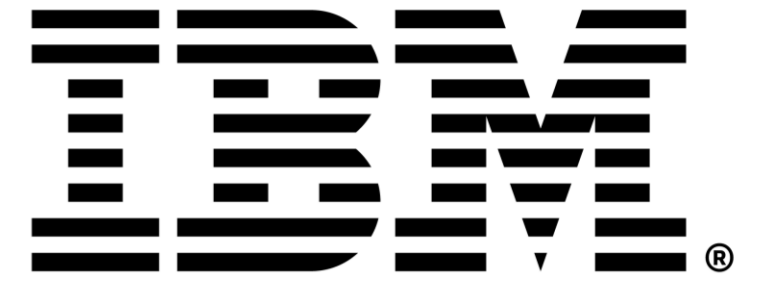


Submodel Decomposition Bounds for Influence Diagrams

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Summary

Tree Decomposition for Influence Diagrams and Limited Memory Influence Diagrams

- Graph separation criteria for identifying single-stage decision problem
- Valuation algebra over submodels using graph-based operations
- Submodel-Tree Clustering and Elimination Scheme

Submodel Decomposition Bounds

- Bounding MEU by exponentiating utility functions
- Re-use decomposition bounds in Marginal MAP inference

Contributions

- Generate submodel-tree with lower tree-width by removing irrelevant variables and functions in each submodel
- Scalable convex upper bounds for MEU

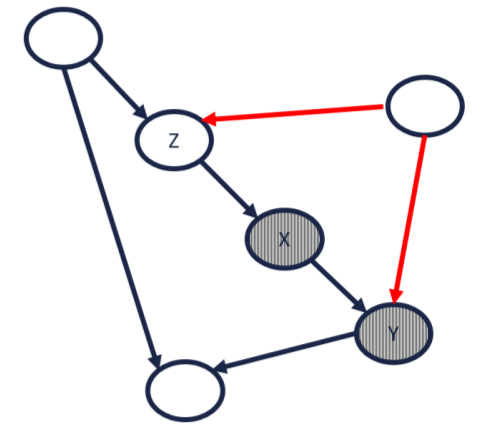
Graph-based Submodel Identification

- $REL_O(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$ is the backdoor* set between \mathcal{D}' and \mathcal{U}'

(Backdoor) [Pearl 2009]

a set Z satisfies the backdoor criterion relative to (X, Y)

- None of the nodes in Z is a descendant of X
- Z blocks every path between X and Y that contain arrow into X

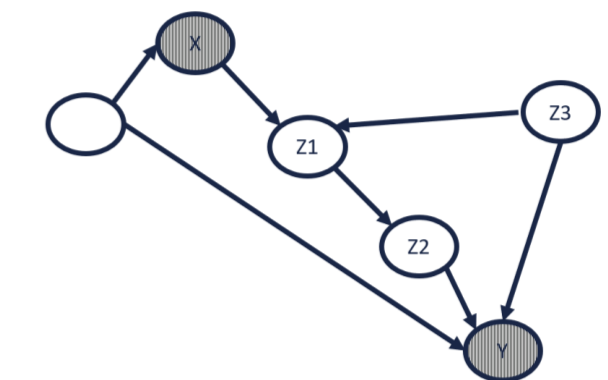


- $REL_H(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$ is the union of all frontdoor* set between $pa(\mathcal{D}')$ and $ch(\mathcal{U}')$

(Frontdoor) [Pearl 2009]

a set Z satisfies the frontdoor criterion relative to (X, Y)

