Lesson 6

Probabilistic Graphical Network Organizations— Bayesian and Markov Networks

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Probability

• Probability means the chance of observing a dependent variable value with respect to some independent variable.

Probability Distribution Function (PDF)

 Means that distribution of P values as a function of all possible independent values, variables, situations, distances or variables.

Discrete Probability Distribution Function (PDF) Discrete Values of P: Winning, Drawn, Loosing P = (0.22, 0.78, 0)

Probability States

- Probability states mean that states of P values as a function of all possible independent values, situations or variables
- Three Probability states of Chess Grandmaster: Winning, Drawn, Loosing P = (0.22, 0.78, 0) then the probability function has three states.

Figure 6.3 Continuous Probability distribution function as a function of x assuming normal distribution around x- and standard deviation = σ



Probabilities Distribution

- The probabilities distribute in the entities (vertices)
- PDF P(x) at V_x distributes at the neighbouring vertices of a parent V
- Neighbouring means associated, influenced or effected vertices of the parent

Bayesian Network Graph (BNG)

- Refers to a graph where each node represents a random variable in a DAG
- The variable has s probabilistic distribution over the connected nodes
- No cyclic path traversals occur in a BNG during querying or computations

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BNG Features

- 1. DAG with no cyclic path traversals
- 2. Enables a compact representation which gives probabilistic relationships among a set of variables
- 3. Enables the computations of joint probability distributions over the probability state variables

BNG Features

 Each node has a set of conditional probabilities which specifies quantitatively the influences (effects) of the parent

5. Conditional Probability-Distribution (CPD) of the property values at vertices from parent to neighbours

BNG Conditional Probability Distribution

- 6. Enables the computations of joint probability distributions over the probability state variables
- Table of graph nodes, node properties and probabilities, called Condition Probabilities Table (CPT)

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BNG Features

- An edge between two nodes means 8. that these two nodes have conditional probabilistic dependency
- A missing edge between two nodes 9. means conditional independence of the node from the parent node

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Example 8.6

- Assume Probability P8+ for GPA 8.0 or above at V1 (Parent)
- P8- for GPA below 8.0 at V1

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• BNG distributes probabilities from Parent V to neighbouring Vs

Figure 8.6 Bayesian network graph for a student obtaining GPAs with probabilistic distributions in the GPAs



Example 8.6

• Explains CPT and CPD

Condition Probability Distribution to V2 From V1

- Example 8.6
- P(V2|1) = cp2100 [V2 8- and V1 8-]
- P(V2|1) = cp2101 [V2 8- and V1 8+]
- P(V2|1) = cp2110 [V2 8+ and V1 8-]
- P(V2|1) = cp2111 [V2 8+ and V1 8+]

Condition Probability Distribution to V3 From V2

- Example 8.6
- P(V3|2) = cp3200 [V3 8- and V2 8-]
- P(V3|2) = cp3201 [V3 8- and V2 8+]
- P(V3|2) = cp3210 [V3 8+ and V2 8-]
- P(V3|2) = cp3211 [V3 8+ and V2 8+]

Markov Network Graph (MNG)

- A network organization which is undirected and can have cycles in path traversals
- Assumes that all vertices are reachable from a starting vertex

Breadth First Traversal (search) [BFS]

- Used when the graph has cycles
- The visited vertices marked
- The marks at each visited vertex stored in an array of bits (Booleans)
- First traversal along the breadth used for search

Summary

We learnt:

- Probability, P states, Discrete and Continuous PDF
- Bayesian Network Features
- DAG with no cycles in path traversals
- Conditional Probability Distribution and Table



We learnt:

- Markov Network
- Cyclic Paths
- Breadth First Traversal

End of Lesson 6 on Probabilistic Graphical Network Organizations— Bayesian and Markov Networks