

CS440/ECE448: Intro to Artificial Intelligence

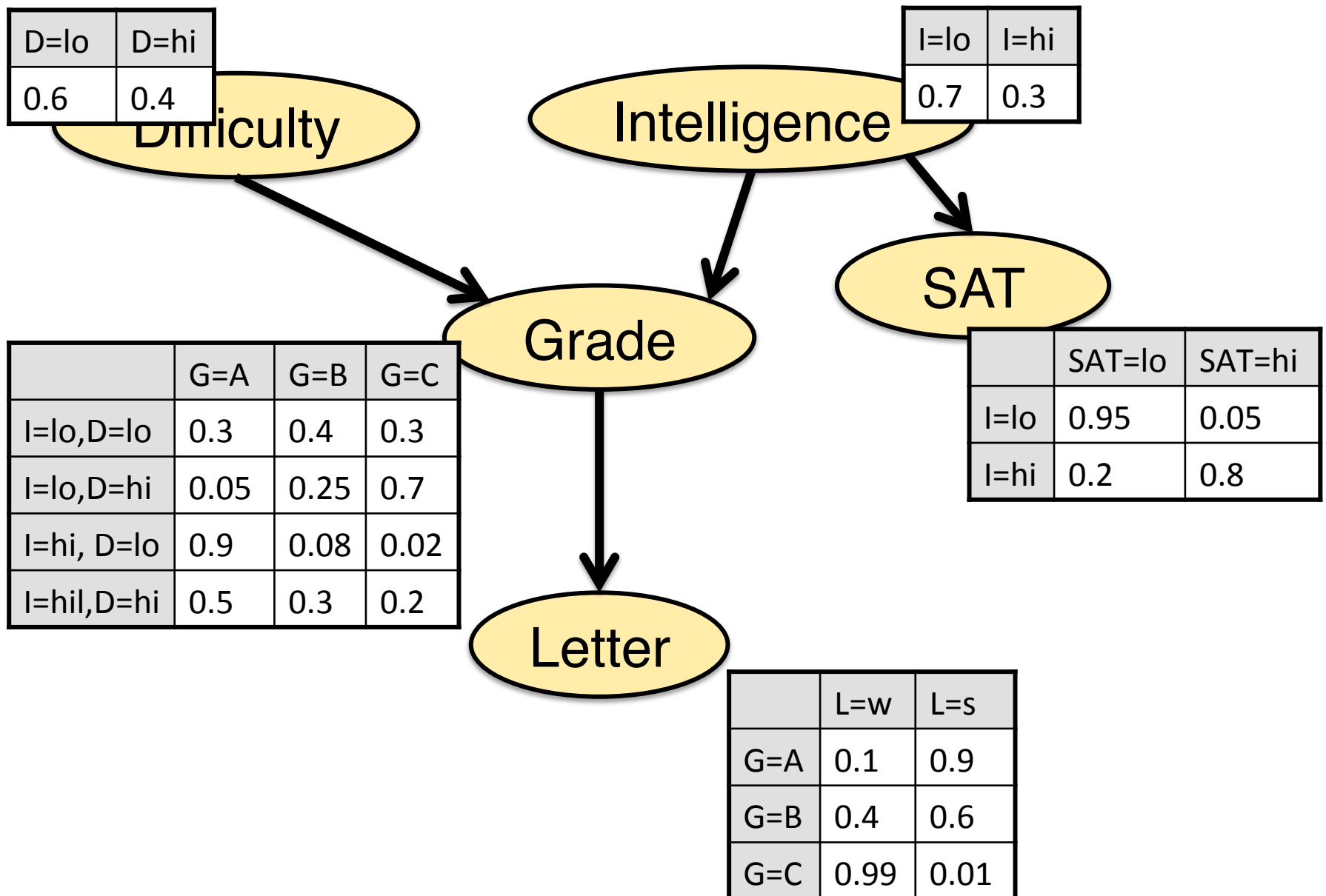
