

Maximum likelihood estimation (MLE) of BN parameters – General case

- Data: **x**⁽¹⁾,...,**x**^(m)
- Restriction: $\mathbf{x}^{(j)}[\mathbf{Pa}_{Xi}] \rightarrow \text{assignment to } \mathbf{Pa}_{Xi} \text{ in } \mathbf{x}^{(j)}$
- Given structure, log likelihood of data:

 $\log P(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta_{\mathcal{G}}, \mathcal{G})$

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Taking derivatives of MLE of BN

parameters – General case

$$\log P(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta_{\mathcal{G}}, \mathcal{G}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log P\left(X_i = x_i^{(j)} \mid \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i} = \mathbf{x}^{(j)} \left[\mathbf{Pa}_{X_i} \right] \right)$$

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General MLE for a CPT

- - Take a CPT: P(X|**U**)
 - Log likelihood term for this CPT
 - Parameter $\theta_{X=x|U=u}$:

MLE:
$$P(X = x \mid U = u) = \theta_{X=x|U=u} = \frac{\text{Count}(X = x, U = u)}{\text{Count}(U = u)}$$

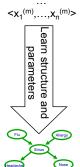
Where are we with learning BNs?

- Given structure, estimate parameters
 - Maximum likelihood estimation
 - □ Later Bayesian learning
- What about learning structure?

Learning the structure of a BN



$< x_1^{(1)}, ..., x_n^{(1)} >$



Constraint-based approach

- □ BN encodes conditional independencies
- ☐ Test conditional independencies in data
- ☐ Find an I-map

Score-based approach

- ☐ Finding a structure and parameters is a density estimation task
- □ Evaluate model as we evaluated parameters
 - Maximum likelihood
 - Bayesian
 - etc.

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Remember: Obtaining a P-map?

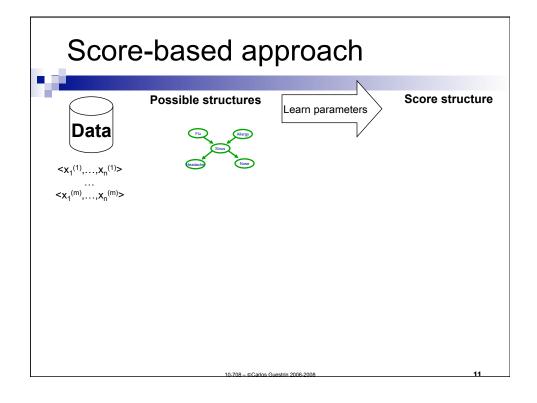


- Given the independence assertions that are true for P
 - Obtain skeleton
 - Obtain immoralities
- From skeleton and immoralities, obtain every (and any)
 BN structure from the equivalence class

Constraint-based approach:

- ☐ Use Learn PDAG algorithm
- ☐ Key question: Independence test

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Information-theoretic interpretation of maximum likelihood

Given structure, log likelihood of data:

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Information-theoretic interpretation of maximum likelihood 2



Given structure, log likelihood of data:

$$\log \hat{P}(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta, \mathcal{G}) = m \sum_{i} \sum_{x_i, \mathbf{Pa}_{x_i, \mathcal{G}}} \hat{P}(x_i, \mathbf{Pa}_{x_i, \mathcal{G}}) \log \hat{P}(x_i \mid \mathbf{Pa}_{x_i, \mathcal{G}})$$

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Decomposable score



Log data likelihood

$$\log \hat{P}(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta, \mathcal{G}) = m \sum_{i} \hat{I}(X_{i}, \mathbf{Pa}_{X_{i}}) - m \sum_{i} \hat{H}(X_{i})$$

- Decomposable score:
 - □ Decomposes over families in BN (node and its parents)
 - $\hfill\square$ Will lead to significant computational efficiency!!!
 - $\ \, \Box \ \, \mathsf{Score}(G \ : D) = \textstyle \sum_{\mathsf{i}} \mathsf{FamScore}(\mathsf{X}_{\mathsf{i}} | \mathbf{Pa}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{i}} : D)$

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Announcements



Recitation tomorrow

- □ Don't miss it!
- HW2
 - □ Out today
 - □ Due in 2 weeks
- Projects!!! ☺
 - □ Proposals due Oct. 8th in class
 - □ Individually or groups of two
 - Details on course website
 - □ Project suggestions will be up soon!!!

