

# Decoding in HMM

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \prod_{t=1}^T p(y_t | y_{t-1}) p(x_t | y_t)$$

Transition  
probabilities

Output  
probabilities

## Decoding problem:

What is the most probable sequence of hidden states?

$$\mathbf{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{y}} p(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{y}} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

Solve this problem efficiently using dynamic programming!