# Uncertainty and statistics Part II 

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## Recall from last time

* Stochastic variable, $X$
- $X$ represents an unknown quantity
- $p(x)$ describes our knowledge about $X$
$\star$ The effect of conditioning
- two stochastic variables, $p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)$
- $p\left(x_{1}\right)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) d x_{2}$ describes our knowledge about $x_{1}$
- after we have observed a value for $x_{2}$,

$$
p\left(x_{1} \mid x_{2}\right)=\frac{p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)}{p\left(x_{2}\right)}
$$

describes our updated knowledge about $x_{1}$

* Three strategies to specify $p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)$
- specify a formula for $p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)$ directly (often Gaussian)
- conditional probability, $p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=p\left(x_{1}\right) p\left(x_{2} \mid x_{1}\right)$
- hierarchical model, $x_{1}, x_{2} \mid \theta \sim p(x \mid \theta)$ indep., and $\theta \sim p(\theta)$
$\star$ Use graphical model to visualise how we specified $p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)$


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$\star$ Now assume we observe $x_{2}$ with noise

- how can we model this?


## Modelling of observation noise

$\star$ New stochastic variable for observation: $y_{2} \in\{0,1,2\}$

- assume

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\begin{array}{ll}
p\left(y_{2}=0 \mid x_{2}=0\right)=0.6 & p\left(y_{2}=0 \mid x_{2}=1\right)=0.1 \\
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$$

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* Probabilities of interest:

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p\left(x_{1}=1 \mid y_{2}=1\right), & p\left(x_{2}=1 \mid y_{2}=1\right) \\
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\end{array}
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p\left(x_{1}=1 \mid y_{2}=0\right) & =\frac{p\left(x_{1}=1, y_{2}=0\right)}{p\left(y_{2}=0\right)} \\
& =\frac{\sum_{\theta=0}^{1} \sum_{x_{2}=0}^{1} p\left(\theta, x_{1}=1, x_{2}, y_{2}=0\right)}{\sum_{\theta=0}^{1} \sum_{x_{1}=0}^{1} \sum_{x_{2}=0}^{1} p\left(\theta, x_{1}, x_{2}, y_{2}=0\right)} \\
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* Resulting probabilities:

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\begin{array}{cc}
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p\left(x_{1}=1 \mid y_{2}=1\right)=0.1532 & p\left(x_{2}=1 \mid y_{2}=1\right)=0.1277 \\
p\left(x_{1}=1 \mid y_{2}=2\right)=0.3981 & p\left(x_{2}=1 \mid y_{2}=2\right)=0.6058 \\
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- from this it follows

$$
p\left(x_{1} \mid x_{2}\right)=\frac{p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)}{p\left(x_{2}\right)}=p\left(x_{1}\right) \Leftrightarrow p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=p\left(x_{1}\right) \cdot p\left(x_{2}\right)
$$

- in turn this implies

$$
p\left(x_{2} \mid x_{1}\right)=\frac{p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)}{p\left(x_{1}\right)}=\frac{p\left(x_{1}\right) \cdot p\left(x_{2}\right)}{p\left(x_{1}\right)}=p\left(x_{2}\right)
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$\star$ Graphical model showing that $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ are independent:


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$\star$ Conditional independence: $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ are conditionally independent given $\theta$ if

$$
p\left(x_{1} \mid x_{2}, \theta\right)=p\left(x_{1} \mid \theta\right)
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$$
p\left(x_{1}, x_{2} \mid \theta\right)=p\left(x_{1} \mid \theta\right) \cdot p\left(x_{2} \mid \theta\right)
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- note that $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ are then not independent!
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* Always true:

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\end{aligned}
$$

where

| $\frac{x_{5}}{x_{4}}$ |
| :--- |
| $\frac{x_{3}}{x_{2}}$ |
| $\frac{x_{1}}{\text { inject } \mathrm{CO}_{2}}$ |
| $p_{i}$ |

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$$
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$$

## A larger graphical model example

* Reference: Martinelli, G., Eidsvik, J. and Hauge, R. (2013). Dynamic decision making for graphical models applied to oil exploration, European Journal of Operational Research.

* Three types of nodes: Areas which may have produced HC (K), macro-regions able to store HC (P), prospect nodes
$\star$ A stochastic variable for each node, $x_{k} \in\{d r y$, oil, gas $\}$


## A larger graphical model example

* Joint distribution

$$
p(x)=\prod_{k} p\left(x_{k} \mid x_{\mathrm{pa}(k)}\right)
$$


$\star$ Number of possible values of $x: 3^{42} \approx 10^{20}$

* Cost of drilling, profit if finding oil/gas
* In which prospects should we drill exploration wells?
- sequential decisions
- finding oil/gas gives profit
- observations are important for later decision
- assume we want to maximize profit
- include discounting
* Maximisation problem

$$
\max _{i \in N}\left\{\sum_{j=1}^{3} p\left(x_{i}=j\right)\left[r_{i}^{j}+\delta \max _{s \in N \backslash\{i\}}\left\{\sum_{l=1}^{3} p\left(x_{s}=I x_{i}=j\right)\left(r_{s}^{\prime}+\ldots\right), 0\right\}\right], 0\right\}
$$

The effect of conditioing

* The effect of drilling in prospect 14 (top) and 10 (bottom)
- observe dry (left) or oil (right)
$\star$ Colours indicate $p\left(x_{k}=\right.$ oil $\left.\mid x_{\text {obs }}\right)-p\left(x_{k}=\right.$ oil $)$



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## Plan for today

* Interpretation of a distribution, $p(x)$
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- Markov chain, $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ leakage example
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* Part V: Dynamic state space models, Kalman and ensemble Kalman filters

