Our Status in CSE 5522

- We're done with Part I Search and Planning!
- Part II: Probabilistic Reasoning
 - Diagnosis
 - Speech recognition
 - Tracking objects
 - Robot mapping
 - Genetics
 - Error correcting codes
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- Part III: Machine Learning





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Today

Probability

- Random Variables
- Joint and Marginal Distributions
- Conditional Distribution
- Product Rule, Chain Rule, Bayes' Rule
- Inference
- Independence
- You'll need all this stuff A LOT for the next few weeks, so make sure you go over it now!



Uncertainty

General situation:

- Observed variables (evidence): Agent knows certain things about the state of the world (e.g., sensor readings or symptoms)
- Unobserved variables: Agent needs to reason about other aspects (e.g. where an object is or what disease is present)
- Model: Agent knows something about how the known variables relate to the unknown variables
- Probabilistic reasoning gives us a framework for managing our beliefs and knowledge

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- Random variables have domains
 - R in {true, false} (often write as {+r, -r})
 - T in {hot, cold}
 - D in [0, ∞)
 - L in possible locations, maybe {(0,0), (0,1), ...}



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rain	0.1
fog	0.3
meteor	0.0

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Shorthand notation:

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$$P(rain) = P(W = rain),$$

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 - For all but the smallest distributions, impractical to write out!

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P(X,Y)

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+X	-y	0.3
-X	+у	0.4
-X	-у	0.1

P(+x) ?

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P(W)

$P(X_1 = x_1) =$	$\sum P(X_1 =$	$= x_1, X_2$	$= x_2)$
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• Why does this work? Sum of selection is P(evidence)! (P(T=c), here)

$$P(x_1|x_2) = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{P(x_2)} = \frac{P(x_1, x_2)}{\sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2)}$$

Quiz: Normalization Trick

P(X,Y)Х Ρ Y 0.2 +X +V 0.3 +X -V 0.4 +V -X 0.1 -X -V

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cold	sun	10
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• Example 1



	Р	W	Т
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_	5	rain	hot
_ ∠=	10	sun	cold
	15	rain	cold

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Probabilistic Inference

- Probabilistic inference: compute a desired probability from other known probabilities (e. conditional from joint)
- We generally compute conditional probabilitie
 - P(on time | no reported accidents) = 0.90
 - These represent the agent's *beliefs* given the evide
- Probabilities change with new evidence:
 - P(on time | no accidents, 5 a.m.) = 0.95
 - P(on time | no accidents, 5 a.m., raining) = 0.80
 - Observing new evidence causes beliefs to be update



- General case:
 - Evidence variables: $E_1 \dots E_k = e_1 \dots e_k$ Query* variable: Q
 Hidden variables: $H_1 \dots H_r$ X₁, X₂, ... X_n
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* Works fine with *multiple query* variables, too

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The Chain Rule

 More generally, can always write any joint distribution as an incremental product of conditional distributions

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Next Time: Markov Models