

Inference! On GMs → Efficient Algorithm

Inference Problems Given a MRF $G = (V, E)$, $P(x) = \prod_{c \in C} f_c(x_c)$

- (1) Calculate $P(x_1)$ marginals
- (2) Calculate $\operatorname{argmax}_x P(x)$
Or $\operatorname{argmax}_{x_2} P(x_2 | x_3)$
- (3) Calculate Z x_2
(normalization term / partition fn)
- (4) Sample from $P(x)$

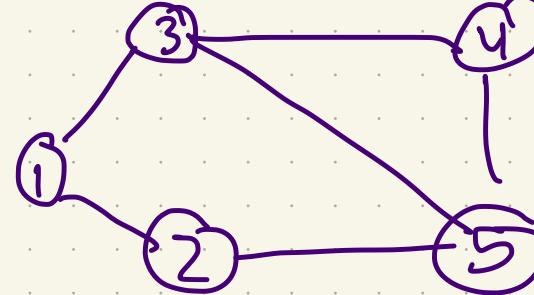
Brute Force - baby's first "algorithm" for marginals

- (1) Enumerate all values x_1 could take $(|X_1|)$
- (2) Sum over all other $n-1$ variables $(|X|^{n-1})$

complexity: $O(|X|^n)$.

• $P(X_1 = x_1) = \sum_{x_2 \dots x_n} P(x_1, x_2 \dots, x_n)$

Elimination Algorithm



$$P(X) = \frac{1}{2} f_{12}(x_1 x_2) f_{13}(x_1 x_3) f_{25}(x_2 x_5) f_{345}(x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

Goal: Compute $P(x_1)$

(Brute force $O(|X|^5)$)

$$P(x_1) \propto \sum_{x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5} f_{12}(x_1 x_2) f_{13}(x_1 x_3) f_{25}(x_2 x_5) f_{345}(x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

Eliminate variables in order $(5, 4, 3, 2)$

(5)

$$\propto \sum_{x_2, x_3, x_4} f_{12}(x_1 x_2) f_{13}(x_1 x_3)$$

x_5

summing
 x_2, x_3, x_4

$$\propto \sum_{x_2, x_3} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) f_{13}(x_1, x_3)$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{x_5} f_{25}(x_2 x_5) f_{345}(x_3, x_4, x_5)}$$

$m_5(x_2 x_3 x_4)$

$$\boxed{\sum_{x_4} m_5(x_2 x_3 x_4)}$$

$m_4(x_2 x_3)$

$|X| \cdot |X|^2$

$m_4(x_2 x_3)$

$$\alpha \sum_{x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) \sum_{x_3} f_{13}(x_1, x_3) \cdot m_4(x_2, x_3)$$

$m_3(x_1, x_2)$

$|X| \cdot |X|^2$

$$\alpha \sum_{x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) m_3(x_1, x_2)$$

$m_2(x_1)$

$|X| \cdot |X|$

Total CC = $O(|X|^4)$

To complete $P(x_i = x_i) \forall x_i \in X$

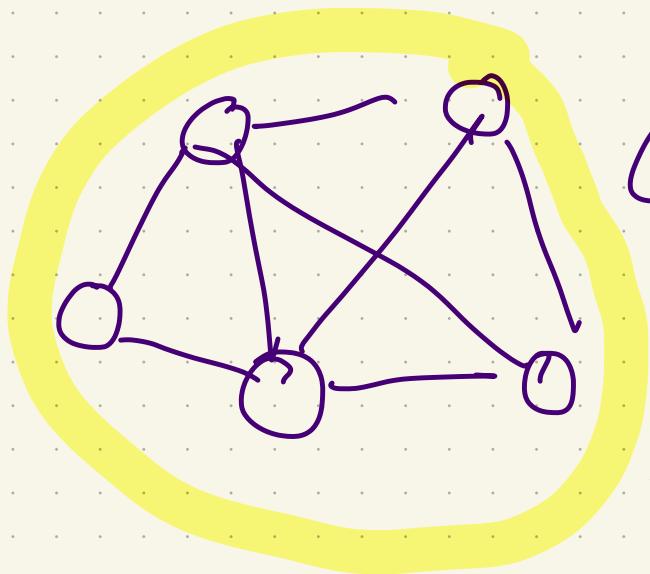
Def A reconstituted graph $G' = (V, \tilde{E})$ of $G = (V, E)$ and a variable elimination ordering $P = (P_1, \dots, P_n) = v_1 \dots v_n$

