

Sum-Product Networks*

The Third Wave of Differentiable Programming



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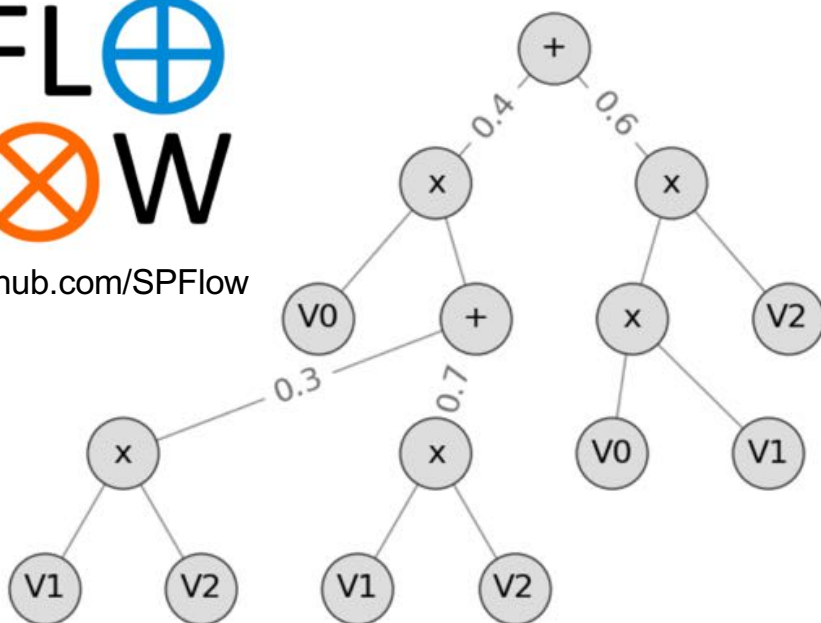


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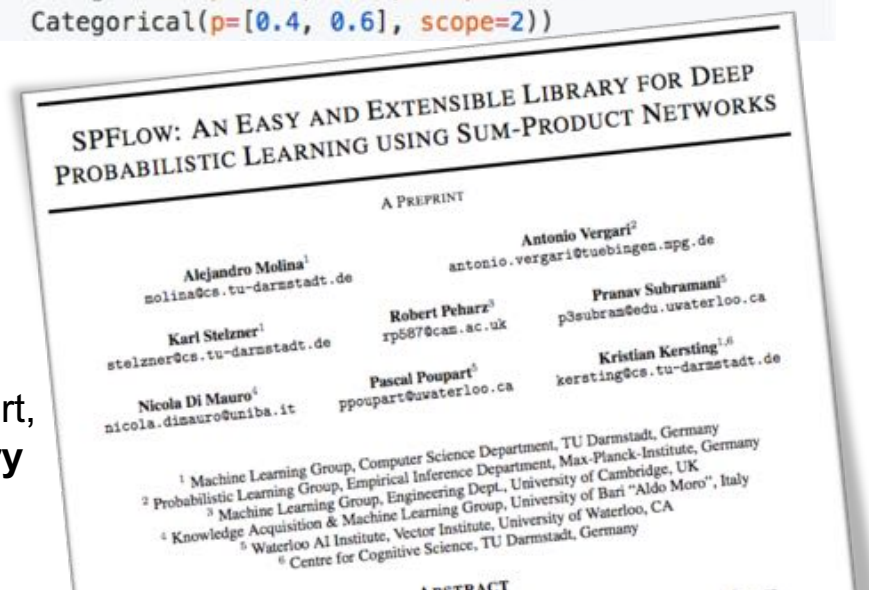
github.com/SPFlow



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Alejandro Molina, Antonio Vergari, Karl Stelzner, Robert Peharz, Pranav Subramani, Nicola Di Mauro, Pascal Poupart, Kristian Kersting: **SPFlow: An Easy and Extensible Library for Deep Probabilistic Learning using Sum-Product Networks**. CoRR abs/1901.03704 (2019)

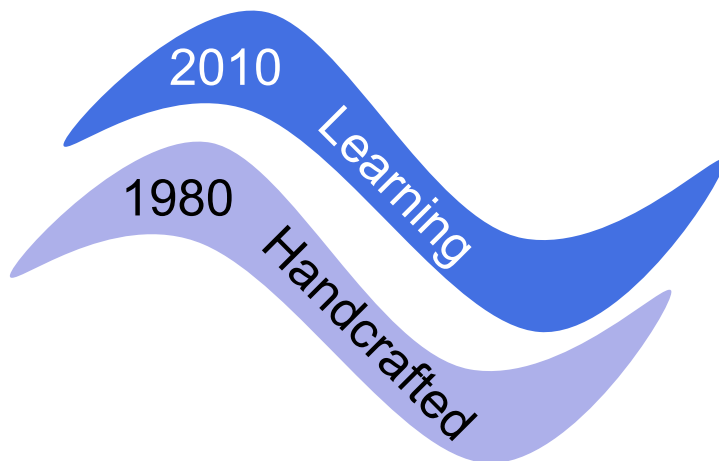


AI has impact



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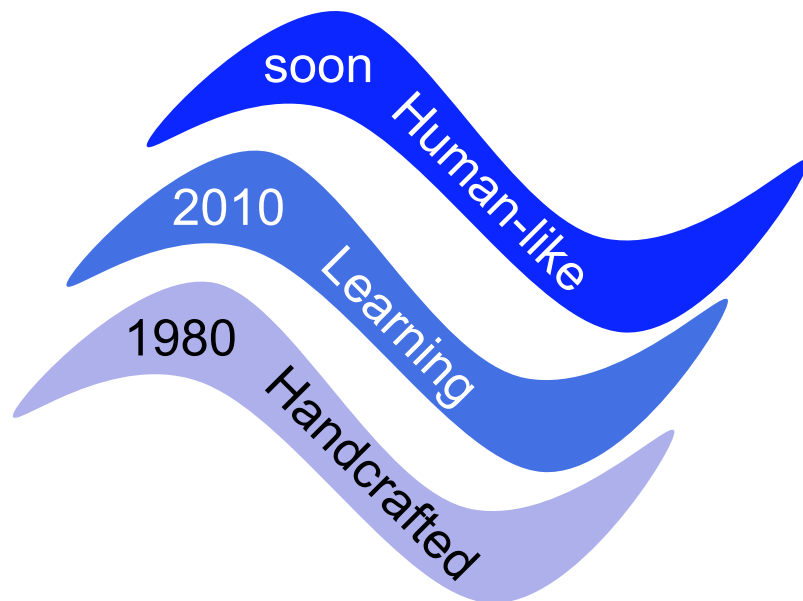


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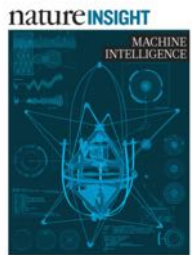
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AI systems that can acquire human-like communication and reasoning capabilities, with the ability to recognise new situations and adapt to them.

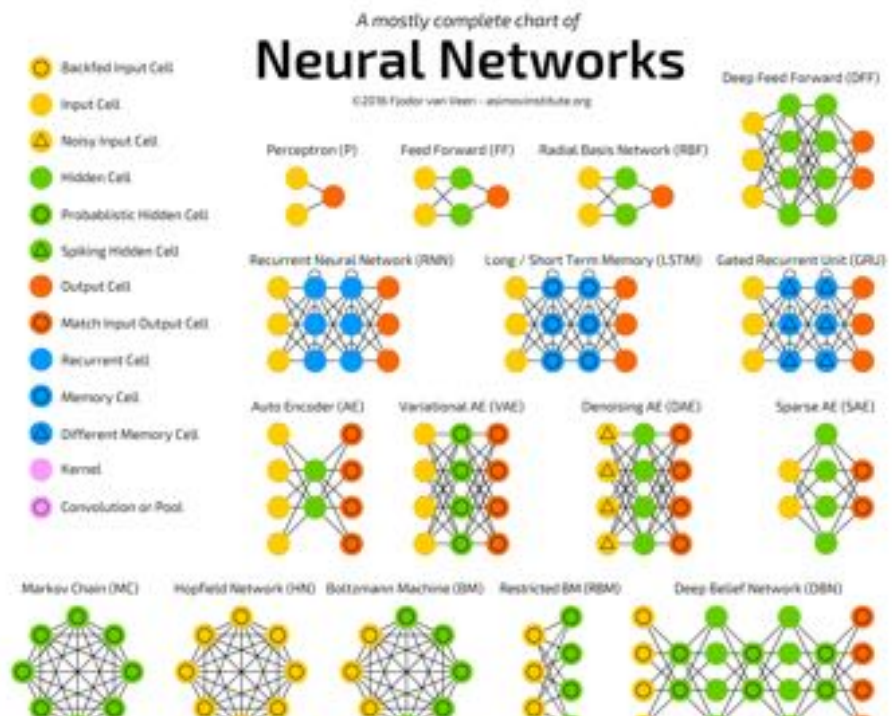
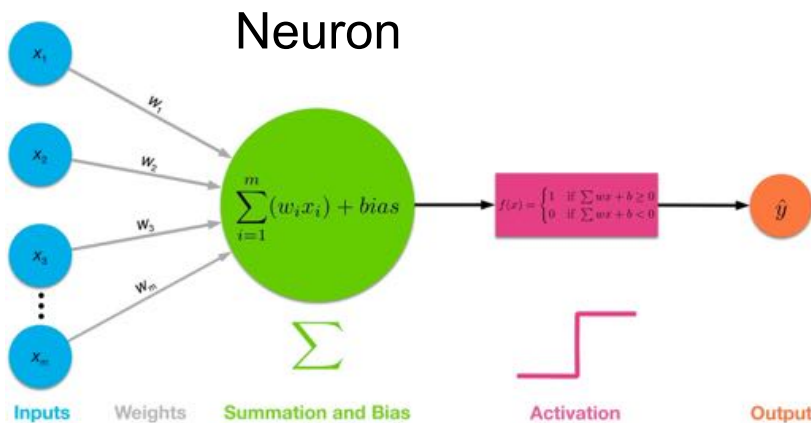


