

# Probabilistic Graphical Models

Exact Inference

Complexity of VE

Belief Propagation

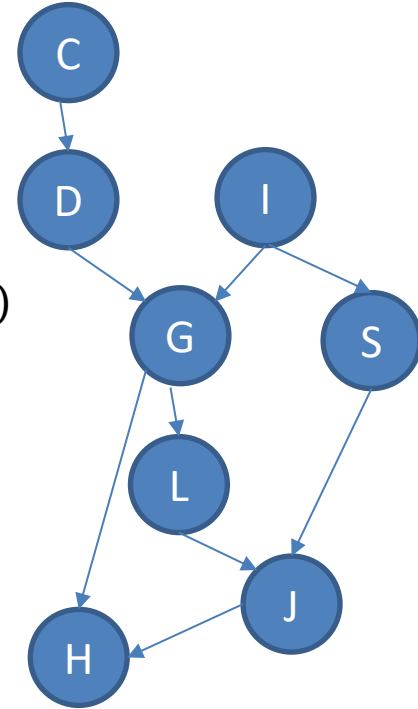
# Summary

- Simple algorithm
- Works for both BNs and MNs
- Factor product and summation steps can be done in any order, subject to:
  - when  $Z$  is eliminated, all factors involving  $Z$  have been multiplied in

# Variable Elimination

- Goal:  $P(J)$
- Eliminate: C, D, I, H, G, L, S

$$\sum_{C,D,I,G,S,L,H} \phi_C(C) \phi_D(C,D) \phi_I(I) \phi_G(G,I,D) \phi_S(S,I) \phi_L(L,G) \phi_J(J,L,S) \phi_H(H,G,J)$$



# Complexity

$$\psi_k(\mathbf{X}_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{m_k} \phi_i$$

Factor product of  $m_k$  factors

$$\tau_k(\mathbf{X}_k \setminus \{Z\}) = \sum_Z \psi_k(\mathbf{X}_k)$$

Marginalization of a variable

# Factor Product

$$N_k = |\text{Val}(\mathbf{X}_k)|$$

$N_k$  rows

$a^1$	$b^1$	0.5
$a^1$	$b^2$	0.8
$a^2$	$b^1$	0.1
$a^2$	$b^2$	0
$a^3$	$b^1$	0.3
$a^3$	$b^2$	0.9

$b^1$	$c^1$	0.5
$b^1$	$c^2$	0.7
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$a^3$	$b^1$	$c^2$	$0.3 \cdot 0.7 = 0.21$
$a^3$	$b^2$	$c^1$	$0.9 \cdot 0.1 = 0.09$
$a^3$	$b^2$	$c^2$	$0.9 \cdot 0.2 = 0.18$

$$\psi_k(\mathbf{X}_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{m_k} \phi_i$$

Cost:  $(m_k - 1) \times N_k$

# Factor Marginalization

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$$\phi(a^1, c^1) = \sum_b \phi(a^1, c^1, b)$$

$a^1$	$c^1$	0.33
$a^1$	$c^2$	0.51
$a^2$	$c^1$	0.05
$a^2$	$c^2$	0.07
$a^3$	$c^1$	0.24
$a^3$	$c^2$	0.39

Cost:  $\sim N_k$  additions

# Complexity

- Complexity of Variable Elimination
- Start with  $m$  factors
  - $m \leq n$  for Bayesian networks (one for every variable)
  - can be larger for Markov networks
- At each elimination step generate 1 factor,
- At most  $n$  elimination steps
- Total number of factors:  $m^* \leq m + n$

# Complexity

- $N = \max(N_k) =$  size of the largest factor
- Number of product operations:
  - $\sum_k (m_k - 1) * N_k \leq \sum_k (m_k - 1) * N =$   
 $= N * \sum_k (m_k - 1) \leq N * (m + n)$
- Number of sum operations:  $n * \sum_k N_k \leq n * N$
- Linear in  $N$  and  $m^*$



# Complexity

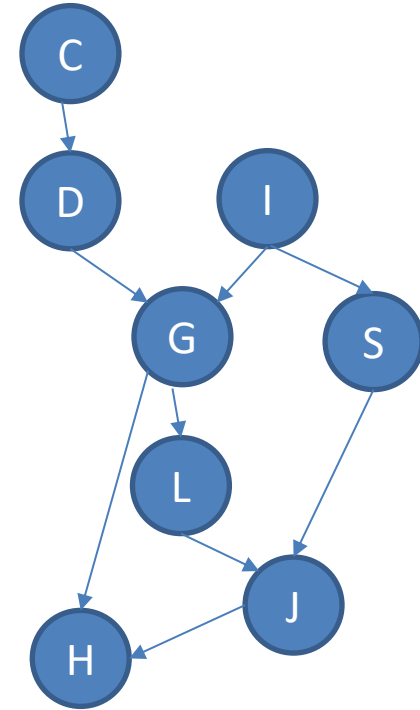
- $N = \max(N_k) =$  size of the largest factor
- Linear in  $N$  and  $m^*$
- But!
  - $N_k = |\text{Val}(\mathbf{X}_k)| = O(d^{r_k})$
  - $d = \max(|\text{Val}(\mathbf{X}_i)|)$   $d$  values in their scope
  - $r_k = |\mathbf{X}_k| =$  cardinality of the scope of the  $k$ -th factor

# Elimination ordering?

Step	Variable eliminated	Factors used	Variables involved	New factor
1	$C$	$\phi_C(C), \phi_D(D, C)$	$D, C$	$\tau_1(D)$
2	$D$	$\tau_1(D), \phi_G(G, I, D)$	$G, I, D$	$\tau_2(G, I)$
3	$I$	$\tau_2(G, I), \phi_I(I), \phi_S(S, I)$	$G, I, S$	$\tau_3(G, S)$
4	$H$	$\phi_H(H, G, J)$	$H, G, J$	$\tau_4(G, J)$
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# Different elimination ordering?

