

Here, we give complete pseudo-code for solving HMM Problem 3, including scaling. This pseudo-code also provides virtually everything needed to solve HMM Problems 1 and 2.

1. Given

Observation sequence $\mathcal{O} = (\mathcal{O}_0, \mathcal{O}_1, \dots, \mathcal{O}_{T-1})$.

2. Initialize

(a) Select N and determine M from \mathcal{O} . Recall that the model is denoted $\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$, where $A = \{a_{ij}\}$ is $N \times N$, $B = \{b_j(k)\}$ is $N \times M$, and $\pi = \{\pi_i\}$ is $1 \times N$.

(b) Initialize the three matrices A , B , and π . You can use knowledge of the problem when generating initial values, but if no such information is available (as is often the case), let $\pi_i \approx 1/N$ and let $a_{ij} \approx 1/N$ and $b_j(k) \approx 1/M$. Always be sure that your initial values satisfy the row stochastic conditions (i.e., the elements of each row sum to 1, and each element is between 0 and 1). Also, make sure that the elements of each row are *not* exactly uniform.

(c) Initialize each of the following.

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minIters = minimum number of re-estimation iterations
ε = threshold representing negligible improvement in model
iters = 0
oldLogProb = -∞
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3. Forward algorithm or α -pass

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// compute  $\alpha_0(i)$ 
 $c_0 = 0$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
     $\alpha_0(i) = \pi_i b_i(\mathcal{O}_0)$ 
     $c_0 = c_0 + \alpha_0(i)$ 
next  $i$ 
// scale the  $\alpha_0(i)$ 
 $c_0 = 1/c_0$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
     $\alpha_0(i) = c_0 \alpha_0(i)$ 
next  $i$ 
// compute  $\alpha_t(i)$ 
for  $t = 1$  to  $T - 1$ 
     $c_t = 0$ 
    for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
         $\alpha_t(i) = 0$ 
        for  $j = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
             $\alpha_t(i) = \alpha_t(i) + \alpha_{t-1}(j) a_{ji}$ 
        next  $j$ 
         $\alpha_t(i) = \alpha_t(i) b_i(\mathcal{O}_t)$ 
         $c_t = c_t + \alpha_t(i)$ 
    next  $i$ 
    // scale  $\alpha_t(i)$ 
     $c_t = 1/c_t$ 
    for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
         $\alpha_t(i) = c_t \alpha_t(i)$ 
    next  $i$ 
next  $t$ 
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4. Backward algorithm or β -pass

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// Let  $\beta_{T-1}(i) = 1$  scaled by  $c_{T-1}$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
     $\beta_{T-1}(i) = c_{T-1}$ 
next  $i$ 
//  $\beta$ -pass
for  $t = T - 2$  to  $0$  by  $-1$ 
    for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
         $\beta_t(i) = 0$ 
        for  $j = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
             $\beta_t(i) = \beta_t(i) + a_{ij}b_j(\mathcal{O}_{t+1})\beta_{t+1}(j)$ 
        next  $j$ 
        // scale  $\beta_t(i)$  with same scale factor as  $\alpha_t(i)$ 
         $\beta_t(i) = c_t\beta_t(i)$ 
    next  $i$ 
next  $t$ 

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5. Compute the gammas and di-gammas

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for  $t = 0$  to  $T - 2$ 
    denom = 0
    for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
        for  $j = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
            denom = denom +  $\alpha_t(i)a_{ij}b_j(\mathcal{O}_{t+1})\beta_{t+1}(j)$ 
        next  $j$ 
    next  $i$ 
    for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
         $\gamma_t(i) = 0$ 
        for  $j = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
             $\gamma_t(i, j) = (\alpha_t(i)a_{ij}b_j(\mathcal{O}_{t+1})\beta_{t+1}(j))/\mathbf{denom}$ 
             $\gamma_t(i) = \gamma_t(i) + \gamma_t(i, j)$ 
        next  $j$ 
    next  $i$ 
next  $t$ 
// Special case for  $\gamma_{T-1}(i)$ 
denom = 0
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
    denom = denom +  $\alpha_{T-1}(i)$ 
next  $i$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
     $\gamma_{T-1}(i) = \alpha_{T-1}(i)/\mathbf{denom}$ 
next  $i$ 

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6. Re-estimate the model $\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$

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// re-estimate  $\pi$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
     $\pi_i = \gamma_0(i)$ 
next  $i$ 
// re-estimate  $A$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
    for  $j = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
        numer = 0
        denom = 0
        for  $t = 0$  to  $T - 2$ 
            numer = numer +  $\gamma_t(i, j)$ 
            denom = denom +  $\gamma_t(i)$ 
        next  $t$ 
         $a_{ij} = \text{numer}/\text{denom}$ 
    next  $j$ 
next  $i$ 
// re-estimate  $B$ 
for  $i = 0$  to  $N - 1$ 
    for  $j = 0$  to  $M - 1$ 
        numer = 0
        denom = 0
        for  $t = 0$  to  $T - 1$ 
            if( $\mathcal{O}_t == j$ ) then
                numer = numer +  $\gamma_t(i)$ 
            end if
            denom = denom +  $\gamma_t(i)$ 
        next  $t$ 
         $b_i(j) = \text{numer}/\text{denom}$ 
    next  $j$ 
next  $i$ 
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7. Compute $\log(P(\mathcal{O} | \lambda))$

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logProb = 0
for  $i = 0$  to  $T - 1$ 
    logProb = logProb +  $\log(c_i)$ 
next  $i$ 
logProb = -logProb
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8. To iterate or not to iterate, that is the question.

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iters = iters + 1
 $\delta = |\text{logProb} - \text{oldLogProb}|$ 
if(iters < minIters or  $\delta > \varepsilon$ ) then
    oldLogProb = logProb
    goto 3.
else
    return  $\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$ 
end if
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Algorithm 2.5 Dynamic programming without underflow

1: **Given:**

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

 Observations $\mathcal{O} = (O_0, \mathcal{O}_1, \dots, \mathcal{O}_{T-1})$

2: **for** $i = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ **do**

3: $\hat{\delta}_0(i) = \log(\pi_i b_i(\mathcal{O}_0))$

4: **end for**

5: **for** $t = 1, 2, \dots, T - 1$ **do**

6: **for** $i = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ **do**

7: $\hat{\delta}_t(i) = \max_{j \in \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}} \left(\hat{\delta}_{t-1}(j) + \log(a_{ji}) + \log(b_i(\mathcal{O}_t)) \right)$

8: **end for**

9: **end for**
