

## CS 1571 Introduction to AI

### Lecture 20

## Inferences in Bayesian belief networks

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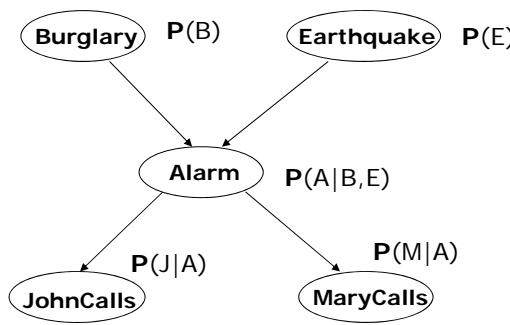
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## Bayesian belief network.

### 1. Directed acyclic graph

- **Nodes** = random variables  
Burglary, Earthquake, Alarm, Mary calls and John calls
- **Links** = direct (causal) dependencies between variables.  
The chance of Alarm is influenced by Earthquake, The chance of John calling is affected by the Alarm



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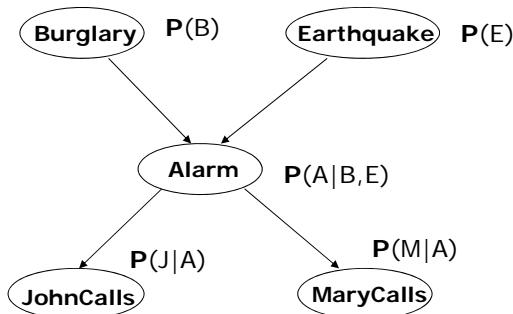
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### 2. Local conditional distributions

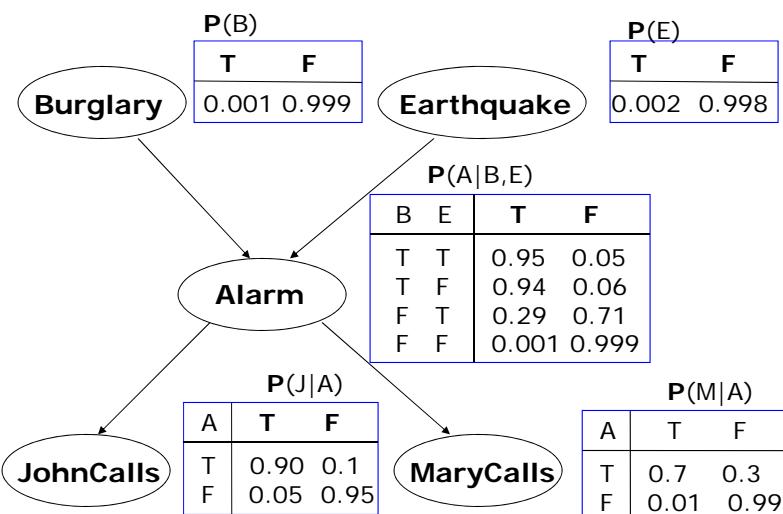
- relate variables and their parents



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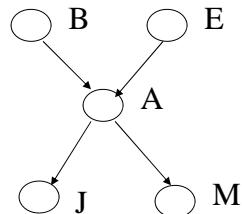
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## Bayesian belief networks (general)

Two components:  $B = (S, \Theta_S)$

- **Directed acyclic graph**

- Nodes correspond to random variables
- (Missing) links encode independences



- **Parameters**

- Local conditional probability distributions for every variable-parent configuration

$$\mathbf{P}(X_i \mid pa(X_i))$$

Where:

$pa(X_i)$  - stand for parents of  $X_i$

		$\mathbf{P}(A \mid B, E)$	
B	E	T	F
T	T	0.95	0.05
T	F	0.94	0.06
F	T	0.29	0.71
F	F	0.001	0.999

## Full joint distribution in BBNs

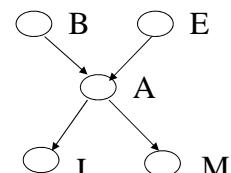
**Full joint distribution** is defined in terms of local conditional distributions (obtained via the chain rule):

$$\mathbf{P}(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1,\dots,n} \mathbf{P}(X_i \mid pa(X_i))$$

**Example:**

Assume the following assignment of values to random variables

$$B=T, E=T, A=T, J=T, M=F$$



Then its probability is:

$$P(B=T, E=T, A=T, J=T, M=F) =$$

$$P(B=T)P(E=T)P(A=T \mid B=T, E=T)P(J=T \mid A=T)P(M=F \mid A=T)$$

## Parameter complexity problem

- In the BBN the **full joint distribution** is defined as:

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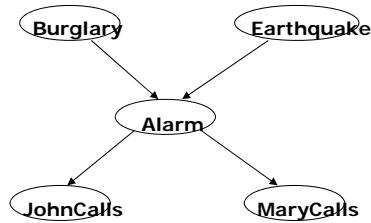
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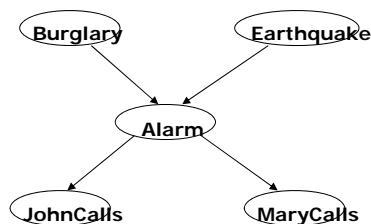
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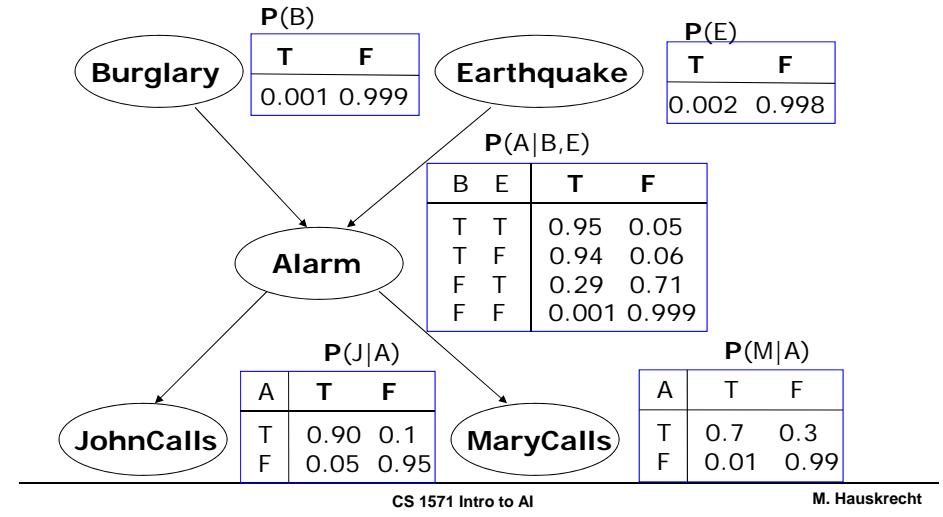
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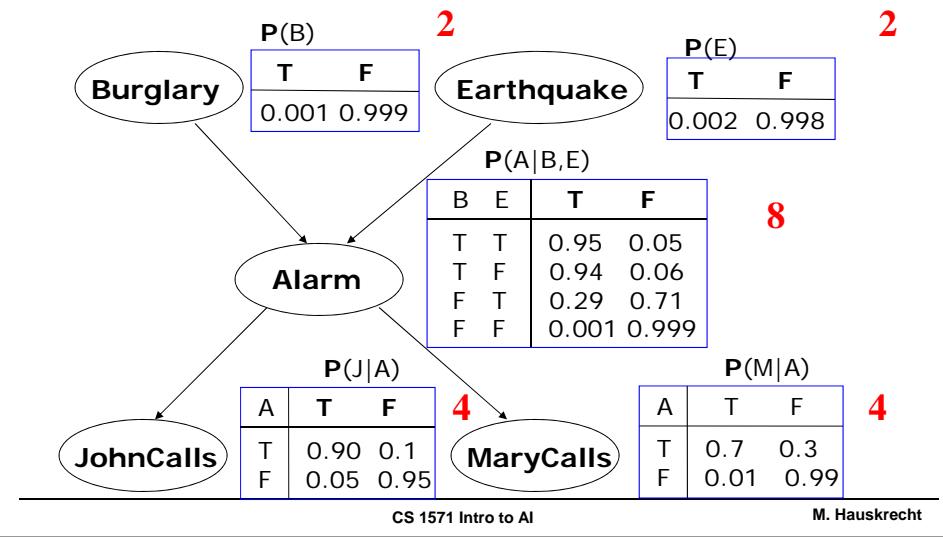
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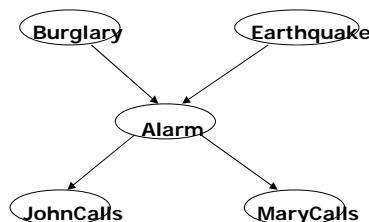
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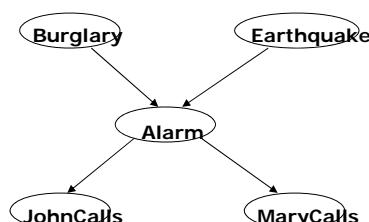
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One parameter in every conditional is for free:

