

## 4.0 More about Hidden Markov Models

**Reference:** 1. 6.1-6.6, Rabiner and Juang  
2. 4.4.1 of Huang

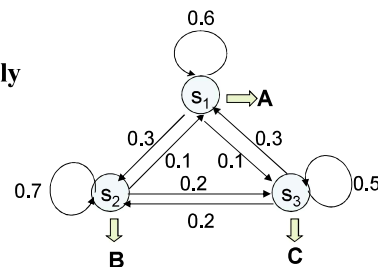
## Markov Model

### • An example : a 3-state Markov Chain $\lambda$

- State 1 generates symbol **A only**,  
State 2 generates symbol **B only**,  
and State 3 generates symbol **C only**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi = [0.4 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.1]$$



- Given a sequence of observed symbols  $O=\{CABBCABC\}$ , the **only one** corresponding state sequence is  $\{S_3, S_1, S_2, S_2, S_3, S_2, S_3\}$ , and the corresponding probability is

$$P(O|\lambda) = P(q_0=S_3) \\ P(S_1|S_3)P(S_2|S_1)P(S_2|S_2)P(S_3|S_2)P(S_1|S_3)P(S_2|S_1)P(S_3|S_2) \\ = 0.1 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.7 \times 0.2 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.2 = 0.00002268$$

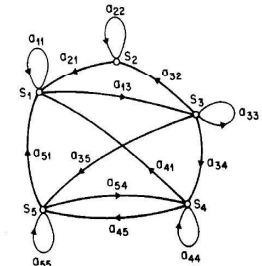
## Markov Model

### • Markov Model (Markov Chain)

- First-order Markov chain of  $N$  states is a triplet  $(S, A, \pi)$

- $S$  is a set of  $N$  states
- $A$  is the  $N \times N$  matrix of state transition probabilities  
 $P(q_t=j|q_{t-1}=i, q_{t-2}=k, \dots) = P(q_t=j|q_{t-1}=i) \equiv a_{ij}$
- $\pi$  is the vector of initial state probabilities  
 $\pi_j = P(q_0=j)$

- The output for any given state is an observable event (deterministic)
- The output of the process is a sequence of observable events



A Markov chain with 5 states (labeled  $S_1$  to  $S_5$ ) with state transitions.

## Hidden Markov Model

### • HMM, an extended version of Markov Model

- The observation is **a probabilistic function (discrete or continuous) of a state** instead of an one-to-one correspondence of a state
- The model is a **doubly embedded** stochastic process with an underlying stochastic process that is not directly observable (hidden)
  - What is hidden? **The State Sequence**  
According to the observation sequence, we never know which state sequence generates it

### • Elements of an HMM $\{S, A, B, \pi\}$

- $S$  is a set of  $N$  states
- $A$  is the  $N \times N$  matrix of state transition probabilities
- $B$  is a set of  $N$  probability functions, each describing the observation probability with respect to a state
- $\pi$  is the vector of initial state probabilities

## Simplified HMM



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## Hidden Markov Model

### Two types of HMM's according to the observation functions

#### Discrete and finite observations :

- The observations that **all** distinct states generate are finite in number  
 $\mathbf{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \dots, \mathbf{v}_M\}, \mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbf{R}^D$
- the set of observation probability distributions  $B = \{b_j(\mathbf{v}_k)\}$  is defined as  
 $b_j(\mathbf{v}_k) = P(\mathbf{o}_t = \mathbf{v}_k | \mathbf{q}_t = j), 1 \leq k \leq M, 1 \leq j \leq N$   
 $\mathbf{o}_t$ : observation at time  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_t$ : state at time  $t$   
 $\Rightarrow$  for state  $j$ ,  $b_j(\mathbf{v}_k)$  consists of **only  $M$  probability values**

#### Continuous and infinite observations :

- The observations that **all** distinct states generate are infinite and continuous,  
 $\mathbf{V} = \{\mathbf{v} | \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{R}^D\}$
- the set of observation probability distributions  $B = \{b_j(\mathbf{v})\}$  is defined as  
 $b_j(\mathbf{v}) = P(\mathbf{o}_t = \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{q}_t = j), 1 \leq j \leq N$   
 $\Rightarrow b_j(\mathbf{v})$  is a **continuous probability density function and is often assumed to be a mixture of Gaussian distributions**

$$b_j(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{k=1}^M c_{jk} \left( \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^D |\Sigma_{jk}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{v} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{jk})^T \Sigma_{jk}^{-1} (\mathbf{v} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{jk}) \right) \right) = \sum_{k=1}^M c_{jk} b_{jk}(\mathbf{v})$$

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## Hidden Markov Model

### An example : a 3-state discrete HMM $\lambda$

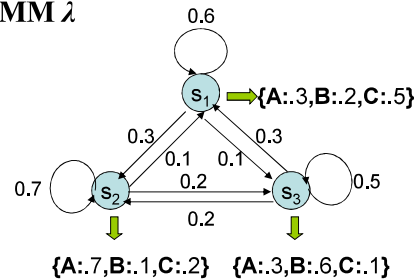
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b_1(\mathbf{A}) = 0.3, b_1(\mathbf{B}) = 0.2, b_1(\mathbf{C}) = 0.5$$

$$b_2(\mathbf{A}) = 0.7, b_2(\mathbf{B}) = 0.1, b_2(\mathbf{C}) = 0.2$$

$$b_3(\mathbf{A}) = 0.3, b_3(\mathbf{B}) = 0.6, b_3(\mathbf{C}) = 0.1$$

$$\pi = [0.4 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.1]$$



- Given a sequence of observations  $\bar{\mathbf{O}} = \{ABC\}$ , there are **27 possible** corresponding state sequences, and therefore the corresponding probability is

$$P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{27} P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \mathbf{q}_i, \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{27} P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \mathbf{q}_i, \lambda) P(\mathbf{q}_i | \lambda) \quad \mathbf{q}_i : \text{state sequence}$$

$$e.g. \text{ when } \mathbf{q}_i = \{S_2 S_2 S_3\}, P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \mathbf{q}_i, \lambda) = P(\mathbf{A} | S_2) P(\mathbf{B} | S_2) P(\mathbf{C} | S_3) = 0.7 * 0.1 * 0.1 = 0.007$$

$$P(\mathbf{q}_i | \lambda) = P(q_0 = S_2) P(S_2 | S_2) P(S_3 | S_2) = 0.5 * 0.7 * 0.2 = 0.07$$

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## Hidden Markov Model

### Three Basic Problems for HMMs

Given an observation sequence  $\bar{\mathbf{O}} = (o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$ , and an HMM

$\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$

- Problem 1 :

How to *efficiently* compute  $P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \lambda)$  ?