Step	Variable eliminated
1	$G$
2	$I$
3	$S$
4	$L$
5	$H$
6	$C$
7	$D$



$$\sum_{C,D,I,G,S,L,H} \phi_C(C) \phi_D(C,D) \phi_I(I) \phi_G(G,I,D) \phi_S(S,I) \phi_L(L,G) \phi_J(J,L,S) \phi_H(H,G,J)$$

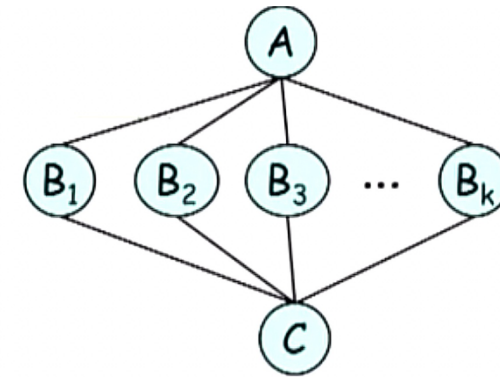
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1	$G$	$\phi_G(G, I, D), \phi_L(L, G), \phi_H(H, G, J)$	$G, I, D, L, J, H$	$\tau_1(I, D, L, J, H)$
2	$I$	$\phi_I(I), \phi_S(S, I), \tau_1(I, D, L, S, J, H)$	$S, I, D, L, J, H$	$\tau_2(D, L, S, J, H)$
3	$S$	$\phi_J(J, L, S), \tau_2(D, L, S, J, H)$	$D, L, S, J, H$	$\tau_3(D, L, J, H)$
4	$L$	$\tau_3(D, L, J, H)$	$D, L, J, H$	$\tau_4(D, J, H)$
5	$H$	$\tau_4(D, J, H)$	$D, J, H$	$\tau_5(D, J)$
6	$C$	$\phi_C(C), \phi_D(D, C)$	$D, J, C$	$\tau_6(D)$
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# Complexity and Elimination Ordering

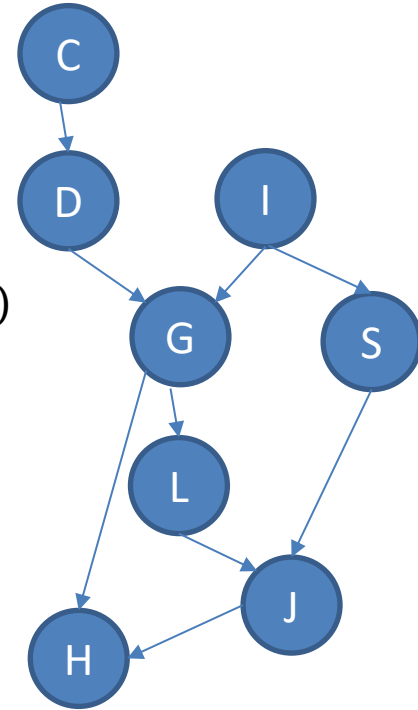
Eliminate  $A$  first:

Eliminate  $B_i$ 's first:



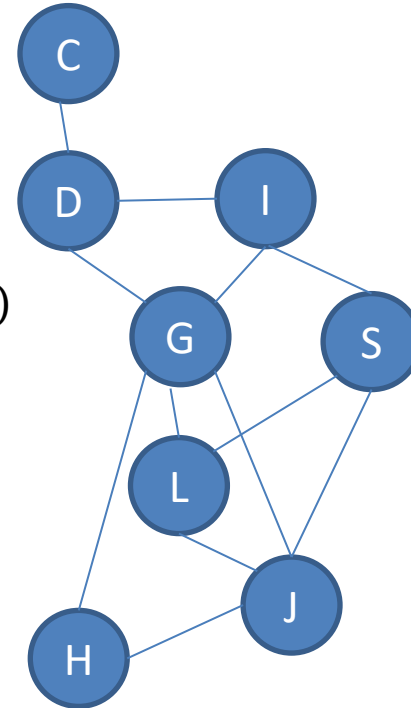
# Graphical Perspective

$$\sum_{C,D,I,G,S,L,H} \phi_C(C) \phi_D(C,D) \phi_I(I) \phi_G(G,I,D) \phi_S(S,I) \phi_L(L,G) \phi_J(J,L,S) \phi_H(H,G,J)$$



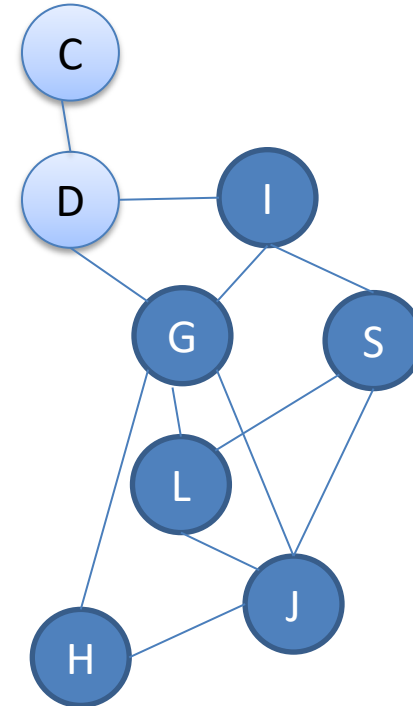
# Step 0: Moralize the Graph

$$\sum_{C,D,I,G,S,L,H} \phi_C(C) \phi_D(C,D) \phi_I(I) \phi_G(G,I,D) \phi_S(S,I) \phi_L(L,G) \phi_J(J,L,S) \phi_H(H,G,J)$$



# Step 1: Eliminate C

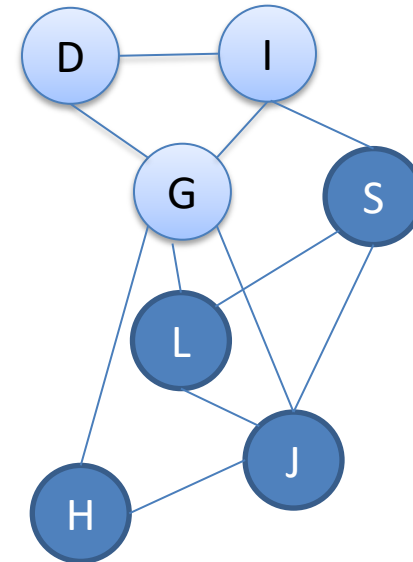
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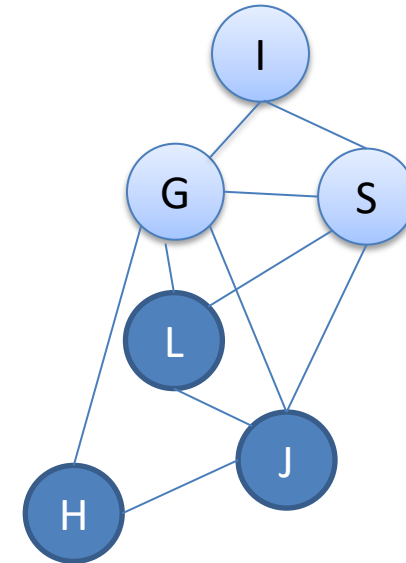
# Step 2: Eliminate D