Deep Neural Networks



Potentially much more powerful than shallow architectures, represent computations

[LeCun, Bengio, Hinton Nature 521, 436–444, 2015]



Differentiable Programming

DNNs often have no probabilistic semantics. They are not calibrated joint distributions.

$$P(Y|X) \neq P(Y,X)$$

MNIST



Train & Evaluate

SVHN

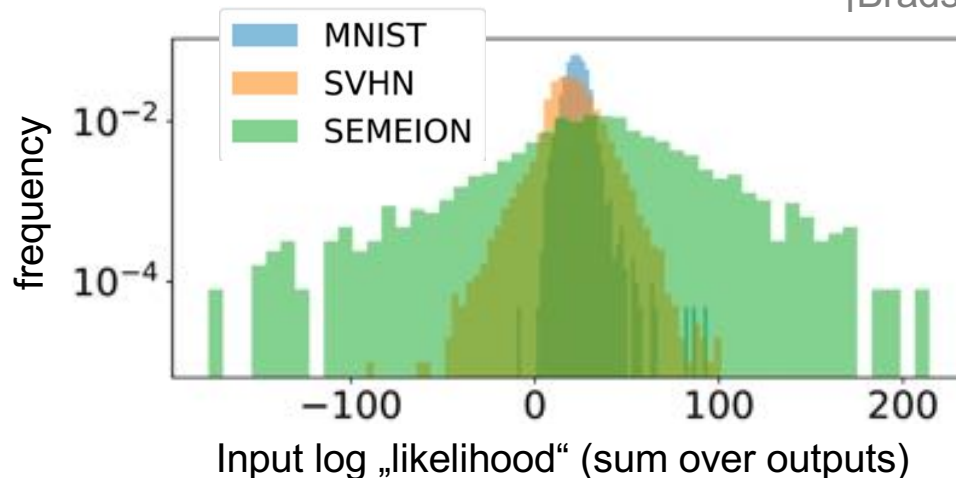


Transfer Testing

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[Bradshaw et al. arXiv:1707.02476 2017]



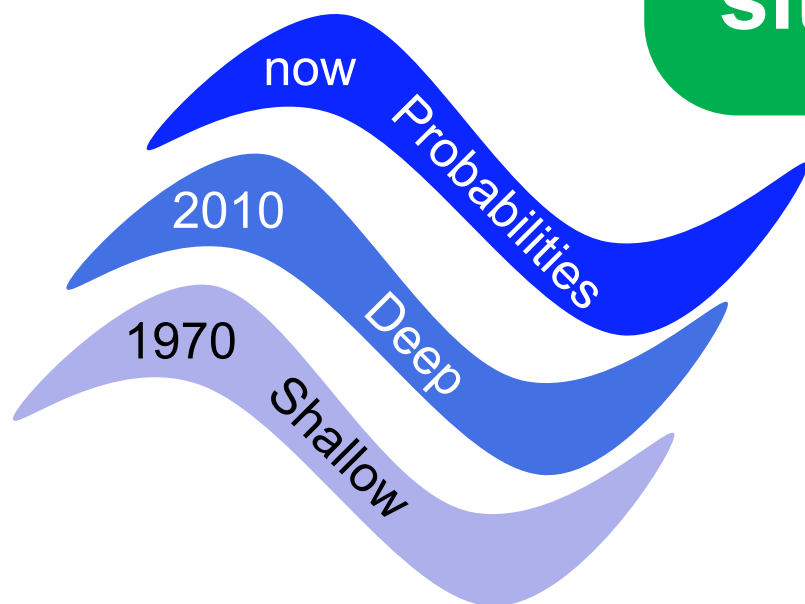
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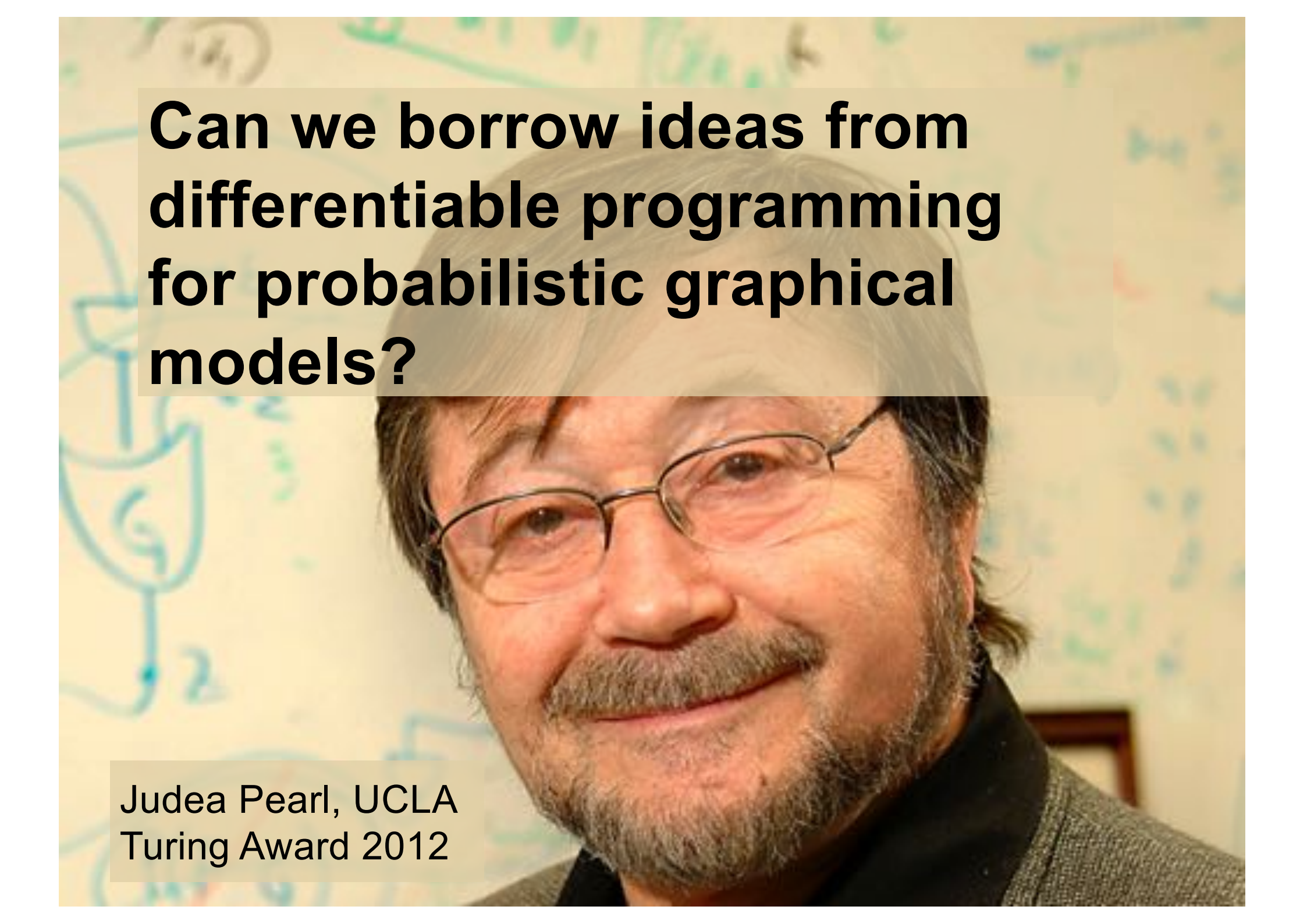
Many DNNs cannot distinguish the datasets

[Peharz, Vergari, Molina, Stelzner, Trapp, Kersting, Ghahramani UDL@UAI 2018]

The third wave of differentiable programming

Getting deep systems that know when they do not know and, hence, recognise new situations and adapt to them



A portrait of Judea Pearl, a man with glasses and a beard, smiling slightly. The background is a whiteboard with faint blue and green markings. A semi-transparent grey box is overlaid on the top left of the image, containing the main text.