$\Rightarrow$  Evaluation problem

- Problem 2 :

How to choose an optimal state sequence  $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, q_2, \dots, q_T)$  ?

$\Rightarrow$  Decoding Problem

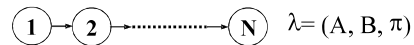
- Problem 3 :

Given some observations  $\bar{\mathbf{O}}$  for the HMM  $\lambda$ , how to adjust the model parameter  $\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$  to maximize  $P(\bar{\mathbf{O}} | \lambda)$ ?

$\Rightarrow$  Learning / Training Problem

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### Basic Problem 1 for HMM



$\bar{O} = o_1 o_2 o_3 \dots o_t \dots o_T$  observation sequence

$\bar{q} = q_1 q_2 q_3 \dots q_t \dots q_T$  state sequence

- **Problem 1:** Given  $\lambda$  and  $\bar{O}$ ,  
find  $P(\bar{O}|\lambda) = \text{Prob}[\text{observing } \bar{O} \text{ given } \lambda]$

- **Direct Evaluation:** considering all possible state sequence  $\bar{q}$

$$P(\bar{O}|\lambda) = \sum_{\text{all } \bar{q}} P(\bar{O}, \bar{q}|\lambda) = \sum_{\text{all } \bar{q}} P(\bar{O}|\bar{q}, \lambda) P(\bar{q}|\lambda)$$

$$P(\bar{O}|\bar{q}, \lambda) = \prod_{t=1}^T [b_{q_t}(o_t) \cdot a_{q_{t-1}q_t}]$$

$$P(\bar{q}|\lambda) = \pi_{q_1} \cdot a_{q_1q_2} \cdot a_{q_2q_3} \cdot \dots \cdot a_{q_{T-1}q_T}$$

total number of different  $\bar{q} : N^T$   
huge computation requirements

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### Basic Problem 1 for HMM

- **Forward Algorithm:** defining a forward variable  $\alpha_t(i)$

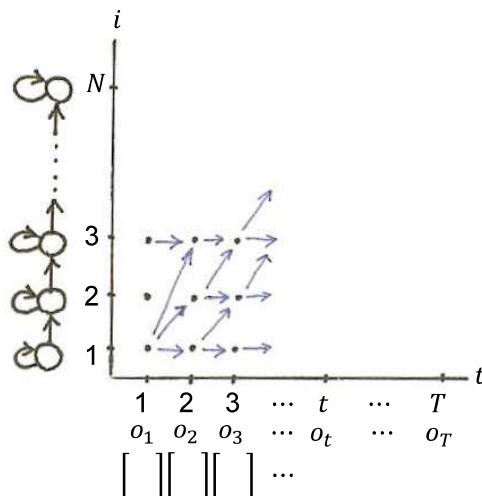
$$\alpha_t(i) = P(o_1 o_2 \dots o_t, q_t = i | \lambda)$$

$$= \text{Prob}[\text{observing } o_1 o_2 \dots o_t, \text{ state } i \text{ at time } t | \lambda]$$

- Initialization  
 $\alpha_1(i) = \pi_i b_i(o_1), 1 \leq i \leq N$
- Induction  
 $\alpha_{t+1}(j) = [\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_t(i) a_{ij}] b_j(o_{t+1})$   
 $1 \leq j \leq N$   
 $1 \leq t \leq T-1$
- Termination  
 $P(\bar{O}|\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_T(i)$   
*See Fig. 6.5 of Rabiner and Juang*
- All state sequences, regardless of how long previously, merge to the N state at each time instant t

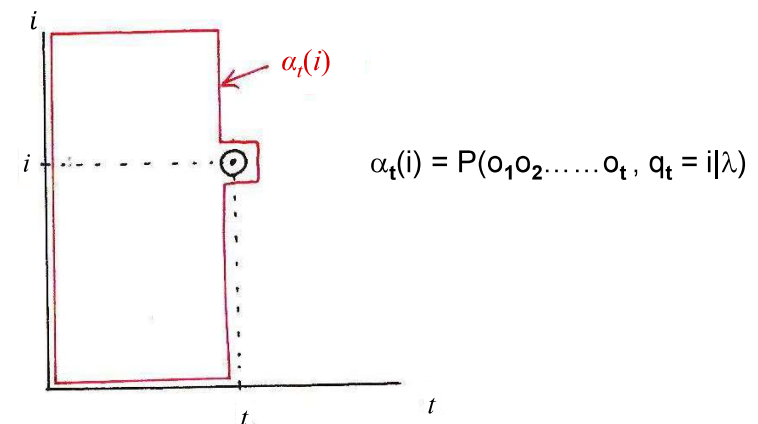
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### Basic Problem 1



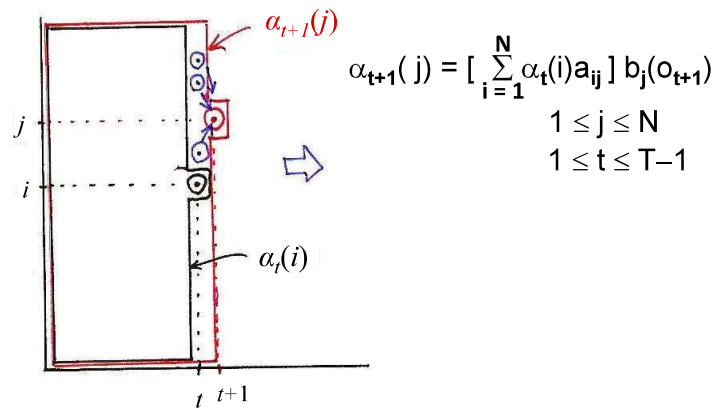
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### Basic Problem 1



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## Basic Problem 1



$$\alpha_{t+1}(j) = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_t(i) a_{ij} \right] b_j(o_{t+1})$$

$$1 \leq j \leq N$$

$$1 \leq t \leq T-1$$

Forward Algorithm

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## Basic Problem 2 for HMM

• **Problem 2:** Given  $\lambda$  and  $\bar{O} = o_1 o_2 \dots o_T$ , find a best state sequence  $\bar{q} = q_1 q_2 \dots q_T$