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2	$D$	$G, I, D$	$\tau_2(G, I)$
3	$I$	$G, I, S$	$\tau_3(G, S)$
4	$H$	$H, G, J$	$\tau_4(G, J)$
5	$G$	$G, J, L, S$	$\tau_5(J, L, S)$
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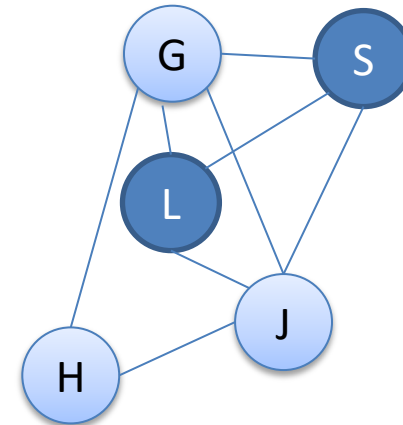
# Step 3: Eliminate I

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2	$D$	$G, I, D$	$\tau_2(G, I)$
3	$I$	$G, I, S$	$\tau_3(G, S)$
4	$H$	$H, G, J$	$\tau_4(G, J)$
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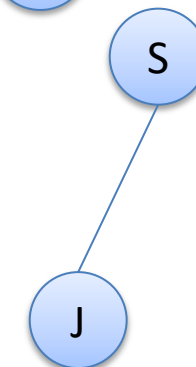
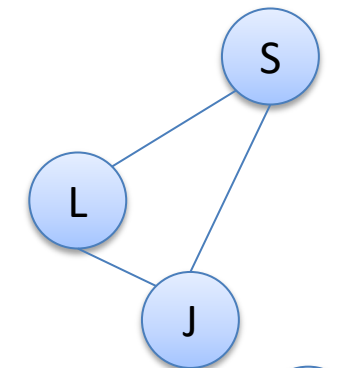
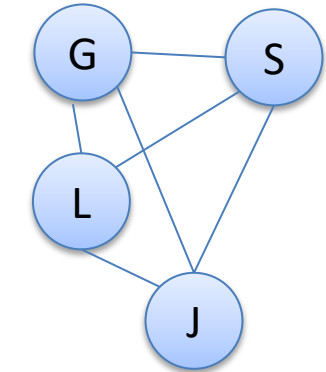
# Step 4: Eliminate H

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2	$D$	$G, I, D$	$\tau_2(G, I)$
3	$I$	$G, I, S$	$\tau_3(G, S)$
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6	$S$	$J, L, S$	$\tau_6(J, L)$
7	$L$	$J, L$	$\tau_7(J)$



# Steps 5,6,7: Eliminate G

Step	Variable eliminated	Variables involved	New factor
1	$C$	$D, C$	$\tau_1(D)$
2	$D$	$G, I, D$	$\tau_2(G, I)$
3	$I$	$G, I, S$	$\tau_3(G, S)$
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# Induced Graph of an elimination ordering

- The induced graph  $I_{\Phi, a}$  over factors  $\Phi$  and ordering  $a$ :
- Undirected graph
- $X_i$  and  $X_j$  are connected if they appeared in the same factor in a run of the VE algorithm using  $a$  as the ordering

Theorem: Every factor produced during VE is a clique in the induced graph

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_1(D) &= \sum_C \phi_C(C) \phi_D(C, D) \\ \tau_2(G, I) &= \sum_D \phi_G(G, I, D) \tau_1(D) \\ \tau_3(S, G) &= \sum_I \phi_S(S, I) \phi_I(I) \tau_2(G, I) \\ \tau_4(G, J) &= \sum_H \phi_H(H, G, J) \\ \tau_5(L, J) &= \sum_G \phi_L(L, G) \tau_3(S, G) \tau_4(G, J) \\ \tau_6 &= \sum_{L, S} \phi_J(J, L, S) \tau_5(L, J)\end{aligned}$$

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**Theorem:** Every maximal clique in the graph is a factor produced during VE

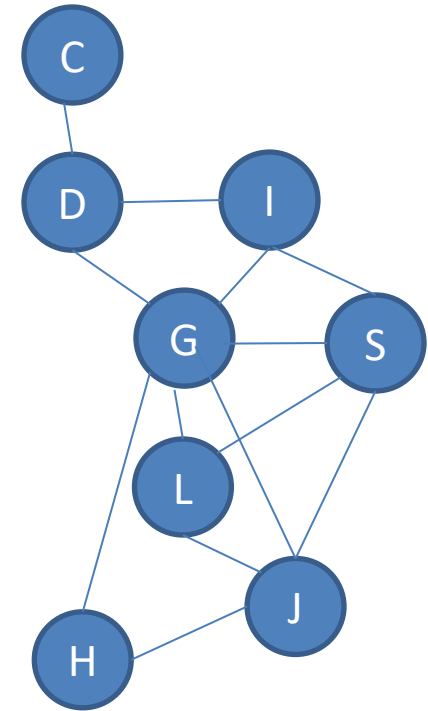
Consider a maximal clique some variable is first to be eliminated

once a variable is eliminated:

no new neighbor  $\Rightarrow$  when eliminated it already had all the clique members as neighbors

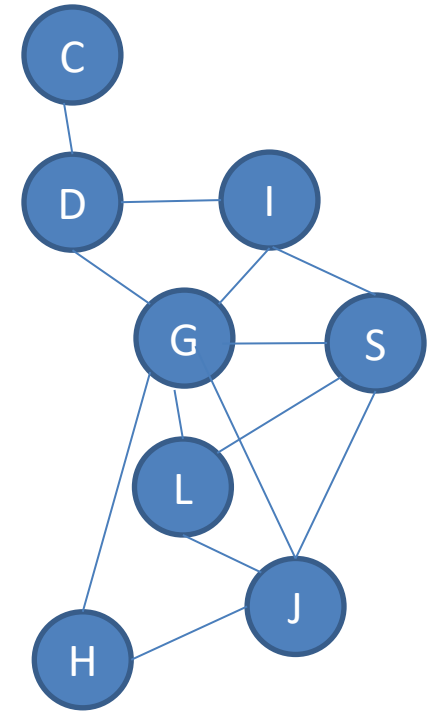
$\Rightarrow$  participated in factors with all the other variables

$\Rightarrow$  when multiplied together, we have a factor over all of them



# Complexity based on graphs

- The width of an induced graph is the number of nodes in the largest clique in the graph minus 1
- Minimal induced width of a graph  $K$  is 
$$\min_a \left( \text{width}(I_{K,a}) \right)$$
- Provides a lower bound on best performance of VE to a model factorizing over  $K$



