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MN/MRF INFERENCE

① Setup [Compare to BN Inference Notes]

→ Random Vars $\vec{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ [all categorical for now]

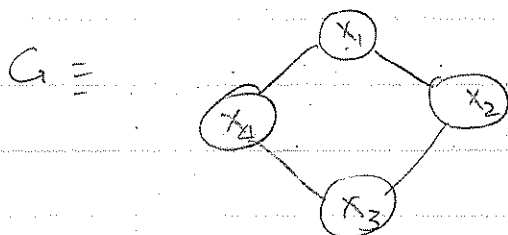
→ Given MRF induced graph $G = (V, E)$ undirected edges

→ Given a set of Factors F defined on a set of clique \vec{C}

$$F = \{ \psi_i(C_i) : \forall C_i \in \vec{C} \}$$

each clique $C_i \in \vec{C}$ is a subset of variable-indices

e.g. $\vec{X} = \{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$



$$\vec{C} = \{C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4\}$$

$$C_1 = \{X_1, X_2\}$$

$$C_2 = \{X_2, X_3\}$$

$$C_3 = \{X_3, X_4\}$$

$$C_4 = \{X_4, X_1\}$$

$$F = \{ \psi_1(C_1), \psi_2(C_2), \psi_3(C_3), \psi_4(C_4) \}$$

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 $\psi_2(X_2, X_3)$

→ [Optionally] Given some "evidence" variables

$$\vec{E} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$$

and their states $\vec{E} = \vec{e}$ i.e. $E_1 = e_1, E_2 = e_2, \dots$ etc

We say "Optionally" because:

(a) Even without evidence variables, MRF inference queries are non-trivial & hard.
(Unlike BNs)

(b) Typically evidence variables can just be "instantiated" & factors simply "reduced" to construct a new MRF with no evidence variables.

e.g. in previous 4-cycle example

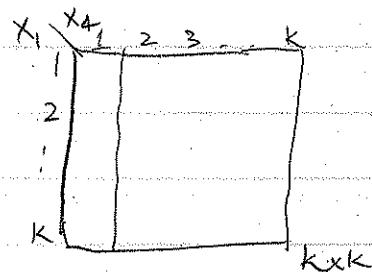
$$\text{say } \vec{E} = \{X_4\} \quad \vec{e} = \{1\}$$

So we know $X_4 = 1$

All we have to do

$$\underbrace{\tilde{\Psi}_4(X_1)}_{\text{New factor}} = \Psi_4(X_1, X_4 = 1)$$

New factor



$$\& \quad \tilde{\Psi}_3(X_3) = \Psi_3(X_3, X_4 = 1)$$

Now we have an evidence instantiated MRF on $\{X_1, X_2, X_3\}$

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→ [Optionally] Given some Query variable

$$Y \subseteq X \\ \{Y_1, Y_2, \dots\}$$

Types of MRF Inference Queries:

→ CONDITIONAL PROB / MARGINAL Inference

$$\text{Find } P(Y=y \mid E=e)$$

→ MAP Inference

$$\text{Find } \operatorname{argmax} P(X \setminus E \mid E=e)$$

[We will not study this in class]

→ Marginal MAP Inference

$$\text{Find } \operatorname{argmax}_y P(Y=y \mid E=e)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_y \sum_{\vec{x}} P(Y=y, X \setminus \{Y \cup E\} = \vec{x} \mid E=e)$$

② Algorithms

→ Exact

→ VE

→ BP on Junction Trees

→ Graph-Cuts [for MAP only & special cases]

→ Approximate

→ BP

→ Variational Inference: Mean Field

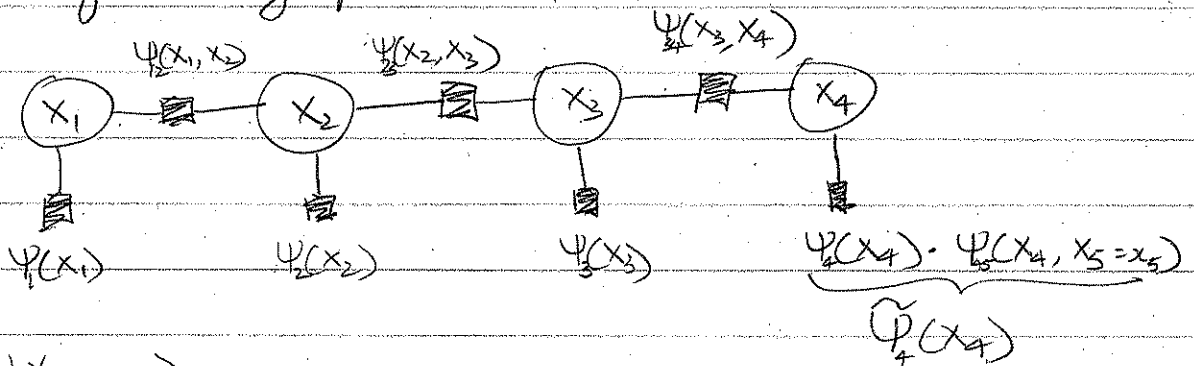
→ LP relaxations [for MAP only]