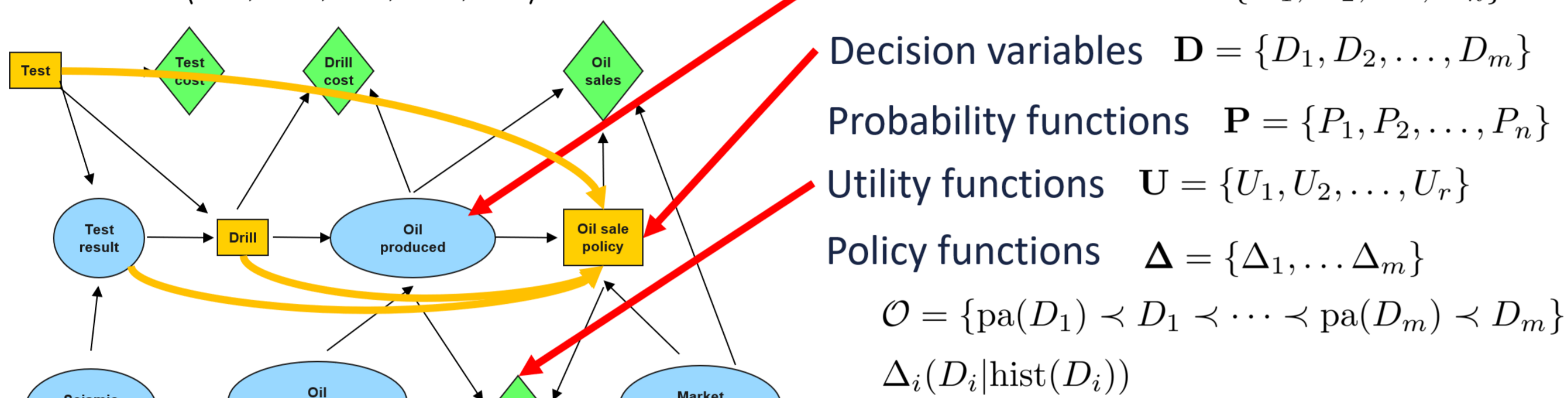
- Z intercept all directed paths from X to Y
- There is no backdoor path from X to Z
- All backdoor paths from Z to Y are blocked by X



Influence Diagrams

[Howard and Matheson, 1984]

$$\mathcal{M} := \langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{U}, \mathcal{O} \rangle$$



Chance variables $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$

Decision variables $\mathbf{D} = \{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_m\}$

Probability functions $\mathbf{P} = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\}$

Utility functions $\mathbf{U} = \{U_1, U_2, \dots, U_r\}$

Policy functions $\Delta = \{\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_m\}$

$\mathcal{O} = \{pa(D_1) \prec D_1 \prec \dots \prec pa(D_m) \prec D_m\}$

$\Delta_i(D_i | hist(D_i))$

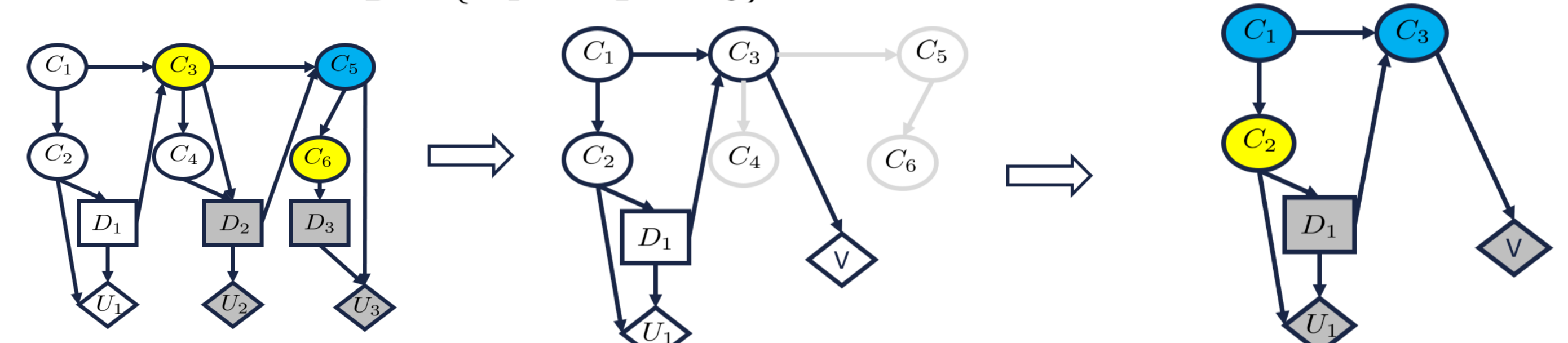
Maximum expected Utility $\max_{\Delta} \mathbb{E}_{P(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D})} [\sum_{U_i \in \mathbf{U}} U_i]$ $P(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}) = \prod_{P_i \in \mathbf{P}} P_i \times \prod_{\Delta_i \in \Delta} \Delta_i$

Optimal strategy $\Delta^* = \text{argmax}_{\Delta} \mathbb{E} [\sum_{U_i \in \mathbf{U}} U_i]$

