

Reasoning Under Uncertainty: Belief Networks

CPSC 322 Lecture 26

R&R systems we'll cover in this course

		Environment	
Problem		Deterministic	Stochastic
Static	Constraint Satisfaction	<i>Variables + Constraints</i> Search Arc Consistency Local Search	
	Query	<i>Logics</i> Search	<i>Bayesian (Belief) Networks</i> Variable Elimination
Sequential	Planning	<i>STRIPS</i> Search	<i>Decision Networks</i> Variable Elimination

Representation
Reasoning Technique

Key points Recap

We model the **environment** as a set of

Why is the **joint distribution** not an adequate representation ?

- “Representation, reasoning and learning” are **exponential** in

Solution: Exploit marginal & **conditional** independence

$$P(X|Y) = P(X) \quad P(X|YZ) = P(X|Z)$$

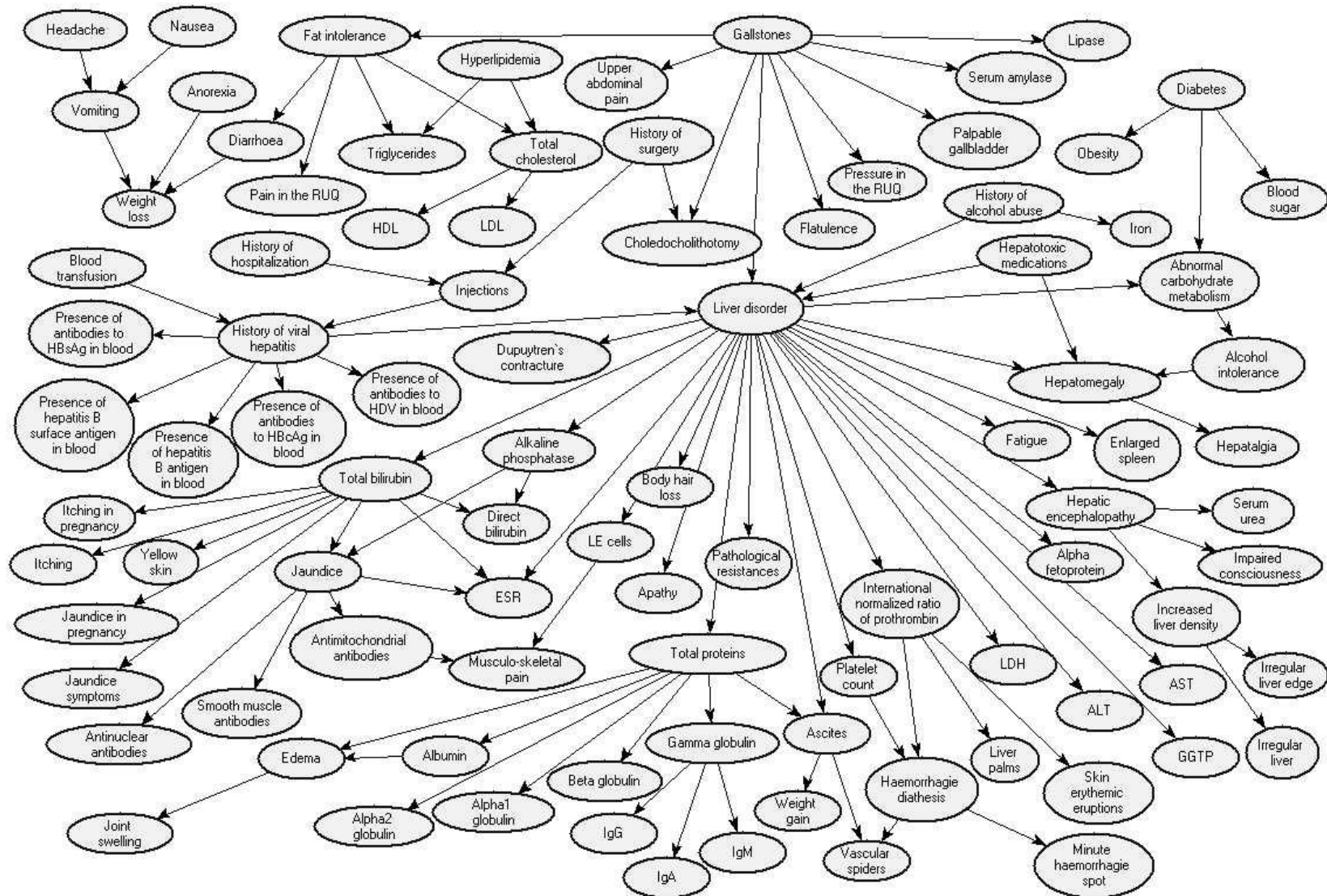
But how does independence allow us to simplify the joint?

