

1. Consider a directed graph $\mathcal{D} = (V, E)$ and assume given $k_v, v \in V$ with $k_v \geq 0$ and $\sum_{x_v \in \mathcal{X}_v} k_v(x_v | x_{\text{pa}(v)}) = 1$. Define

$$p(x) = \prod_{v \in V} k_v(x_v | x_{\text{pa}(v)}).$$

- (a) Show that when \mathcal{D} is acyclic, i.e. a DAG, this yields a well-defined probability distribution;
 (b) Show that it holds that

$$p(x_v | x_{\text{pa}(v)}) = k_v(x_v | x_{\text{pa}(v)});$$

- (c) Give a counterexample in the case where \mathcal{D} has directed cycles.

Hint: Use induction for (a) and (b), exploiting that a DAG always has a terminal vertex v_0 , i.e. a vertex with no children.

2. Consider a DAG \mathcal{D} with arrows $1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 5, 5 \rightarrow 6, 4 \rightarrow 5, 4 \rightarrow 7, 3 \rightarrow 4$.
- (a) List all conditional independence relations corresponding to the local, directed Markov property;
 (b) List all conditional independence relations corresponding to the ordered Markov property for the well-ordering induced by the given numbering;
 (c) Find the ancestral sets generated by the following subsets:
 i. $\{5\}$;
 ii. $\{2, 7\}$;
 iii. $\{4, 6\}$.
 (d) Which of the following separation statements are true? For those that are not true, identify an active trail.
 i. $2 \perp_{\mathcal{D}} 4 | 5$;
 ii. $2 \perp_{\mathcal{D}} 7 | 3$,
 iii. $1 \perp_{\mathcal{D}} 7 | 6$;
 iv. $1 \perp_{\mathcal{D}} 3 | 4, 6$.

3. Let P be a distribution which factorizes over the DAG \mathcal{D} and let $G(P)$ be its dependence graph. Show that $G(P) \subseteq \mathcal{D}^m$, where \mathcal{D}^m is the moral graph of \mathcal{D} .

4. A DAG \mathcal{D} is said to be *perfect* if all parents are married, i.e. if it holds that

$$\alpha, \beta \in \text{pa}(\gamma) \Rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \beta \text{ or } \beta \rightarrow \alpha.$$

- (a) Show that a perfect DAG \mathcal{D} is Markov equivalent to its *skeleton* i.e. the undirected graph obtained by ignoring directions on all arrows;
 (b) Show the converse, i.e. that if \mathcal{D} is Markov equivalent to its skeleton, the \mathcal{D} is perfect.
 (c) Show that the skeleton of a perfect \mathcal{D} is chordal.
 (d) Show that the edges of a chordal graph \mathcal{G} can be directed to create a Markov equivalent DAG.

Hint: Exploit the existence of a perfect numbering of a chordal graph.