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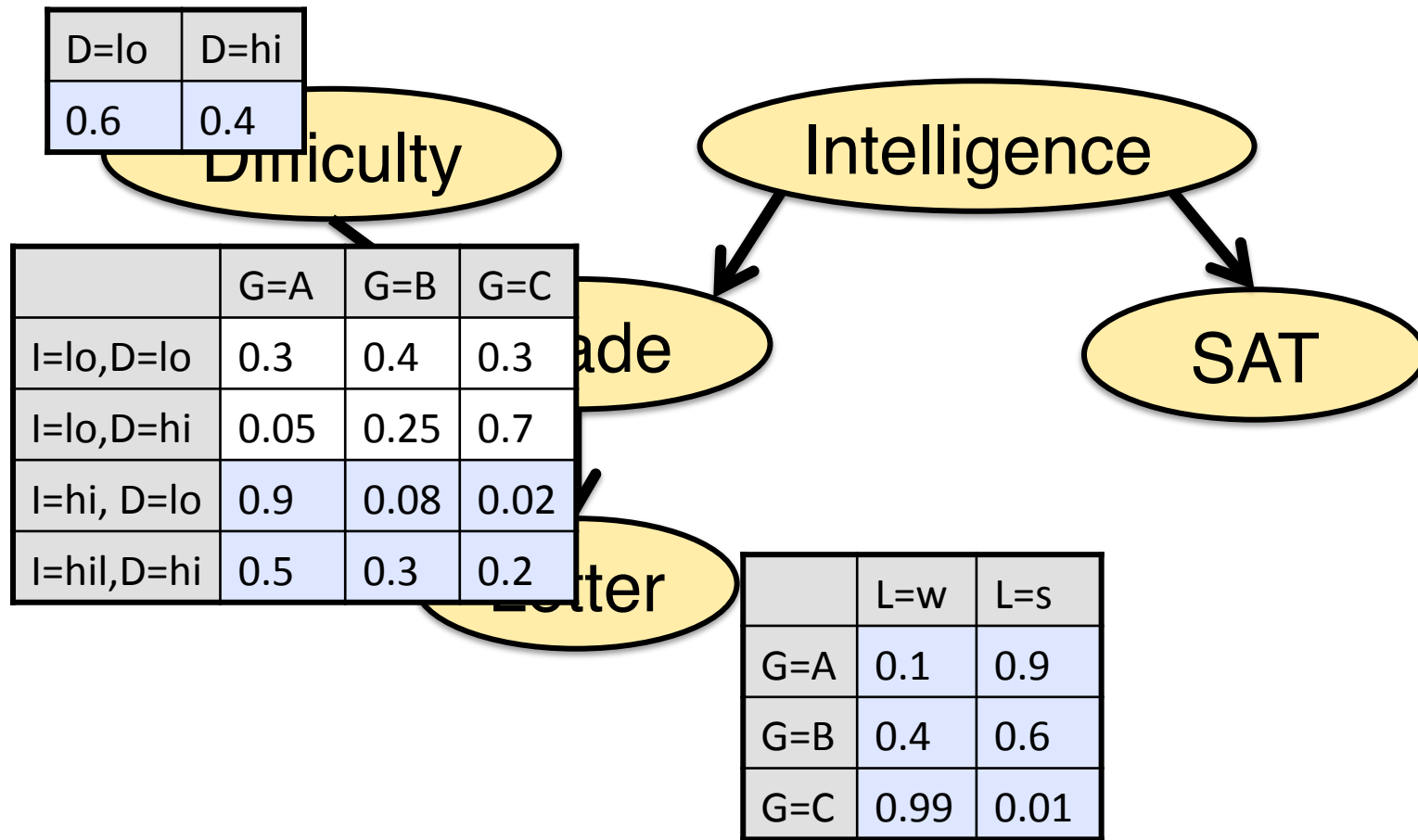
More on exact inference in Bayes Nets

