



ECE 6504: Advanced Topics in Machine Learning

Probabilistic Graphical Models and Large-Scale Learning

Topics

- Markov Random Fields: Representation
 - Conditional Random Fields
 - Log-Linear Models

Readings: KF 4.1-3; Barber 4.1-2

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- No class
 - Next week (Tue, Thu)
- Project Proposal
 - Due: ~~Mar 12~~, Mar 5, 11:59pm
 - ≤ 2 pages, NIPS format
- HW2
 - Out later today
 - Due: Mar 12, 11:59pm
 - Implementation: Variable Elimination in BNs



Recap of Last Time

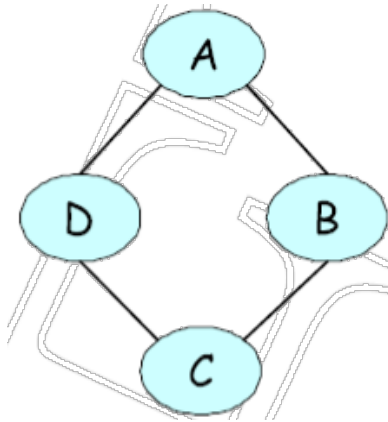
Markov Nets

- Set of random variables
- **Undirected** graph
 - Encodes independence assumptions
- **Unnormalized Factor Tables**
- Joint distribution:
 - Product of Factors

Pairwise MRFs

- Pairwise Factors
 - A function of 2 variables
 - Often unary terms are also allowed (although strictly speaking unnecessary)
 - On board

Pairwise MRF: Example



$\phi_1[A, B]$			$\phi_2[B, C]$			$\phi_3[C, D]$			$\phi_4[D, A]$		
a^0	b^0	30	b^0	c^0	100	c^0	d^0	1	d^0	a^0	100
a^0	b^1	5	b^0	c^1	1	c^0	d^1	100	d^0	a^1	1
a^1	b^0	1	b^1	c^0	1	c^1	d^0	100	d^1	a^0	1
a^1	b^1	10	b^1	c^1	100	c^1	d^1	1	d^1	a^1	100

Computing probabilities in Markov networks vs BNs

- In a BN, can compute prob. of an instantiation by multiplying CPTs
- In an Markov networks, can only compute ratio of probabilities directly

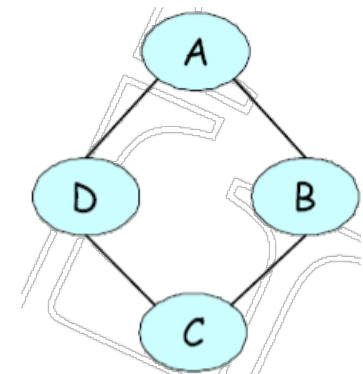
$\phi_1[A, B]$			$\phi_2[B, C]$			$\phi_3[C, D]$			$\phi_4[D, A]$		
a^0	b^0	30	b^0	c^0	100	c^0	d^0	1	d^0	a^0	100
a^0	b^1	5	b^0	c^1	1	c^0	d^1	100	d^0	a^1	1
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Normalization for computing probabilities

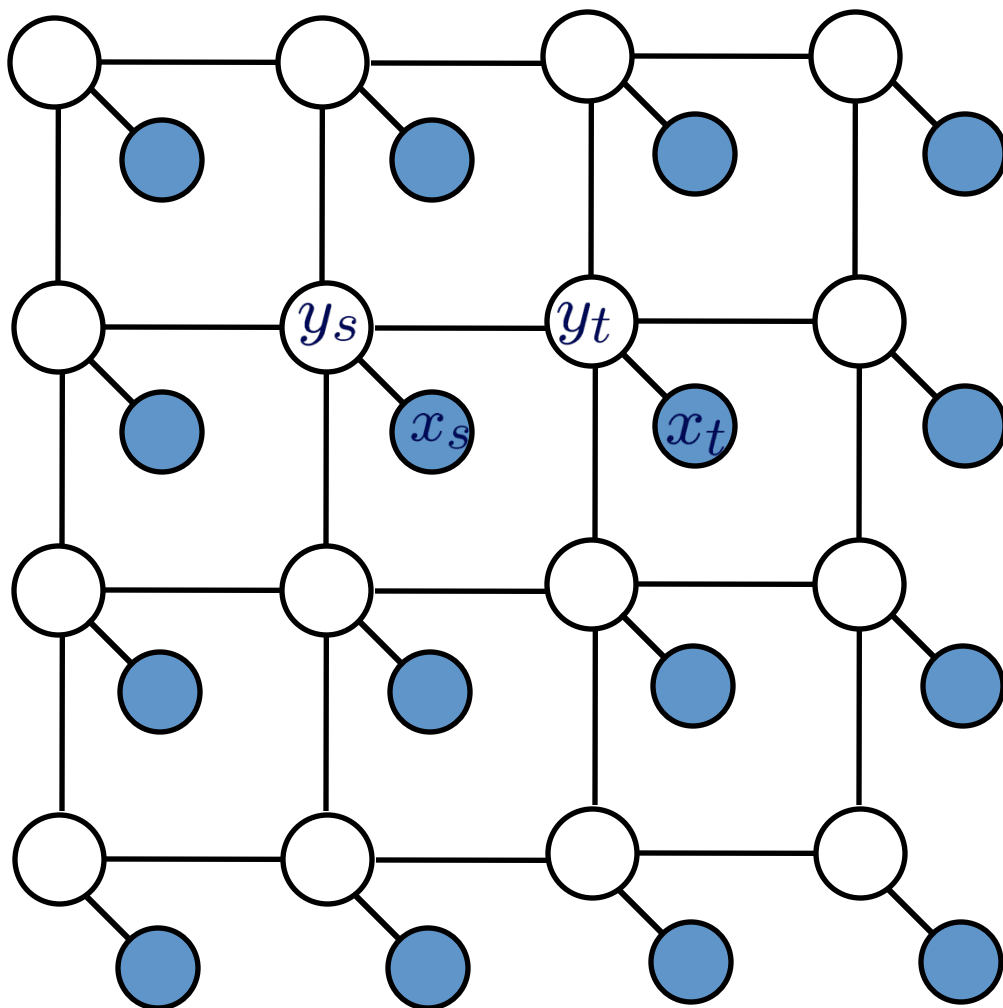
- To compute actual probabilities, must compute normalization constant (also called partition function)

