

Software Libraries for PGMs

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Very popular tools for ML/NNs/Deep Learning...

- SciKit Learn
- Tensorflow
- Keras
- Torch
- CUDA
- Theano
- Caffe

No shortage of small libraries for graphical models...

<http://www.cs.ubc.ca/~murphyk/Software/bnsoft.html>

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69 Libraries

Name	Authors	Src	Cts	GUI	Params	Struct	Utility	Free	Undir	Inference	Comments
AgentsRisk	Agena	N	Cx	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	JTree	Simulation by Dynamic discretisation
Analytics	Lumina	N	G	Y	Y	N	N	Y	\$	D	sampling spread sheet compatible
B-course	U. Helsenki	N	Cd	Y	Y	N	Y	N	0	D	?
Baylg	HansenRK	Java	Cd	N	N	Y	N	Y	0	D	none
Baselst	U. Helsenki	C++	G	N	N	N	N	N	0	D	NIH
BayesBuilder	Nijman (U. Nijm)	N	D	Y	N	N	N	N	0	D	?
BayesiaLab	Bayesia Ltd	N	Cd	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$	CG	Jtree,G Structural learning, adaptive questionnaires, dynamic models
Bayes-Scala	Daniel Kozekwka	Scala	D	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	UD	Loopy BP Loopy BP in Cluster Graph, EM learning (BN, unrolled DBN, incomplete data)
Bayes Server	Bayes Server	N	G	Y	Y	N	N	N	\$	D	RelevanceTree, Variables Supports inference and learning with Dynamic Bayesian networks and continuous variables
Bayesware Disc	Bayesware	N	Cd	Y	Y	Y	N	N	\$	D	?
Bayesware Dist	Helsenki	N	Cd	Y	Y	N	N	N	0	D	?
Bayesware Java	Helsenki	Python/C++	D	N	Y	N	N	N	0	Dr	Variational Non-Gaussian Latent variable models
Bayes-net learner	Moore, Wong (CN)	N	D	N	Y	N	N	N	0	D	SL
Bayes-net solver	Cheng (U. Albert)	N	D	Y	Y	Cl	N	N	0	D	?
Blaise	Bonnowitz and M. Java	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	0	G	Graph MCMC, SMC General MCMC toolkit, also handles non-parametric Bayesian models
BNT	Murphy (U.C. Berkeley)	Matlab/C	G	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	D,U	Many Also handles dynamic models, like HMMs and Kalman filters.
BNJ	Hsu (Kansas)	Java	D	Y	N	Y	N	N	0	D	Jtree, IS
BNL	Frank Rijnen	Matlab	D	N	N	N	N	N	0	D	Jtree
BUGS	MRC/Imperial	C#	Cs	W	Y	N	N	N	0	D	Gibbs
Causal discover	Vanderbilt	N	-	-	N	Y	N	N	0	D	-
CoCo-Xlap	Badsberg (U. Aa)	C/isp	D	Y	Y	Cl	N	N	0	U	Jtree Designed for contingency tables.
Cispace	Poole et al. (UBC)	Java	D	Y	N	N	N	N	0	D	Varelim
CFPloobos	Schmidt and Mui	Matlab/C	N	N	Y	N	N	N	0	U	Loopy BP Conditional random fields, arbitrary structure
DarWin	Stephen Gould	C++	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	U	Various Approx. inference, focus on CRFs for vision applications
DBNets	Roberts et al	Matlab	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	D	Various DBNs
Deal	Botzcher et al	R	G	Y	Y	Y	N	N	0	D	None Structure learning
Derivett	Derivett LLC	N	?	?	Y	Y	?	?	\$	D	Jtree, Gibbs Exploits local structure in CPDs.
Dimgle	Shawn Hershey	MATLAB/Java	G, Cs, Cd	N	Y	N	N	N	0	UD, CG	BP,G,MH Parameter learning is mostly limited to EM for now
Eltra	Elvira consortium	Java	Cd,Cx	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	D	JTree,varelim,IS Also includes classification, abductive inference and model fusion
Ergo	Noetic systems	N	D	Y	N	N	N	N	\$	D	Jtree
Factoria	Andrew McCallum	Scala	N	N	Y	N	N	N	0	U	Various Also supports relational factor graphs
FastInf	Jaimovich et al	(C++)	D	N	Y	N	N	N	0	U	JTree,G,VMP Also supports GBP,TRBP
Figaro	Avi Pfeffer/ Char	Scala	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	\$	U	S Also supports probabilistic relational models
GDA/Gsam	Wilkinson (U. Ne)	C	G	N	N	N	N	N	0	D	Exact Bayesian analysis of large linear Gaussian directed models.
