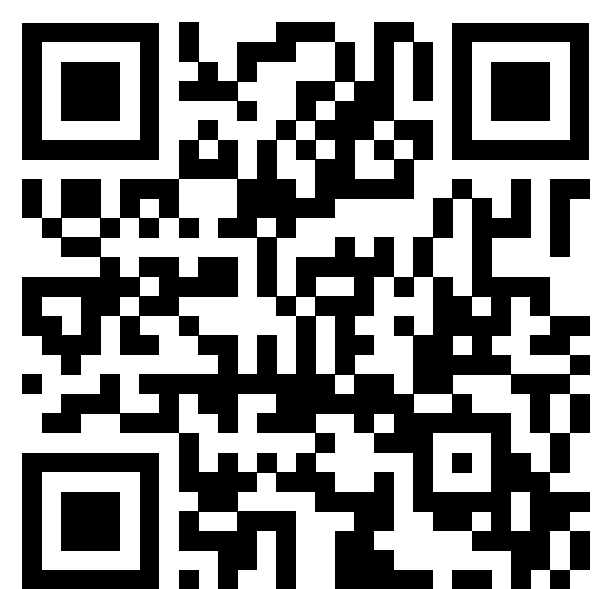


# Compute a family of divergences between discrete graphical models using belief propagation.

$$P = \frac{P_{1,2} \cdot P_{2,3,4} \cdot P_{4,5}}{P_2 \cdot P_4} = P_{2,3,4} \cdot P_{1|2} \cdot P_{5|4}$$

$$Q = \frac{Q_{1,3} \cdot Q_{2,3,4} \cdot Q_{4,5}}{Q_3 \cdot Q_4} = Q_{2,3,4} \cdot Q_{1|3} \cdot Q_{5|4}$$

$$D_{AB}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(P, Q) \in \mathcal{O}\left(n^2 \omega(\mathcal{H}) \cdot 2^{\omega(\mathcal{H})+1}\right)$$


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## Motivation

Compute the divergence between 2 discrete distributions. For instance take the KL divergence:

$$D_{KL}(P, Q) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

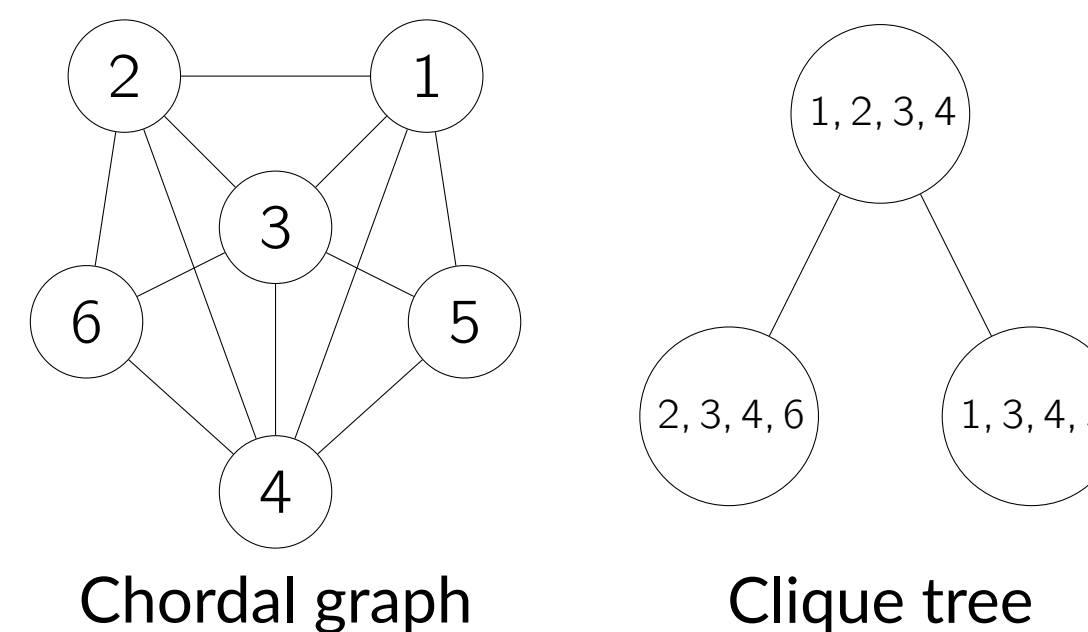
$\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}) \in \mathcal{O}(2^n)$

However, complexity is exponential w.r.t. the number of variables, and therefore intractable.

