

# Review

## Expectiminimax Algorithm

- \* Playing against someone
- \* Uncertainty in the game
- \* Optimize expected utility

$X_1$     $X_2$

sequence of variables  $X_1, X_2$

$$P(X_1=a, X_2=b)$$

$$= P(X_2=b|X_1=a) \cdot P(X_1=a)$$

Exercise   joint probability

$$P(X_1=a, X_2=b, X_3=c)$$

$$\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

A   B

$$P(X_2=b | X_1=a) = \frac{P(X_2=b \cap X_1=a)}{P(X_1=a)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X_2=b \cap X_1=a) = P(X_2=b | X_1=a) \cdot P(X_1=a)$$

$$P(X_1=a) \cdot P(X_2=b|X_1=a) \cdot \boxed{P(X_3=c|X_1=a, X_2=b)}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \boxed{P(A|B)} \cdot P(B) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A)$$

$$A: X_3=c$$

$$B: X_1=a, X_2=b$$

$$P(X_3=c, X_1=a, X_2=b) = P(X_3=c|X_1=a, X_2=b) \cdot \boxed{P(X_1=a, X_2=b)}$$

$$= P(X_3=c|X_1=a, X_2=b) \cdot P(X_2=b|X_1=a) \cdot P(X_1=a)$$

$$\ast P(\underbrace{X_1=a, X_2=b, X_3=c}_B, \underbrace{X_4=d}_A)$$

$$= P(X_4=d|X_1=a, X_2=b, X_3=c) \cdot \frac{P(X_1=a, X_2=b, X_3=c)}{1}$$

expression  
we had in the  
previous  
example

$$= P(X_4=d|X_1=a, X_2=b, X_3=c) \cdot P(X_3=c|X_1=a, X_2=b) \cdot P(X_2=b|X_1=a) \cdot P(X_1=a)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& P(X_1 = a_1, X_2 = a_2, \dots, X_n = a_n) \\
&= P(X_n = a_n \mid X_1 = a_1, \dots, X_{n-1} = a_{n-1}) \\
&\quad \cdot P(X_1 = a_1, \dots, X_{n-1} = a_{n-1}) \\
&= P(X_n = a_n \mid X_1 = a_1, \dots, X_{n-1} = a_{n-1}) \\
&\quad \cdot P(X_{n-1} = a_{n-1} \mid X_1 = a_1, \dots, X_{n-2} = a_{n-2}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&\quad P(X_2 = a_2 \mid X_1 = a_1) \cdot P(X_1 = a_1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$P(X_1 = a_1, X_2 = a_2) = P(X_2 = a_2 \mid X_1 = a_1) \cdot P(X_1 = a_1)$$

$X_1 \in \{0, 1\}$   
 $X_2 \in \{0, 1\}$

0-4

$P(X_1 = 0)$   
 $P(X_1 = 1)$

1 value memorized to represent  $P(X_1)$  (1 parameter)

$$P(X_2 = a_2 \mid X_1 = a_1)$$

Fix  $X_1$ 's value first ( $X_1 = 0$ )

$$P(X_2 = 1 \mid X_1 = 0)$$

$$P(X_2 = 0 \mid X_1 = 0)$$

must sum up to 1  
so  $X_2$  could either be 0 or 1  
 $\Rightarrow$  only need to memorize one of them

$F_{X_1, X_2}$

$$P(X_2=0 | X_1=1)$$

$$P(X_2=1 | X_1=1)$$

must sum up to 1  
 $\Rightarrow$  only need to memorize 1 of them

$\Rightarrow$  Total : 3 parameters

$$P(\underline{X_1=a_1}, \underline{X_2=a_2}, \underline{X_3=a_3})$$

$$X_1 \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$X_2 \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$X_3 \in \{0, 1\}$$

8 " outcomes

$\Rightarrow$  need to memorize 7 of the outcomes

$$P(X_1=a_1, X_2=a_2, \dots, X_n=a_n)$$

a bunch

$X_i \in \{0,1\}$

$2^n$  outcomes

$\Rightarrow 2^n - 1$  outcomes

this can be a huge number of parameters as  $n$  increases

We might not be able to store all these parameters to be able to get some information about the stock prices.

What can we do to reduce the number of parameters?