Genie and SM	Decision System	SMILE wrappers	Cs, equations	W,U,M	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	tree	JTree,sampling DBNs, support for diagnostic applications
GGM	West et al (Duke)	C++	G	N	Y	N	Y	N	0	U	SL MCMC and stochastic search for structure learning of GGMs
GMRFsam	Rue (U. Trondheim)	C	G	N	N	N	N	N	0	U	MCMC Bayesian analysis of large linear Gaussian undirected models.
GMTS	Blimes (UIW), Zv	N	D	N	Y	Y	N	N	0	D	Jtree Designed for speech recognition.
GOBNILP	U. of York	Y	D	N	N	Y	N	N	0	D	none exact structure learning from data or local scores, k-best learning possible
gP	Lauritzen et al.	R	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	- Various packages
Grappa	Green (Bristol)	R	D	N	N	N	N	N	0	D	Jtree
HiBICS	Dobra et al (Wash)	C++	G	N	Y	Y	Y	N	0	U	SL stochastic search for structure learning of GGMs
Hugin Expert	Hugin	N	G	W	Y	Cl	Y	Y	\$	CG	Jtree
Hydra	Warms	Java	Cs	Y	Y	N	N	N	0	U,D	MCMC
iBayes	Artificial Intelligence	N	D	Y	N	N	N	N	0	D	Junction Tree, SL
InfNet	John Winn, Tom	Cl	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	0	Y	VMP, EP, Gibbs Bayesian parameter estimation as well
JAGS	Marty Plummer	Java	D	N	Y	N	N	N	0	Y	Gibbs Similar to BUGS
Jani Bayes	Cozman (CMU)	Java	D	Y	N	N	N	Y	0	D	Varelim, Jtree
LADR	Structured Data	N	Cd	N	N	N	Y	N	\$	D	none Structure learning of massive static or dynamic networks
LibE	Friedman (Hebrew)	N	D	N	Y	Y	N	N	0	D	SL Structure learning
libDAI	Mooji et al.	C++	D	N	Y	N	N	N	0	G	Graph JTree,VarElim,G, also supports GBP,HAK,LCBP,TreeEP,TRWBP
MIM	HyperGraph Soft	N	G	Y	Y	N	N	N	\$	CG	Jtree Up to 52 variables.
Mocapy++	U. Copenhagen	C++	G	N	Y	N	N	N	0	D	Gibbs sampling Support for directional statistics
MSBNx	Microsoft	N	D	W	N	N	N	Y	0	D	Jtree
Netica	Norsys	N	G	W	Y	N	Y	Y	\$	D	Jtree
OpenGM2	B. Andres, T. Bei	C++, Matlab, Py	D	Y	N	N	N	N	0	G	Graph Many LP, ILP, Multicut, LER, TRBP, QPBO, AStar, many graphcut-based methods, methods based on dual decomposition, and many more. Includes wrappers for several other related projects.
OpenMarkov	CISIA/D/UNED	Y	Cs,Cd	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	UD	Jtree,varelim,sam Java, open source, extensible; dynamic models, object oriented networks, interactive learning, ProbModeXML format
PMT	Pavlovic (BU)	Matlab/C	D	N	Y	Y	Y	N	0	D	special purpose
PMJ	Ehrnroev (Imtel)	C++	D	N	Y	Y	Y	N	0	U,D	Jtree
Pulsarella	IRIDA	Lisp	D	Y	N	N	N	N	0	D	?
RISQ	Dotier (U. Colorado)	Java	G	Y	N	N	N	N	0	D	Polytree Distributed implementation.
Sam Jam	Darwiche (UCLA)	N	G?	Y	Y	N?	Y	Y	0	D	Recursive condit Also does sensitivity Analysis
Stan	Gelman et al (Ccd)	C++	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	0	D	Hybrid Monte Ca Generates efficient MCMC code for BUGS-like models
Tetrad	CMU	N	G	N	Y	Cl	N	N	0	U,D	SL
UC Irvine	Dechter (UCI)	Y	D	N	N	N	N	N	0	UD	AND/OR Search Bucket Elimination, AND/OR search for P(evidence), MPE in Bayesian networks
UnIBayes	Prof. Marcelo La	Java	G, Cs, Cd	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	D	Jtree, G, sampling Supports other probabilistic graphical models: MSBN, OOBN, PRM, and MBEN.
Uninet	Technical Univer	N	G, Cs, Cx	Y	Y	Y	N	N	0	UD	sampling All probabilistic nodes (discrete, Gaussian, non-Gaussian) are supported
Vibes	Winn (MSR Cam)	Java	Cx	Y	Y	N	N	N	0	D	VMP analytically through the Vine-Copula method with Gaussian copula. Functional nodes are supported by sampling.
WinMine	Microsoft	N	Cx	Y	Y	Y	N	N	0	U,D	SL Learns BN or dependency net structure.
XBAI/CS 2.0	Cowell (City U)	N	G	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	0	CG	Jtree

