

Recapping Inference Algs

Marginalization

Maximization

Exact/Apx

Which GMs?

C.C.

Elimination Alg

Exact

Any G

$O(|X|^{Tw})$
or worse

Sum-product
= Belief Prop

Max-product

Apx

Pairwise
MRFs

$O(|X|^2)$

Sum-product on FGs
= Belief Prop

Max-product on
FGs

Apx

any FG

$O(|X|^{\max\text{-deg}})$

Elimination Alg
on junction
trees

Exact

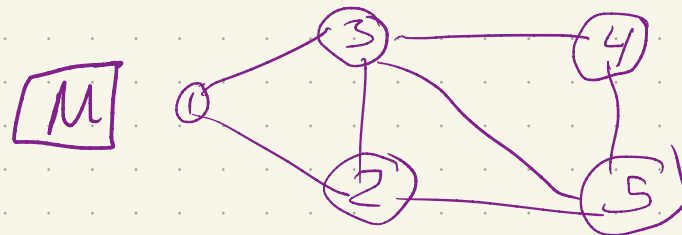
Junction
trees

$O(|X|^{Tw})$
or worse

Junction Tree Alg : Elim on A junction tree \rightarrow exact

- Fixing the tree, inference is easy using most methods
- Similar to elimination alg [exact, ordering]
- the data structure is meant to support efficient elimination

• MRF \rightarrow Clique tree
[non-unique]



One example clique tree for M

- Create a joint node for each clique

$$\tilde{x}_C \in \mathcal{X}^{|C|}$$

- each node has a local copy of its vars

$$\tilde{x}_{123} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

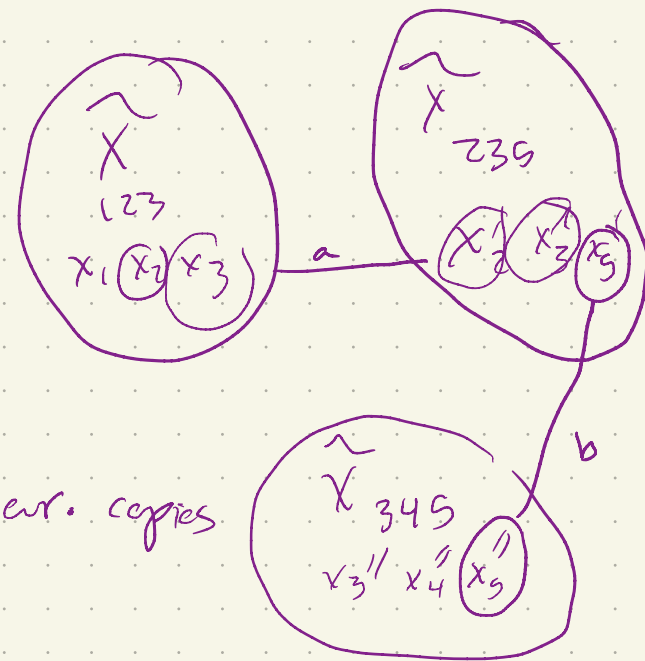
$$\tilde{x}_{235} = (x_2', x_3', x_5')$$

$$\tilde{x}_{345} = (x_3'', x_4'', x_5'')$$

- Assign edges to form a tree

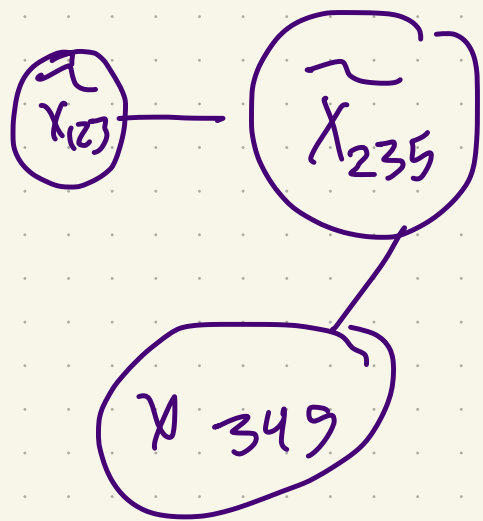
& ensure consistency across var. copies

$$P(X) \propto f_{123} f_{235} f_{345}$$



$$\tilde{P}(\tilde{x}_{123}, \tilde{x}_{235}, \tilde{x}_{345}) = \frac{1}{Z} \tilde{f}_{123}(\tilde{x}_{123}) \tilde{f}_{235}(\tilde{x}_{235}) \tilde{f}_{345}(\tilde{x}_{345})$$