# Finding a good elimination ordering

Theorem: For a graph  $H$ , determining whether there exists an elimination ordering for  $H$  with induced width  $K$  is NP-complete

Note: This NP-hardness result is distinct from the NP-hardness result of inference

- Even given the optimal ordering, inference may still be exponential



# Finding a good elimination ordering

- Greedy search using heuristic cost function - At each point, eliminate node with smallest cost
- Possible cost functions:
  - min-neighbors: # neighbors in current graph
  - min-weight: weight (# values) of factor formed
  - min-fill: number of new fill edges
  - weighted min-fill: total weight of new fill edges (edge weight = product of weights of the 2 nodes)

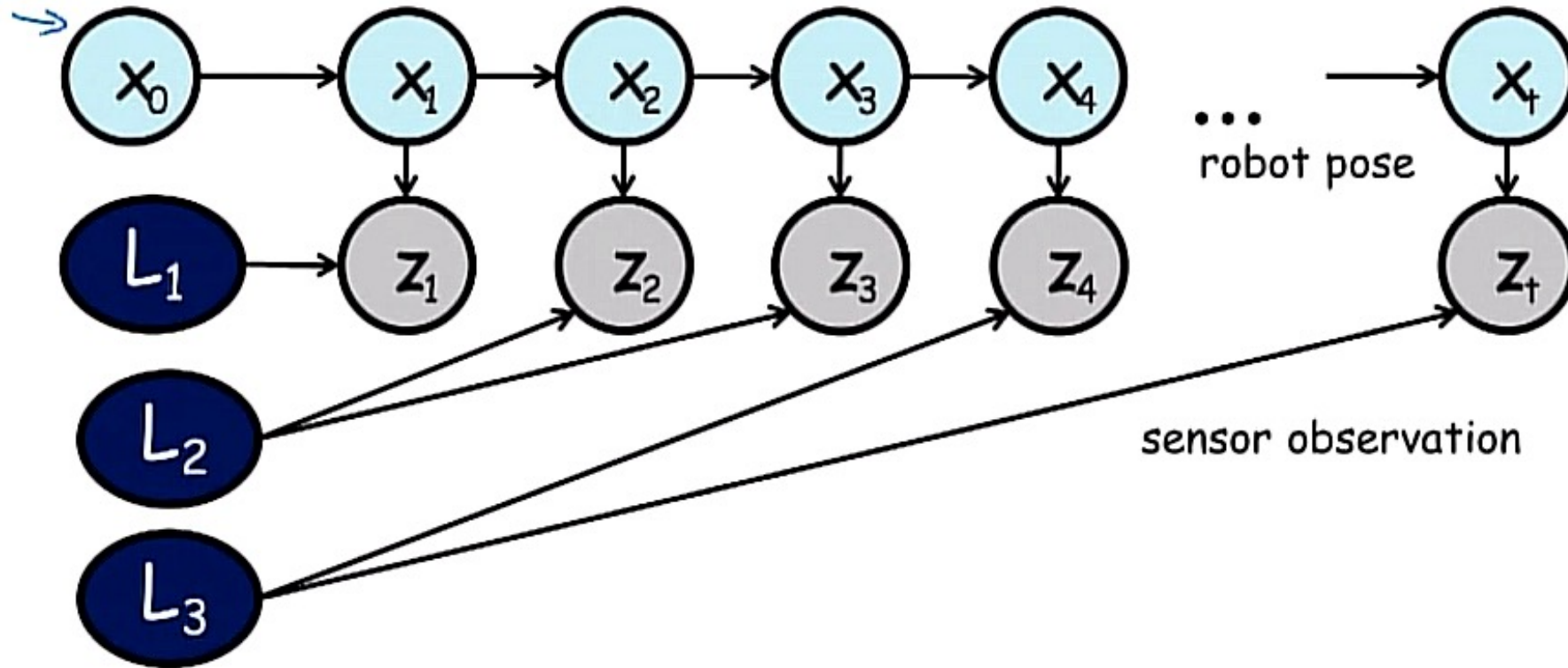
# Finding a good elimination ordering

## Finding Elimination Orderings

- Theorem: The induced graph is triangulated
  - No loops of length  $> 3$  without a "bridge"
  - all cycles of four or more vertices have a chord, which is an edge that is not part of the cycle but connects two vertices of the cycle.
  
- Can find elimination ordering by finding a low-width triangulation of original graph  $H_\Phi$