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What is the probability of getting a strong letter if you are an intelligent student?

Review: inference in Bayes Nets

What is the probability of getting a strong letter if you are an intelligent student?

$$P(X = x \mid \mathbf{e}) = \frac{P(X = x \mid \mathbf{e})}{P(\mathbf{e})}$$

- We want to compute the probability of a set of **query variables** X (*= the letter*) given an event $\mathbf{e}$ (*= being intelligent*)
- An event = an assignment of values to a set of **evidence variables** $\mathbf{E}$ (*= intelligence*)

Review: conditional probability

$$P(X | Y) = \frac{P(X, Y)}{P(Y)}$$

$P(Y)$ can be computed by marginalization:

$$P(Y = y) = \sum_x P(X = x, Y = y)$$

If we can compute $P(X, Y)$, we can also compute $P(X | Y)$

Computing inferences in Bayes Nets

What is the probability of getting a strong letter if you are an intelligent student?

What about the other, **hidden, variables $\mathbf{h}$** ?
We have to marginalize them out.

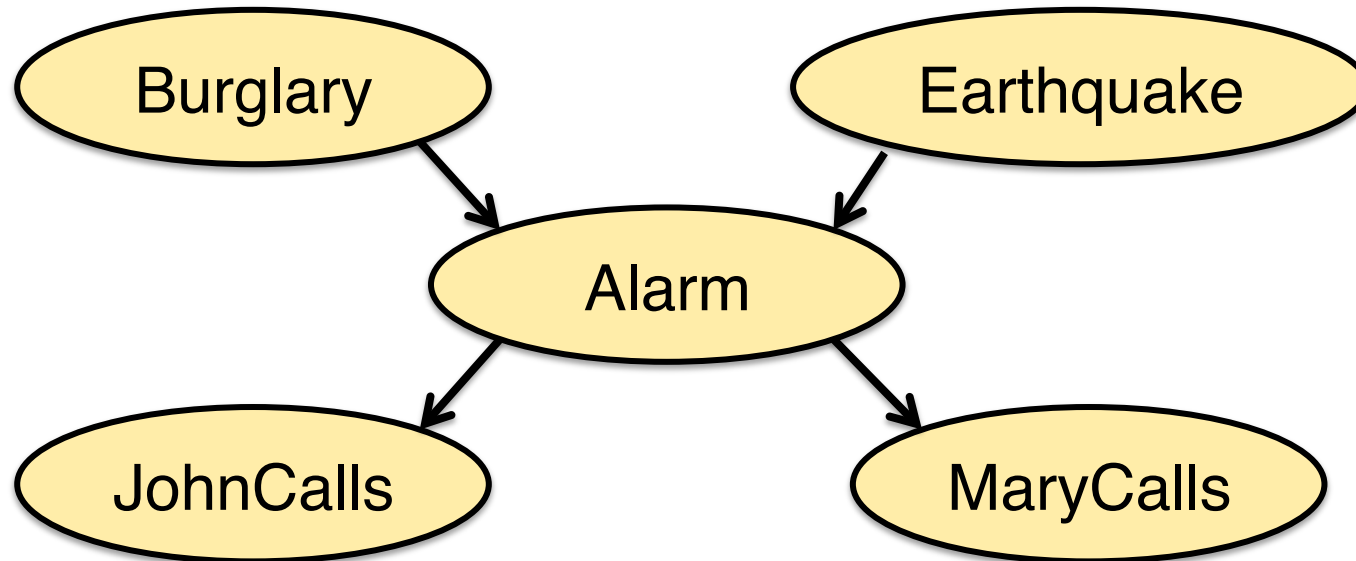
$$P(X = x, \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{e}) = \sum_{H=\mathbf{h}} P(x, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e})$$

