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Topic: Lecture 1 Source: Lecture 1

When is dynamic programming more efficient than brute force programming? (ie, what assumptions do we make about a problem when we use dynamic programming?) (1)

Topic: Lecture 3 Source: Lecture 3

Why do we use log-probability intstead of linear probability? (1)

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Suppose we are filling the table for the Levenshtein distance algorithm. We are in cell (x, y). The values of cell (x-1, y-1), (x-1, y), and (x, y-1) are 1, 3, and 5, respectively. What is the value we will put in cell (x, y), given that the letters are NOT equal? (1)

Topic: Lecture 4 Source: Lecture 4

Iterative algorithms often require a stopping condition. Briefly explain why this is necessary, and why perplexity is a metric to use for stopping HMMs. (2)

Topic: Lecture 2 Source: Lecture 2

Imagine we were using k-means to cluster misspellings around their correct spellings. How many clusters would we need, and what would be a good distance function? Explain. (2)

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Imagine that we are doing machine translation instead of POS-tagging. What would be the equivalent of emission probabilities and transition probabilities? Explain. (2)

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How is it that EM can arrive at a good solution, even if we have a random initialization of parameters? (1)

Topic: Lecture 2 Source: Lecture 2

Why is the Forgy initialization sub-optimal? (1)

Topic: Long

Source: Lecture 4

Please refer to the "Long" question from Lecture 4. $\,$

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