### Advanced Machine Learning Techniques for Temporal, Multimedia, and Relational Data

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### Multimedia Data

- Text
	- o Ascii documents
	- o HTML documents
	- o Databases (Structured documents)
	- o Annotations
- Images o JPG, PNG, BMP, TIFF, etc.
- Audio

o MP3, WAV files

• Video

o Sequence of frames

**Size and Complexity of processing the data increases as we go from top to bottom**



### Temporal Data

- Time Series data generated by a dynamic system
	- o A user's GPS locations recorded by his Cell-phone
	- o Loop Sensors counting cars on a freeway
	- o Load monitoring devices capturing power consumed in a household
	- o Video as a sequence of frames



#### Relational Data

#### • Data resides in multiple tables







#### **Example Borrowed from Luc De Raedt's textbook, "Logical and Relational Learning"**



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## Machine Learning

- Study of systems that improve their performance over time with experience
- Experience= Data (or examples or observations or evidence)
- Learning = Search for patterns, regularities or rules that provide insights into the data



#### What we will cover?

- Probabilistic Machine Learning
	- o Build a model that describes the distribution that generated the data
	- o Representation, Inference and Learning
- Dynamic Probabilistic Networks o Temporal Data
- Markov Logic Networks o Relational Data



#### Probabilistic Graphical Models

- "PGMs have revolutionized AI and machine learning over the last two decades" – Eric Horvitz, Director, Microsoft Research
- **Basic Idea**: Compactly represent a joint probability distribution over a large number of variables by taking advantage of conditional independence.
	- o Graph describes the conditional independence assumptions



#### Bayesian networks

• Directed or Causal Networks



**Product of several polysized conditional probability tables** 

> **Each table is variable given its parents in the graph**



#### Bayesian networks



#### **31 vs 17 entries Exponential vs Poly entries**

#### Joint distribution



 $0.2 \times 0.05 \times .6 \times .8 \times .3 = .00144$ 



#### Markov networks



$$
P(\mathbf{X}=(X_1,\ldots,X_n))=\frac{1}{Z}\prod_{i=1}^m\phi_i(\mathbf{X}_{Vars(\phi(i))})
$$



- Functions defined over cliques o Don't have a probabilistic meaning
- Distribution = normalized product of functions



## Log-Linear models

- PGM = A set of weighted formulas (features) in propositional logic
- Alternative Representation of a PGM
- Distribution

$$
P(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_i \delta(f_i, \mathbf{X}) w_i\right)
$$

where  $\delta(f_i, \mathbf{X})$  is a dirac-delta function which is 1 if **X** satisfies  $f_i$ and 0 otherwise.



#### Inference Problems

- Probability of Evidence (PR)
	- o Find the probability of an assignment to a subset of variables
- Conditional Marginal Estimation (MAR)
	- $\circ$  Find the marginal probability distribution at a variable given evidence
- Maximum a Posteriori (MAP)
	- $\circ$  Find an assignment with the maximum probability given evidence
- All of them are at least NP-hard



# Learning problems

• Structure Learning

o Learn the structure of the graph from data

- Weight Learning o Learn the parameters (CPTs, weights of features)
- Structure Learning is often much harder than weight learning
- In practice, we often assume a structure



# Inference algorithms

• Exact algorithms

o Exponential in treewidth (a graph parameter)

- Message-passing algorithms o Belief propagation, Expectation propagation, etc.
- Sampling algorithms
	- o Importance sampling
	- o Markov chain Monte Carlo sampling
		- Gibbs sampling



### Dynamic Bayesian networks

- PGMs are static; don't have a concept of time
- Dynamic Bayesian networks are temporal PGMs
- Three assumptions
	- o Stationary
	- o Time is discrete
	- o K-Markov assumption



#### Dynamic Bayesian networks

- $\blacktriangleright$   $\mathbf{X}_t =$  Set of variables at time t
- $\blacktriangleright$   $\mathbf{X}_{a:b}$  = Set of variables from time  $t = a$  to  $t = b$ .

#### **Markov Assumption**

$$
\blacktriangleright P(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{X}_{0:t-1}) = P(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{X}_{t-1})
$$

**Stationary Process** 

 $\blacktriangleright$   $P(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{X}_{t-1})$  is the same for all t

**Specification** 

$$
\blacktriangleright \mathcal{B}_0 \equiv P(\mathbf{X}_0) \text{ and } \mathcal{B}_{\rightarrow} \equiv P(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{X}_{t-1})
$$



# Example



• A Dynamic Bayesian network for monitoring a person's car



#### A DBN as a HMM

- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
	- o Each time slice has one cluster each for observed and unobserved variables





#### **DBNs vs HMMs**

- An HMM represents the state of the world using a single discrete random variable,  $X_t \in \{1, ..., K\}$ .
- A DBN represents the state of the world using a set of random variables,  $X_t^{(1)}, \ldots, X_t^{(D)}$  (factored/ distributed representation).
- A DBN represents  $P(X_t|X_{t-1})$  in a compact way using a parameterized graph.
- $\Rightarrow$  A DBN may have exponentially fewer parameters than its corresponding HMM.
- $\Rightarrow$  Inference in a DBN may be exponentially faster than in the corresponding HMM.