The *Burglary* example

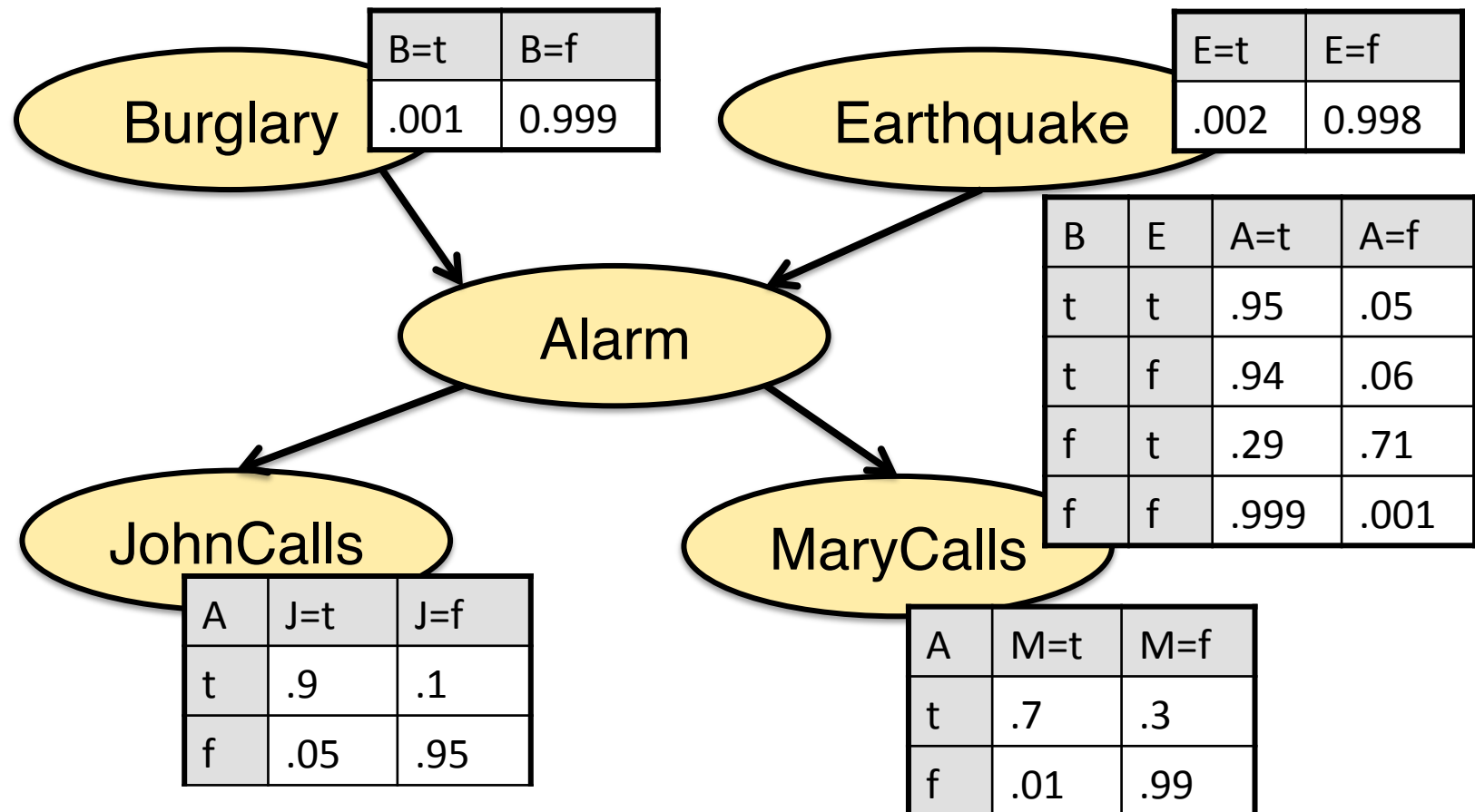
The alarm can go off if there is a burglary or if there is an earthquake.

If the alarm goes off, John might call.

If the alarm goes off, Mary might call.



The *Burglary* example



What is the probability of a burglary if John and Mary call?

Inference by enumeration

What is the probability of a burglary if John and Mary call?

$$P(b \mid j, m) = \frac{P(b, j, m)}{P(j, m)}$$

What is the joint probability $P(b, j, m)$?

$$P(b, j, m) = \sum_e \sum_a P(b, j, m, e, a)$$

Inference by enumeration

What is the joint probability $P(b, j, m, e, a)$?

$$\begin{aligned} &P(b, j, m, a, e) \\ &= P(b)P(e)P(a | b, e)P(j | a)P(m | a) \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$P(b, j, m) = \sum_e \sum_a \underbrace{P(e)P(b)P(a | b, e)P(j | a)P(m | a)}_{\text{5 terms}}$$

