
CIS 471/571 (Fall 2020): Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Lecture 17 <https://eduassistpro.github.io/> Markov Model
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Reminder

- Homework 4: Bayes Nets
 - Deadline: Nov 24th, 2020

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Hidden Markov Model

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Reasoning over Time or Space

- Often, we want to reason about a sequence of observations
 - Speech recognition
 - Robot localization
 - User attention
 - Medical monitoring
- Need to introduce time (or space) into our models

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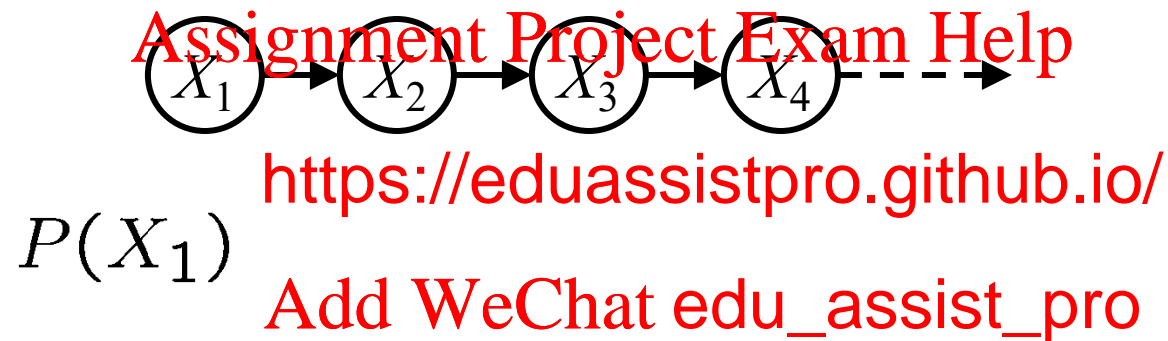
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Markov Models

- Value of X at a given time is called the **state**



- Parameters: called **transition probabilities** or dynamics, specify how the state evolves over time (also, initial state probabilities)
- Stationarity assumption: transition probabilities the same at all times
- Same as MDP transition model, but no choice of action



Conditional Independence

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- Basic conditional independence:
 - Past and future independent given the present
 - Each time step only depends on the previous
 - This is called the (first order) Markov property
- Note that the chain is just a (growable) BN
 - We can always use generic BN reasoning on it if we truncate the chain at a fixed length



Example Markov Chain: Weather

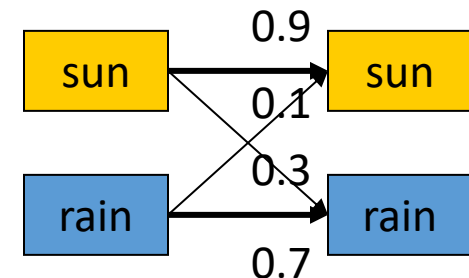
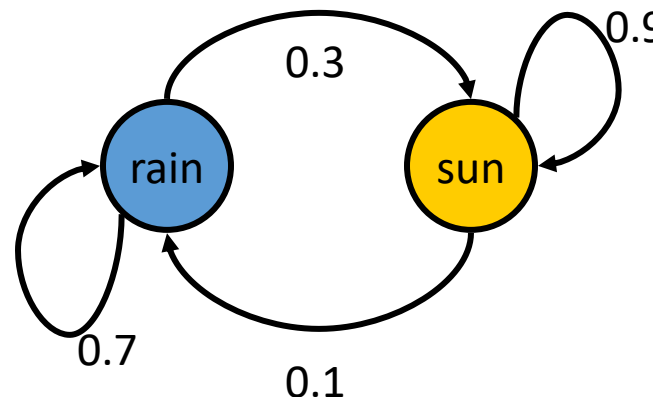
- States: $X = \{\text{rain}, \text{sun}\}$

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- Initial distribution: 1 <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>

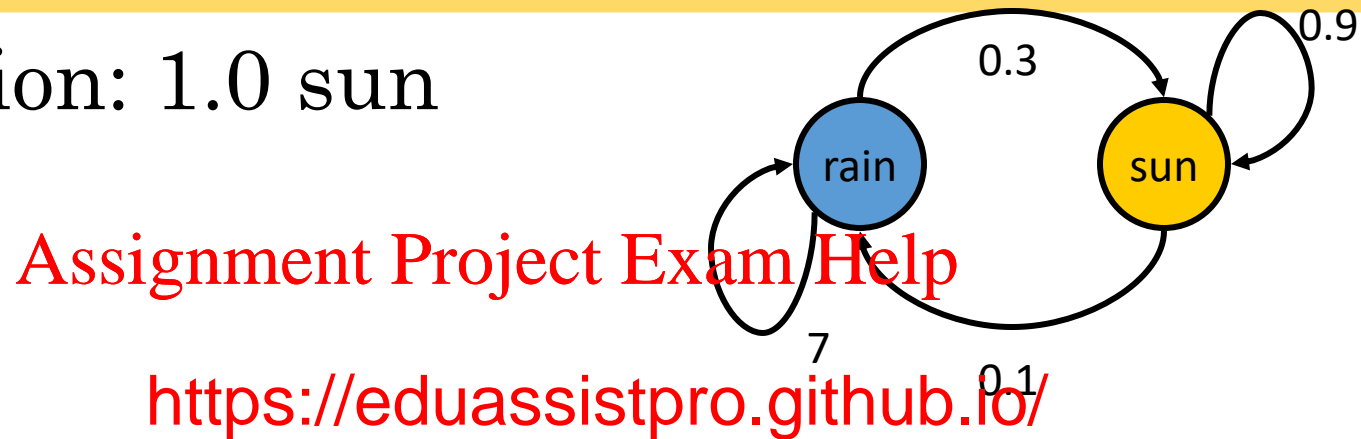
- CPT $P(X_t | X_{t-1})$:
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Two new presenting the same CPT

| X_{t-1} | X_t | $P(X_t X_{t-1})$ |
|-----------|-------|--------------------|
| sun | sun | 0.9 |
| sun | rain | 0.1 |
| rain | sun | 0.3 |
| rain | rain | 0.7 |



Example Markov Chain: Weather

- Initial distribution: 1.0 sun



- What is the probability distribution after one step?

$$P(X_2 = \text{sun}) = P(X_2 = \text{sun} | X_1 = \text{sun})P(X_1 = \text{sun}) + P(X_2 = \text{sun} | X_1 = \text{rain})P(X_1 = \text{rain})$$

$$0.9 \cdot 1.0 + 0.3 \cdot 0.0 = 0.9$$



Mini-Forward Algorithm

- Question: What's $P(X)$ on some day t ?