Of these...

23 use junction trees for inference (some use Jtrees in addition to other algos)

5 use gibbs sampling

Many seem to be defunct, unsupported, or abandoned...

Why are there so many of these?

“It’s hard to strike a balance between generality and usability.” -Prof. Ihler

Positive qualities of software libraries... (CISQ)

Reliable

Efficient

Secure

Maintainable

Appropriately Scoped (Size)

“CISQ has defined five major desirable characteristics of a piece of software needed to provide business value...”
(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Software_quality)

The rest of this talk will focus on the libraries that can begin to convincingly claim to fulfill these qualities (in my opinion)

graphical models library



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Scholarly articles for **graphical models library**

... for discrete approximate inference in **graphical models** - Mooij - Cited by 256

... : A program for analysis of Bayesian **graphical models** ... - Hornik - Cited by 2332

Learning in **graphical models** - Jordan - Cited by 1767

GitHub - pgmpy/pgmpy: Python Library for Probabilistic Graphical ...

<https://github.com/pgmpy/pgmpy>

pgmpy is a python **library** for working with Probabilistic **Graphical Models**. Documentation and list of algorithms supported is at our official site <http://pgmpy.org/>

Pgmpy · Pgmpy/pgmpy_notebook · Issues 155

GitHub - opengm/opengm: A C++ Library for Discrete Graphical Models

<https://github.com/opengm/opengm>

OpenGM is a C++ template **library** for discrete factor graph **models** and distributive operations on these **models**. It includes state-of-the-art optimization and inference algorithms beyond message passing. ... The **graphical model** data structure, inference algorithms and different encodings ...

machine learning - Good libraries for working with probabilistic ...

<https://stats.stackexchange.com/.../good-libraries-for-working-with-probabilistic-graph...>

Nov 7, 2013 - A relatively new (and rapidly evolving) python **library** is pgmpy (Github Link).