CHAIN RULE!

Realistic BNet: Liver Diagnosis

Source: Onisko et al., 1999

~60 binary variables: how large is the JPD?



Learning Goals for today's class

You can:

Build a Belief Network for a simple domain

Classify the types of inference

Compute the representational saving in terms
on number of probabilities required

Lecture Overview

- **Belief Networks**
 - **Build sample BN**
 - Intro Inference, Compactness, Semantics
 - More Examples

Belief Nets: Burglary Example

There might be a **Burglar** in my house

The **anti-burglar Alarm** in my house may go off

I have an agreement with two of my neighbors, **John** and **Mary**, that they **call** me if they hear the alarm go off when I am at work

Minor Earthquakes may occur and sometimes the set off the alarm.

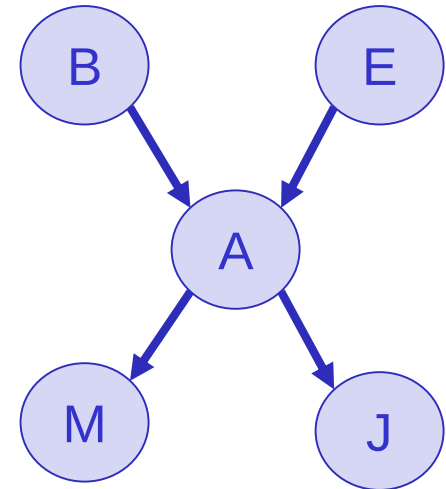
Variables: **B**, **A**, **J**, **M**, **E**

Joint has entries/probs

Belief Nets: Simplify the joint

- Typically order vars to reflect causal knowledge (i.e., causes *before* effects)
 - A burglar (B) can set the alarm (A) off
 - An earthquake (E) can set the alarm (A) off
 - The alarm can cause Mary to call (M)
 - The alarm can cause John to call (J)

$$P(B, E, A, M, J)$$



- Apply Chain Rule

$$P(B) P(E|B) P(A|B,E) P(M|A,E,B) P(J|M,A,E,B)$$

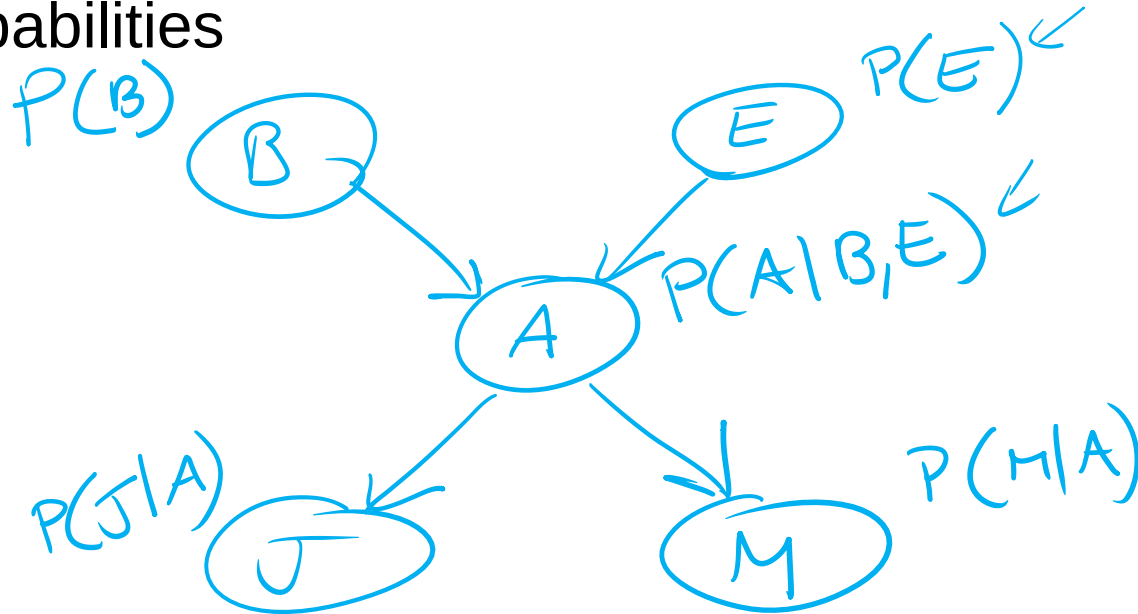
- Simplify according to **marginal** & **conditional** independence