4 summands = 20 computations

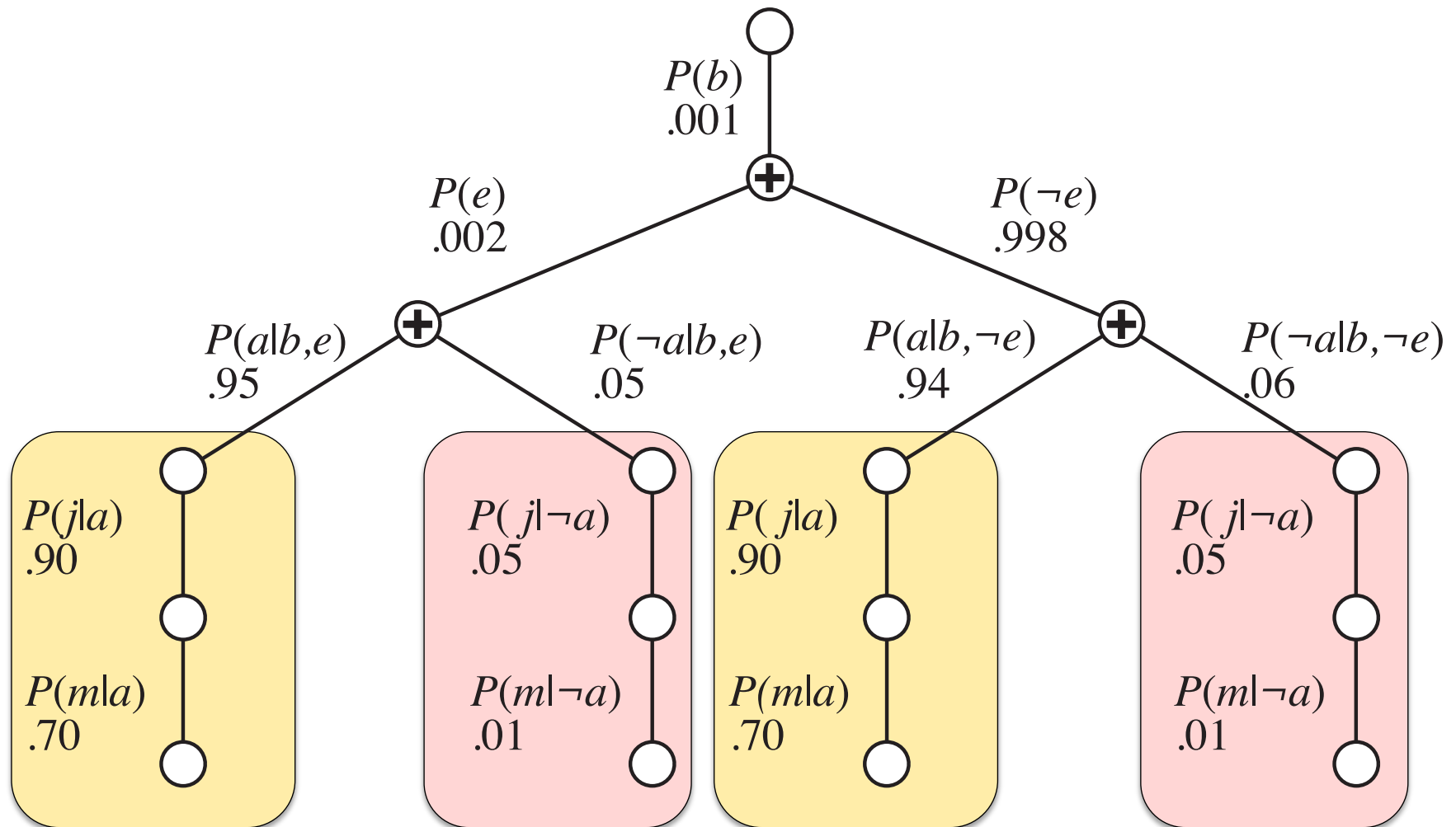
Inference by enumeration

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_e \sum_a P(e)P(b)P(a|b,e)P(j|a)P(m|a) \\ &= P(b) \sum_e \sum_a P(e)P(a|b,e)P(j|a)P(m|a) \\ &= P(b) \sum_e P(e) \underbrace{\sum_a P(a|b,e)P(j|a)P(m|a)}_{\substack{\text{3 terms} \\ \text{2 summands: 6 computations}}} \end{aligned}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{\text{2 terms: } 7 = 1 + 6 \text{ computations} \\ \text{2 summands: 14 computations}}}$

2 terms: 15 = 1 + 14 computations

Or, visually.....:



Enumeration is inefficient...

... it repeatedly evaluates the same subexpressions.

Time complexity for n Boolean variables: $O(2^n)$

Insights:

... it's better to evaluate each subexpression only once and save the result

... often, the number of subexpressions will be relatively small

Variable elimination

We want to compute

$$P(b, j, m, a, e)$$

$$= P(b) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a | b, e) P(j | a) P(m | a)$$


- We have ordered the terms so that when we sum over a variable, we sum only over terms that depend on this variable.
- Now we evaluate this equation in **right-to-left order** and **store intermediate results**