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$$P(x_1) = \text{known}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_t) &= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, x_t) \\ &= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Forward simulation



Example Run of Mini-Forward Algorithm

- From initial observation of sun

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 1.0 \\ 0.0 \end{array} \right\rangle & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{array} \right\rangle & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.84 \\ 0.16 \end{array} \right\rangle & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.804 \\ 0.196 \end{array} \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle \\
 P(X_1) & P(X_2) & P(X_3) & P(X_4) & & P(X_\infty)
 \end{array}$$

- From initial observation <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.0 \\ 1.0 \end{array} \right\rangle & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.3 \\ 0.7 \end{array} \right\rangle & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.48 \\ 0.52 \end{array} \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle \\
 P(X_1) & P(X_2) & P(X_3) & P(X_4) & P(X_\infty)
 \end{array}$$

- From yet another initial distribution $P(X_1)$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \left\langle \begin{array}{c} p \\ 1-p \end{array} \right\rangle & \dots & \xrightarrow{\quad} \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle \\
 P(X_1) & & P(X_\infty)
 \end{array}$$



Stationary Distributions

- For most chains:

- Influence of the initial distribution gets less and less over time
- The distribution we end up independent of the initial distribution

- Stationary distribution:

- The distribution we end up with is called the stationary distribution P_∞

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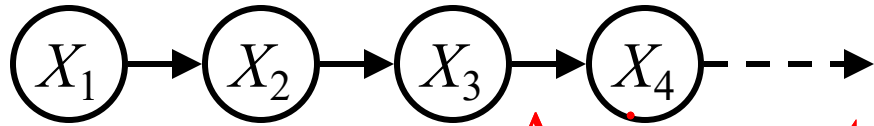
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$$P_{\infty+1}(X) = \sum_x P(X|x)P_\infty(x)$$



Example: Stationary Distributions

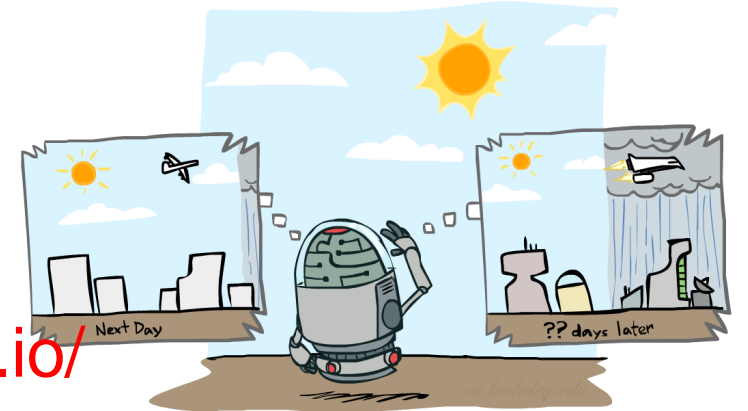
- Question: What's $P(X)$ at time $t = \text{infinity}$?



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$$P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) = P(\text{sun}|\text{sun})P_{\infty}(\text{sun})$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{rain}) = P(\text{rain}|\text{sun})P_{\infty}(\text{sun})$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) = 0.9P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) + 0.3P_{\infty}(\text{rain})$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{rain}) = 0.1P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) + 0.7P_{\infty}(\text{rain})$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) = 3P_{\infty}(\text{rain})$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{rain}) = 1/3P_{\infty}(\text{sun})$$

Also: $P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) + P_{\infty}(\text{rain}) = 1$



$$P_{\infty}(\text{sun}) = 3/4$$

$$P_{\infty}(\text{rain}) = 1/4$$

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Application of Stationary Distribution: Web Link Analysis

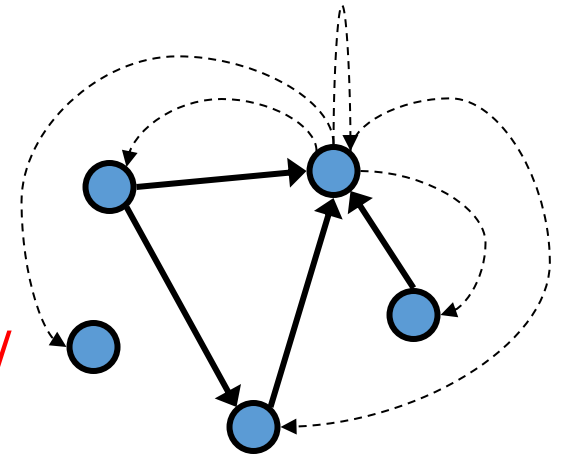
- PageRank over a web graph

- Each web page is a state
- Initial distribution: uniform over pages
- Transitions:
 - With prob. c , uniform jump to a random page (shown)
 - With prob. $1-c$, follow a random outgoing link