**Can we borrow ideas from
differentiable programming
for probabilistic graphical
models?**

Judea Pearl, UCLA
Turing Award 2012

Alternative Representation: Graphical Models as (Deep) Networks

X_1	X_2	$P(X)$
1	1	0.4
1	0	0.2
0	1	0.1
0	0	0.3

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Shorthand using Indicators

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Summing Out Variables

Let us say, we want to compute $P(X_1 = 1)$

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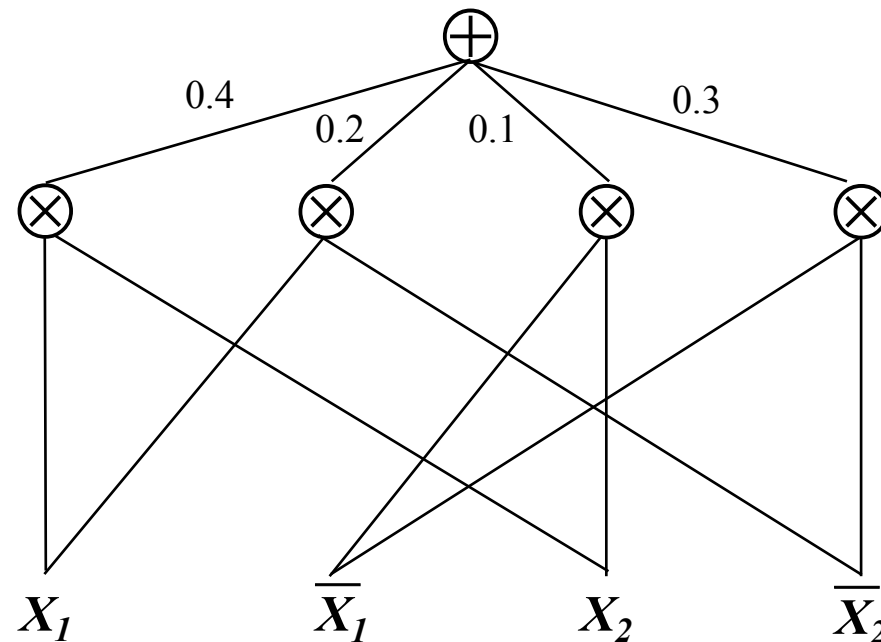
Set $X_1 = 1, \bar{X}_1 = 0, X_2 = 1, \bar{X}_2 = 1$

Easy: Set both indicators of X_2 to 1



This can be represented as a computational graph

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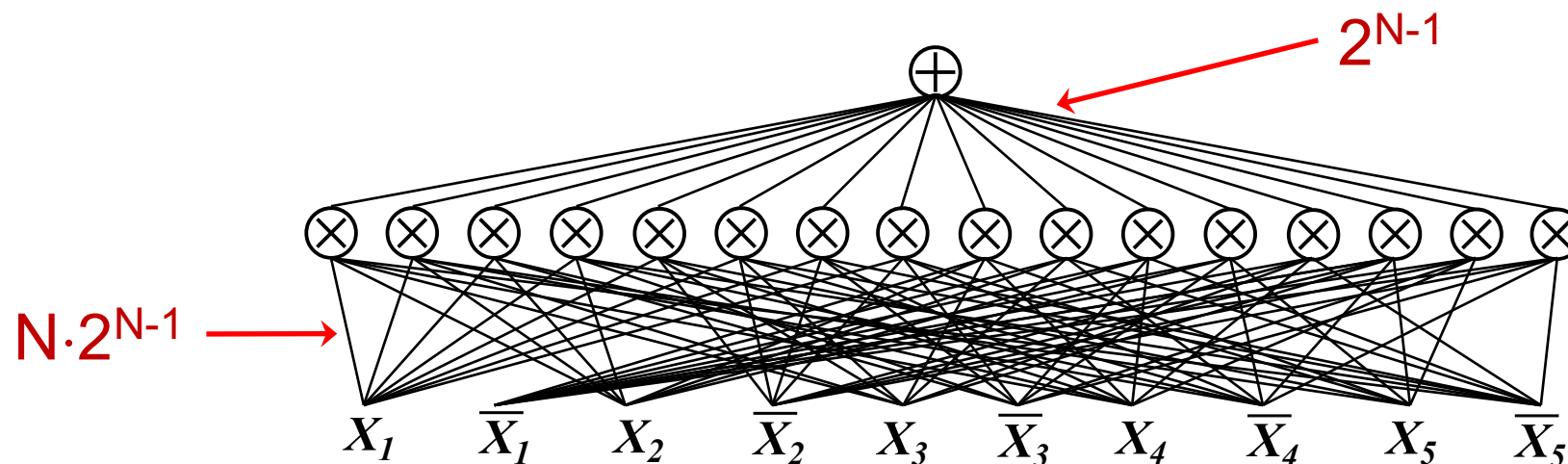


network polynomial

However, the network polynomial of a distribution might be exponentially large

Example: Parity

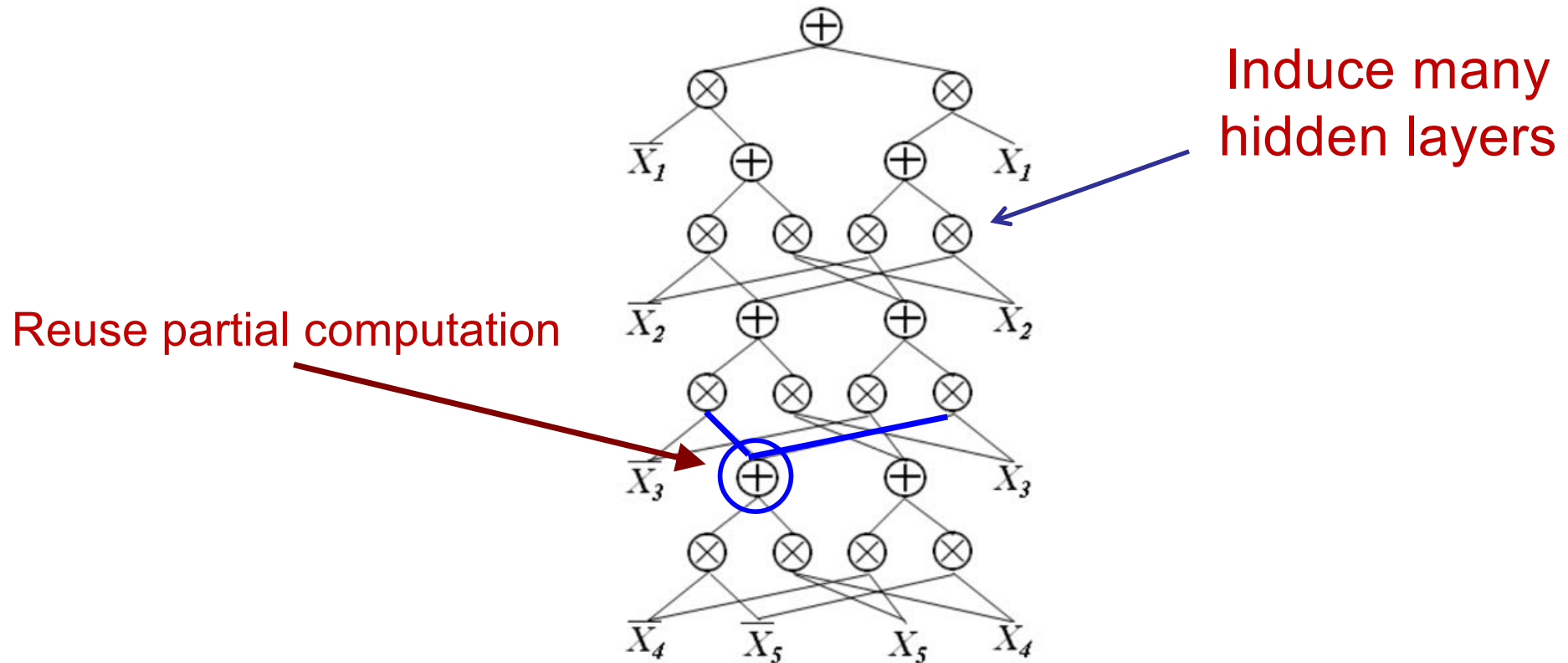
Uniform distribution over states with even number of 1's



Make the computational graphs deep

Example: Parity

Uniform distribution over states with even number of 1's

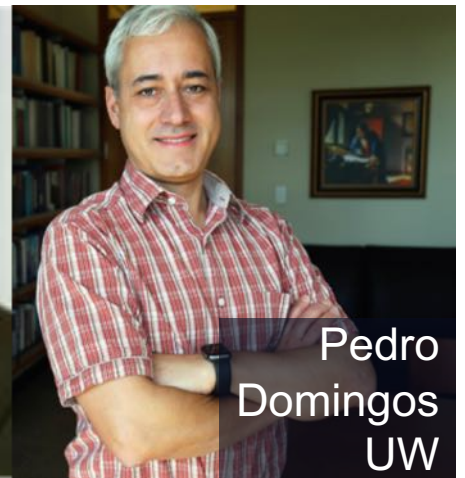


Sum-Product Networks*

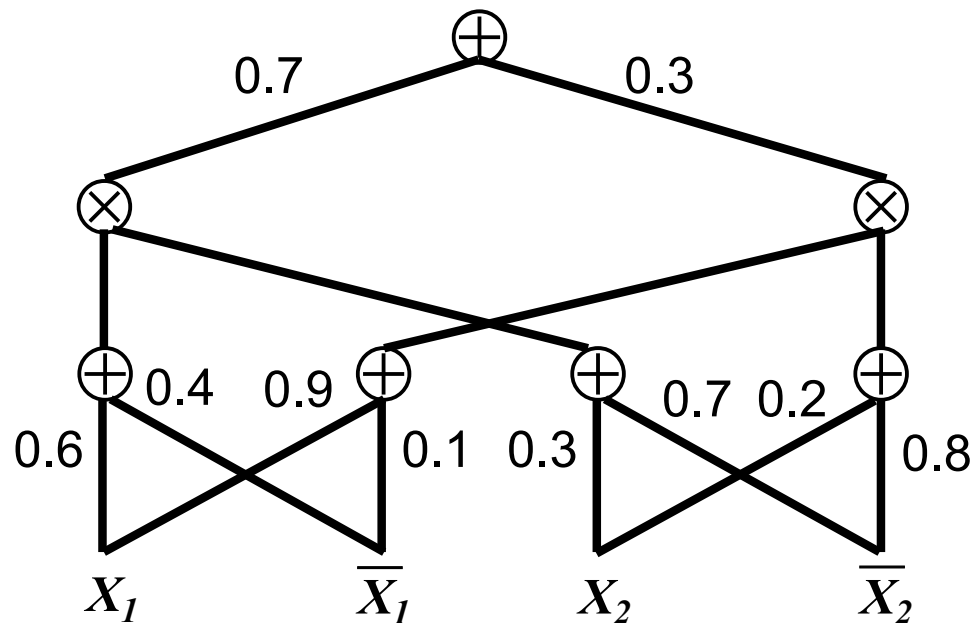
a deep probabilistic learning framework [Poon, Domingos UAI 2011]