#### Factorial HMMs as DBNs



- Num. parameters to specify  $P(X_t|X_{t-1})$ :
	- HMM:  $O(K^{2D})$ .
	- $-$  DBN:  $O(DK^2)$ .
- Computational complexity of exact inference:
	- HMM:  $O(TK^{2D})$ .
	- $-$  DBN:  $O(TDK^{D+1})$ .

• Example: Several sources of sound from a single microphone



#### Coupled HMMs as DBNs



• Example: Temperature in different rooms o Adjacent rooms are connected to each other



# Inference problems in DBNs

- Tracking or Filtering
	- o Find the probability distribution over all variables or the marginal distribution at a variable at time slice "t" given evidence up to slice "t"
- Prediction
	- $\circ$  Find the probability distribution at time slice "k" given evidence up to slice "t" where k>t.
- Smoothing
	- $\circ$  Find the probability distribution at time slice "k" given evidence up to slice "t" where k<t.
- MAP inference

 $\circ$  Find the most likely trajectory of the system.



# Inference problems in DBNs

- $\blacktriangleright$  Tracking:  $P(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$
- Prediction:  $P(\mathbf{X}_k | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$  where  $k > t$
- Interval Smoothing:  $P(\mathbf{X}_k | \mathbf{e}_{1:t}), k \in [0, T]$ ;  $T \leq t$ .
- Fixed-lag Smoothing  $P(\mathbf{X}_k | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$  for a specific  $k < t$
- $\blacktriangleright$  MAP: arg max<sub>x<sub>0:t</sub></sub>  $P(\mathbf{X}_{0:t}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})$



# Application Designer

- Select the variables at each time-slice
- Select the edges by following sound probabilistic principles
	- o The networks should be a directed acyclic graph (DAG)
	- o Each variable should be independent of its nondescendants given its parents
	- $\circ$  Sparesity: Limit the number of parents at each variable



# Application Designer

- Remember as you increase the number of variables:
	- o The model looks realistic
	- o However, the complexity of inference and learning increases and the accuracy goes down because we have to use approximate inference methods

o Tradeoff between the two is **rarely explored in practice**

• **Don't think of the technology as a black-box**

o **We are not there yet!**



# Tracking/Filtering Algorithms

- Exact Inference
- Approximate Message passing algorithms
- Sampling Algorithms

o Particle Filtering

o Rao-Blackwellised Particle Filtering



#### Exact Inference on HMMs

Calculate the belief state  $\sigma(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}) = P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1} | \mathbf{e}_{1:t+1})$  recursively:

$$
\sigma_{t+1}(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}) = P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{t+1}, \mathbf{e}_{1:t})
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{P(\mathbf{e}_{t+1}|\mathbf{X}_{t+1}, \mathbf{e}_{1:t})P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})}{P(\mathbf{e}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})}
$$
  

$$
\propto P(\mathbf{e}_{t+1}|\mathbf{X}_{t+1})P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})
$$

where  $P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})$  can be computed using  $\sigma_t(\mathbf{X}_t)$ :

$$
P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = \sum_{\mathbf{X}_t} P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{X}_t, \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) P(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{e}_{1:t})
$$
  
= 
$$
\sum_{\mathbf{X}_t} P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1}|\mathbf{X}_t) \sigma_t(\mathbf{X}_t)
$$



#### Exact Inference in HMMs





Message-passing algorithm

Unrolled HMM

• Procedural view

 $\circ$  Cluster (X<sub>0</sub>) stores P(X<sub>0</sub>)  $\circ$  Each cluster ( $X_t, X_{t+1}$ ) stores P( $X_{t+1}$ | $X_t$ ) and P( $E_{t+1}$ | $X_{t+1}$ )

- Multiply incoming message with the functions
- Sum-out  $X_t$  and send the resulting function to the next cluster



#### Exact Inference in DBNs

• **Clusters are Factored!**





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#### **Advanced Clustering**



#### Smaller Clusters

• Complexity: exponential in the number of variables in the cluster

o Smaller clusters are desirable

- How to construct the clusters?
	- o At each time slice, find which nodes are connected to the next time slice and create a clique over them
		- **Interface nodes**
	- o At each time slice, create a **junction tree** out of
		- **Moralized graph** over nodes in the time slice
		- Interface cliques over the time slice and previous one
	- o Paste the junction trees together.