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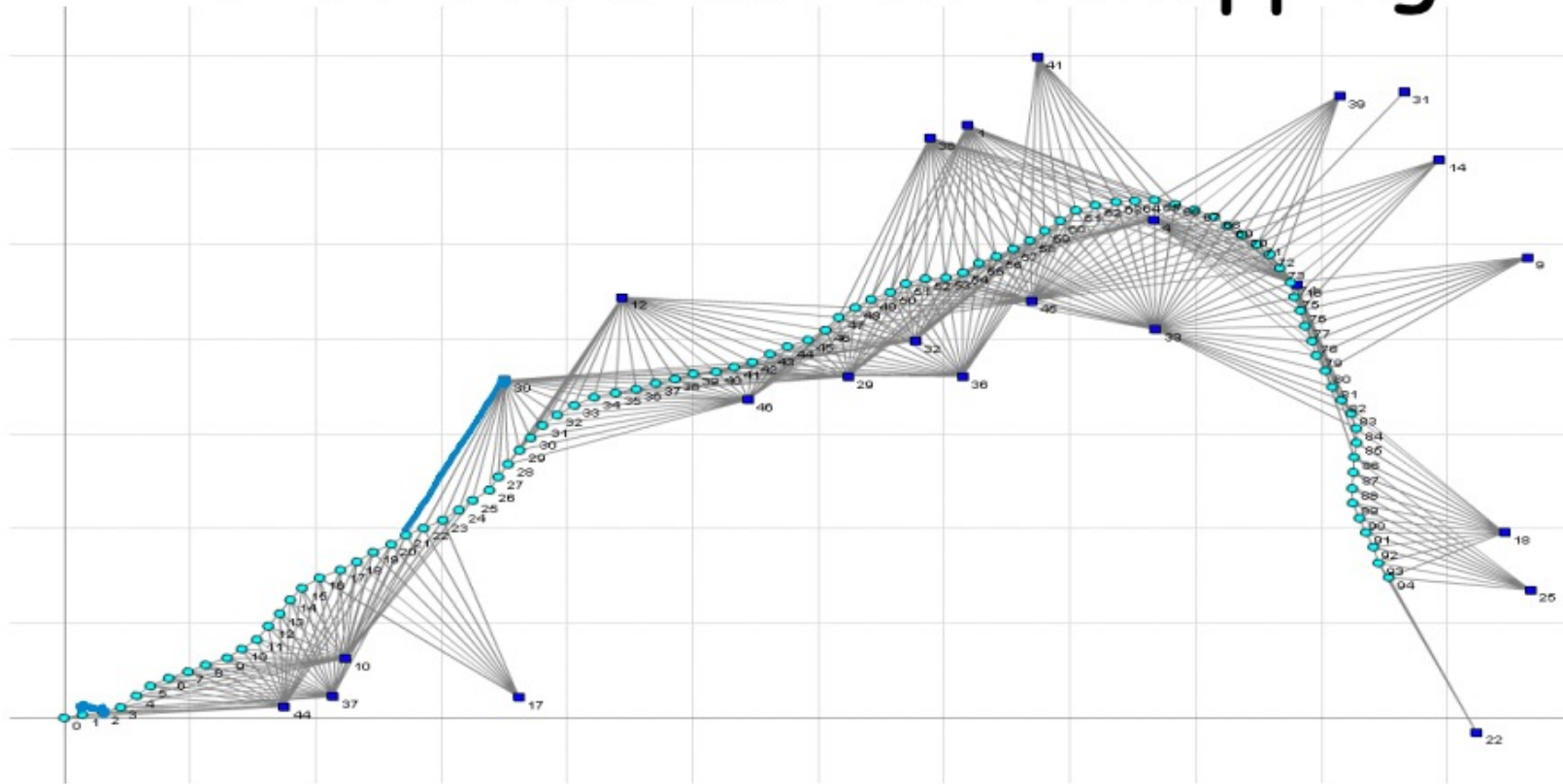
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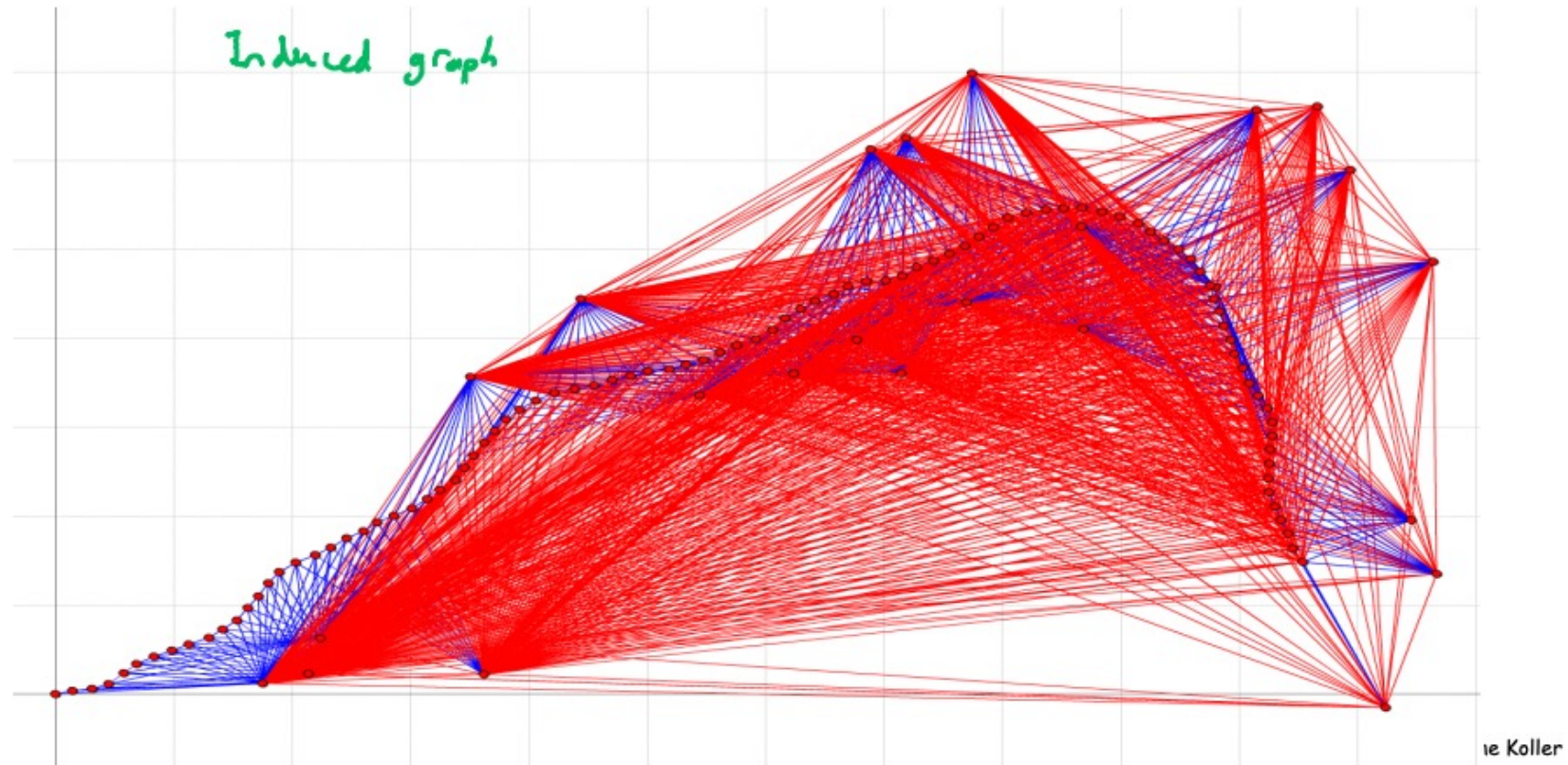
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