Remove P_1 and let $E_1 = \{(i, j) \text{ where } i \neq j \text{ were neighbors of } G_i \text{ in } G\}$

:

P_n

$$\tilde{E} = E \cup E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_n$$



$$G = (V, E_m)$$

$$E \cup E_1$$

Has a clique of size
4 \Rightarrow 1×4

min
all
ordering

{ max size of a
clique in $G' = (V, \tilde{E})$
(the reconstituted graph)}

Elimination Alg for MAP $\underset{x}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(x) = x^*$

Q: Can we use our marginal alg?

(No! but sort of)

$$\underset{x_1}{\operatorname{argmax}} P_1(x_1) \stackrel{?}{=} x_1^*$$

marginal dist over x_1

$$\underset{x_1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{x_2, x_n} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \neq \underset{x_1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \max_{x_2, \dots, x_n} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Ordering (5, 4, 3, 2, 1)

$$\underset{x_1, \dots, x_5}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(x_1, \dots, x_5) \propto \underset{x_1, \dots, x_5}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_{12} f_{13} f_{15} f_{25} f_{345}$$

$$\underset{x_1, \dots, x_4}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_{12} f_{13} \underset{x_5}{\operatorname{max}} f_{25} f_{345} \xrightarrow{\text{M}_5^*(x_2, x_3, x_4)} \boxed{x_5^*(x_2, x_3, x_4)}$$

$$\alpha \underset{x_1, x_2, x_3}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_{12} f_{13} \underset{x_4}{\operatorname{max}} m_5^*(x_2, x_3, x_4) \quad m_4^*(x_2, x_3)$$

$$\alpha \underset{x_1, x_2}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_{12} \underset{x_3}{\operatorname{max}} f_{13} m_4^*(x_2, x_3)$$

$$\alpha \underset{x_1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left[\underset{x_2}{\operatorname{max}} f_{12} m_3^*(x_1, x_2) \right]$$

$$m_2 = \left[\begin{array}{c} \underset{x_1, x_2}{\operatorname{max}} f_{12} m_3^*(x_1, x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \end{array} \right] \rightarrow_i \text{"Probability of the most probable } x_2 \dots x_n | x_1 = x_i \text{"}$$

$$P(x_1 \dots x_n) = P(x_2 \dots x_n | x_1) \cdot P(x_1)$$

CC : again $O(|X|^4)$

Our first formal measure of graph complexity which directly captures CC of inference

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Small
Simple
'not dense'

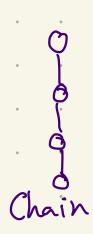


$$E = \emptyset$$

$$\bar{w} = 1$$

$$(n|x|)$$

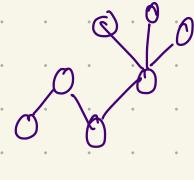
$$r\text{-deg}$$



$$2$$

$$O(|x|^2)$$

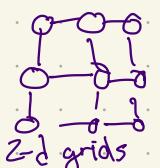
$$2$$



$$2$$

$$O(|x|^c)$$

$$\lceil \frac{n}{c} \rceil$$



$$\sqrt{n}$$

$$O(|x|^{\sqrt{n}})$$

$$4$$

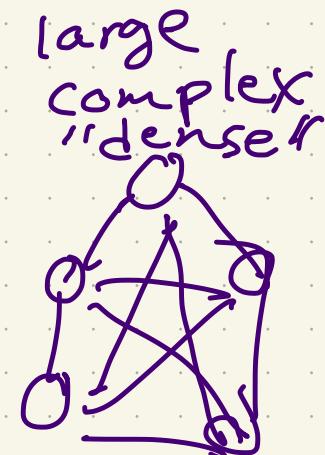
3-d grid

$$O(|x|^{n^{2/3}})$$

$$6$$

Erdős-
Renyi
Graph
(random)

$$P = \frac{c}{n}$$



$$TW = n$$

$$O(|x|^n)$$

max degree

$$c$$

1

0

max