$$2^2 + 2(2) + 2(1) = 10$$

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## BBNs built in practice

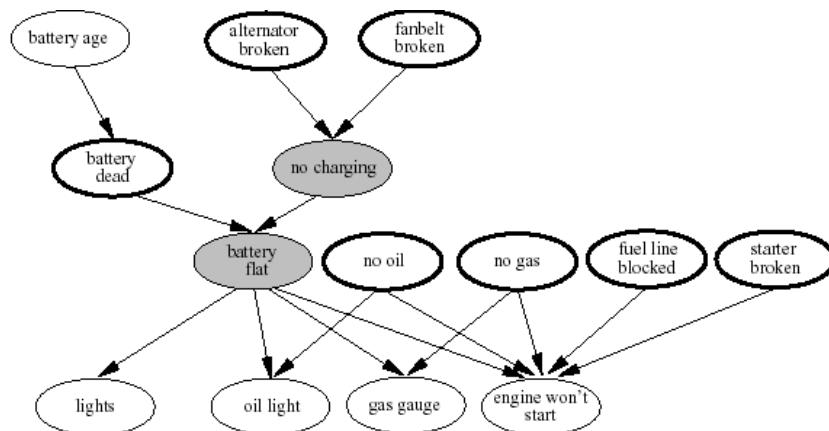
- In various areas:
  - Intelligent user interfaces (Microsoft)
  - Troubleshooting, diagnosis of a technical device
  - Medical diagnosis:
    - Pathfinder (Intellipath)
    - CPSC
    - Munin
    - QMR-DT
  - Collaborative filtering
  - Military applications
  - Business and finance
    - Insurance, credit applications

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## Diagnosis of car engine

- Diagnose the engine start problem

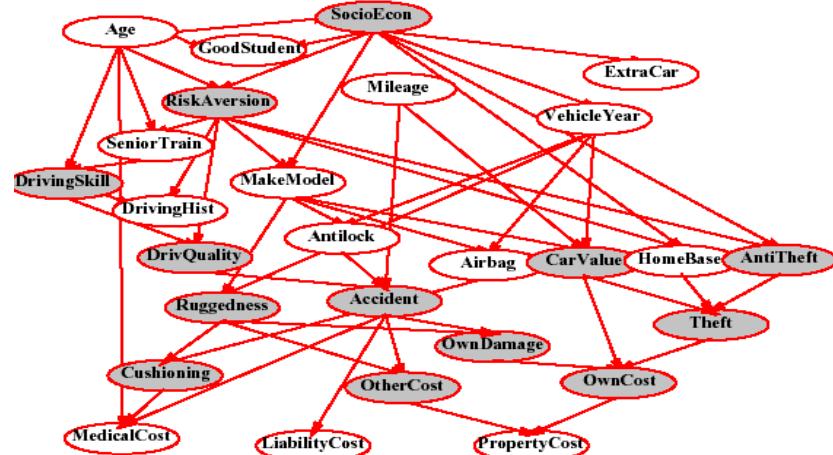


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## Car insurance example

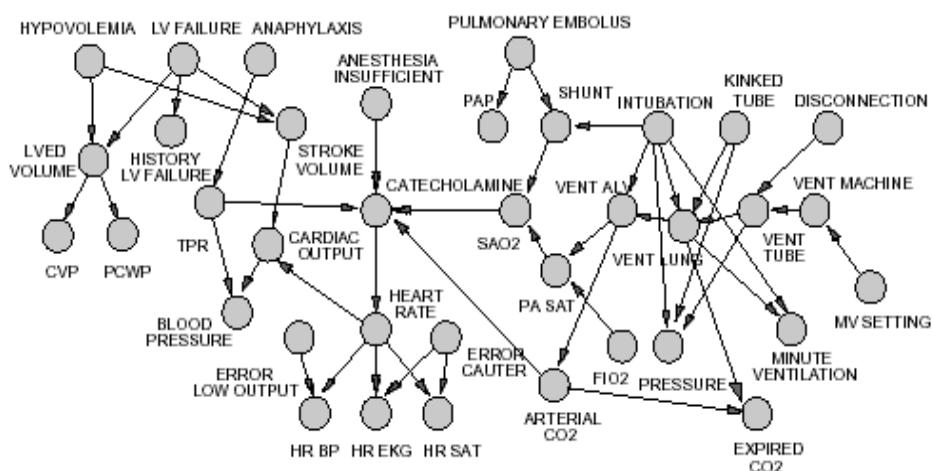
- Predict claim costs (medical, liability) based on application data



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## (ICU) Alarm network

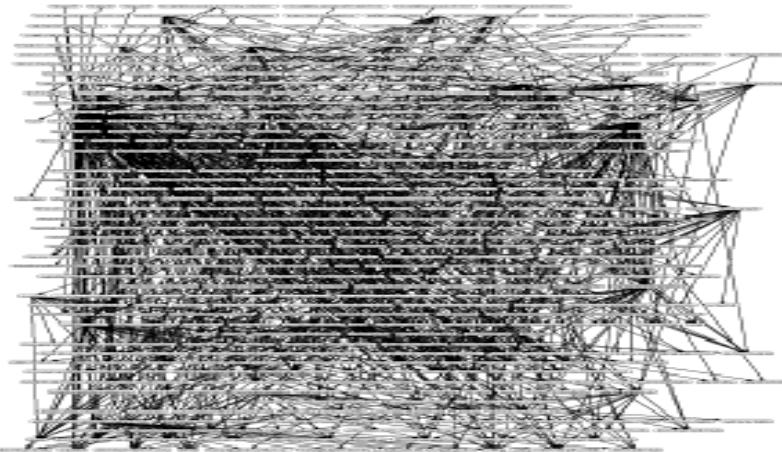


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## CPCS

- Computer-based Patient Case Simulation system (CPCS-PM) developed by Parker and Miller (University of Pittsburgh)
- 422 nodes and 867 arcs