Assignment				Unnormalized	Normalized
a^0	b^0	c^0	d^0	300000	0.04
a^0	b^0	c^0	d^1	300000	0.04
a^0	b^0	c^1	d^0	300000	0.04
a^0	b^0	c^1	d^1	30	$4.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$
a^0	b^1	c^0	d^0	500	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^0	b^1	c^0	d^1	500	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^0	b^1	c^1	d^0	5000000	0.69
a^0	b^1	c^1	d^1	500	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^1	b^0	c^0	d^0	100	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^1	b^0	c^0	d^1	1000000	0.14
a^1	b^0	c^1	d^0	100	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^1	b^0	c^1	d^1	100	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
a^1	b^1	c^0	d^0	10	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-6}$
a^1	b^1	c^0	d^1	100000	0.014
a^1	b^1	c^1	d^0	100000	0.014
a^1	b^1	c^1	d^1	100000	0.014

- Computing partition function is hard! Must sum over all possible assignments



Nearest-Neighbor Grids



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General Gibbs Distribution

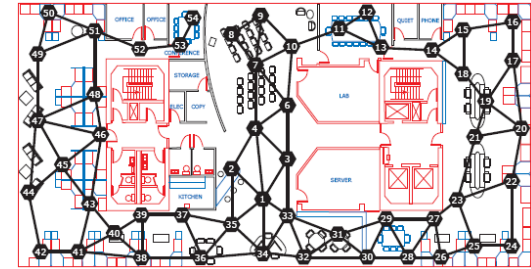
- Arbitrary Factors
- “Induced” MRF Graph

Factorization in Markov networks

- Given an undirected graph H over variables $\mathbf{X}=\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$
- A distribution P **factorizes** over H if there exist
 - subsets of variables $\mathbf{D}_1 \subseteq \mathbf{X}, \dots, \mathbf{D}_m \subseteq \mathbf{X}$, such that \mathbf{D}_i are *fully connected* in H
 - *non-negative potentials* (or factors) $\phi_1(\mathbf{D}_1), \dots, \phi_m(\mathbf{D}_m)$
 - also known as clique potentials
 - such that

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

- Also called Markov random field H , or Gibbs distribution over H

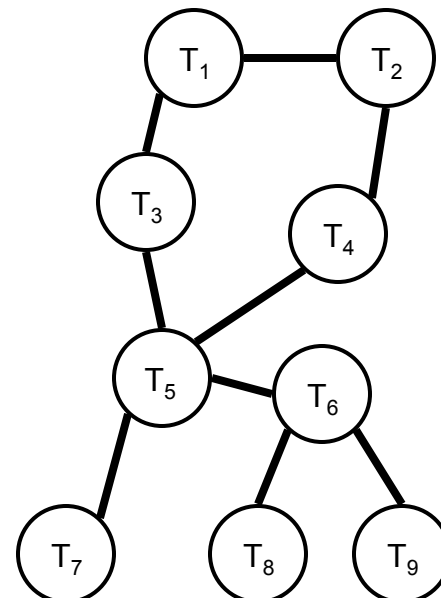


MRFs

- Given a graph H , are factors unique?

Active Trails and Separation

- A path $X_1 - \dots - X_k$ is **active** when set of variables \mathbf{Z} are observed
 - if none of $X_i \in \{X_1, \dots, X_k\}$ are observed (are part of \mathbf{Z})
- Variables \mathbf{X} are **separated** from \mathbf{Y} given \mathbf{Z} in graph
 - If no active path between any $X \in \mathbf{X}$ and any $Y \in \mathbf{Y}$ given \mathbf{Z}



Markov networks representation Theorem 1

If joint probability
distribution P :

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

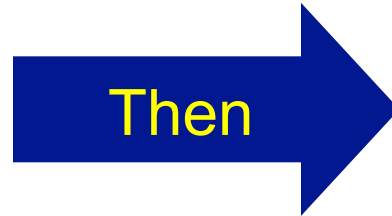
Then

H is an I-map for P

- If
 - you can write distribution as a normalized product of factors
- Then
 - Can read independencies from graph

What about the other direction for Markov networks ?