• Π [local copies are = across edges]



$\downarrow \quad \therefore \Pi [x_{123}'s \text{ copy of } x_2 = x_{235}'s \text{ copy of } x_2]$

• Π [" " " " $x_3 =$ " of x_3]

• Π [$x_{235}'s \quad x_3 = x_{345}'s \quad x_3$]

• Π [" " " " $x_5 =$ " " x_5]

Global consistency: where my edge set allows me to enforce all copies of x_i are =

✓ variables x_i .

Q: When will a tree support global consistency?

Def | Junction tree property |

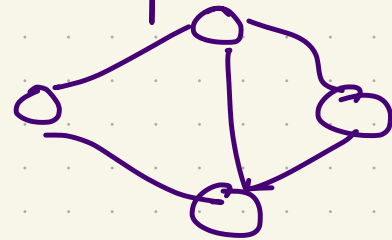
A MRF $G=(V,E)$ with \mathcal{C} , set of maximal cliques
A tree T over \mathcal{C} satisfies the JTP w.r.t.
vertex $i \in V$ if all cliques containing i
form a connected subtree in T .

A tree is a junction tree if it has JTP $\forall i \in V$.

Q When does a MRF G have a JT?

A: When G is chordal. (\forall loops $\in G$ of size ≥ 4 ,
the loop has a chord)

We can compute a JT
for a chordal graph G .



Sketch for finding JT's for a MRF that is chordal

- Consider the complete graph on " \mathcal{C} "
- Assign wts to the edges (# of shared vars)
- Find a max-wt spanning tree of \mathcal{G}

Claim A clique tree T is a junction tree \Leftrightarrow its a max-wt spanning tree of this clique graph.

Pf sketch
uses T

$$w(T) = \sum_{(C_k, C_l) \in T} |C_k \cap C_l|$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{(C_k, C_l) \\ \in T}} \sum_{i \in V} \mathbb{1}[i \in C_k \cap i \in C_l]$$

$$= \sum_{i \in V} \sum_{(C_k, C_l) \in T} \mathbb{1}[i \in C_k \cap i \in C_l]$$

$$\leq \sum_{i \in V}$$

$$m_i - 1$$

If G isn't chordal

of cliques containing vertex i

= when these form a connected subtree T_i

Choose an elim ordering

Make G chordal

(Replace w reconstituted

graph G'

