



Bayesian Networks – Representation

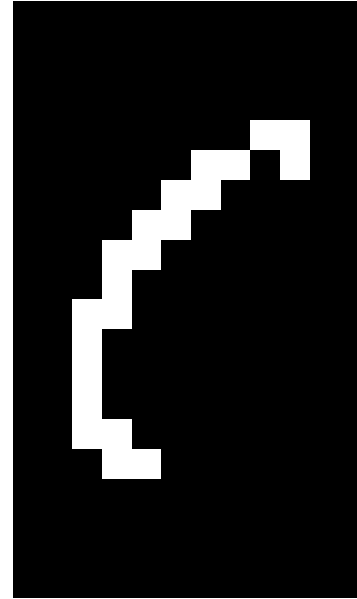
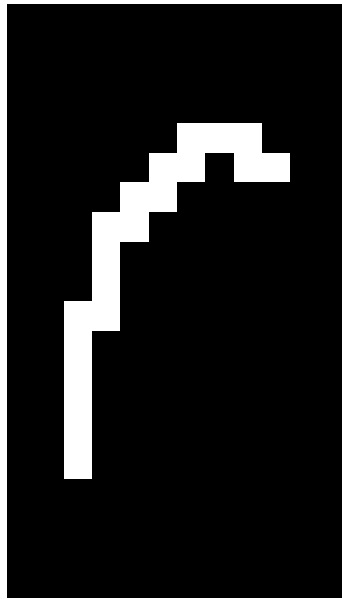
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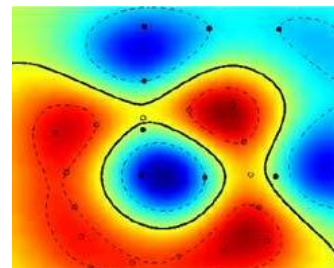
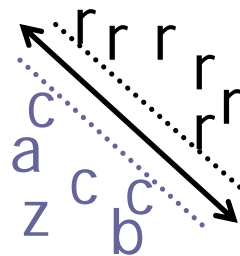
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Handwriting recognition



Character recognition, e.g., kernel SVMs



Webpage classification



→ Company home page

VS

Personal home page

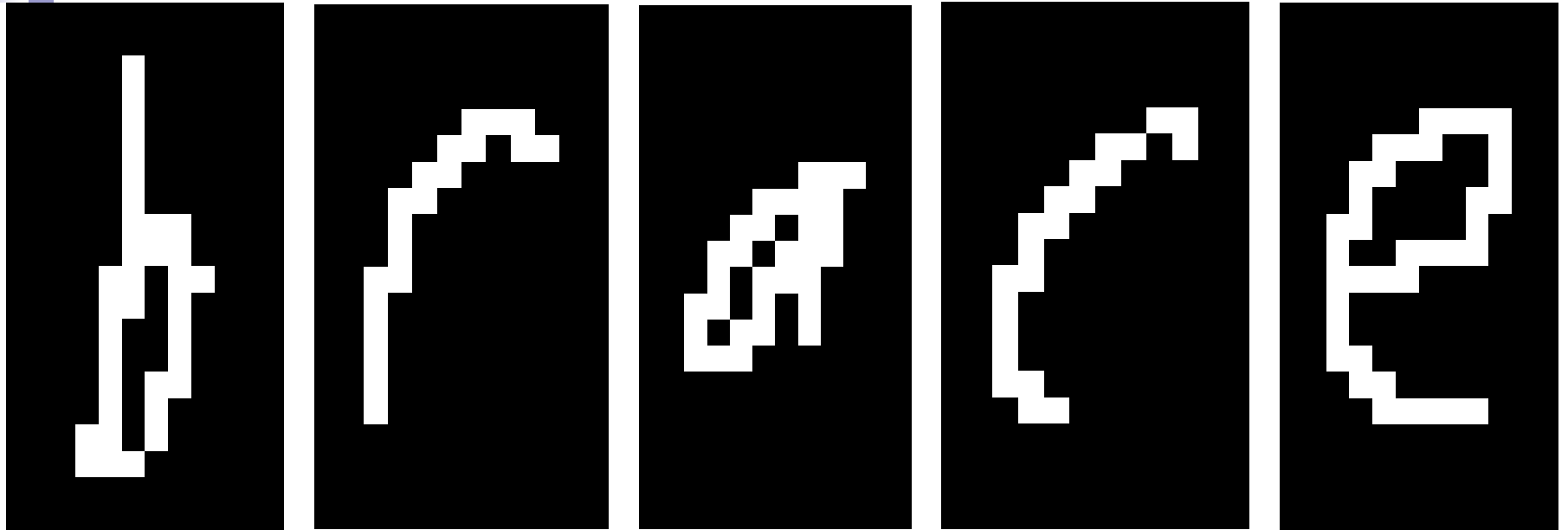
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Handwriting recognition 2



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A, B, ..., Z

one class per word:

AAAAA

A#AAB

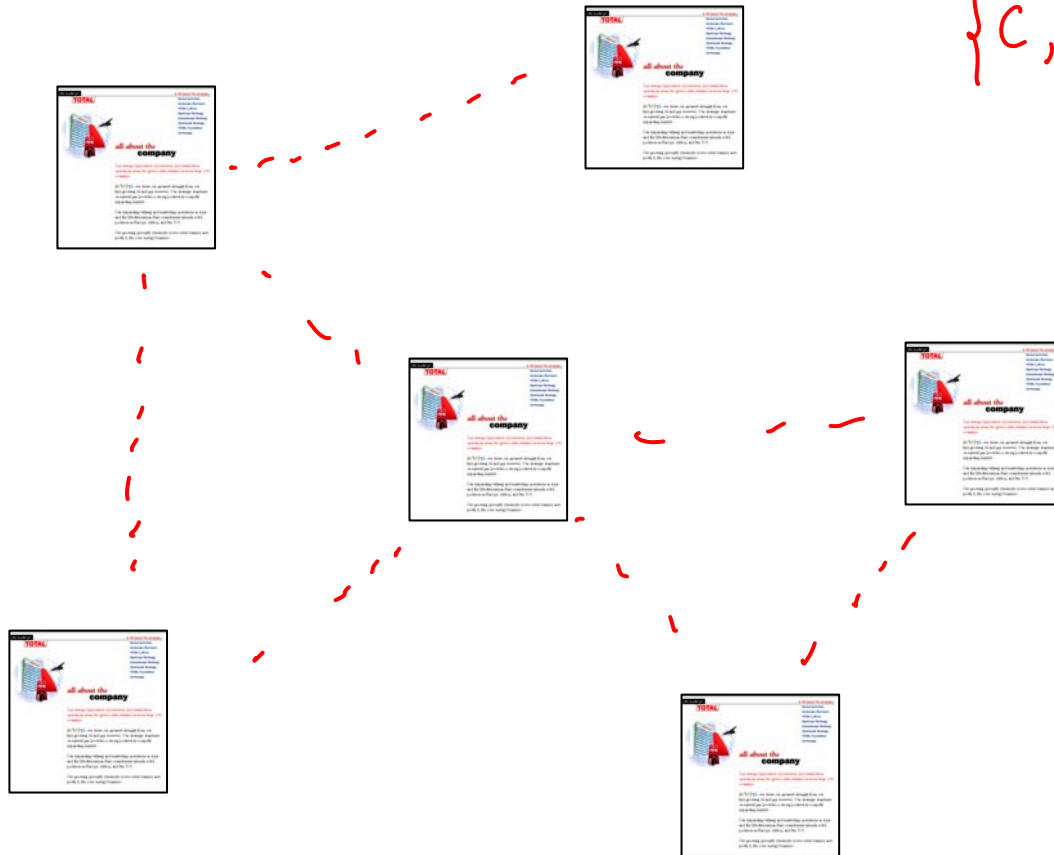
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↑
A, B, ..., Z

$\{c, p, u, s\}^{\# \text{pages}}$



Today – Bayesian networks



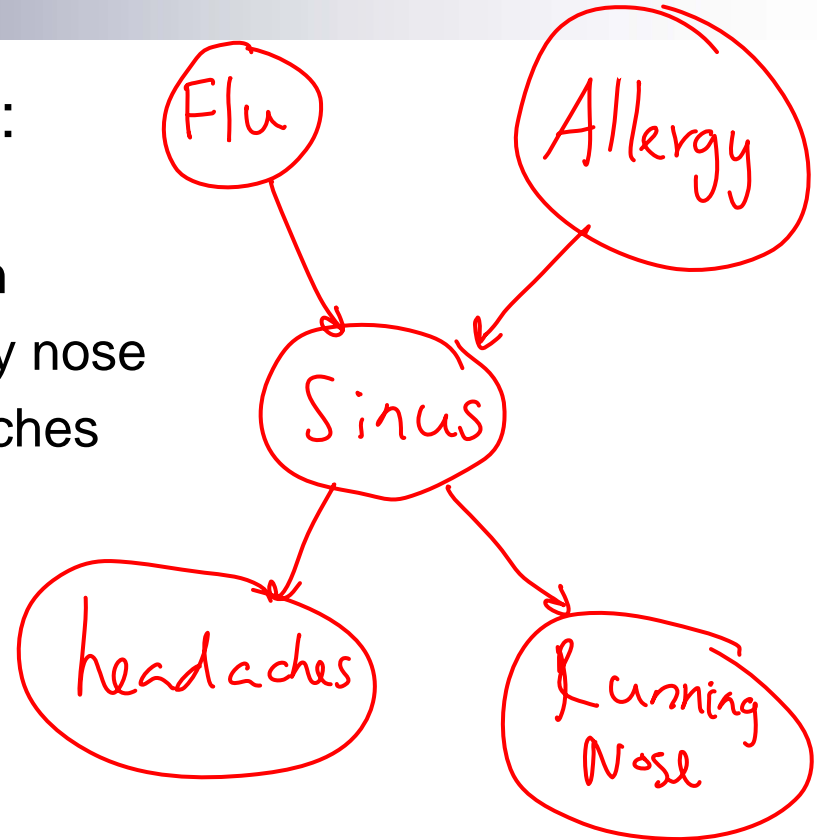
- One of the most exciting advancements in statistical AI in the last 10-15 years
- Generalizes naïve Bayes and logistic regression classifiers
- Compact representation for exponentially-large probability distributions
- Exploit conditional independencies

