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Towards Learning Differentially Private Probabilistic Relational Models II

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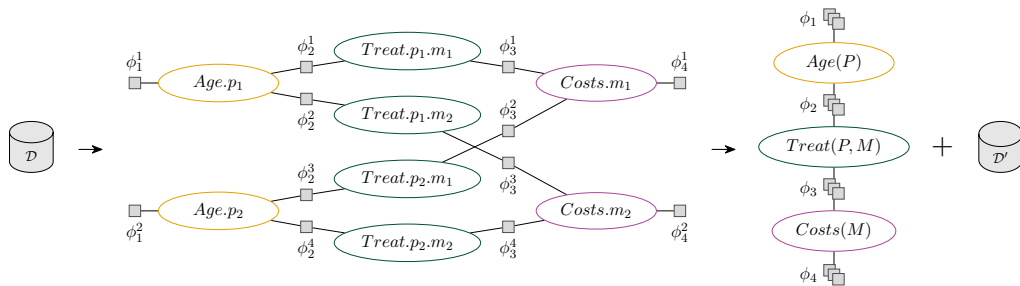
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Recap – Overview

(Luttermann, Möller, and Hartwig, 2024)

Pipeline to generate synthetic relational data via probabilistic relational models:

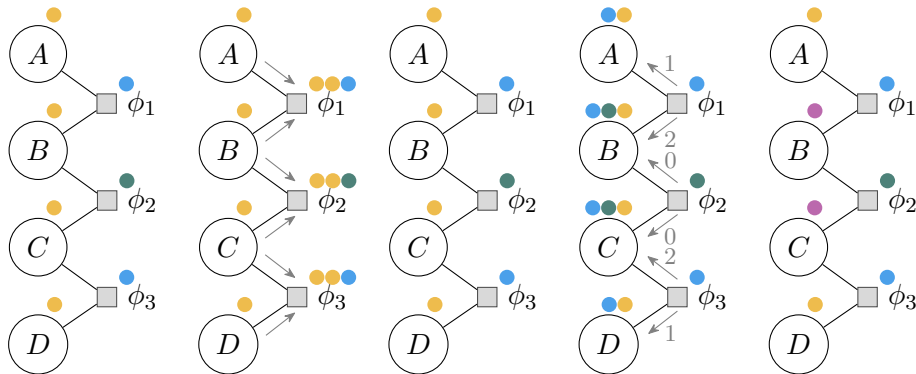
1. Construction of a factor graph
2. Transformation of the factor graph into a PRM (e.g., a parametric factor graph)
3. Sampling the PRM to generate synthetic data samples



Recap – Advanced Colour Passing Algorithm

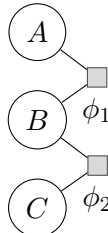
(Luttermann, Braun, et al., 2024)

- ▶ Assign colours to random variables depending on their ranges and evidence
- ▶ Assign colours to factors depending on their potentials
- ▶ Detect symmetric subgraphs by passing colours around



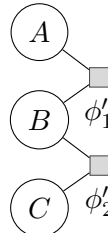
Exchangeable Factors

- Goal: Efficiently detect exchangeable factors
- Exchangeable factors encode an equivalent probability distribution



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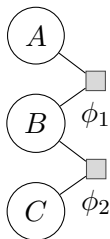
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- ▶ Theoretical guarantees: *Buckets* to avoid iterating over permutations if possible
- ▶ Practical algorithm: Detection of Exchangeable Factors (DEFT) algorithm
- ▶ Number of iterations in the worst-case for a factor with n arguments: $O(d)$ with $d \ll n!$ in many practical settings

Buckets

- ▶ Buckets count the occurrences of specific range values in an assignment
- ▶ Each potential belongs to *exactly one* bucket
- ▶ Each bucket contains *at least one* potential



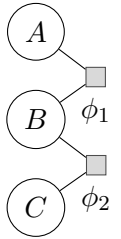
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Properties of Buckets I

- If at least one bucket is mapped to different multisets of values by ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 , then ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are not exchangeable (Luttermann, Braun, et al., [2024](#))

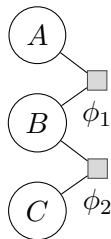


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Properties of Buckets II

- Two factors are exchangeable iff there exists a permutation of their arguments such that each bucket is mapped to the same ordered multiset of values



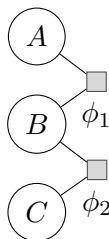
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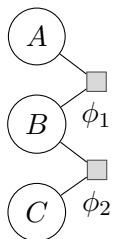
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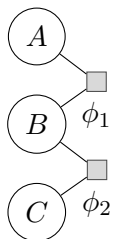
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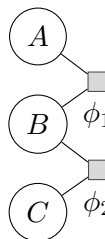
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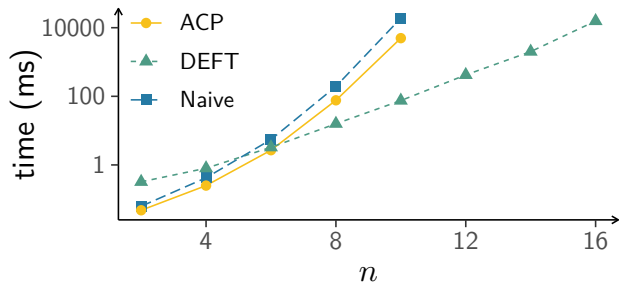
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- ▶ The number of table comparisons needed to check whether ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are exchangeable is in $O(d)$, where $d = \min\{\mathcal{F}(\phi_1), \mathcal{F}(\phi_2)\}$ (i.e., d is factorial)
- ▶ In many practical settings it holds that $d \ll n!$
- ▶ The degree of freedom is upper-bounded by $n!$