If H is an I-map for P



joint probability
distribution P :

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

- Counter-example: X_1, \dots, X_4 are binary, and only eight assignments have positive probability:

(0,0,0,0)	(1,0,0,0)	(1,1,0,0)	(1,1,1,0)
(0,0,0,1)	(0,0,1,1)	(0,1,1,1)	(1,1,1,1)

- For example, $X_1 \perp X_3 | X_2, X_4$:
 - E.g., $P(X_1=0 | X_2=0, X_4=0)$

- But distribution doesn't factorize!!

Representation Theorem for Markov Networks

Hammersley–Clifford theorem

If joint probability distribution P :

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

Then

H is an I-map for P

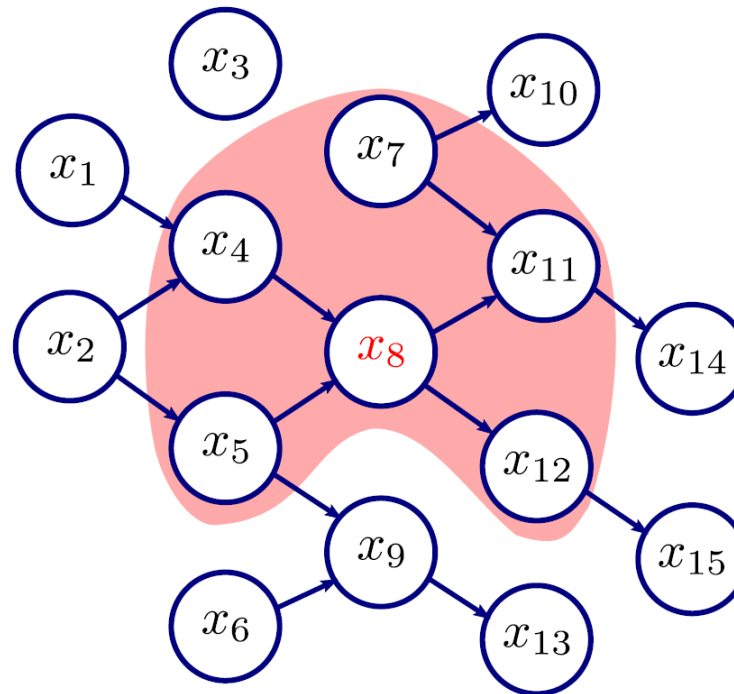
If H is an I-map for P
and
 P is a positive distribution

Then

joint probability distribution P :

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

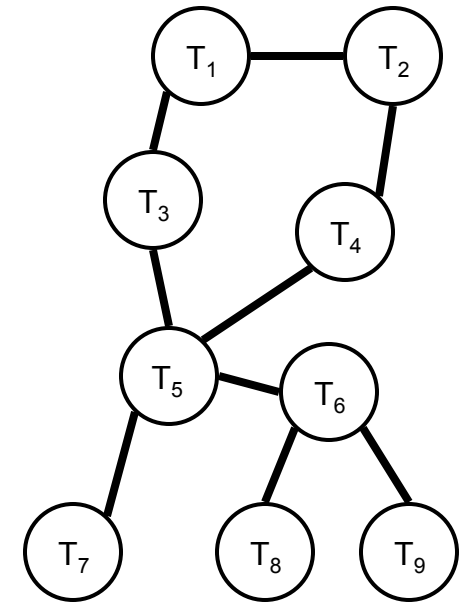
Markov Blanket



 = **Markov Blanket** of variable x_8 – Parents, children and parents of children

Independence Assumptions in MNs

- **Separation** defines global independencies
- **Pairwise Markov Independence:**
 - Pairs of non-adjacent variables A, B are independent given all others
- **Markov Blanket:**
 - Variable A independent of rest given its neighbors

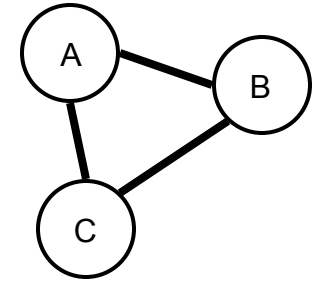


P-map

- Perfect map
- G is a **P-map** for P if
 - $I(P) = I(G)$
- Question: Does every distribution P have P-map?

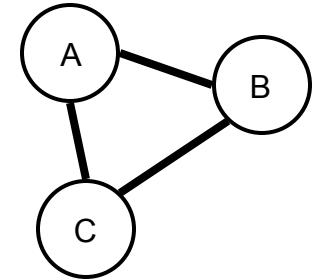
Structure in cliques

- Possible potentials for this graph:

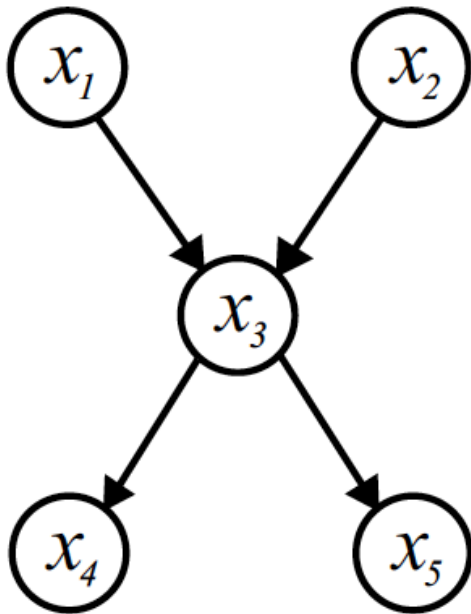


Factor graphs

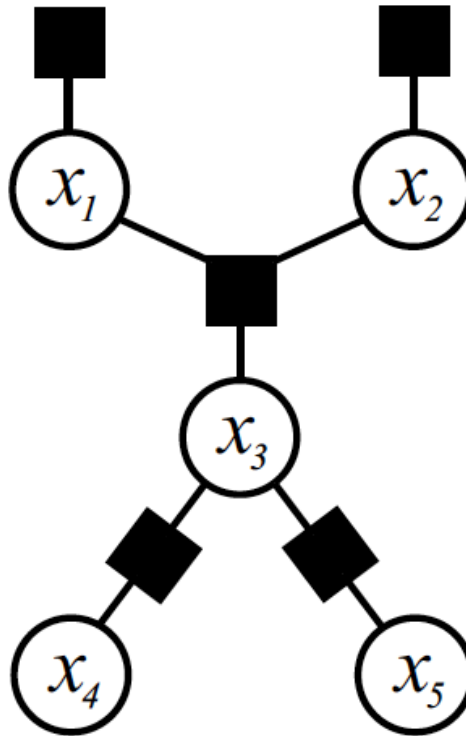
- Bipartite graph:
 - variable nodes (ovals) for X_1, \dots, X_n
 - factor nodes (squares) for ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_m
 - edge $X_i - \phi_j$ if $X_i \in \text{Scope}[\phi_j]$
- Very useful for approximate inference
 - Make factor dependency explicit



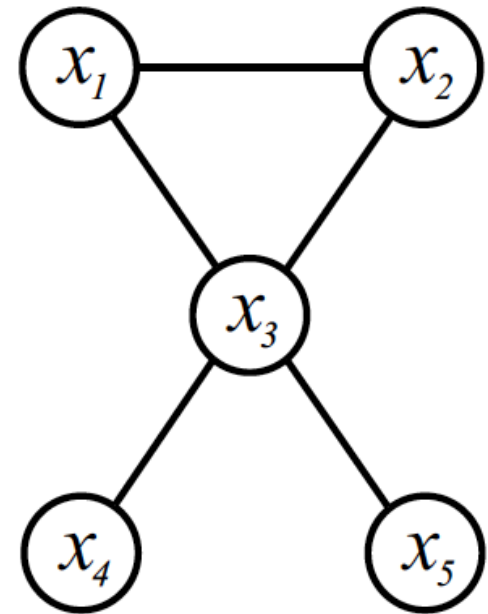
Types of Graphical Models



Directed



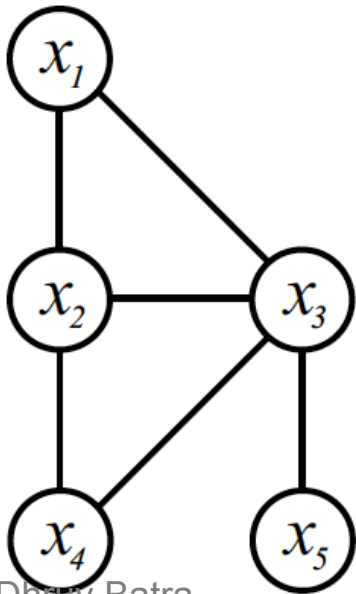
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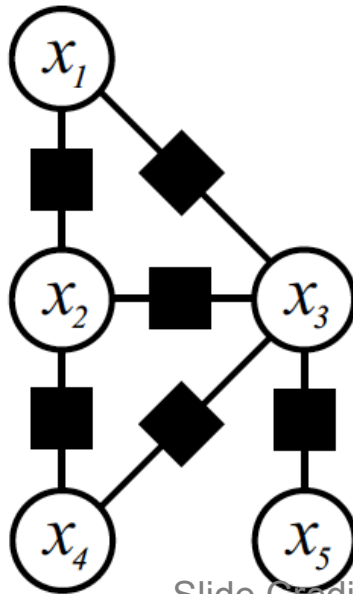
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Factor Graphs show Fine-grained Factorization

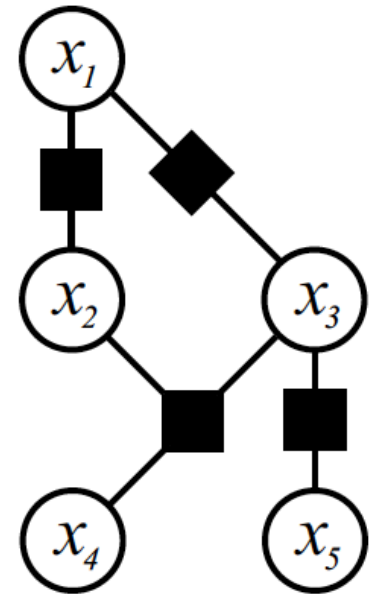
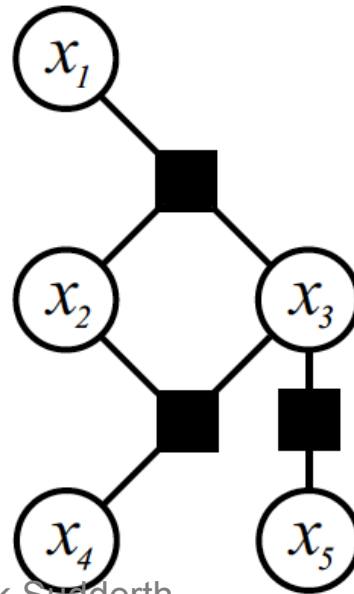
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \psi_f(x_f)$$



