

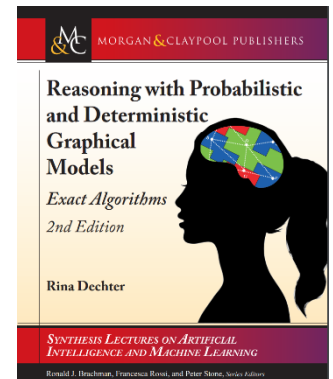


Causal and Probabilistic Reasoning

Slides Set 5: Exact Inference Algorithms Bucket-elimination

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(Dechter chapter 4, Darwiche chapter 6)





Inference for probabilistic networks

- Bucket elimination (Dechter chapter 4)
 - Belief-updating, $P(e)$, partition function
 - Marginals, probability of evidence
 - The impact of evidence
 - for MPE (\rightarrow MAP)
 - for MAP (\rightarrow Marginal Map)
 - Influence diagrams ?
- Induced-Width (Dechter, Chapter 3.4)

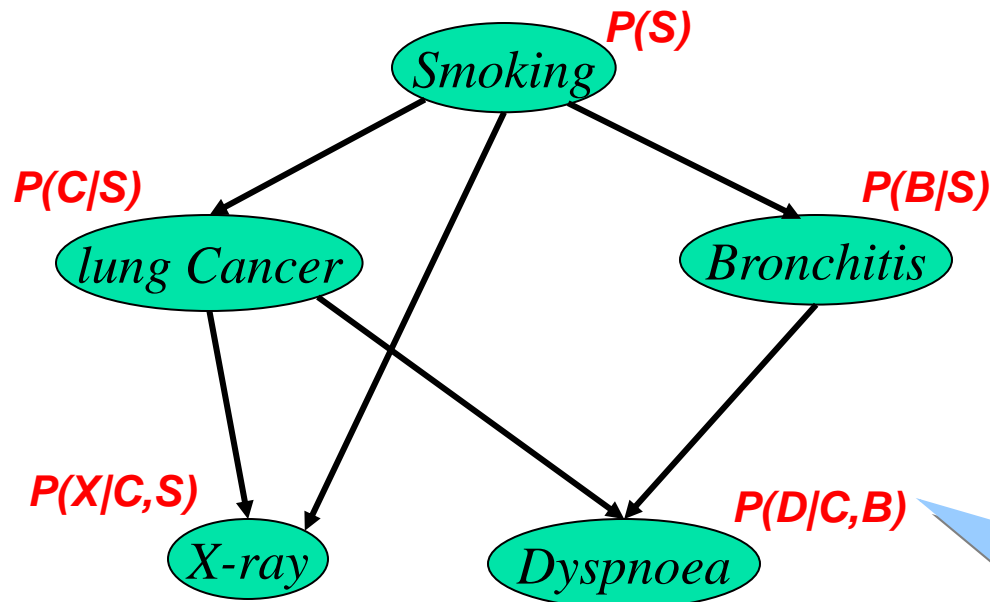


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Bayesian Networks: Example

(Pearl, 1988)



BN = (G, Θ)

CPD:

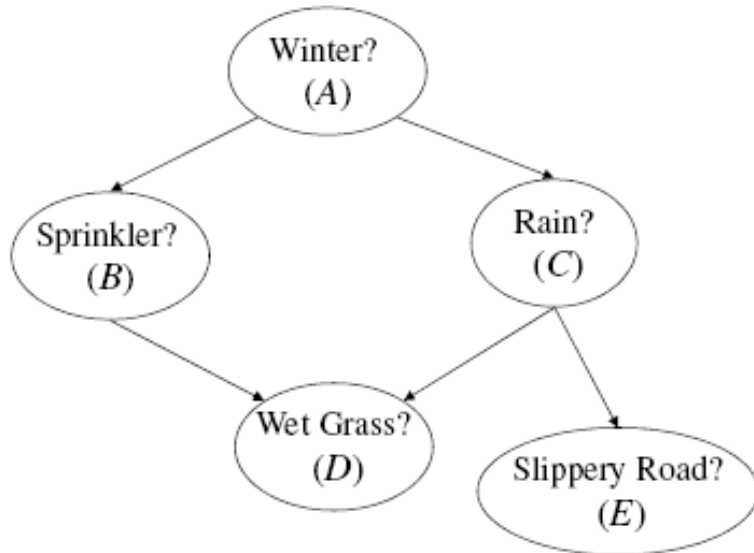
C	B	$P(D C,B)$	
0	0	0.1	0.9
0	1	0.7	0.3
1	0	0.8	0.2
1	1	0.9	0.1

$$P(S, C, B, X, D) = P(S) P(C/S) P(B/S) P(X/C,S) P(D/C,B)$$

Belief Updating:

$P(\text{lung cancer}=\text{yes} \mid \text{smoking}=\text{no}, \text{dyspnoea}=\text{yes}) = ?$

A Bayesian Network



A	Θ_A
true	.6
false	.4

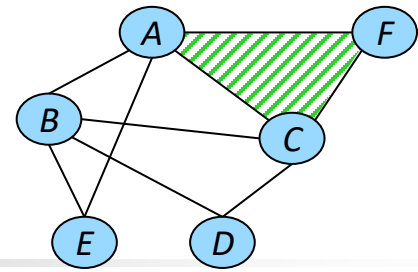
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true	true	.2
true	false	.8
false	true	.75
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A	C	$\Theta_{C A}$
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false	true	.1
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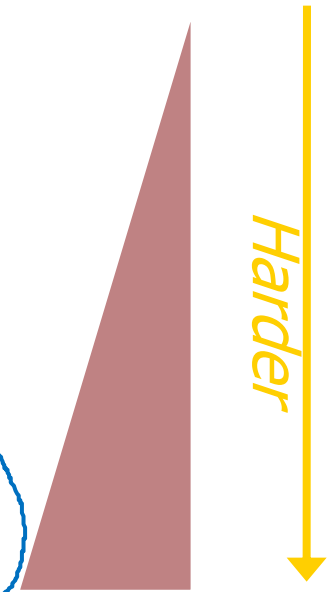
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false	true	0
false	false	1

Types of queries



▶ Max-Inference	$f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \max_{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$
▶ Sum-Inference	$Z = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$
▶ Mixed-Inference	$f(\mathbf{x}_M^*) = \max_{\mathbf{x}_M} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_S} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$



- **NP-hard**: exponentially many terms
- We will focus on exact and then on **approximation** algorithms
 - **Anytime**: very fast & very approximate ! Slower & more accurate



Belief Updating is NP-hard

- Each SAT formula can be mapped into a belief updating query in a Bayesian network

- Example

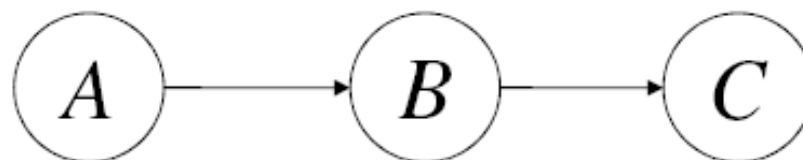
$$(\neg u \vee \neg w \vee y) \wedge (u \vee \neg v \vee w)$$

A Simple Network



- How can we compute $P(D)$?, $P(D|A=0)$? $P(A|D=0)$?
- Brute force $O(k^4)$
- Maybe $O(4k^2)$

Elimination as a Basis for Inference



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false	true	.2
false	false	.8

B	C	$\Theta_{C B}$
true	true	.3
true	false	.7
false	true	.5
false	false	.5

To compute the prior marginal on variable C , $\Pr(C)$

we first eliminate variable A and then variable B

Elimination as a Basis for Inference

- There are two factors that mention variable A , Θ_A and $\Theta_{B|A}$
- We multiply these factors first and then sum out variable A from the resulting factor.
- Multiplying Θ_A and $\Theta_{B|A}$:

A	B	$\Theta_A \Theta_{B A}$
true	true	.54
true	false	.06
false	true	.08
false	false	.32

- Summing out variable A :

B	$\sum_A \Theta_A \Theta_{B A}$
true	.62 = .54 + .08
false	.38 = .06 + .32

Elimination as a Basis for Inference

- We now have two factors, $\sum_A \Theta_A \Theta_{B|A}$ and $\Theta_{C|B}$, and we want to eliminate variable B
- Since B appears in both factors, we must multiply them first and then sum out B from the result.
- Multiplying:

B	C	$\Theta_{C B} \sum_A \Theta_A \Theta_{B A}$
true	true	.186
true	false	.434
false	true	.190
false	false	.190

- Summing out:

C	$\sum_B \Theta_{C B} \sum_A \Theta_A \Theta_{B A}$
true	.376
false	.624

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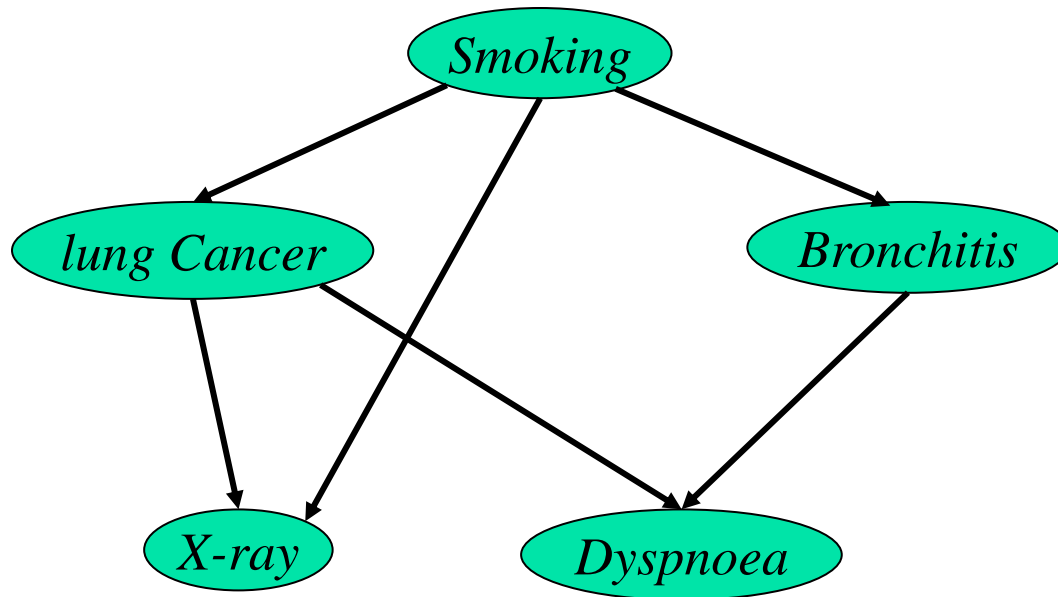
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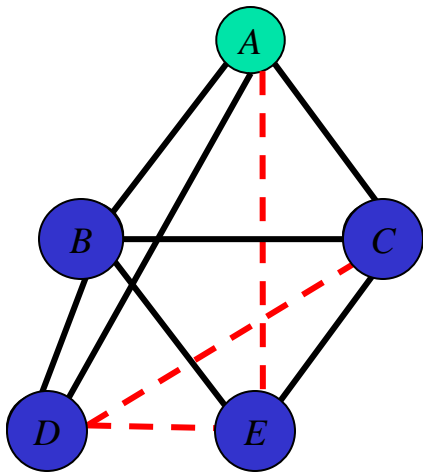
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Belief Updating



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Belief updating: $P(X|\text{evidence})=?$



"Moral" graph

$$P(a/e=0) \propto P(a, e=0) =$$

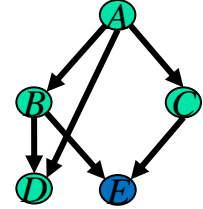
$$\sum_{e=0, d, c, b} P(a) \underbrace{P(b/a)} P(c/a) \underbrace{P(d/b, a) P(e/b, c)} =$$

$$P(a) \sum_{e=0} \sum_d \sum_c P(c/a) \underbrace{\sum_b P(b/a) P(d/b, a) P(e/b, c)}_{h^B(a, d, c, e)}$$

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Variable Elimination

Bucket elimination

Algorithm *BE-bel* (Dechter 1996)



$$P(A | E = 0) = \alpha \sum_{E=0, D, C, B} P(A) \cdot P(B | A) \cdot P(C | A) \cdot P(D | A, B) \cdot P(E | B, C)$$

$\sum_b \prod$ ← Elimination operator

bucket B:

$$P(b|a) \quad P(d|b,a) \quad P(e|b,c)$$

bucket C:

$$P(c|a) \quad \lambda^B(a, d, c, e)$$

bucket D:

$$\lambda^C(a, d, e)$$

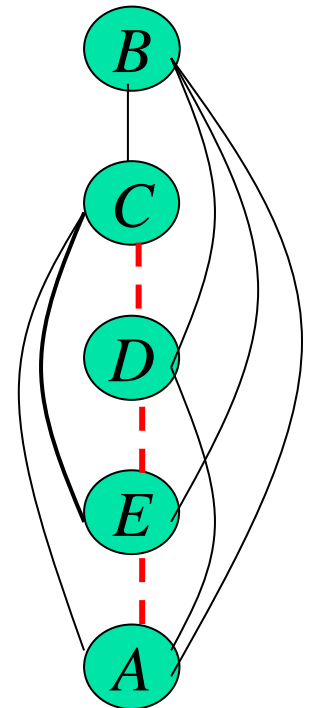
bucket E:

$$e=0 \quad \lambda^D(a, e)$$

bucket A:

$$P(a) \quad \lambda^E(a)$$

$W^*=4$
"induced width"
(max clique size)



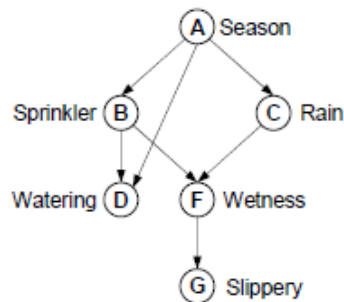
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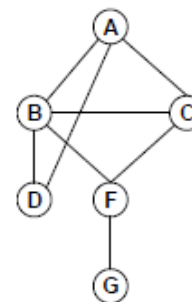
$$P(a|e=0) = \frac{P(a, e=0)}{P(e=0)}$$

