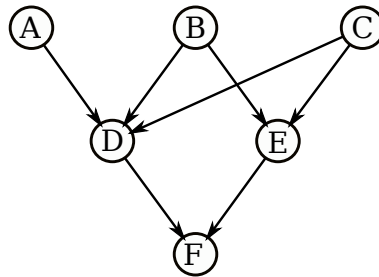


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Problem Set 5

Problem 1: Bayesian network: parameters

Assume you are given 6 random variables: A, B, C, D, E and F , which take values $A, B, C \in [0, \dots, 9]$, $D \in [0, \dots, 5]$ and $E, F \in [0, 1]$.



Bayesian network of 6 variables.

- (a) How many parameters does the model have if you assume full independence of these variables?
- (b) How many parameters does the model have if you assume a general distribution (no constraints)?
- (c) How many parameters does the model have if you assume the distribution is defined by the Bayesian network in Fig. 1?
- (d) Assume you want to increase a sparsity of the system as much as possible (reduce the number of parameters). Which edge is the best candidate to remove.

Problem 2: Dirichlet distribution

Let $X \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_K)$. Show that $E[X_i] = \alpha_i / \sum_{1 \leq k \leq K} \alpha_k$.

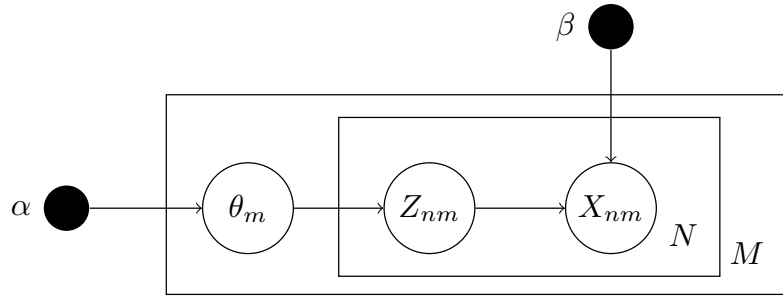
One way to do this is by writing the expectation as an integral that marginalizes out $X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_K$, and then recognizing that the resulting integrand is again a Dirichlet density (with different parameters).

Hint: for the Γ function, the following property will be useful: $\Gamma(x+1) = x\Gamma(x)$.

Problem 3: LDA-generated text

In this exercise we look at the generative model of LDA. The plate notation of LDA is shown below.

Assume we have three topics: “sports”, “politics” and “shopping”. The prior on word distribution per topic, β , is given in the following table



Topic \ Word	Sports	Politics	Shopping
soccer	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0
champion	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0
contest	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0
score	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0
party	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
election	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
policy	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
democracy	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
customer	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$
cashier	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$
market	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$
shop	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$

The three documents (given below) are generated with three different values of $\alpha = (0.01, 0.01, 0.01)$, $(1, 1, 1)$, or $(100, 100, 100)$. Identify the corresponding value of α for each of the three documents.

Hint: Look at the frequency of topics in each document.

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Document 3

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