• **Backward Algorithm :** defining a backward variable  $\beta_t(i)$

$$\beta_t(i) = P(o_{t+1}, o_{t+2}, \dots, o_T | q_t = i, \lambda)$$

$$= \text{Prob}[\text{observing } o_{t+1}, o_{t+2}, \dots, o_T | \text{state } i \text{ at time } t, \lambda]$$

- Initialization

$$\beta_T(i) = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N \quad \left( \beta_{T-1}(i) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} b_j(o_T) \right)$$

- Induction

$$\beta_t(i) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)$$

$$t = T-1, T-2, \dots, 2, 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

See Fig. 6.6 of Rabiner and Juang

• **Combining Forward/Backward Variables**

$$P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda)$$

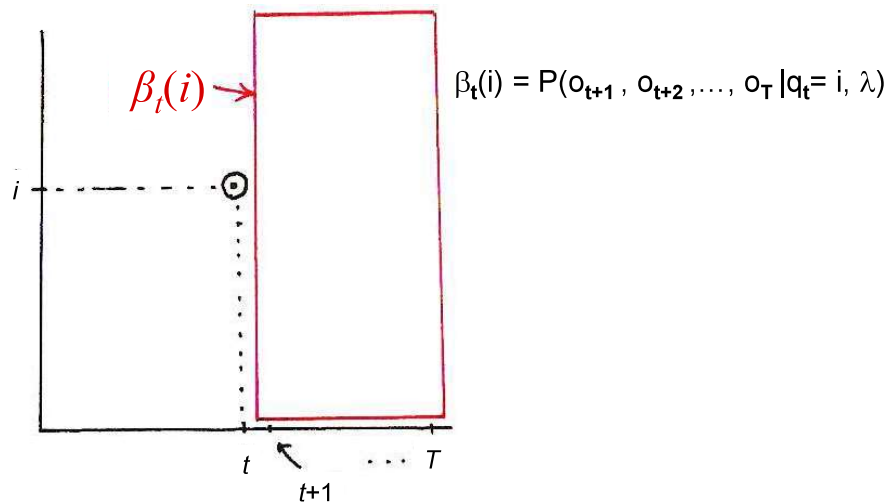
$$= \text{Prob}[\text{observing } o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, \dots, o_T, q_t = i | \lambda]$$

$$= \alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)$$

$$P(\bar{O} | \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^N P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^N [\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)]$$

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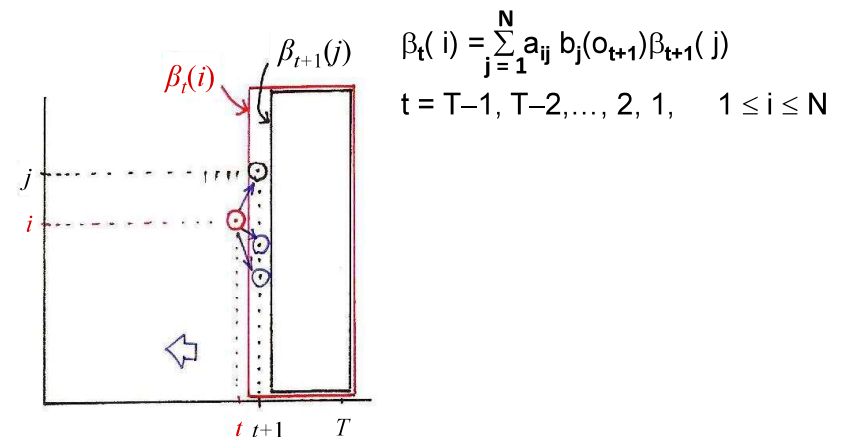
## Basic Problem 2



$$\beta_t(i) = P(o_{t+1}, o_{t+2}, \dots, o_T | q_t = i, \lambda)$$

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## Basic Problem 2



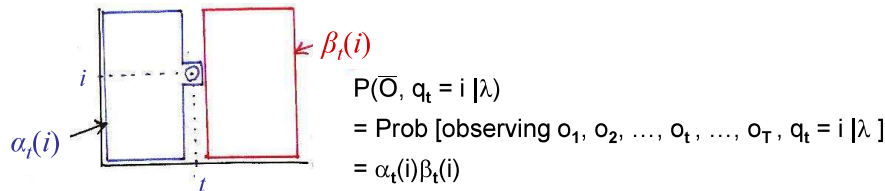
$$\beta_t(i) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)$$

$$t = T-1, T-2, \dots, 2, 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

Backward Algorithm

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## Basic Problem 2



$A: (o_1 o_2 \dots o_t | \lambda)$

$B: (o_{t+1}, o_{t+2}, \dots o_T | \lambda)$

$C: (q_t = i | \lambda)$

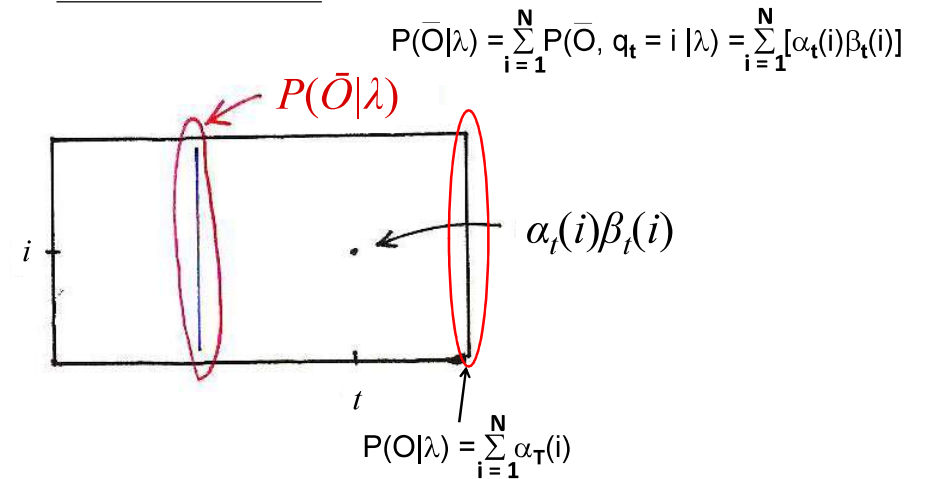
$P(A, B, C) = P(A, C) P(B | A, C)$

// // // ( $B \perp A$ )

$P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda) \quad \alpha_t(i) \quad P(B | C)$   
 //  
 $\beta_t(i)$

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## Basic Problem 2



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## Basic Problem 2 for HMM

- Approach 1 – Choosing state  $q_t^*$  individually as the most likely state at time  $t$