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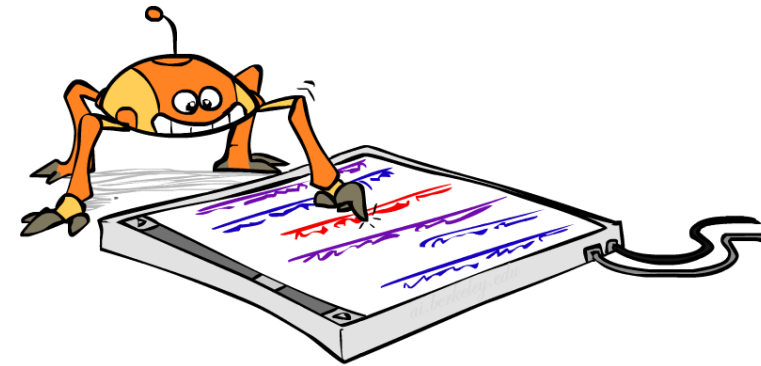
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- Stationary distribution

- Will spend more time on highly reachable pages
- E.g. many ways to get to the Acrobat Reader download page
- Somewhat robust to link spam
- Google 1.0 returned the set of pages containing all your keywords in decreasing rank, now all search engines use link analysis along with many other factors



Application of Stationary Distributions: Gibbs Sampling*

- Each joint instantiation over all hidden and query variables is a state: $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} = H \cup Q$

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- Transitions:

- With probability $1/n$ resample <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>

$$P(X_j \mid x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n, e_1, \dots, e_m)$$

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- Stationary distribution:

- Conditional distribution $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \mid e_1, \dots, e_m)$
- Means that when running Gibbs sampling long enough we get a sample from the desired distribution
- Requires some proof to show this is true!



Hidden Markov Models

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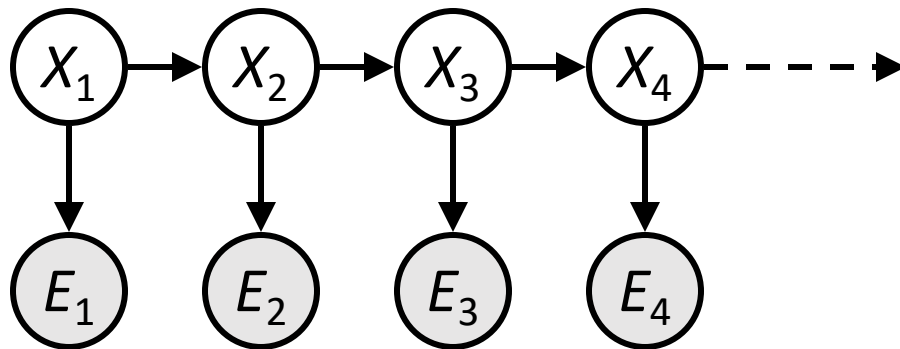
Hidden Markov Models

- Markov chains not so useful for most agents
 - Need observations to update your beliefs

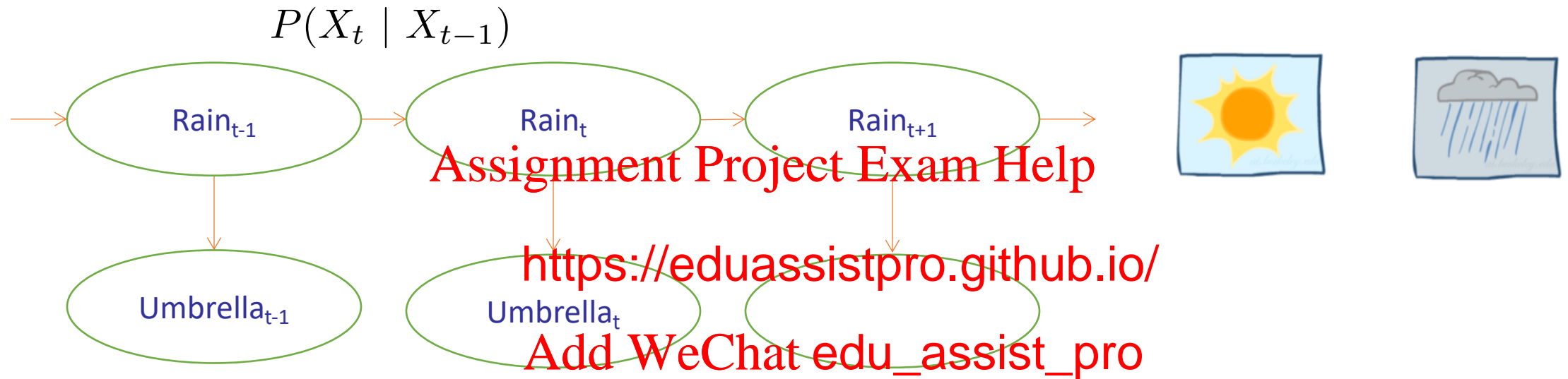
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- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
 - Underlying Markov chain over <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>
 - You observe outputs (effects)

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Example: Weather HMM



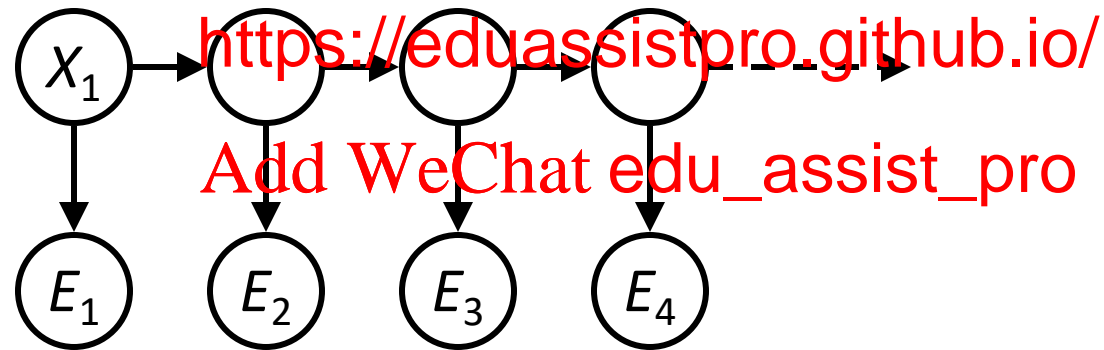
- An HMM is defined by:
 - Initial distribution: $P(X_1)$
 - Transitions: $P(X_t | X_{t-1})$
 - Emissions: $P(E_t | X_t)$

| R_{t-1} | R_t | $P(R_t R_{t-1})$ |
|-----------|-------|--------------------|
| +r | +r | 0.7 |
| +r | -r | 0.3 |
| -r | +r | 0.3 |
| -r | -r | 0.7 |

| R_t | U_t | $P(U_t R_t)$ |
|-------|-------|----------------|
| +r | +u | 0.9 |
| +r | -u | 0.1 |
| -r | +u | 0.2 |
| -r | -u | 0.8 |