$$P(B) P(E) P(A|B,E) P(M|A) P(J|A)$$

Belief Nets: Structure + Probs

$$P(B) * P(E) * P(A|B,E) * P(M|A) * P(J|A)$$

- Express remaining dependencies as a network
 - Each var is a node
 - For each var, the conditioning vars are its parents
 - Associate to each node corresponding conditional probabilities



- Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)

$P(B) \leftarrow$

Burglary: complete BN

 $P(E) \leftarrow$

$P(B=T)$	$P(B=F)$
.001	.999

$P(E=T)$	$P(E=F)$
.002	.998

Burglary

Earthquake

Alarm

John Calls

Mary Calls

 $P(A|B,E)$

B	E	$P(A=T B,E)$	$P(A=F B,E)$
T	T	.95	.05
T	F	.94	.06
F	T	.29	.71
F	F	.001	.999

 $P(J|A)$ $P(M|A)$

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call for any other reasons

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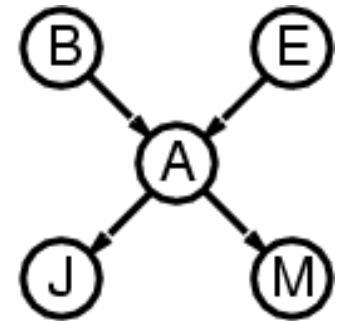
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Burglary Example: Bnets inference

Our BN can answer any probabilistic query that can be answered by processing the joint!

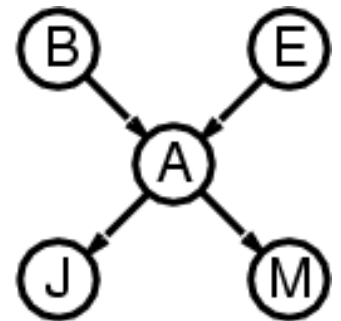
(Ex1) I'm at work,

- neighbor John calls,
- neighbor Mary doesn't call.
- No news of any earthquakes.
- Is there a burglar?



(Ex2) I'm at work,

- Receive message that neighbor John called ,
- News of minor earthquakes.
- Is there a burglar?



