

343H: Honors AI

Lecture 16: Bayes Nets Inference

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Survey feedback - thank you!

- Reading/exercise deadline time
- Web page ease of use
- Programming assignments
 - More project debriefing after deadline
 - Contest rankings beyond top 3
 - Some would like less skeleton, more creativity
 - Python programming standards

Survey feedback - thank you!

- Lecture slides – include answers
- Office hours
- Examples in class lecture
- Textbook

Announcements

- Reading/exercise assignments for next week posted – choose one of the 2 exercises and provide reading response
- PS4 out next week

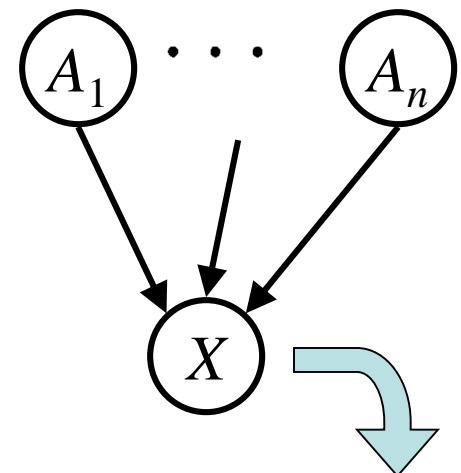
Bayes' Net Semantics

- A directed, acyclic graph, one node per random variable
- A conditional probability table (CPT) for each node
 - A collection of distributions over X , one for each combination of parents' values

$$P(X|a_1 \dots a_n)$$

- Bayes' nets implicitly encode joint distributions
 - As a product of local conditional distributions

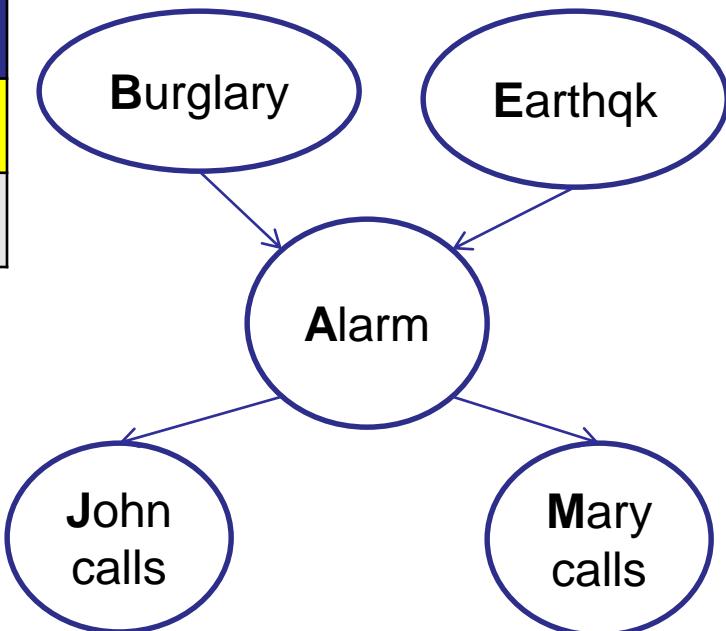
$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$



$$P(X|A_1 \dots A_n)$$

Example: Alarm Network

B	P(B)
+b	0.001
-b	0.999



E	P(E)
+e	0.002
-e	0.998

A	J	P(J A)
+a	+j	0.9

A	M	P(M A)
+a	+m	0.7

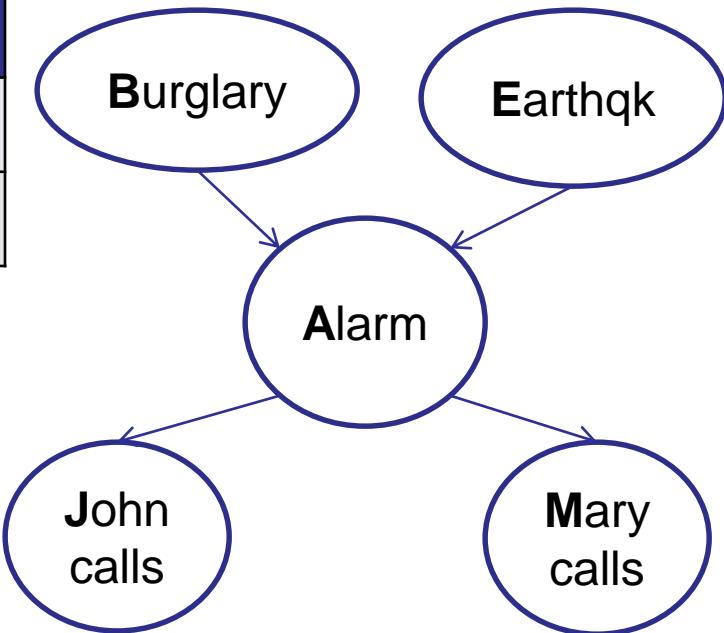
B	E	A	P(A B,E)
+b	+e	+a	0.95
+b	+e	-a	0.05
+b	-e	+a	0.94
+b	-e	-a	0.06
-b	+e	+a	0.29

$$P(+b, -e, +a, -j, +m) =$$

$$P(+b) P(-e) P(+a | +b, -e) P(-j | +a) P(+m | +a) = \\ 0.001 \times 0.998 \times 0.94 \times 0.1 \times 0.7$$