Causal structure

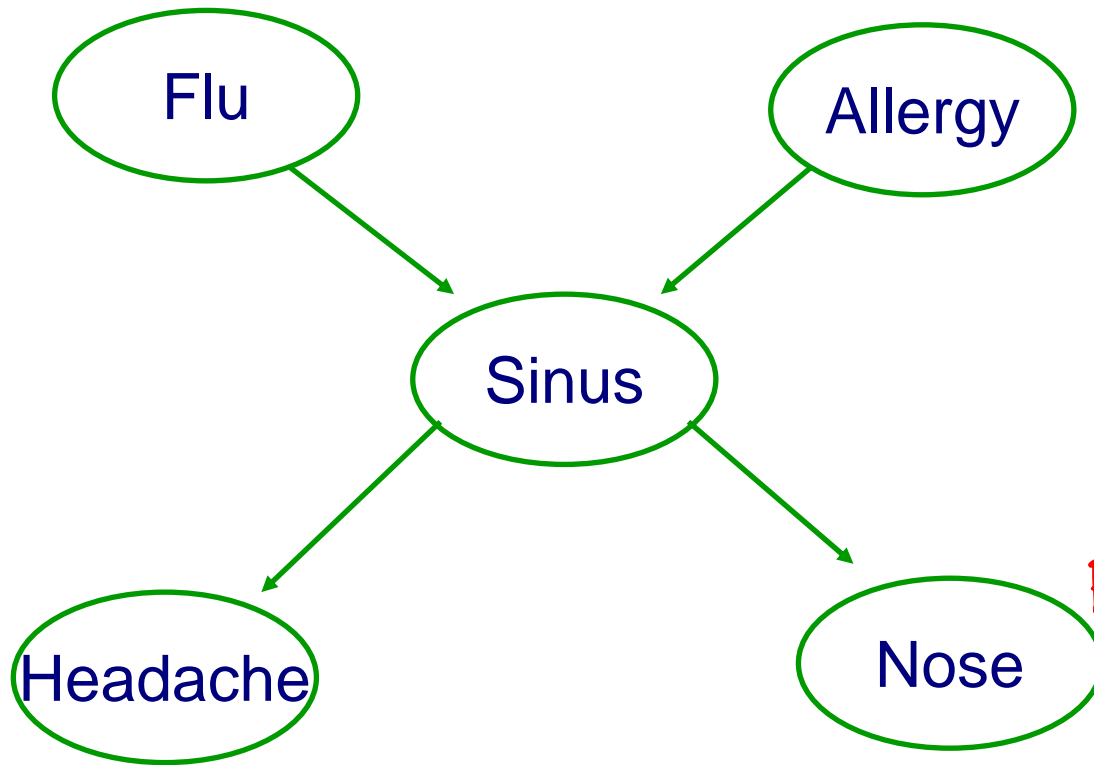
■ Suppose we know the following:

- The flu causes sinus inflammation
- Allergies cause sinus inflammation
- Sinus inflammation causes a runny nose
- Sinus inflammation causes headaches

■ How are these connected?