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Edward – Home

edwardlib.org/

Edward is a Python **library** for probabilistic modeling, inference, and criticism. ... Directed **graphical models**; Neural networks (via **libraries** such as tf.layers and ...

pgmpy



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“Python library for Probabilistic Graphical Models”

- Details are sparse, but it seems that this library has its origins as a Google Summer of Code project. There appear to be 4 major contributors: Ankur Ankan from Radboud University, Yashu Seth, Abinash Panda, Utkarsh Khalibartan, and an unnamed GitHub user contributing under the handle “vivek425ster”.
- Open source
- Version 0.1.2
- Still under development (last commit on April 11)
- MIT License
- 48 contributors

Models

Bayesian Model

Markov Model

Factor Graph

Cluster Graph

Junction Tree

Markov Chain

NoisyOr Model

Naive Bayes

DynamicBayesianNetwork

Sampling Methods

Gibbs Sampler

Bayesian Model Samplers

Hamiltonian Monte Carlo

No U-Turn Sampler

Algorithms

Variable Elimination

Belief Propagation

MPLP

Dynamic Bayesian Network Inference

Positives

Very approachable (well documented)

Actively supported (bug fixes, features added)

Python

Negatives

Not backed by Big 4 company

Development seems to be slowing down (fewer commits over time)

2nd half of talk will focus on examples of what you can do with pgmpy...

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OpenGM2

“A C++ Library for Discrete Graphical Models”

- Developed at The Heidelberg Collaboratory for Image Processing at the University of Heidelberg. There are 3 main developers: Bjoern Andres, Thorsten Beier, and Joerg H. Kappes.
- Open source
- Version 2.0.2
- Still under development (last commit on April 5)
- MIT License
- 38 contributors
- Wrappers for Python and Matlab

Models

Graphs of any order and structure, from second order grid graphs to irregular higher-order models

Algorithms

- Combinatorial/Global Optimal Methods
- Linear Programming Relaxations
- Message Passing Methods
- Move Making Methods
- Sampling
- Wrapped External Code for Discrete Graphical Models

(41 total by my count)

Positives

Highly general

C++

Extensive Documentation

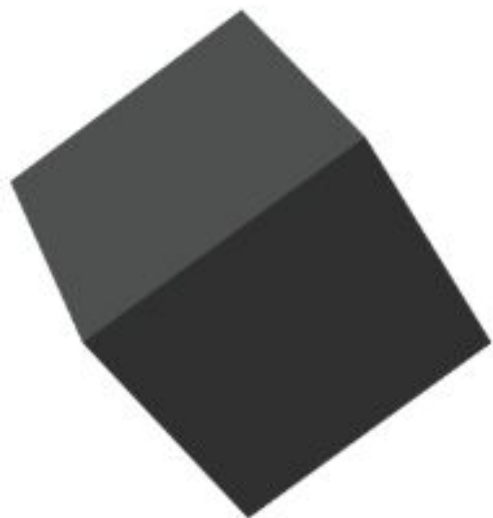
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“Edward is a Python library for probabilistic modeling, inference, and criticism. It is a testbed for fast experimentation and research with probabilistic models, ranging from classical hierarchical models on small data sets to complex deep probabilistic models on large data sets. Edward fuses three fields: Bayesian statistics and machine learning, deep learning, and probabilistic programming.”

“Formally, Edward is a Turing-complete probabilistic programming language.”

- Developed at Columbia University. Primary Developer: Dustin Tran
- Open source
- Version 1.3.5
- Still under development (last commit on June 1)
- MIT License
- 77 contributors

An abstraction over tensorflow

Directed graphical models

Neural networks (via libraries such as tf.layers and Keras)

Implicit generative models

Bayesian nonparametrics and probabilistic programs

Inference with...

