# Inference in Markov Networks 

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## Markov Network Inference

- $P(\boldsymbol{x})=\frac{\Pi_{c} \phi_{c}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{c}\right)}{Z}$

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\mathrm{Z}=\Sigma_{\boldsymbol{x}} \Pi_{c} \phi_{c}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{c}\right)
$$

| Grades | TV | $\phi_{1}(\mathrm{G}, \mathrm{TV})$ | Trivia Knowledge | $\phi_{2}(\mathrm{TV}, \mathrm{K})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| bad | none | 2.0 |  |  |
| good | none | 3.0 | weak | 2.0 |
| bad | lots | 3.0 | weak | 1.0 |
| good | lots | 1.0 | strong | 1.5 |
|  |  |  | strong | 3.0 |

## Markov Network Inference

- P(Grades | TV=none)? Straightforward: enumerate, then re-normalize



## But...

- P(Grades)? Tougher.

- Need to compute Z, requires summing over Trivia Knowledge as well. Compare with Bayes Net:



## Inference in Markov Networks

- In general, we need to sum over the whole network
- A method for doing so is the junction-tree algorithm
- As a side effect, it computes all the marginals
- P(Grades), P(TV), P(Trivia Knowledge)
- Key: can also compute these given evidence
- We often want to do this for Bayes Nets too
- Suggests a strategy: convert to Markov Network, then run junction tree algorithm


## Junction Tree Algorithm

- High-level Intuition: Computing marginals is straightforward in a tree structure
- Consider a directed Bayes Net for example:



## Junction Tree

- Inference of marginals is straightforward in a tree
- Even if undirected, as we'll see
- Basic idea:
- If Bayes Net, convert to Markov Net
- Convert Markov Net into a tree structure
- How?

Triangulate, Build Clique Graph, Build Junction Tree

- Do Inference on Junction Tree


## Convert to Markov Net

- Consider this Bayes Net conversion:

- What are the factors of the Markov Net?


## Junction Tree Outline

- If Bayes Net, convert to Markov Net
- Convert Markov Net into Junction Tree
- Triangulate
- Build Clique Graph
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## Convert Markov Net into Junction Tree

- Punchline:

- Details follow


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## Triangulation => "Chordal" Graph

- Goal: Every cycle of length > 3 has a chord

- Why? Stay tuned.


## Triangulation Algorithm

Repeat while there exists a cycle of length $>3$ with no chord: Add a chord (edge between two non-adjacent vertices in such a cycle).


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## Triangulation Checking (1 of 3)

 It appears to be triangulated, but how can we be sure?

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## Triangulation Checking (2 of 3)

Input: Graph $G$ with $n$ nodes
Output: "Is G triangulated?"
Algorithm:
Choose any node, label it 1
for $i=2$ to $n$
Find node with most labeled neighbors, label it $i$
if $i$ has two non-adjacent labeled neighbors return false return true

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## Triangulation Checking (3 of 3)

No edge between nodes 5 and 6 , both of which are parents of 7 .


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## Connect the two offending nodes



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## Repeat Until Triangulation Check Succeeds



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## Building Clique Graph H

- Create a node in $H$ for each maximal clique in $G$
- Create edges in $H$ between adjacent cliques in $G$
- Convenience: Label edges in $H$ with nodes' intersection


H


## Bigger Example



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## Bigger Example - Clique Graph



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## Build Junction Tree

- A Junction Tree is a subgraph of the clique graph that
- Is a tree
- Contains all the nodes of the clique graph
- Satisfies the junction tree property
- For each pair of cliques $U, V$ with intersection $S$, all cliques on path between $U$ and $V$ contain $S$


## Junction Tree Example



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## Choose a Root



## Remember This?

- Goal: Every cycle of length > 3 has a chord



## Can we always find a Junction Tree?

- Yes, for clique graphs of triangulated graphs
- Define "edge weight" on the clique graph to be the size of the intersection
- Then a maximum-weight spanning tree is a junction tree
[Jensen \& Jensen, 1994]


## Junction Tree

- If Bayes Net, convert to Markov Net
- Convert Markov Net into Tree
- Triangulate
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- Build Junction Tree
- Do Inference on Tree


## Inference

- Initialize clique nodes
- Clique node in $H$ is a table assigning values to its variable combinations
- Put each potential function (or CPT) in $G$ into exactly one node in $H$
- Combine by multiplying "pointwise" (as in variable elimination)



## Example



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## Junction Tree with CPTs



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## Junction Tree Algorithm

- Incorporate Evidence -- For each $E=e$
- Find one junction tree node containing $E$
- Zero out all cells with $E \neq e$
- Upward Pass (from leaves to root)
- Each leaf sends message to parent
- Message = leaf's table after summing out variables not in parent
- Parent propagates message
- Multiplies in the child's message, then repeats process


## Junction Tree Algorithm

- Downward Pass
- Root sends child a message
- Divides its table by child's message from upward pass
- Sums out variables not in child, and sends
- Child propagates the message
- After multiplying in parent's message, child's table is the joint distribution over its variables
- Child continues the process (acts as root)


## Upward Pass - assume no evidence



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## Status After Upward Pass



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## Remember Junction Tree Property

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## Why a Tree?

- Consider the alternative - cycles:

- Previous algorithm not applicable -- can't define upward, downward pass


## Finishing touches

- We have joint distributions
$-P(A, B, C), P(C, D, E)$, etc.
- Compute marginals by summing out
- Key: These sums are over small \#s of variables
- If evidence changes, we repeat forwardbackward pass
- BUT we don't have to re-compute the junction tree (= savings)