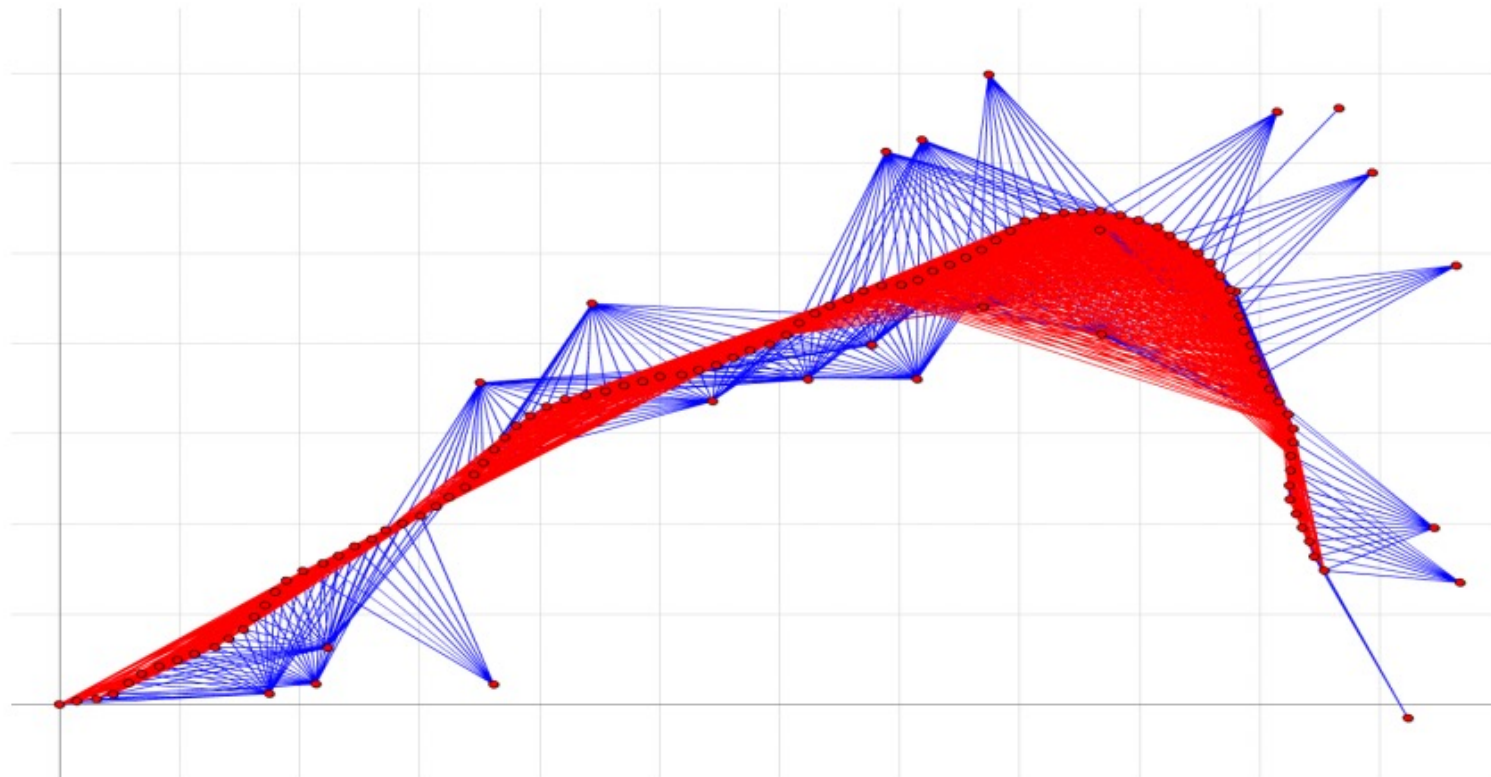
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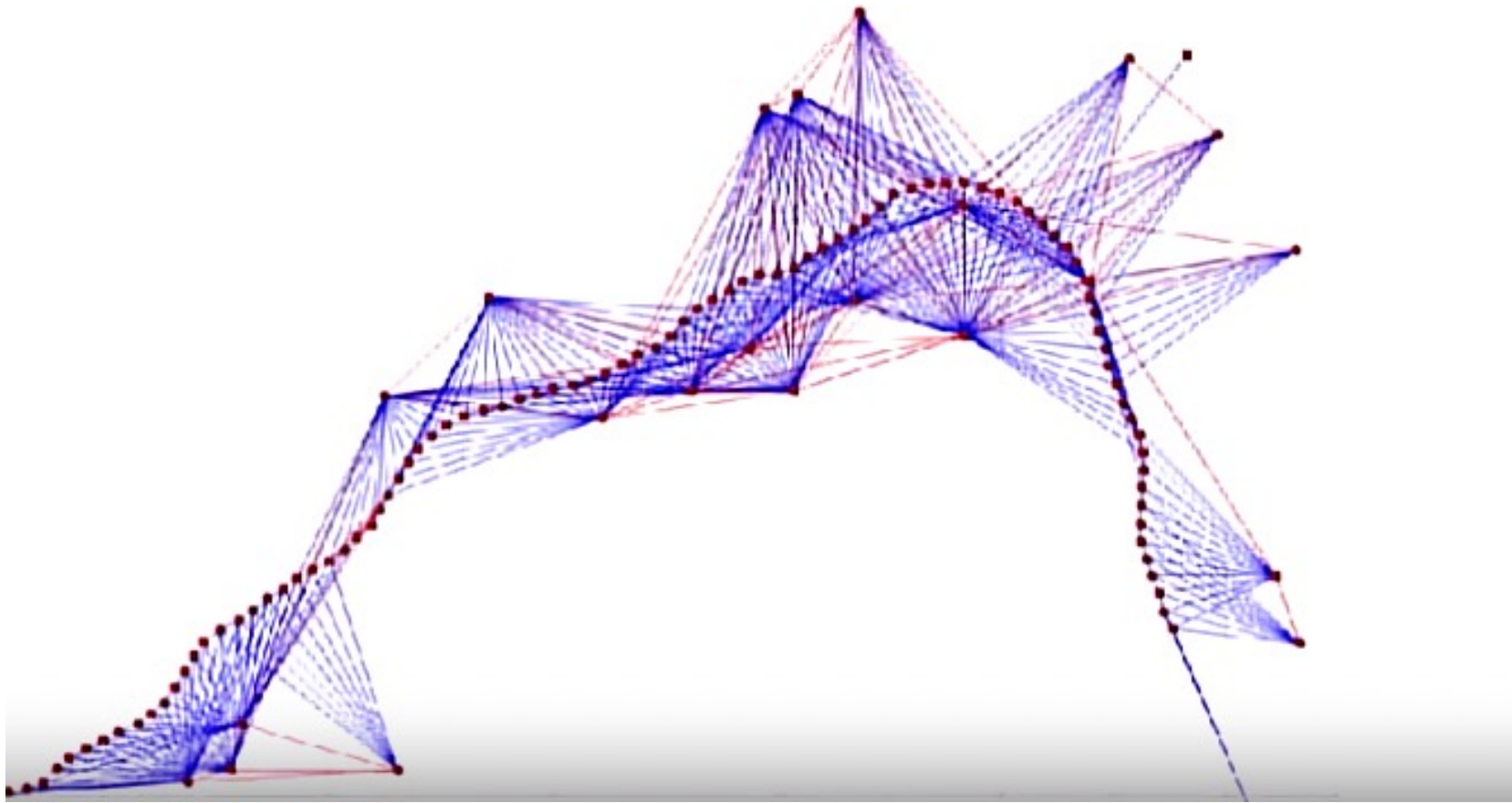
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## Example: Robot localization