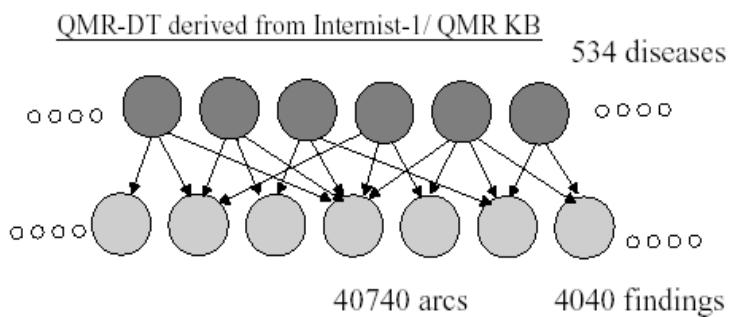
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## QMR-DT

- **Medical diagnosis in internal medicine**

Bipartite network of disease/findings relations

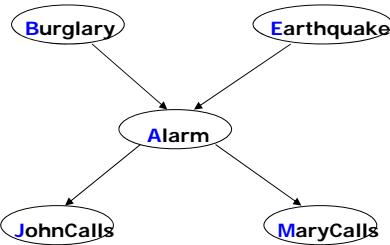


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## Inference in Bayesian network

- **Bad news:**
  - Exact inference problem in BBNs is NP-hard (Cooper)
  - Approximate inference is NP-hard (Dagum, Luby)
- **But** very often we can achieve significant improvements
- Assume our Alarm network



- Assume we want to compute:  $P(J = T)$

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## Inference in Bayesian networks

**Computing:**  $P(J = T)$

**Approach 1. Blind approach.**

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- express the joint distribution as a product of conditionals

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**Computational cost:**

Number of additions: ?

Number of products: ?

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**Computational cost:**

Number of additions: 15

Number of products:  $16 * 4 = 64$

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## Inference in Bayesian networks

**Approach 2. Interleave sums and products**

- Combines sums and product in a smart way (multiplications by constants can be taken out of the sum)

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**Computational cost:**

Number of additions:  $1 + 2 * [1 + 1 + 2 * 1] = ?$

Number of products:  $2 * [2 + 2 * (1 + 2 * 1)] = ?$

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Number of products:  $2*[2+2*(1+2*1)]=16$

## Variable elimination

- **Variable elimination:**

- Similar idea but interleave sum and products one variable at the time during inference
- E.g. Query  $P(J = T)$  requires to eliminate A,B,E,M and this can be done in different order

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(J = T) &= \\
 &= \sum_{b \in T, F} \sum_{e \in T, F} \sum_{a \in T, F} \sum_{m \in T, F} P(J = T | A = a) P(M = m | A = a) P(A = a | B = b, E = e) P(B = b) P(E = e)
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Variable elimination

Assume order: M, E, B,A to calculate  $P(J = T)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{b \in T, F} \sum_{e \in T, F} \sum_{a \in T, F} \sum_{m \in T, F} P(J = T | A = a) P(M = m | A = a) P(A = a | B = b, E = e) P(B = b) P(E = e) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

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## Inference in Bayesian network

- Exact inference algorithms:

- Book → – Variable elimination  
Book → – Recursive decomposition (Cooper, Darwiche)  
– Symbolic inference (D'Ambrosio)  
– Belief propagation algorithm (Pearl)  
Book → – Clustering and joint tree approach (Lauritzen, Spiegelhalter)  
– Arc reversal (Olmsted, Schachter)

- Approximate inference algorithms:

- Book → – Monte Carlo methods:
  - Forward sampling, Likelihood sampling
  - Variational methods

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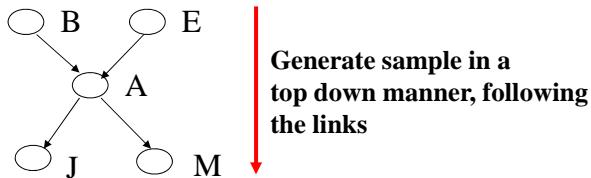
## Monte Carlo approaches

- MC approximation:

- The probability is approximated using sample frequencies
- Example:

$$\tilde{P}(B = T, J = T) = \frac{N_{B=T, J=T}}{N} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{\# samples with } B = T, J = T \\ \text{\# total samples} \end{array}$$

- BBN sampling:

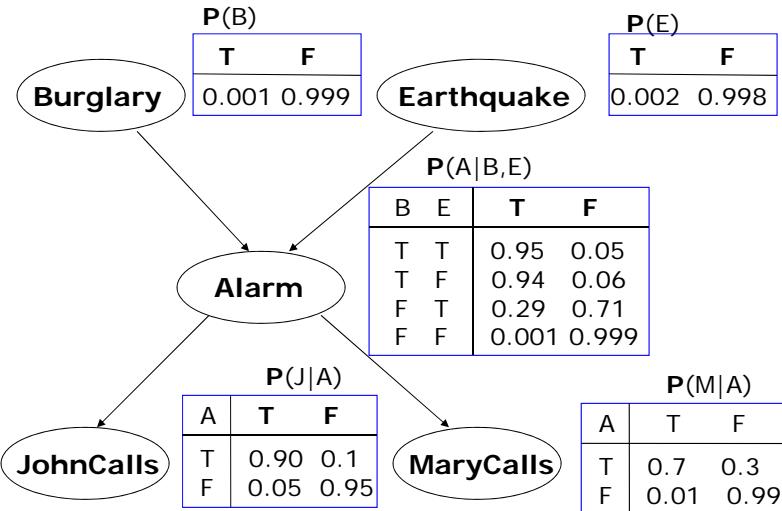


- One sample gives one assignment of values to all variables

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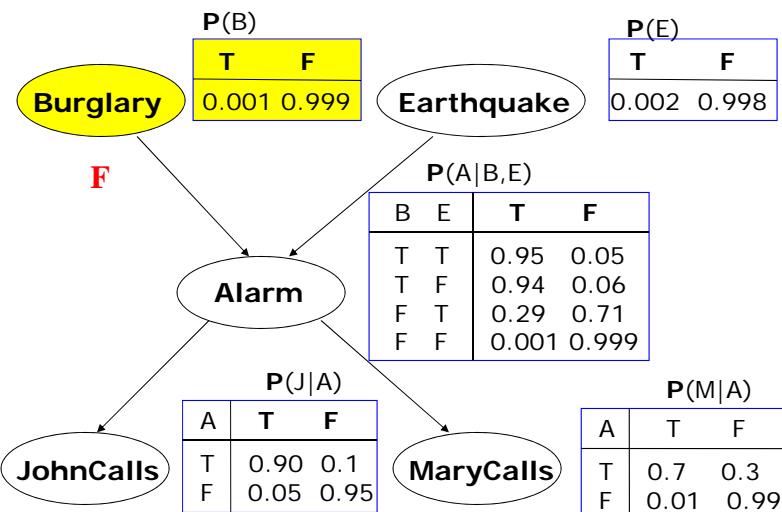
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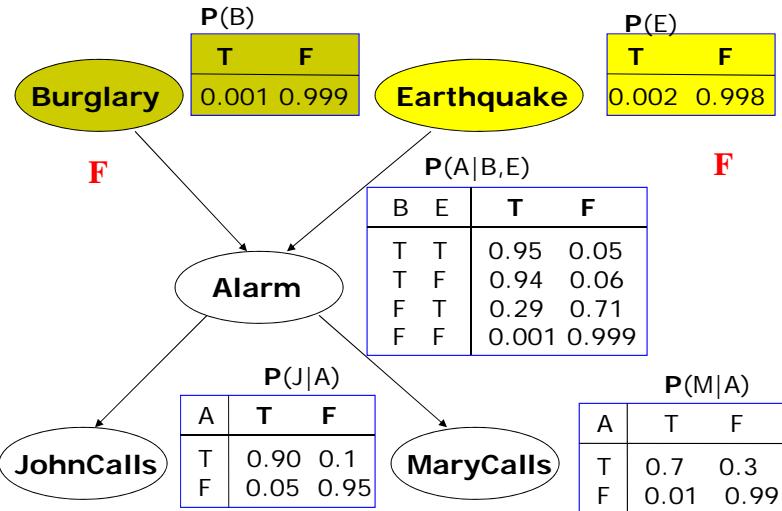
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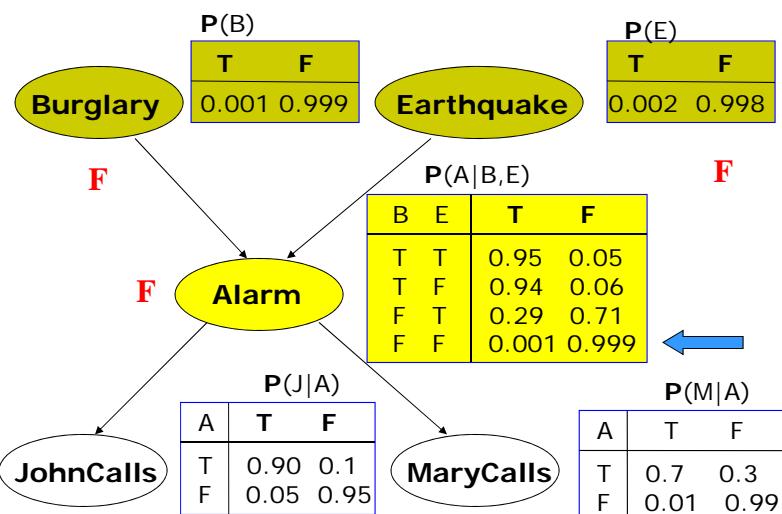
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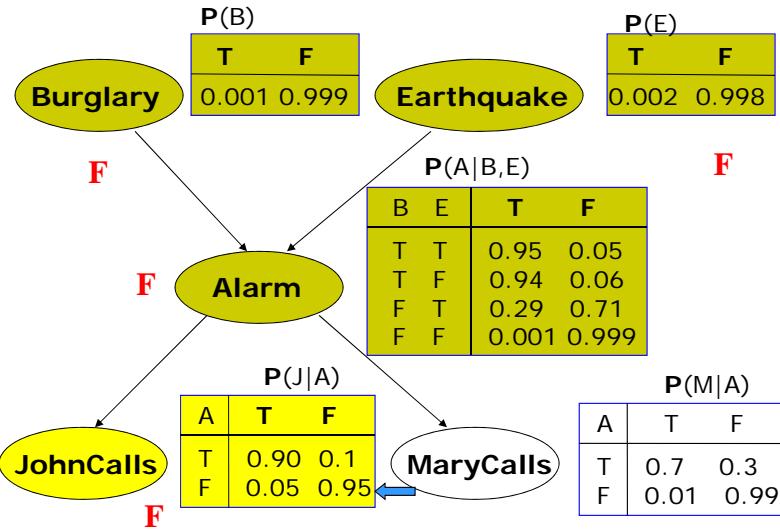
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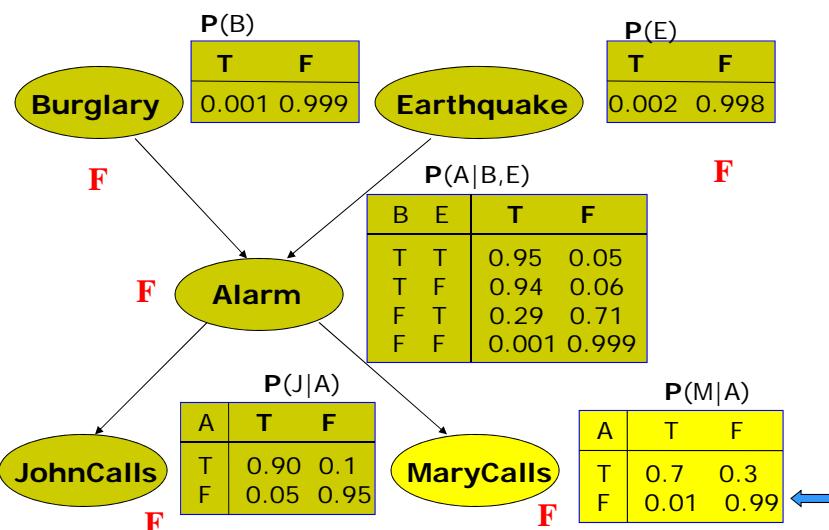
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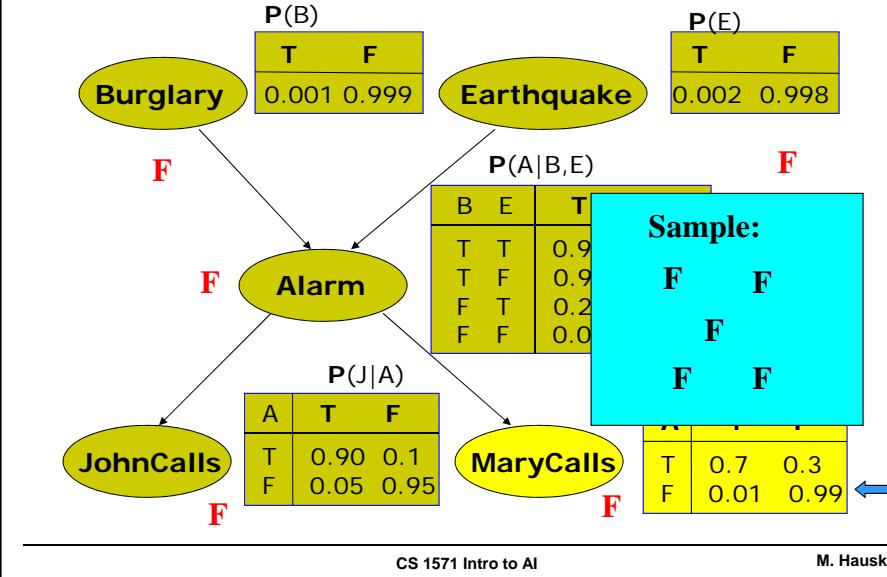
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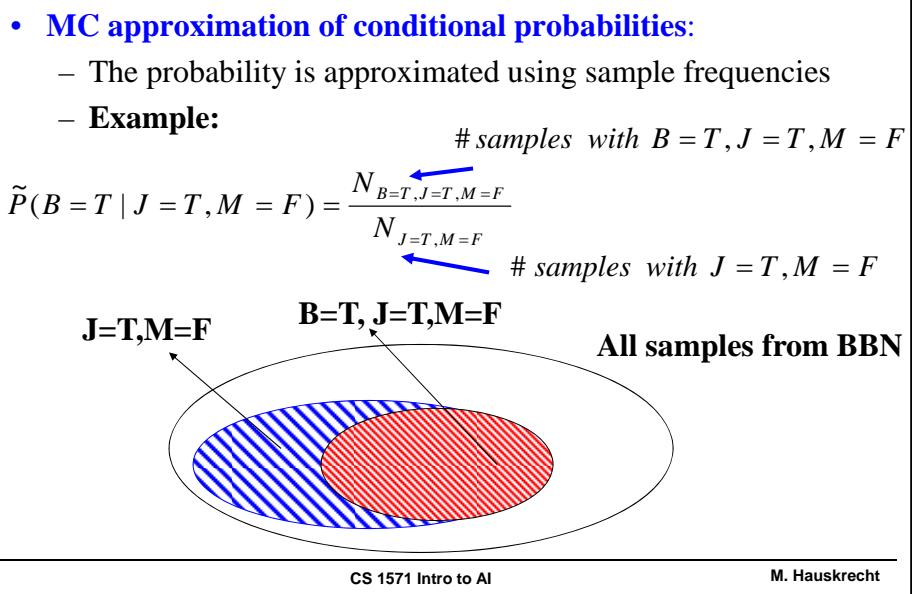
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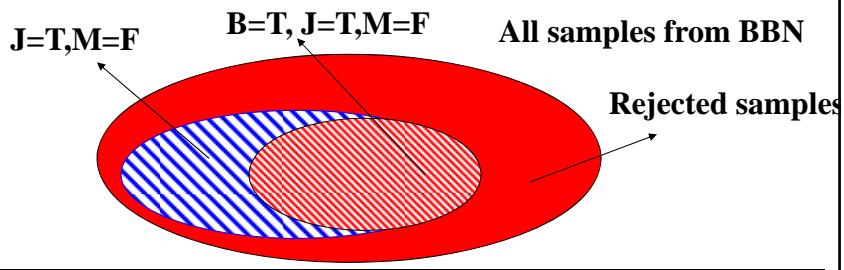