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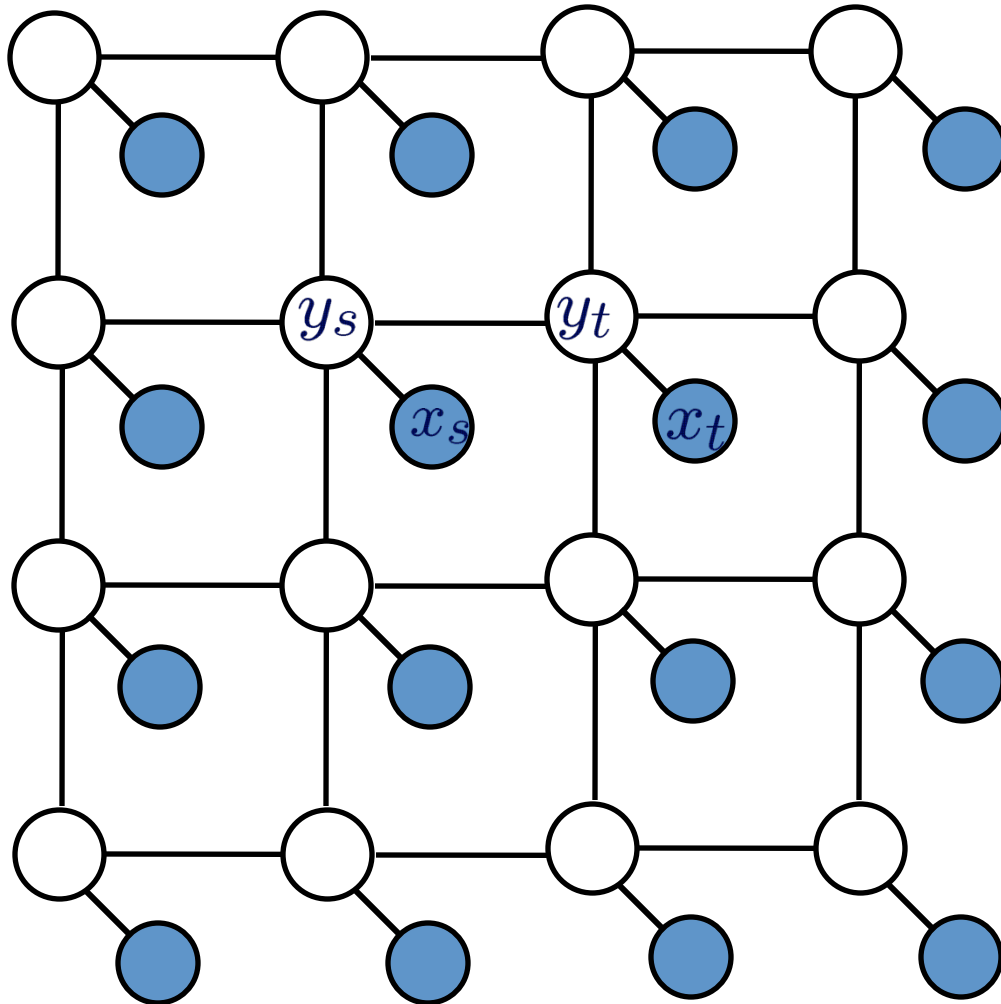
Plan for today

- Undirected Graphical Models: Representation
 - Conditional Random Fields
 - Log-Linear Models
- Undirected Graphical Models: Inference
 - Variable Elimination

Conditional Random Fields

- What's the difference between Naïve Bayes & Logistic Regression?

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Logarithmic representation

- Standard model:

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^m \phi_i(\mathbf{D}_i)$$

- Log representation of potential (assuming positive potential):
 - also called the energy function

- Log representation of Markov net:

Log-linear Markov network (most common representation)

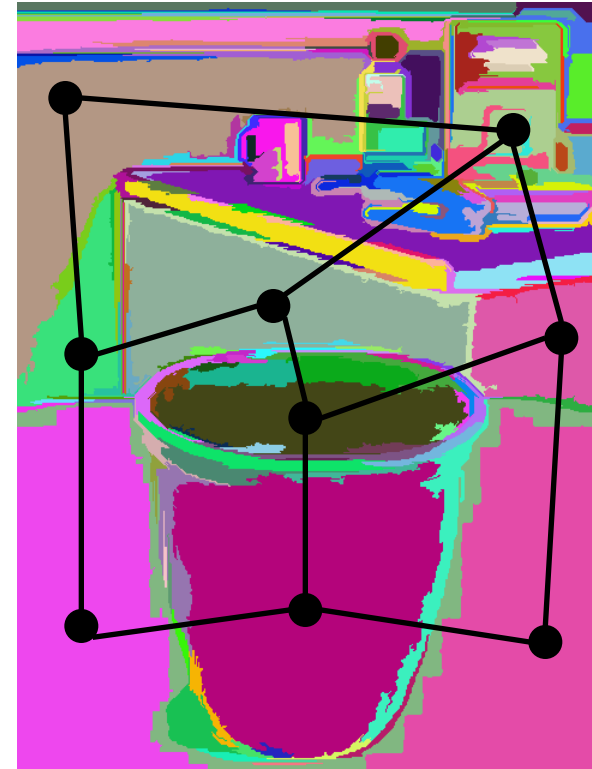
- **Feature (or Sufficient Statistic)** is some function f $[\mathbf{D}]$ for some subset of variables \mathbf{D}
 - e.g., indicator function
- **Log-linear model** over a Markov network H :
 - a set of features $f_1[\mathbf{D}_1], \dots, f_k[\mathbf{D}_k]$
 - each \mathbf{D}_i is a subset of a clique in H
 - two f 's can be over the same variables
 - a set of weights w_1, \dots, w_k
 - usually learned from data

$$- P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k w_i f_i(\mathbf{D}_i) \right]$$