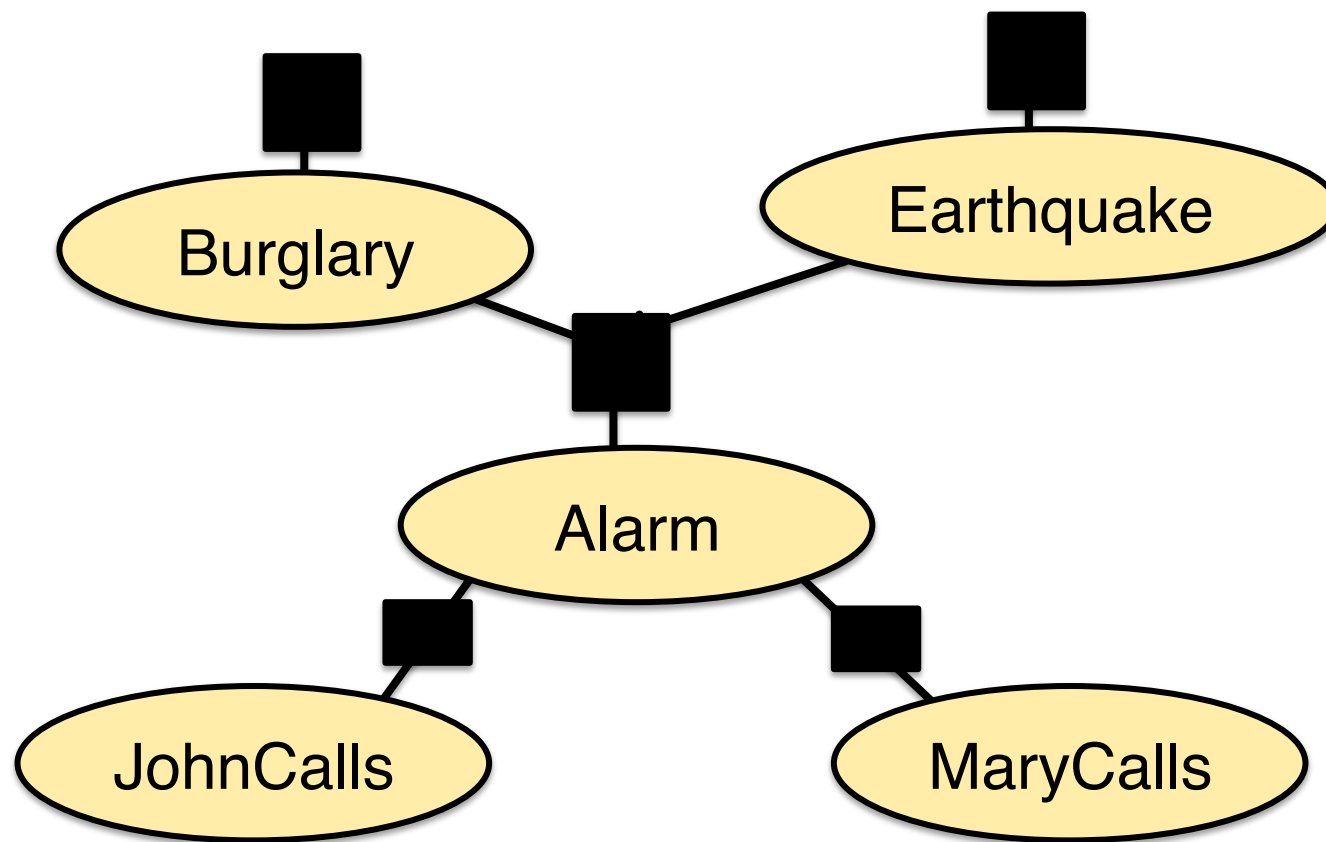
Factors

Variable elimination stores intermediate results in factors.

A factor is a table of probability distributions that is indexed by the variables of interest.