Adnan
Darwiche
UCLA



Pedro
Domingos
UW



A SPN S is a rooted DAG where **nodes** are **sum**, **product**, **input indicator** and **weights** are on edges from the **sums of children**

*SPNs are an instance of Arithmetic Circuits (ACs). ACs have been introduced into the AI literature more than 15 years ago as a tractable representation of probability distributions

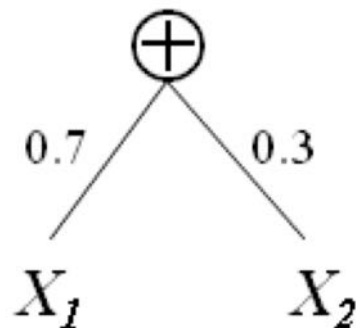
[Darwiche CACM 48(4):608-647 2001] c

Valid SPN: General Conditions

SPN is **valid** if $S(e) = \sum_{X \sim e} S(X)$ for all e . If so, we can compute (conditional) marginals efficiently since the partition function Z can be computed by setting all indicators to 1

Theorem: *SPN is valid if it is **complete** & **consistent***

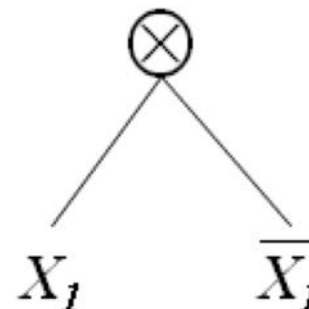
Complete: Under sum, children cover the same set of variables



Incomplete

$$S(e) \leq \sum_{X \sim e} S(X)$$

Consistent: Under product, no variable in one child and negation in another



Inconsistent

$$S(e) \geq \sum_{X \sim e} S(X)$$

Inference: Linear in Size of Network

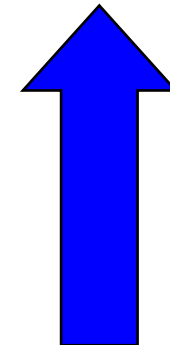
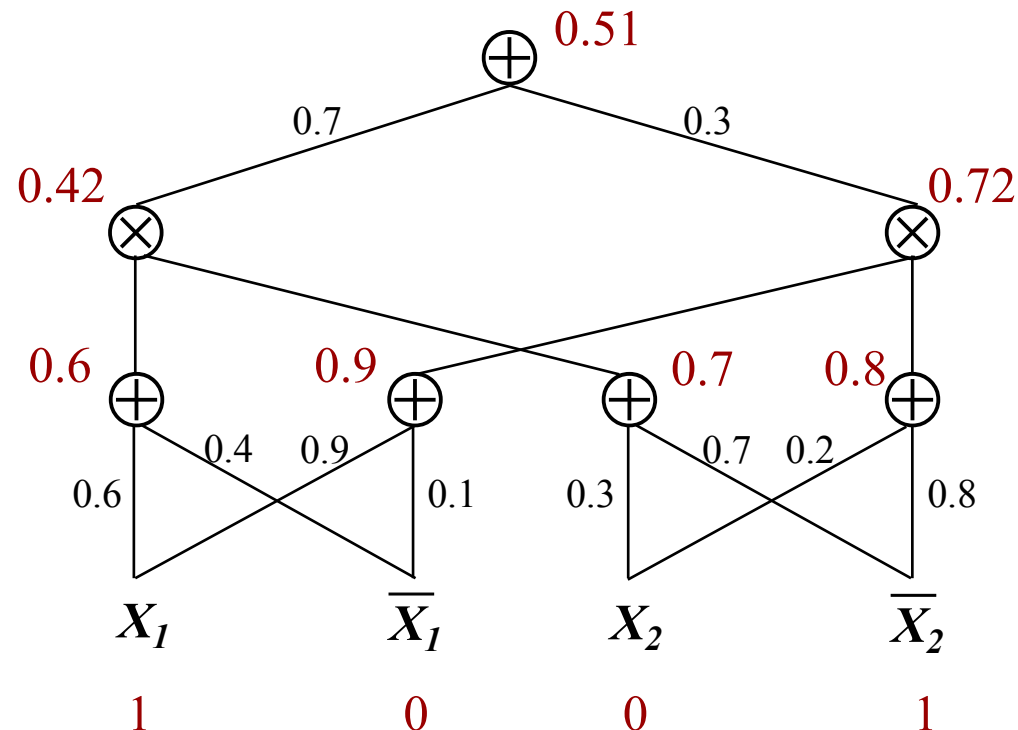
As long as weights sum to 1
at each sum node

$$P(X) = S(X)$$

$\mathbf{X}: X_1 = 1, X_2 = 0$

X_1	1
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X_2	0
\bar{X}_2	1

How to set the
indicator variables



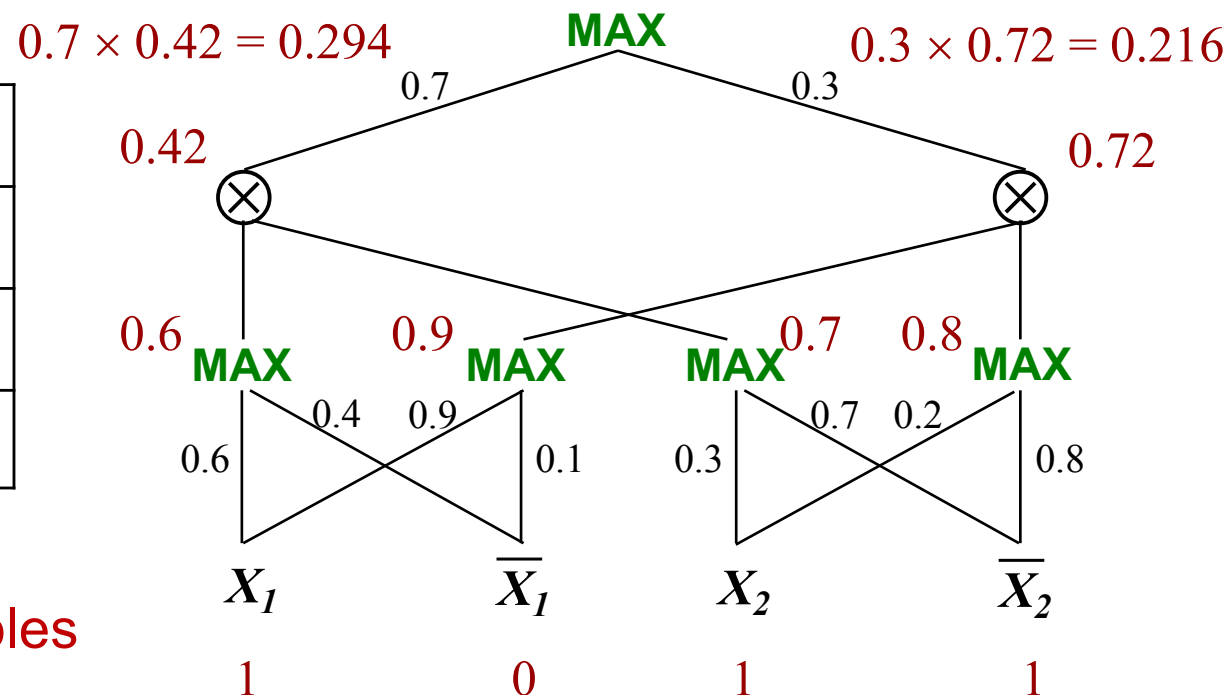
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MAP: Replace sums with maxs