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-a	-j	0.95

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+a	-m	0.3
-a	+m	0.01
-a	-m	0.99

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-b	+e	+a	0.29
-b	+e	-a	0.71
-b	-e	+a	0.001
-b	-e	-a	0.999

Bayes' Nets

- ✓ Representation
- ✓ Conditional independences
- Probabilistic inference
 - Enumeration (exact, exponential complexity)
 - Variable elimination (exact, worst-case exponential complexity, often better)
 - Inference is NP-complete
 - Sampling (approximate)
- Learning Bayes' Nets from data

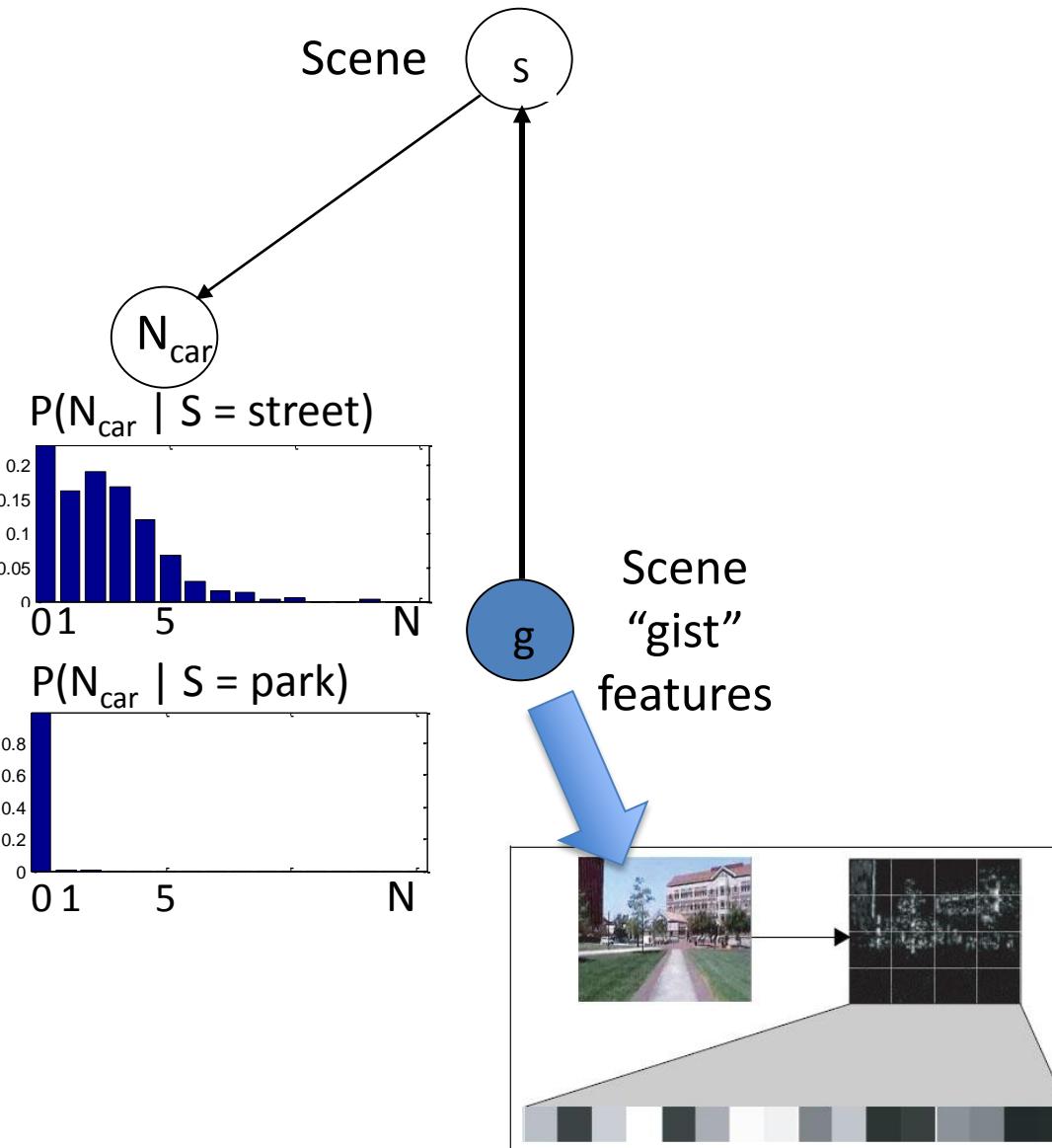
Inference

- Inference: calculating some useful quantity from a joint probability distribution
- Examples:
 - Posterior probability:

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

- Most likely explanation:
$$\operatorname{argmax}_q P(Q = q | E_1 = e_1, \dots)$$

Recognizing objects in context



Inference by Enumeration

- Given unlimited time, inference in BNs is easy
- Recipe:
 - State the marginal probabilities you need
 - Figure out ALL the atomic probabilities you need
 - Calculate and combine them

Recall: Inference by Enumeration

- General case:
 - Evidence variables: $E_1 \dots E_k = e_1 \dots e_k$
 - Query* variable: Q
 - Hidden variables: $H_1 \dots H_r$
 - We want: $P(Q|e_1 \dots e_k)$
1. Select the entries consistent with the evidence
 2. Sum out H to get joint of Query and evidence:

$$P(Q, e_1 \dots e_k) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_r} \underbrace{P(Q, h_1 \dots h_r, e_1 \dots e_k)}_{X_1, X_2, \dots X_n}$$

3. Normalize

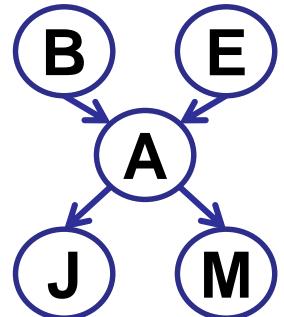
$$Z = \sum_q P(Q, e_1, \dots, e_k)$$

$$P(Q|e_1, \dots, e_k) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_q P(Q, e_1, \dots, e_k)$$

* Works fine with multiple query variables, too

Example: Enumeration

$$P(+b|+j,+m) = \frac{P(+b,+j,+m)}{P(+j,+m)}$$



$$P(+b,+j,+m) =$$

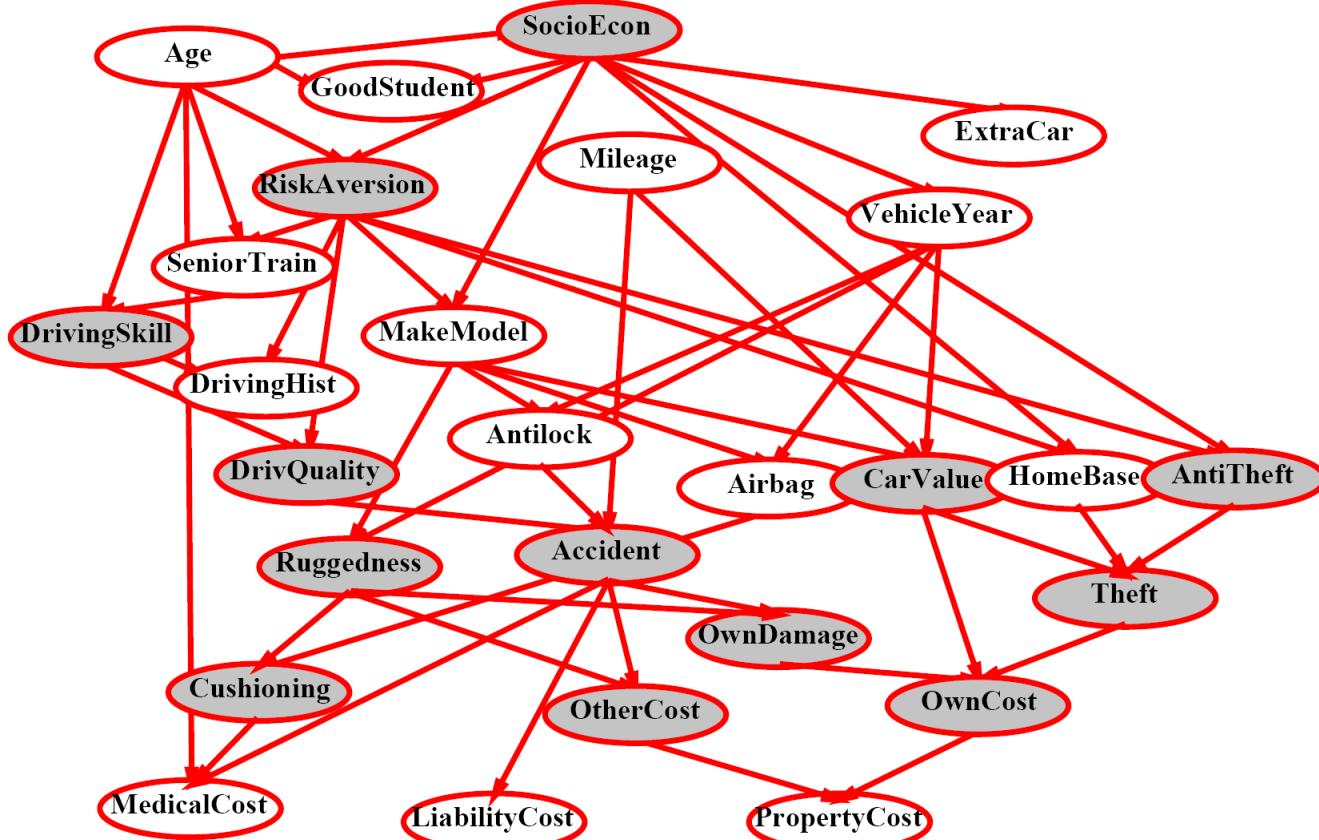
$$P(+b)P(+e)P(+a|+b,+e)P(+j|+a)P(+m|+a) +$$