Variational inference

- Black box variational inference
- Stochastic variational inference
- Generative adversarial networks
- Maximum a posteriori estimation

Monte Carlo

- Gibbs sampling
- Hamiltonian Monte Carlo
- Stochastic gradient Langevin dynamics

Compositions of inference

- Expectation-Maximization
- Pseudo-marginal and ABC methods
- Message passing algorithms

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Samlam

“Samlam is a comprehensive tool for modeling and reasoning with Bayesian networks”

- Developed at University of California, Los Angeles by the Automated Reasoning Group of Professor Adnan Darwiche.
- **Closed** source

Kevin's notes on Samlam

I took a look at this tool. It's impressive in the sense that the UI is very well designed and the fact that it's a Java program means that it can run on any machine with a Java virtual machine implementation, but the project is not open source. I can call into the code, but I can neither see nor edit the code. In my opinion, this is a serious issue. Why *not* host the code on Github? Also, it's not clear what the licensing is for this software. Can I use it in an industrial/commercial application? All of these factors limit Samlam's utility, unfortunately.

pgmpy



Installation...

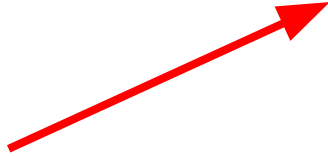
pip install if you're on linux

Easy, fast, basically error-proof

(As an aside...)

There's an R package called bnlearn (<http://www.bnlearn.com/>)

If you go to <http://www.bnlearn.com/bnrepository/> there are Bayesian networks (large and small) to test with!



Small Networks (<20 nodes)			
Name	Nodes	Arcs	Parameters
ASIA	8	8	18
CANCER	5	4	10
EARTHQUAKE	5	4	10
SACHS	11	17	178
SURVEY	6	6	21
Medium Networks (20–50 nodes)			
Name	Nodes	Arcs	Parameters
ALARM	37	46	509
BARLEY	48	84	114005
CHILD	20	25	230
INSURANCE	27	52	984
MILDEW	35	46	540150
WATER	32	66	10083
Large Networks (50–100 nodes)			
Name	Nodes	Arcs	Parameters
HAILFINDER	56	66	2656
HEPAR II	70	123	1453
WIN95PTS	76	112	574
Very Large Networks (100–1000 nodes)			
Name	Nodes	Arcs	Parameters
ANDES	223	338	1157
DIABETES	413	602	429409
LINK	724	1125	14211
MUNIN (4 subnetworks)	186–1041	273–1388	15622–80352
PATHFINDER	135	200	77155
PIGS	441	592	5618
Massive Networks (>1000 nodes)			
Name	Nodes	Arcs	Parameters
MUNIN (full network)	1041	1397	80592
MUNIN (4 subnetworks)	186–1041	273–1388	15622–80352

(As another aside...)

daft-pgm.org

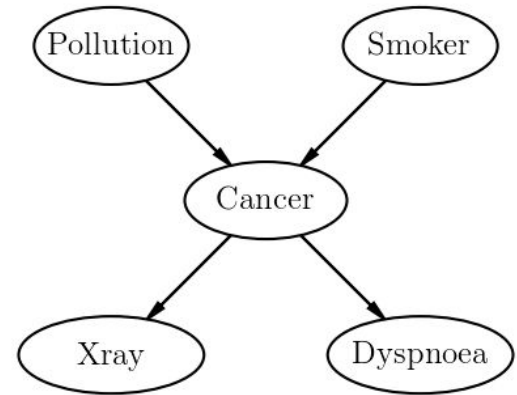
DAFT

BEAUTIFULLY RENDERED PROBABILISTIC GRAPHICAL MODELS.

[More...](#)

Daft is a Python package that uses [matplotlib](#) to render pixel-perfect *probabilistic graphical models* for publication in a journal or on the internet. With a short Python script and an intuitive model-building syntax you can design directed (Bayesian Networks, directed acyclic graphs) and undirected (Markov random fields) models and save them in any formats that matplotlib supports (including PDF, PNG, EPS and SVG).

