1. For two discrete variables I and J with joint distribution  $p_{ij}$ , the odds-ratio  $\theta_{ii*jj}$  is defined as

$$\theta_{ii^*jj^*} = \frac{p_{i\,|\,j}/p_{i^*\,|\,j}}{p_{i\,|\,j^*}/p_{i^*\,|\,j^*}} = \frac{p_{ij}p_{i^*j^*}}{p_{i^*j}p_{ij^*}}.$$

Show that  $I \perp J \iff \theta_{ii^*jj^*} \equiv 1$ .

2. For three discrete variables I, J and K with joint distribution  $p_{ijk}$  the conditional odds-ratio  $\theta_{ij|k}$  is similarly

$$\theta_{ii^*jj^*|k} = \frac{p_i|_{jk}/p_{i^*|jk}}{p_i|_{j^*k}/p_{i^*|j^*k}} = \frac{p_{ijk}p_{i^*j^*k}}{p_{i^*jk}p_{ij^*k}}$$

Show that p belongs to the log-linear model with generating class  $\{I, J\}, \{J, K\}\{I, K\}$  if and only if the conditional odds-ratio is constant in k. For simplicity, you may assume  $p_{ijk} > 0$  for all i, j, k.

- 3. Draw the following graphs, identify their prime components, and verify whether they are chordal or not:
  - (a)  $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{d, e\}, \{c, f\}, \{e, f\}\}.$
  - (b)  $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{d, a\}, \{a, e\}, \{b, e\}, \{c, e\}, \{d, e\}\}.$
  - (c)  $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, e\}, \{b, e\}, \{c, e\}, \{d, e\}\}.$
- 4. Consider the generating class  $\mathcal{A} = \{\{A, E, F\}, \{D, E\}, \{B, G, F\}, \{A, H, F\}, \{C, D\}\}.$ 
  - (a) Find the dependence graph  $G(\mathcal{A})$ ; is  $\mathcal{A}$  conformal?
  - (b) Find a perfect numbering of the vertices with F = 1 using maximum cardinality search;
  - (c) Argue that  $G(\mathcal{A})$  is chordal and  $\mathcal{A}$  is decomposable;
  - (d) Arrange the cliques of the dependence graph  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{A})$  in a junction tree and identify the separators and their multiplicities.
  - (e) Using the notation  $n_{abcdefg}$  etc. for the cell counts of a contingency table corresponding to these variables, write an expression fof the MLE of the cell probabilities  $p_{abcdefg}$ .
- 5. The regular multivariate Gaussian distribution over  $\mathcal{R}^{|V|}$  has density

$$f(x \mid \xi, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{-|V|/2} (\det K)^{1/2} e^{-(x-\xi)^{\top} K(x-\xi)/2},$$

where  $K = \Sigma^{-1}$  is called the *concentration* of the distribution. If X is multivariate Gaussian, it holds that

$$\mathbf{E}(X) = \xi, \quad \operatorname{Cov}(X) = \Sigma$$

so  $\xi$  is the *mean* and  $\Sigma$  the *covariance* of X. We then write  $X \sim \mathcal{N}_{|V|}(\xi, \Sigma)$ . Let X be multivariate normal  $X \sim \mathcal{N}_{|V|}(0, \Sigma)$  and let  $K = \Sigma^{-1}$ . Show that the dependence graph G(K) for X is given by

$$\alpha \not\sim \beta \iff k_{\alpha\beta} = 0.$$