- Define a new variable  $\gamma_t(i) = P(q_t = i | \bar{O}, \lambda)$

$$\gamma_t(i) = \frac{\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)} = \frac{P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda)}{P(\bar{O} | \lambda)}$$

- Solution

$$q_t^* = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\gamma_t(i)], 1 \leq t \leq T$$

in fact

$$q_t^* = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda)]$$

$$= \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)]$$

- Problem

maximizing the probability at each time  $t$  individually

$\bar{q}^* = q_1^* q_2^* \dots q_T^*$  may not be a valid sequence

(e.g.  $a_{q_t^* q_{t+1}^*} = 0$ )

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## Basic Problem 2 for HMM

- Approach 2 — Viterbi Algorithm - finding the single best sequence

$\bar{q}^* = q_1^* q_2^* \dots q_T^*$

- Define a new variable  $\delta_t(i)$

$$\delta_t(i) = \max_{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{t-1}} P[q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{t-1}, q_t = i, o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t | \lambda]$$

= the highest probability along a certain single path ending at state  $i$  at time  $t$  for the first  $t$  observations, given  $\lambda$

- Induction

$$\delta_{t+1}(j) = \max_i [\delta_t(i) a_{ij}] \cdot b_j(o_{t+1})$$

- Backtracking

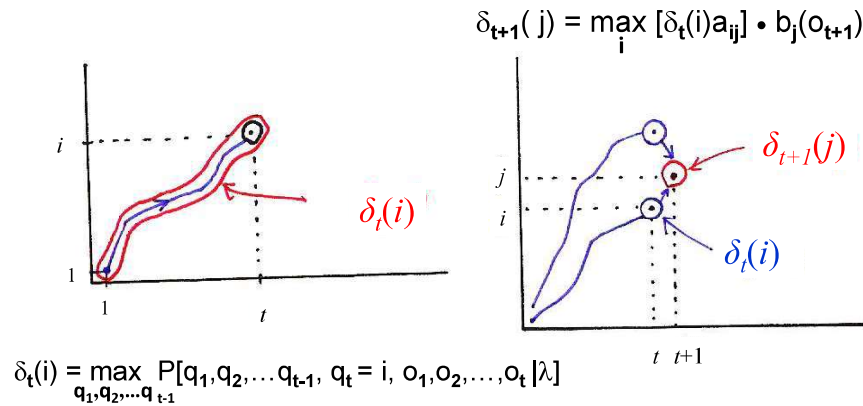
$$\psi_{t+1}(j) = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\delta_t(i) a_{ij}]$$

the best previous state at  $t-1$  given at state  $j$  at time  $t$

keeping track of the best previous state for each  $j$  and  $t$

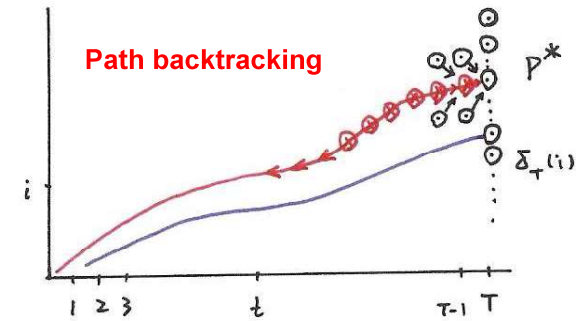
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## Viterbi Algorithm



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### Basic Problem 2 for HMM

#### • Complete Procedure for Viterbi Algorithm

##### - Initialization

$$\delta_1(i) = \pi_i b_i(o_1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

##### - Recursion

$$\delta_{t+1}(j) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\delta_t(i) a_{ij}] \cdot b_j(o_{t+1})$$

$$1 \leq t \leq T-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq N$$

$$\psi_{t+1}(j) = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\delta_t(i) a_{ij}]$$

$$1 \leq t \leq T-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq N$$

##### - Termination

$$P^* = \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\delta_T(i)]$$

$$q_T^* = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\delta_T(i)]$$

##### - Path backtracking

$$q_t^* = \psi_{t+1}(q_{t+1}^*), \quad t = T-1, T-2, \dots, 2, 1$$

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### Basic Problem 2 for HMM

#### • Application Example of Viterbi Algorithm

##### - Isolated word recognition

$$\lambda_0 = (A_0, B_0, \pi_0)$$

$$\lambda_1 = (A_1, B_1, \pi_1)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\lambda_n = (A_n, B_n, \pi_n)$$

observation

$$\bar{O} = (o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$$

$$k^* = \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} P[\bar{O} | \lambda_i] \approx \arg \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} [P^* | \lambda_i]$$



Basic Problem 1  
Forward Algorithm  
(for all paths)



Basic Problem 2  
Viterbi Algorithm  
(for a single best path)

-The model with the highest probability for the most probable path usually also has the highest probability for all possible paths.

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### Basic Problem 3 for HMM

- **Problem 3:** Give  $\bar{O}$  and an initial model  $\lambda=(A,B,\pi)$ , adjust  $\lambda$  to maximize  $P(\bar{O}|\lambda)$

- Baum-Welch Algorithm (Forward-backward Algorithm)

- Define a new variable

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_t(i, j) &= P(q_t = i, q_{t+1} = j | \bar{O}, \lambda) \\ &= \frac{\alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N [\alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)]} \\ &= \frac{\text{Prob}[\bar{O}, q_t = i, q_{t+1} = j | \lambda]}{P(\bar{O} | \lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

See Fig. 6.7 of Rabiner and Juang

- Recall  $\gamma_t(i) = P(q_t = i | \bar{O}, \lambda)$

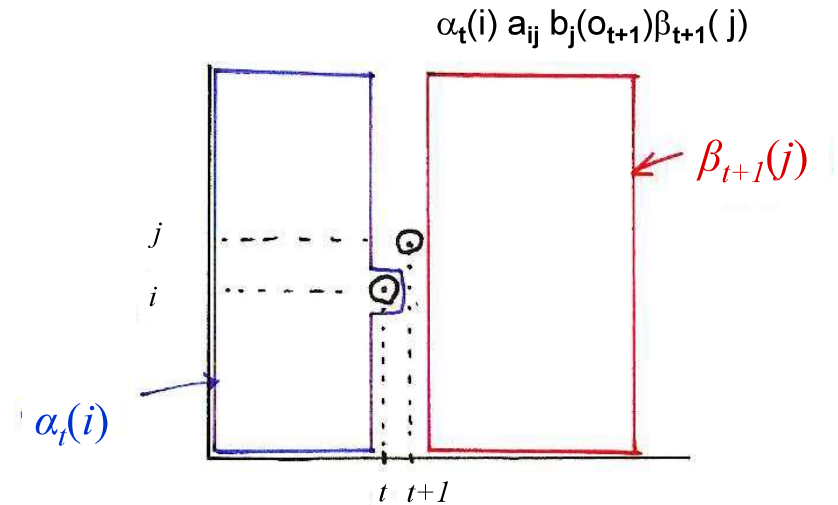
$\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_t(i)$  = expected number of times that state  $i$  is visited in  $\bar{O}$  from  $t = 1$  to  $t = T-1$