CRFs

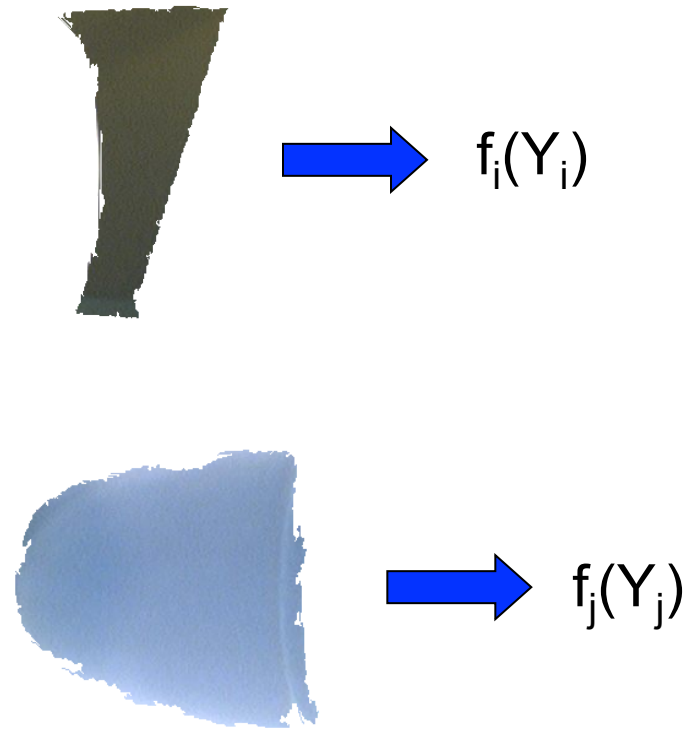


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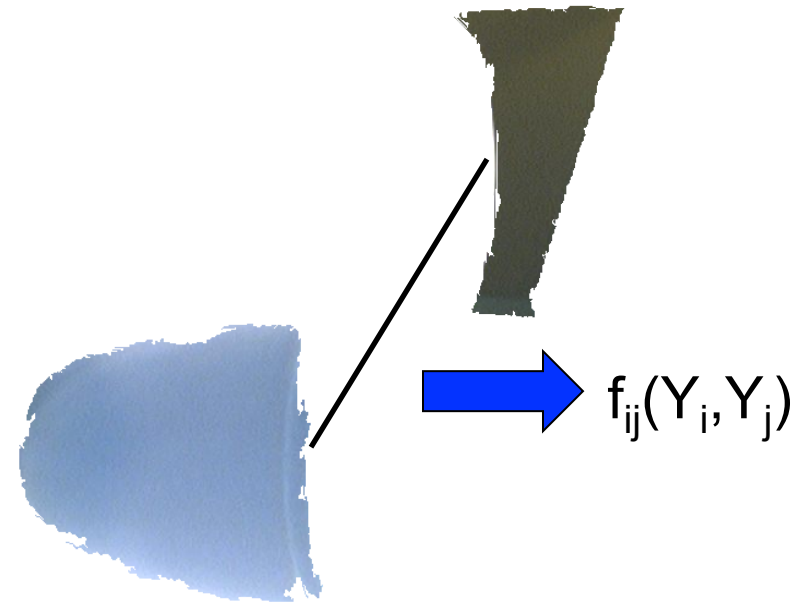


