c_2	d_2	e_1	1
c_2	d_2	e_2	0

A	$P(A)$
a_1	0.2
a_2	0.8

B	$P(B)$
b_1	0.6
b_2	0.4



A	B	D	$P(D A, B)$
a_1	b_1	d_1	0
a_1	b_1	d_2	1
a_1	b_2	d_1	0.9
a_1	b_2	d_2	0.1
a_2	b_1	d_1	0.25
a_2	b_1	d_2	0.75
a_2	b_2	d_1	0.5
a_2	b_2	d_2	0.5

Order Matters

FOUNDATIONS

- Query: $P(C)$
- With elimination ordering A, B, Z :

- $P(C) = \alpha \sum_{z,b,a} P(z) \cdot P(a|z) \cdot P(b|z) \cdot P(C|z)$

$$= \alpha \sum_z P(z) \cdot [\sum_b P(b|z) \cdot [\sum_a P(a|z) \cdot P(C|z)]]$$

- Largest factor has two variables (C, Z)

- With elimination ordering Z, A, B :

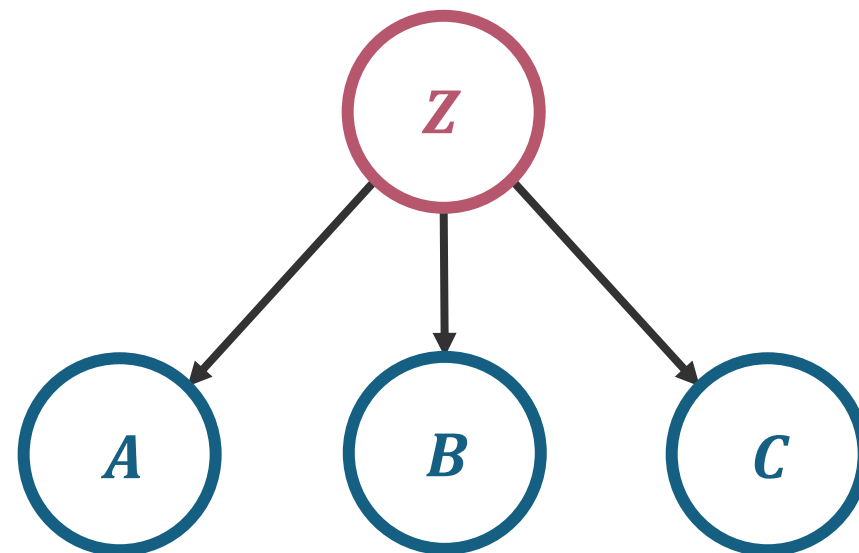
- $P(C) = \alpha \sum_{b,a,z} P(z) \cdot P(a|z) \cdot P(b|z) \cdot P(C|z)$

$$= \alpha \sum_b [\sum_a [\sum_z P(z) \cdot P(a|z) \cdot P(b|z) \cdot P(C|z)]]$$

$f_1(C, Z)$

$f_2(C, Z)$

$f_3(C)$



$f_1(A, B, C)$

$f_2(B, C)$

$f_3(C)$

Properties of Variable Elimination

DEFINITION

The computational and space complexity of variable elimination is determined by the **largest factor**

- Elimination ordering greatly affects the size of the largest factor
 - In the shallow tree scenario:
 - d^n when eliminating the root first
 - d^k when eliminating leaves first, where k is the number of variables involved in the query
- Does there always exist an ordering that only results in small factors?
 - No. Such an ordering cannot be guaranteed. Sometimes the network structure will require a large factor



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that's it for today!

SUMMARY

- Implications of independence and conditional independence
- Bayes nets encode joint distributions by tracking conditional probabilities

UPCOMING

- How to compute conditional probabilities of queries given evidence?

REMINDERS

- Complete **Practice Problem 12**
- Fill out the [Mid-Quarter Feedback Survey](#)
- Do **Project 3** (due 7.30)
- Do **Homework 3** (due 8.6)