$$P(+b)P(+e)P(-a|+b,+e)P(+j|-a)P(+m|-a) +$$

$$P(+b)P(-e)P(+a|+b,-e)P(+j|+a)P(+m|+a) +$$

$$P(+b)P(-e)P(-a|+b,-e)P(+j|-a)P(+m|-a)$$

Inference by Enumeration?



Inference by Enumeration vs. Variable Elimination

- Why is inference by enumeration so slow?
 - You join up the whole joint distribution before you sum out the hidden variables
- Idea: interleave joining and marginalizing!
 - Called “Variable Elimination”
 - Still NP-hard, but usually much faster than inference by enumeration

Factor Zoo I

$$P(T, W)$$

T	W	P
hot	sun	0.4
hot	rain	0.1
cold	sun	0.2
cold	rain	0.3

- Joint distribution: $P(X, Y)$

- Entries $P(x, y)$ for all x, y
- Sums to 1

- Selected joint: $P(x, Y)$

- A slice of the joint distribution
- Entries $P(x, y)$ for fixed x , all y
- Sums to $P(x)$

- Note: Number of capitals => size of the table

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

T	W	P
cold	sun	0.2
cold	rain	0.3

Factor Zoo II

$P(W|T)$

T	W	P
hot	sun	0.8
hot	rain	0.2
cold	sun	0.4
cold	rain	0.6

$P(W|hot)$

$P(W|cold)$

$P(W|cold)$

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cold	sun	0.4
cold	rain	0.6

- Family of conditionals: $P(X | Y)$
 - Multiple conditionals
 - Entries $P(x | y)$ for all x, y
 - Sums to $|Y|$
- Single conditional: $P(Y | x)$
 - Entries $P(y | x)$ for fixed x , all y
 - Sums to 1

Factor Zoo III

- Specified family: $P(y | X)$
 - Entries $P(y | x)$ for fixed y , but for all x
 - Sums to ... who knows!

$P(rain|T)$

T	W	P
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cold	rain	0.6

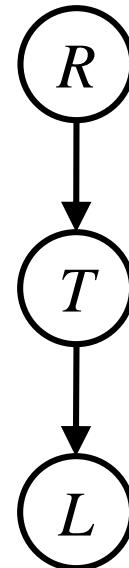
$\} P(rain|hot)$
 $\} P(rain|cold)$

Factor Zoo Summary

- In general, when we write $P(Y_1 \dots Y_N | X_1 \dots X_M)$
 - It is a “factor,” a multi-dimensional array
 - Its values are all $P(y_1 \dots y_N | x_1 \dots x_M)$
 - Any assigned X or Y is a dimension missing (selected) from the array

Example: Traffic Domain

- Random Variables
 - R: Raining
 - T: Traffic
 - L: Late for class!



$P(R)$

+r	0.1
-r	0.9

$P(T|R)$

+r	+t	0.8
+r	-t	0.2
-r	+t	0.1
-r	-t	0.9

$P(L|R)$

+t	+l	0.3
+t	-l	0.7
-t	+l	0.1
-t	-l	0.9

Variable Elimination Outline

- Track objects called **factors**
- Initial factors are local CPTs (one per node)

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- Any known values are selected
 - E.g. if we know $L = +\ell$, the initial factors are

