

# Lecture 7: Graphical Models Machine Learning

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- Logistic Regression

- Graphical Models

Models we've looked at so far.

- Linear Regression
- Logistic Regression

Both make use of probabilistic models.

**Graphical models** are a way to structure and visualize probability models.

## (Joint) Probability Tables.

We represent **multinomial** joint probabilities between  $K$  variables as  $K$ -dimensional tables.

$$p(x) = p(\text{flu?}, \text{achiness?}, \text{headache?}, \dots, \text{temperature?})$$

Assume  $D$  binary (“true/false”) variables.

How big is this table?  $2^D$

Exponential Increase in size of the probability table.

- Related to the curse of dimensionality.

What if rather than a Bernoulli (binary) variables, we had multinomials with  $M$  choices?

What if the variables are independent?

$$p(x) = p(\text{flu?}, \text{achiness?}, \text{headache?}, \dots, \text{temperature?})$$

Recall, if  $x$  and  $y$  are independent:

$$p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$$

The original probability distribution then **factorizes**.

$$p(x) = p(\text{flu?})p(\text{achiness?})p(\text{headache?}) \dots p(\text{temperature?})$$

How big is this table (if each variable is binary)?

$$p(\text{flu?}) = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline .2 & .8 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad p(\text{headache?}) = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline .6 & .4 \\ \hline \end{array} \text{ etc.}$$

Total size =  $2 * D$

- Independence assumptions are convenient (Naive Bayes), but rarely true.
- More often some groups of variables are dependent, but others are independent.
- Moreover others are **conditionally independent**.

If two variables are **conditionally independent**, then:

$$p(x, z|y) = p(x|y)p(z|y)$$

but

$$p(x, z) \neq p(x)p(z)$$

e.g.  $y = \text{flu?}$ ,  $x = \text{achiness?}$ ,  $z = \text{headache?}$ .

Written as:

$$x \perp\!\!\!\perp z|y$$



# Factorization of the joint

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What if  $x$  and  $z$  not conditionally independent?

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Graphical models allow us to represent dependence relationships between variables visually.

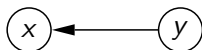
- Graphical models are **Graphs**
- Nodes: random variables
- Edges: Dependence relationship
- No Edge: Independent variables
- Direction of the edge: indicates a parent child relationship (like causality, but not exactly)
- Child: Destination of the edge – Response
- Parent: Source of the edge – Trigger
- Graphical models are **always** Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAG).

# Some example models

Independence:  $p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$



Dependence:  $p(x, y) = p(x|y)p(y)$



Parents of a node  $i$  denoted  $\pi_i$  or  $pa_i$ .

Factorization of the joint in a Graphical model

$$p(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} p(x_i | pa_i) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} p(x_i | \pi_i)$$

Independent variables.



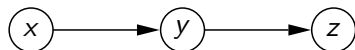
Observations.



- When we **observe** a variable – know it's value from data – we color the variable corresponding to that node grey.
- Observing a variable allows us to condition on it.  
E.g.  $p(x,z|y)$
- Given an observation of any variable we can generate generate pdfs for the other variables.

## Basic Graphical models.

Markov Chain



$$p(x, y, z) = \prod_{n \in \{x, y, z\}} p(n | \pi_n) = p(x)p(y|x)p(z|y)$$

$x = \textit{cloudy?}$

$y = \textit{raining?}$

$z = \textit{wetground?}$

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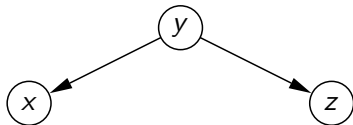
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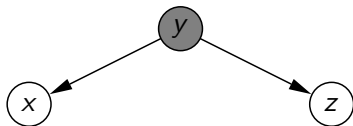
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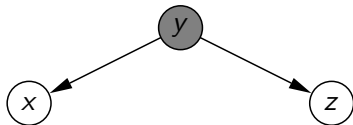
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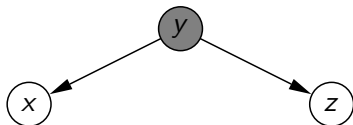


