

today: inference & graph eliminate
sum-product alg.

graph elimination dg (for inference in generic UGM)

• consider $p \in \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{G})$
undirected

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \psi_C(x_C)$$

say want to compute $p(x_F)$ for some $F \subseteq V$ "query nodes"

main trick: use distributivity of $\oplus$ over $\odot \leadsto c \odot (a \oplus b) = c \odot a + c \odot b$

$$\sum_{x_1, x_2} f(x_1) g(x_2) = \left(\sum_{x_1} f(x_1) \right) \left(\sum_{x_2} g(x_2) \right)$$

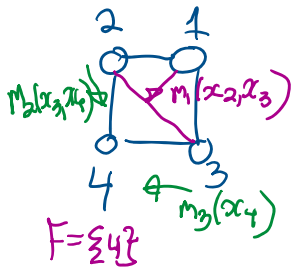
[convince yourself]

more generally

$$\sum_{x_1, \dots, x_n} \prod_i f_i(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{x_i} f_i(x_i) \right)$$

$$O(k^n n) \leadsto O(k \cdot n)$$

x_i takes k values



$$\begin{aligned} p(x_4) &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{x_1, x_2, x_3} \psi(x_1, x_2) \psi(x_2, x_4) \psi(x_1, x_3) \psi(x_3, x_4) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \left[\sum_{x_3} \psi(x_3, x_4) \left[\sum_{x_2} \psi(x_2, x_4) \left(\sum_{x_1} \psi(x_1, x_2) \psi(x_1, x_3) \right) \right] \right] \\ &\quad \text{where } m_1(x_2, x_3) \text{ is the "message" from node 1 to node 3} \\ &\quad \text{and } m_2(x_3, x_4) \text{ is the message from node 2 to node 4} \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} m_3(x_4) \end{aligned}$$

$\hookrightarrow$ last message is proportional to marginal $p(x_4)$

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$$p(x_4) = \frac{m_3(x_4)}{Z} = \frac{m_3(x_4)}{\sum_{x_4} m_3(x_4)}$$

general alg: graph Eliminate

- init: a) choose an elimination ordering st. F are the last nodes
 b) put all $\psi_c(x_c)$ in "active list"
 "update" c) repeat, in order of variables to eliminate

1) (say x_i is variable to eliminate)

remove all factors from active list with x_i in it & take their product

$$\text{i.e. } \prod_{\substack{\alpha \in \text{set.} \\ i \in \alpha}} \psi_{\alpha}(x_{\alpha})$$

2) sum over x_i to get a new factor $m_i(x_{S_i})$ (think as $\psi_{S_i}(x_{S_i})$)

i.e. S_i are all variables in these factors except i

$$\text{get } m_i(x_{S_i}) \triangleq \sum_{x_i} \prod_{\substack{\alpha \in \text{set.} \\ i \in \alpha}} \psi_{\alpha}(x_{\alpha})$$

$$S_i \triangleq \left(\bigcup_{\substack{\alpha \in \text{set.} \\ i \in \alpha}} \alpha \right) \setminus \{i\}$$

new clique to sum over $S_i \cup \{i\}$

3) put back $m_i(x_{S_i})$ in active list ($\psi_{S_i}(x_{S_i})$)

"normalize": d) last product of factors has only $x_F \Rightarrow$ proportional $p(x_F)$

suppose $x_i \in \{0,1\}$ memory needed? $\approx 2^{\max_i |S_i|}$ ($\leq |E|$) (max size of active list)

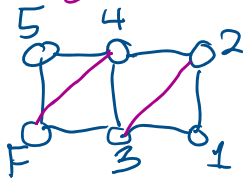
$$\text{computational} = \left(2^{\max_i |S_i| + 1} \right) \cdot n$$

later, related to "treewidth" of a graph

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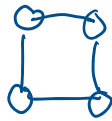


⊗ note: augmented graph obtained after graphEliminate is always

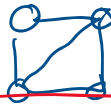
a triangulated graph

def: graph with no cycle of size 4 or more that cannot be broken by a "chord"

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an edge between two non-neighboring nodes in a cycle



↔ not triangulated



↔ A-graph

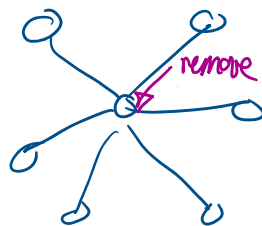
treewidth of a graph $\triangleq$ min over all possible elimination orderings $\{ \text{size of biggest clique on augmented graph} - 1 \}$

→ convention tree width (tree) = 1

both memory & running time of graphEliminate is dominated by $2^{\text{size of biggest clique}}$

best ordering $\sim 2^{\text{tree width} + 1}$

not all orderings are good



bad news:

a) NP hard to compute treewidth of a general graph (or find best ordering)

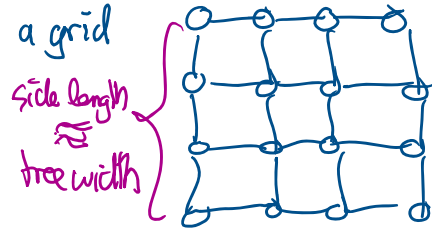
b) NP hard to do (exact) inference in general UGM