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+r	0.1
-r	0.9

$$P(T|R)$$

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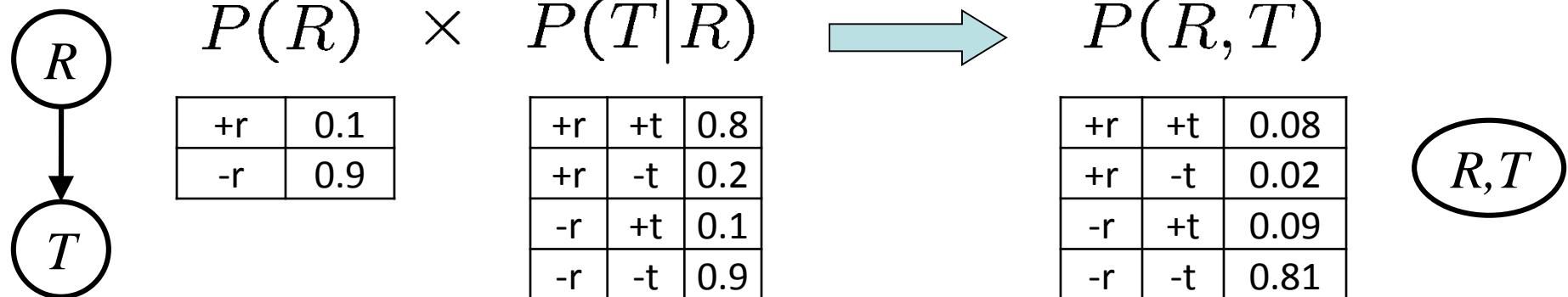
$$P(+\ell|T)$$

+t	+l	0.3
-t	+l	0.1

- VE: Alternately join factors and eliminate variables

Operation 1: Join Factors

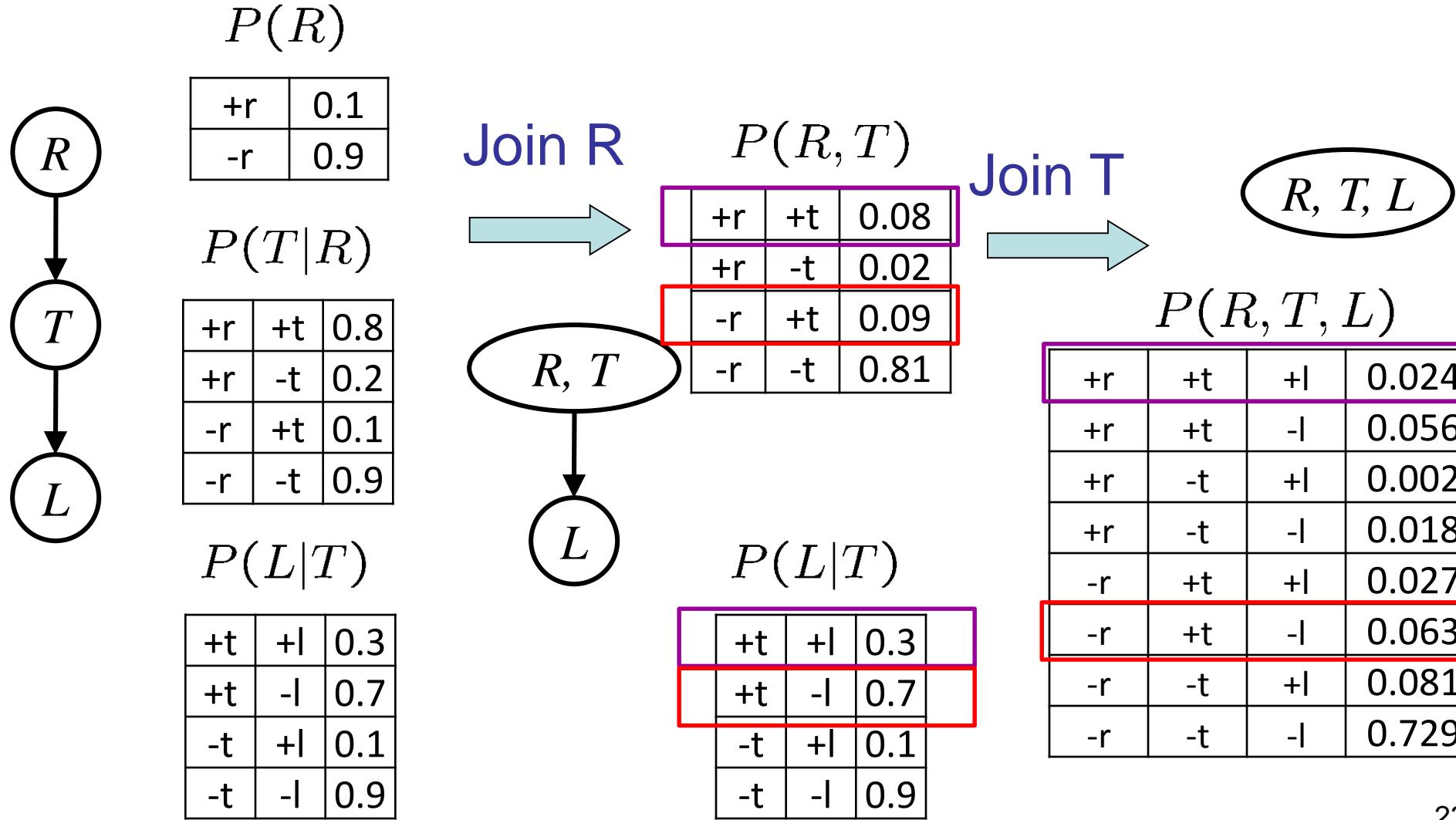
- First basic operation: **joining factors**
- Combining factors:
 - Get all factors over the joining variable
 - Build a new factor over the union of the variables involved
- Example: Join on R