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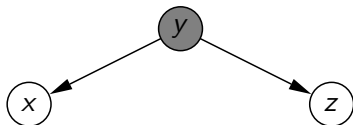
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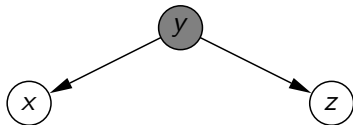
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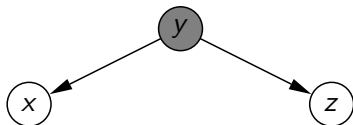
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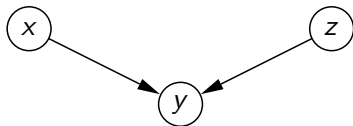
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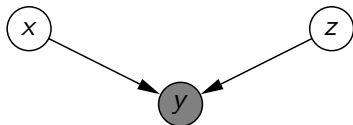
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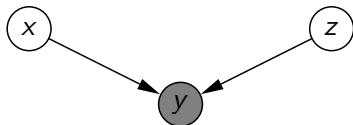
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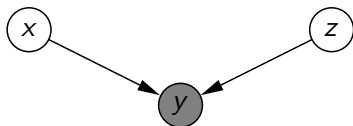


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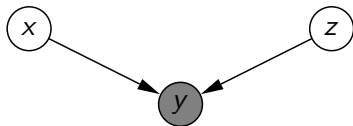
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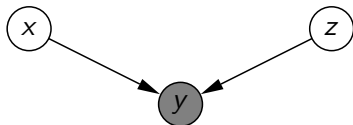
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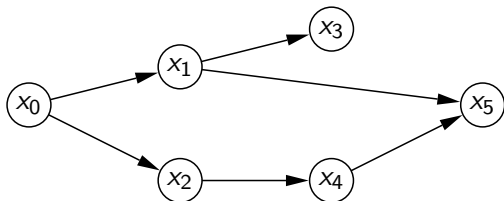
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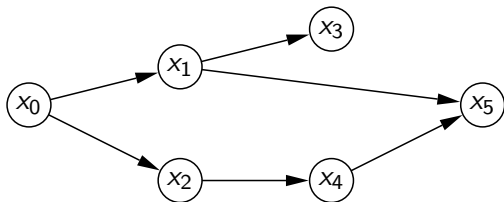
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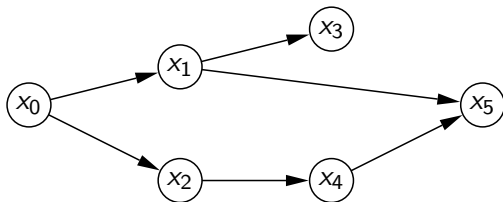
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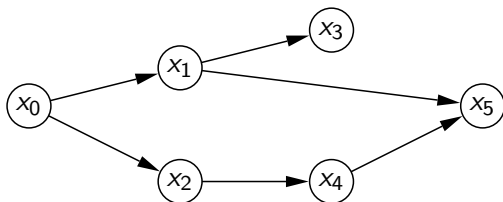
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# Factorization

How big are the probability tables?

$$p(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = p(x_0)p(x_1|x_0)p(x_2|x_0)p(x_3|x_1)p(x_4|x_2)p(x_5|x_1, x_4)$$

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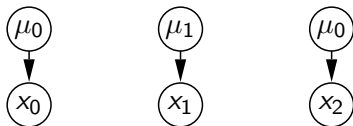

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# Model Parameters as nodes

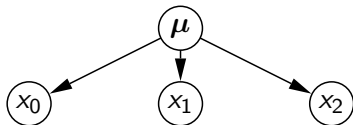
If we model the parameters,  $\theta$ , as a random variable, we can include these in the graphical model.



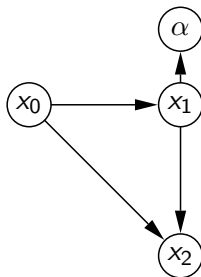
Multivariate Bernouli



Multinomial

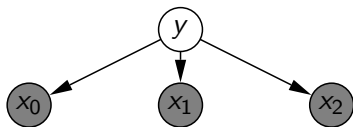


Graphical models can incorporate both discrete and continuous nodes.





## Naive Bayes Classification.



- Observation variables,  $x_i$  are each independent given the class  $y$ .
- A distribution is optimized using maximum likelihood for each variable separately.
- Can easily combine multinomial, bernouli and continuous (e.g. Gaussian) distributions from the variables.

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## Graphical Models

- Graph representation of dependency relationship
- Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)
- Nodes are random variables
- Edges define dependence relationships.

## What can we do with Graphical models

- Learn Parameters – to fit data
- Understand the independence relationships between variables
- Perform inference (marginals and conditionals)
- Compute Likelihoods for classification

- Next
  - More fun with Graphical Models