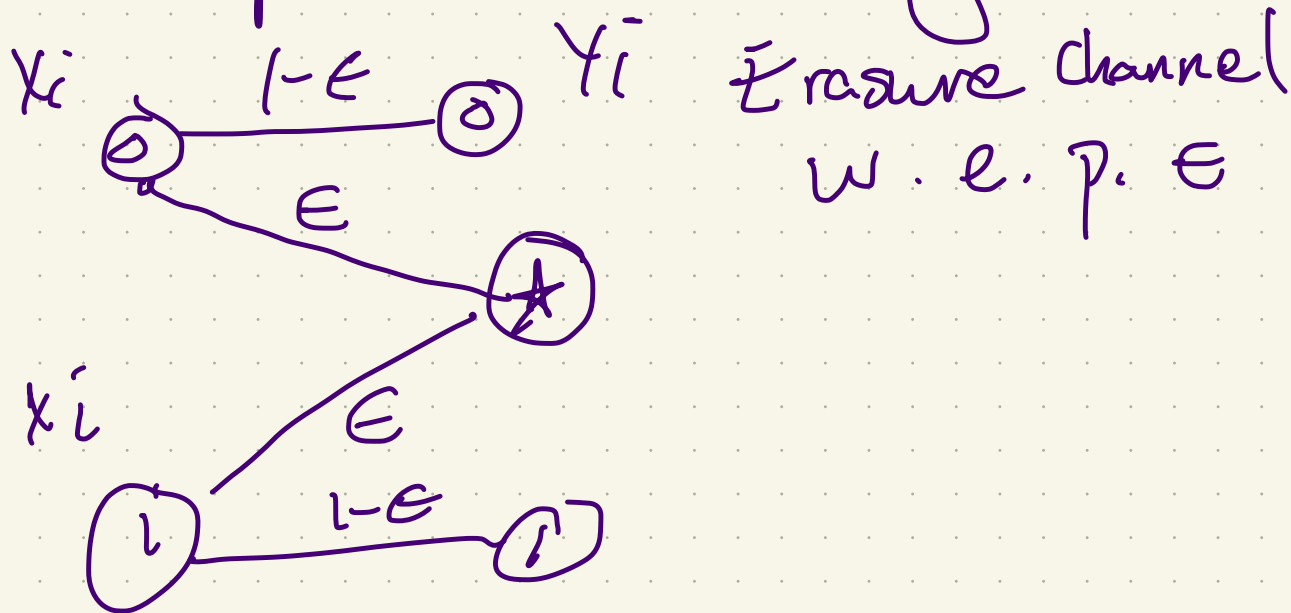
then repeat for new chordal G' :

find JT on complete weight clique graph

When does BP perform well?

- Exact on trees
- On a graph w ≥ 1 cycle, converges but might be wrong.
- In the limit of a large (usually sparse) graph density estimation provides an asymptotic cpx to BP performance.

Example of density estimation in LDPC



When does BP "work" for erasure channels?

↳ When does its output = (whp) the original x ?

↳ What fraction of $\hat{x} = x$ (bitwise)

Start w a random factor graph for a LDPC

$RG(n, m, l = [l_1, \dots, l_n], r = [r_1, \dots, r_m])$

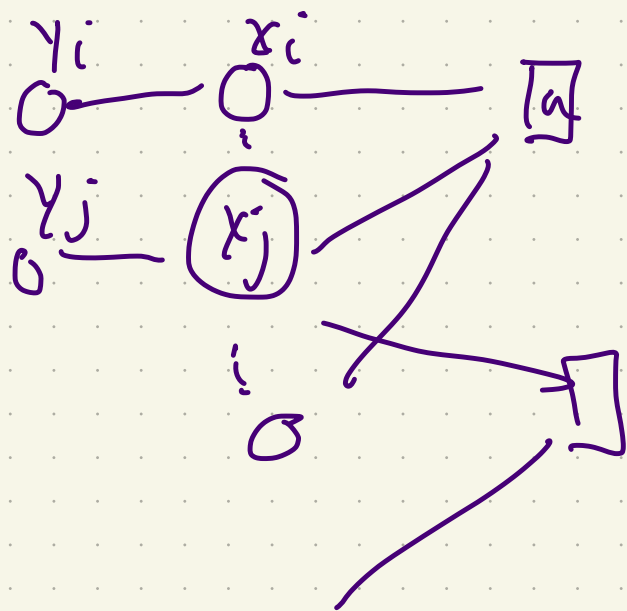
$$P[y_i = x_i] = \epsilon$$

$$P[y_i = x_i^c | x_i] = 1 - \epsilon$$

BP on this FG

$$m_{i \rightarrow a}(x_i) = P[y_i | x_i] \prod_{b \in \partial i \setminus \{a\}} \tilde{m}_{b \rightarrow i}(x_i)$$

$$\tilde{m}_{a \rightarrow i}(x_i) = \sum_{x_j \in \{0,1\}} \prod_{j \in \partial a \setminus \{i\}} m_{j \rightarrow a}(x_j)$$



Claim:

BP keeps $m_{i \rightarrow a}$, $\tilde{m}_{a \rightarrow i} \in \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose $\bar{x} = 0$