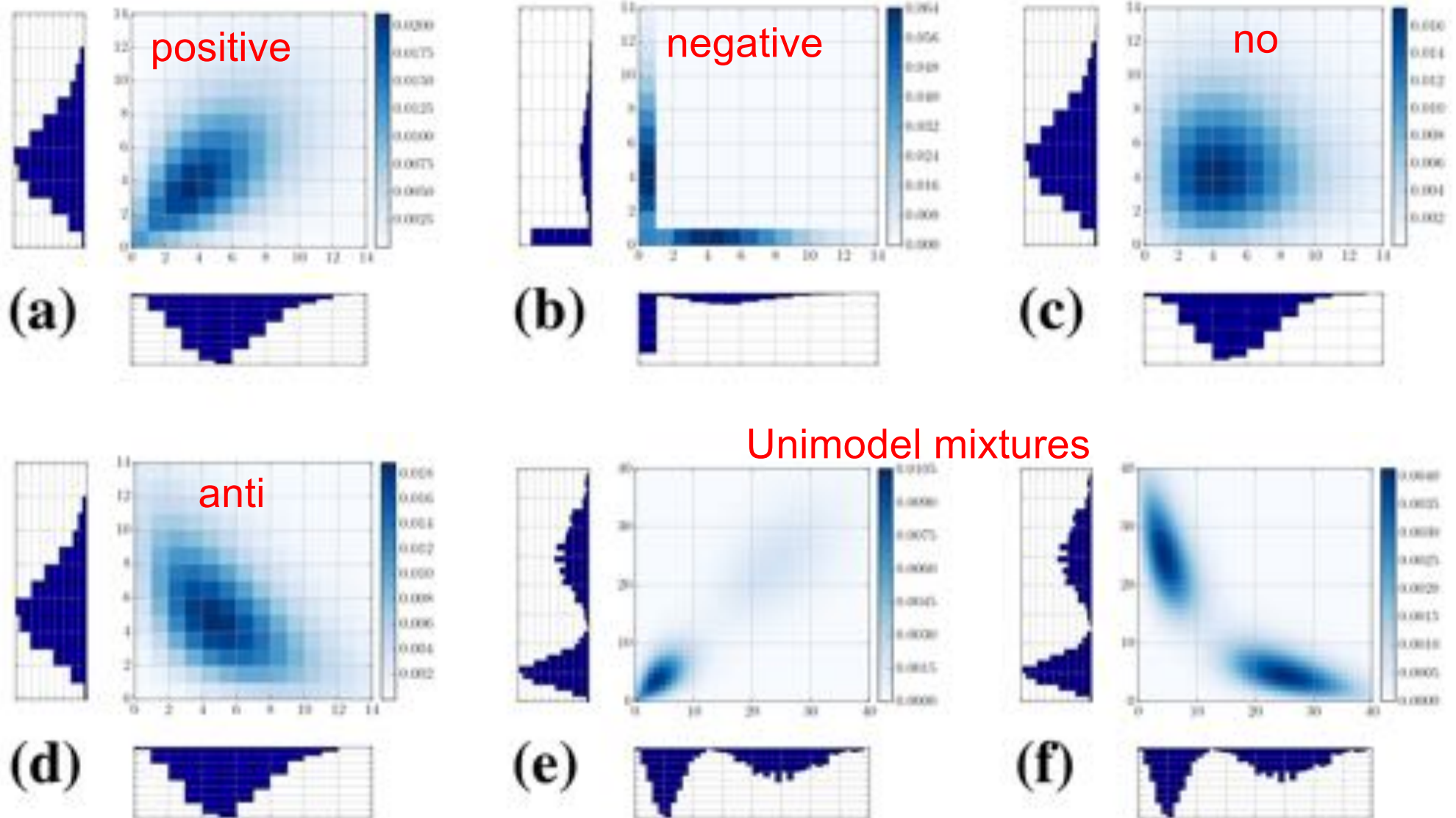
$e: X_1 = 1$

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X_2	1
\bar{X}_2	1

How to set the
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Building challenging multivariate distributions from well-known univariate distributions with flexible correlations, here multivariate Poisson distribution



And also learning is simple. E.g. we can learn (the structure) via parameter estimation assuming a fixed network (like in Deep Neural Learning)

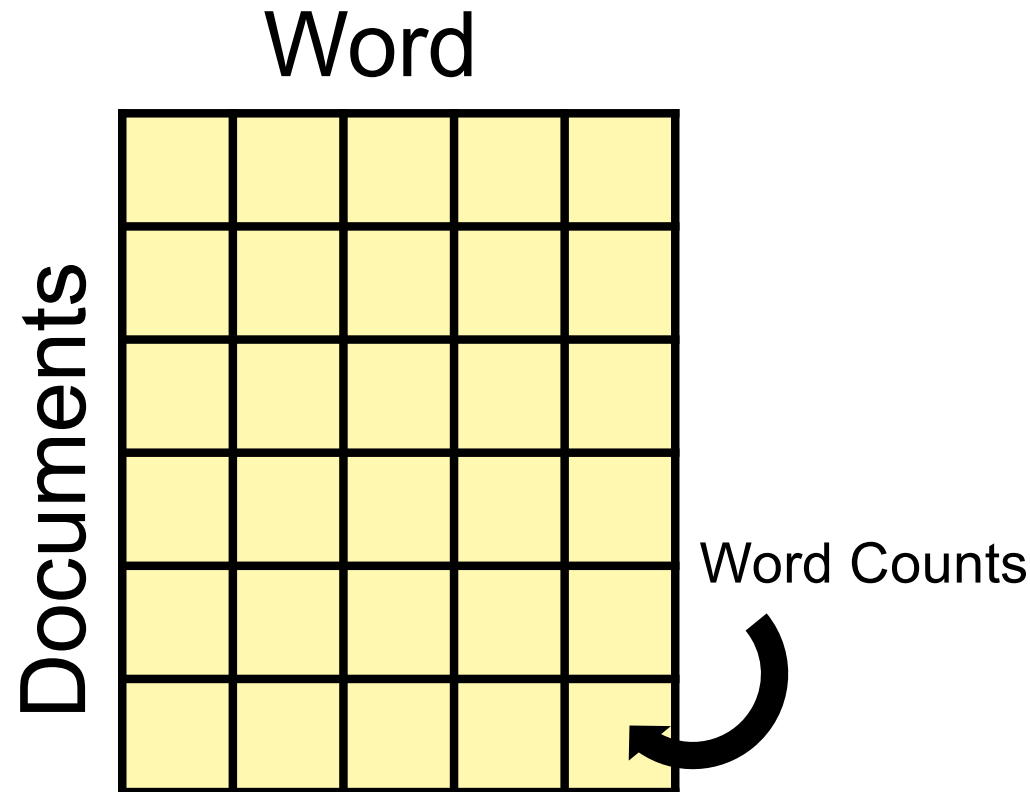
- **Start with a dense SPN**
- **Find the structure by (online) learning weights**
Zero weights signify absence of connections
- **(Hard) EM beneficial to avoid gradient vanishing**
Each sum node is a mixture over children

In principle you can turn a given SPN into, say, a TensorFlow computation graph and apply any known algorithm from there



Or we learn directly (Tree-)SPNs

Testing independence using a
(non-parametric) independency test

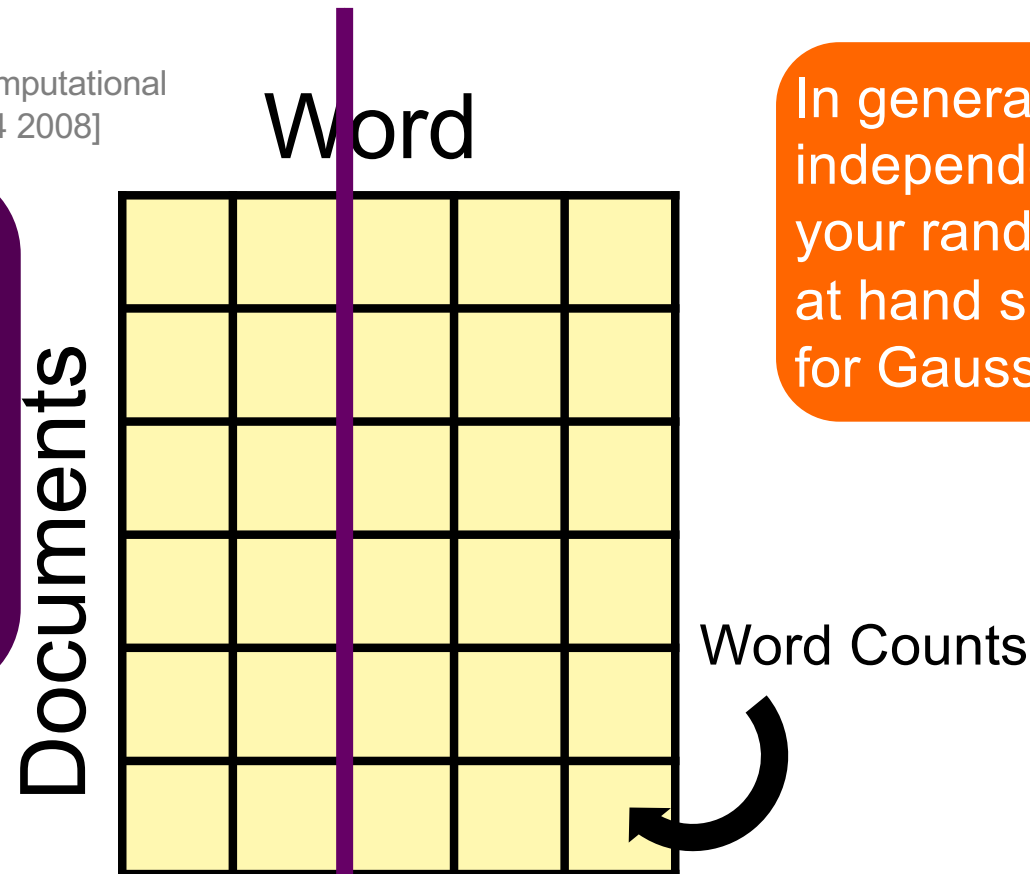


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[Zeileis, Hothorn, Hornik Journal of Computational And Graphical Statistics 17(2):492–514 2008]

E.g. for Poisson RVs: Learn Poisson model trees for $P(x|V-x)$ and $P(y|V-y)$. Check whether X resp. Y is significant in $P(y|V-x)$ resp. $P(x|V-y)$



In general use the independency test for your random variables at hand such as g-test for Gaussians