# Min-Fill Elimination



# Summary

Variable elimination allows computation of marginals / conditionals

Algorithm is valid for any graphical model

Suffices to show variable elimination for MRFs, since Bayes nets  $\rightarrow$  MRFs by moralization

Worst-case complexity is dependent on elimination order, and is exponential in number of variables

Optimal ordering = treewidth, is NP-hard to compute

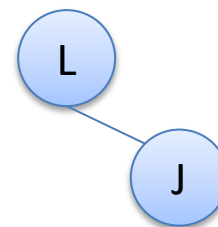
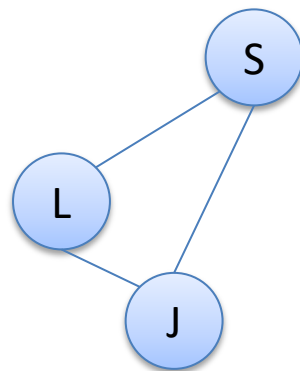
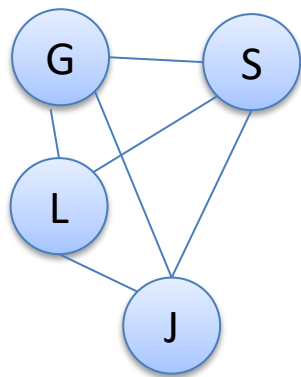
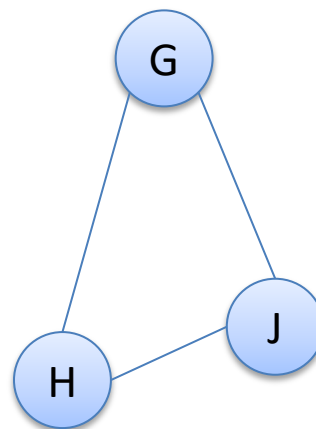
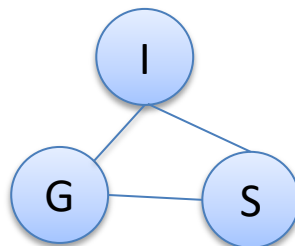
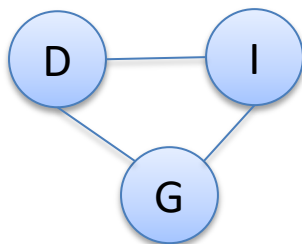
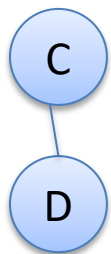


## Pt. 2: Message-passing inference

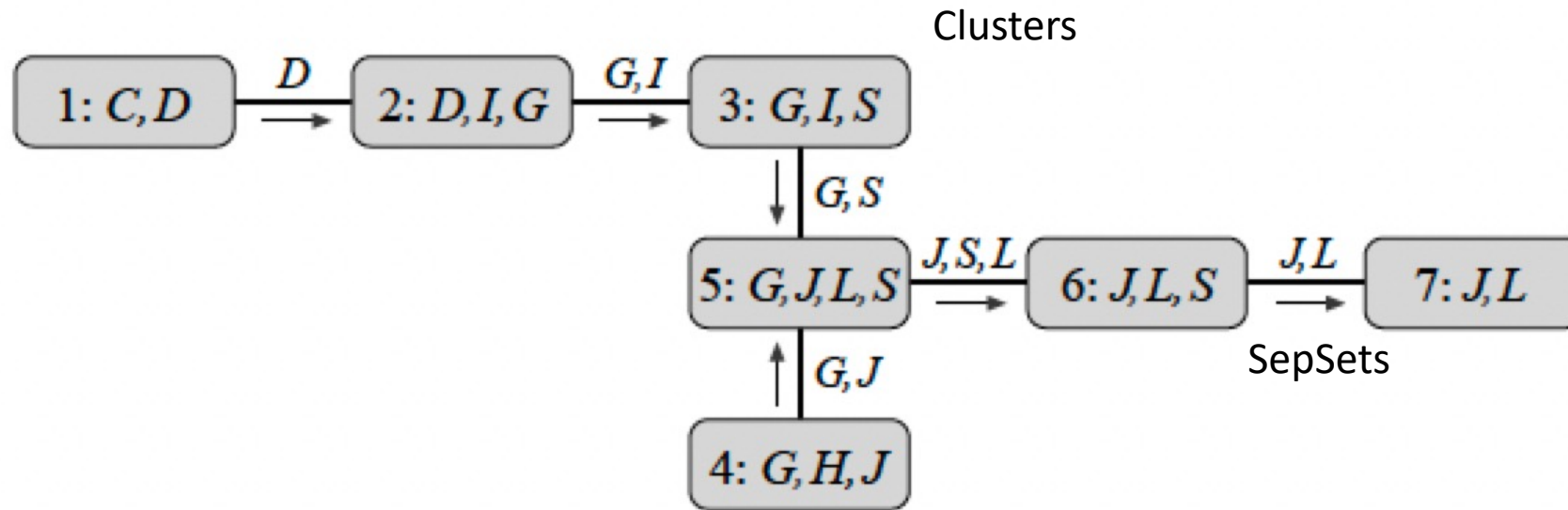
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# Understanding Variable Elimination