- Computation for each entry: pointwise products

$$\forall r, t : \quad P(r, t) = P(r) \cdot P(t|r)$$

Example: Multiple Joins



Operation 2: Eliminate

- Second basic operation: **marginalization**
- Take a factor and sum out a variable
 - Shrinks a factor to a smaller one
 - A **projection** operation
- Example:

$P(R, T)$		
+r	+t	0.08
+r	-t	0.02
-r	+t	0.09
-r	-t	0.81

sum R



$P(T)$

+t	0.17
-t	0.83

Multiple Elimination

R, T, L

$P(R, T, L)$

+r	+t	+l	0.024
+r	+t	-l	0.056
+r	-t	+l	0.002
+r	-t	-l	0.018
-r	+t	+l	0.027
-r	+t	-l	0.063
-r	-t	+l	0.081
-r	-t	-l	0.729

Sum
out R



T, L

$P(T, L)$

+t	+l	0.051
+t	-l	0.119
-t	+l	0.083
-t	-l	0.747

Sum
out T

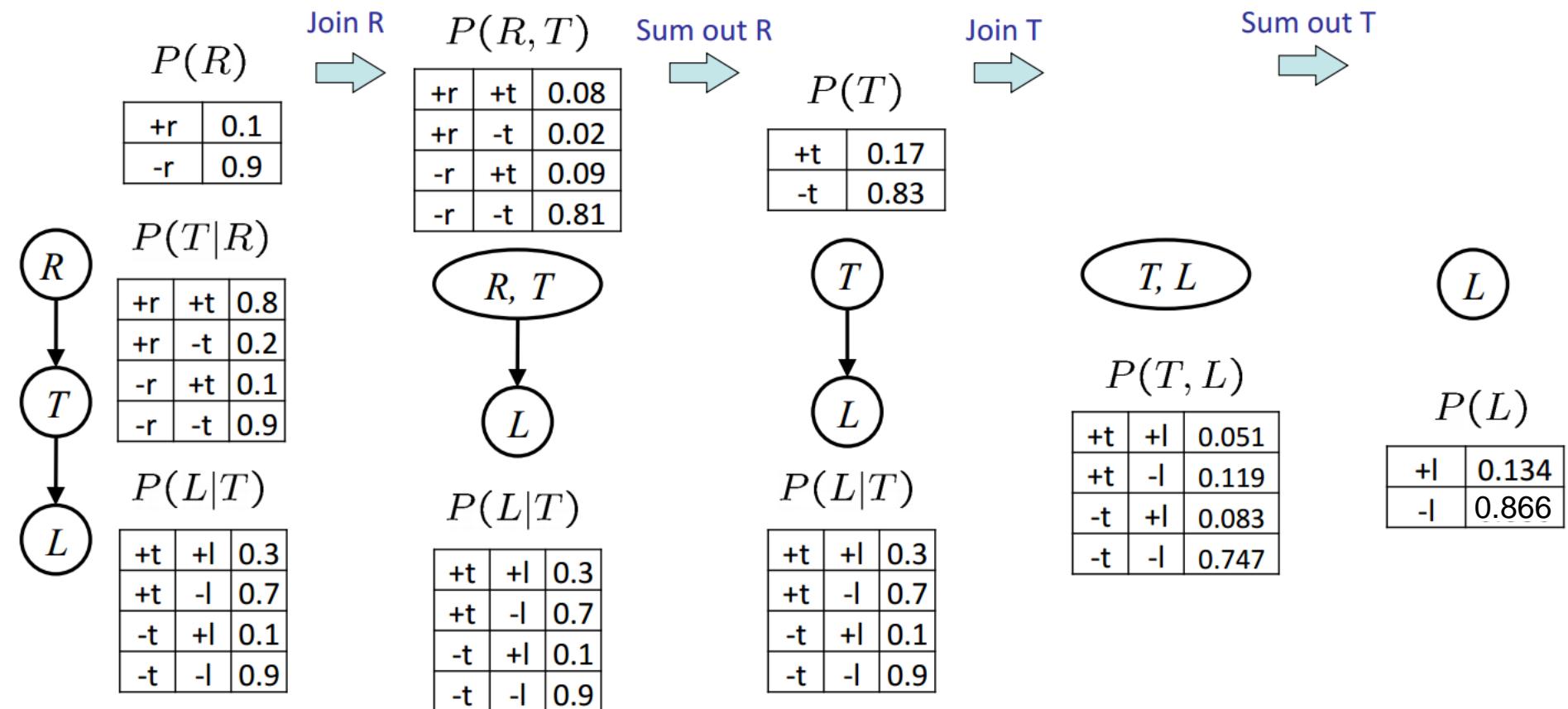


L

$P(L)$

+l	0.134
-l	0.886

Marginalizing early! (aka VE)