A Bayesian Network

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



(a) Directed acyclic graph



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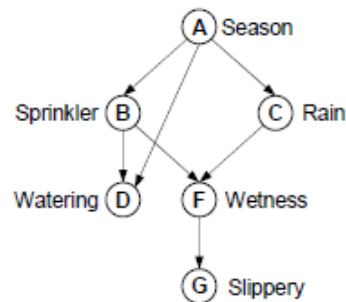
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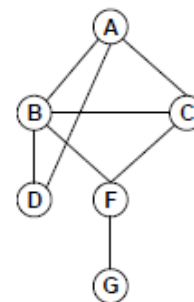
$$P(a, g = 1) = P(a) \sum_c P(c|a) \lambda_B(a, c) \quad (4.5)$$

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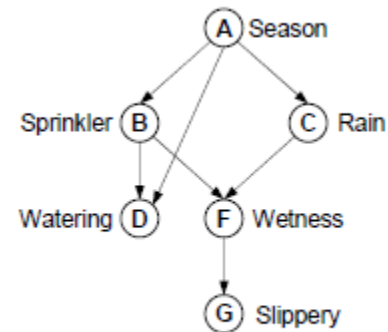
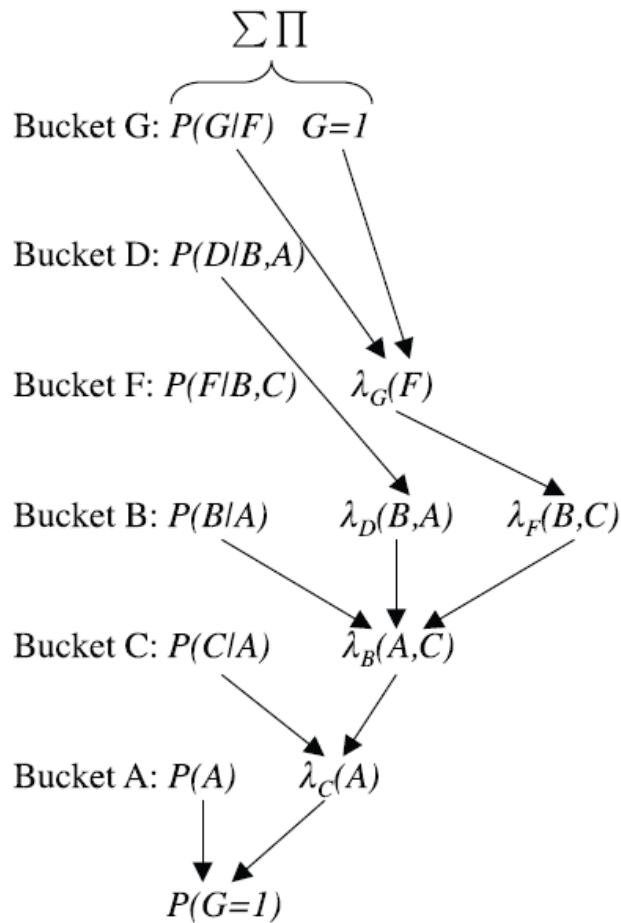
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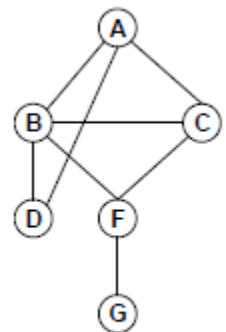
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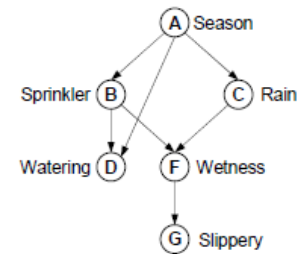


(a) Directed acyclic graph

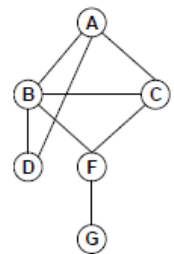


(b) Moral graph

A Different Ordering



(a) Directed acyclic graph



(b) Moral graph

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

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= P(a) \sum_f \lambda_g(f) \sum_d \lambda_C(a, d, f) \\
 &= P(a) \sum_f \lambda_G(f) \lambda_D(a, f) \\
 &= P(a) \lambda_F(a)
 \end{aligned}$$

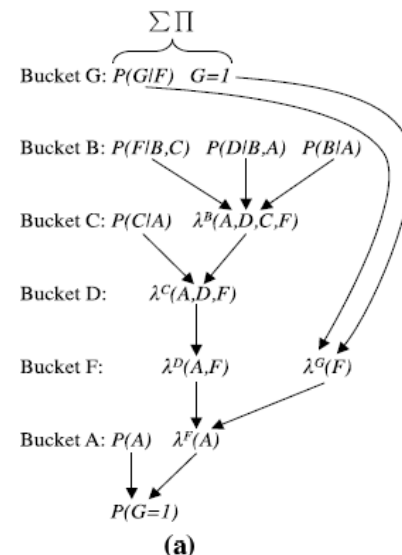
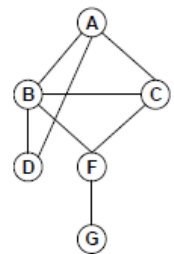
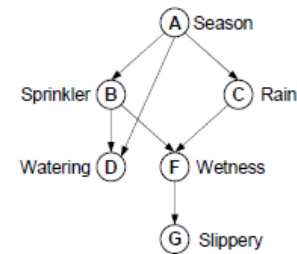


Figure 4.3: The bucket's output when processing along $d_2 = A, F, D, C, B, G$

A Different Ordering



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

$$\begin{aligned}
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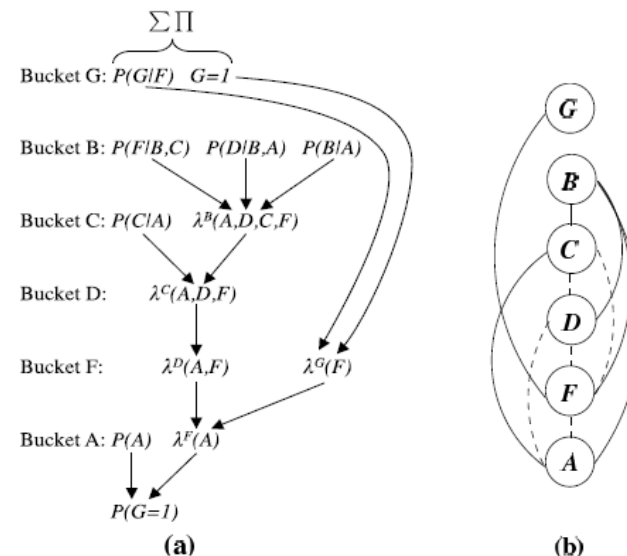
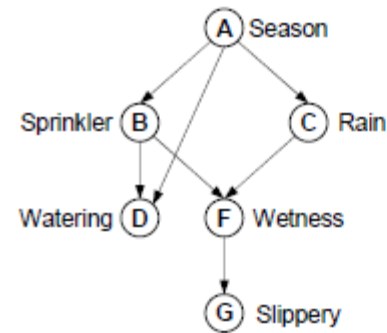
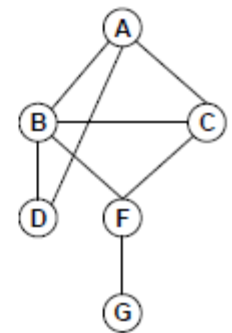


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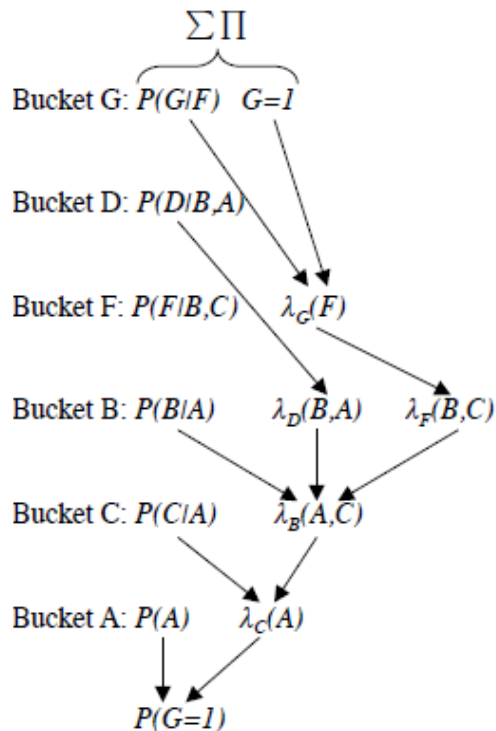
A Bayesian Network Processed Along 2 Orderings



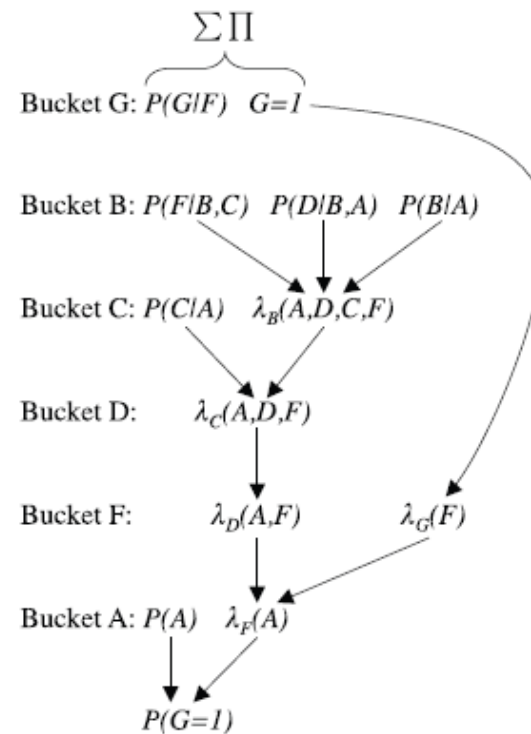
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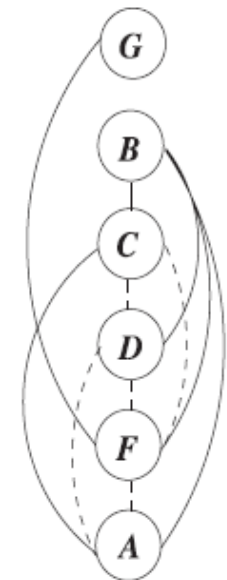
(b) Moral graph



$d_1 = A, C, B, F, D, G$



(a)



(b)

Figure 4.4: The bucket's output when processing along $d_2 = A, F, D, C, B, G$.



The Operation In a Bucket

- Multiplying functions
- Marginalizing (summing-out) functions

Combination of Cost Functions

A	B	f(A,B)
b	b	0.4
b	g	0.1
g	b	0
g	g	0.5

B	C	f(B,C)
b	b	0.2
b	g	0
g	b	0
g	g	0.8

A	B	C	f(A,B,C)
b	b	b	0.1
b	b	g	0
b	g	b	0
b	g	g	0.08
g	b	b	0
g	b	g	0
g	g	b	0
g	g	g	0.4

$= 0.1 \times 0.8$

Factors: Sum-Out Operation

The result of **summing out** variable X from factor $f(\mathbf{X})$

is another factor over variables $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X} \setminus \{X\}$:

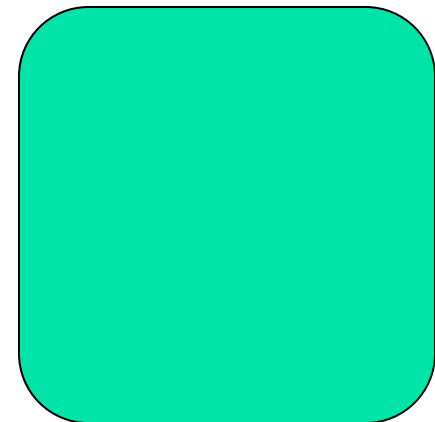
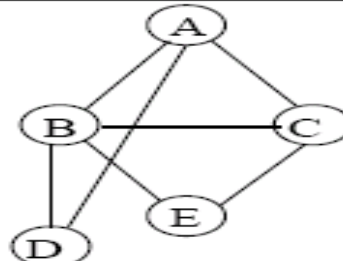
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B	C	$\sum_D f_1$
true	true	1
true	false	1
false	true	1
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	$\sum_B \sum_C \sum_D f_1$
T	4

Bucket Elimination and Induced Width



Ordering: a, e, d, c, b

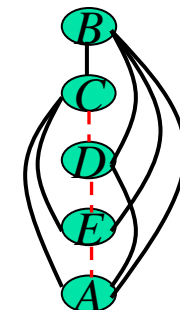
$$\text{bucket}(B) = P(e|b, c), P(d|a, b), P(b|a)$$

$$\text{bucket}(C) = P(c|a) \parallel \lambda_B(a, c, d, e)$$

$$\text{bucket}(D) = \parallel \lambda_C(a, d, e)$$

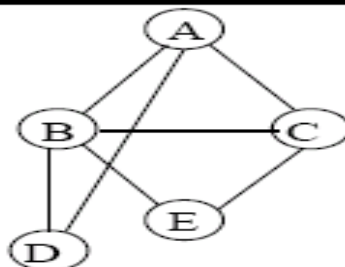
$$\text{bucket}(E) = e = 0 \parallel \lambda_D(a, c)$$

$$\text{bucket}(A) = P(a) \parallel \lambda_E(a)$$



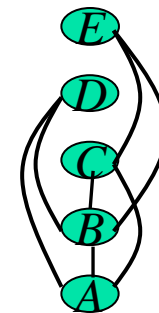
$W^*=4$

Bucket Elimination and Induced Width



Ordering: a, b, c, d, e

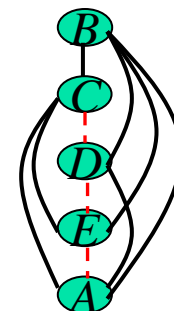
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{bucket}(E) &= P(e|b, c), \quad e = 0 \\
 \text{bucket}(D) &= P(d|a, b) \\
 \text{bucket}(C) &= P(c|a) \quad || \quad P(e = 0|b, c) \\
 \text{bucket}(B) &= P(b|a) \quad || \quad \lambda_D(a, b), \lambda_C(b, c) \\
 \text{bucket}(A) &= P(a) \quad || \quad \lambda_B(a)
 \end{aligned}$$