Conditional Independence

- HMMs have two important independence properties:
 - Markov hidden process: future depends on past via the present
 - Current observation independent of all else given current state



- Quiz: does this mean that evidence variables are guaranteed to be independent?
 - [No, they tend to be correlated by the hidden state]



Real HMM Examples

- Speech recognition HMMs:
 - Observations are acoustic signals (continuous valued)
 - States are specific positions in specific words (so tens of thousands)
- Machine translation <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>
 - Observations are words (tens of thousands)
 - States are translation options
- Robot tracking:
 - Observations are range readings (continuous)
 - States are positions on a map (continuous)



Filtering / Monitoring

- Filtering, or monitoring, is the task of tracking the distribution $B_t(X) = P_t(X_t \mid e_1, \dots, e_t)$ (the belief state) over time

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- We start with $B_1(X)$ i <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>ally uniform

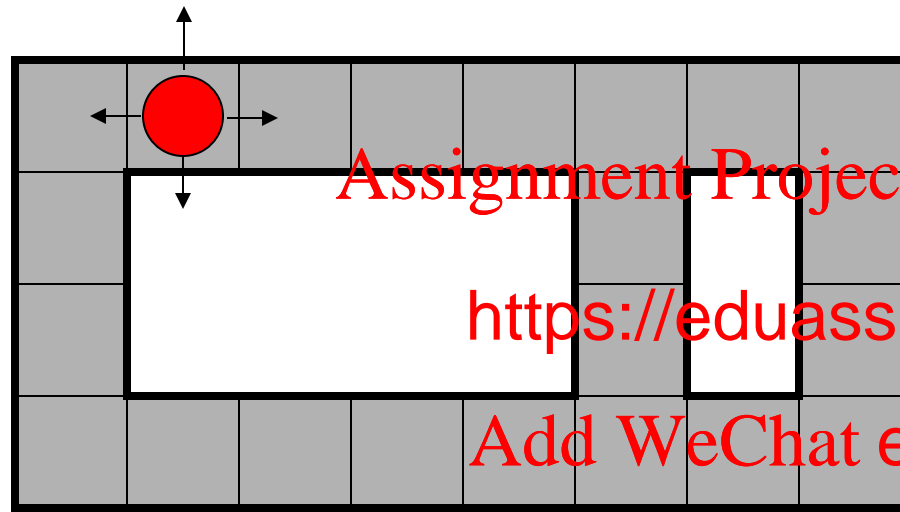
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- As time passes, or we get observati date $B(X)$



Example: Robot Localization

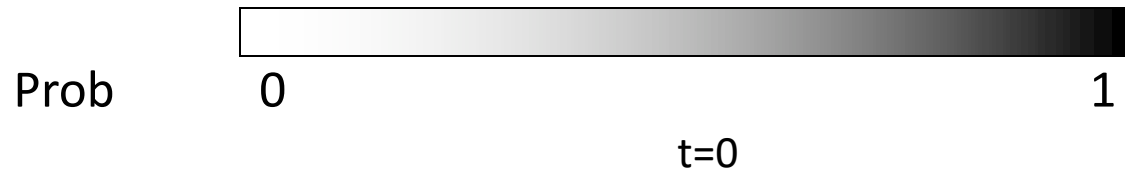
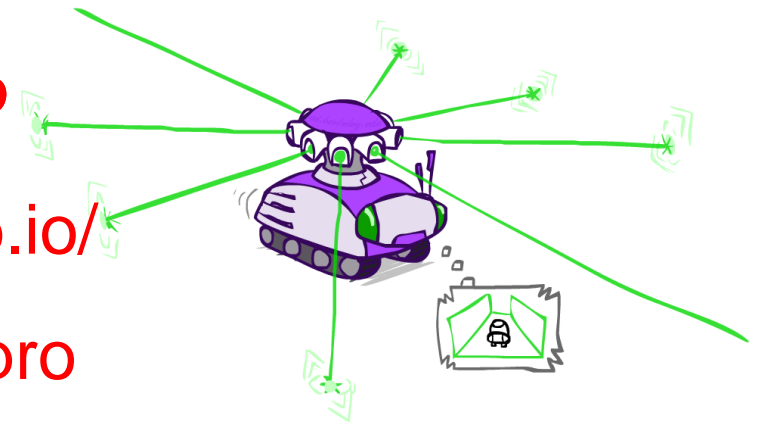
Example from
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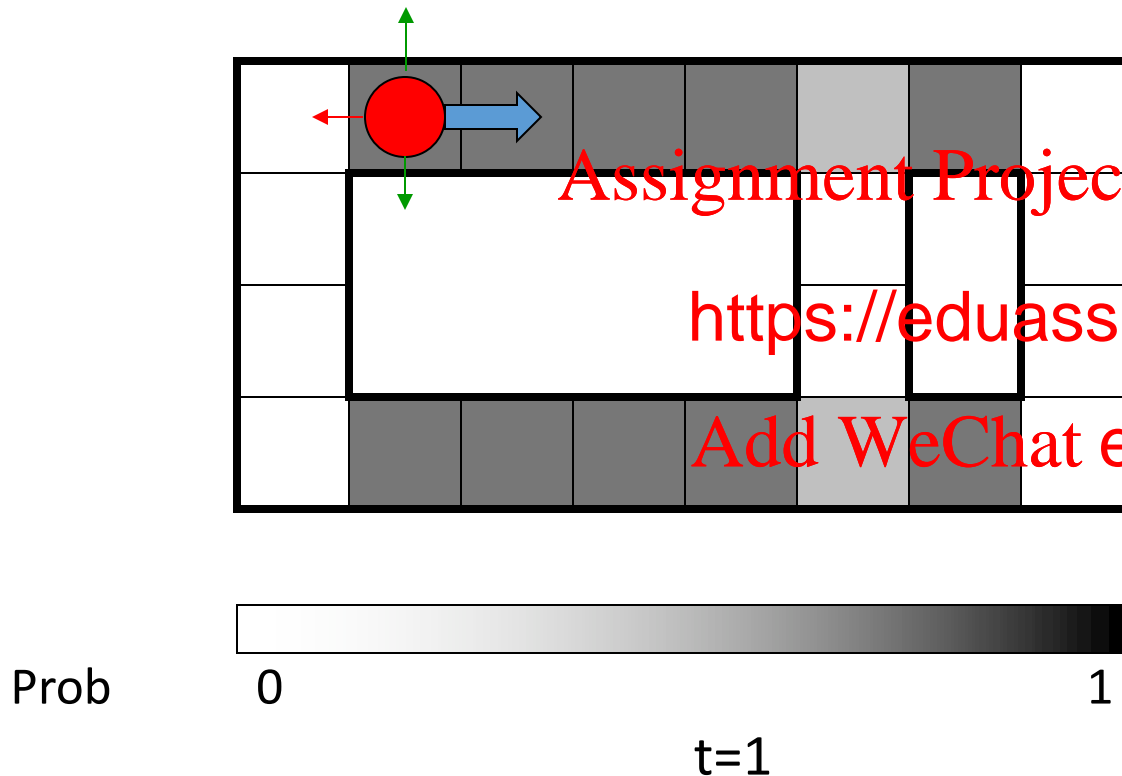