Evidence

- If evidence, start with factors that select that evidence
 - No evidence uses these initial factors:

$$P(R)$$

+r	0.1
-r	0.9

$$P(T|R)$$

+r	+t	0.8
+r	-t	0.2
-r	+t	0.1
-r	-t	0.9

$$P(L|T)$$

+t	+l	0.3
+t	-l	0.7
-t	+l	0.1
-t	-l	0.9

- Computing $P(L|+r)$, the initial factors become:

$$P(+r)$$

+r	0.1
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$$P(T|+r)$$

+r	+t	0.8
+r	-t	0.2

$$P(L|T)$$

+t	+l	0.3
+t	-l	0.7
-t	+l	0.1
-t	-l	0.9

- We eliminate all vars other than query + evidence



Evidence II

- Result will be a selected joint of query and evidence
 - E.g. for $P(L | +r)$, we'd end up with:

$$P(+r, L)$$

+r	+l	0.026
+r	-l	0.074

Normalize

$$P(L | +r)$$



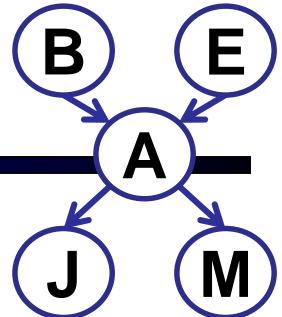
+l	0.26
-l	0.74

- To get our answer, just normalize this!
- That's it!

General Variable Elimination

- Query: $P(Q|E_1 = e_1, \dots, E_k = e_k)$
- Start with initial factors:
 - Local CPTs (but instantiated by evidence)
- While there are still hidden variables (not Q or evidence):
 - Pick a hidden variable H
 - Join all factors mentioning H
 - Eliminate (sum out) H
- Join all remaining factors and normalize

Example



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

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(A B, E)$	$P(j A)$	$P(m A)$
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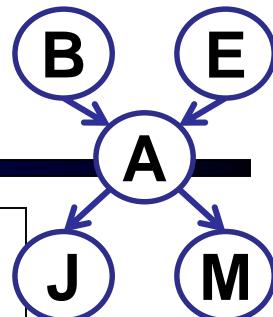
Choose A

$$\begin{array}{c} P(A|B, E) \\ P(j|A) \\ P(m|A) \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad \times \quad} P(j, m, A|B, E) \xrightarrow{\quad \Sigma \quad} P(j, m|B, E)$$

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(j, m B, E)$
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Query: $P(B|j, m)$

Example (continued)



$$P(B)$$

$$P(E)$$

$$P(j, m|B, E)$$

Choose E

$$\begin{array}{c} P(E) \\ \times \\ P(j, m|B, E) \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} P(j, m, E|B) \\ \sum \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} P(j, m|B) \end{array}$$

$P(B)$	$P(j, m B)$
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Finish with B

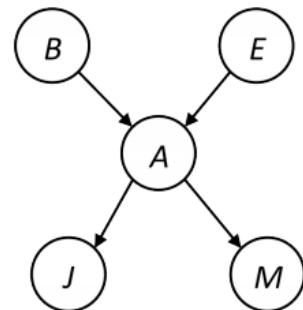
$$\begin{array}{c} P(B) \\ \times \\ P(j, m|B) \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} P(j, m, B) \\ \text{Normalize} \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} P(B|j, m) \end{array}$$

Same example in equations

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

$P(B)$	$P(E)$	$P(A B, E)$	$P(j A)$	$P(m A)$
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$$\begin{aligned}
 P(B|j, m) &\propto P(B, j, m) && \text{marginal can be obtained from joint by summing out} \\
 &= \sum_{e,a} P(B, j, m, e, a) \\
 &= \sum_{e,a} P(B)P(e)P(a|B, e)P(j|a)P(m|a) && \text{use Bayes' net joint distribution expression} \\
 &= \sum_e P(B)P(e) \sum_a P(a|B, e)P(j|a)P(m|a) && \text{use } x^*(y+z) = xy + xz \\
 &= \sum_e P(B)P(e)f_1(B, e, j, m) && \text{joining on } a, \text{ and then summing out gives } f_1 \\
 &= P(B) \sum_e P(e)f_1(B, e, j, m) && x^*(y+z) = xy + xz \\
 &= P(B)f_2(B, j, m) && \text{joining on } e, \text{ and then summing out gives } f_2
 \end{aligned}$$



We are exploiting:

$$uw(y+z) + uwz + ux(y+z) + uxz + vw(y+z) + vwz + vx(y+z) + vxz = (u+v)(w+x)(y+z) \quad 32$$