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BN code release!!!!



- Pre-release of a C++ library for probabilistic inference and learning
- Features:
 - □ basic datastructures (random variables, processes, linear algebra)
 - □ distributions (Gaussian, multinomial, ...)
 - basic graph structures (directed, undirected)
 - □ graphical models (Bayesian network, MRF, junction trees)
 - $\hfill\Box$ inference algorithms (variable elimination, loopy belief propagation, filtering)
- Limited amount of learning (IPF, Chow Liu, order-based search)
- Supported platforms:
 - □ Linux (tested on Ubuntu 8.04)
 - □ MacOS X (tested on 10.4/10.5)
 - □ limited Windows support
- Will be made available to the class early next week.

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How many trees are there?



Nonetheless – Efficient optimal algorithm finds best tree

Scoring a tree 1: I-equivalent trees
$$\log \hat{P}(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta, \mathcal{G}) = m \sum_{i} \hat{I}(X_i, \mathbf{Pa}_{X_i}) - m \sum_{i} \hat{H}(X_i)$$

Scoring a tree 2: similar trees

$$\log \hat{P}(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta, \mathcal{G}) = m \sum_{i} \hat{I}(X_{i}, \mathbf{Pa}_{X_{i}}) - m \sum_{i} \hat{H}(X_{i})$$

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Chow-Liu tree learning algorithm 1



- For each pair of variables X_i,X_i
 - □ Compute empirical distribution:

$$\hat{P}(x_i, x_j) = \frac{\mathsf{Count}(x_i, x_j)}{m}$$

□ Compute mutual information:

$$\widehat{I}(X_i, X_j) = \sum_{x_i, x_j} \widehat{P}(x_i, x_j) \log \frac{\widehat{P}(x_i, x_j)}{\widehat{P}(x_i) \widehat{P}(x_j)}$$

- Define a graph
 - \square Nodes $X_1,...,X_n$
 - \square Edge (i,j) gets weight $\widehat{I}(X_i,X_j)$

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Chow-Liu tree learning algorithm 2

- $\bigcap \widehat{P}(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta, \mathcal{G}) = M \sum_{i} \widehat{I}(x_i, \mathbf{Pa}_{x_i, \mathcal{G}}) M \sum_{i} \widehat{H}(X_i)$
- Optimal tree BN
 - □ Compute maximum weight spanning tree
 - □ Directions in BN: pick any node as root, breadth-first -search defines directions

Can we extend Chow-Liu 1



Tree augmented naïve Bayes (TAN)

[Friedman et al. '97]

- □ Naïve Bayes model overcounts, because correlation between features not considered

□ Same as Chow-Liu, but score edges with:
$$\widehat{I}(X_i, X_j \mid C) = \sum_{c, x_i, x_j} \widehat{P}(c, x_i, x_j) \log \frac{\widehat{P}(x_i, x_j \mid c)}{\widehat{P}(x_i \mid c) \widehat{P}(x_j \mid c)}$$

Can we extend Chow-Liu 2



- (Approximately learning) models with tree-width up to k
 - □ [Chechetka & Guestrin '07]
 - □ But, O(n^{2k+6})

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What you need to know about learning BN structures so far



- Decomposable scores
 - □ Maximum likelihood
 - ☐ Information theoretic interpretation
- Best tree (Chow-Liu)
- Best TAN
- Nearly best k-treewidth (in O(N^{2k+6}))

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