## Background

### Decomposable Models

Markov networks with a chordal graph structure. They have a direct clique tree representation:



and a closed form expression of its distribution:

$$P = \frac{P_{1,2,3,4} \cdot P_{2,3,4,6} \cdot P_{1,3,4,5}}{P_{2,3,4} \cdot P_{1,3,4}} = P_{1,2,3,4} \cdot P_{6|2,3,4} \cdot P_{5|1,3,4}$$

which more generally has the form:

$$P = \frac{\prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} P_C}{\prod_{S \in \mathcal{S}} P_S} = \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} P_C^T$$

### $\alpha\beta$ -divergence

A family of divergences that can express other divergences such as the KL-divergence. We showed that the  $\alpha\beta$ -divergence can be expressed as follows:

$$D_{AB}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(P, Q) = \begin{cases} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{2} (\log P(x) - \log Q(x))^2 & \alpha, \beta = 0 \\ \mathcal{F}^{(1)}(P, Q) + \dots + \mathcal{F}^{(k)}(P, Q) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{F}[g, h, g^*, h^*](P, Q)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} [g[P](x)] [h[Q](x)] \log \left( [g^*[P](x)] [h^*[Q](x)] \right)$$

where for functional  $f \in \{g, h, g^*, h^*\}$ :

$$f \left[ \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} P_C^T \right] (x) = \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} f [P_C^T] (x_C)$$

### Computation when $\alpha, \beta = 0$

For  $\omega = \max(\omega(\mathcal{G}_P), \omega(\mathcal{G}_Q))$ :

$$D_{AB}^{(0,0)}(P, Q) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \log \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_P)} P_C^T - \log \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_Q)} Q_C^T \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_P)} \log P_C^T - \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_Q)} \log Q_C^T \right)^2$$

$\in \mathcal{O}(n^2 \omega 2^{\omega+1})$

## Computation when $\alpha \neq 0$ or $\beta \neq 0$

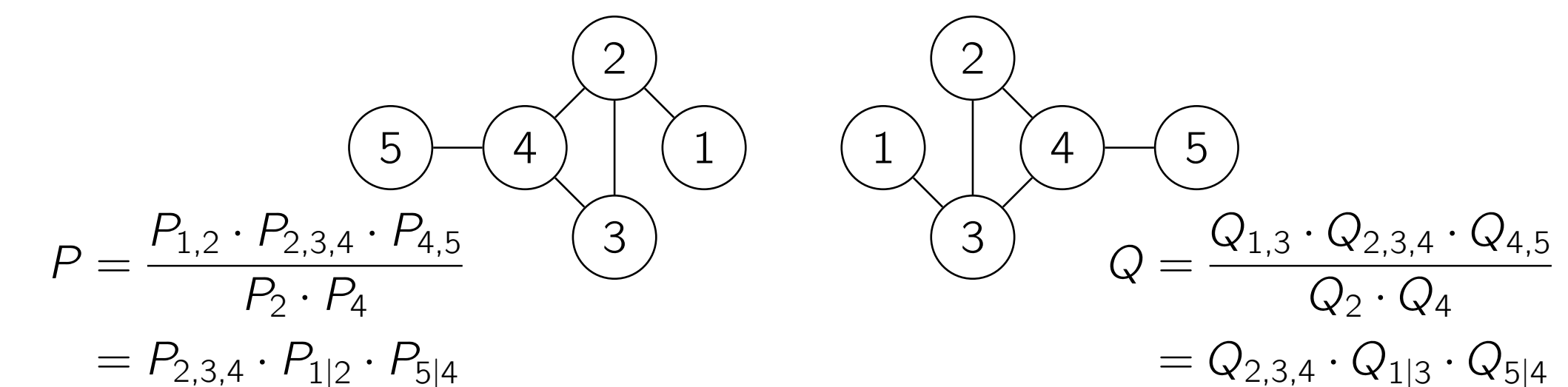
Substituting the distribution of decomposable models into  $\mathcal{F}$ :