③ Exact Inference: Variable Elimination on MRFs / Factor Graphs

- Basically algorithm unchanged from BNs
- Pick elimination ordering [Min-fill heuristic]
- For var X_i to be eliminated
 - multiply factors that depend on X_i
 - (sum out) or (max out) X_i to create new factor

Example: Chain MRF $(X_1) - (X_2) - (X_3) - (X_4) - (X_5 = x_5)$

Instantiate evidence & write factor graph:



Find: $P(X_1 | X_5 = x_5)$

Elim. Ordering: X_4, X_3, X_2

Eliminating	All Factors	Elimination	New Factor
X_4	$\Psi_i(X_i) \Psi_{ij}(X_i, X_j)$	$\sum_{x_4} \hat{\Psi}_4(x_4) \Psi_{34}(x_3, x_4)$	$g_{4 \rightarrow 3}(x_3)$
X_3	$\Psi_1, \Psi_2, \Psi_3, \Psi_{12}, \Psi_{23}, g_{4 \rightarrow 3}$	$\sum_{x_3} \Psi_3(x_3) \Psi_{23}(x_2, x_3) g_{4 \rightarrow 3}(x_3)$	$g_{3 \rightarrow 2}(x_2)$
X_2	$\Psi_1, \Psi_2, \Psi_{12}, g_{3 \rightarrow 2}$	$\sum_{x_2} \Psi_2(x_2) \Psi_{12}(x_1, x_2) g_{3 \rightarrow 2}(x_2)$	$g_{2 \rightarrow 1}(x_1)$

Finally,

(3)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 | X_5 = x_5) &= \frac{P(X_1, X_5 = x_5)}{P(X_5 = x_5)} \propto \frac{\psi_1(X_1) g_{2 \rightarrow 1}(X_1)}{\sum_{x_1} \psi_1(x_1) g_{2 \rightarrow 1}(x_1)} \end{aligned}$$

Question: Complexity of VE?

If n -vars Each takes k -states

$O(k^2)$ -time for each elimination

$(n-1)$ eliminations

total: $O(nk^2)$

What if I want to compute ALL marginal $P(X_i)$

Naively, $O(n^2 k^2)$ [Run VE n -times]

Can we do better? Say $O(nk^2)$?

Yes!

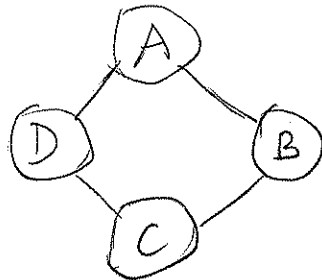
with BP. [Next]

④ Belief Propagation

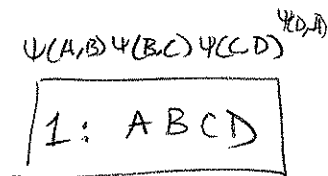
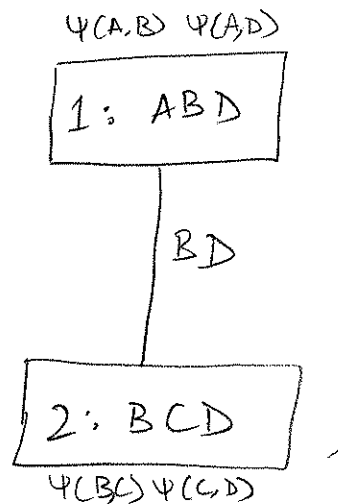
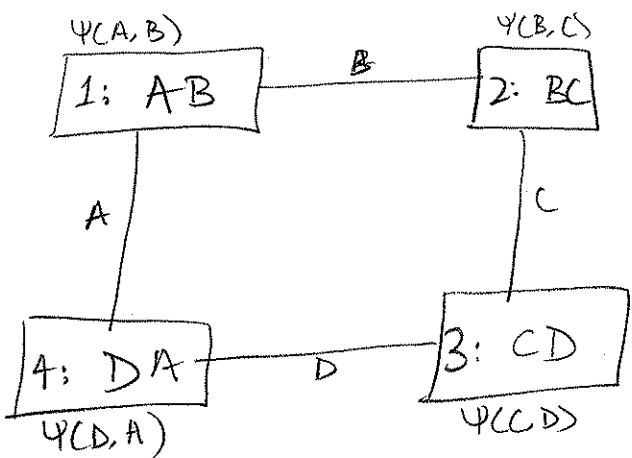
→ Intuitively, passes "messages" between Factors/Variables each communication their local beliefs.

→ [Def:] Cluster Graph: An undirected graph where each node is a subset of $V_{\text{var}} \{C_1, C_2, \dots\}$ each edge is associated with a "separator set" $S_{ij} \subseteq C_i \cap C_j$ of variables

Example: MRF



Cluster Graphs examples



→ Given Factors $F = \{\psi_i(\cdot)\}$, we assign or "place them" to/at clusters where they can be placed, i.e.

$$\text{Scope}[\psi_i] \subseteq C_i$$

Examples shown above.