Another variable elimination example

Query: $P(X_3|Y_1 = y_1, Y_2 = y_2, Y_3 = y_3)$

Start by inserting evidence, which gives the following initial factors:

$$p(Z)p(X_1|Z)p(X_2|Z)p(X_3|Z)p(y_1|X_1)p(y_2|X_2)p(y_3|X_3)$$

Eliminate X_1 , this introduces the factor $f_1(Z, y_1) = \sum_{x_1} p(x_1|Z)p(y_1|x_1)$, and we are left with:

$$p(Z)f_1(Z, y_1)p(X_2|Z)p(X_3|Z)p(y_2|X_2)p(y_3|X_3)$$

Eliminate X_2 , this introduces the factor $f_2(Z, y_2) = \sum_{x_2} p(x_2|Z)p(y_2|x_2)$, and we are left with:

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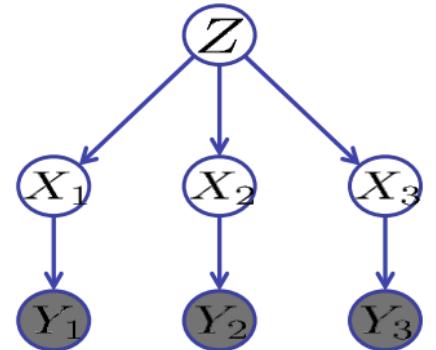
Eliminate Z , this introduces the factor $f_3(y_1, y_2, X_3) = \sum_z p(z)f_1(z, y_1)f_2(z, y_2)p(X_3|z)$, and we are left:

$$p(y_3|X_3), f_3(y_1, y_2, X_3)$$

No hidden variables left. Join the remaining factors to get:

$$f_4(y_1, y_2, y_3, X_3) = P(y_3|X_3)f_3(y_1, y_2, X_3).$$

Normalizing over X_3 gives $P(X_3|y_1, y_2, y_3)$.

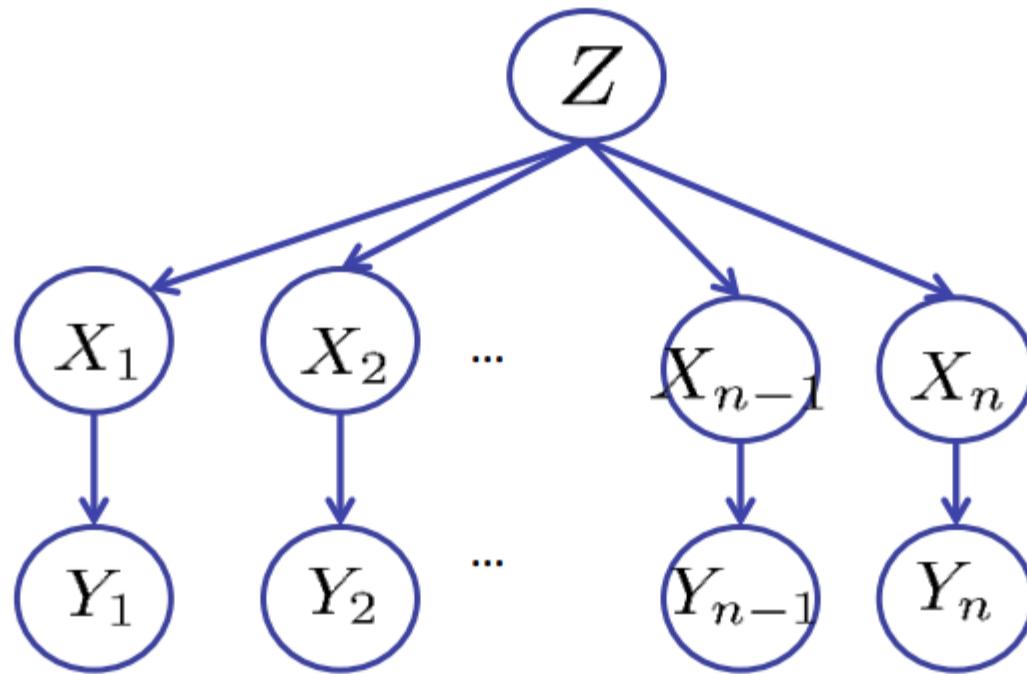


Another variable elimination example

- Computational complexity depends on largest factor being generated.
- Size of factor = number of entries in table
- In previous example, assuming all binary variables, all factors are of size 2 – they all have only one variable (Z , Z , and X_3 , respectively)

Quiz: Variable elimination ordering

For the query $P(X_n | y_1, \dots, y_n)$, what would be a **good** and **bad** ordering for elimination?



VE: Computational and space complexity

- Determined by the largest factor
- Elimination ordering can greatly affect the size of the largest factor
 - e.g., previous example, 2^n vs 2^2 .
- Does there always exist an ordering that's good?
 - No.

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