$W^*=2$

Ordering: a, e, d, c, b

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ALGORITHM BE-BEL

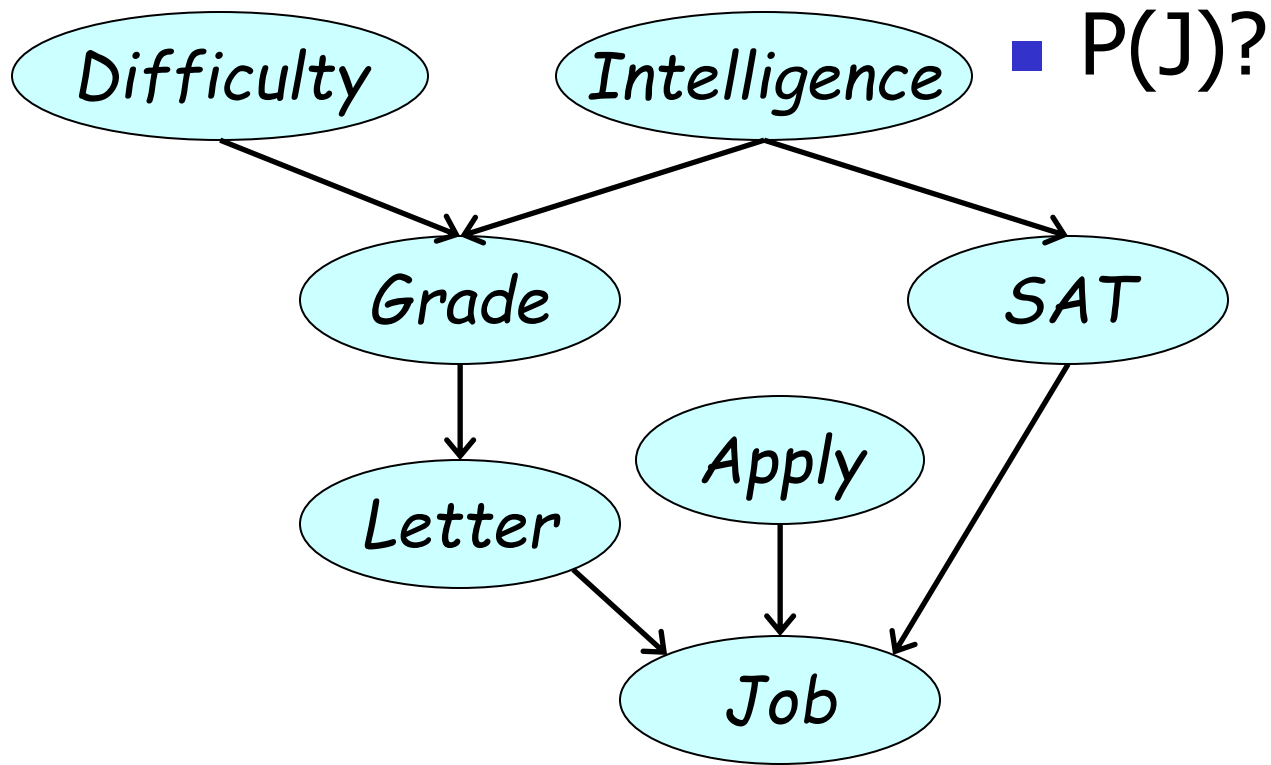
Input: A belief network $\mathcal{B} = \langle X, D, P_G, \Pi \rangle$, an ordering $d = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$; evidence e

output: The belief $P(X_1|e)$ and probability of evidence $P(e)$

1. Partition the input functions (CPTs) into $bucket_1, \dots, bucket_n$ as follows:
for $i \leftarrow n$ **downto** 1, put in $bucket_i$ all unplaced functions mentioning X_i .
Put each observed variable in its bucket. Denote by ψ_i the product of input functions in $bucket_i$.
2. **backward:** for $p \leftarrow n$ **downto** 1 **do**
3. for all the functions $\psi_{S_0}, \lambda_{S_1}, \dots, \lambda_{S_j}$ in $bucket_p$ **do**
If (observed variable) $X_p = x_p$ appears in $bucket_p$,
assign $X_p = x_p$ to each function in $bucket_p$ and then
put each resulting function in the bucket of the *closest* variable in its scope.
else,
4. $\lambda_p \leftarrow \sum_{X_p} \psi_p \cdot \prod_{i=1}^j \lambda_{S_i}$
5. place λ_p in bucket of the latest variable in $scope(\lambda_p)$,
6. **return** (as a result of processing $bucket_1$):
$$P(e) = \alpha = \sum_{X_1} \psi_1 \cdot \prod_{\lambda \in bucket_1} \lambda$$
$$P(X_1|e) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \psi_1 \cdot \prod_{\lambda \in bucket_1} \lambda$$

Figure 4.5: BE-bel: a sum-product bucket-elimination algorithm.

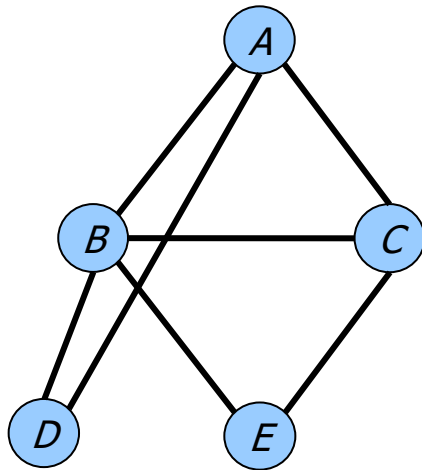
Student Network Example



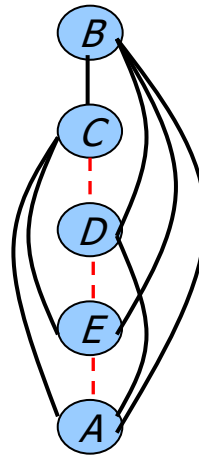
Induced Width (continued)

$w^*(d)$ – the induced width of the primal graph along ordering d

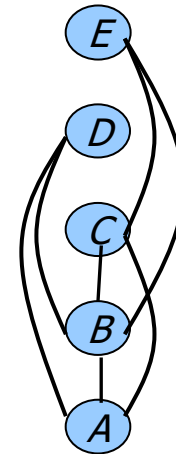
The effect of the ordering:



*Primal (moraal)
graph*



$$w^*(d_1) = 4$$



$$w^*(d_2) = 2$$

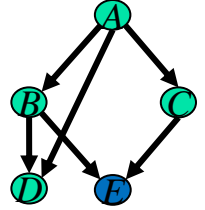


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- **Induced-Width**

The Impact of Evidence?

Algorithm *BE-bel*



$$P(A | E = 0) = \alpha \sum_{E=0, D, C, B} P(A) \cdot P(B | A) \cdot P(C | A) \cdot P(D | A, B) \cdot P(E | B, C)$$

$\sum_b \Pi$ ← Elimination operator

bucket B:

$$P(b|a) \quad P(d|b,a) \quad P(e|b,c)$$

$B=1$

bucket C:

$$P(c/a) \quad \lambda^B(a, d, c, e)$$

bucket D:

$$\lambda^C(a, d, e)$$

bucket E:

$$e=0 \quad \lambda^D(a, e)$$

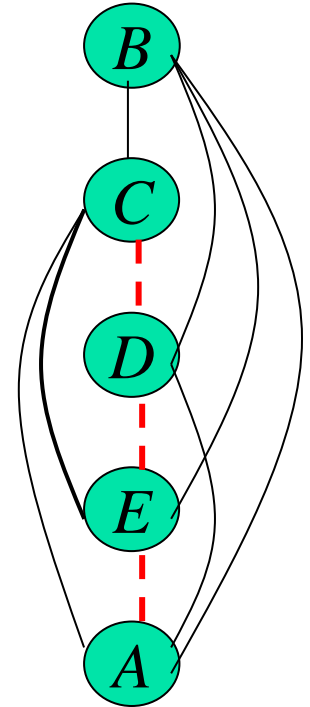
bucket A:

$$P(a) \quad \lambda^E(a)$$

$$P(e=0)$$

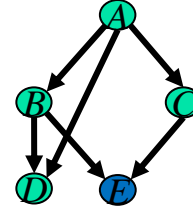
$$P(a|e=0)$$

$W^*=4$
"induced width"
(max clique size)



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$P(A|E=0, B=1)?$ $\sum_b \prod$ ← Elimination operator

bucket B:

$$P(b/a) \quad P(d/b, a) \quad P(e/b, c)$$

$B=1$

bucket C:

$$P(c/a)$$

$$P(e/b=1, c)$$

bucket D:

$$P(d/b=1, a)$$

bucket E:

$$e=0$$

bucket A:

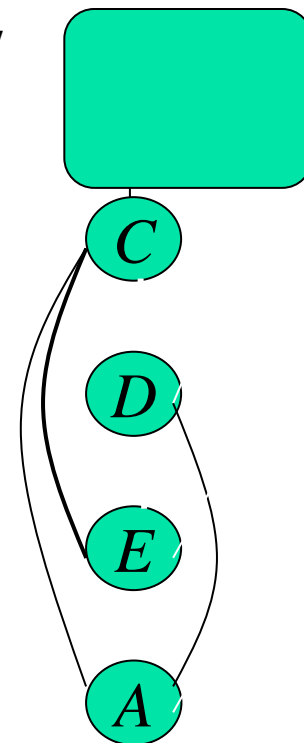
$$P(a)$$

$$P(b=1/a)$$

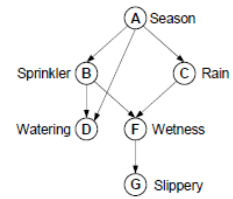
$$P(e=0)$$

$$P(a/e=0)$$

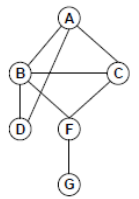
$$P(a|e=0) = \frac{P(a, e=0)}{P(e=0)}$$



The Impact of Observations



(a) Directed acyclic graph



(b) Moral graph

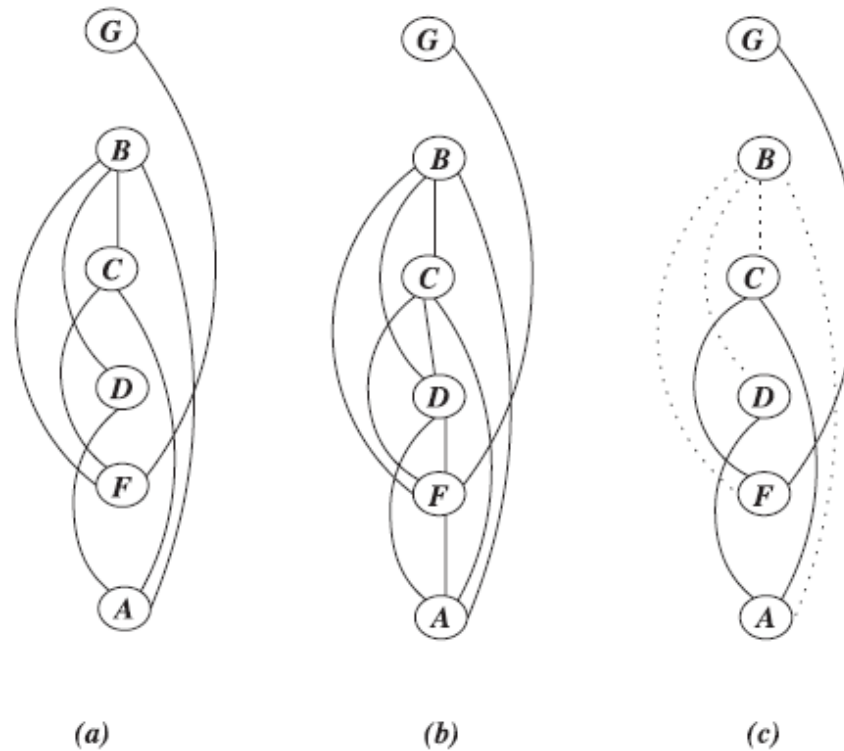


Figure 4.9: Adjusted induced graph relative to observing B .