#### Building the Clusters





**Moral graph:** Connect parents of a node to each other

**Graph over which a junction tree will be constructed**



# Building the Clusters

• Make Graph Chordal



- Process nodes in order
	- o Create a clique out of all nodes ordered below the node (its children) and having an edge with the node





# $Chordal Graph \rightarrow function Tree$



# Message-passing

- At each slice
	- o Put each function in a cluster that contains all variables mentioned in the function
	- $\circ$  Order messages such that the outgoing interface message is the last one computed
	- o Perform message passing
		- Multiply all incoming messages with the functions in the cluster
		- Sum-out all variables that are mentioned in the cluster but not mentioned in the receiving cluster.



#### Message-passing



**Advanced Clustering**

A possible message ordering (other orderings are also possible)



# Why it works?

- Laws of probability theory
- It turns out that
	- $\circ$  P( $X_t$ | $X_{1:t-1}, e_{1:t-1}, e_t$ )=P( $X_t$ | $I_{t-1}, e_t$ )
	- $\circ$  Namely,  $X_t$  is conditionally independent of the past given the interface nodes I<sub>t-1</sub>at time slice t-1.
- The message passing algorithm is an instance of the variable elimination algorithm
	- o Eliminate all variables except the ones required by the next time slice



# Approximate Inference

- Sometimes the cluster size is just too large to allow exact inference
- Resort to approximate inference

o Message Passing

o Sampling-based



# Approximate Message Passing



Junction Tree

#### *Gogate et.al, 2005, 2009 Kevin Murphy, 2002*

Split the clusters by relaxing the tree requirement

Perform loopy propagation in each slice



### Iterative Join Graph Propagation



a) schematic mini-bucket(*i*),  $i=3$  b) arc-labeled join-graph decomposition



### Message passing Equations



# Particle Filtering

- At each time slice
	- o Generate N particles from a distribution Q
		- It is difficult to sample from P
	- o Compute the weight of each particle
		- Correct for the fact that you are sampling from Q and not the target distribution P
	- o Represent the belief state using the weighted particles

### Particle Filtering

Given: Samples:  $(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{(l)}, w_{t-1}^{(l)})_{i=1}^N$  and Evidence  $\mathbf{e}_t$ 

- $\triangleright$  For i = 1 to N do
	- Sample  $\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}$  from  $Q_t$
	- ► Compute  $w_t^{(i)}$  using the following equation

$$
w_t^{(i)} = \frac{P(\mathbf{e}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{(i)})P(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{(i)})P(\mathbf{x}_{1:t-1}^{(i)}|\mathbf{e}_{1:t-1})}{Q(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}_{1:t-1}^{(i)})Q(\mathbf{x}_{1:t-1}^{(i)})}
$$

$$
= \frac{P(\mathbf{e}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{(i)})P(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{(i)})}{Q(\mathbf{x}_t^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}_{1:t-1}^{(i)})}w_{t-1}^{(i)}
$$

- Normalize the weights, namely set  $w_t^{(i)} = w_t^{(i)} / \sum_{i=1}^N w_t^{(i)}$
- if  $\frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (w_i^{(i)})^2}$  is below some pre-defined threshold
	- Resample N particles from the distribution defined by the weights
	- Set all weights to  $1/N$
- $\triangleright$  **Send** the particles and their weights to the next time slice







## Impact of the Resampling Step





# Rao-Blackwellised Particle Filtering

- Combine particle filtering with exact inference. Sample enough variables so that the resulting DBN is tractable
- Suppose we partition  $\mathbf{X}_t = (\mathbf{U}_t, \mathbf{V}_t)$
- If the conditional distribution  $P(\mathbf{V}_t|\mathbf{u}_t)$  can be computed exactly using junction tree inference or some other method, we only need to sample  $\mathbf{U}_t$
- $\triangleright$  Reduces the variance and thus improves the accuracy





- Suppose we have enough computational resources to do inference with two variables in each cluster!
- Sample  $B_t$  at each time slice, Exactly infer others!



# Interval Smoothing

- Interval Smoothing is a much harder problem because we have to traverse back in time
- Naïve Algorithm
	- o Store all the clusters+messages at each time slice and traverse backwards
		- Large space complexity
	- o Clever idea (Murphy, 2002)
		- Stores only O(logT) time slices
		- Factor of O(logT) more expensive time-wise



#### MAP estimation

• Instead of using sum-out operation we use a max-out operation.



#### Parameter Learning: FOD

- FOD: fully observable data
	- If every node is observed in every case, the likelihood decomposes into a sum of terms, one per node:

$$
\begin{array}{rcl} \log P(D|\theta, M) & = & \sum_{d} \log P(X_d|\theta, M) \\ & = & \sum_{d} \log \prod_{i} P(X_{d,i}|\pi_{d,i}, \theta_i, M) \\ & = & \sum_{i} \sum_{d} \log P(X_{d,i}|\pi_{d,i}, \theta_i, M) \end{array}
$$

where  $\pi_{d,i}$  are the values of the parents of node *i* in case d, and  $\theta_i$  are the parameters associated with CPD i.



