

Module 19.1: Using joint distributions for classification and sampling

Now that we have some understanding of joint probability distributions and efficient ways of representing them, let us see some more practical examples where we can use these joint distributions

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- Given many such reviews written by the reviewer we could learn the joint probability distribution

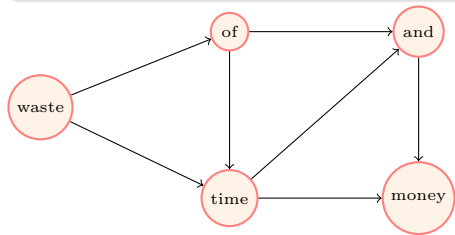
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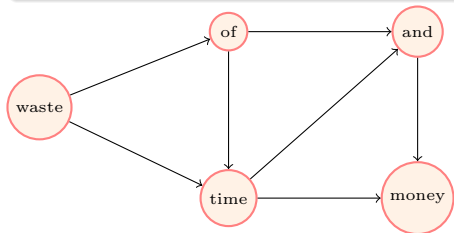


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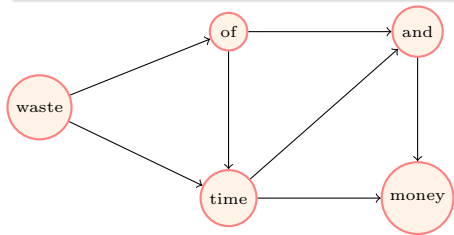


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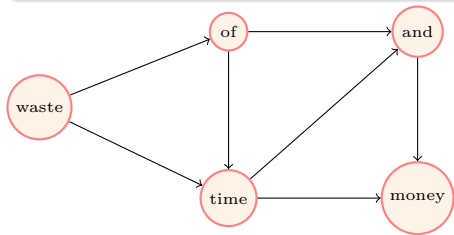
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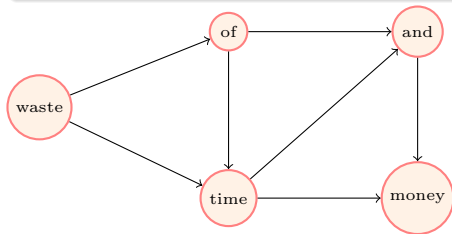
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- We could similarly compute the probabilities of all such factors

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- How would you do this? By sampling from this distribution! What does that mean? Let us see!

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- Similarly, we have computed $P(X_2 = word_2 | X_1 = word_1)$ and $P(X_3 = word_3 | X_1 = word_1, X_2 = word_2)$

The movie ...

- Now consider that we want to generate the 3rd word in the review given the first 2 words of the review

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- You can write a python program to roll such a biased dice

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1 import numpy
2 review = [None, None, 'the', 'movie']
3 words = ["the", "movie", "amazing", "useless", "was",
4          "is", "masterpiece", "I", "liked", "decent"]
5 probs = dict()
6 probs[('the', 'movie')] = ["0.01", "0.01", "0.01",
7                             "0.03", "0.60", "0.30", "0.01", "0.01", "0.01", "0.01"]
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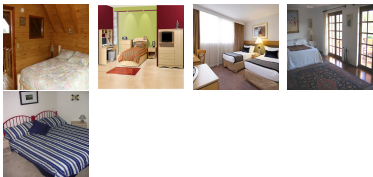


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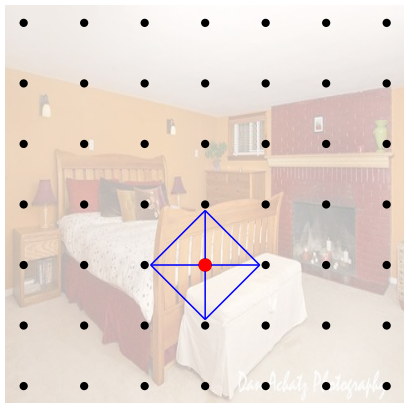




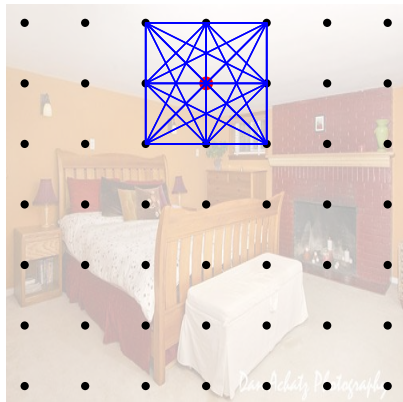
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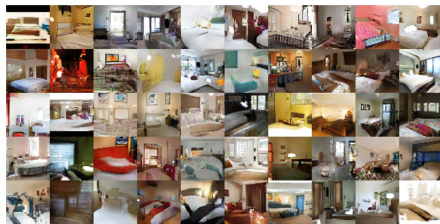
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