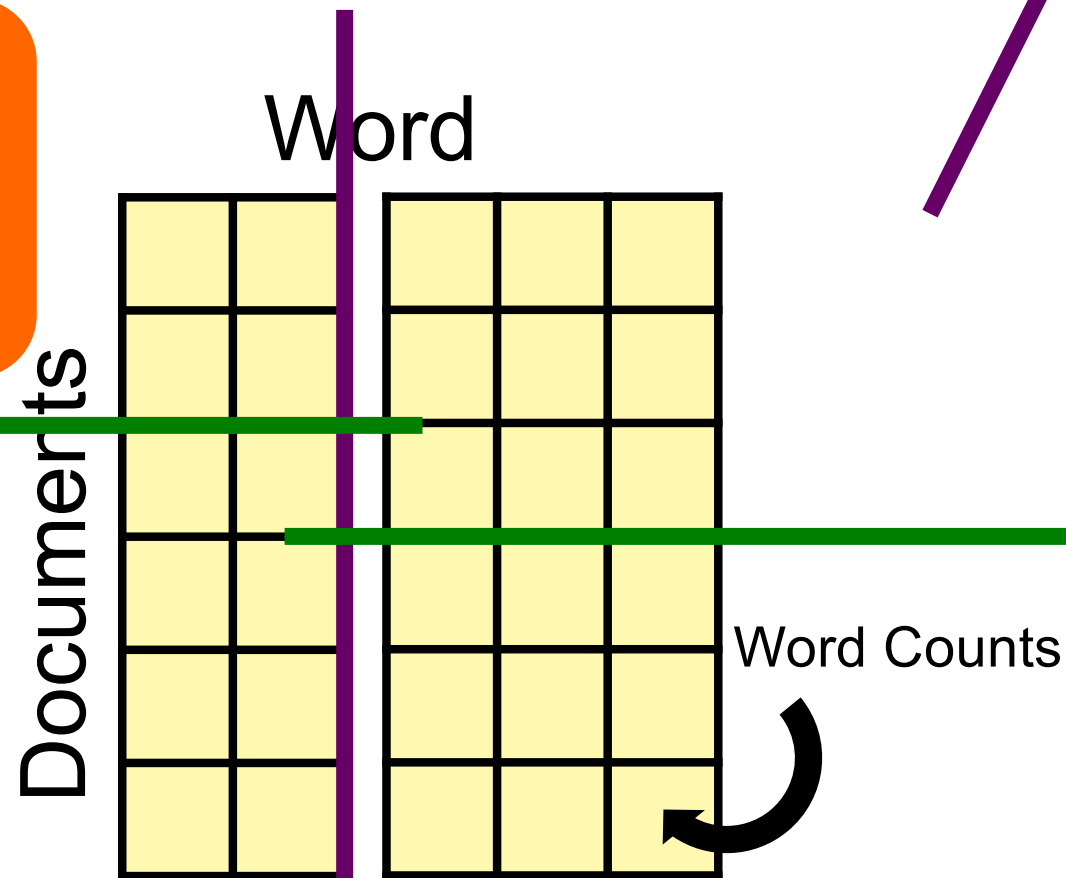
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In general some clustering for your random variables at hand such as kMeans for Gaussians

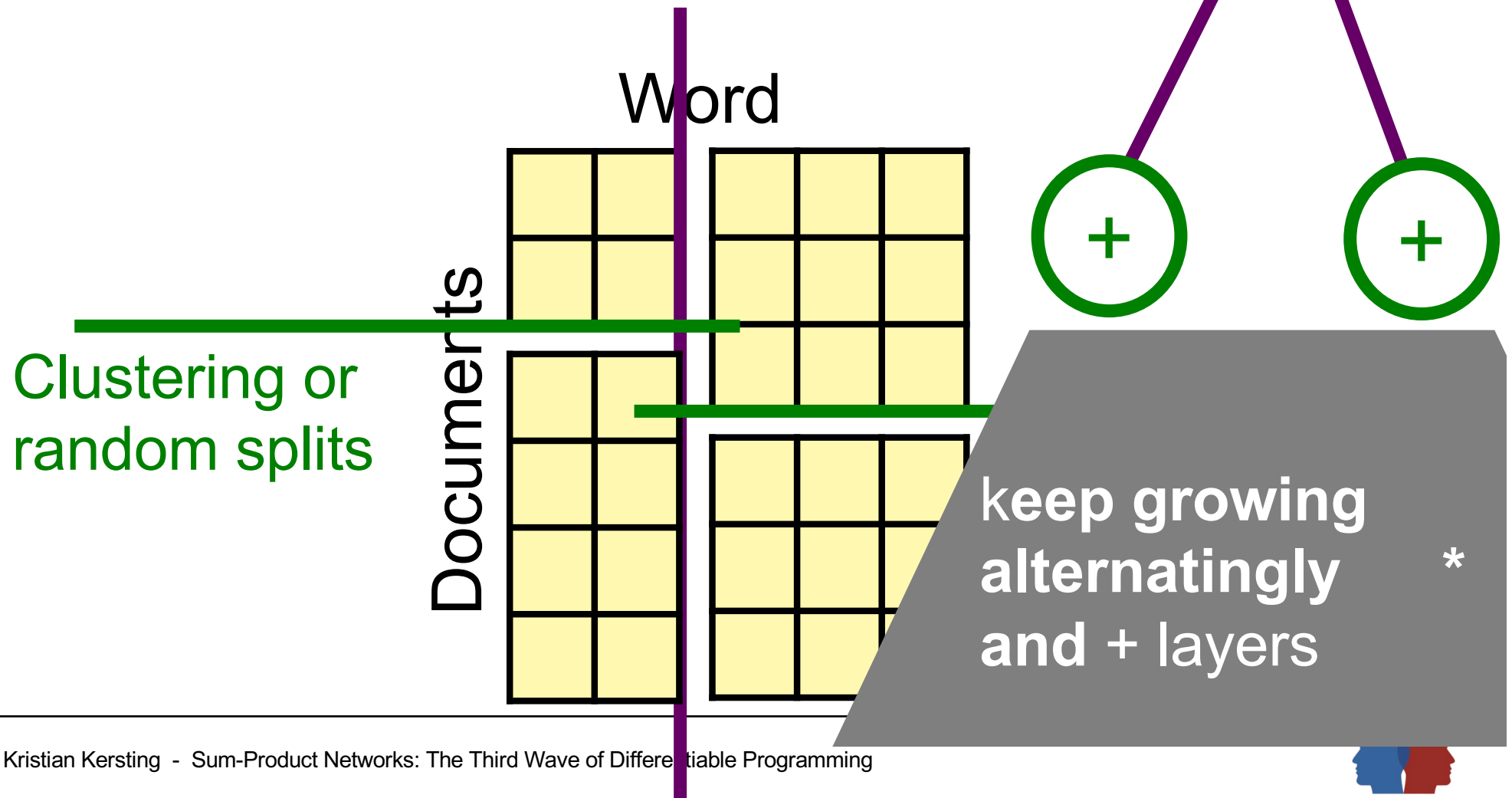


Mixture of
Poisson
Dependency
Networks or
random splits



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[Poon, Domingos UAI'11; Molina, Natarajan, Kersting AAAI'17; Vergari, Peharz, Di Mauro, Molina, Kersting, Esposito AAAI '18; Molina, Vergari, Di Mauro, Esposito, Natarajan, Kersting AAAI '18]

FL ⊕ W for SPFlow: An Easy and Extensible Library for Sum-Product Networks

[Molina, Vergari, Stelzner, Peharz, Subramani, Poupart, Di Mauro, Kersting 2019]



<https://github.com/SPFlow/SPFlow>

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from spn.structure.leaves.parametric.Parametric import Categorical
from spn.structure.Base import Sum, Product
from spn.structure.base import assign_ids, rebuild_scopes_bottom_up

p0 = Product(children=[Categorical(p=[0.3, 0.7], scope=1), Categorical(p=[0.4, 0.6], scope=2)])
p1 = Product(children=[Categorical(p=[0.5, 0.5], scope=1), Categorical(p=[0.6, 0.4], scope=2)])
s1 = Sum(weights=[0.3, 0.7], children=[p0, p1])
p2 = Product(children=[Categorical(p=[0.2, 0.8], scope=0), s1])
p3 = Product(children=[Categorical(p=[0.2, 0.8], scope=0), Categorical(p=[0.3, 0.7], scope=1)])
p4 = Product(children=[p3, Categorical(p=[0.4, 0.6], scope=2)])
spn = Sum(weights=[0.4, 0.6], children=[p2, p4])

assign_ids(spn)
rebuild_scopes_bottom_up(spn)

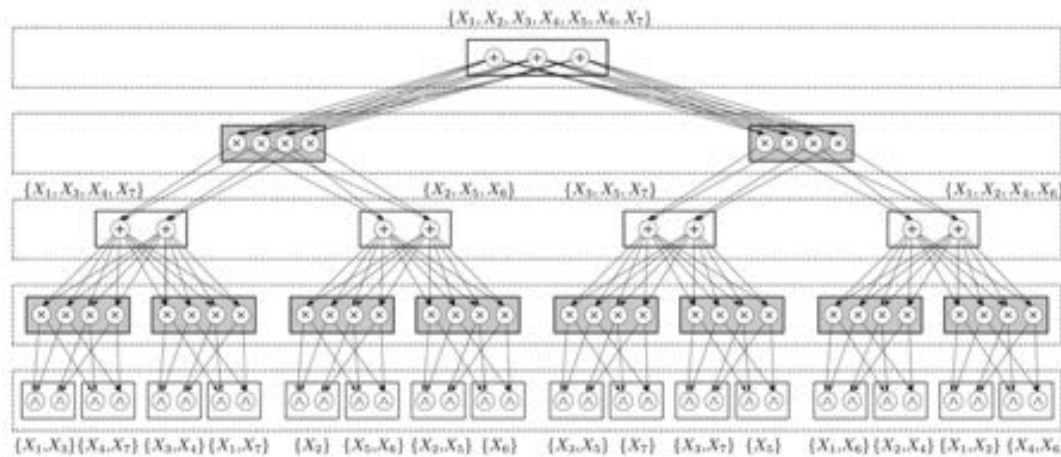
return spn
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Domain Specific Language, Inference, EM, and Model Selection as well as Compilation of SPNs into TF and PyTorch and also into flat, library-free code even suitable for running on devices: C/C++, GPU, FPGA