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## Monte Carlo approaches

- **Rejection sampling**
  - Generate samples from the full joint by sampling BBN
  - Use only samples that agree with the condition, the remaining samples are rejected
- **Problem:** many samples can be rejected



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## Likelihood weighting

**Idea:** generate only samples consistent with an evidence (or conditioning event)

- Benefit: Avoids inefficiencies of rejection sampling

**Problem:**

- **the distribution generated by enforcing the conditioning variables to set values is biased**
- simple counts are not sufficient to estimate the probabilities

**Solution:**

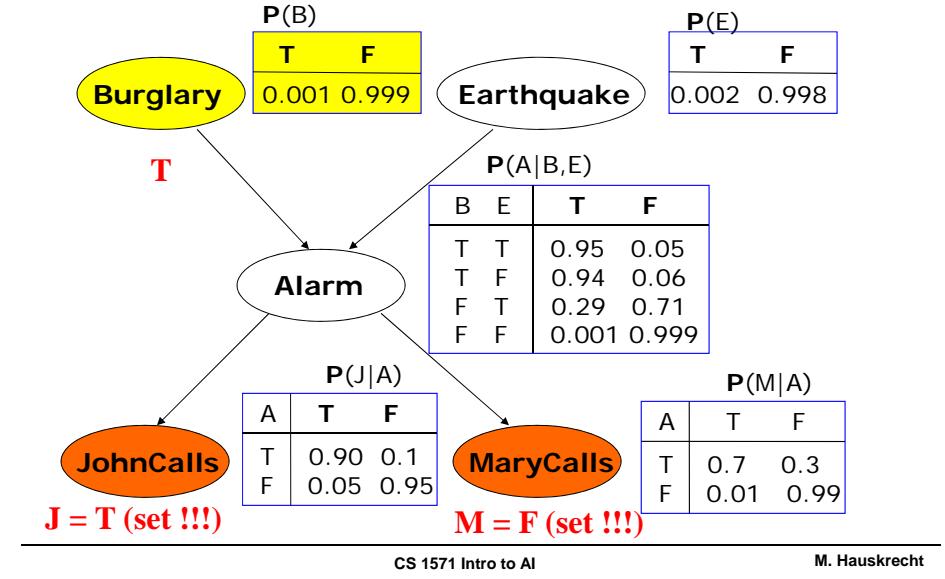
- **With every sample keep a weight with which it should count towards the estimate**

$$\tilde{P}(B = T | J = T, M = F) = \frac{\sum_{\text{samples with } B=T, M=F \text{ and } J=T} w_{B=T|J=T, M=F}}{\sum_{\text{samples with any value of } B \text{ and } J=T, M=F} w_{B=x|J=T, M=F}}$$