Submodel-Tree Decomposition

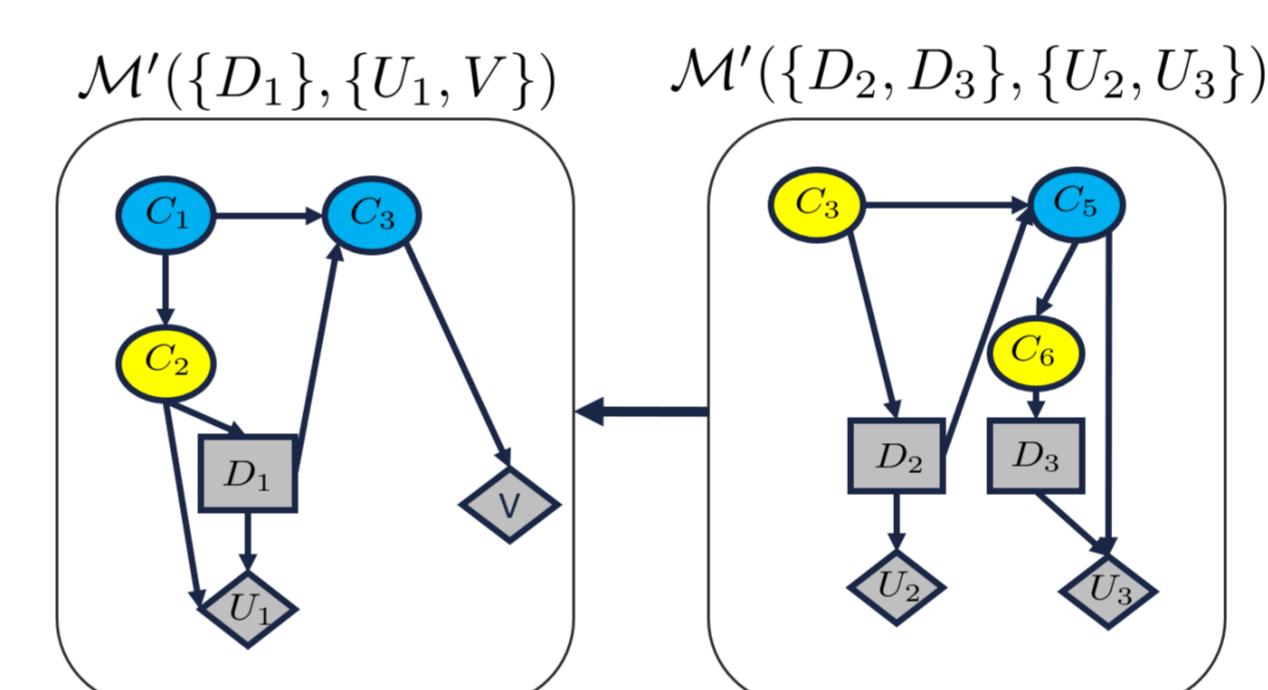
- Process decision nodes in reverse topological order

Partial decision order $\mathcal{O}_D = \{D_1 \prec D_2 \prec D_3\}$



Identify 2nd Stable submodel Eliminate submodel from ID Identify 1st Stable Submodel

- Given an ID \mathcal{M} , and the set of stable submodels $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{O}_D}$ relative to \mathcal{O}_D , submodel-tree decomposition is a tuple $\mathcal{T}_{ST} := \langle T(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}), \chi, \psi \rangle$



$T(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S})$ Tree of submodel cluster nodes \mathcal{C} and separator edges \mathcal{S}

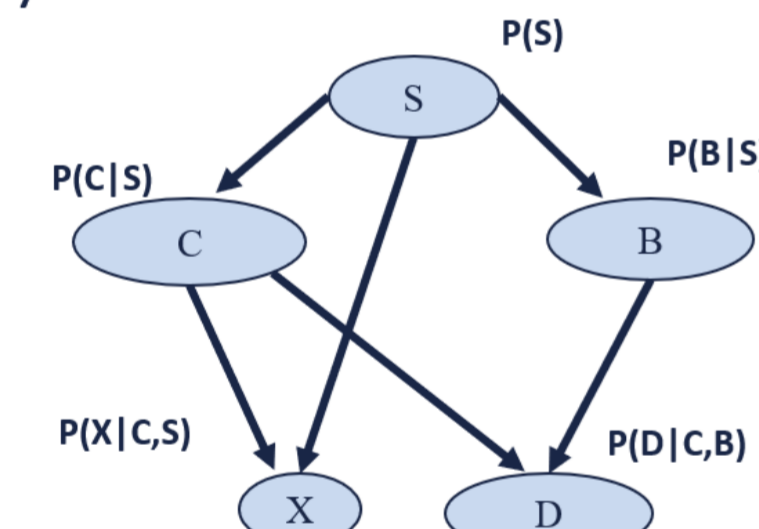
$\chi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow 2^{\text{dom}(\mathcal{M})}$ Label a cluster with a subset of variables in \mathcal{M}