= expected number of transitions from state  $i$  in  $\bar{O}$

$\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_t(i, j)$  = expected number of transitions from state  $i$  to state  $j$  in  $\bar{O}$

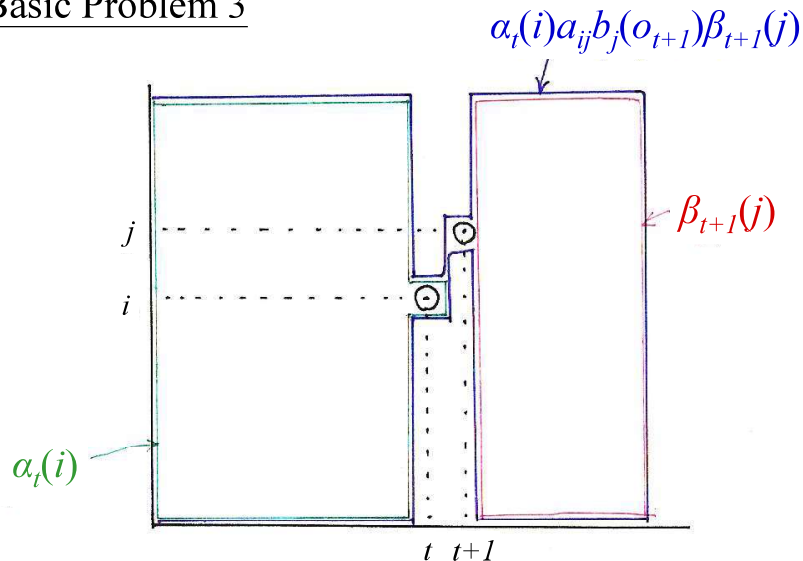
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### Basic Problem 3



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### Basic Problem 3



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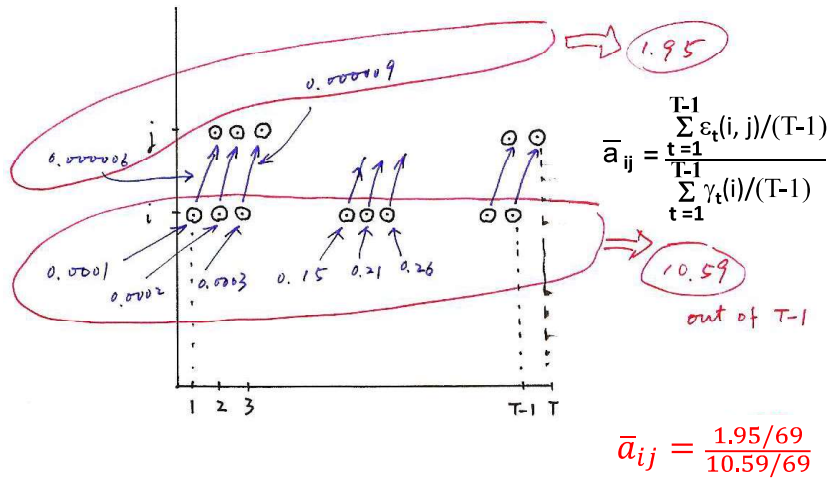
### Basic Problem 3

$$\gamma_t(i) = \frac{\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N [\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)]} = \frac{P(\bar{O}, q_t = i | \lambda)}{P(\bar{O} | \lambda)} = P(q_t = i | \bar{O}, \lambda)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_t(i, j) &= \frac{\alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)} \\ &= \frac{P(\bar{O}, q_t = i, q_{t+1} = j | \lambda)}{P(\bar{O} | \lambda)} = P(q_t = i, q_{t+1} = j | \bar{O}, \lambda)\end{aligned}$$

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## Basic Problem 3



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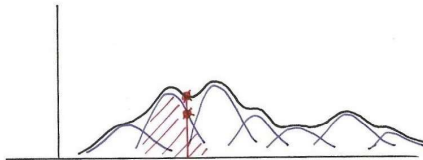
## Basic Problem 3 for HMM

### Continuous Density HMM

- Define a new variable

$\gamma_t(j, k) = \gamma_t(j)$  but including the probability of  $o_t$  evaluated in the  $k$ -th mixture component out of all the mixture components

$$= \left[ \frac{\alpha_t(j) \beta_t(j)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_t(j) \beta_t(j)} \right] \left[ \frac{c_{jk} N(o_t; \mu_{jk}, U_{jk})}{\sum_{m=1}^M c_{jm} N(o_t; \mu_{jm}, U_{jm})} \right]$$



- Results

$$\bar{c}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^M \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

See Fig. 6.9 of Rabiner and Juang

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## Basic Problem 3 for HMM

- Results

$$\bar{\pi}_i = \gamma_1(i)$$

$$\bar{a}_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_t(i, j)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_t(i)}$$

$$\bar{b}_j(k) = \text{Prob}[o_t = v_k | q_t = j] = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j)}$$

(for discrete HMM)

### Continuous Density HMM

$$b_j(o) = \sum_{k=1}^M c_{jk} N(o; \mu_{jk}, U_{jk})$$

$N(\cdot)$ : Multi-variate Gaussian

$\mu_{jk}$ : mean vector for the  $k$ -th mixture component

$U_{jk}$ : covariance matrix for the  $k$ -th mixture component

$\sum_{k=1}^M c_{jk} = 1$  for normalization

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## Basic Problem 3 for HMM

### Continuous Density HMM

$$\bar{\mu}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T [\gamma_t(j, k) \cdot o_t]}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

$$\bar{U}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T [\gamma_t(j, k) (o_t - \mu_{jk}) (o_t - \mu_{jk})']}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

### Iterative Procedure

$$\lambda = (A, B, \pi) \longrightarrow \bar{\lambda} = (\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{\pi})$$