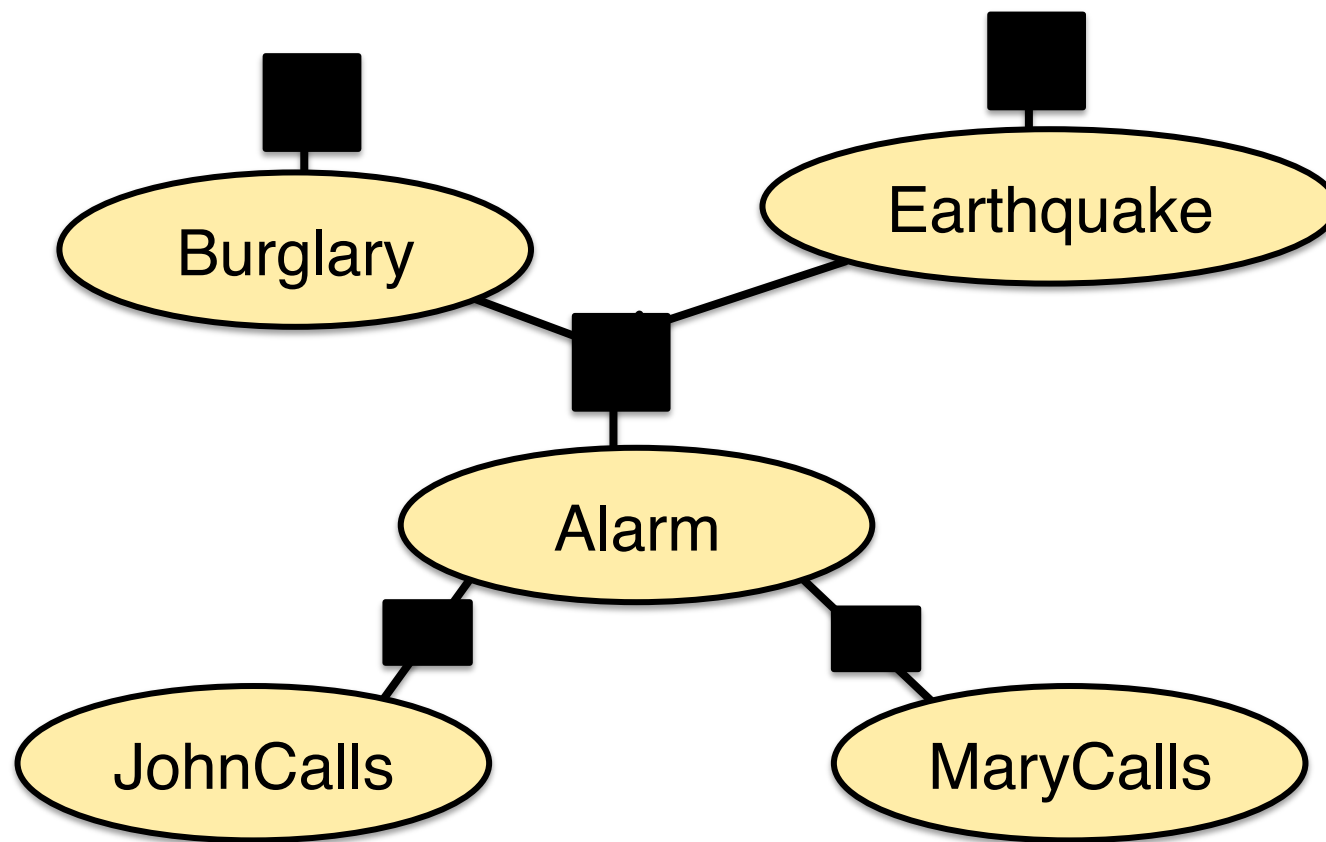
Factor graphs

We can also draw each Bayes Net as a factor graph:



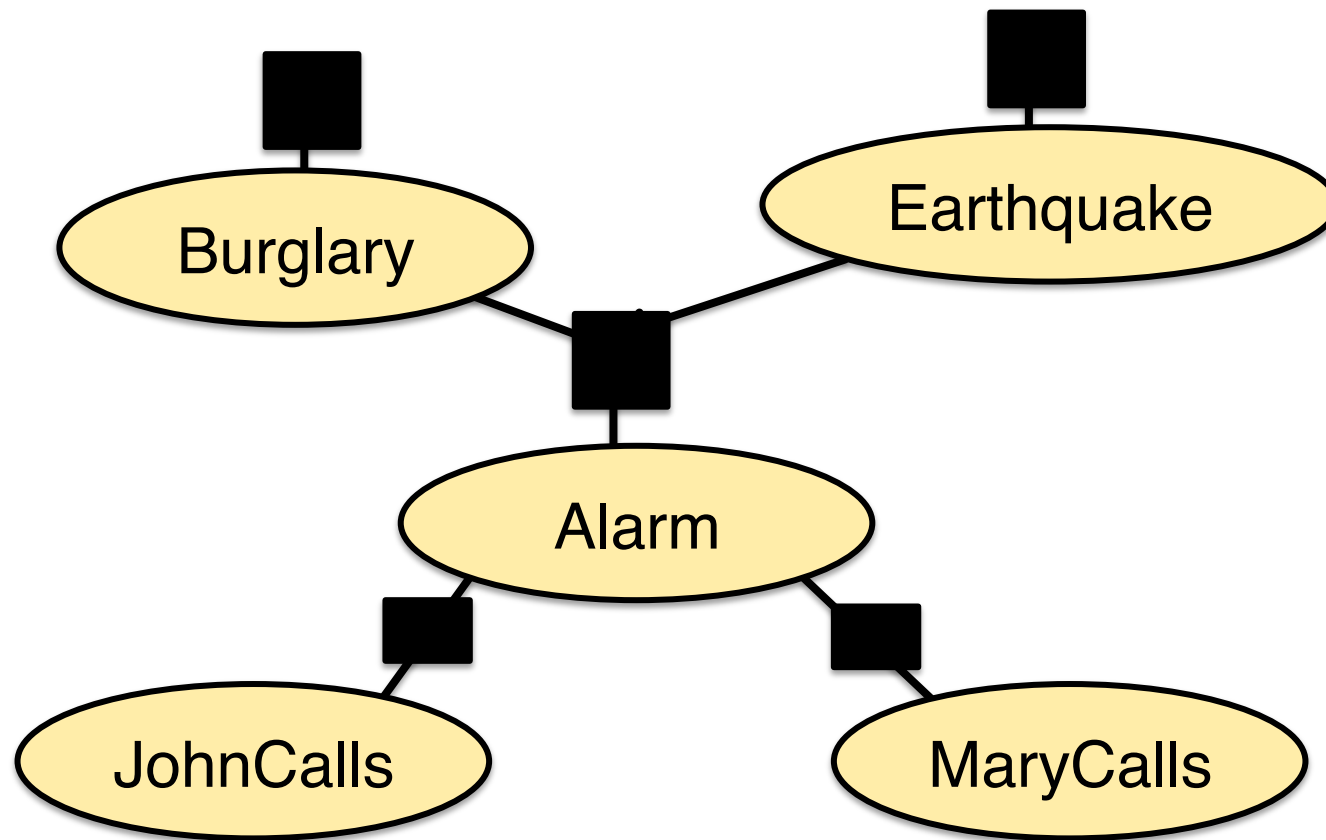
Factor graphs

Each CPT is one factor (= black box)



Factor graphs

The factor graph is a hypergraph



As factors

$$\begin{aligned} &P(b, j, m, a, e) \\ &= P(b) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a | b, e) P(j | a) P(m | a) \\ &= f1(B) \sum_e f2(E) \sum_a f3(A, B, E) f4(A) f5(A) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the innermost sum

$$\begin{aligned} f_6(B, E) &= \sum_a f_3(A, B, E) \times f_4(A) \times f_5(A) \\ &= f_3(a, B, E) \times f_4(a) \times f_5(a) \\ &\quad + f_3(\neg a, B, E) \times f_4(\neg a) \times f_5(\neg a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(b, j, m, a, e) &= f_1(B) \times \sum_e f_2(E) \times \sum_a f_3(A, B, E) \times f_4(A) \times f_5(A) \\ &= f_1(B) \times \sum_e f_2(E) \times f_6(B, E) \end{aligned}$$

So...

$$\begin{aligned} P(b, j, m, a, e) \\ &= f1(B) \times \sum_e f2(E) \times \sum_a f3(A, B, E) \times f4(A) \times f5(A) \\ &= f1(B) \times \sum_e f2(E) \times f6(B, E) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the next sum

$$f7(B) = \sum_e f2(E) \times f6(B, E)$$

$$P(b, j, m, a, e)$$

$$= f1(B) \times \sum_e f2(E) \times \sum_a f3(A, B, E) \times f4(A) \times f5(A)$$

$$= f1(B) \times \sum_e f2(E) \times f6(B, E)$$

$$= f1(B) \times f7(B)$$

Complexity of variable elimination

Polytree networks:

only one (undirected) path between each pair of nodes.

Complexity is linear in the size of the network (number of CPT entries)

Complexity of variable elimination

Multiply connected networks:

multiple (undirected) paths between some pair of nodes.

Complexity is **exponential** in the size of the network (number of CPT entries)

- (Similar to finding number of models in propositional logic)