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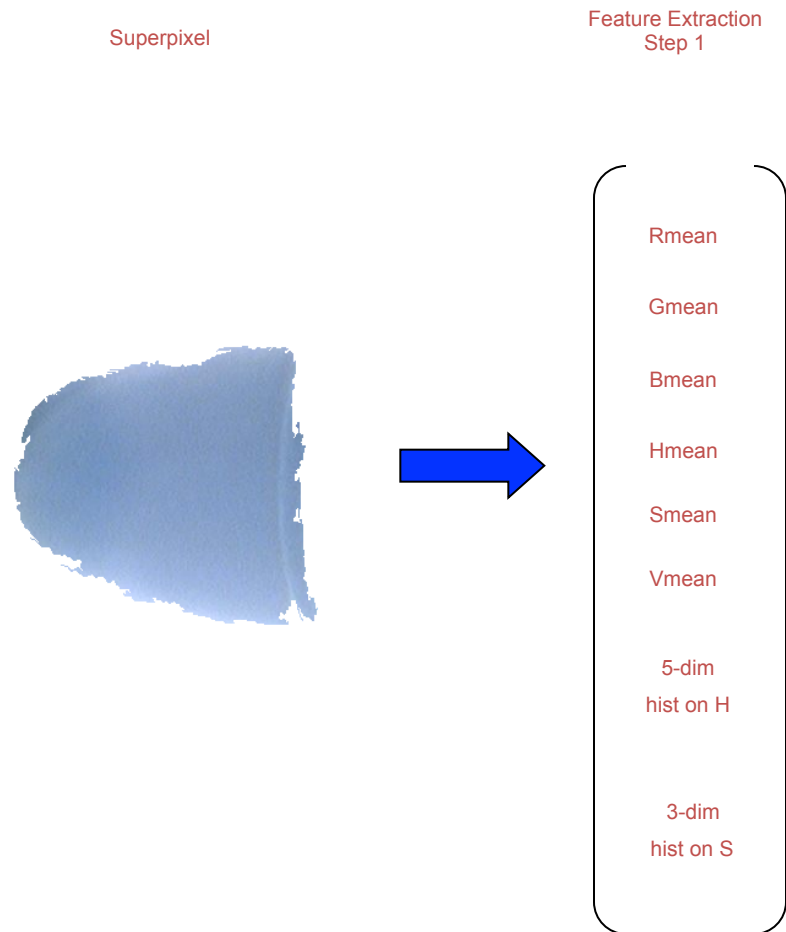
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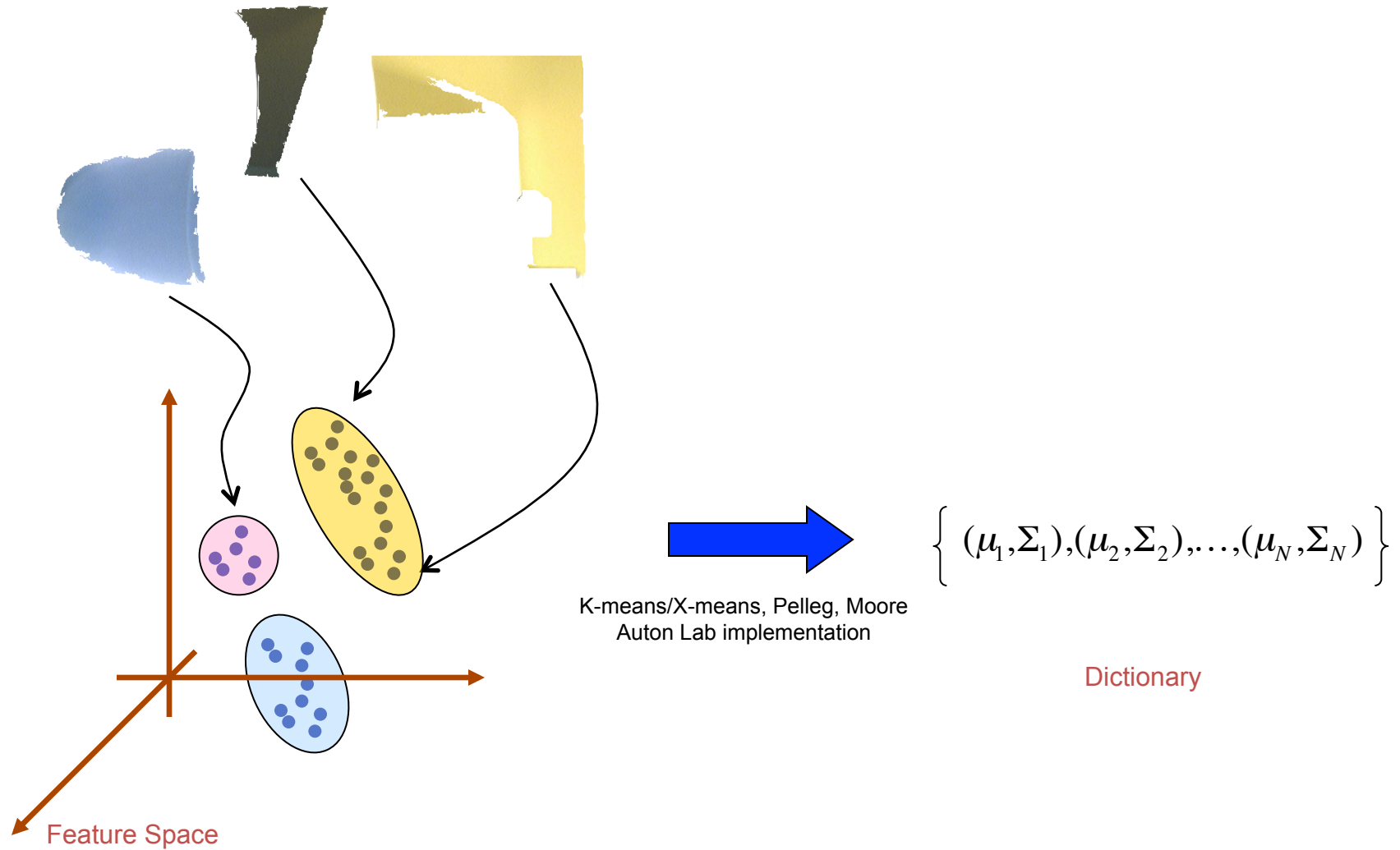
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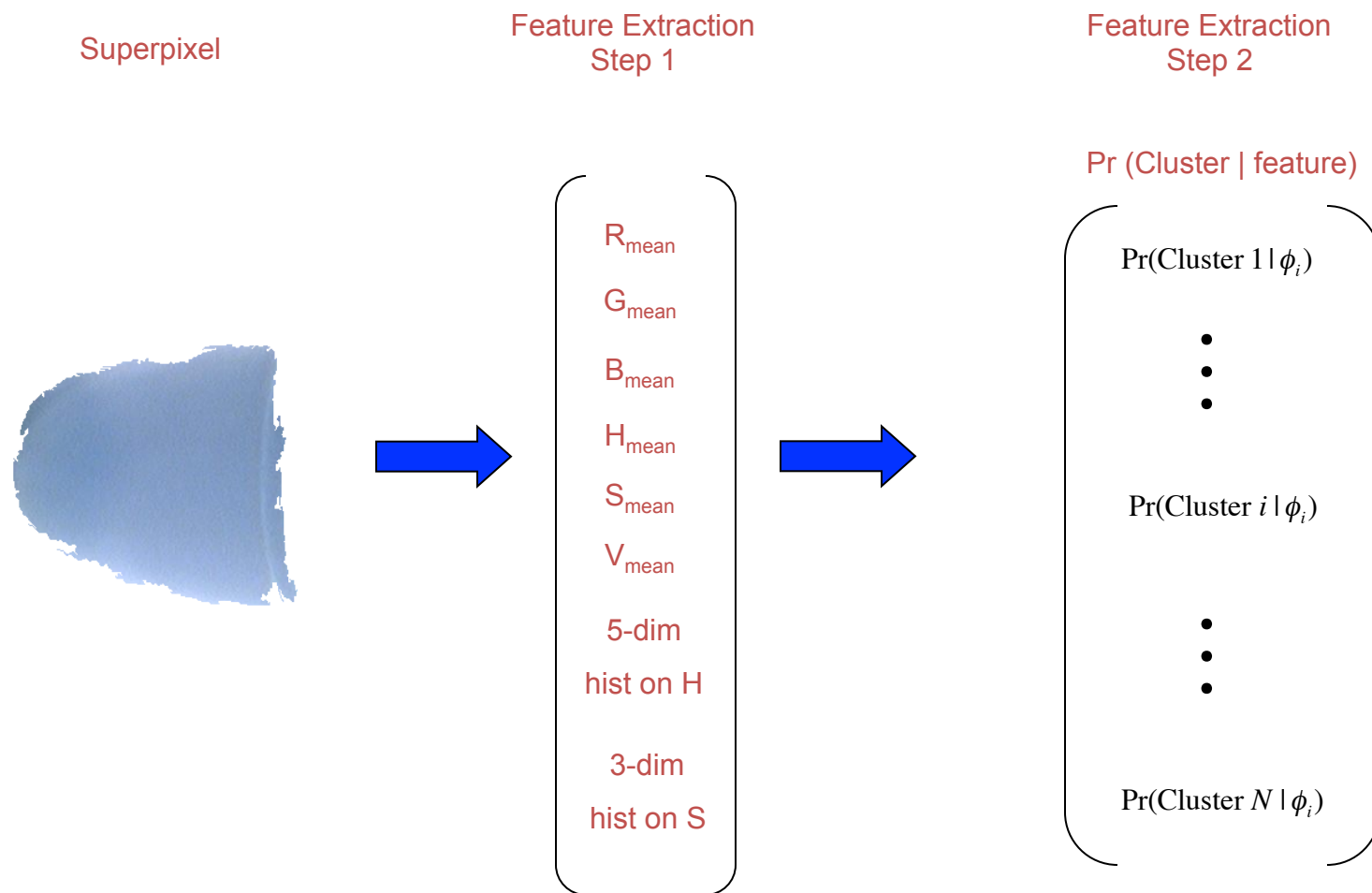
Node Feature -- Color