$\bar{O} = o_1 o_2 \dots o_T$

- It can be shown (by EM Theory (or EM Algorithm))

$$P(\bar{O} | \bar{\lambda}) \geq P(\bar{O} | \lambda)$$

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## Basic Problem 3

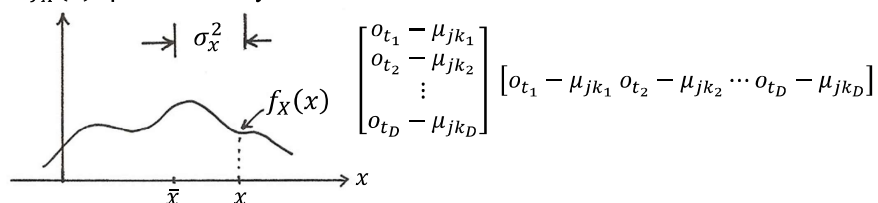
$$\bar{\mu}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T [\gamma_t(j,k) \cdot o_t]}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j,k)}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \bar{x}$$

$$\bar{U}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T [\gamma_t(j,k) (o_t - \mu_{jk})(o_t - \mu_{jk})']}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j,k)}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \bar{x})^2 f_X(x) dx = \sigma_x^2$$

$f_X(x)$ : prob. density function



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## Basic Problem 3

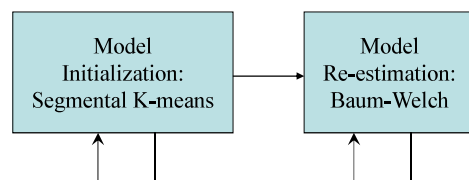
$$\bar{U} = \begin{bmatrix} & m \\ & \vdots \\ & \vdots \\ l & \text{---} \bar{u}_{lm} \text{---} \\ & \vdots \\ & \vdots \end{bmatrix} = E \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \bar{x}_1 \\ x_2 - \bar{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} [x_1 - \bar{x}_1, x_2 - \bar{x}_2, \dots] \right)$$

$$\bar{u}_{lm} = E[(x_l - \bar{x}_l)(x_m - \bar{x}_m)]$$

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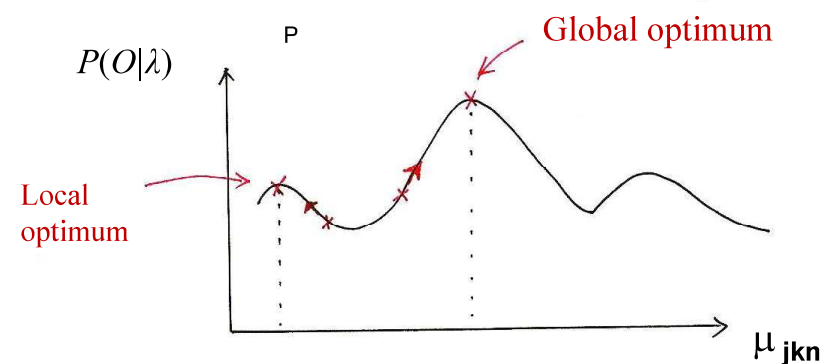
## Basic Problem 3 for HMM

- No closed-form solution, but approximated iteratively
- An initial model is needed-model initialization
- May converge to local optimal points rather than global optimal point
  - heavily depending on the initialization
- Model training



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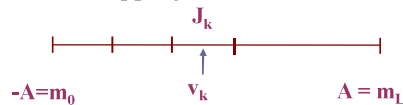
## Basic Problem 3



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## Vector Quantization (VQ)

- **An Efficient Approach for Data Compression**
  - replacing a set of real numbers by a finite number of bits
- **An Efficient Approach for Clustering Large Number of Sample Vectors**
  - grouping sample vectors into clusters, each represented by a single vector (codeword)
- **Scalar Quantization**
  - replacing a single real number by an R-bit pattern
  - a mapping relation

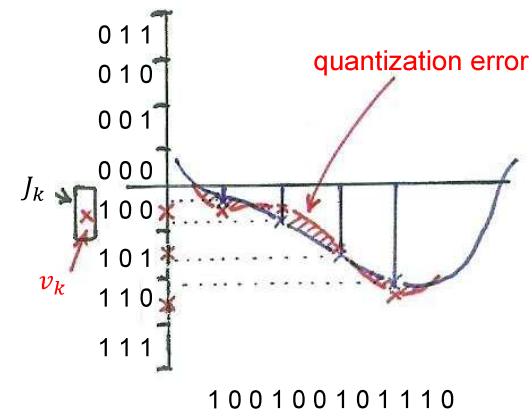


$S = \bigcup_{k=1}^L J_k$ ,  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_L\}$       – Quantization characteristics (codebook)  
 $Q: S \rightarrow V$        $\{J_1, J_2, \dots, J_L\}$  and  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_L\}$   
 $Q(x[n]) = v_k$  if  $x[n] \in J_k$       designed considering at least  
 $L = 2^R$       1. error sensitivity  
 Each  $v_k$  represented by an R-bit pattern      2. probability distribution of  $x[n]$

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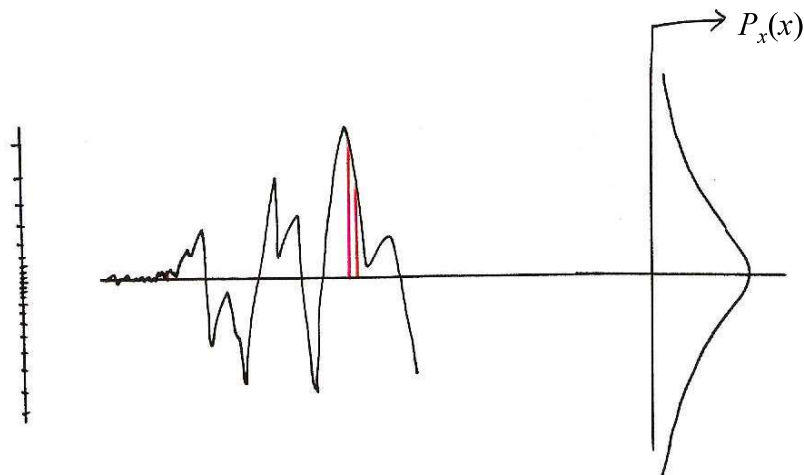
## Vector Quantization

Scalar Quantization : Pulse Coded Modulation (PCM)



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## Vector Quantization



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## Vector Quantization (VQ)

### 2-dim Vector Quantization (VQ)

Example:

$$\bar{x}_n = (x[n], x[n+1])$$

$$S = \{\bar{x}_n = (x[n], x[n+1]) ; |x[n]| < A, |x[n+1]| < A\}$$

### •VQ

– S divided into L 2-dim regions

$$\{J_1, J_2, \dots, J_k, \dots, J_L\}$$

$$S = \bigcup_{k=1}^L J_k$$

each with a representative

$$\text{vector } \bar{v}_k \in J_k, V = \{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_L\}$$