Ordered graph

Induced graph

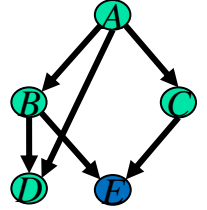
Ordered conditioned graph



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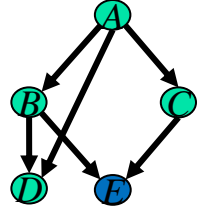
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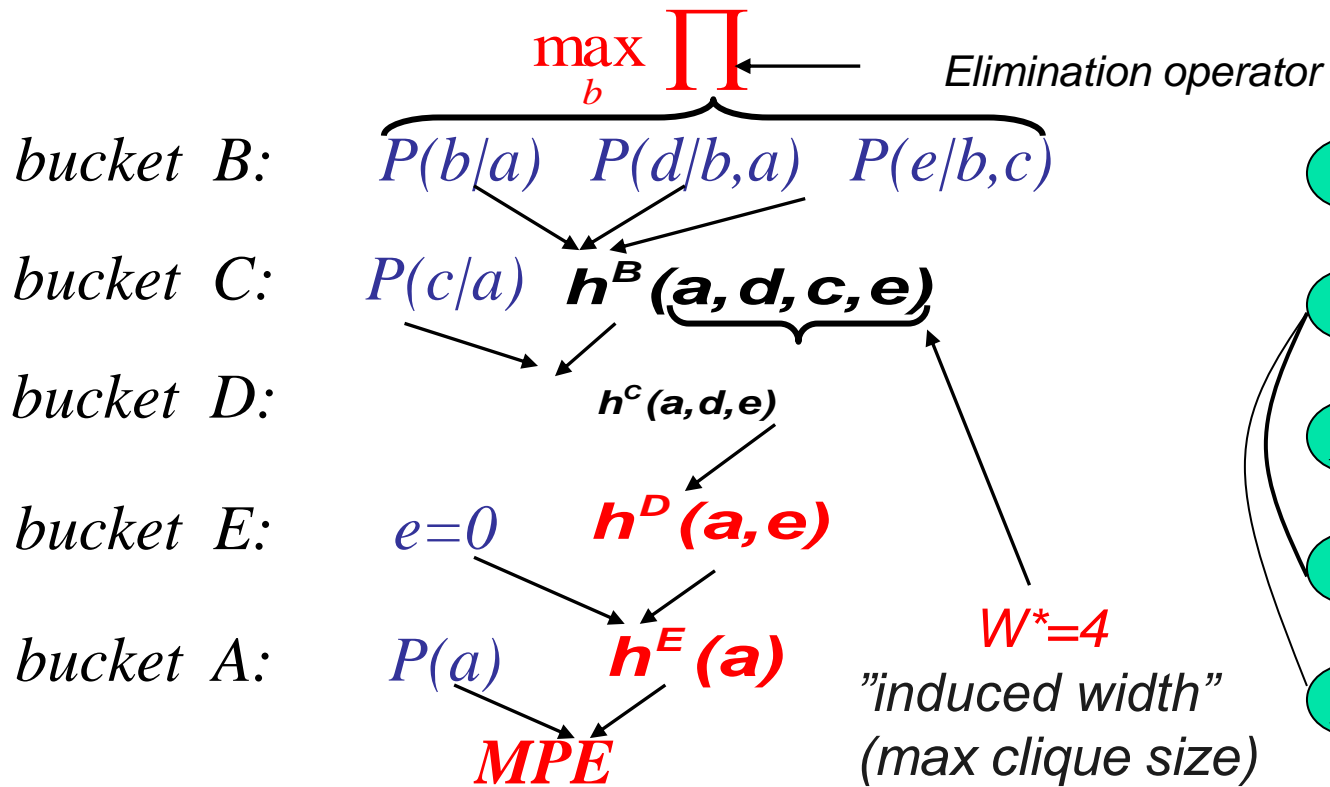
$$MPE = \max_{a,e,d,c,b} P(a)P(c | a)P(b | a)P(d | a,b)P(e | b,c)$$

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Generating the MPE-tuple

5. $b' = \arg \max P(b | a') \times P(d' | b, a') \times P(e' | b, c')$

4. $c' = \arg \max P(c | a') \times h^B(a', d', c, e')$

3. $d' = \arg \max_d h^C(a', d, e')$

2. $e' = 0$

1. $a' = \arg \max_a P(a) \cdot h^E(a)$

B: $P(b/a) \quad P(d/b,a) \quad P(e/b,c)$

C: $P(c/a) \quad h^B(a, d, c, e)$

D: $h^C(a, d, e)$

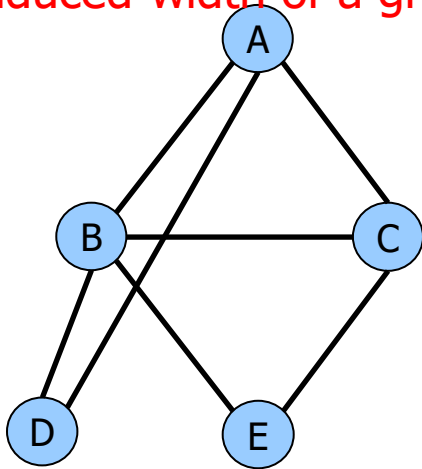
E: $e=0 \quad h^D(a, e)$

A: $P(a) \quad h^E(a)$

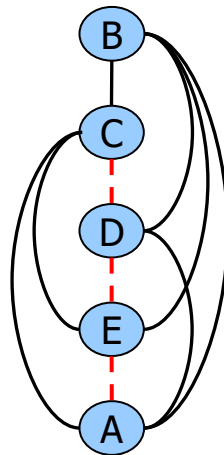
Return (a', b', c', d', e')

Induced Width

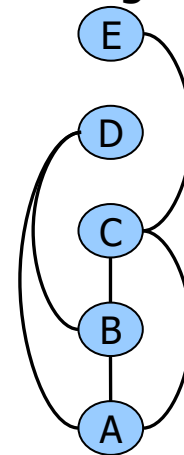
- **Width** is the max number of parents in the ordered graph
- **Induced-width** is the width of the induced ordered graph: recursively connecting parents going from last node to first.
- **Induced-width $w^*(d)$** is the max induced-width over all nodes in ordering d
- **Induced-width of a graph, w^*** is the min $w^*(d)$ over all orderings d



primal
graph



$$w^*(d_1) = 4$$



$$w^*(d_2) = 2$$

Complexity of Bucket Elimination

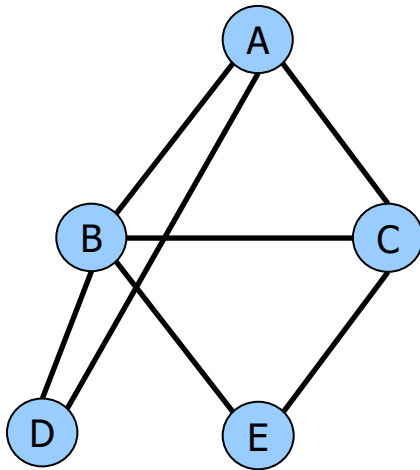
*Bucket-Elimination is **time and space***

$$O(r \exp(w_d^*))$$

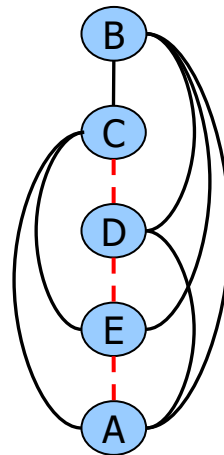
w_d^* : the induced width of the primal graph along ordering d

r = number of functions

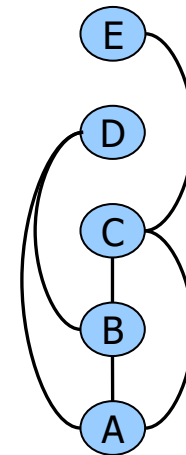
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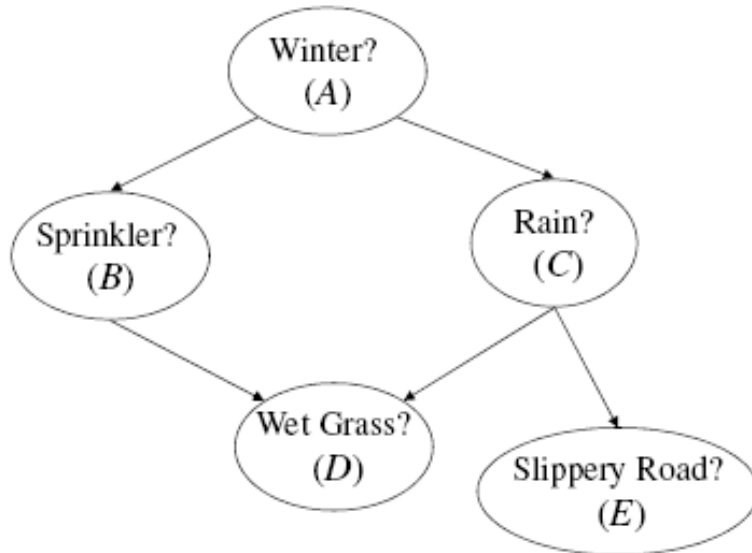


$$w^*(d_2) = 2$$

Finding smallest induced-width is hard!

A Bayesian Network

Example with mpe?



A	Θ_A
true	.6
false	.4

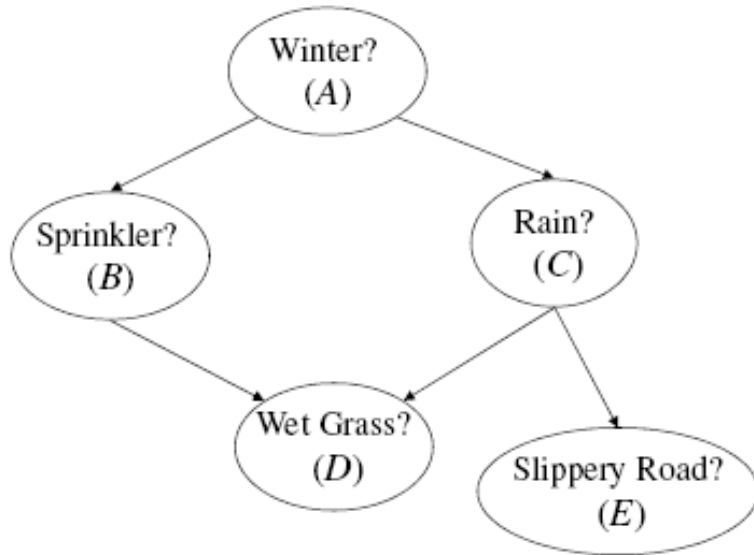
A	B	$\Theta_{B A}$
true	true	.2
true	false	.8
false	true	.75
false	false	.25

A	C	$\Theta_{C A}$
true	true	.8
true	false	.2
false	true	.1
false	false	.9

B	C	D	$\Theta_{D BC}$
true	true	true	.95
true	true	false	.05
true	false	true	.9
true	false	false	.1
false	true	true	.8
false	true	false	.2
false	false	true	0
false	false	false	1

C	E	$\Theta_{E C}$
true	true	.7
true	false	.3
false	true	0
false	false	1

Try to compute MPE when $E=0$



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Complexity of Bucket-Elimination

- **Theorem:**

BE is $O(n \exp(w^*+1))$ time and $O(n \exp(w^*))$ space, when w^* is the induced-width of the moral graph along d when evidence nodes are processed (edges from evidence nodes to earlier variables are removed.)

More accurately: $O(r \exp(w^(d)))$ where r is the number of CPTs.
For Bayesian networks $r=n$. For Markov networks?*



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- **Induced-Width (Dechter 3.4,3.5)**



Finding a Small Induced-Width

- NP-complete
- A tree has induced-width of ?
- Greedy algorithms:
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Min-width Ordering

MIN-WIDTH (MW)

input: a graph $G = (V, E)$, $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

output: A min-width ordering of the nodes $d = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$.

1. **for** $j = n$ to 1 by -1 **do**
2. $r \leftarrow$ a node in G with smallest degree.
3. put r in position j and $G \leftarrow G - r$.
 (Delete from V node r and from E all its adjacent edges)
4. **endfor**

Proposition: algorithm min-width finds a min-width ordering of a graph
What is the Complexity of MW?

$O(e)$



Greedy Orderings Heuristics

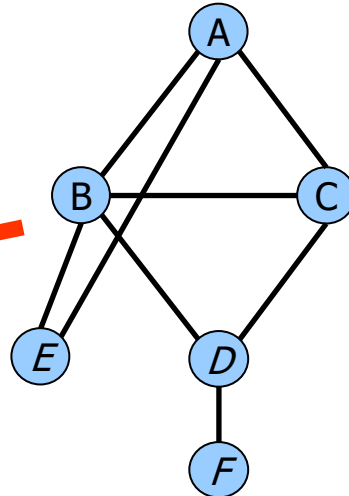
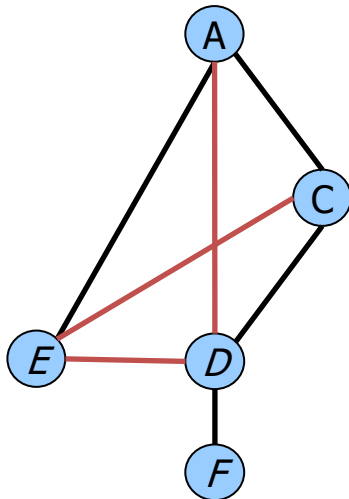
- **Min-induced-width**
 - From last to first, pick a node with smallest width, then connect parent and remove
- **Min-Fill**
 - From last to first, pick a node with smallest fill-edges

Complexity? $O(n^3)$

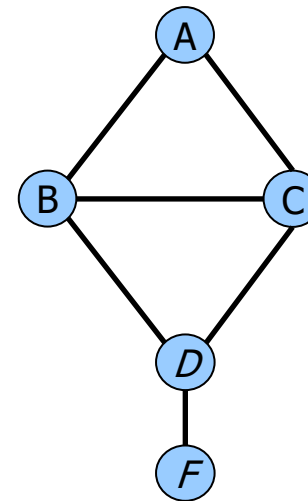
Min-Fill Heuristic

- Select the variable that creates the fewest "fill-in" edges

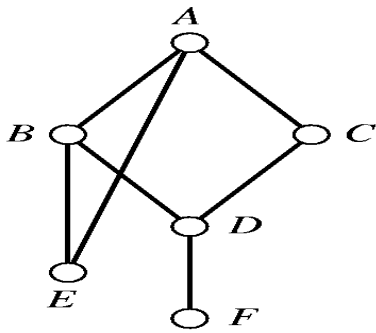
*Eliminate B next?
Connect neighbors
"Fill-in" = 3:
(A,D), (C,E), (D,E)*