Possible queries



- Inference

$$P(\text{Flu}=t \mid H=t, N=f)$$

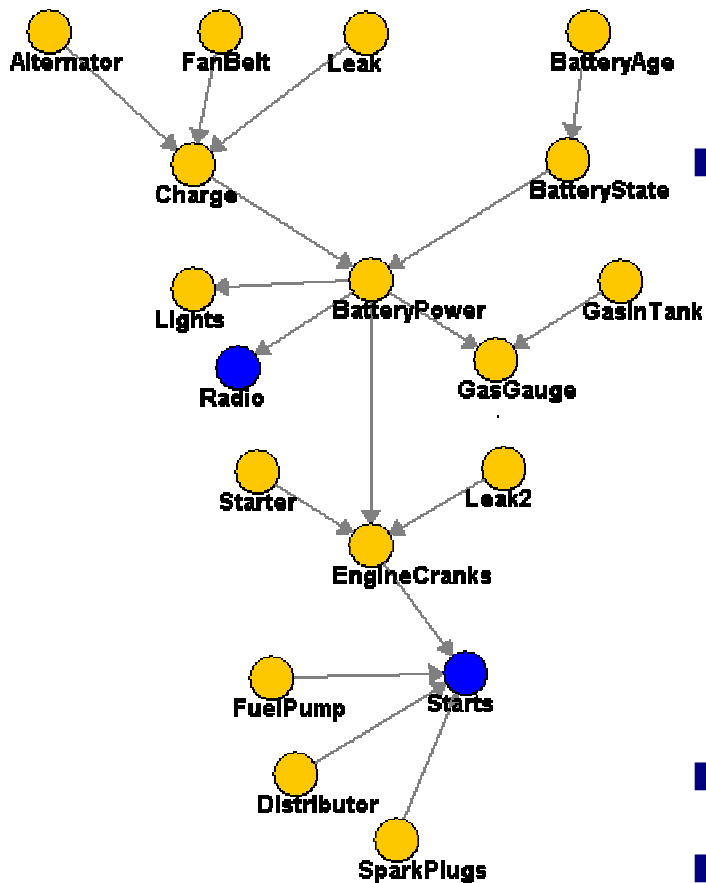
- Most probable explanation

$$\max_{\text{Flu, Allergy}} P(\text{Flu, Allergy} \mid H=t, N=f)$$

- Active data collection

what's best question to ask

Car starts BN



- 18 binary attributes

- Inference

$$P(B, S) = \sum_{A, F, L, \dots} P(A, F, L, \dots, B, S)$$

- ☐ $P(\text{BatteryAge} | \text{Starts} = f)$

$$P(B = \text{old} | S = f) = \frac{P(B = \text{old}, S = f)}{P(S = f)}$$

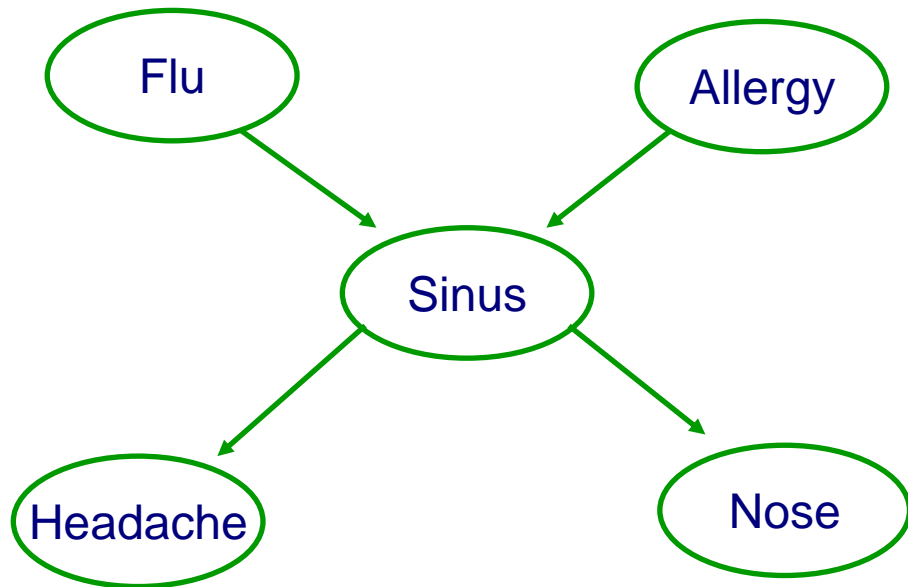
- 2^{18} terms, why so fast?

- Not impressed?

- ☐ HailFinder BN – more than $3^{54} =$

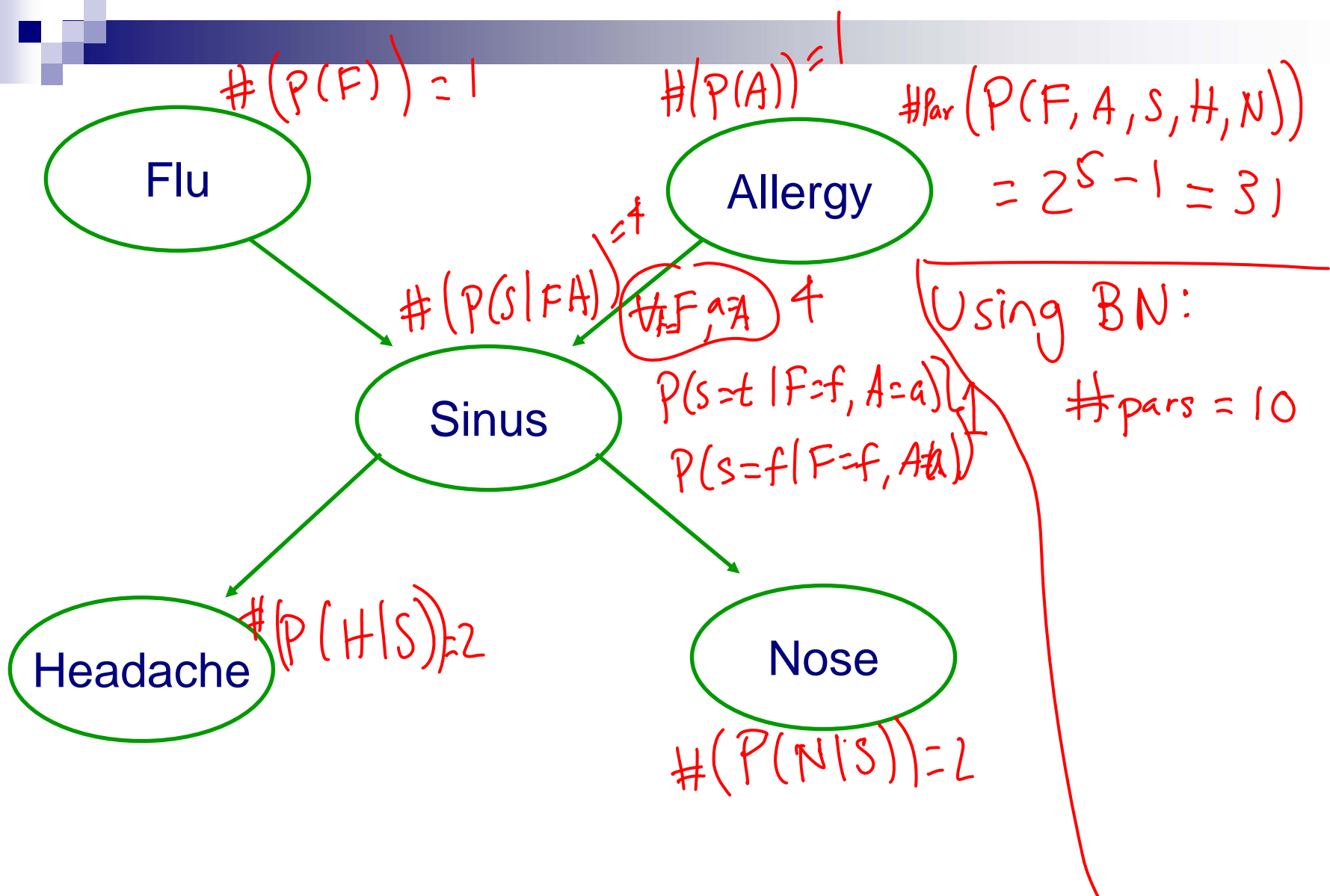
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Factored joint distribution - Preview