–  $Q: S \rightarrow V$

$$Q(\bar{x}_n) = \bar{v}_k \text{ if } \bar{x}_n \in J_k$$

$$L = 2^R$$

each  $\bar{v}_k$  represented by an R-bit pattern

– Considerations

1. error sensitivity may depend on  $x[n]$ ,  $x[n+1]$  jointly

2. distribution of  $x[n]$ ,  $x[n+1]$  may be correlated statistically

3. more flexible choice of  $J_k$

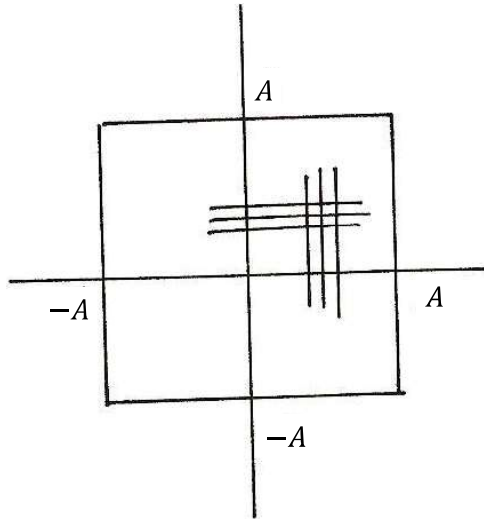
– Quantization Characteristics

(codebook)

$$\{J_1, J_2, \dots, J_L\} \text{ and } \{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_L\}$$

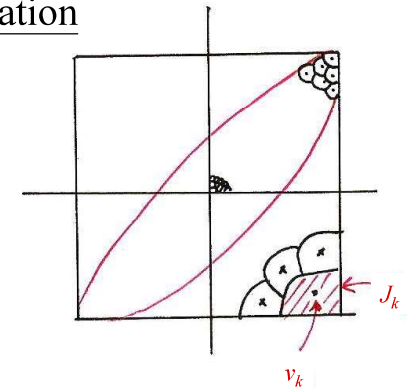
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## Vector Quantization



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## Vector Quantization

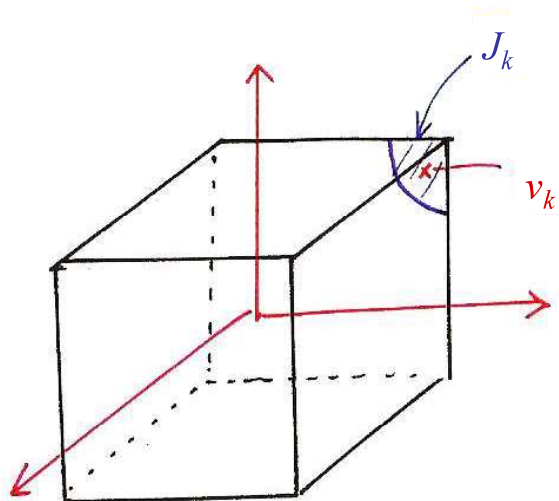


$$(256)^2 = (2^8)^2 = 2^{16}$$

$$1024 = 2^{10}$$

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## Vector Quantization



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## Vector Quantization (VQ)

### N-dim Vector Quantization

$$\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$$

$$S = \{\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N), \\ |x_k| < A, k = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

$$S = \bigcup_{k=1}^L J_k$$

$$V = \{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_L\}$$

$$Q : S \rightarrow V$$

$$Q(\bar{x}) = \bar{v}_k \text{ if } \bar{x} \in J_k$$

$$L = 2^R, \text{ each } \bar{v}_k \text{ represented} \\ \text{by an R-bit pattern}$$

### Codebook Trained by a Large Training Set

#### **Define distance measure between two vectors $\bar{x}, \bar{y}$**

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) : S \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ (non-negative real numbers)}$$

#### **-desired properties**

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \geq 0$$

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{x}) = 0$$

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = d(\bar{y}, \bar{x})$$

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) + d(\bar{y}, \bar{z}) \geq d(\bar{x}, \bar{z})$$

#### **examples :**

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum_i (x_i - y_i)^2$$

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum_i |x_i - y_i|$$

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (\bar{x} - \bar{y})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \bar{y})$$

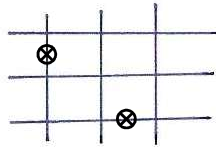
$$\text{Mahalanobis Distance}$$

$$\Sigma: \text{ Co-variance Matrix}$$

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## Distance Measures

$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum_i |x_i - y_i| \quad \text{city block distance}$$



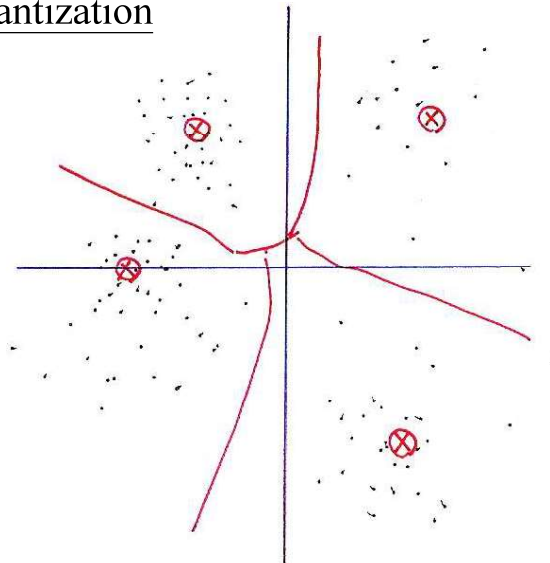
$$d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (\bar{x} - \bar{y})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \bar{y}) \quad \text{Mahalanobis distance}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}, d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum_i (x_i - y_i)^2$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \sigma_2^2 & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}, d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sum_i \frac{(x_i - y_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

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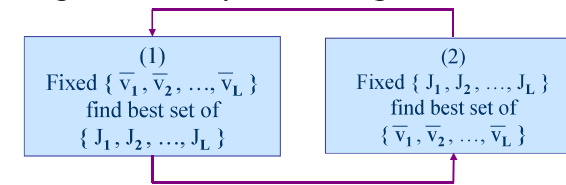
## Vector Quantization



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## Vector Quantization (VQ)