*Eliminate E next?
Neighbors already connected
"Fill-in" = 0*



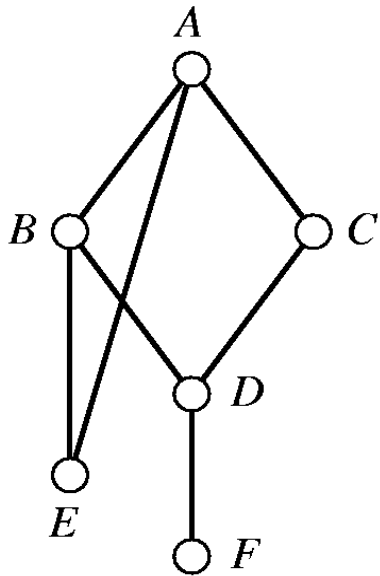
Example



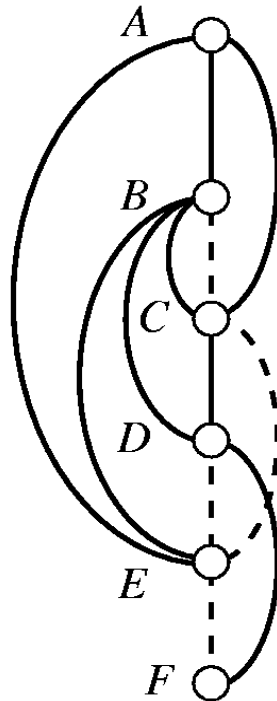
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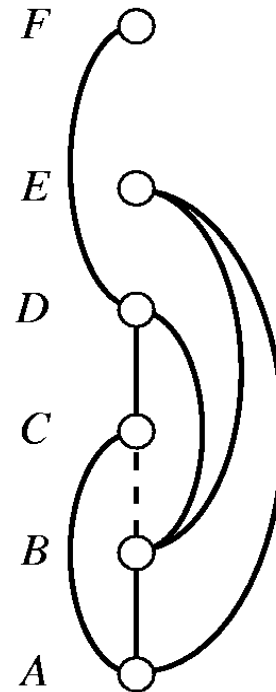
Different Induced-Graphs



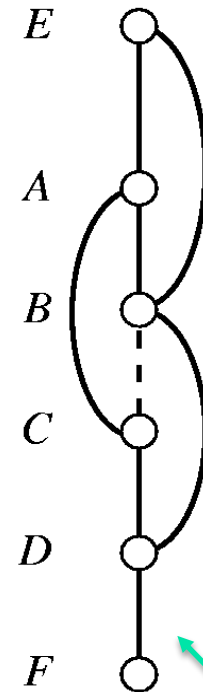
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(c)



(d)

A Miw ordering

A Min-fill ordering

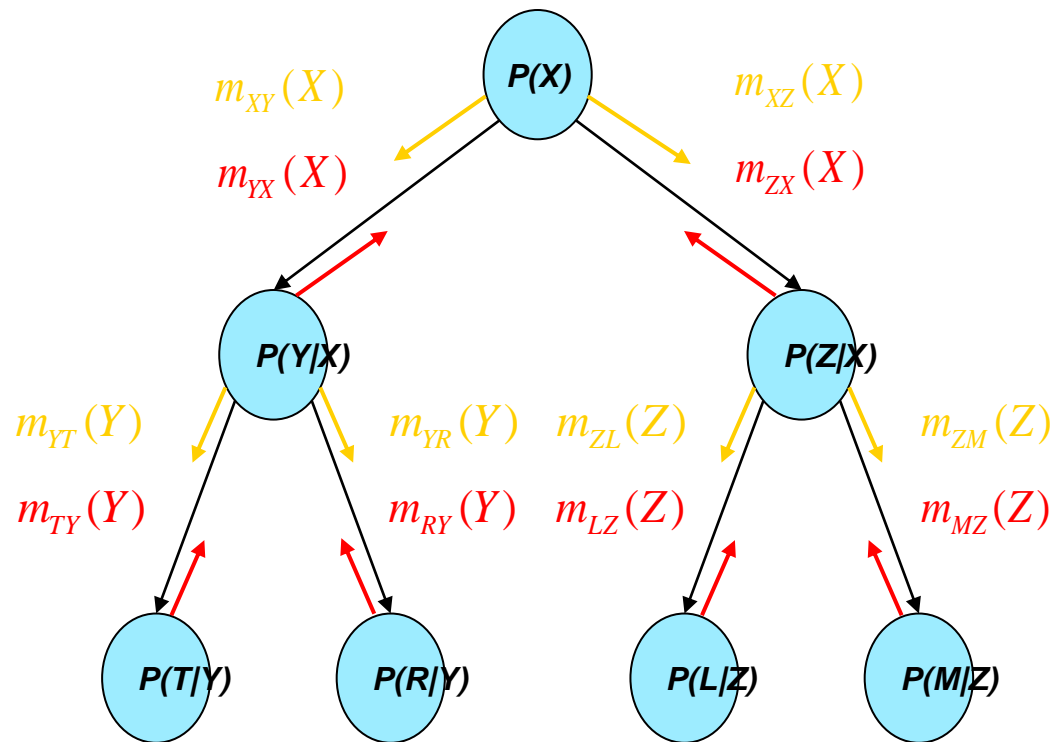


Which Greedy Algorithm is Best?

- Min-Fill, prefers a node who add the least number of fill-in arcs.
- Empirically, fill-in is the best among the greedy algorithms (MW,MIW,MF,MC)
- Complexity of greedy orderings?
- MW is $O(e)$, MIW: $O(n^3)$ MF $O(n^3)$ MC is $O(e+n)$

Propagation in Both Directions

- Messages can propagate both ways and we get beliefs for each variable



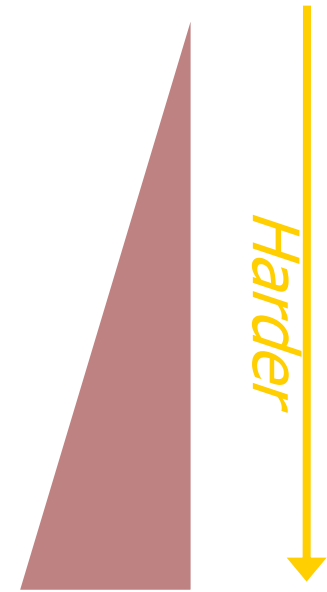


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Marginal Map

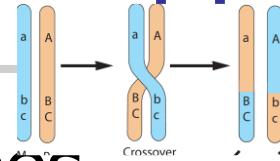
▶ Max-Inference	$f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \max_{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$
▶ Sum-Inference	$Z = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$
▶ Mixed-Inference	$f(\mathbf{x}_M^*) = \max_{\mathbf{x}_M} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_S} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$



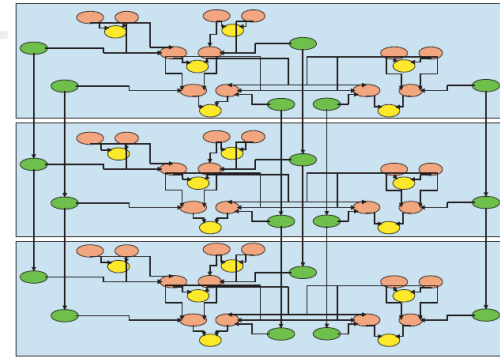
- **NP-hard**: exponentially many terms

Example for MMAP Applications

- Haplotype in Family pedigrees



6 people, 3 markers



- Coding networks

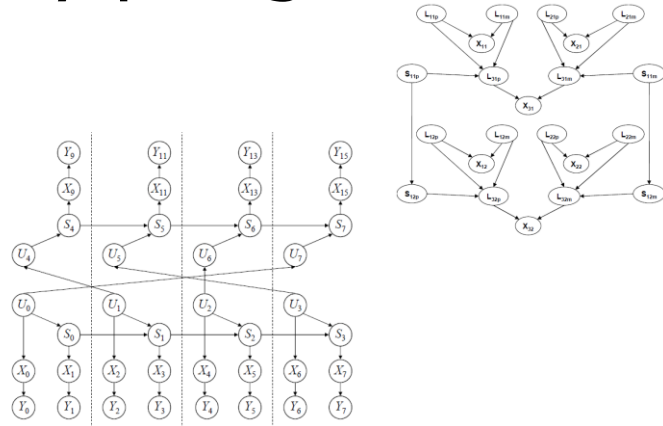
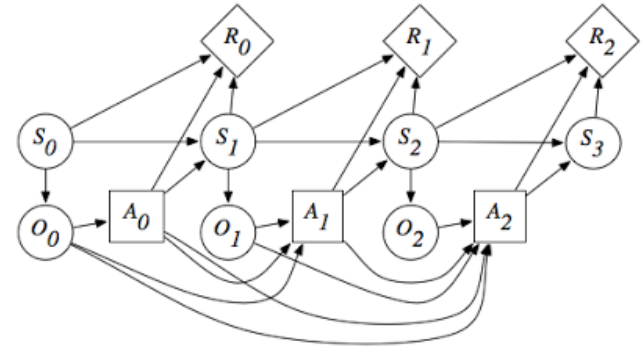
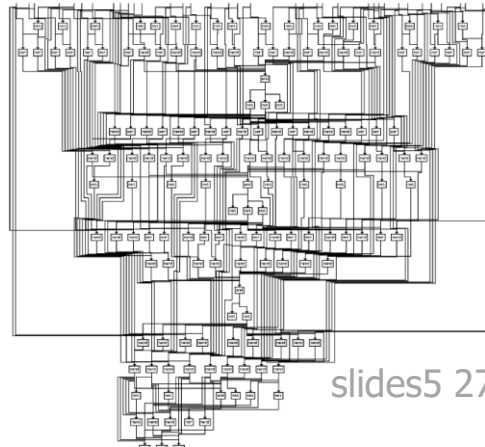


Figure 5.24: A Bayesian network for a turbo code.

- Probabilistic planning



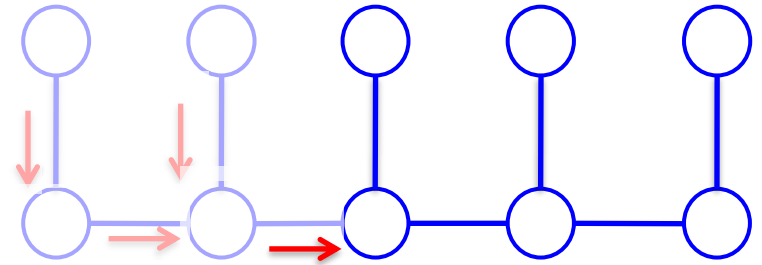
- Diagnosis



Marginal MAP is Not Easy on Trees

- Pure MAP or summation tasks

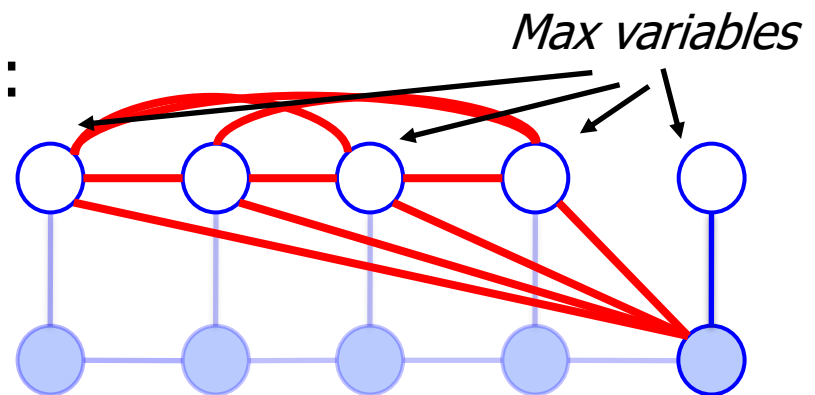
- Dynamic programming
- Ex: efficient on trees



- Marginal MAP

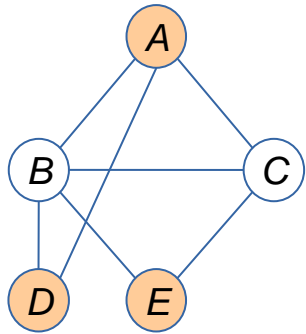
- Operations do not commute:
- Sum must be done first!

$$\sum \max \neq \max \sum$$



Bucket Elimination for MMAP

Bucket Elimination



$$\mathbf{X}_M = \{A, D, E\}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_S = \{B, C\}$$

$$\max_{\mathbf{X}_M} \sum_{\mathbf{X}_S} P(\mathbf{X})$$

constrained elimination order

SUM

MAX

$$B: \underbrace{f(A, B) f(B, C) f(B, D) f(B, E)}_{\Sigma_B}$$

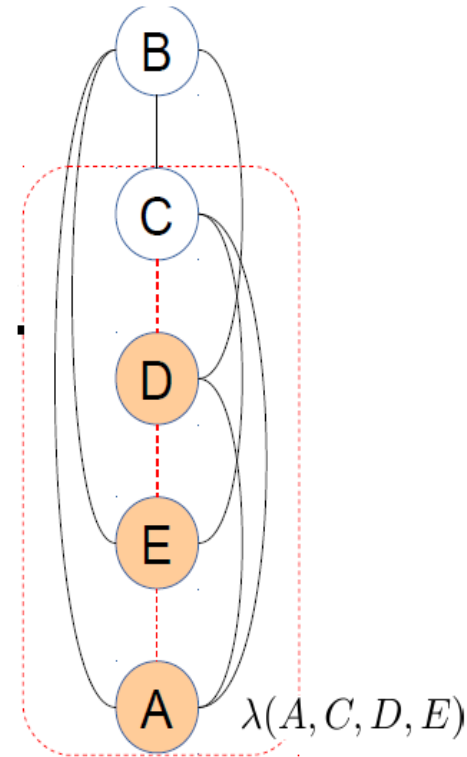
$$C: \underbrace{\lambda^B(A, C, D, E) f(A, C) f(C, E)}_{\Sigma_C}$$

$$D: \underbrace{\lambda^C(A, D, E) f(A, D)}_{\max_D}$$

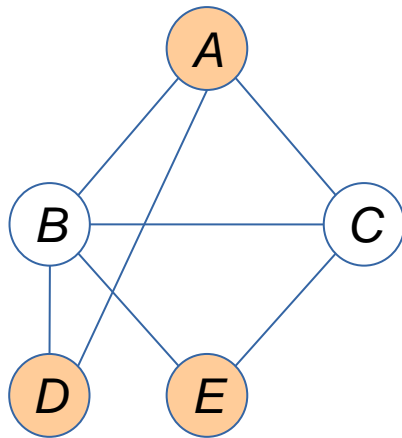
$$E: \underbrace{\lambda^D(A, E)}_{\max_E}$$