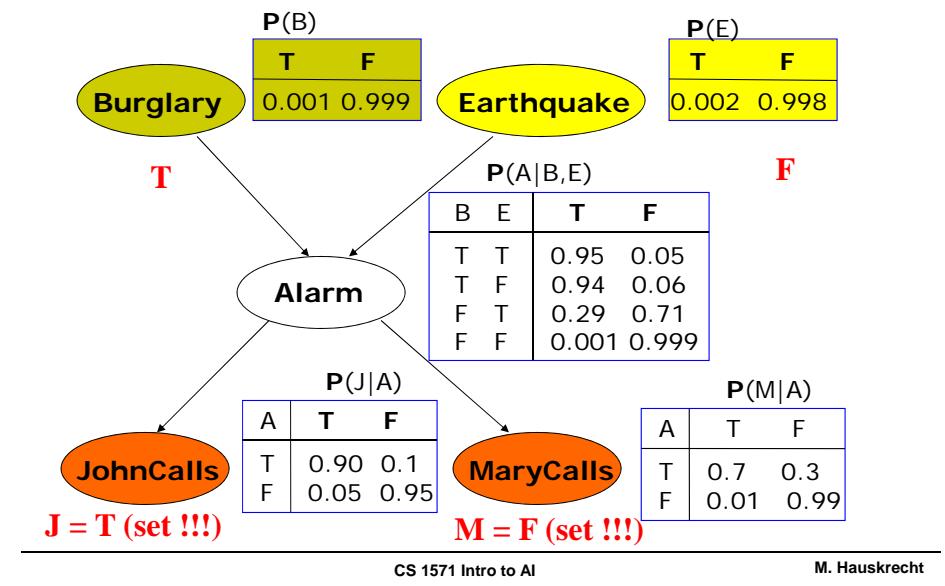
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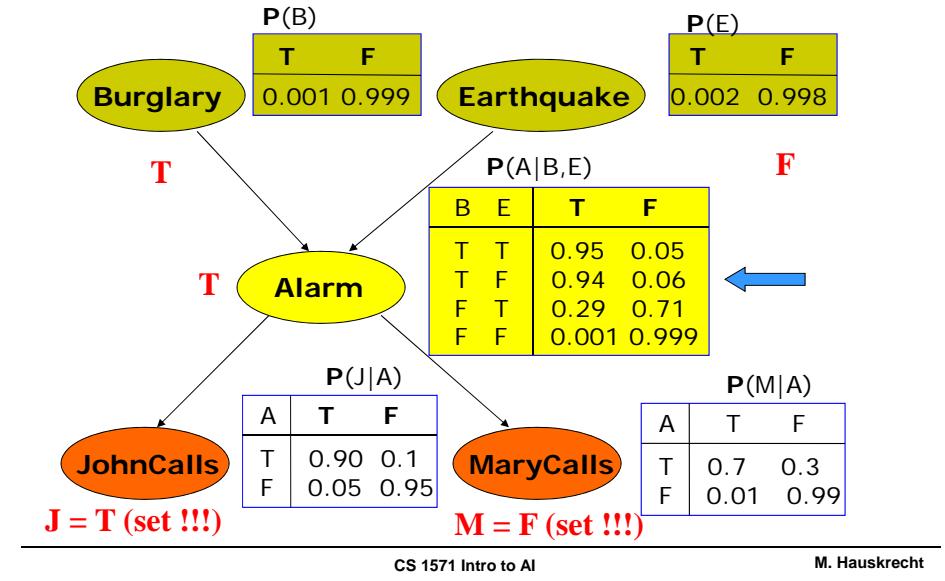
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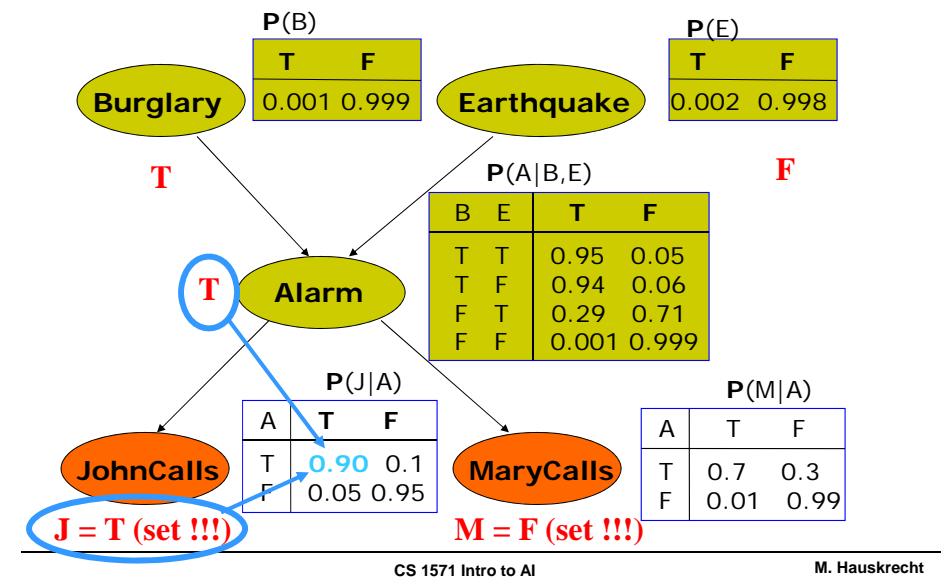
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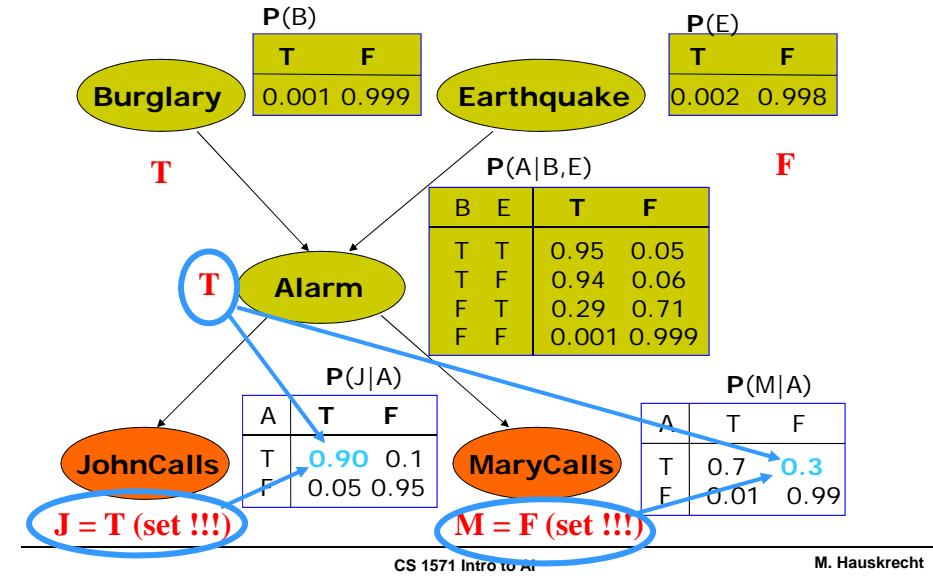
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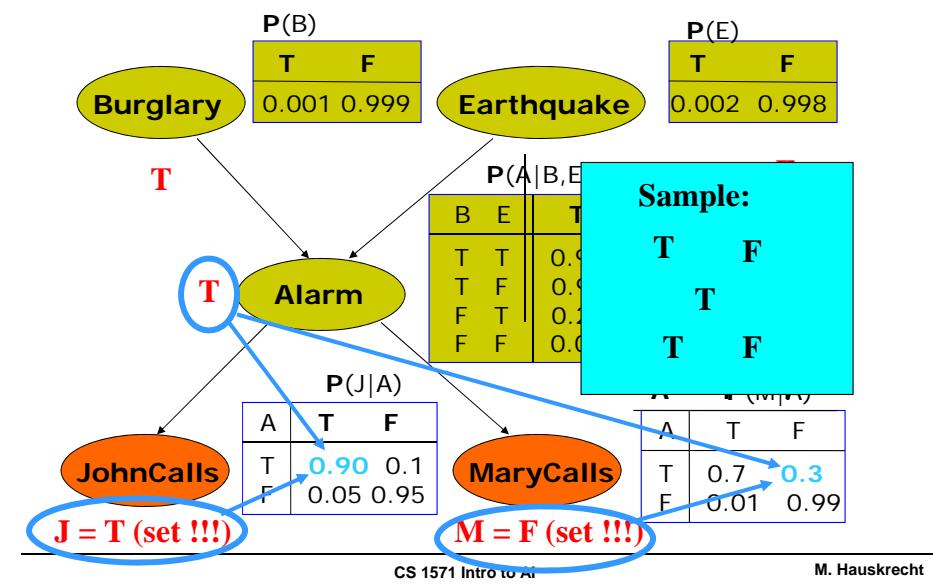
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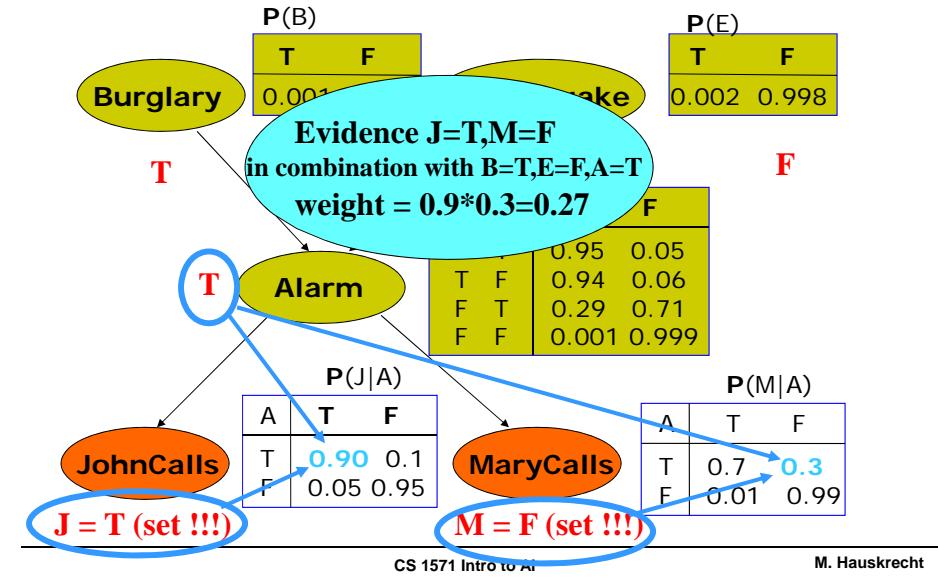
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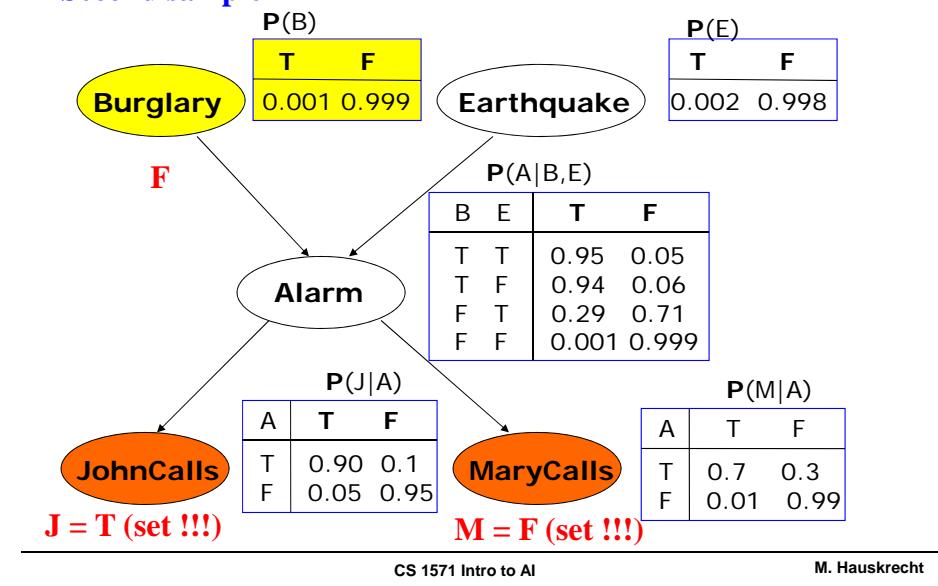