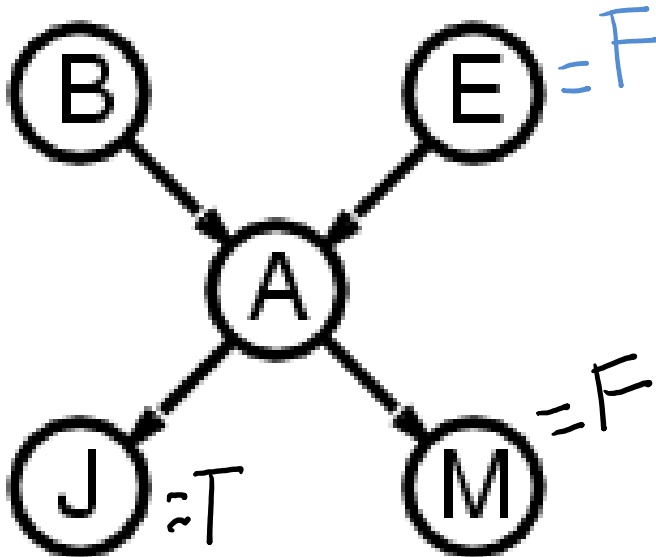
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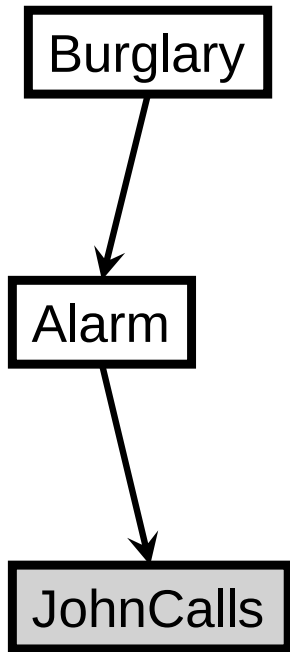


The probability of Burglar will:

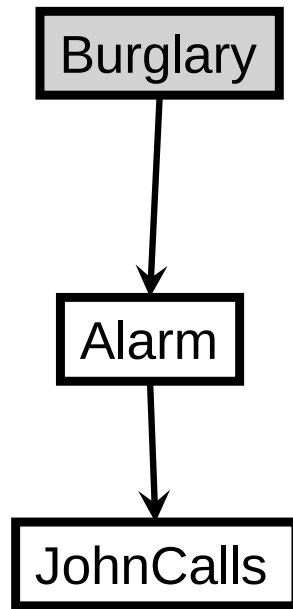
- A. Go down
- B. Remain the same
- C. Go up