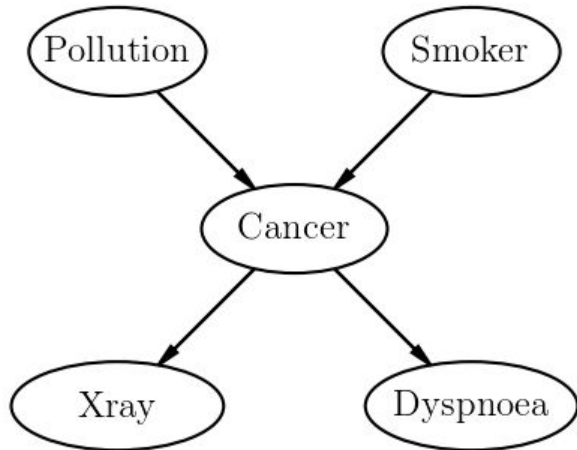
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1 from matplotlib import rc
2 rc("font", family="serif", size=12)
3 rc("text", usetex=True)
4
5 import daft
6
7 pgm = daft.PGM([3.6, 2.7], origin=[1.15, 0.65])
8 pgm.add_node(daft.Node("Pollution", r"Pollution", 2, 3, aspect=2))
9 pgm.add_node(daft.Node("Smoker", r"Smoker", 4, 3, aspect=2))
10 pgm.add_node(daft.Node("Cancer", r"Cancer", 3, 2, aspect=2.1))
11 pgm.add_node(daft.Node("Xray", r"Xray", 2, 1, aspect=2.4))
12 pgm.add_node(daft.Node("Dyspnoea", r"Dyspnoea", 4, 1, aspect=2.4))
13 pgm.add_edge("Pollution", "Cancer")
14 pgm.add_edge("Smoker", "Cancer")
15 pgm.add_edge("Cancer", "Xray")
16 pgm.add_edge("Cancer", "Dyspnoea")
17 pgm.render()
18 pgm.figure.savefig("wordy.pdf")
19 pgm.figure.savefig("wordy.png", dpi=150)
20
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9 from pgmpy.factors.discrete import TabularCPD
10 cpd_poll = TabularCPD(variable='Pollution', variable_card=2,
11                       values=[[0.9], [0.1]])
12 cpd_smoke = TabularCPD(variable='Smoker', variable_card=2,
13                       values=[[0.3], [0.7]])
14 cpd_cancer = TabularCPD(variable='Cancer', variable_card=2,
15                       values=[[0.03, 0.05, 0.001, 0.02],
16                               [0.97, 0.95, 0.999, 0.98]],
17                       evidence=['Smoker', 'Pollution'],
18                       evidence_card=[2, 2])
19 cpd_xray = TabularCPD(variable='Xray', variable_card=2,
20                       values=[[0.9, 0.2], [0.1, 0.8]],
21                       evidence=['Cancer'], evidence_card=[2])
22 cpd_dysp = TabularCPD(variable='Dyspnoea', variable_card=2,
23                       values=[[0.65, 0.3], [0.35, 0.7]],
24                       evidence=['Cancer'], evidence_card=[2])
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26 # Associating the parameters with the model structure.
27 cancer_model.add_cpds(cpd_poll, cpd_smoke, cpd_cancer, cpd_xray, cpd_dysp)
28 # Checking if the cpds are valid for the model.
29 cancer_model.check_model()
30 assert(cancer_model.is_active_trail('Pollution', 'Smoker') == False)
31 assert(cancer_model.is_active_trail('Pollution', 'Smoker', observed=['Cancer']) == True)
32 print(cancer_model.get_independencies())
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(Xray _|_ Dyspnoea, Smoker, Pollution | Cancer)
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34 # Doing exact inference using Variable Elimination
35 from pgmpy.inference import VariableElimination
36 cancer_infer = VariableElimination(cancer_model)
37 q = cancer_infer.query(variables=['Cancer'], evidence={'Pollution': 0, 'Smoker': 0})
38 print(q['Cancer'])
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Cancer	phi(Cancer)
Cancer_0	0.0300
Cancer_1	0.9700

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40 print(cancer_infer.induced_width(['Pollution', 'Smoker', 'Cancer', 'Xray', 'Dyspnoea']))
```

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I hope this was helpful, interesting, or provided some ideas about potential future work.

Thank you!

Questions?