$$A: \underbrace{\lambda^E(A)}_{\text{MAP}^*}$$

MAP* is the marginal MAP value

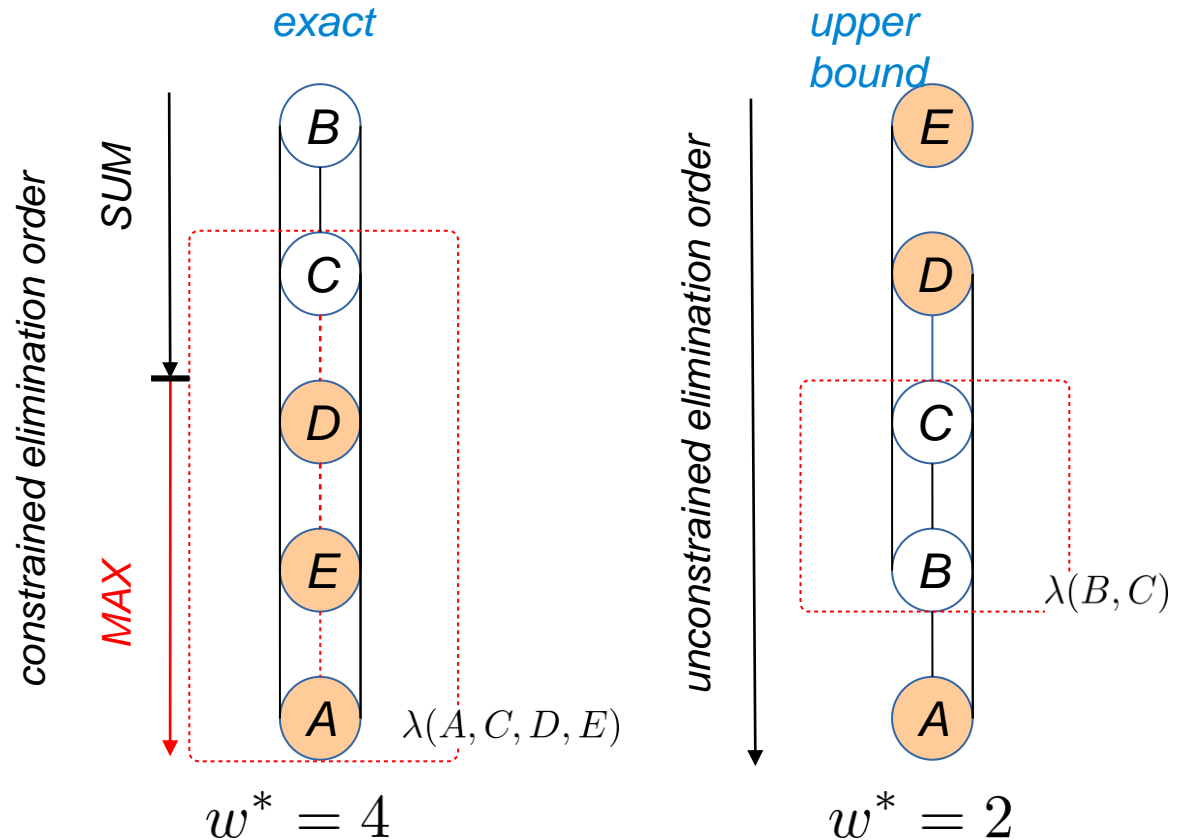


Why is MMAP harder?



$$\mathbf{X}_M = \{A, D, E\}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_S = \{B, C\}$$



In practice, constrained induced is much larger!

(Park & Darwiche, 2003)
(Yuan & Hansen, 2009)

$$\max_{\mathbf{X}} \sum \phi \leq \sum_{\mathbf{Y}} \max_{\mathbf{X}} \phi$$



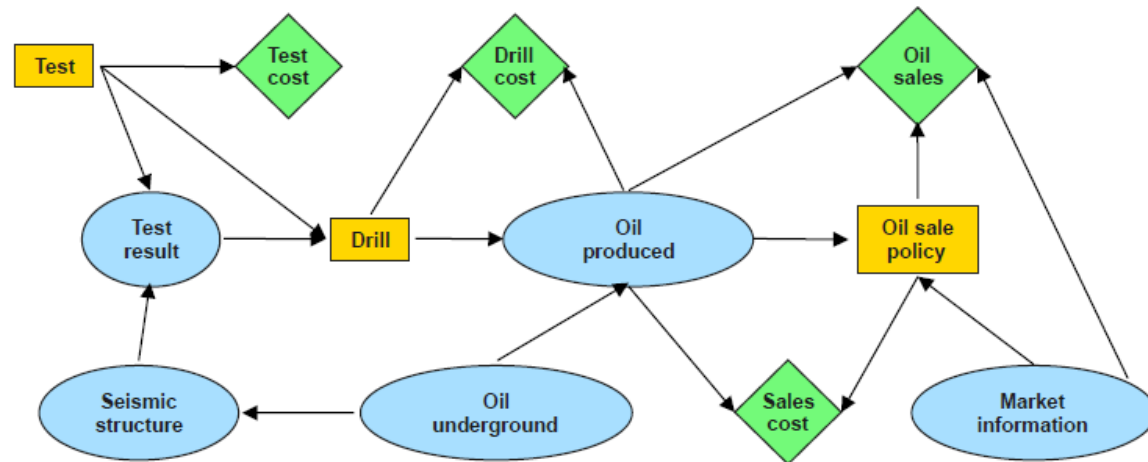
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- Influence diagrams ?

Ex: “oil wildcatter”

e.g., [Raiffa 1968; Shachter 1986]

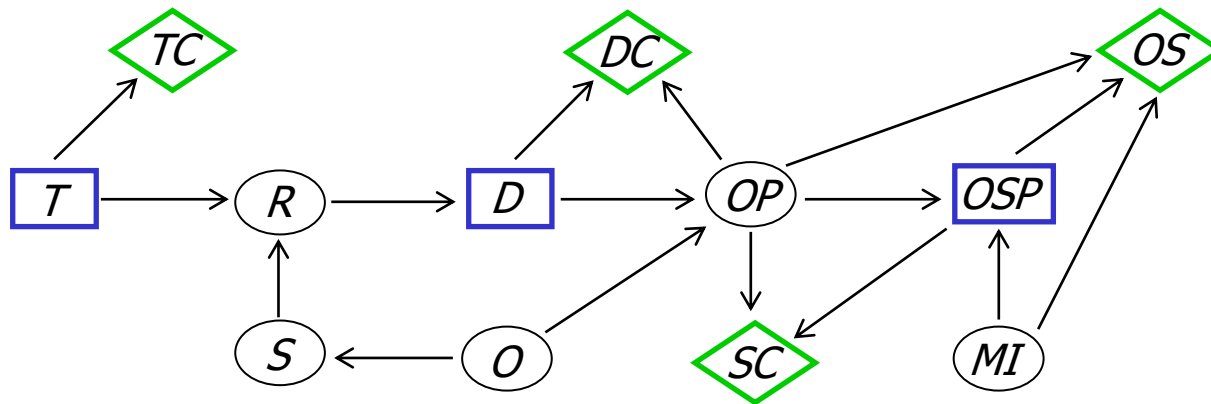
- Influence diagram:



- Three actions: test, drill, sales policy
- Chance variables:
 $P(\text{oil})$ $P(\text{seismic}|\text{oil})$ $P(\text{result} | \text{seismic}, \text{test})$ $P(\text{produced} | \text{oil}, \text{drill})$ $P(\text{market})$
- Utilities capture costs of actions, rewards of sale
 $\text{Oil sales} - \text{Test cost} - \text{Drill cost} - \text{Sales cost}$

Influence Diagrams

Influence diagram $ID = (X, D, P, R)$.



Chance variables $X = X_1, \dots, X_n$ over domains.

Decision variables $D = D_1, \dots, D_m$

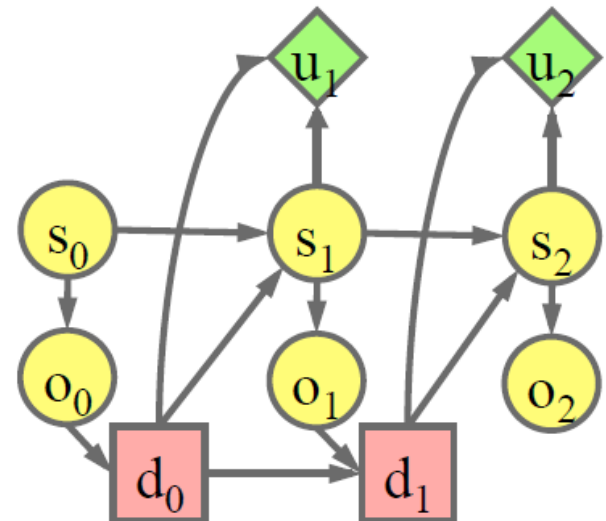
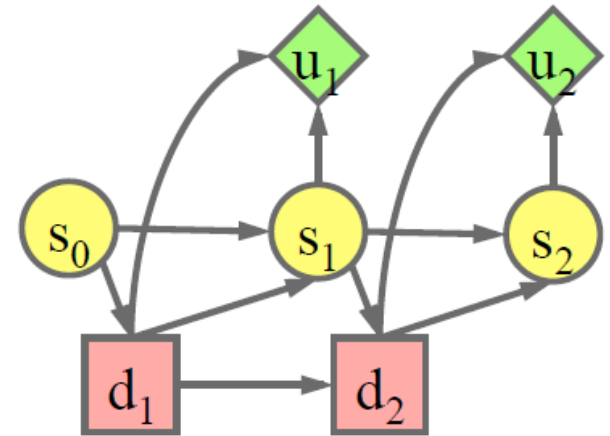
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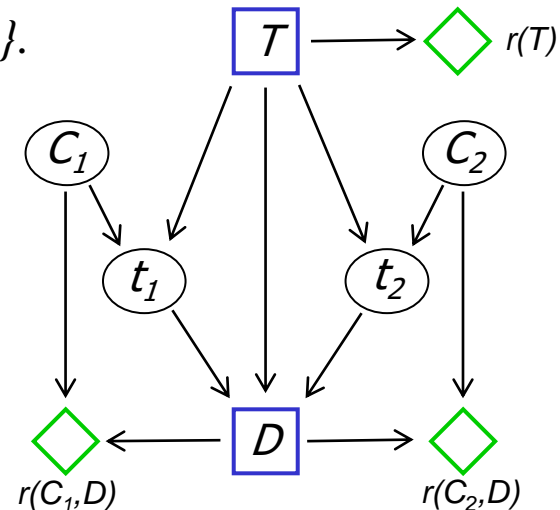
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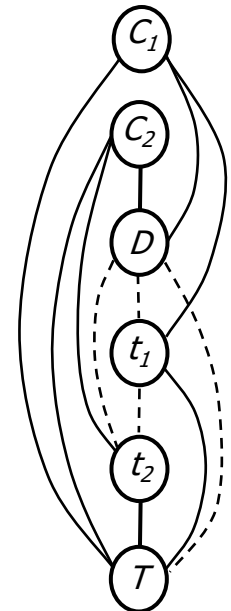
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The graphical model represents a *global function* whose scope is \mathbf{X} which is the combination of all its functions: $\otimes_{i=1}^r f_i$.

General Bucket Elimination

Algorithm General bucket elimination (GBE)

Input: $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{F}, \otimes \rangle$. $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ an ordering of the variables, $d = X_1, \dots, X_n$;
 $Y \subseteq X$.

Output: A new compiled set of functions from which the query $\downarrow_Y \otimes_{i=1}^n f_i$ can be derived in linear time.

1. **Initialize:** Generate an ordered partition of the functions into $bucket_1, \dots, bucket_n$, where $bucket_i$ contains all the functions whose highest variable in their scope is X_i . An input function in each bucket ψ_i , $\psi_i = \otimes_{i=1}^n f_i$.

2. **Backward:** For $p \leftarrow n$ downto 1, do

for all the functions $\psi_p, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_j$ in $bucket_p$, do

- **If** (observed variable) $X_p = x_p$ appears in $bucket_p$, assign $X_p = x_p$ in ψ_p and to each λ_i and put each resulting function in appropriate bucket.
- **else**, (combine and marginalize)
 $\lambda_p \leftarrow \downarrow_{S_p} \psi_p \otimes (\otimes_{i=1}^j \lambda_i)$ and add λ_p to the largest-index variable in $scope(\lambda_p)$.

3. **Return:** all the functions in each bucket.

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Min-width Ordering

MIN-WIDTH (MW)

input: a graph $G = (V, E)$, $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

output: A min-width ordering of the nodes $d = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$.

1. **for** $j = n$ to 1 by -1 **do**
2. $r \leftarrow$ a node in G with smallest degree.
3. put r in position j and $G \leftarrow G - r$.
(Delete from V node r and from E all its adjacent edges)
4. **endfor**

Proposition: algorithm min-width finds a min-width ordering of a graph
What is the Complexity of MW?