Generalized BP

→ On each undirected $C_i - C_j$ edge in cluster graph, we will pass "messages"

$$\underbrace{\delta_{i \rightarrow j}(S_{ij})}_{\substack{\text{Message from} \\ i \text{ to } j \\ \text{about } S_{ij}}} = \sum_{C_i \setminus S_{ij}} \underbrace{\prod \psi_i(\cdot)}_{\text{Factors placed at Cluster } i} \cdot \underbrace{\prod_{K \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus j} \delta_{K \rightarrow i}(S_{ij})}_{\text{Product of incoming messages at } i \text{ EXCEPT the one coming from } j \text{ (to which we are sending this message)}}$$

[Some papers use $\delta_{ij}(S_{ij})$]

Thus, Generalized BP algorithm

- Make cluster graph (How? Next)
- Assign Factors $F = \{\psi_i(\cdot)\}$ to clusters [How? As long as scope is satisfied, doesn't matter]
- Initialize Messages $\delta_{i \rightarrow j}(S_{ij}) = \vec{1}$
- While Not Converged [Defined next]
 - For loop on edges in some schedule
 - Update $\delta_{i \rightarrow j}$

Final Belief or Pseudo-marginals $\mu_i(C_i) = \prod_i \psi_i(\cdot) \prod_{K \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \delta_{K \rightarrow i}(S_{ij})$

→ Properties of Cluster Graphs

→ Family Preserving: $\forall \mathcal{F}_j \in \mathcal{F}, \exists i$ s.t. $\text{Scope}[\mathcal{F}_j] \subseteq C_i$

Basically, I can place all factors somewhere.

→ RIP (Running Intersection Prop)

If $X \in C_i$ & $X \in C_j$, then \exists a unique $C_i - C_j$ path with $X_i \in S_{ov} \forall u, v$ edges on the path.

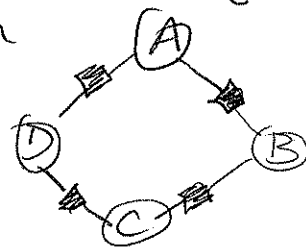
* Basically, communication about X should be possible (no disjoint communities who know something about X) AND no cycles in X (can't re-enforce your own beliefs)

although this problem is still possible. How?

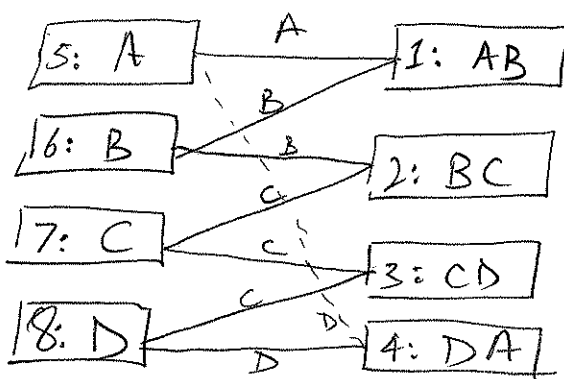
→ Most Common Cluster Graph: Bethe Cluster Graph [Almost looks like a factor graph but isn't]

→ Make each factor it's own cluster + Unary clusters

→ Example: MRF:  Factor Graph



Bethe Cluster Graph:



Now, 2 types of Messages

→ Variable to Factor

$$\delta_{5 \rightarrow 1}(A) = \prod_{\substack{k \text{ is a} \\ \text{factor} \\ \text{involving } A \\ \text{Except } 1}} \delta_{k \rightarrow 1}(A) = \delta_{4 \rightarrow 5}(A)$$

Nothing to marginalize $C_5 = S_{51} = \{A\}$

→ Factor to Variables

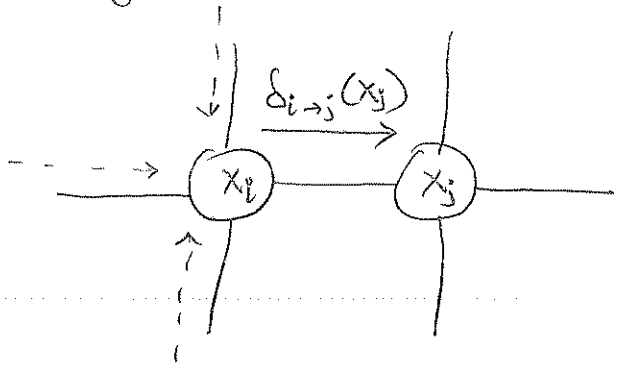
$$\delta_{1 \rightarrow 5}(A) = \sum_B \Psi(A, B) \cdot \underbrace{\delta_{6 \rightarrow 1}(B)}_{\text{All incoming messages except from 5}}$$



LOOPY BP on PAIRWISE MRFs
[Simplest Instantiation of BP]

→ When all factors are only pairwise [+ optionally unary factors]

BP can be run VERY VERY easily directly on the MRF Graph. (Snippet below)



$$\delta_{i \rightarrow j}(X_j) = \sum_{X_i} \Psi_i(X_i) \Psi_{ij}(X_i, X_j) \cdot \prod_{k \in N(X_i) \setminus j} \delta_{k \rightarrow i}(X_i)$$