Bayesian Networks – Inference Types

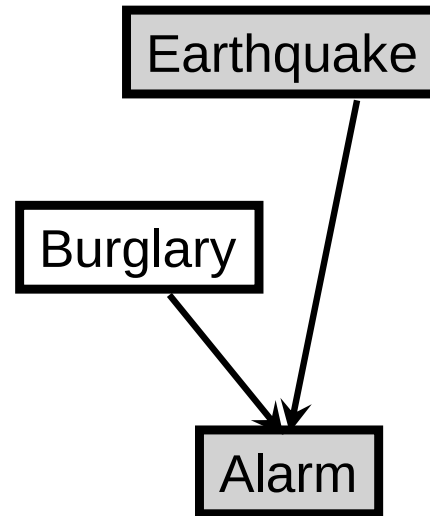
Diagnostic



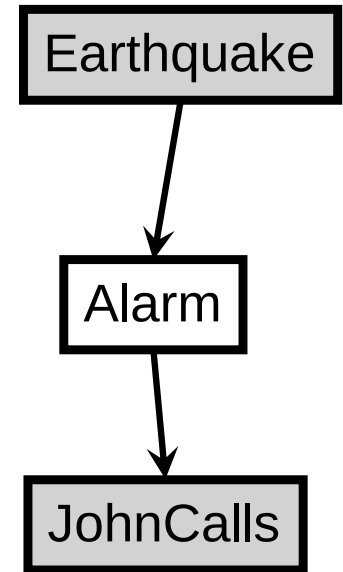
Predictive



Intercausal



Mixed

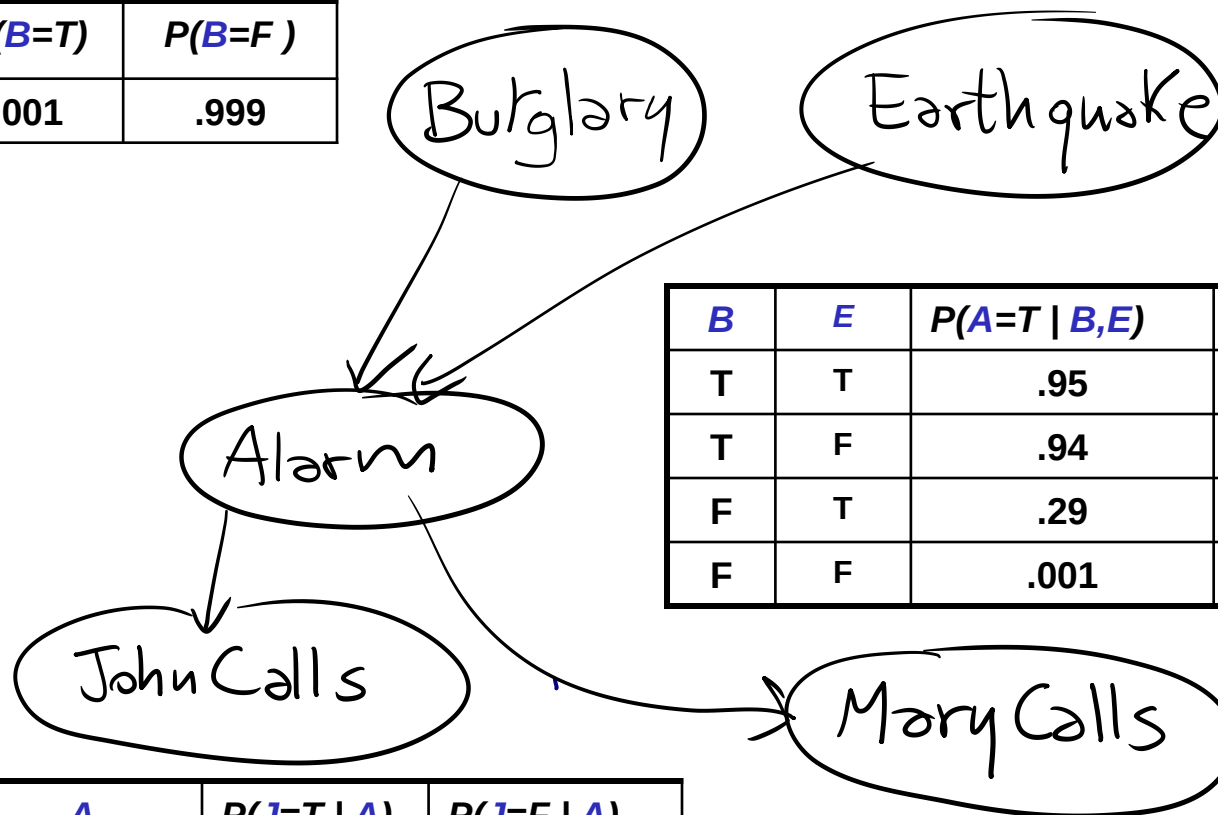


BNnets: Compactness

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How many values do we **have to** store with this BNet?

$$|JPD| = 2^5 - 1$$

- A. 5 B. 10 C. 16 D. 20 E. 42

BNets: Compactness

A **Conditional Probability Table (CPT)** for **boolean** X_i with k **boolean** parents has 2^k rows for the combinations of parent values

Each row requires **one number** p_i for $X_i = \text{true}$
(the number for $X_i = \text{false}$ is just $1-p_i$)

If **each variable** has no more than **k parents**, the complete network requires $O(n2^k)$ numbers

For $k \ll n$, this is a substantial improvement,

- the numbers required grow linearly with n , vs. $O(2^n)$ for the full joint distribution

BNets: Construction General Semantics

The full joint distribution can be defined as the product of conditional distributions:

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}) \text{ (chain rule)}$$

Simplify according to marginal/conditional independence

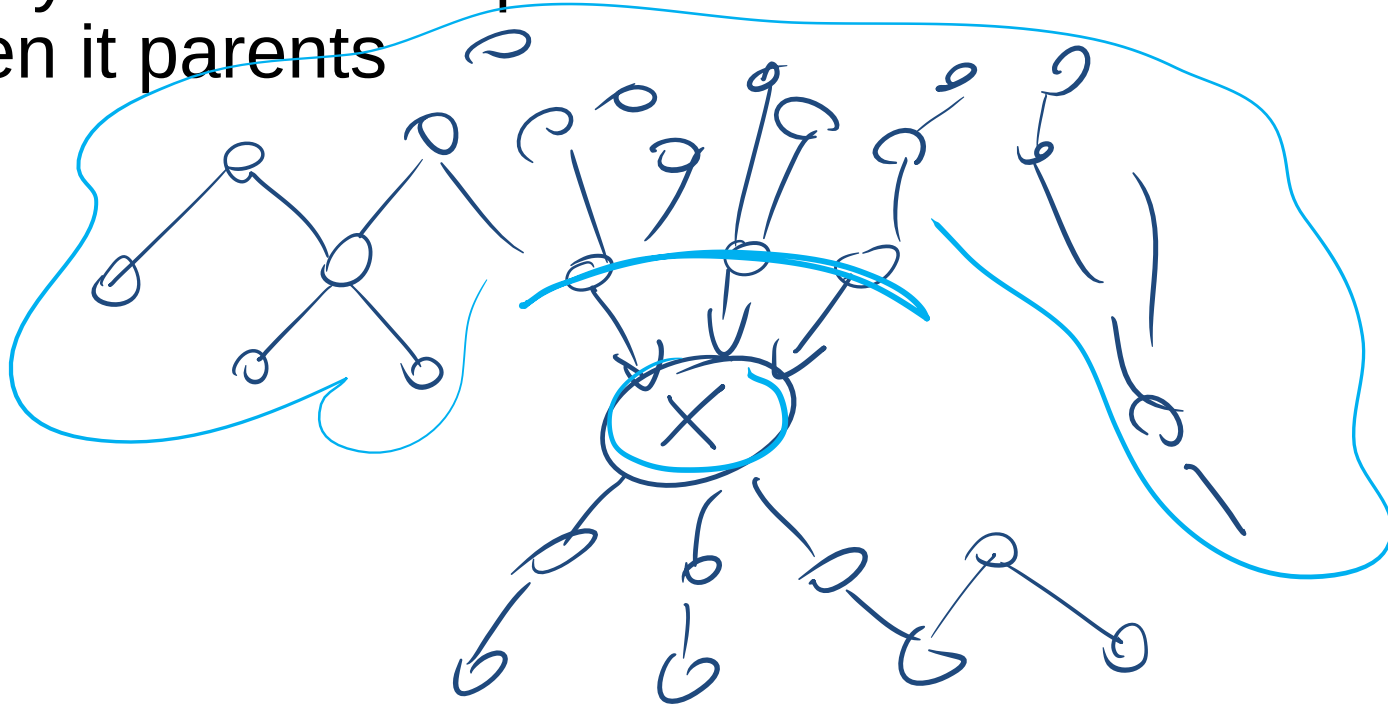
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BNets: Construction General Semantics (cont')

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \mid \text{Parents}(X_i))$$

- Every node is independent from its non-descendants given its parents



(CPSC 422) A node is independent from the rest of the network given its **Markov Blanket**

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Other Examples: Fire Diagnosis (textbook 8.3.2)

Suppose you want to diagnose whether there is a **fire** in a building

- you receive a “noisy” **report** about whether everyone is **leaving** the building.
- if everyone is **leaving**, this may have been caused by a fire **alarm**.
- if there is a fire **alarm**, it may have been caused by a fire or by **tampering**
- if there is a fire, there may be **smoke** raising from the bldg.

In-class activity:
build a Bayesian network for this environment and state what probability tables are needed

Other Examples (cont')



- Make sure you explore and understand the **Fire Diagnosis** example (we'll expand on it to study Decision Networks)

- **Electrical Circuit** example (textbook ex 6.11, 1st ed.)



- **Patient's wheezing and coughing** example (ex. 6.14, 1st ed.)