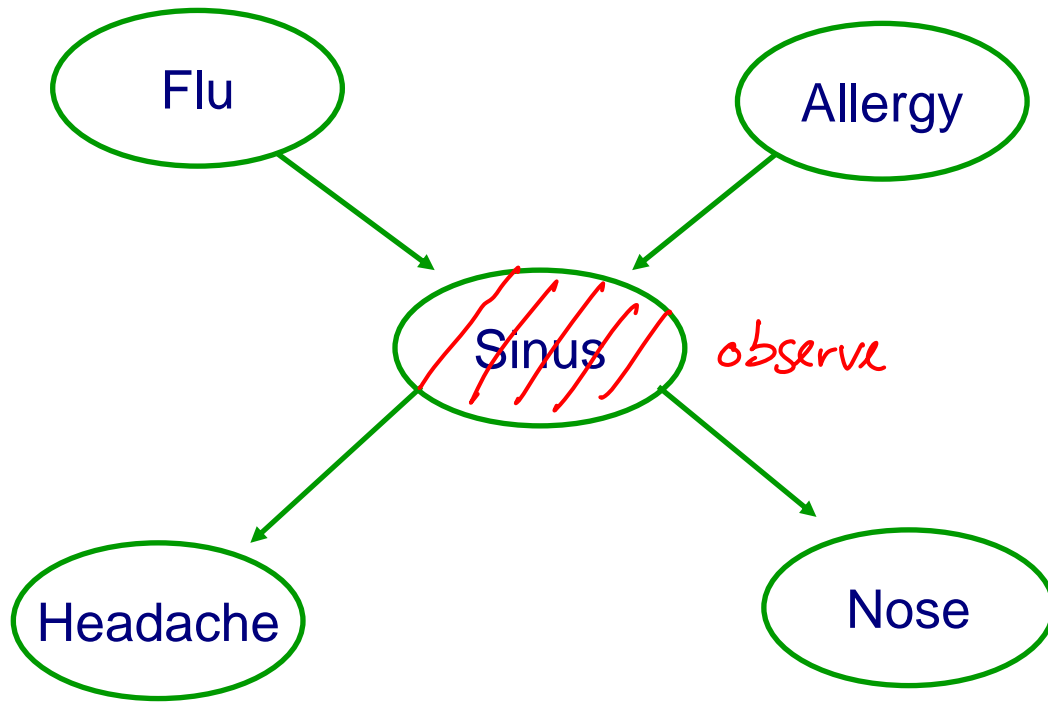


$$P(F, A, S, H, N) = \\ P(F) \times P(A) \times P(S|F, A) \times \\ P(H|S) \times P(N|S)$$

Number of parameters



Key: Independence assumptions



F, A independent
a priori

F, N are "dependent"

F, N are independent
given S

Knowing sinus separates the variables from each other

(Marginal) Independence

- Flu and Allergy are (marginally) independent

$$P(F) = P(F|A)$$

$$P(F, A) = P(F) \cdot P(A)$$

Flu = t	0.1
Flu = f	0.9

- More Generally:

Independence:

A, B independent: $(A \perp B)$

$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

$$\updownarrow$$
$$P(B|A) = P(B)$$

$$\updownarrow$$
$$P(A, B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

Allergy = t	0.2
Allergy = f	0.8

$P(F, A)$	Flu = t	Flu = f
Allergy = t	0.1×0.2	0.9×0.2
Allergy = f	0.1×0.8	0.9×0.8

Conditional independence

- Flu and Headache are not (marginally) independent

$$P(F) \neq P(F|H)$$

- Flu and Headache are independent given Sinus infection

$$P(F|S,H) = P(F|S)$$

$$P(F,H|S) = P(F|S) P(H|S)$$

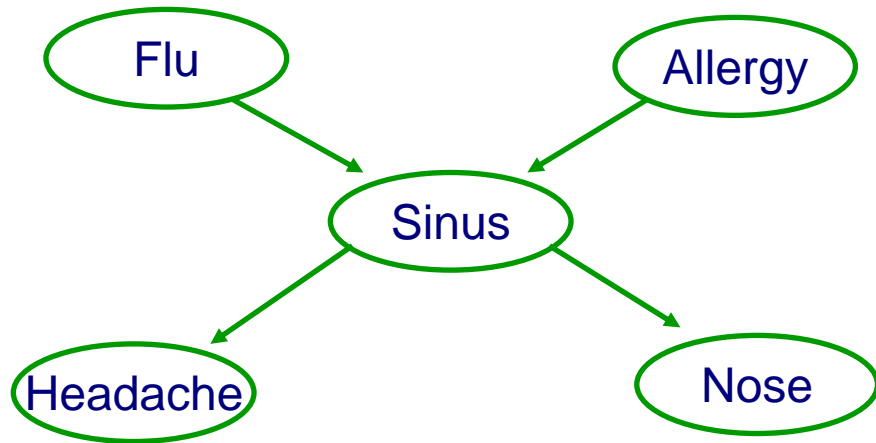
- More Generally: $(A \perp B | S)$ A, B independent given S

$$P(A|S) = P(A|S,B)$$

$$\Downarrow P(B|S) = P(B|S,A)$$

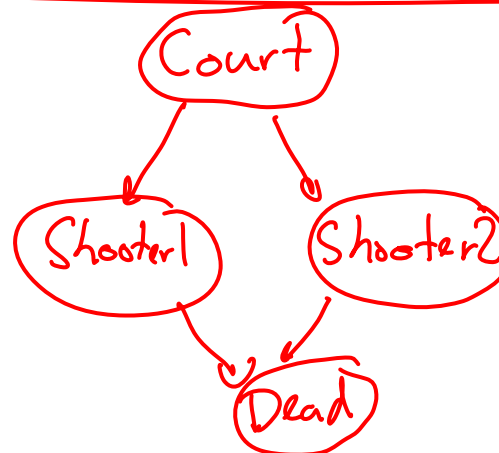
$$\Downarrow P(AB|S) = P(A|S) \cdot P(B|S)$$

