

CSE 325/425 (Spring 2021) Homework 2

Due on 11:55pm, Mar 3, 2021

Grading: All questions have the same points (25 each). We will randomly grade some of the questions.

Submitting: Only electronic submissions on Coursesite are accepted. You can handwrite your answers on papers and then scan them to images. If you need to plot figures using a computer, the plotted files should be saved and included in the submitted pdf file. Submit a single pdf file named

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Questions:

1. Given four POS tags *Noun*, *Determiner*, *Verb*, *Adjective*, construct a valid example of transition probability matrix A for an HMM that use these tags as hidden states. Pay attention to the shape of the matrix and any constraint that the elements in the matrix should satisfy.

[[[The matrix is of shape 4×4 , and each row sums to 1. An example is as follows:

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

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2. Given observed sentence $O = [o_1, o_2, o_3]$ and a given POS tag sequence $Q = [q_1, q_2, q_3]$, use the forward algorithm to expand the probability $\Pr([o_1, o_2, o_3])$ in terms of the elements in the HMM parameters A , B , and π . You need to write down each step when the recursive equation in the algorithm is used.

[[[The forward probability is $\alpha_t(i) = \Pr(o_1, \dots, o_t, q_t = i)$.

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$$\Pr([o_1, o_2, o_3]) = \sum_{q_3} \sum_{q_2} \sum_{q_1} \Pr(o_1, o_2, o_3, q_1, q_2, q_3) \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \sum_{q_2} \sum_{q_1} \Pr(o_1, q_1) \Pr(o_2, q_2 | q_1, o_1) \Pr(o_3, q_3 | q_1, q_2, o_1, o_2) \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \sum_{q_2} \sum_{q_1} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \left[\sum_{q_2} \left[\sum_{q_1} [\Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1)] \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \right] \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \right] \quad (5)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \left[\sum_{q_2} \left[\sum_{q_1} \alpha_1(q_1) \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \right] \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \right] \quad (6)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \left[\sum_{q_2} \alpha_2(q_2) \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \right] \quad (7)$$

$$= \sum_{q_3} \alpha_3(q_3). \quad (8)$$

Eq. (2) uses the definition of marginal distribution; Eq. (3) uses the definition of conditional probabilities; Eq. (4) uses the HMM assumption; Eq. (5) uses the distributivity of summation of products and pulls out the common factors; The remaining equations use the definition of the forward probabilities.]]

3. Re-do the previous question with the same requirements, but use the backward algorithm.

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$$\Pr([o_1, o_2, o_3]) = \sum_{q_1} \sum_{q_2} \sum_{q_3} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \quad (9)$$

$$= \sum_{q_1} \sum_{q_2} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \left[\sum_{q_3} \Pr(o_3 | q_3) \Pr(q_3 | q_2) \right] \quad (10)$$

$$= \sum_{q_1} \left[\sum_{q_2} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \beta_2(q_2) \right] \quad (11)$$

$$= \sum_{q_1} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \left[\sum_{q_2} \Pr(o_2 | q_2) \Pr(q_2 | q_1) \beta_2(q_2) \right] \quad (12)$$

$$= \sum_{q_1} \Pr(o_1 | q_1) \Pr(q_1) \beta_1(q_1) \quad (13)$$

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4. Run the Viterbi algorithm to predict the best POS-tag sequence Q^* given the input $O = [o_1, o_2, o_3]$ with the four POS tags *Noun*, *Determiner*, *Verb*, *Adjective*. You need to draw a trellis, with the v values (based on Viterbi) annotating the correct nodes. Then write down the process of computing $v_1(\text{Noun})$ and $v_3(\text{Verb})$ using the Viterbi algorithm.

[[[The trellis is shown in Figure 1.

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$$v_1(\text{Noun}) = \Pr(\text{Noun}) \Pr(o_1 | \text{Noun}) \quad (14)$$

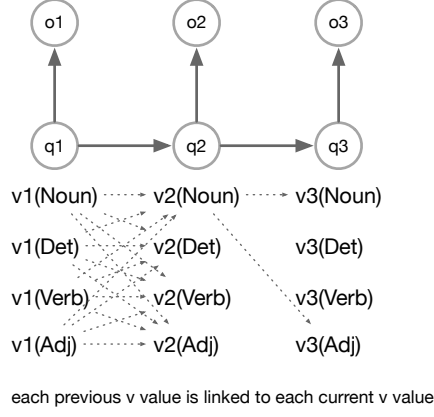


Figure 1: Trellis for computing v_t .

$$v_3(Verb) = \max_{q_2} v_2(q_2) \Pr(q_2|q_1) \Pr(o_2|q_2) \quad (15)$$

$$= \max_{q_2} \left[\max_{q_1} v_1(q_1) \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_1|q_1) \right] \Pr(q_2|q_1) \Pr(o_2|q_2) \quad (16)$$

$$= \max_{q_2} \left[\max_{q_1} [\Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_1|q_1)] \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_1|q_1) \right] \Pr(q_2|q_1) \Pr(o_2|q_2) \quad (17)$$

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5. Run the forward and backward algorithms to compute the necessary probabilities to find $\xi_2(Noun, Verb)$ on the input training sequence $O = [o_1, o_2, o_3]$.

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$$\alpha_2(Noun) = \sum_{q_1} \alpha_1(q_1) \Pr(Noun|q_1) \Pr(o_2|Noun) \quad (19)$$

$$= \sum_{q_1} \Pr(q_1) \Pr(o_1|q_1) \Pr(Noun|q_1) \Pr(o_2|Noun). \quad (20)$$

$$\beta_3(Verb) = 1. \quad (21)$$

$$\xi_2(Noun, Verb) = \alpha_2(Noun) \Pr(Verb|Noun) \Pr(o_3|Verb) \beta_3(Verb) \quad (22)$$

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