$\psi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{O}_D}}$ Label a cluster with a subset of submodels in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{O}_D}$

Tree-decomposition satisfies running intersection property

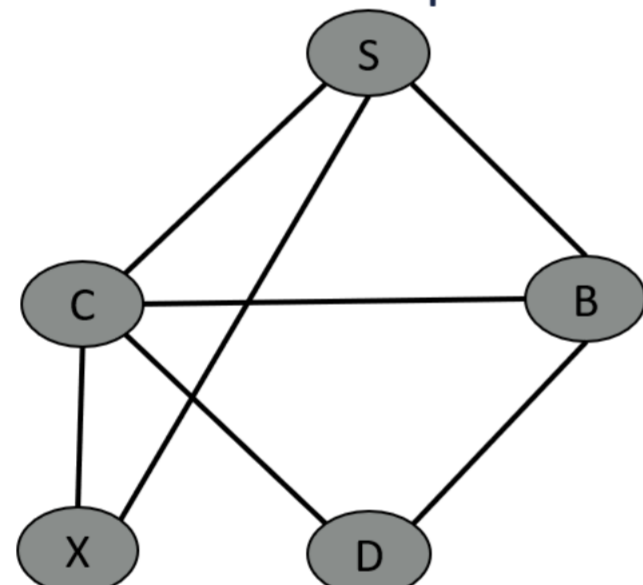
Graphical Models

Bayesian Networks [Pearl 1998]