⇒ approximate methods

examples

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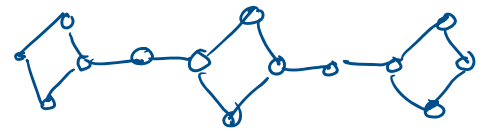
example: treewidth of a grid $\approx \sqrt{|V|}$ $\Rightarrow$ approximate methods



good news:

* inference is linear time for tree (treewidth=1) ("sum-product alg.")
 $\hookrightarrow |V| + |E|$ (HMM, Markov chain)

* efficient for "small treewidth graph"
 $\leadsto$ use junction tree alg.

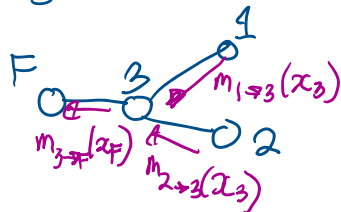


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inference on trees

graph elimination on a tree

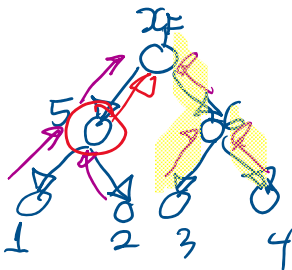
$\rightarrow$ good order is to eliminate leaves first



$$p(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_i \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{\{i,j\} \in E} \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$$

(assuming F is unique)

order: make a directed tree by using x_F as a root



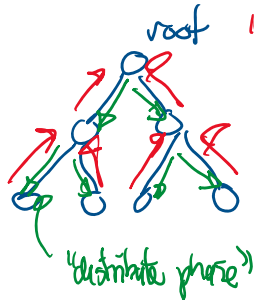
$$m_{i \rightarrow j}(x_j) = \sum_{x_i} \psi_i(x_i) \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{K \in \text{children}(i)} m_{K \rightarrow i}(x_i)$$

new factors containing i in the active list

sum-product alg. (for trees)

alg. to get all node/edge marginals cheaply by storing (caching) & re-using message

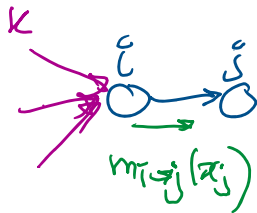
alg. to get all node/edge marginals cheaply by storing (caching) & re-using message (dynamic programming)



goal: $\{i, j\} \in E$, compute $m_{i \rightarrow j}(x_j)$

$m_{j \rightarrow i}(x_i)$

rule: i can only send message to neighbor j when it has received all messages from other neighbors



$$m_{i \rightarrow j}(x_j) = \sum_{x_i} \psi_i(x_i) \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{k \rightarrow i}(x_i)$$

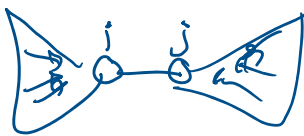
at end:

(node marginal)

$$p(x_i) \propto \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{j \in N(i)} m_{j \rightarrow i}(x_i)$$

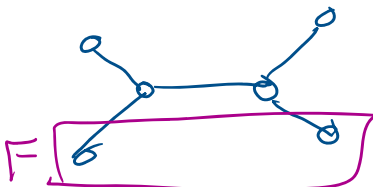
Normalise $Z = \sum_{x_i} (\dots)$

(edge marginal)



$$p(x_i, x_j) = \frac{1}{Z} \psi_i(x_i) \psi_j(x_j) \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \cdot$$

$$\prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{k \rightarrow i}(x_i) \cdot \prod_{k' \in N(j) \setminus \{i\}} m_{k' \rightarrow j}(x_j)$$



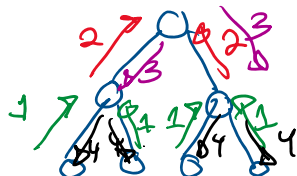
for this marginal need to use graph eliminate

Sum-product schedules:

- above, collect/distribute schedule
- (flooding) parallel schedule

- 1) initialize all $m_{i \rightarrow j}(x_j)$ messages to uniform dist $\forall (i,j) \in E$
- 2) at every step (in parallel) compute $m_{i \rightarrow j}^{(new)}(x_j)$
as if the neighbors were correctly computed

→ one can prove that after "diameter of tree" # of steps,
all messages are correctly computed (for a tree)
(and are fixed to a fixed point)



loopy belief propagation (loopy BP) : approximate inference for graphs with cycles

$$m_{i \rightarrow j}^{new}(x_j) = \left(m_{i \rightarrow j}^{old}(x_j) \right)^{1-\alpha} \left(\sum_{x_i} \psi_i(x_i) \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{k \rightarrow i}^{old}(x_i) \right)^{\alpha}$$

$\alpha \in [0,1]$
↑ step-size

"damping"

⊕ this gives exact answer on trees
(fixed pt. → yields correct marginals)

* on (not too loopy) graphs → ^{"nice"} approximate solution