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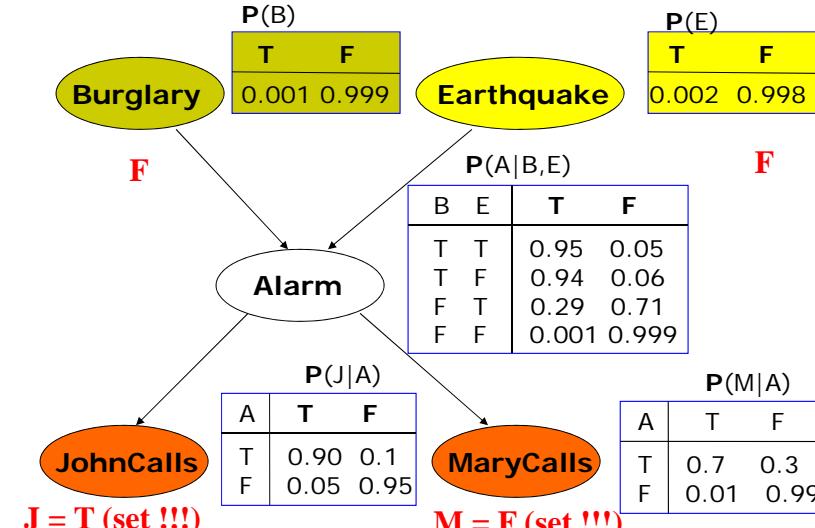
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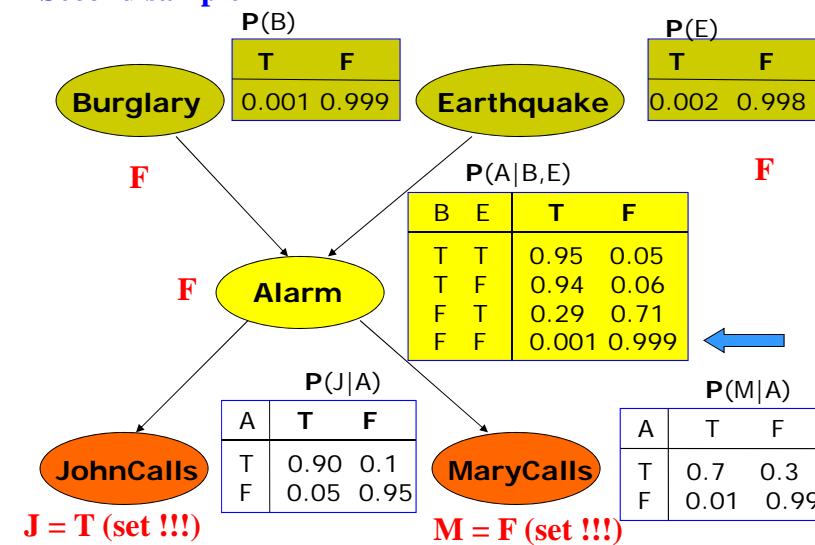