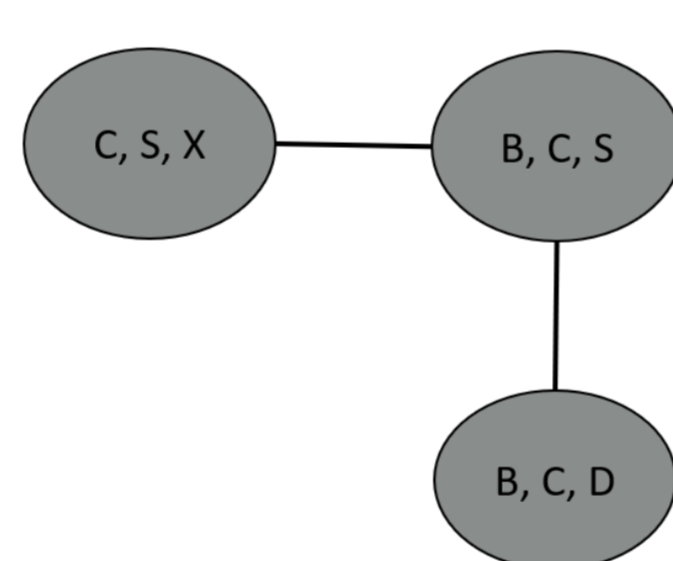


$P(S, C, B, X, D) = P(S) P(C|S) P(B|S) P(X|C, S) P(D|C, B)$

Primal Graph

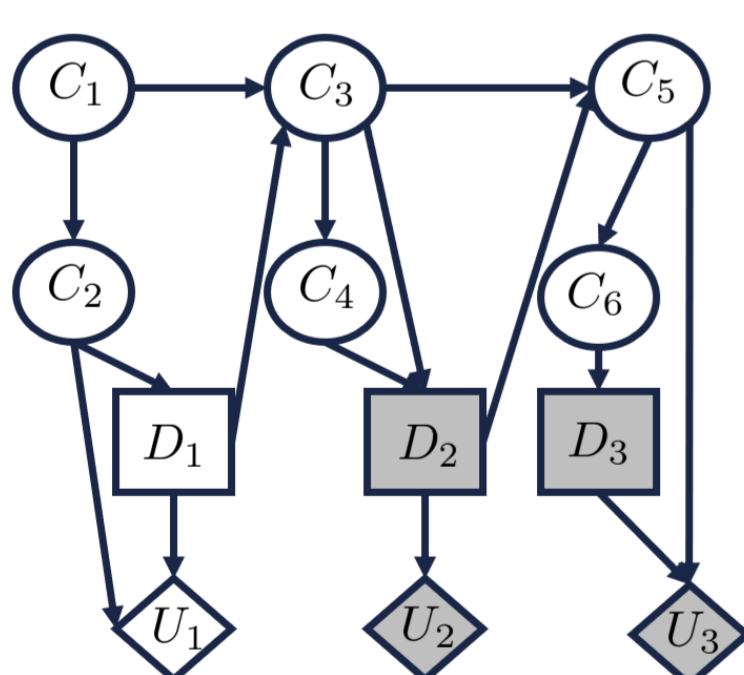


Join-Tree



Partial Evaluation and Local MEU

$$\text{LMEU}_{\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')} := \max_{\Delta'} \mathbb{E} [\sum_{U_i \in \mathcal{U}'} U_i | pa(\mathcal{D}')]]$$



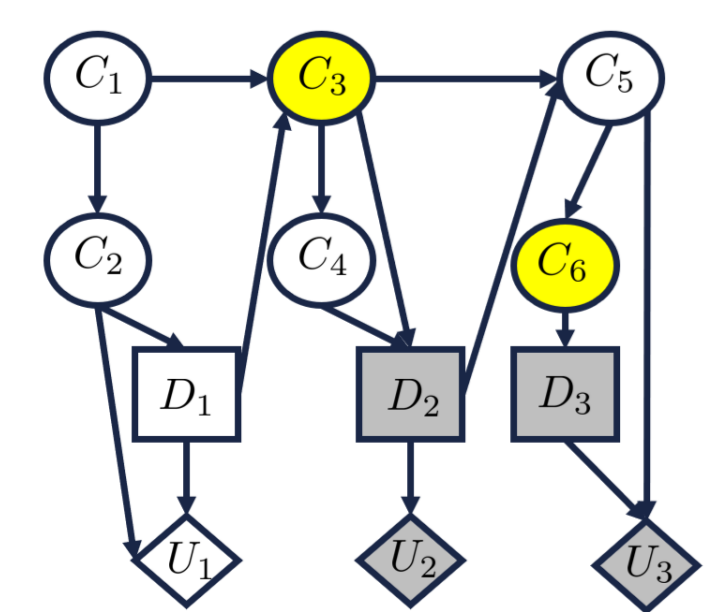
Evaluate MEU over the subset of decision variables and utility functions

- Maximize expected utility $U_2 + U_3$ over two decision variables D_2 and D_3

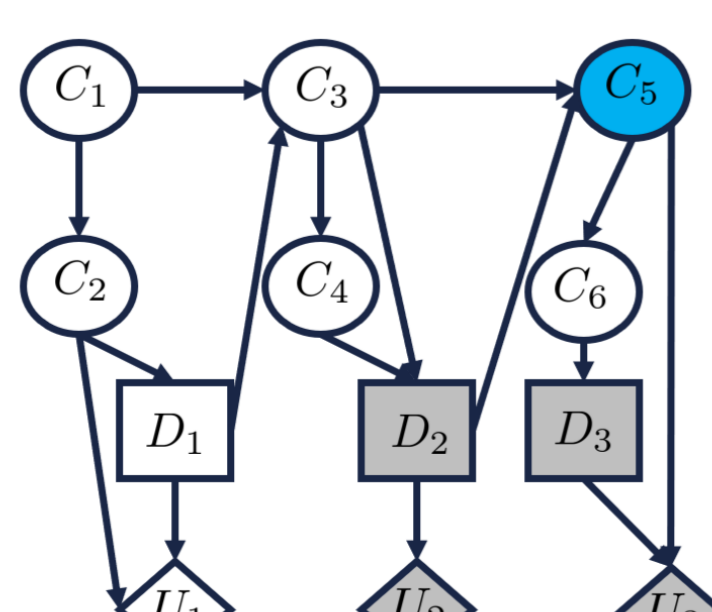
$$\max_{\Delta(D_2|C_3, C_4), \Delta(D_3|C_6)} \sum_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}} \frac{P(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D})}{P(C_3, C_4, C_6)} [U_2 + U_3]$$

