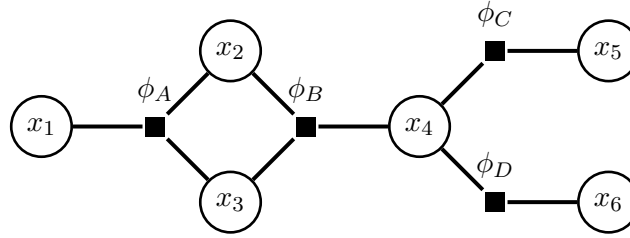


The purpose of this additional sheet is to provide more practice and exam preparation material. N.B. The tutors are not required to work through this material in the tutorial.

**Exercise 1. Choice of elimination order in factor graphs**

Consider the following factor graph, which contains a loop:



Let all variables be binary,  $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ , and the factors be defined as follows:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$\phi_A$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$\phi_B$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$\phi_C$	$x_4$	$x_6$	$\phi_D$
0	0	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	8	0	0	3
1	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	0	6
0	1	0	2	0	1	0	4	0	1	2	0	1	6
1	1	0	6	1	1	0	2	1	1	6	1	1	3
0	0	1	2	0	0	1	6	0	0	2	0	0	6
1	0	1	6	1	0	1	8	1	0	2	0	1	6
0	1	1	6	0	1	1	4	0	1	2	0	0	6
1	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	1	1	6	1	1	3

- Draw the factor graph corresponding to  $p(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  and give the tables defining the new factors  $\phi_A^{x_1=0}(x_2, x_3)$  and  $\phi_D^{x_6=1}(x_4)$  that you obtain.
- Find  $p(x_2 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  using the elimination ordering  $(x_4, x_5, x_3)$ :
  - Draw the graph for  $p(x_2, x_3, x_5 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_4$   
Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_4(x_2, x_3, x_5)$
  - Draw the graph for  $p(x_2, x_3 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_5$   
Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_{45}(x_2, x_3)$
  - Draw the graph for  $p(x_2 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_3$   
Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_{453}(x_2)$
- Note that the previous variable ordering involved computing a new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_4$  that depends on three variables  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ , and  $x_5$ , this involved computing  $2^3$  numbers (i.e. the rows in the table for  $\tilde{\phi}_4$ ). Instead, now find  $p(x_2 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  using the elimination ordering  $(x_5, x_4, x_3)$ ,

- (i) Draw the graph for  $p(x_2, x_3, x_4, \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_5$   
 Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_5(x_4)$
- (ii) Draw the graph for  $p(x_2, x_3 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_4$   
 Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_{54}(x_2, x_3)$
- (iii) Draw the graph for  $p(x_2 \mid x_1 = 0, x_6 = 1)$  by marginalising  $x_3$   
 Compute the table for the new factor  $\tilde{\phi}_{543}(x_2)$