Sensor model: can read in which directions there is a wall, never more than 1 mistake

Motion model: may not execute action with small prob.



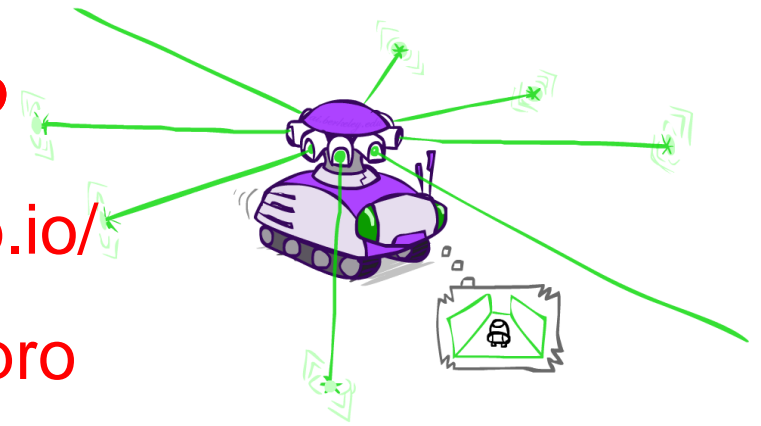
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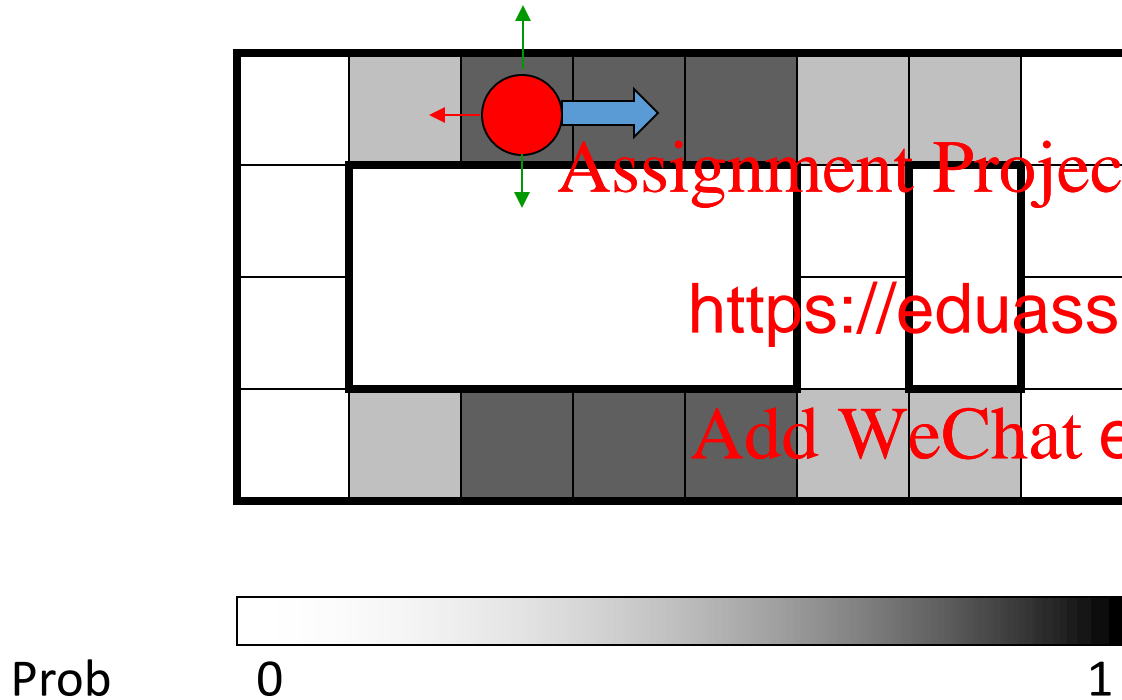
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Lighter grey: was possible to get the reading, but less likely b/c required 1 mistake



