



GRAPHICAL MODELS

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Bayesian networks

- Generative models
- Discriminative models
- Markov chains
- D-separation
- Hidden Markov Models

Undirected models

- ➢ Factorization
- Hammersley-Clifford Theorem
- Moralization



- What is a graphical model?
 - \succ Graph G(V, E)
 - ➢ V: Set of random variables
 - \succ *E*(⊆ *V* × *V*): Set of dependence relationships
- Why graphical models?
 - Visualize the structure of probabilistic models
 - Obtain insights into properties of variables and their interdependencies (e.g. conditional independence, causality) through graph-theoretic means
 - > Perform **probabilistic inference** through graphical manipulations
- Types of graphical models
 - Directed graphical models = Bayesian networks (coined by Judea Pearl 1985)
 - Undirected graphical models = Markov random fields



Represent conditional dependencies between random variables



Example from C. Bishop: PRML book

P(a,b,c) = P(c|a,b)P(a,b) = P(c|a,b)P(b|a)P(a)

 $P(X_1, ..., X_k) = P(X_k | X_1, ..., X_{k-1}) \dots P(X_2 | X_1) P(X_1)$



Represent causal dependencies between random variables
 Local Markov Property: Each variable is conditionally independent of its non-descendants given its parents



 $P(X_1, \dots, X_7) = P(X_1)P(X_2)P(X_3)P(X_4|X_1, X_2, X_3)P(X_5|X_1, X_2)P(X_6|X_4, X_5)P(X_7|X_4)$

• Generally: $P(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^{k} P(X_i | par_i)$, where par_i denote the parents of X_i



Bayesian network example



P(S, R, G) = P(R)P(S|R)P(G|S, R)

What is the probability that the sprinkler was on given that the grass is wet?



Generative models



$$P(X_1, \dots, X_k, \tau) = P(\tau) \prod_{i=1}^k P(X_i | \tau)$$

... we need to estimate k + 1 parameters



Discriminative models



 $P(\tau=1|X_1,\ldots,X_k)$

... we need to estimate l^k parameters, if each X_i has l states

The trick is to parameterize each X_i with a weight β_i and estimate

$$\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\beta_0 - \beta_1 X_1 - \dots - \beta_k X_k)}$$

... we need to estimate k + 1 parameters



- Generally, for the joint distribution of k discrete variables $X_1, ..., X_k$, with l states each, we need to estimate $l^k 1$ parameters
- For k-node Markov chain: l 1 + (k 1)l(l 1) parameters



A Markov chain is a Bayesian network in which each variable has at most one predecessor



Conditional independence

X is independent of Y given Z (we write: $X \perp Y | Z$) \Leftrightarrow P(X|Y,Z) = P(X|Z)P(X, Y|Z) = P(X|Z)P(Y|Z)









We can calculate:

 $P(R = 0) = \sum_{B \in \{0,1\}} \sum_{F \in \{0,1\}} P(R = 0|B,F) P(B) P(F) = 0.315$ $P(R = 0|F = 0) = \sum_{B \in \{0,1\}} P(R = 0|B,F = 0) P(B) = 0.81$ $P(F = 0|R = 0) = \frac{P(R = 0|F = 0)P(F = 0)}{P(R = 0)} \approx 0.257 \text{ (probability of } F = 0 \text{ increases})$ $P(F = 0|R = 0, B = 0) \approx 0.111 \text{ (prob. of } F = 0 \text{ decreases, is "explained away")}$



- Let A, B, C be disjoint subsets of nodes from a Bayesian network
- > A path from *A* to *B* is **blocked** if it contains node *v* such that either
 - a) arrows on the path meet head-to-tail $(\rightarrow v \rightarrow)$ or tail-to tail $(\leftarrow v \rightarrow)$ at v and v is from C, or
 - b) arrows on the path meet head-to-head at $v (\rightarrow v \leftarrow)$ and neither v nor any of its descendants are in C
- > A is d-separated from B by C if all paths from A to B are blocked
- Theorem: If A is d-separated from B by C then $A \perp B | C$



D-separation examples





Bayesian networks as distribution filters



From C. Bishop: PRML book

- > Any joint probability distribution $P(\mathbf{x})$ that factorizes according to the graphical model passes through the filter
- The set of distributions P(x) that pass through the filter is denoted by DF; this is exactly the set of distributions that respect all conditional independencies implied by the d-separation



Markov blanket



$$P(X_i|\{X_{j\neq i}\}) = \frac{P(X_1, \dots, X_k)}{\int P(X_1, \dots, X_k) \, dX_i}$$

 $= \frac{\prod_{j} P(X_{j}|par_{j})}{\int \prod_{j} P(X_{j}|par_{j}) \, dX_{i}}$

Factors independent of X_i cancel out!