#### Parameter Learning: POD

- POD: Partially observable data
	- If some nodes are sometimes hidden, the likelihood does not decompose.

$$
\log P(D|\theta, M) = \sum_{d} \log \sum_{h} P(H = h, V = v_d | \theta, M)
$$

- . In this case, can use gradient descent or EM to find local maximum.
- $\bullet$  EM iteratively maximizes the expected complete-data loglikelihood, which does decompose into a sum of local terms.



# Handling Continuous variables

- Dependencies are often modeled as linear Gaussian
- Example: Current position (X) and Velocity (V)  $\circ P(X_t | X_{t-1}, V_t) = X_{t-1} + V_t \Delta + N(0; \sigma^2_X); \Delta$ : length of slice  $\circ P(V_t | V_{t-1}) = V_{t-1} + N(0; \sigma^2 V)$
- Conditional linear Gaussian

o Continuous variables have discrete parents

• Hybrid Particle Filtering and GBP algorithms



# Applications

- Recognizing activities and transportation routines
- Robotics
- Object tracking
- Bio-informatics
- Speech recognition
- Event detection in Videos



#### Recognizing travel routines



**D: Time-of-day (discrete)**

**W: Day of week (discrete)**

**Goal: collection of locations where the person spends significant amount of time. (discrete)**

**Route: A hidden variable that just predicts what path the person takes (discrete)**

**Location: A pair (e,d) e is the edge on which the person is and d is the distance of the person from one of the end-points of the edge (continuous)**

**Velocity: Continuous**

**GPS reading: (lat,lon,spd,utc).**



#### Example Queries

• Where the person will be 10 minutes from now?

 $\circ$  P( $I_T$ |d<sub>1:t</sub>,w<sub>1:t</sub>,y<sub>1:t</sub>) where T=t+10 minutes

• What is the person's next goal?

 $\circ$  P(g<sub>T</sub> | d<sub>1:t</sub>, w<sub>1:t</sub>, y<sub>1:t</sub>)



#### Example of Goals





#### Example of Route



## Experimental Results: Data Collection

• GPS data was collected by one of the authors for a period of 6 months.

 $\circ$  Latitude and longitude pairs

- 3 months data was used for training and 3 months for testing.
- Data divided into segments
	- $\circ$  A segment is a series of GPS readings such that two consecutive readings are less than 15 minutes apart.



# Experimental Results: Models and algorithms

- Test if adding new variables improves prediction accuracy.
	- o Model-1: Model as described before
	- $\circ$  Model-2: Remove variables d<sub>t</sub> and  $w_t$
	- $\circ$  Model-3: Remove variables  $d_t$ ,  $w_t$ ,  $f_t$ ,  $r_t$ ,  $g_t$  from each time slice.
- Algorithms:

 $\circ$  IJGP-RBPF(1,2), IJGP-RBPF(2,1), IJGP-S(1) and IJGP-S(2)



### Learning the models from data

- EM algorithm used for learning the models
- Takes about 3 to 5 days to learn data that is distributed over 3 months.
- Since EM uses inference as a sub-step, we have 4 EM algorithms corresponding to the 4 algorithms used for inference
	- $\circ$  IJGP-RBPF(1,2), IJGP-RBPF(2,1), IJGP-S(1) and IJGP-S(2)



# Predicting Goals (MODEL-1)



- Compute  $P(g_t | e_{1:t})$  and compare it with the actual goal.
- Accuracy = percentage of goals predicted correctly.
- N = number of particles
- Column: learning algorithm
- Row: inference algorithm



# Predicting Goals (Model-2)



- •Compute P(gt|e1:t) and compare it with the actual goal.
- •Accuracy = percentage of goals predicted correctly.
- $\bullet$ N = number of particles
- •Column: learning algorithm
- •Row: inference algorithm



# Predicting Goals (Model-3)



- •Compute P(gt|e1:t) and compare it with the actual goal.
- •Accuracy = percentage of goals predicted correctly.
- •N = number of particles
- •Column: learning algorithm
- •Row: inference algorithm



# Predicting Routes

- Compare the path of the person predicted by the model with the actual path.
- False positives (FP)
	- $\circ$  count the number of roads that were not taken by the person but were in the predicted path.
- False Negatives (FN)
	- $\circ$  count the number of roads that were taken by the person but were not in the predicted path.



#### False Positives and False Negatives for Route prediction



**Model-1 shows the highest route prediction accuracy, given by low false positives and false negatives.**



#### Software

- BNT toolkit by Kevin Murphy
- GMTK toolkit by Jeff Bilmes