SPFlow, an open-source Python library providing a simple interface to inference, learning and manipulation routines for deep and tractable probabilistic models called Sum-Product Networks (SPNs). The library allows one to quickly create SPNs both from data and through a domain specific language (DSL). It efficiently implements several probabilistic inference routines like computing marginals, conditionals and (approximate) most probable explanations (MPEs) along with compilation

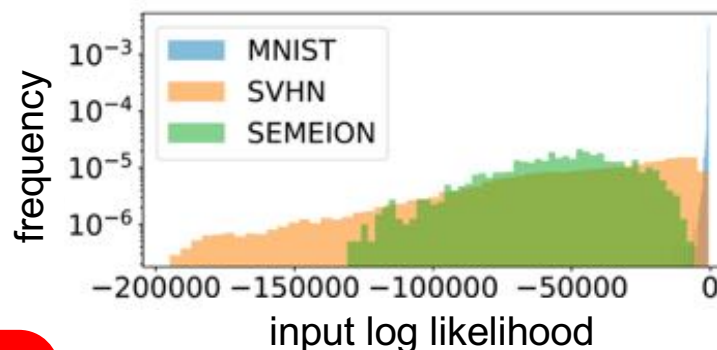
Random sum-product networks

[Peharz, Vergari, Molina, Stelzner, Trapp, Kersting, Ghahramani UDL@UAI 2018]



Build a random SPN structure. This can be done in an informed way or completely at random

	RAT-SPN	MLP	vMLP
Accuracy	MNIST	98.32	98.09
	F-MNIST	90.81	89.81
	20-NG	49.05	48.81
Cross-Entropy	MNIST	0.0874	0.0974
	F-MNIST	0.2965	0.325
	20-NG	1.6180	1.6263

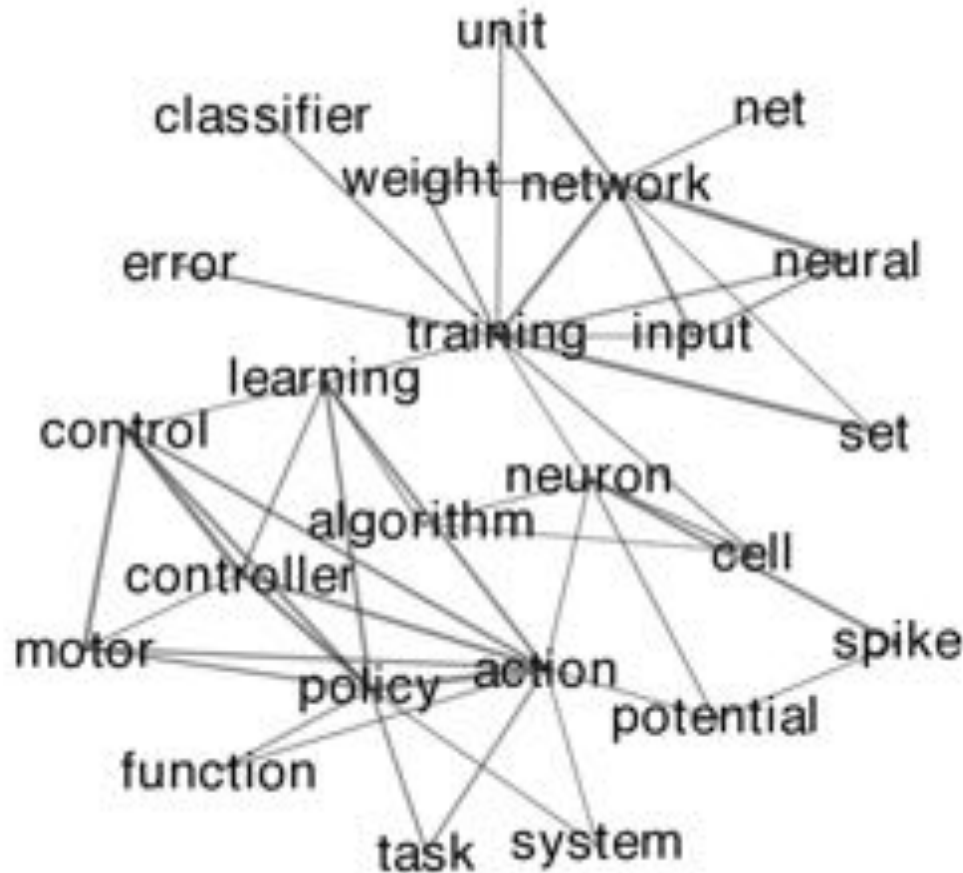


SPNs can have similar predictive performances as (simple) DNNs

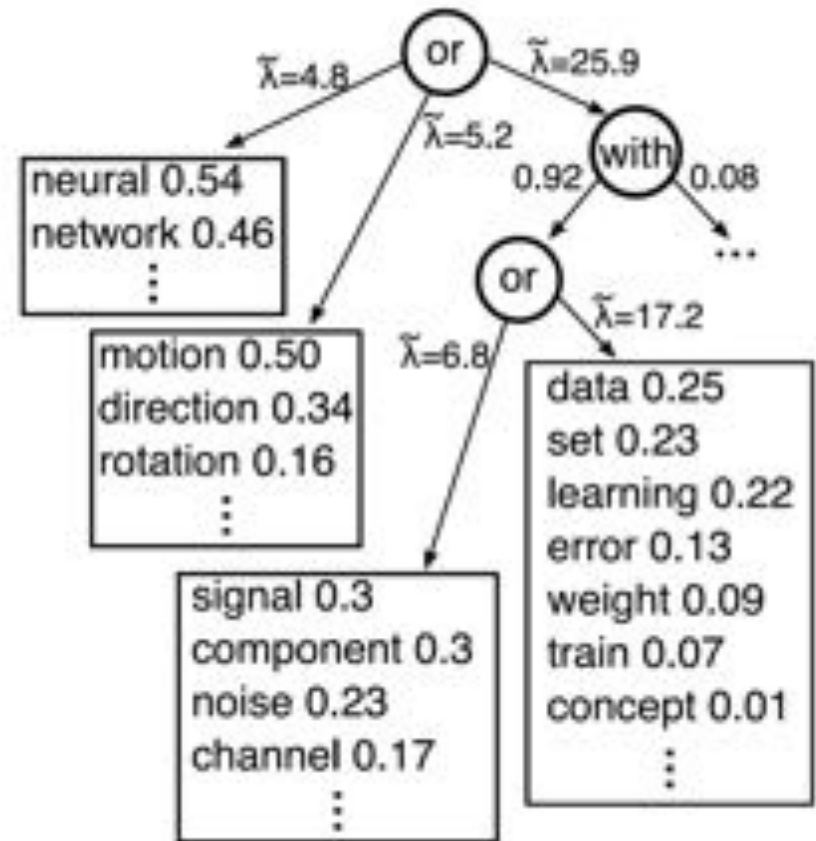
SPNs can distinguish the datasets

SPNs know when they do not know by design

SPNs closely related to well known, advanced ML models, e.g. Poisson SPNs = Hierarchical Topic Models



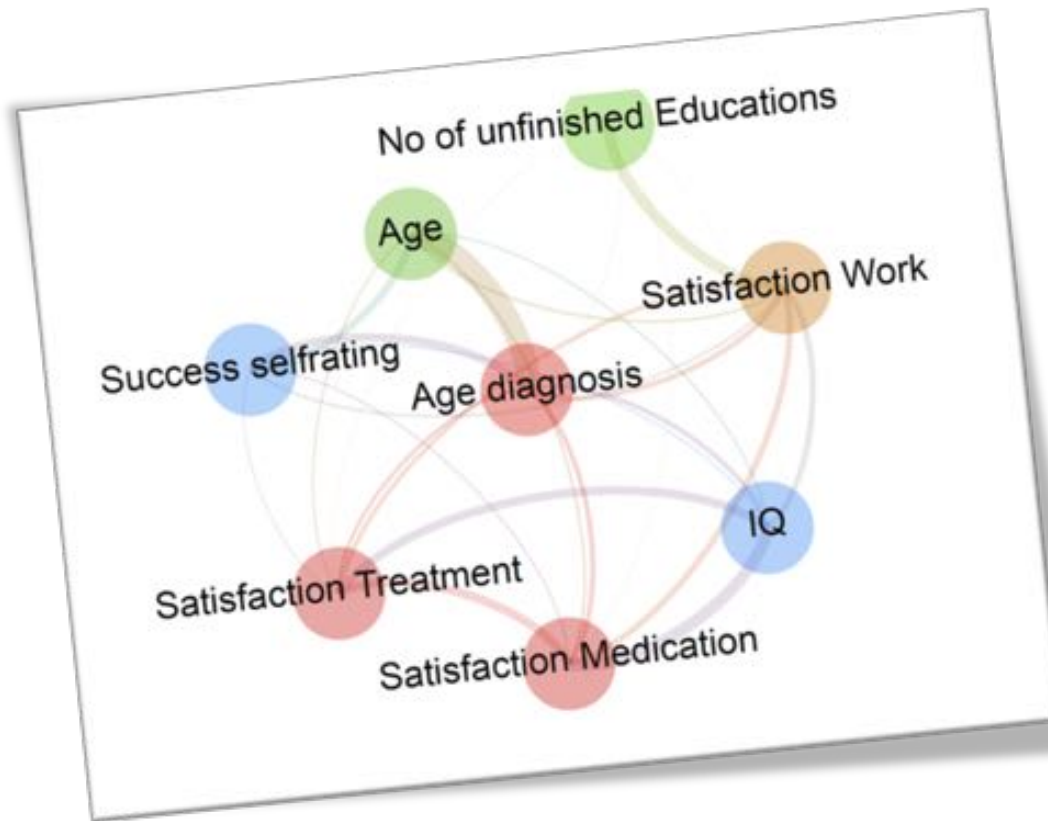
Mutual Information
(NIPS corpus)