The independence assumption



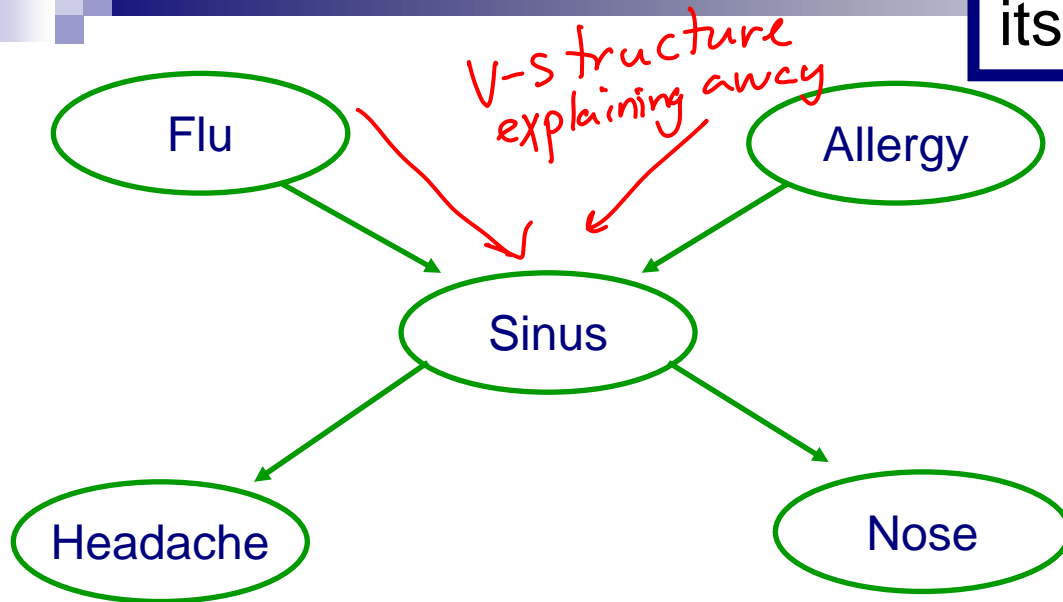
Local Markov Assumption:
A variable X is independent of its non-descendants given its parents

Example with cycle



Explaining away

Local Markov Assumption:
A variable X is independent of its non-descendants given its parents



F, A independent

Give you $S=t$

F, A not independent:

~~$(F \perp A | S)$~~

observe $S=t \rightarrow$ increase $P(F|S=t)$
 $P(A|S=t)$

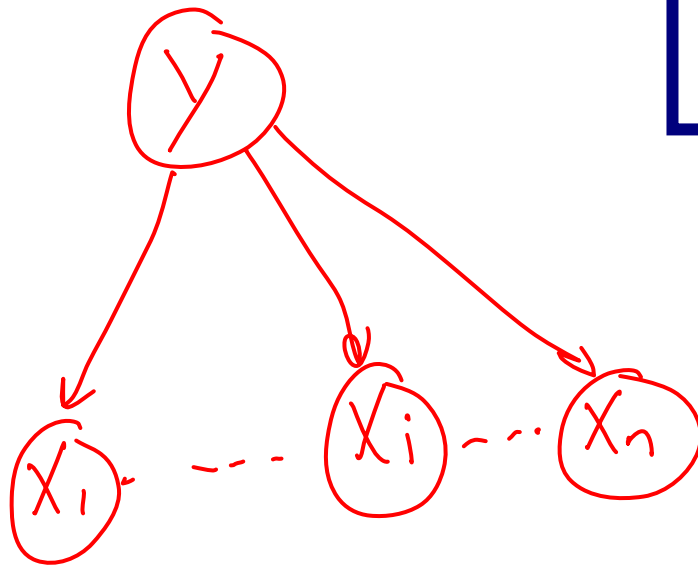
but $S=t, A=t \rightarrow$ decrease prob. $F=t$