$$\mathcal{F}[g, h, g^*, h^*](P, Q) = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_P)} \sum_{x_C \in \mathcal{X}_C} \log (g^* [P_C^T] (x_C)) \text{SP}_C(x_C) + \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{G}_Q)} \sum_{x_C \in \mathcal{X}_C} \log (h^* [Q_C^T] (x_C)) \text{SP}_C(x_C)$$

where:  $\text{SP}_C(x_C) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}_{X-C}} (g[P](x_C, x)) (h[Q](x_C, x))$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}_{X-C}} \left[ \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}_P} g [P_C^T] (x) \right] \left[ \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}_Q} h [Q_C^T] (x) \right]$$

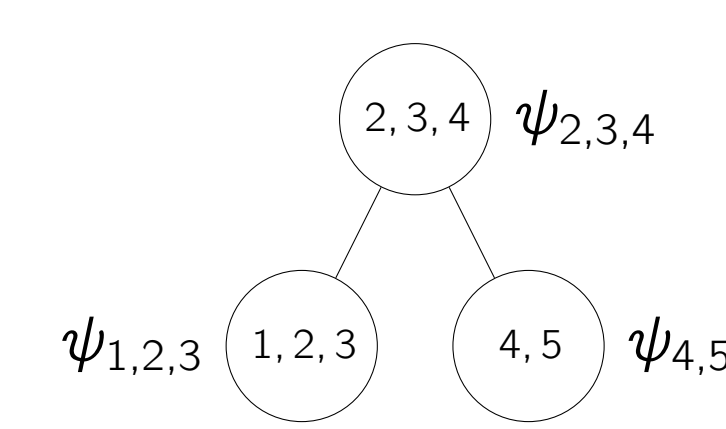
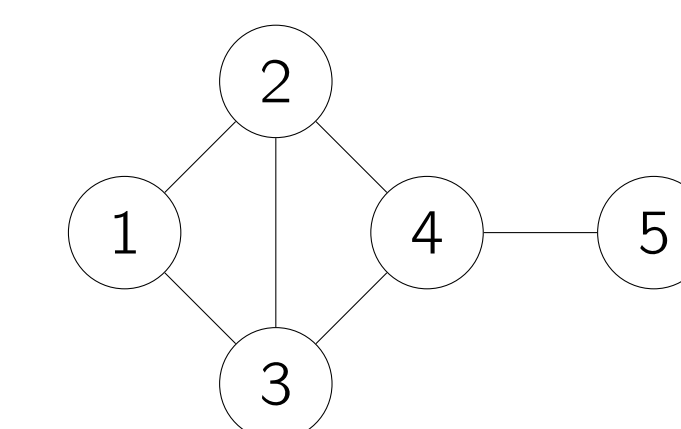
We can then obtain  $\text{SP}_C(x_C)$  using belief propagation. For example:



Computation graph  $\mathcal{H}$

Clique tree of  $\mathcal{H}$

Initial factors



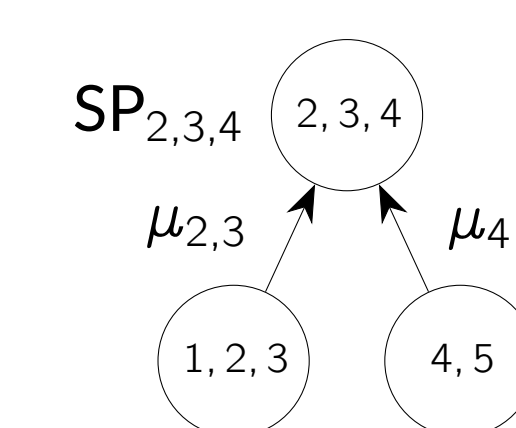
$$\psi_{2,3,4} = g[P_{2,3,4}] \cdot h[Q_{2,3,4}]$$

$$\psi_{1,2,3} = g[P_{1|2}] \cdot h[Q_{1|3}]$$

$$\psi_{4,5} = g[P_{5|4}] \cdot h[Q_{5|4}]$$

With  $\mathcal{H}$  and the factors from  $\text{SP}_C$  assigned to  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H})$ , we can then proceed with carrying out belief propagation in order to obtain  $\text{SP}_C$  for all  $C \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H})$ .

