Intelligent Agents: Web-mining Agents

Probabilistic Graphical Models

Introduction

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Welcome

• Part of the module:

Intelligent Agents (CS4514-KP12)

- Consists of two lectures per week
 - First lecture per week on

Autonomous Agents and Information Retrieval

• Second lecture per week on

Probabilistic Graphical Models



Literature: Books

- Modelling and Reasoning with Bayesian Networks
 - Adnan Darwiche
- Probabilistic Graphical Models
 - Daphne Koller, Nir Friedman
- Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach (3rd ed.)
 - Stuart Russell, Peter Norvig









Literature: Other than Books

- Two PhD theses (especially for Sections 1-3):
 - Nima Taghipour: Lifted Probabilistic Inference by Variable Elimination. KU Leuven, 2013.
 - https://lirias.kuleuven.be/1656026?limo=0
 - Tanya Braun: Rescued from a Sea of Queries: Exact Inference in Probabilistic Relational Models. UzL, 2020.
 - https://www.ifis.uni-luebeck.de/~braun/Diss/Braun_diss.pdf
- Further research papers referenced in slides

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Setting: Agent with Utilities





Probabilistic Graphical Models (PGMs)

- 1. Recap: Propositional modelling
 - Factor model, Bayesian network, Markov network
 - Semantics, inference tasks + algorithms + complexity
- 2. Probabilistic relational models (PRMs)
 - Parameterised models, Markov logic networks
 - Semantics, inference tasks
- 3. Lifted inference
 - LVE, LJT, FOKC
 - Theoretical analysis

4. Lifted learning

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- Recap: propositional learning
- From ground to lifted models
- Direct lifted learning

5. Approximate Inference: Sampling

- Importance sampling
- MCMC methods
- 6. Sequential models & inference
 - Dynamic PRMs
 - Semantics, inference tasks + algorithms + complexity, learning

7. Decision making

- (Dynamic) Decision PRMs
- Semantics, inference tasks + algorithms, learning

8. Continuous Models

 Probabilistic soft logic: modelling, semantics, inference tasks + algorithms