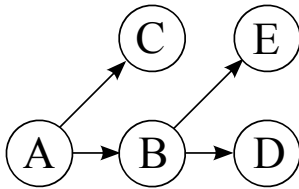


### Q1. Bayes Nets: Variable Elimination



	$P(A)$
$+a$	0.25
$-a$	0.75

	$P(B A)$	$+b$	$-b$
$+a$	0.5	0.5	
$-a$	0.25	0.75	

	$P(C A)$	$+c$	$-c$
$+a$	0.2	0.8	
$-a$	0.6	0.4	

	$P(D B)$	$+d$	$-d$
$+b$	0.6	0.4	
$-b$	0.8	0.2	

	$P(E B)$	$+e$	$-e$
$+b$	0.25	0.75	
$-b$	0.1	0.9	

(a) Using the Bayes' Net and conditional probability tables above, calculate the following quantities:

(i)  $P(+b | +a) = 0.5$

(ii)  $P(+a, +b) = 0.25 * 0.5 = 0.125 = \frac{1}{8}$

(iii)  $P(+a | +b) = \frac{0.25 * 0.5}{0.25 * 0.5 + 0.25 * 0.75} = 0.4 = \frac{2}{5}$

(b) Now we are going to consider variable elimination in the Bayes' Net above.

(i) Assume we have the evidence  $+c$  and wish to calculate  $P(E | +c)$ . What factors do we have initially?

$P(A), P(B | A), P(+c | A), P(D | B), P(E | B)$

(ii) If we eliminate variable B, we create a new factor. What probability does that factor correspond to?

$P(D, E | A)$

(iii) What is the equation to calculate the factor we create when eliminating variable B?

$f(A, D, E) = \sum_B P(B | A) * P(D | B) * P(E | B)$

(iv) After eliminating variable B, what are the new set of factors? As in (ii), write the probabilities that the factors represent. For each factor, also provide its size.

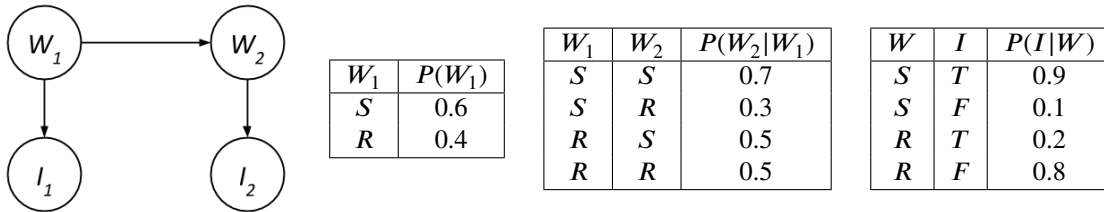
Factor	Size after elimination
$P(A)$	2
$P(+c   A)$	2
$P(D, E   A)$	$2^3$

(v) Now assume we have the evidence  $-c$  and are trying to calculate  $P(A | -c)$ . What is the most efficient elimination ordering? If more than one ordering is most efficient, provide any one of them. **E, D, B or D, E, B**

(vi) Once we have run variable elimination and have  $f(A, -c)$  how do we calculate  $P(+a | -c)$ ?  $\frac{f(+a, -c)}{f(+a, -c) + f(-a, -c)}$  or note that elimination is unnecessary - just use Bayes' rule

## Q2. Sampling in Bayes Nets

We would like to analyze people's ice cream eating habits on sunny and rainy days. Suppose we consider the weather, along with a person's ice-cream eating, over the span of two days. We'll have four random variables:  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  stand for the weather on days 1 and 2, which can either be rainy R or sunny S, and the variables  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  represent whether or not the person ate ice cream on days 1 and 2, and take values T (for truly eating ice cream) or F. We can model this as the following Bayes Net with these probabilities.



Suppose we produce the following samples of  $(W_1, I_1, W_2, I_2)$  from the ice-cream model:

~~R, F, R, F~~   ~~R, F, R, F~~   ~~S, F, S, T~~   ~~S, T, S, T~~   S, T, R, F  
~~R, F, R, T~~   ~~S, T, S, T~~   ~~S, T, S, T~~   S, T, R, F   ~~R, F, S, T~~

- (a) Using these samples, what is our estimate of  $P(W_2 = R)$ ?  $5/10 = 0.5$
- (b) Cross off samples above which are rejected by rejection sampling if we're trying to estimate  $P(W_2|I_1 = T, I_2 = F)$

Rejection sampling seems to be wasting a lot of effort, so we decide to switch to likelihood weighting. Assume we generate the following six samples for  $(W_1, I_1, W_2, I_2)$ , given the evidence  $I_1 = T$  and  $I_2 = F$ :

(S, T, R, F)      (R, T, R, F)      (S, T, R, F)      (S, T, S, F)      (S, T, S, F)      (R, T, S, F)

- (c) Calculate the weight of each sample.

In this case, the evidence is  $I_1 = T, I_2 = F$ .

The weight of the first sample is thus  $w = \Pr(I_1 = T|W_1 = S) \cdot \Pr(I_2 = F|W_2 = R) = 0.9 \cdot 0.8 = 0.72$

Similarly, we can calculate the weights of the other samples as follows:

$(W_1, I_1, W_2, I_2)$	$w$
S, T, R, F	0.72
R, T, R, F	0.16
S, T, R, F	0.72
S, T, S, F	0.09
S, T, S, F	0.09
R, T, S, F	0.02

- (d) Estimate  $P(W_2|I_1 = T, I_2 = F)$  using our likelihood weights from the previous part.

To compute the probability estimate, we normalize the weights and find

$$\hat{P}(W_2 = R|I_1 = T, I_2 = F) = \frac{0.72 + 0.16 + 0.72}{0.72 + 0.16 + 0.72 + 0.09 + 0.09 + 0.02} = 0.889$$

$$\hat{P}(W_2 = S|I_1 = T, I_2 = F) = 1 - 0.889 = 0.111.$$