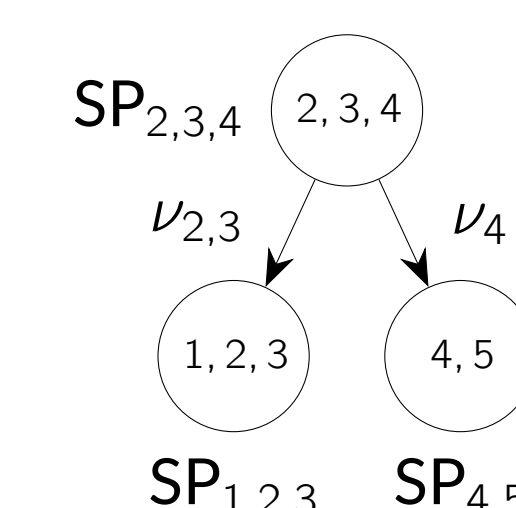
This involves propagating the factors assigned to the leaf cliques, up through the clique tree, to the root clique, then down back to the leaves.



$$\mu_{2,3}(x_{2,3}) = \sum_{x_1 \in \mathcal{X}_1} \psi_{1,2,3}(x_1, x_{2,3})$$

$$\mu_4(x_4) = \sum_{x_5 \in \mathcal{X}_5} \psi_{4,5}(x_5, x_4)$$

$$\text{SP}_{2,3,4} = \psi_{2,3,4} \cdot \mu_{2,3} \cdot \mu_4$$



$$\nu_{2,3}(x_{2,3}) = \sum_{x_4 \in \mathcal{X}_4} \text{SP}_{2,3,4}(x_4, x_{2,3})$$

$$\nu_4(x_4) = \sum_{x_{2,3} \in \mathcal{X}_{2,3}} \text{SP}_{2,3,4}(x_{2,3}, x_4)$$

$$\text{SP}_{1,2,3} = \psi_{1,2,3} \cdot \nu_{2,3} / \mu_{2,3}$$

$$\text{SP}_{4,5} = \psi_{4,5} \cdot \nu_4 / \mu_4$$

## Conclusion

In conclusion our approach:

- has a final complexity of:

$$D_{AB}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(P, Q) \in \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(n^2 \cdot \omega 2^{\omega+1}) & \alpha, \beta = 0 \\ \mathcal{O}(n \cdot 2^{\omega(\mathcal{H})+1}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\in \mathcal{O}(n^2 \omega 2^{\omega+1})$

- as fast as prev. approaches
- only requires belief propagation
- works on both Bayesian networks and Markov networks via conversion
- can compute a wider array of divergences other than the KL divergence

### Runtime comparison with previous approach

Network	previous (secs)		ours (secs)	
	mean	sd	mean	sd
cancer	<b>0.0117</b>	0.0026	0.0132	0.0033
earthquake	0.0104	0.0025	<b>0.0075</b>	0.0009
survey	0.0140	0.0032	<b>0.0081</b>	0.0002
asia	0.0163	0.0001	<b>0.0137</b>	0.0007
sachs	0.0464	0.0106	<b>0.0151</b>	0.0001
child	0.0778	0.0101	<b>0.0402</b>	0.0013
insurance	0.3838	0.0051	<b>0.1590</b>	0.0029
water	<b>6.9326</b>	0.0329	7.6454	0.0637
mildew	<b>19.326</b>	0.1318	19.459	0.0852
alarm	0.3177	0.0099	<b>0.0875</b>	0.0018
hailfinder	0.8543	0.0243	<b>0.1672</b>	0.0052
hepar2	1.3058	0.0307	<b>0.2403</b>	0.0140
win95pts	1.0256	0.0289	<b>0.3538</b>	0.0049