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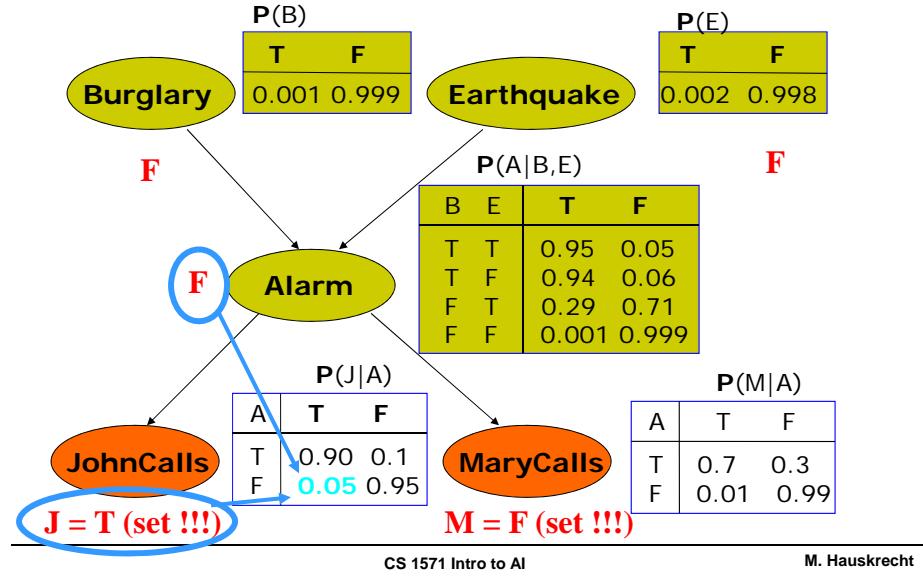


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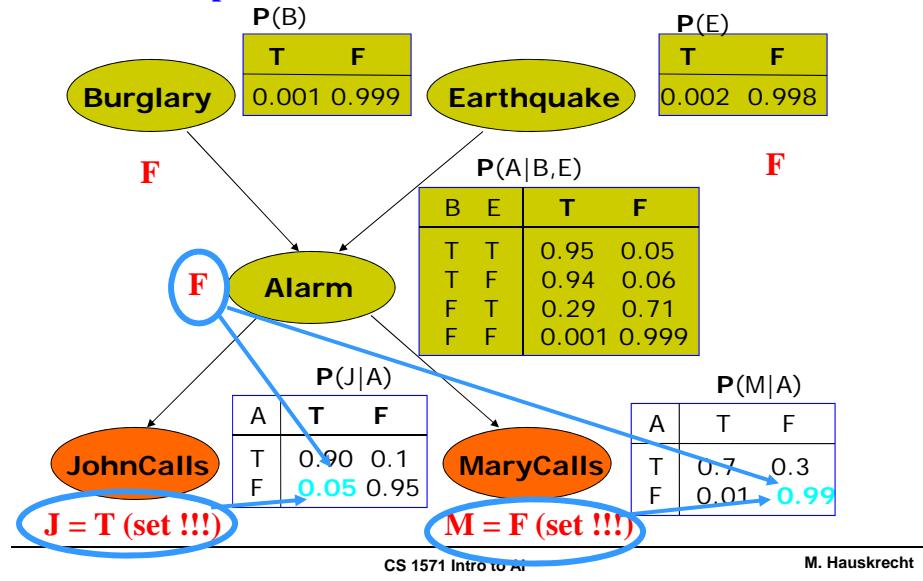
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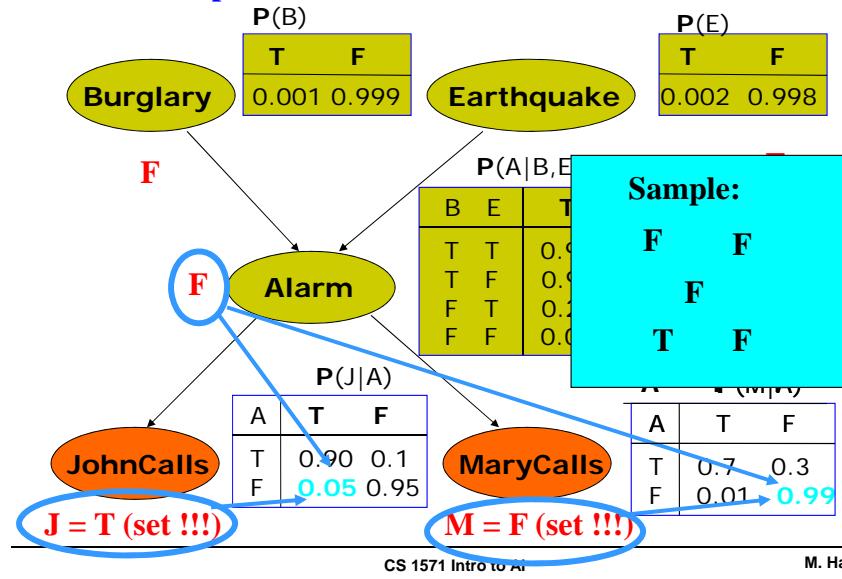
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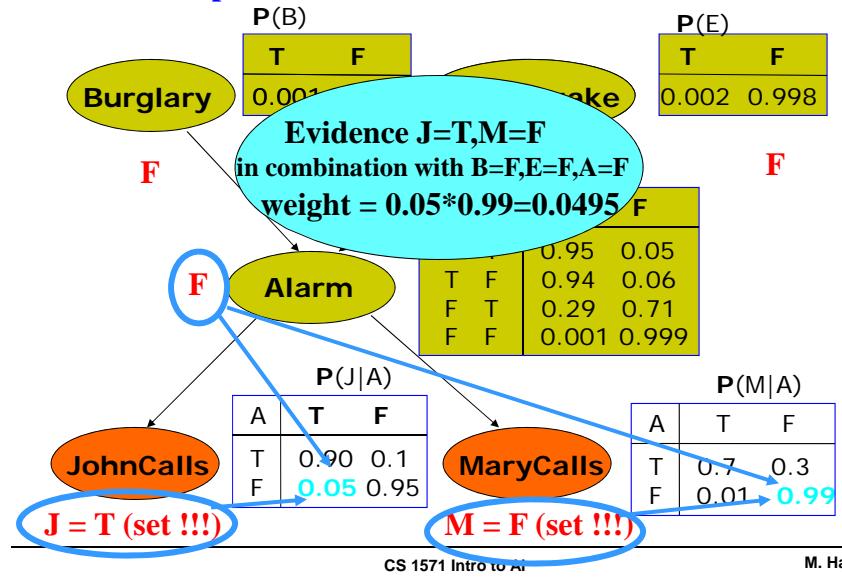
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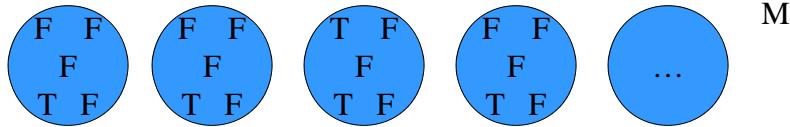
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## Likelihood weighting

- Assume we have generated the following M samples:



**How to make the samples consistent?** Weight each sample by probability with which it agrees with the conditioning evidence P(e).



$$\tilde{P}(B = T \mid J = T, M = F) = \frac{\sum_{\text{samples with } B=T, M=F \text{ and } J=T} w_{B=T|J=T, M=F}}{\sum_{\text{samples with any value of } B \text{ and } J=T, M=F} w_{B=x|J=T, M=F}}$$