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
10	20	30	30	30	30

disregarding

previous

Idea: Let's reduce the number of years we're looking to predict the new stock price

$$P(X_1=a_1, \dots, X_n=a_n)$$

$$= P(X_n=a_n | X_1=a_1, \dots, X_{n-1}=a_{n-1}) \dots$$

$$P(X_3=a_3 | X_1=a_1, X_2=a_2) \cdot P(X_2=a_2 | X_1=a_1) \cdot P(X_1=a_1)$$

Tradeoff in the choice of number of years and information stored in the probability functions

One choice : Only look at 1 previous year

$$P(X_1=a_1, \dots, X_n=a_n)$$

$$= P(X_n=a_n | X_{n-1}=a_{n-1}) \cdot \underbrace{P(X_{n-1}=a_{n-1} | X_{n-2}=a_{n-2})}_{2 \text{ parameters}} \dots \underbrace{P(X_2=a_2 | X_1=a_1)}_{2 \text{ parameters}} \cdot \boxed{P(X_1=a_1)}$$

with the assumption

$$X_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

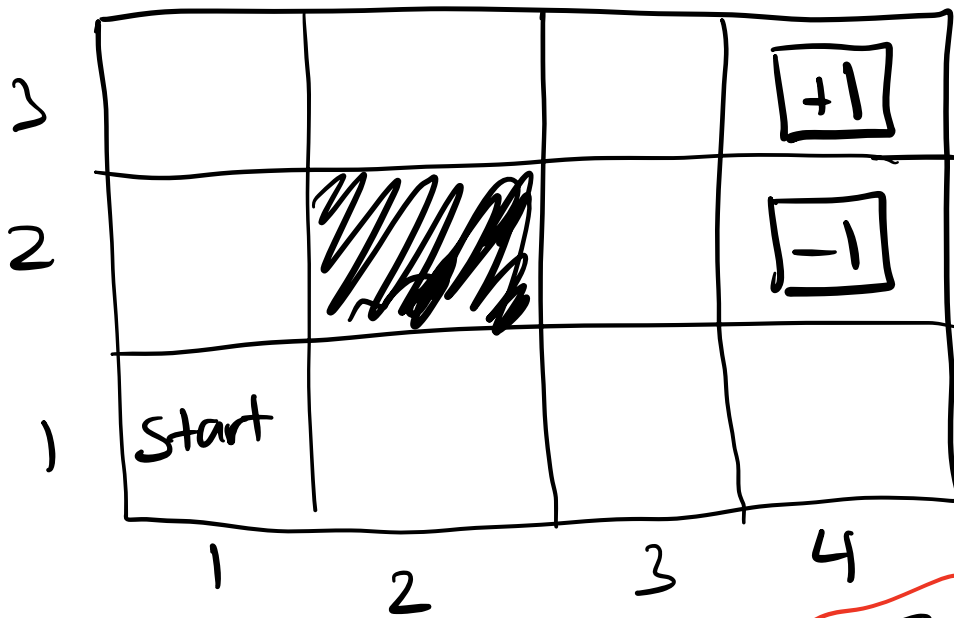
$$P(X_2=a_2 | X_1=a_1) \rightarrow 2 \text{ parameters}$$

1 parameter

$$\underline{\text{Total}} = 2(n-1) + 1 = 2n-1 \text{ parameters}$$

Markovian assumption (Looking at one previous year)

Markov



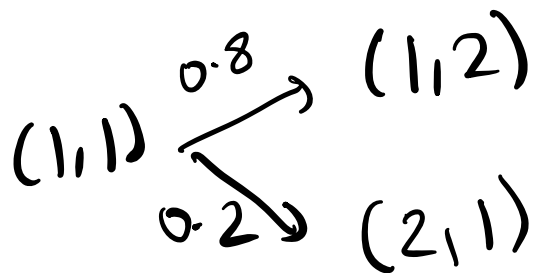
2 terminal states :  $\boxed{+1}$   $\boxed{-1}$  +1 utility  
-1 utility  
 all other states : utility -0.04

2 optimal paths  $\begin{cases} N, N, E, E, E \rightarrow 0.84 \\ E, E, N, N, E \rightarrow 0.84 \end{cases}$

there's a probability of 0.8 to move to the intended outcome and a probability of 0.2 that is distributed evenly between the other states

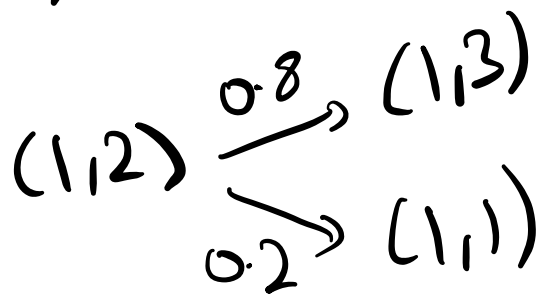
N, N, E, E, E

Action: North



$$\text{Utility}(1,1) = 0.8 * \boxed{\text{Utility}(1,2)} + 0.2 * \text{Utility}(2,1)$$

(1,2) Action: North



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Utility}(1,2) &= 0.8 \text{Utility}(1,3) \\ &\quad + 0.2 \text{Utility}(1,1) \end{aligned}$$