Naïve Bayes revisited

Y - class

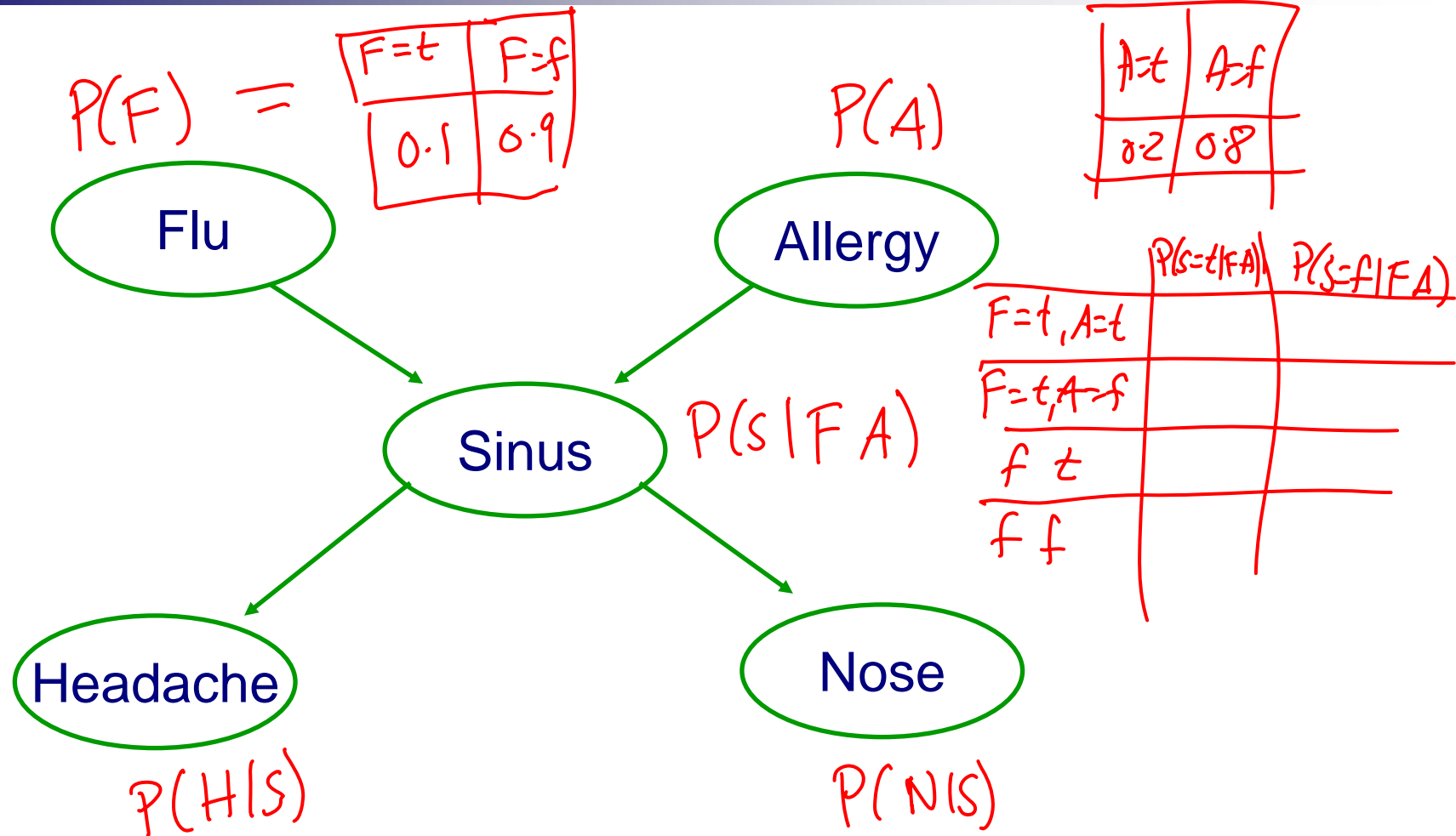
X_i - features

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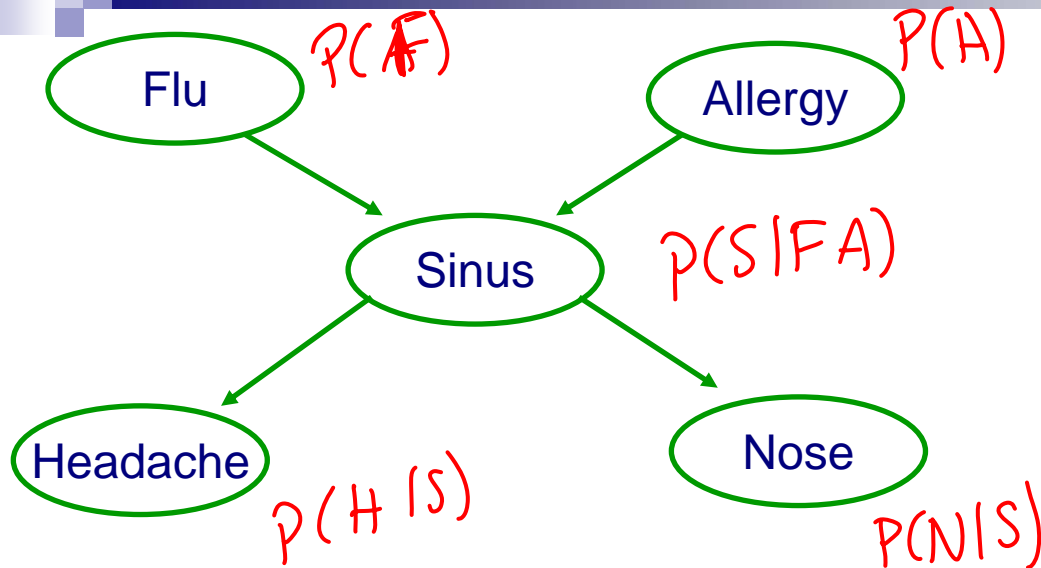


What about probabilities?

Conditional probability tables (CPTs)



Joint distribution



$$P(A, F, S, H, N) = P(F) \times P(A) \times P(S|FA) \times P(H|S) \times P(N|S)$$

Why can we decompose? Markov Assumption!

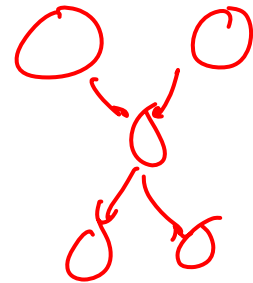
Real Bayesian networks applications

- Diagnosis of lymph node disease
- Speech recognition
- Microsoft office and Windows
 - <http://www.research.microsoft.com/research/dtg/>
- Study Human genome
- Robot mapping
- Robots to identify meteorites to study
- Modeling fMRI data
- Anomaly detection
- Fault dianosis
- Modeling sensor network data