$O(e)$



Greedy Orderings Heuristics

- **Min-induced-width**

- From last to first, pick a node with smallest width, then connect parent and remove

- **Min-Fill**

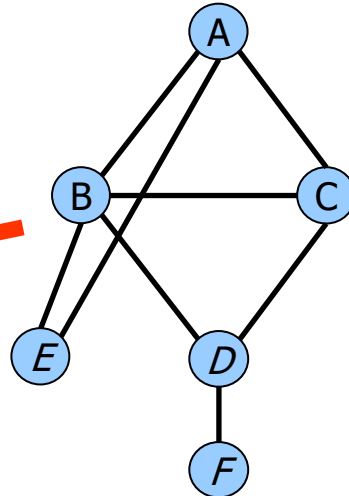
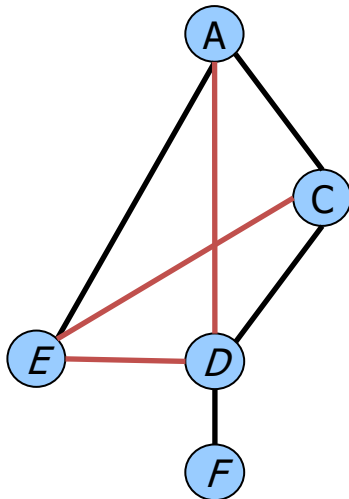
- From last to first, pick a node with smallest fill-edges

Complexity? $O(n^3)$

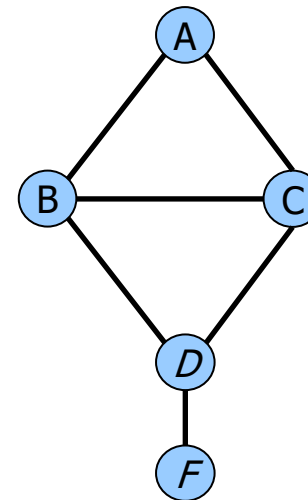
Min-Fill Heuristic

- Select the variable that creates the fewest "fill-in" edges

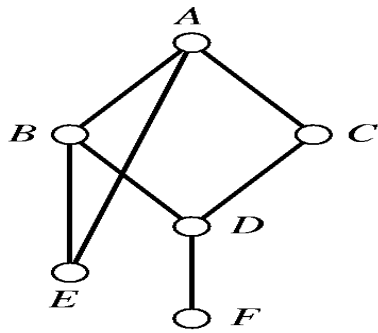
*Eliminate B next?
Connect neighbors
"Fill-in" = 3:
(A,D), (C,E), (D,E)*



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"Fill-in" = 0*

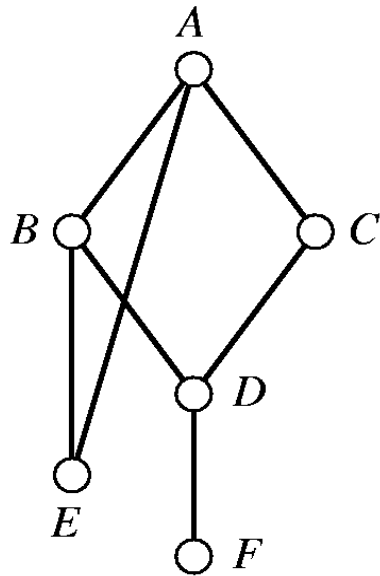


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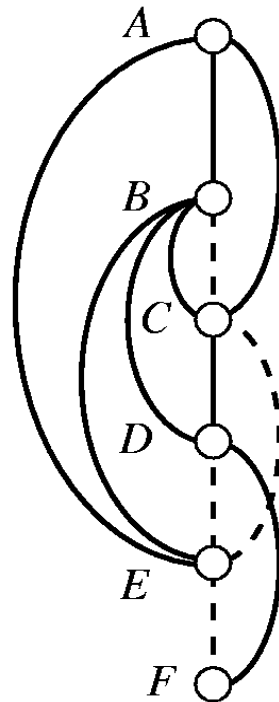


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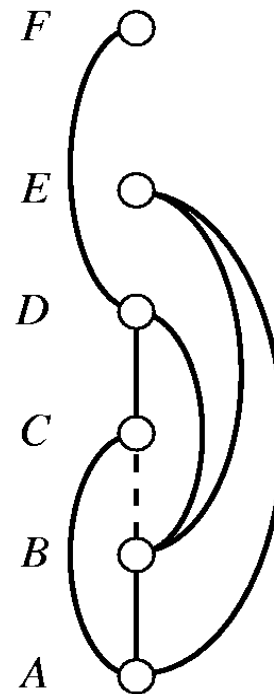
Different Induced-Graphs



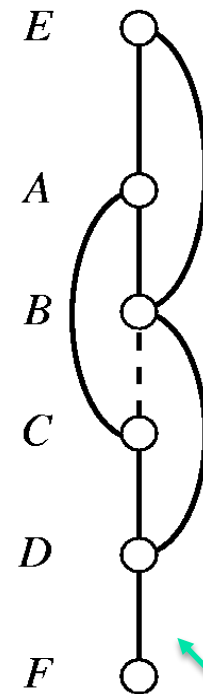
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A Miw ordering

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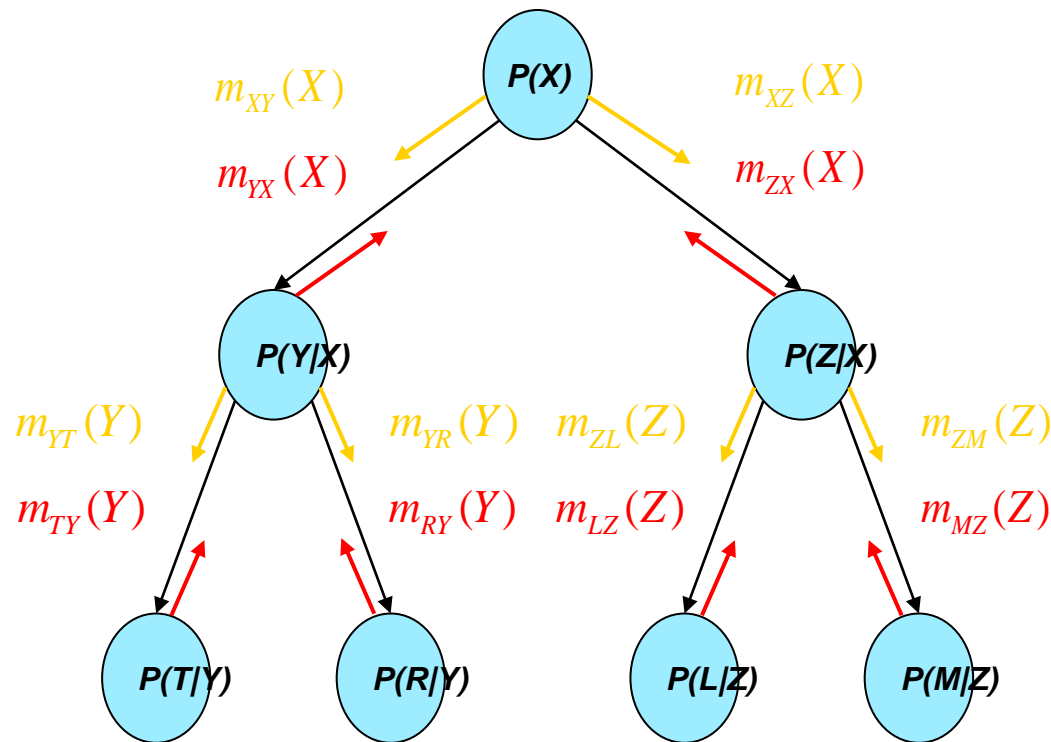


Which Greedy Algorithm is Best?

- Min-Fill, prefers a node who add the least number of fill-in arcs.
- Empirically, fill-in is the best among the greedy algorithms (MW,MIW,MF,MC)
- Complexity of greedy orderings?
- MW is $O(e)$, MIW: $O(n^3)$ MF $O(n^3)$ MC is $O(e+n)$

Propagation in Both Directions

- Messages can propagate both ways and we get beliefs for each variable



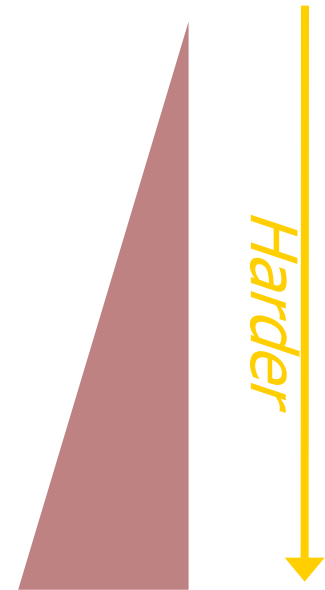


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▶ Sum-Inference	$Z = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$
▶ Mixed-Inference	$f(\mathbf{x}_M^*) = \max_{\mathbf{x}_M} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_S} \prod_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{\alpha})$



- **NP-hard**: exponentially many terms

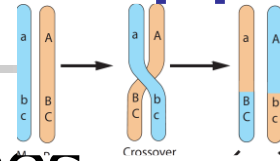
Example for MMAP Applications

- Haplotype in Family pedigrees

- Coding networks

- Probabilistic planning

- Diagnosis



6 people, 3 markers

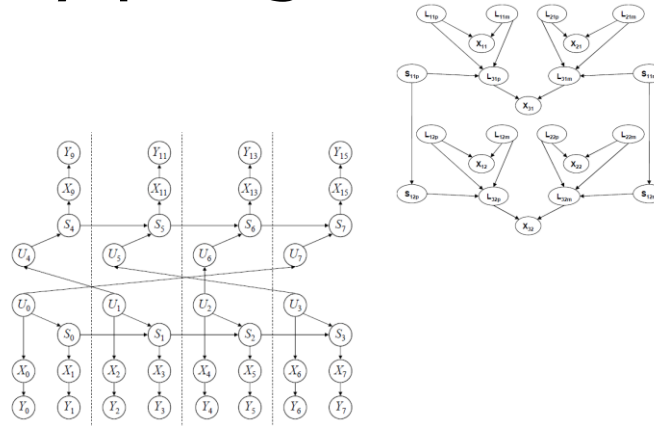
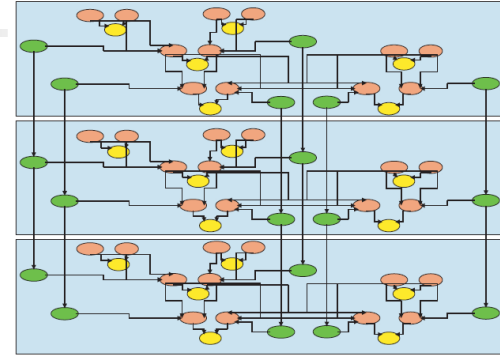
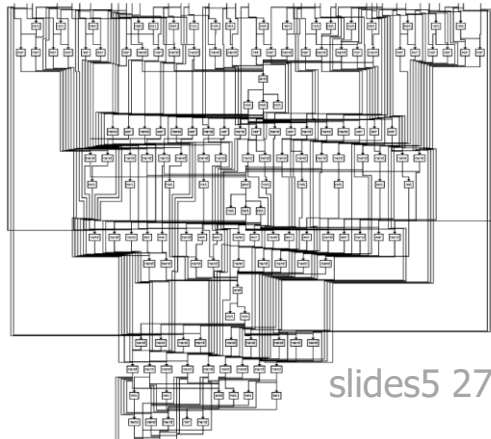
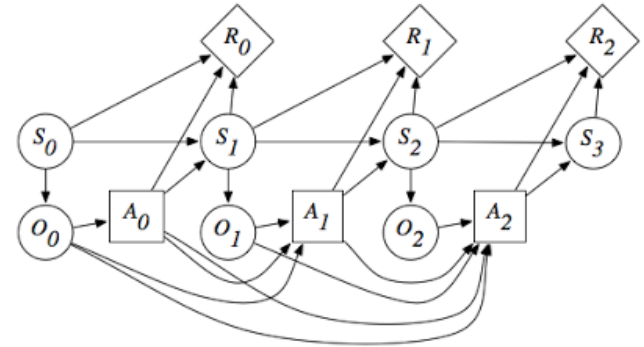


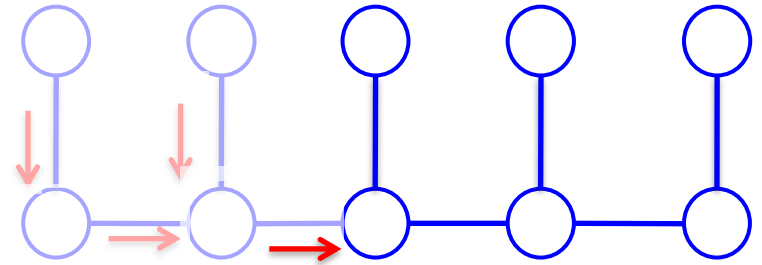
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Marginal MAP is Not Easy on Trees

- Pure MAP or summation tasks

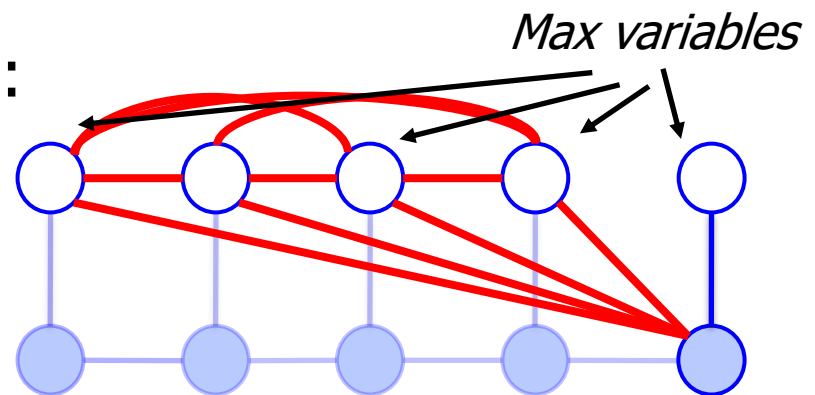
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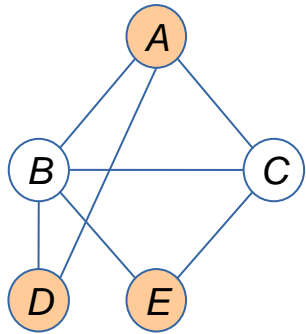
- Operations do not commute:
- Sum must be done first!