In a Bayesian network, a variable is independent of all other variables given its Markov blanket



- Useful for explaining sequential data, e.g., arising from
 - Measurements of time series
 - Observations of sequential nucleotide base pairs along a DNA strand
 - Sequential tokens in a sentence/speech
- Simplest way to model the probability of an observed sequence $y_1, ..., y_n$ is to assume pairwise independence between the observations:

$$y_1 \qquad y_2 \qquad \dots \qquad y_n \qquad P(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i)$$

Above assumption may be too strong; if it is relaxed such that every observation is dependent only on the (most) recent observations we obtain a Markov model



From Markov models to HMMs



Second-order Markov chain

> More powerful model assumes latent variables (unknown states) for each y_i :





If the latent variables are discrete the above model is an HMM



Inference

Find the most likely state at a given x_i: max P(x_i = s|y₁, ..., y_i) (can be solved with the forward-backward algorithm)
 Find the most likely sequence of states: max P(x = s, y₁, ..., y_i) (can be solved with the Viterbi algorithm)

The Viterbi (dynamic programming) algorithm

▶ Input: observation space $O = \{o_1, ..., o_N\}$, observations $Y = \{y_1, ..., y_n\}$, state space $S = \{s_1, ..., s_k\}$, $k \times k$ -dim. state transition matrix A, $k \times N$ -dim. emission matrix B, two $k \times n$ -dim. matrices T_1, T_2 , array π of size k (with prior probabilities for each state)

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For each s_i do

T_1[i, 1] = \ln(\pi_i * B_{i,y_1}); T_2[i, 1] = 0;

For i = 2 \dots n do

For each s_j do

T_1[j, i] = \max_l T_1[l, i - 1] + \ln(A_{l,j} * B_{j,y_i})

T_2[j, i] = \arg\max_l T_1[l, i - 1] + \ln(A_{l,j} * B_{j,y_i})

Assign the right state label to each observation by

using T_2
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The set of nodes A is independent of B given C if and only if all paths from A to B lead though C; we write: $A \perp B | C$

Markov blanket of variable node X is given by all direct neighbors Nb(X) of X $P(X_i|X_1, ..., X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, ..., X_n) = P(X_i|Nb(X_i))$

→ The joint distribution can be factorized according to above separation rule



➢ Observation: If two nodes X_i, X_j are not directly connected, they are independent given all other nodes → they should not occur in same factor



Hammersley-Clifford Theorem: Factorization through graph separation and factorization through maximal cliques lead to the same sets of distributions



Example: Image de-noising



From C.Bishop: PRML



$$E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = h \sum_{i} x_{i} - \beta \sum_{\{i,j\}} x_{i} x_{j}$$
$$-\eta \sum_{i} x_{i} y_{i}$$
$$P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\{-E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\}$$





Converting directed into undirected graphical models: chains





Converting directed into undirected graphical models: general graphs

Take care that each conditional probability factor in the directed graph is represented by at least one of the maximal cliques in the undirected graph!



 $P(\mathbf{X}) = P(X_1)P(X_2)P(X_3)P(X_4|X_1, X_2, X_3) = \frac{1}{Z}\psi_{1,2,3,4}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$

Theorem: No other technique of turning a directed into an undirected graph retains more independence information than moralization



Directed vs. undirected graphical models



Independence properties cannot be represented by an undirected graph Independence properties cannot be represented by a directed graph



Summary

Bayesian networks (directed graphical models)

- Local Markov property
- D-separation
- Distribution filters
- ➤ Example: HMMs
- Markov random fields (undirected graphical models)
 - Graph separation
 - Hammersley-Clifford Theorem
 - Moralization