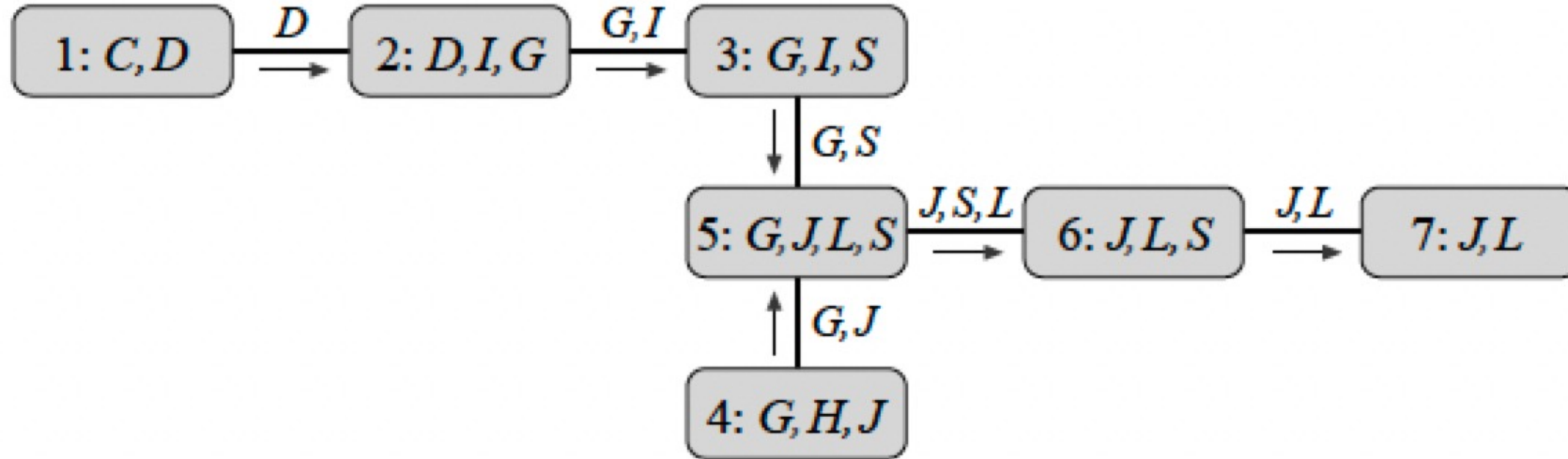


# Cluster Trees



Variable Elimination as message passing

# Message passing



$$\delta_{12}(D) = \sum_D \phi(C) \phi(C, D)$$

$$\delta_{35}(G, S) = \sum_I \phi(G, I, S) \delta_{35}(G, I)$$

$$\delta_{23}(G, I) = \sum_D \phi(D, I, G) \delta_{12}(D)$$

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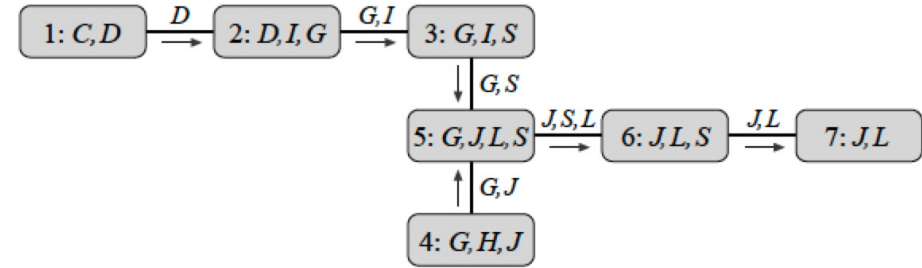
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$$\delta_{35}(G, S) = \sum_I \phi(G, I, S) \delta_{23}(G, I)$$

$$\delta_{45}(G, J) = \sum_H \phi(G, H, J)$$

$$\delta_{56}(J, S, L) = \sum_G \delta_{45}(G, J) \delta_{35}(G, S) \phi(L, G)$$



$$\delta_{67}(J, L) = \sum_S \delta_{56}(J, S, L)$$

# Clique-Tree Message Passing

1. Pick a node to be your root.
2. For each node  $i$ , initialize the potential of the node

$$\psi_i = \prod_i \phi_i$$

3. Start from a leaf and send message to all neighbors

$$\delta_{i \rightarrow j} = \sum_{c_i - s_{i,j}} \psi_i \cdot \prod_{k \in (\text{Nb}_i - \{j\})} \delta_{k \rightarrow i}$$

4. Repeat for every node that is ready to transmit a message (i.e., has received messages from every neighbor)

# Properties of Cluster Trees

## Family Preservation:

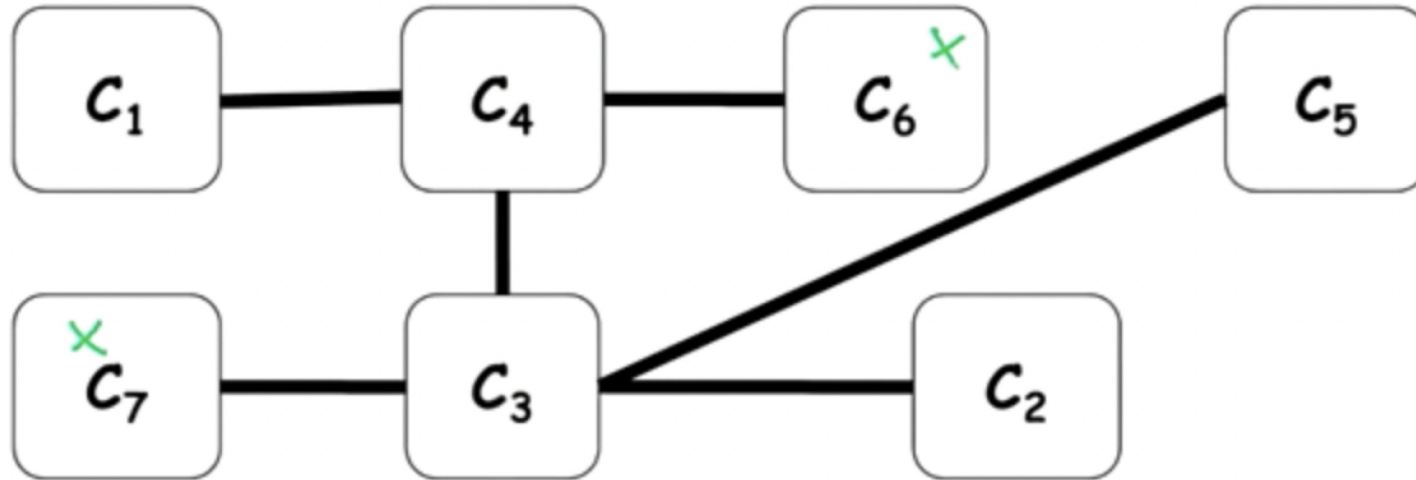
For each factor  $\phi_k \in \Phi$ , there exists a cluster  $C_i$  s.t.  $\text{Scope}[\phi_k] \subseteq C_i$   
every factor has a node that can accommodate it

## Running Intersection:

For each pair of clusters  $C_i, C_j$  and variable  $X \in C_i \cap C_j$ , in the unique path between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ , all clusters and sepsets contain  $X$ .  
clusters that include the same variable need to communicate for consistency



# Running Intersection



Which clusters need to include X?