$$\sum \max \neq \max \sum$$



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Bucket Elimination



$$\mathbf{X}_M = \{A, D, E\}$$

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$$\max_{\mathbf{X}_M} \sum_{\mathbf{X}_S} P(\mathbf{X})$$

constrained elimination order

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MAX

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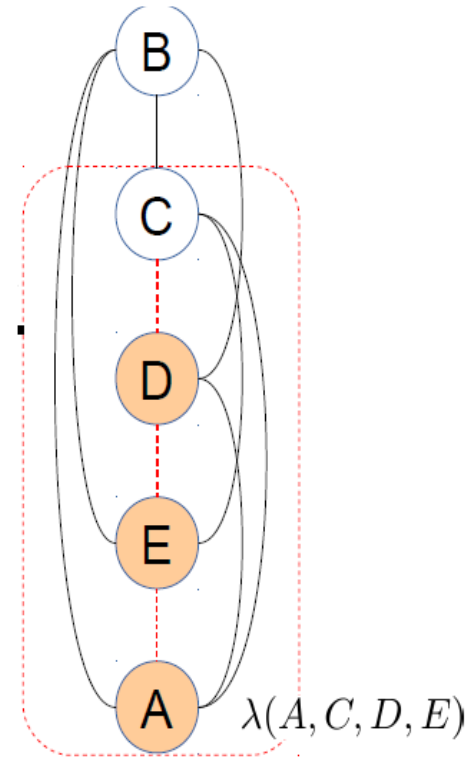
$$C: \underbrace{\lambda^B(A, C, D, E) f(A, C) f(C, E)}_{\Sigma_C}$$

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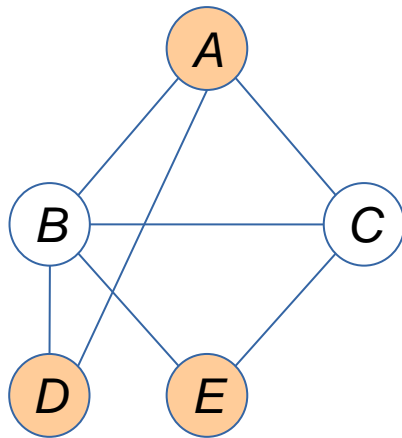
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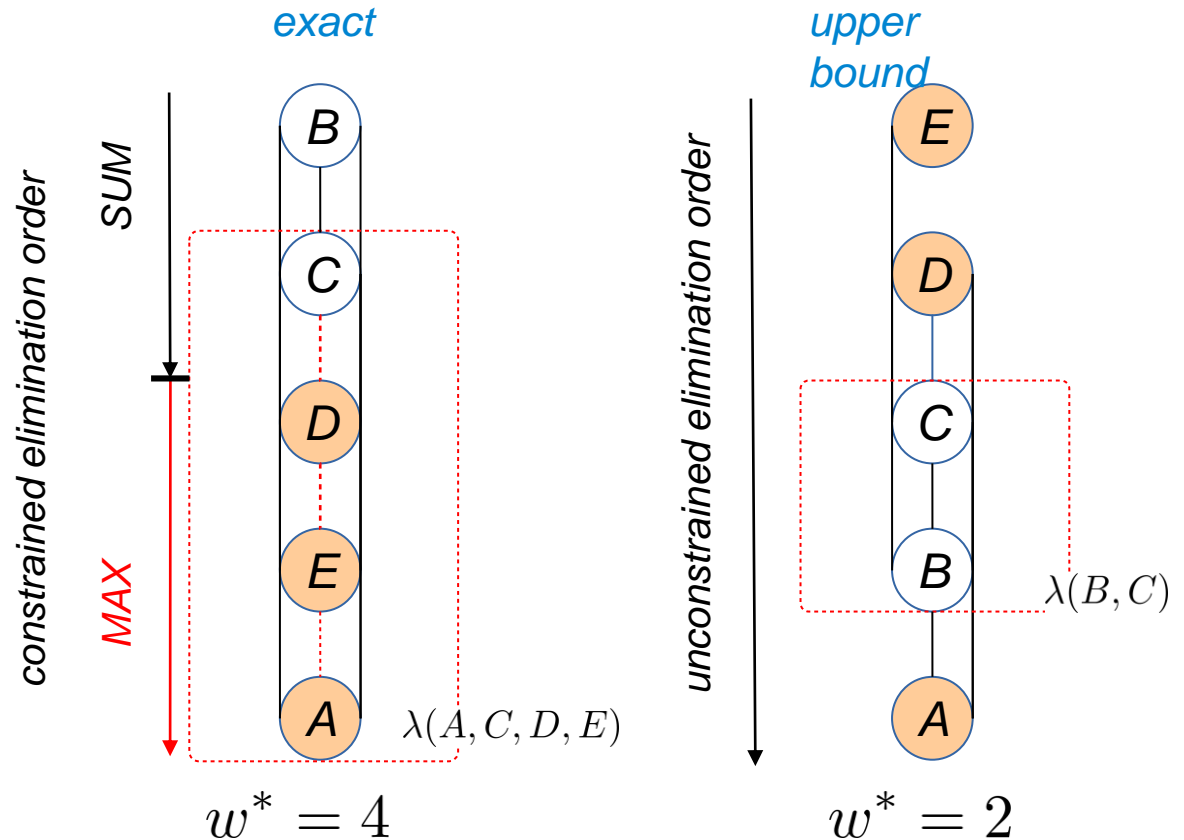


Why is MMAP harder?



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In practice, constrained induced is much larger!

$$\max_{\mathbf{X}} \sum \phi \leq \sum_{\mathbf{Y}} \max_{\mathbf{X}} \phi$$

(Park & Darwiche, 2003)
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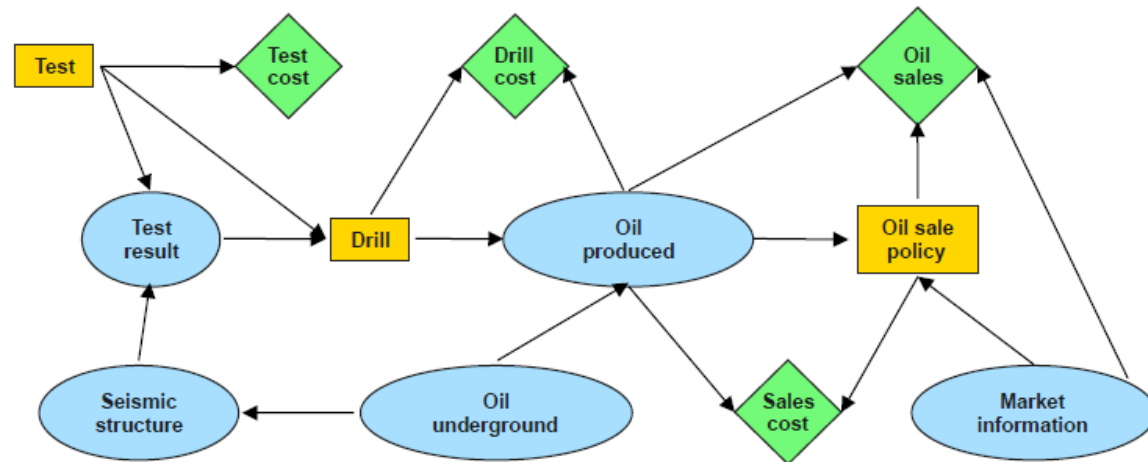
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Ex: “oil wildcatter”

e.g., [Raiffa 1968; Shachter 1986]

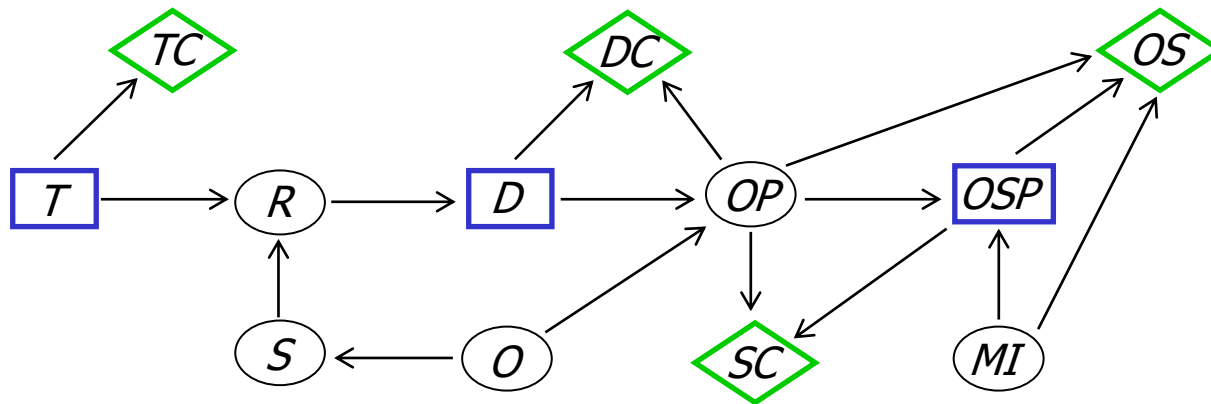
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- Chance variables:
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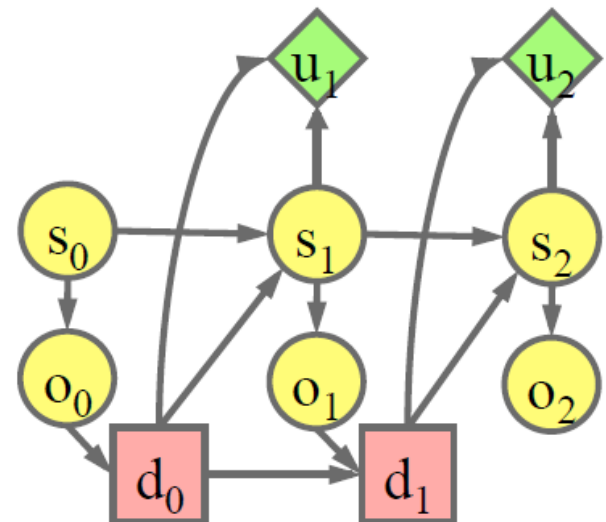
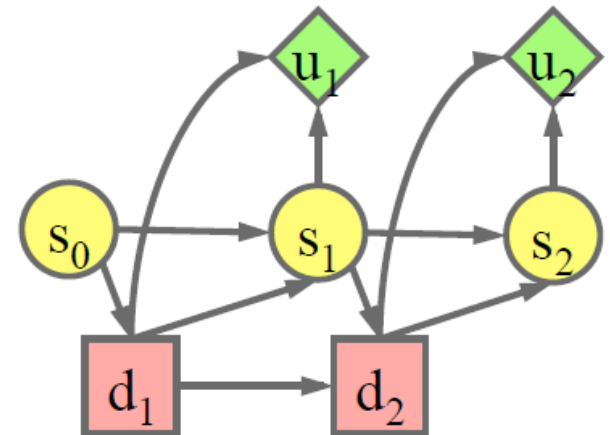
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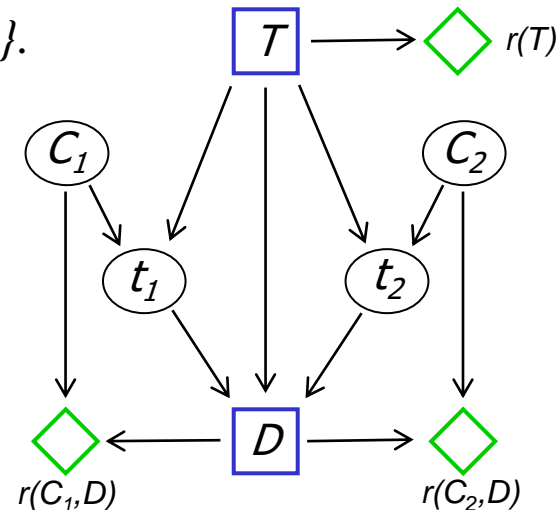
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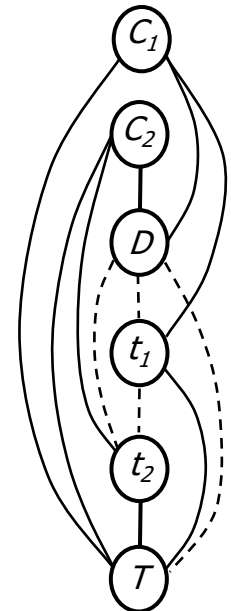
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Definition 2.2 Graphical model. A *graphical model* \mathcal{M} is a 4-tuple, $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{F}, \otimes \rangle$, where:

1. $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is a finite set of variables;
2. $\mathbf{D} = \{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$ is the set of their respective finite domains of values;
3. $\mathbf{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_r\}$ is a set of positive real-valued discrete functions, defined over scopes of variables $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, \dots, S_r\}$, where $S_i \subseteq \mathbf{X}$. They are called *local* functions.
4. \otimes is a *combination* operator (e.g., $\otimes \in \{\prod, \sum, \bowtie\}$ (product, sum, join)). The combination operator can also be defined axiomatically as in [Shenoy, 1992], but for the sake of our discussion we can define it explicitly, by enumeration.

The graphical model represents a *global function* whose scope is \mathbf{X} which is the combination of all its functions: $\otimes_{i=1}^r f_i$.

General Bucket Elimination

Algorithm General bucket elimination (GBE)

Input: $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{F}, \otimes \rangle$. $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ an ordering of the variables, $d = X_1, \dots, X_n$;
 $Y \subseteq X$.

Output: A new compiled set of functions from which the query $\downarrow_Y \otimes_{i=1}^n f_i$ can be derived in linear time.

1. **Initialize:** Generate an ordered partition of the functions into $bucket_1, \dots, bucket_n$, where $bucket_i$ contains all the functions whose highest variable in their scope is X_i . An input function in each bucket ψ_i , $\psi_i = \otimes_{i=1}^n f_i$.

2. **Backward:** For $p \leftarrow n$ downto 1, do

for all the functions $\psi_p, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_j$ in $bucket_p$, do

- **If** (observed variable) $X_p = x_p$ appears in $bucket_p$, assign $X_p = x_p$ in ψ_p and to each λ_i and put each resulting function in appropriate bucket.
- **else**, (combine and marginalize)
 $\lambda_p \leftarrow \downarrow_{S_p} \psi_p \otimes (\otimes_{i=1}^j \lambda_i)$ and add λ_p to the largest-index variable in $scope(\lambda_p)$.

3. **Return:** all the functions in each bucket.

Theorem 4.23 Correctness and complexity. *Algorithm GBE is sound and complete for its task. Its time and space complexities is exponential in the $w^*(d) + 1$ and $w^*(d)$, respectively, along the order of processing d .*