Experiments

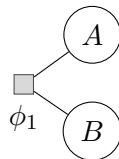
- ▶ Comparison of run times of DEFT, ACP, and a »naive« approach
- ▶ Average over exchangeable and non-exchangeable factors with a proportion of identical potentials in $\{0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0\}$
- ▶ Timeout after 30 minutes per instance



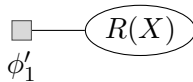
Commutative Factors

- ▶ If a factor is commutative, its neighbours might be grouped
- ▶ Use histograms to detect commutativity of factors
- ▶ Each histogram must be mapped to a unique value

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$\#_X[R(X)]$	$\phi'_1(\#_X[R(X)])$
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- ▶ $|S| \leq \min_{b \in \{b \mid b \in \mathcal{B}(\phi) \wedge |\phi(b)| > 1\}} \max_{\varphi \in \phi(b)} \text{count}(\phi(b), \varphi)$, i.e.,
- ▶ in each bucket b with $|\phi(b)| > 1$, there is a potential occurring at least $|S|$ times

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Properties of Buckets II

For a group of identical potentials in a bucket:

- Intersection of their corresponding assignments yields candidates
- E.g., for φ_2 's in $[2, 1]$: $(\text{true}, \text{false}, \text{true}) \cap (\text{false}, \text{true}, \text{true}) = (\emptyset, \emptyset, \text{true})$

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true	true	false	φ_4	$[2, 1]$
true	false	true	φ_2	$[2, 1]$
true	false	false	φ_5	$[1, 2]$
false	true	true	φ_2	$[2, 1]$
false	true	false	φ_5	$[1, 2]$
false	false	true	φ_3	$[1, 2]$
false	false	false	φ_6	$[0, 3]$

b	$\phi(b)$
$[3, 0]$	$\langle \varphi_1 \rangle$
$[2, 1]$	$\langle \varphi_4, \varphi_2, \varphi_2 \rangle$
$[1, 2]$	$\langle \varphi_5, \varphi_5, \varphi_3 \rangle$
$[0, 3]$	$\langle \varphi_6 \rangle$

Initial candidates: $\{\{A, B, R\}\}$
 $[3, 0]$ ($|\phi(b)| < 2$): $\{\{A, B, R\}\}$
 $[2, 1]$: $\{\{A, B\}\}$
 $[1, 2]$: $\{\{A, B\}\}$
 $[0, 3]$ ($|\phi(b)| < 2$): $\{\{A, B\}\}$

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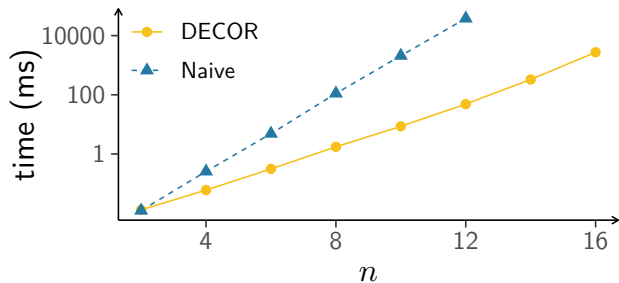
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- ▶ In practice, there are two possible scenarios:

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1. A factor contains commutative arguments
 - ▶ Potential values are likely to contain a single group of duplicates
2. A factor contains no commutative arguments
 - ▶ Potential values are likely to be distinct

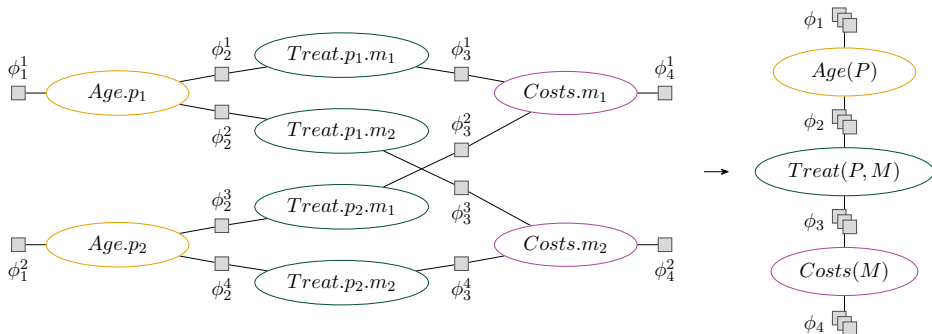
Experiments

- ▶ Comparison of run times of DECOR and the »naive« approach
- ▶ Average over factors with $k \in \{0, 2, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, n-1, n\}$ commutative arguments
- ▶ Timeout after five minutes per instance



Conclusion

- ▶ Problem of learning a (non-DP) PRM from a propositional factor graph solved
 - ▶ Problem of efficiently detecting exchangeable factors solved
 - ▶ Problem of efficiently detecting commutative factors solved
- ▶ Next step: DP Colour Passing Algorithm



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