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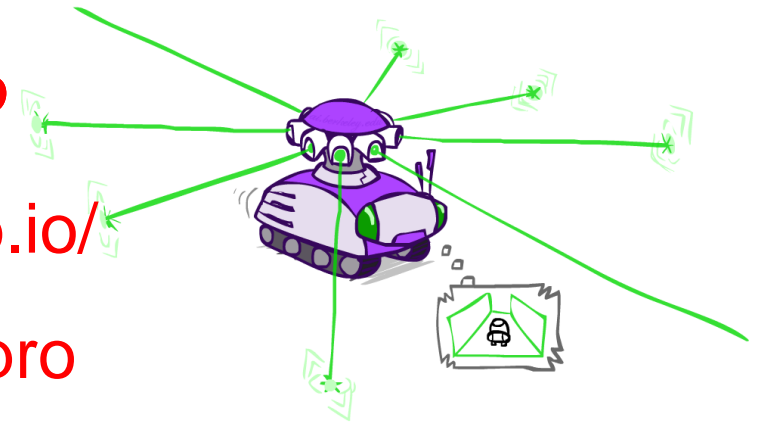


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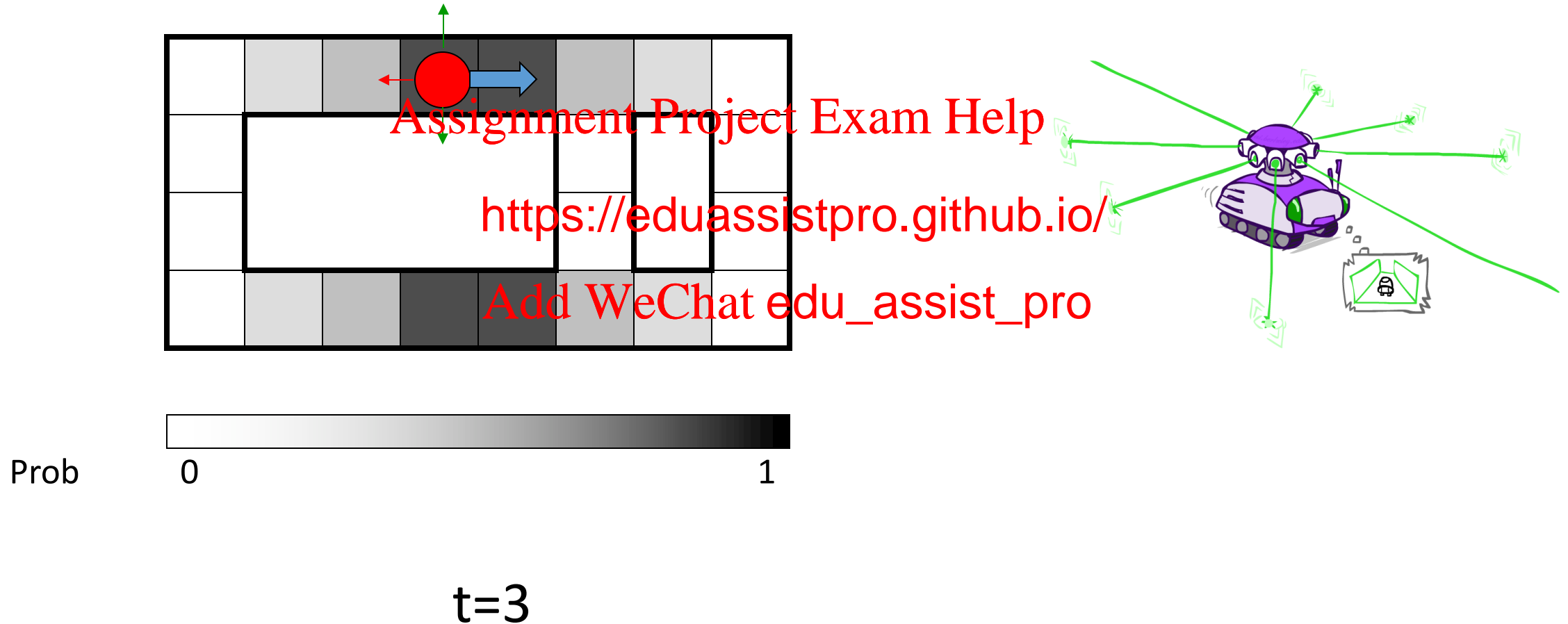
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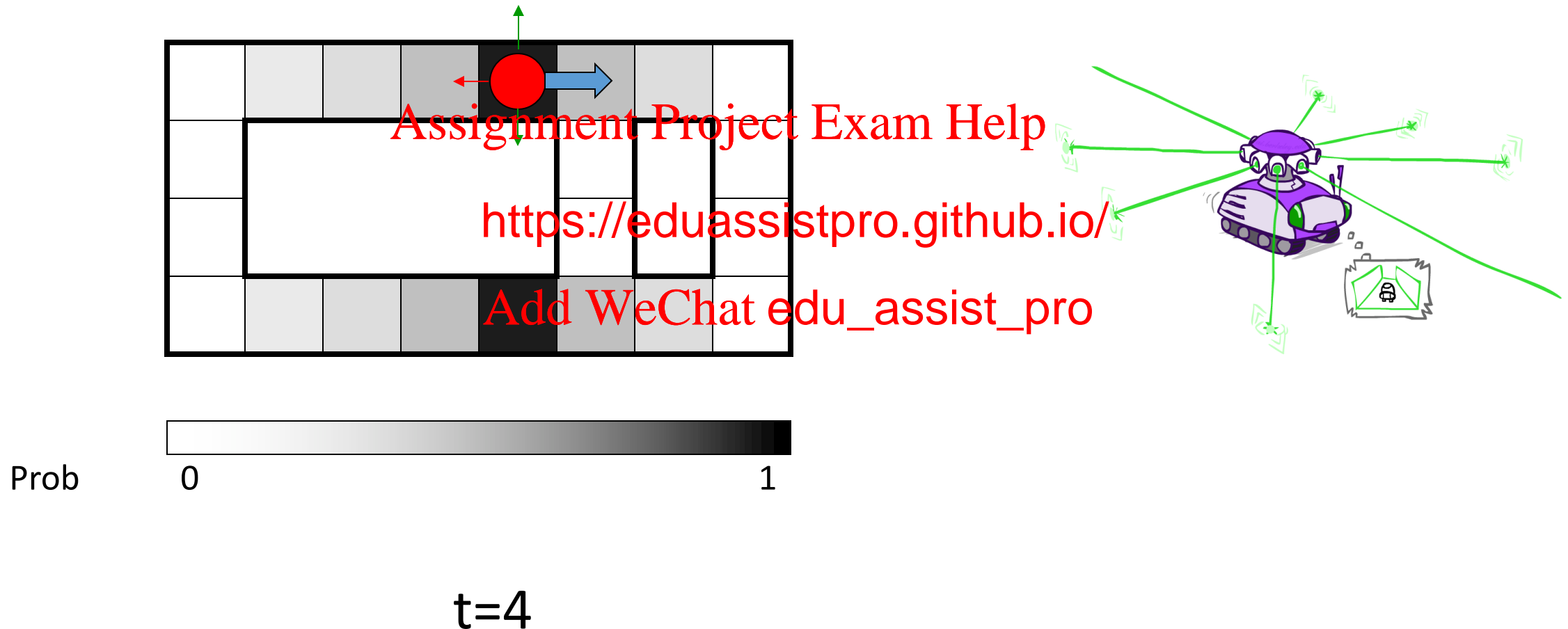
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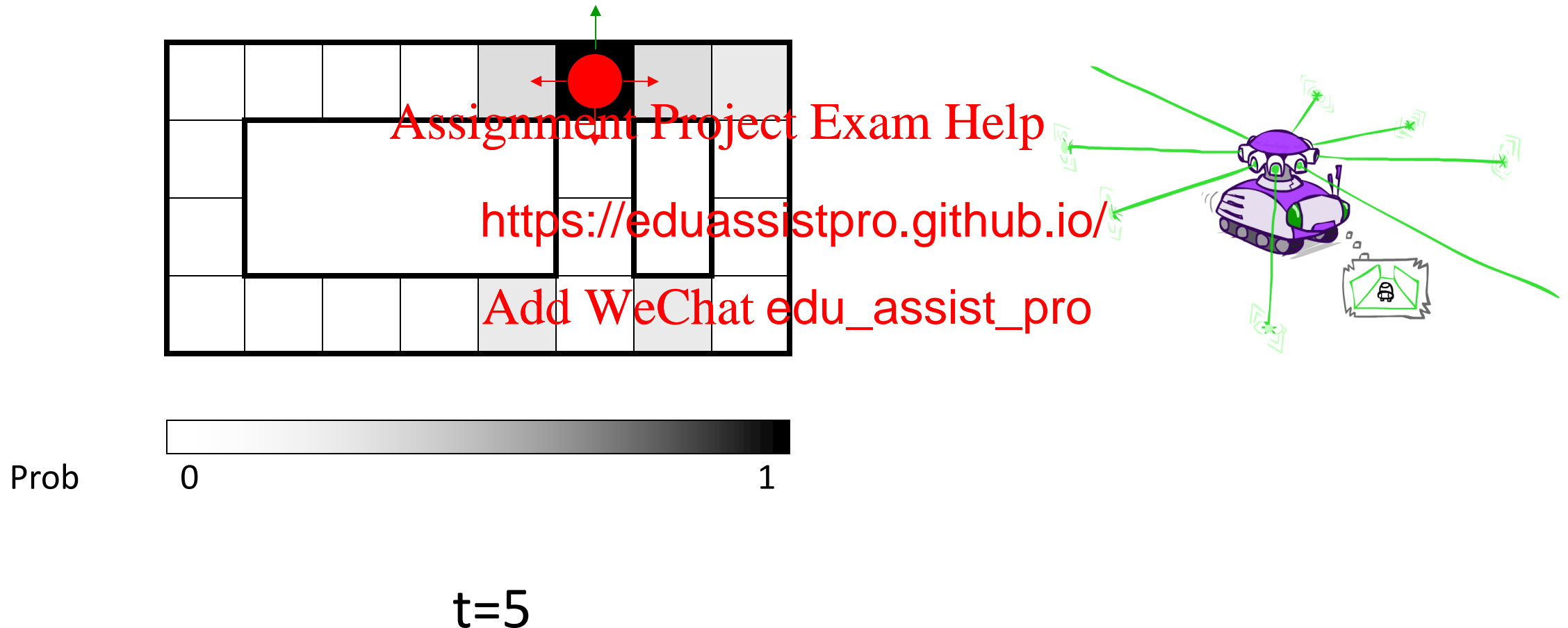
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The Forward Algorithm

- We are given evidence at each time and want to know

$$B_t(X) = P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$

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- Induction: assuming

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$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:(t+1)}) \leftarrow P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$

Observation
update

Passage of time
update



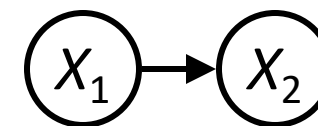
Inference: Base Cases



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$$P(X_1|e_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_1|e_1) &= P(x_1, e_1)/P(e_1) \\ &\propto_{X_1} P(x_1, e_1) \\ &= P(x_1)P(e_1|x_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_2) &= \sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2) \\ &= \sum_{x_1} P(x_1)P(x_2|x_1) \end{aligned}$$

