

• PGMs + Markov Properties.

• Inference problems

Efficient algs

Variational methods & sampling

• Learning GMs

• Extra

Inference

Given MRF $G = (V, E)$ $P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_c f_c(x_c)$

(1) Calculate Marginal $P(x_i)$

(2) Calculate $\operatorname{argmax}_x P(x)$

(3) Calculate Z

(4) Sample from $P(x)$

(1)

$Y \sim$ observation

Noisy observation

Spectral measurement

Noisy bits received

$X \sim$ Cause, State

Pixel values

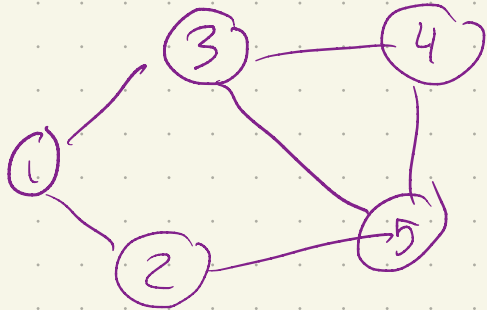
MRI image

bits sent

$P(x_i) \rightarrow$ denoise/
estimate

* Elimination Alg (Exact, W.L. RT = $O(|X|^n)$) $\rightarrow$ $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Computing } P(X=x) \\ \text{is \#P complete} \end{array} \right]$
 For marginalization

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



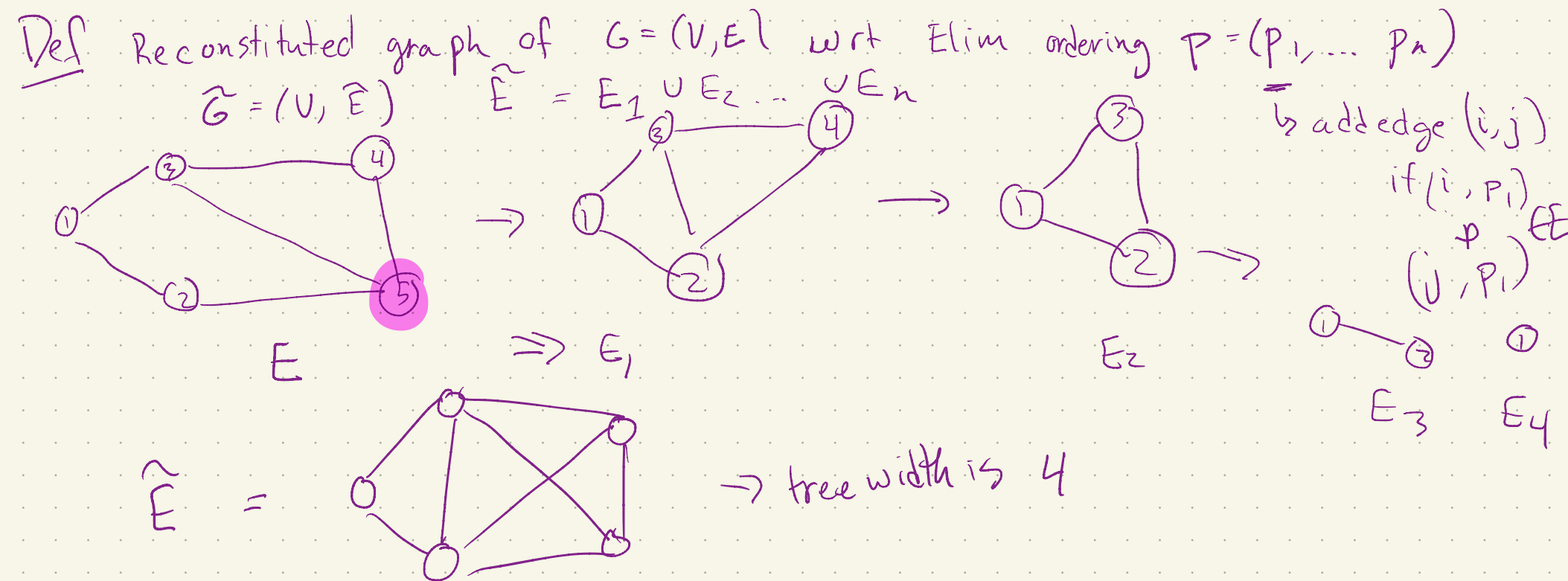
How to compute $P(X_1)$?

- Brute force $|X| |X|^4$
 $\downarrow$ enum over X_1 $\rightarrow$ sum over $X_2 \dots X_5$

Fix elimination order (5, 4, 3, 2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(x_1) &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x_2, x_3, x_4} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) f_{13}(x_1, x_3) \underbrace{\sum_{x_5} f_{25}(x_2, x_5) f_{345}(x_3, x_4, x_5)}_{m_5(x_2, x_3, x_4)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x_2, x_3} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) f_{13}(x_1, x_3) \underbrace{\sum_{x_4} m_5(x_2, x_3, x_4)}_{m_4(x_2, x_3)} \quad \rightarrow |X|^3 \text{ enum } |X| \text{ sum} \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) \underbrace{\sum_{x_3} f_{13}(x_1, x_3) m_4(x_2, x_3)}_{m_3(x_1, x_2)} \quad \rightarrow |X|^2 \text{ enum } |X| \text{ sum} \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) m_3(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow m_2(x_1) \quad \rightarrow |X| \text{ enum } |X| \text{ sum}
 \end{aligned}$$

[Total $|X|^4$ vs $|X|^5$]



Def Tree Width is $\min_{\text{all orderings } P} \{ \text{max size of a clique in reconstituted graph} \}$

size of largest vertex set in tree decomposition

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

Q: Can we use $\operatorname{argmax}_{x_i} P_i(x_i) \stackrel{?}{=} x_i^*$

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{x_i} \sum_{x_2, \dots, x_n} P(x_i, x_2^n) \neq \operatorname{argmax}_{x_i} \max_{x_2, \dots, x_n} P(x_i, x_2^n)$$

A: No, not like this $\rightarrow$

So rather than 'pushing in' sums, we "push in" maxes!
Start w. an order (5, 4, 3, 2, 1)

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{x_1, \dots, x_5} P(x) = \cancel{\frac{1}{Z}} \operatorname{argmax}_{x_1, \dots, x_4} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) f_{13}(x_1, x_3) \max_{x_5} f_{25}(x_2, x_5) f_{345}(x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{x_1, \dots, x_3} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) f_{13}(x_1, x_3) \max_{x_4} m_5^*(x_2, x_3, x_4)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{x_1, x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) \max_{x_3} f_{13}(x_1, x_3) m_4^*(x_2, x_3)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{x_1} \max_{x_2} f_{12}(x_1, x_2) m_3^*(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow m_2^*(x_1) = x_2^*$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{x_i} \boxed{m_2(x_i)} = m^*(x_i), \quad x_i^*$$

Tree width is our first notion of simplicity of a graph that we can use to capture computational complexity

small
simple



$E = 3$
 $Tw = 1$
 $O(n|xV|)$
 $\max-d = 0$

chain
 $Tw = 2$
 1×12
 2

tree
 $Tw = 2$
 1×12
 2

2-d grid
 $Tw = \sqrt{n}$
 $|X|^{1/\sqrt{n}}$
 4

3-d grid
 $Tw = n^{2/3}$
 $|X|^{n^{2/3}}$
 6

Erdős.
 Rymni
 $P = \frac{c}{n}$
 $|X|^n$
 c

K_n Complete
 $Tw = n$
 $O(|X|^n)$
 n

Q: Is inference really as hard on E-R as on K_n ?

A: Exact inference, yes. Approx?