A general Bayes net

- Set of random variables F, A, S, H, N

- Directed acyclic graph
 - Encodes independence assumptions



- CPTs

- Joint distribution: $\text{product of local tables}$

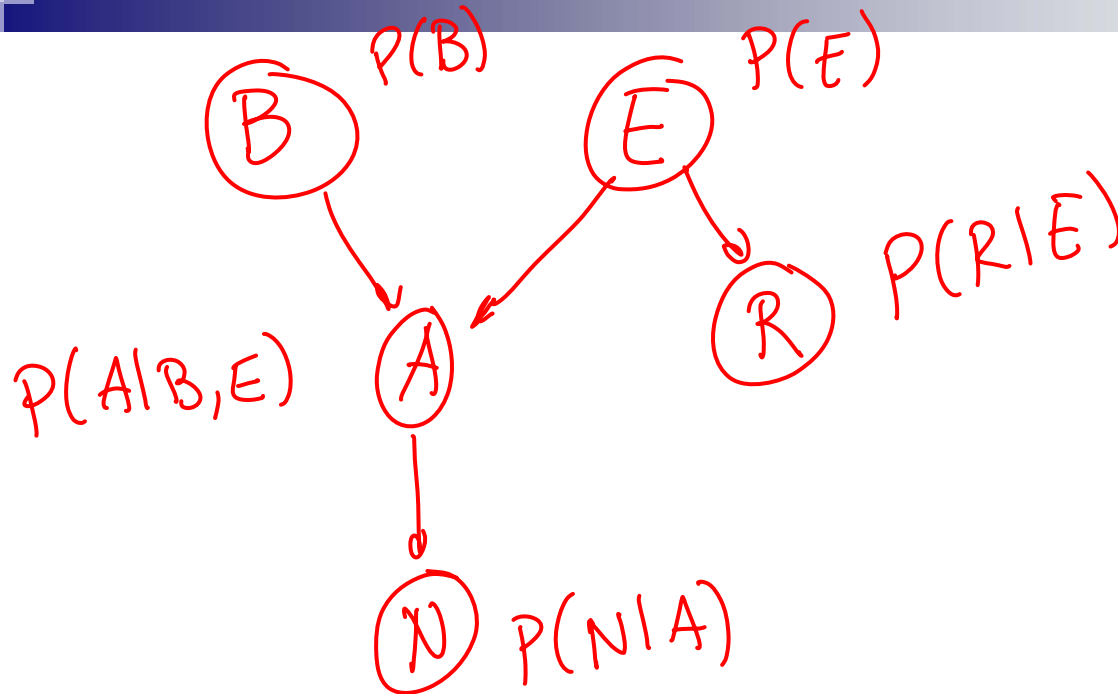
$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \mid \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i})$$

Another example



- Variables:
 - ☐ B – Burglar
 - ☐ E – Earthquake
 - ☐ A – Burglar alarm
 - ☐ N – Neighbor calls
 - ☐ R – Radio report
- Both burglars and earthquakes can set off the alarm
- If the alarm sounds, a neighbor may call
- An earthquake may be announced on the radio

Another example – Building the BN



- B – Burglar
- E – Earthquake
- A – Burglar alarm
- N – Neighbor calls
- R – Radio report

Defining a BN

- Given a set of variables and conditional independence assumptions
- Choose an ordering on variables, e.g., X_1, \dots, X_n
- For $i = 1$ to n
 - Add X_i to the network
 - Define parents of X_i , \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i} , in graph as the minimal subset of $\{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\}$ such that local Markov assumption holds – X_i independent of rest of $\{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\}$, given parents \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i}
 - Define/learn CPT – $P(X_i | \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i})$

How many parameters in a BN?

■ Discrete variables X_1, \dots, X_n

~~# vals~~ # vals X_i
is $|X_i|$

■ Graph

□ Defines parents of X_i , \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i}

■ CPTs – $P(X_i | \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i})$

$$\# \text{ param } [P(X_i | \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i})] = \left[\prod_{X_j \in \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i}} |X_j| \right] (|X_i| - 1)$$

$$\# \text{ params (BN)} = \sum_i \# \text{ param } [P(X_i | \mathbf{Pa}(X_i))] \\ << \left[\prod_i |X_i| \right] - 1$$

Defining a BN 2

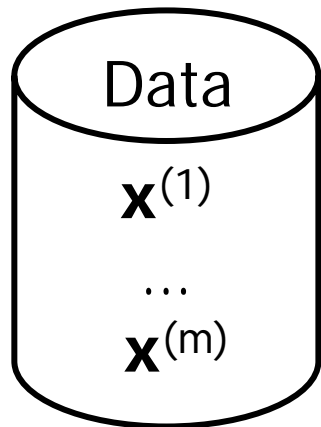
We may not know conditional independence assumptions and even variables

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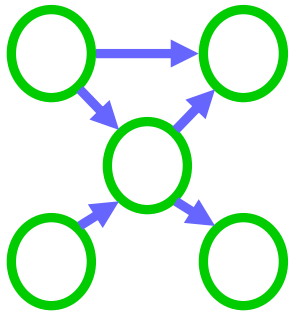
There are good orderings and bad ones – A bad ordering may need more parents per variable → must learn more parameters

How???

Learning the CPTs



$$\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = (x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_n^{(i)})$$



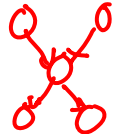
For each discrete variable X_i

$$P(X_i | X_j, X_k) = \frac{P(X_i, X_j, X_k)}{P(X_j, X_k)}$$

$$\approx \frac{\text{Count}(X_i, X_j, X_k)}{\text{Count}(X_j, X_k)}$$

$$\text{MLE: } P(X_i = x_i | X_j = x_j) = \frac{\text{Count}(X_i = x_i, X_j = x_j)}{\text{Count}(X_j = x_j)}$$

Learning Bayes nets

	Known structure 	Unknown structure
Fully observable data $x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_n^{(i)}$	counts !	next next lecture
Missing data $x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_n^{(i)} = ?$	later in course	next semester

Queries in Bayes nets

- Given BN, find:
 - Probability of X given some evidence, $P(X|e)$
 - Most probable explanation, $\max_{x_1, \dots, x_n} P(x_1, \dots, x_n | e)$
 - Most informative query
- Learn more about these next class

What you need to know



- Bayesian networks
 - A compact **representation** for large probability distributions
 - Not an algorithm
- Semantics of a BN
 - Conditional independence assumptions
- Representation
 - Variables
 - Graph
 - CPTs
- Why BNs are useful
- Learning CPTs from fully observable data
- Play with applet!!! 😊

Acknowledgements



- JavaBayes applet

- <http://www.pmr.poli.usp.br/ltd/Software/javabayes/Home/index.html>