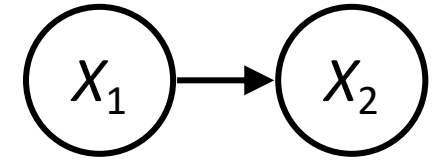


Passage of Time

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{evidence to date})$

$$B(X_t) = P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$

- Then, after one time step passes:



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$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) = \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t, e_{1:t}) P(x_t | e_{1:t})$$

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$$= \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t, e_{1:t}) P(x_t | e_{1:t})$$

- Or compactly:

$$= \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t) B(x_t)$$

$$B'(X_{t+1}) = \sum_{x_t} P(X' | x_t) B(x_t)$$

- Basic idea: beliefs get “pushed” through the transitions
 - With the “B” notation, we have to be careful about what time step t the belief is about, and what evidence it includes



Observation

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{previous evidence})$:

$$B'(X_{t+1}) = P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

- Then, after evidence comes in:

$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t+1}) = P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}, e_{t+1})$$

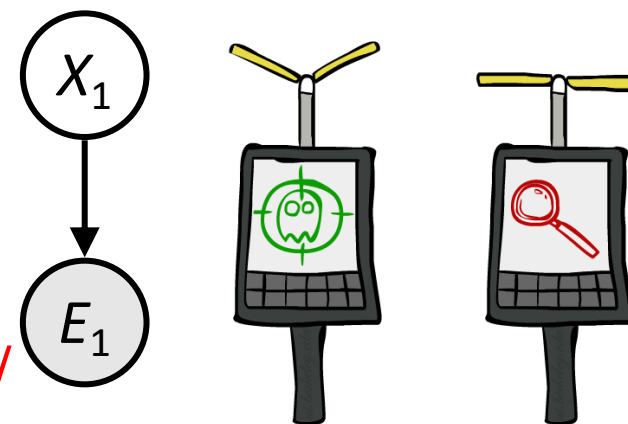
$$\propto_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}, e_{t+1})$$

$$= P(e_{t+1} | e_{1:t}, X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

$$= P(e_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

- Or, compactly:

$$B(X_{t+1}) \propto_{X_{t+1}} P(e_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) B'(X_{t+1})$$



- Basic idea: beliefs “reweighted” by likelihood of evidence
- Unlike passage of time, we have to renormalize



Example: Weather HMM



$$\begin{aligned} B(+r) &= 0.5 \\ B(-r) &= 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B'(+r) &= 0.5 \\ B'(-r) &= 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

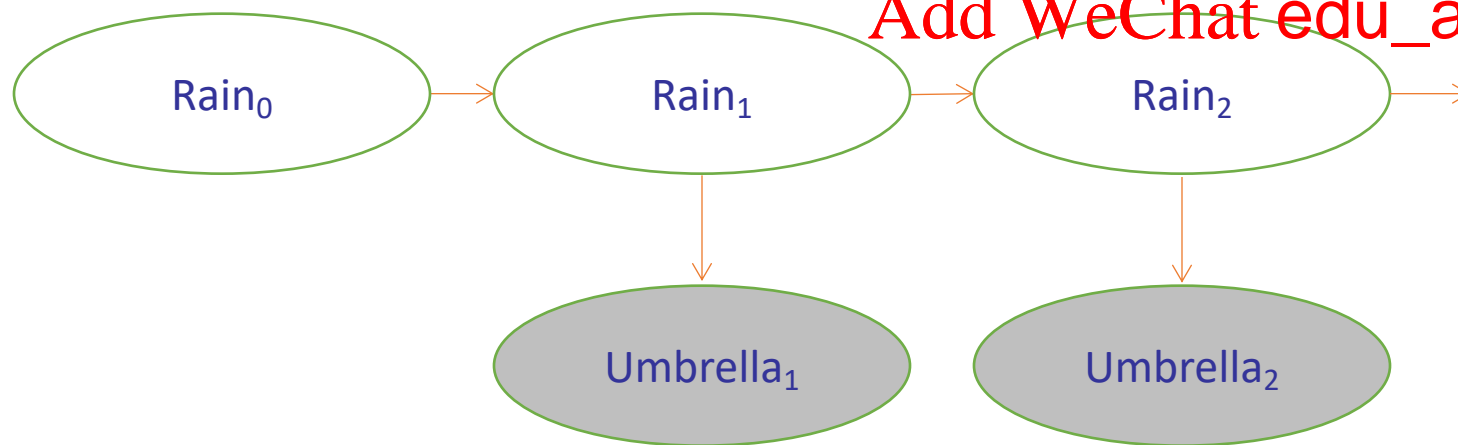
$$\begin{aligned} B'(+r) &= 0.627 \\ B'(-r) &= 0.373 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(+r) &= 0.818 \\ B(-r) &= 0.182 \end{aligned}$$

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| R_t | U_t | $P(U_t R_t)$ |
|-------|-------|--------------|
| +r | +u | 0.9 |
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Online Belief Updates

- Every time step, we start with current $P(X \mid \text{evidence})$
- We update for time:

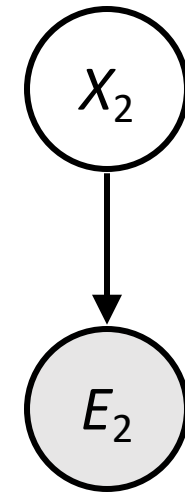
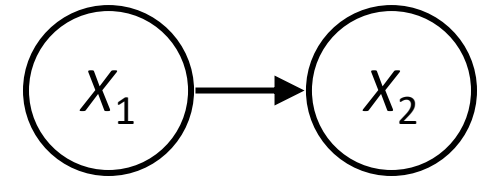
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- We update for evidence:

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \propto_X P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(e_t | x_t)$$



Next Time: Particle Filtering and Applications of HMMs

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