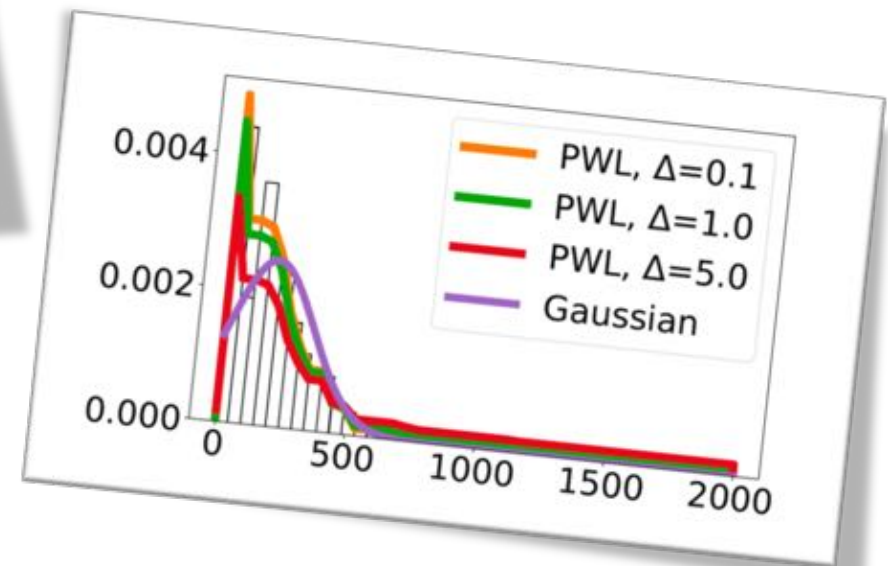
Poisson Multinomial SPN
= hierarchical topic model



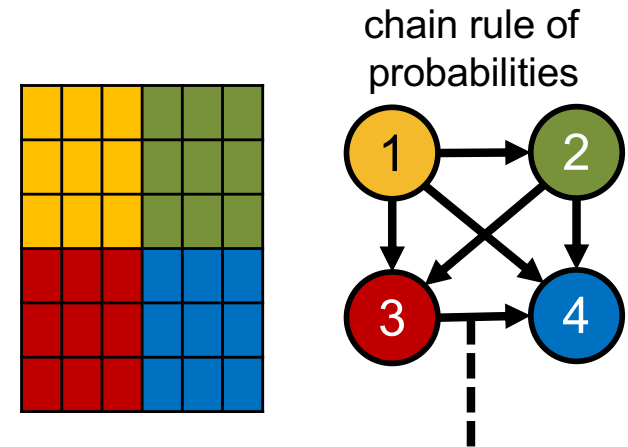
SPNs feature distribution-agnostic deep probabilistic learning



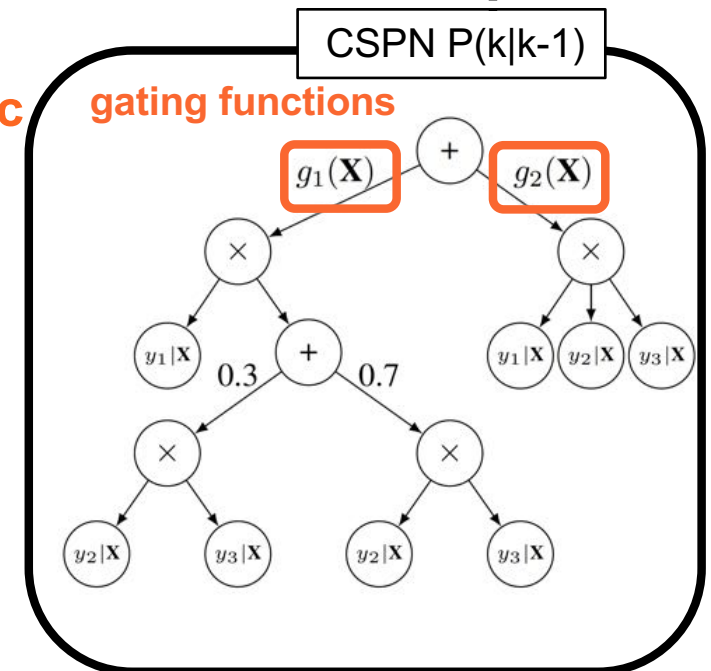
Use nonparametric independency tests and piece-wise linear approximations of the univariate distributions in the leaves



Putting a little bit of structure into SPN models allows one to realize autoregressive deep models akin to PixelCNNs [van den Oord et al. NIPS 2016]



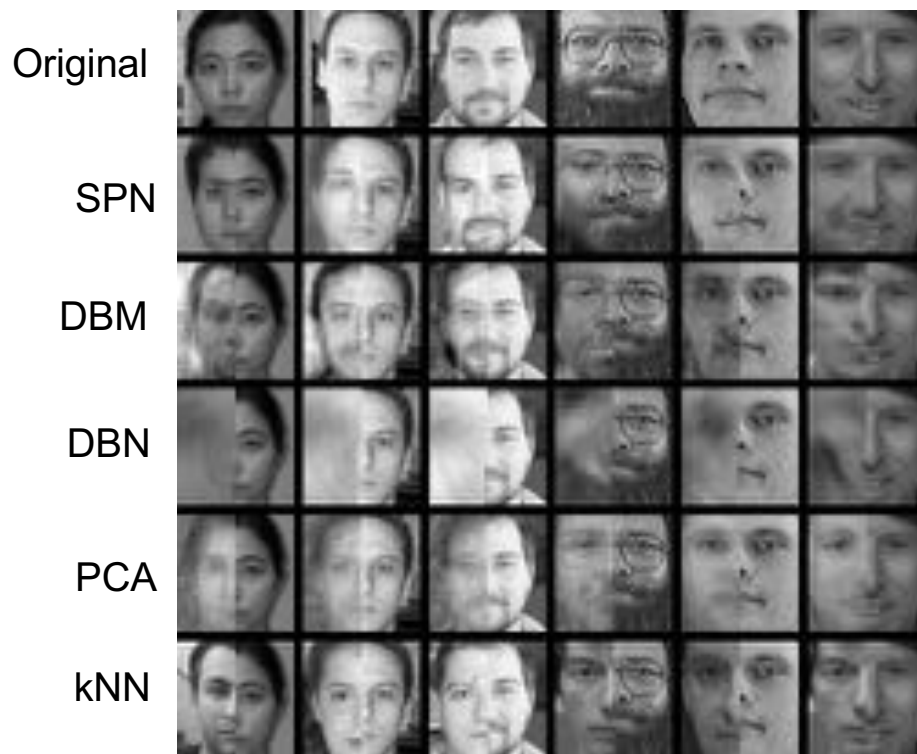
Learn Conditional SPN (CSPNs) by non-parametric conditional independence testing and conditional clustering [Zhang et al. UAI 2011; Lee, Honovar UAI 2017; He et al. ICDM 2017; Zhang et al. AAAI 2018; Runge AISTATS 2018] encoded using gating functions



Conditional SPNs

[Shao, Molina, Vergari, Pecharz, Kersting 2019]

[Poon, Domingos UAI'11]

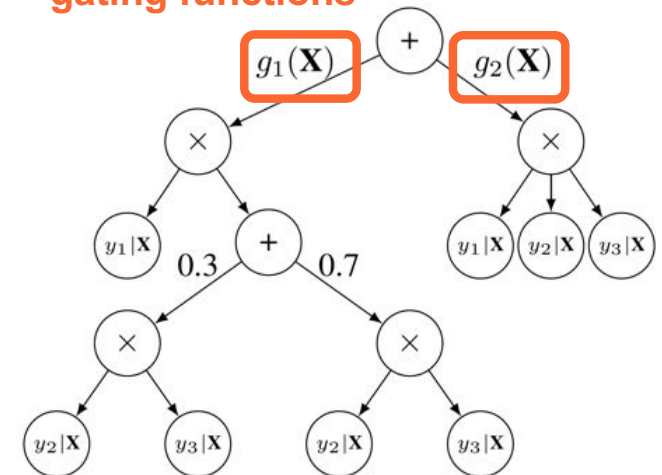


Gating functions encoded as deep network



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What have we learnt about SPNs?



Sum-product networks (SPNs)

- DAG of sums and products
- They are instances of Arithmetic Circuits (ACs)
- Compactly represent partition function
- Learn many layers of hidden variables

Efficient marginal inference

Easy learning

**Can outperform well-known alternatives e.g.
faster Attend-Infer-Repeat models**

[Stelzner, Peharz, Kersting ICML 2019]