### • K-Means Algorithm/Lloyd-Max Algorithm



$$(1) J_k = \{ \bar{x} \mid d(\bar{x}, \bar{v}_k) < d(\bar{x}, \bar{v}_j), j \neq k \}$$

$$\rightarrow D = \sum_{\text{all } \bar{x}} d(\bar{x}, Q(\bar{x})) = \min$$

nearest neighbor condition

$$(2) \text{ For each } k$$

$$\bar{v}_k = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\bar{x} \in J_k} \bar{x}$$

$$\rightarrow D_k = \sum_{\bar{x} \in J_k} d(\bar{x}, \bar{v}_k) = \min$$

centroid condition

$$(3) \text{ Convergence condition}$$

$$D = \sum_{k=1}^L D_k$$

$$\text{after each iteration } D \text{ is reduced, but } D \geq 0$$

$$|D^{(m+1)} - D^{(m)}| < \epsilon, m : \text{iteration}$$

### • Iterative Procedure to Obtain Codebook from a Large Training Set

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## Vector Quantization (VQ)

### • K-means Algorithm may Converge to Local Optimal Solutions

- depending on initial conditions, not unique in general

### • Training VQ Codebook in Stages— LBG Algorithm

- step 1: Initialization.  $L = 1$ , train a 1-vector VQ codebook

$$\bar{v} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_j \bar{x}_j$$

- step 2: Splitting.

Splitting the  $L$  codewords into  $2L$  codewords,  $L = 2L$

- example 1

$$\bar{v}_k^{(1)} = \bar{v}_k(1+\epsilon)$$

$$\bar{v}_k^{(2)} = \bar{v}_k(1-\epsilon)$$

- example 2

$$\bar{v}_k^{(1)} = \bar{v}_k$$

$$\bar{v}_k^{(2)} : \text{the vector most far apart}$$

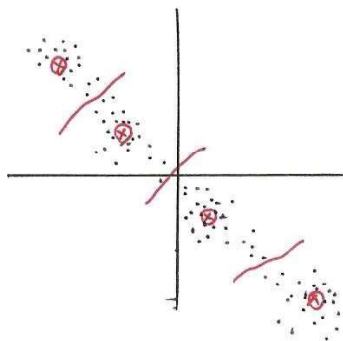
- step 3: K-means Algorithm: to obtain  $L$ -vector codebook

- step 4: Termination. Otherwise go to step 2

### • Usually Converges to Better Codebook

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## LBG Algorithm



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## Initialization in HMM Training

### • An Often Used Approach— Segmental K-Means

- Assume an initial estimate of all model parameters (e.g. estimated by segmentation of training utterances into states with equal length)

• For discrete density HMM

$$b_j(k) = \frac{\text{number of vectors in state } j \text{ associated with codeword } k}{\text{total number of vectors in state } j}$$

• For continuous density HMM (M Gaussian mixtures per state)

⇒ cluster the observation vectors within each state  $j$  into a set of  $M$  clusters (e.g. with vector quantization)

$c_{jm}$  = number of vectors classified in cluster  $m$  of state  $j$   
divided by number of vectors in state  $j$

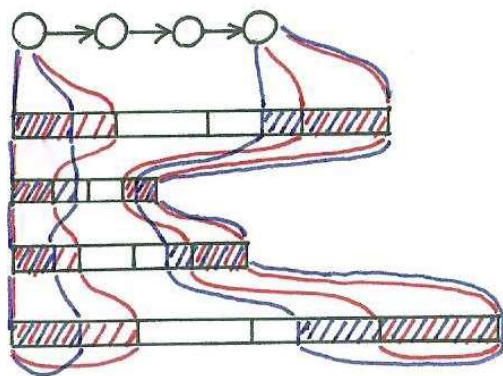
$\mu_{jm}$  = sample mean of the vectors classified in cluster  $m$  of state  $j$

$\Sigma_{jm}$  = sample covariance matrix of the vectors classified in cluster  $m$  of state  $j$

- Step 1 : re-segment the training observation sequences into states based on the initial model by Viterbi Algorithm
- Step 2 : Reestimate the model parameters (same as initial estimation)
- Step 3: Evaluate the model score  $P(\bar{O}|\lambda)$ :  
If the difference between the previous and current model scores exceeds a threshold, go back to Step 1, otherwise stop and the initial model is obtained

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## Segmental K-Means

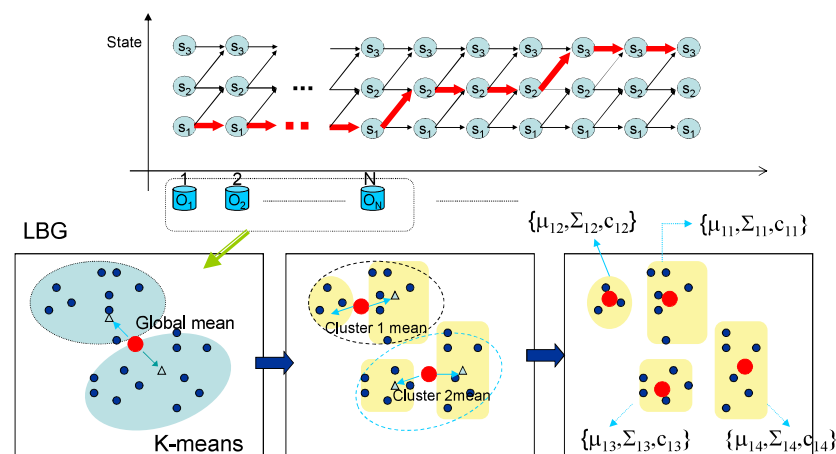


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## Initialization in HMM Training

### • An example for Continuous HMM

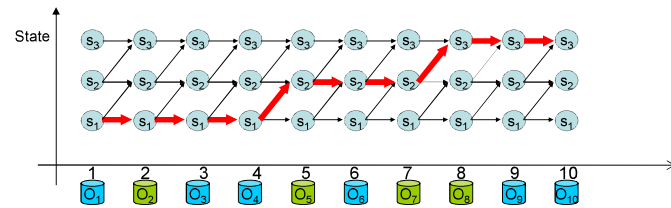
- 3 states and 4 Gaussian mixtures per state



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## Initialization in HMM Training

- An example for discrete HMM
  - 3 states and 2 codewords



$$b_1(v_1)=3/4, b_1(v_2)=1/4$$

$$b_2(v_1)=1/3, b_2(v_2)=2/3$$

$$b_3(v_1)=2/3, b_3(v_2)=1/3$$

$v_1$  

$v_2$  