Submodel in IDs

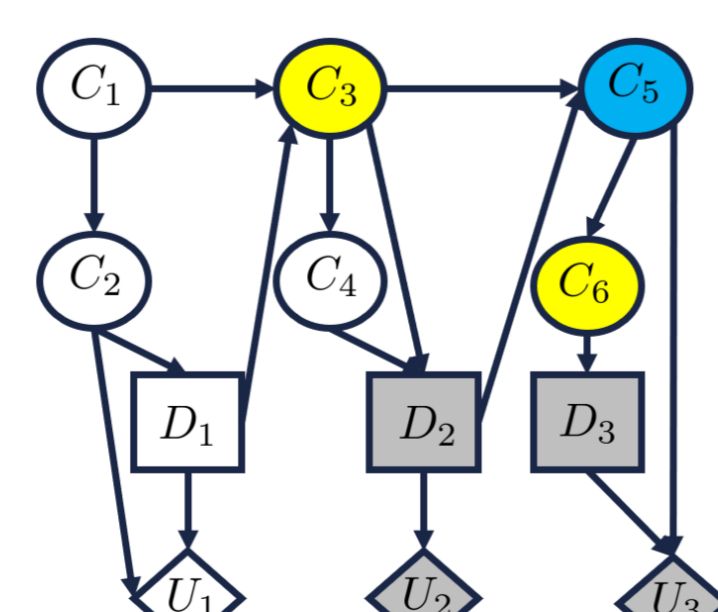
- (Definition) Submodel $\mathcal{M}'(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$ is a relevant subset of model \mathcal{M} for computing LMEU on $\mathcal{D}' \subseteq \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{U}' \subseteq \mathcal{U}$



Relevant Observed Variables $REL_O(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$



Relevant Hidden Variables $REL_H(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$



Stable Submodel $\mathcal{M}'(\{D_2, D_3\}, \{U_2, U_3\})$

- (Definition) Submodel $\mathcal{M}'(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$ is stable when there is no decision variables in $REL_H(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{U}')$

Bounding MEU of Each Submodel

- Exponentiated Utility Bounds for MEU

$$\max_{\Delta} \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{U_i \in \mathcal{U}} U_i(\mathbf{X}_{U_i}) \right] \leq \log \max_{\Delta} \mathbb{E} \left[\prod e^{U_i(\mathbf{X}_{U_i})} \right]$$

LSH: MEU expression with additive utility function

RHS: Upper bound of MEU with log-partition function with exponentiated utility functions

Experiments

Synthetic ID Benchmarks

Domain	n	w_c	w_s	ST-GDD(i=1)	ST-GDD(i=5)	ST-WMB(i=10)	JGDID(i=1)	WMBEID(i=10)
ID-BN	84.6	30.2	21.8	0.19	0.15	0.13	0.33	0.74
IDBN14w57d12	115	57	42	103.89	96.24	95.37	1420	2.2E+4
FH-MDP	105.7	25.5	25.4	0.07	0.07	0.18	0.16	0.44
mdp9-32-3-8-3	99	43	43	18.92	19.71	25.31	23.09	111.81
FH-POMDP	55.9	28.1	28.1	0.31	0.22	0.06	0.56	0.72
pomdp8-14-9-3-12-14	96	47	46	73.53	76.37	67.18	5.E+08	5.E+09
RAND	56.2	20.5	17.9	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.46
rand-c70d21o1	84	32	34	1309.89	1791.93	1752.47	1743.6	2.E+04

• ST-GDD: submodel-tree decomposition + GDD for MMAP [ping et al 2015]

• ST-WMB: submodel-tree decomposition + WMBMM for MMMAP [marinescu et al 2014]

• JGDID: constrained-join graph + GDD for IDs [Lee et al 2018]

• WMBEID: constrained mini-bucket tree + WMB/GDD for IDs [Lee et al 2019]

SysAdmin MDP Probabilistic Planning Problem

Instance	c	d	p	u	k	s	w	utime (sec)	ub wmbmm	ltime (sec)	lb sogbofa	gap ($\frac{ub-lb}{ub}$)
mdp10-s50-t3	218	150	218	300	3	11	112	149	162.368	240	142.731	12%
mdp10-s50-t4	274	200	274	400	3	11	112	184	217.515	320	183.650	16%
mdp10-s50-t5	330	250	330	500	3	11	113	257	273.332	400	221.450	19%
mdp10-s50-t6	386	300	386	600	3	11	113	19741	327.268	480	257.394	21%
mdp10-s50-t7	442	350	442	700	3	11	113	28013	383.312	560	291.988	24%
mdp10-s50-t8	498	400	498	800	3	11	113	41748	439.826	640	316.600	28%
mdp10-s50-t9	554	450	554	900	3	11	113	34739	494.662	720	345.844	30%
mdp10-s50-t10	610	500	610	1000	3	11	113	58270	549.867	800	364.569	34%