Bayesian Networks and Markov Networks

We have now seen two types of graphical models for representing joint probability distributions:

**Bayesian Networks**

**Markov Networks**

Can we convert from one type to the other?
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- Can a Markov network represent any Bayesian network? No!
- Can’t use a Markov network to represent a distribution corresponding a Bayesian network v-structure

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Directed Graphical Models

Undirected Graphical Models

Chordal graphs

Bayesian Networks to Markov Networks
BNs to MNs

To convert a Bayesian Network $B$ to a Markov Network $H$, we can think of $B$ as a Gibbs distribution with:

- Each factor $\phi_{X_i}$ in $H$ corresponds to each conditional probability table $P(X_i|Parents(X_i))$ in $B$
- The scope of factor $\phi_{X_i}$ is $X_i \cup Parents(X_i)$
- The partition function $Z = 1$

How do we create an undirected graph that is an I-map for the distribution $P_B$ represented by the BN?

Need to **moralize** each factor:

- Add an edge between $X_i$ and its parents
- Add an edge between all the parents of $X_i$
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The moral graph \( M[G] \) of a Bayesian network structure \( G \) over \( X \) is the undirected graph over \( X \) that contains an undirected edge between \( X \) and \( Y \) if:

- There is a directed edge between them in \( G \) (in either direction)
- Or \( X \) and \( Y \) are both parents of the same node

![Diagram of moral graph transformation]

BNs to MNs

Let \( G \) be any Bayesian network graph. The moralized graph \( M[G] \) is a minimal I-map for \( G \).

[See proof of Proposition 4.8 in textbook]
BNs to MNs

- The addition of the moralizing edges to the MN $H$ leads to the **loss of independence information** implied by the graph structure.

- Only happens if moralization adds new edges into the graph.

A Bayesian network $G$ is **moral** if it contains no immoralities ie. for any pair of variables $X, Y$ that share a child, there is a covering edge between $X$ and $Y$. 

Covering edge
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- If the directed graph $G$ is moral, then its moralized graph $M[G]$ is a perfect map of $G$.
- Unfortunately, very few directed graphs are moral

Markov Networks to Bayesian Networks
MNs to BNs

• Much harder (conceptually and computationally) to find a Bayesian network that is a minimal I-map for a Markov network
• Resulting Bayesian network might have (many) more edges than the Markov network

Example: Find a Bayesian network I-map for the given Markov Network

![Diagram of a Markov Network]

Build-Minimal-I-Map (from Section 3.4.1):
To find a minimal I-map for a distribution \( P \):
• Pick a variable ordering
• For each variable \( X_i \) in the ordering:
  • Find some minimal subset \( U \) of \( \{X_1, ..., X_{i-1}\} \) to be \( X_i \)'s parents in \( G \) such that
    \( X_i \perp \{X_1, ..., X_{i-1}\} - U | U \)

Note: \( X_i \perp \emptyset | \{X_1, ..., X_{i-1}\} \) is trivially true
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Example: Find a Bayesian network I-map for the given Markov Network

Ordering: A, B, C, D, E, F

(C not $\perp B \mid A$), so must add B as parent of C
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Ordering: A, B, C, D, E, F

(D not ⊥ C | B), so must add C as parent of B.
(D ⊥ A | (B, C))

And so on...
Notice the edges added which result in a set of triangles.
The graph is chordal (defn to follow)
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- Let $X_1 \to X_2 \to X_3 \to X_4$ be a loop in a graph.
- A chord in the loop is an edge connecting $X_i$ and $X_j$ for two nonconsecutive nodes $X_i$, $X_j$.
- An undirected graph $H$ is said to be chordal if any loop $X_1 \to X_2 \to \ldots \to X_k \to X_1$ for $K \geq 4$ has a chord.

Theorem 4.10: Let $H$ be a Markov network structure, and let $G$ be any Bayesian network minimal I-map for $H$. Then $G$ can have no immoralities. [Proof omitted]
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Any nontriangulated loop of length at least 4 in a Bayesian network graph necessarily contains an immorality.

**Corollary 4.3**: Let $H$ be a Markov network structure, and let $G$ be any minimal I-map for $H$. Then $G$ is necessarily chordal.

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MNs to BNs

- Turning a MN to a BN requires **triangulation**: adding enough edges to a graph to make it chordal.
- Leads to the loss of independence information
- When converting from BN$\rightarrow$MN, the (moralizing) edges added are in some sense implicitly there (ie. each factor in the BN involves a node and its parents)
- When converting from MN$\rightarrow$BN, we can introduce a large number of edges (via triangulation) which results in very large cliques
Let $H$ be a chordal Markov network. Then there is a Bayesian network $G$ which is a perfect map for $H$ ie. $I(H) = I(G)$

We will introduce concepts to help us sketch out a proof for this.
Chordal Graphs

Basic idea:
- Show that any connected chordal Markov network $H$ can be decomposed into a clique tree (to be defined)
- The clique tree encodes independencies in $H$
- These independencies can be represented in a Bayesian network $G$

Let $H$ be a connected undirected graph
Let $C_1, ..., C_k$ be the set of maximal cliques in $H$
Let $T$ be any tree-structured graph whose nodes correspond to the maximal cliques $C_1, ..., C_k$
Chordal Graphs

Markov Network $H$

\[ \begin{array}{c}
\text{A} \\
\text{B} \\
\text{C} \\
\text{D}
\end{array} \]

Clique Tree $T$

\[ \begin{array}{c}
\text{ABC} \\
\text{BCD}
\end{array} \]

Let $C_1 = \{A, B, C\}$

Let $C_2 = \{B, C, D\}$

• Define the Sepset $S_{1,2} = C_1 \cap C_2$ (Note: the two cliques must be connected by an edge)
• Let $W_{<1,2} = \{A\}$ be all of the variables that appear in any clique on the $C_1$ side of the edge
• Let $W_{<2,1} = \{D\}$ be all of the variables that appear in any clique on the $C_2$ side of the edge

Theorem 4.12: Every undirected chordal graph $H$ has a clique tree $T$.

[See book for proof by induction]
Chordal Graphs

How do you form a clique tree from bigger Markov networks?

Pick a clique as the root. Then pick an ordering of the cliques that go out from the root (called a topological ordering).

Theorem 4.13: Let $H$ be a chordal Markov network. Then there is a Bayesian network $G$ such that $I(H) = I(G)$.

The process [see full proof in book]:

- Build clique tree $T$ from $H$
- Call Build-Minimal-I-Map to get Bayesian network $G$
- $G$ (moralized Bayesian network) has the same edges as $H$ due to sepset property $W_{<i,j} \perp W_{<j,i} | S_{i,j}$