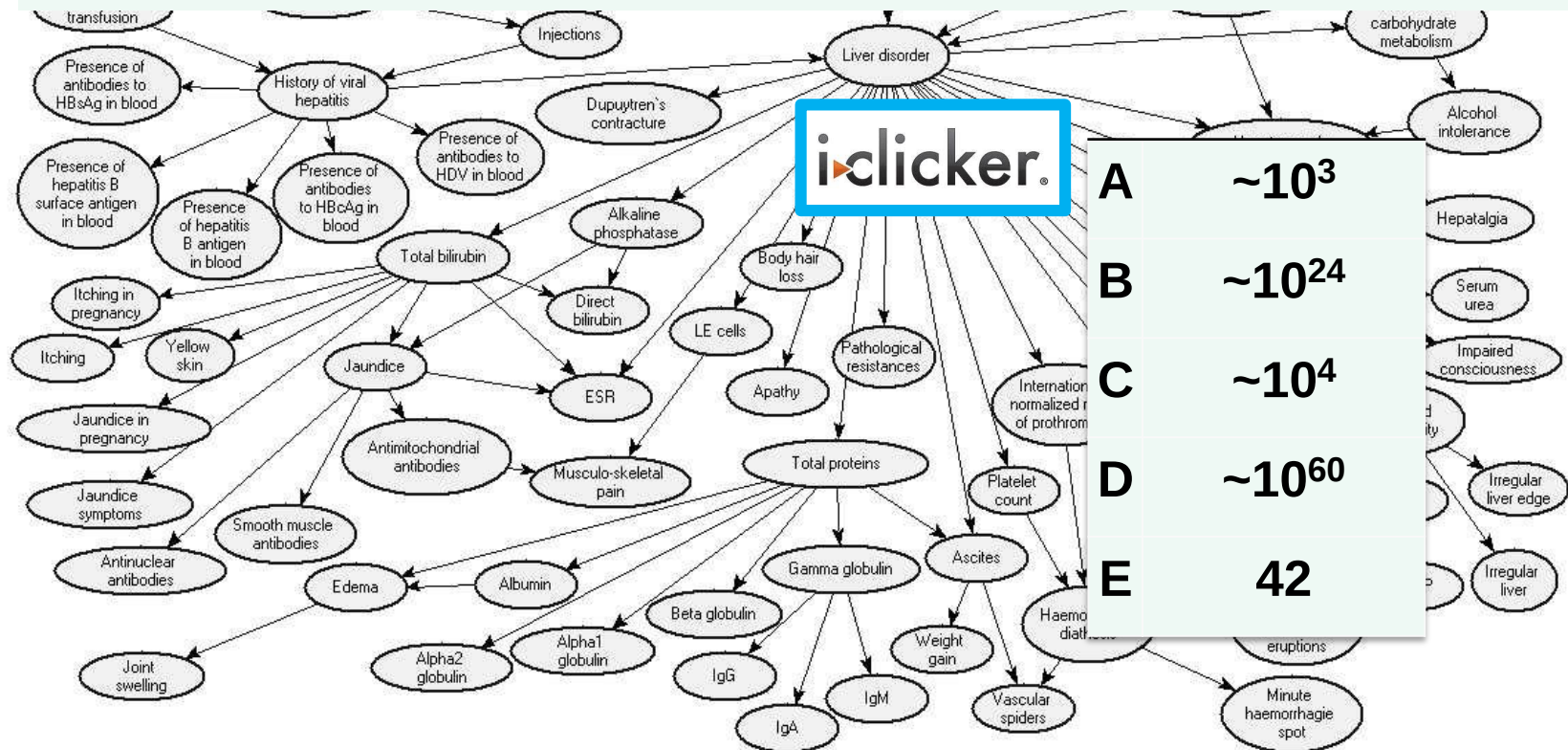
- Other examples on



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Assuming there are ~60 nodes in this Bnet with max number of parents =4; and assuming all nodes are binary, $\sim 10^{18}$ numbers are required for the JPD. How many are required for the Bnet?



Belief network summary

- A belief network is a directed acyclic graph (DAG) that effectively expresses independence assertions among random variables.
- The parents of a node X are those variables on which X directly depends.
- Consideration of causal dependencies among variables typically help in constructing a Bnet

Next Class

Bayesian Networks Representation

- **Additional Dependencies** encoded by BNets
- More **compact representations** for CPT
- Very simple but extremely useful BNet (**Naïve Bayes Classifier**)