## Heuristic search

# AND/OR Branch-and-Bound search 

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## AND/OR search for probabilistic inference

Radu Marinescu, Rina Dechter, 2009
AND/OR Branch-and-Bound Search for Combinatorial Optimization in Graphical Models
(1) Bayesian networks
(2) Most Probable Explanation problem
(3) OR search
(9) AND/OR search (with Branch-and-Bound)

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Most Probable Explanation
$\operatorname{argmax} P(A, B, C \mid D=t r u e, E=f a l s e)$ A,B,C

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$A, B, C, D, E \in\{0,1\}$
$\underset{A, B, C, D, E}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(A, B, C, D, E)=?$


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\begin{array}{ll}
A & P(A), P(B \mid A), P(C \mid A) \\
D & P(D \mid B, C) \\
E & P(E \mid C)
\end{array}
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## Structural independencies



Dependency graph

## Pseudo tree



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## AND / OR search tree


(B) $P(B \mid A) \times P(D \mid B, C)$


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P(E=0 \mid A=0, C=0)=0.2
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## Conclusion

- The MPE an be formalized as a search problem.
- OR search instantiates variables sequentially.
- AND/OR search splits into independent subproblems.
- Both search spaces may be pruned with Branch-and-Bound.

We didn't cover

- Heuristic functions
- How to find pseudo trees?

Questions?