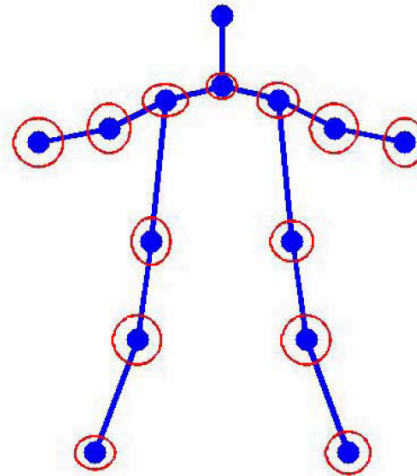
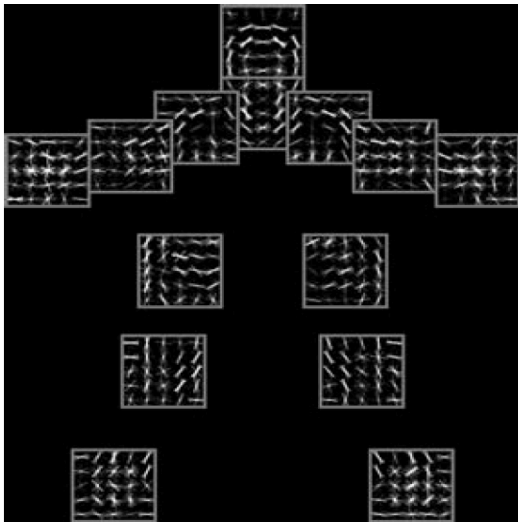
Node Feature – Color Clustering



Node Feature -- Color



Conditional Random Fields



Summary of types of Markov nets

- Pairwise Markov networks
 - very common
 - potentials over nodes and edges
- General MRFs
- Factor graphs
 - explicit representation of factors
 - you know exactly what factors you have
 - very useful for approximate inference
- Log-linear models
 - log representation of potentials
 - linear coefficients learned from data
 - most common for learning MNs