



Om Saha Naav[au]-Avatu Saha Nau Bhunaktu Saha Viiryam Karavaavahai Tejasvi Naav[au]-Adhiitam-Astu Maa Vidvissaavahai Om Shaantih Shaantih Shaantih

Om, May we all be protected
May we all be nourished
May we work together with great energy
May our intelect be sharpened (may our study be effective)
Let there be no Animosity amongst us
Om, peace (in me), peace (in nature), peace (in divine forces)

## Hidden Markov Models



## **Probability Recap**

Conditional probability

$$P(x|y) = \frac{P(x,y)}{P(y)}$$

Product rule

$$P(x,y) = P(x|y)P(y)$$

Chain rule

$$P(X_1, X_2, \dots X_n) = P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_1, X_2)\dots$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i|X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$$

- X, Y independent if and only if:  $\forall x, y : P(x, y) = P(x)P(y)$
- lacksquare X and Y are conditionally independent given Z if and only if:  $X \!\perp\!\!\!\perp \!\!\!\perp \!\!\!\!\perp Y | Z$

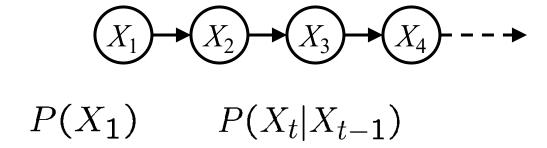
$$\forall x, y, z : P(x, y|z) = P(x|z)P(y|z)$$

## Reasoning over Time or Space

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

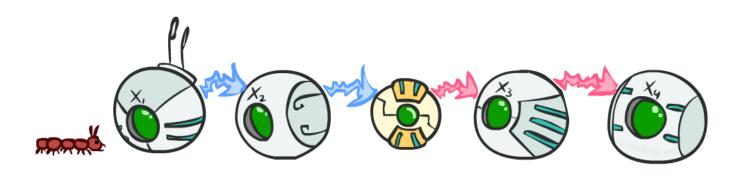
## Markov Models

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



- 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

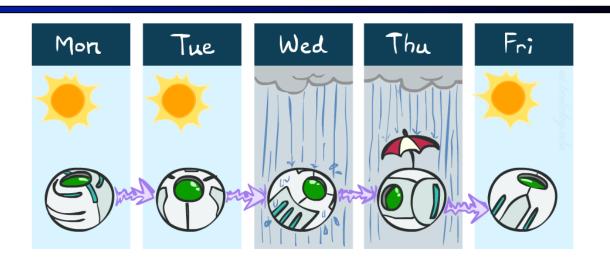
## Example Markov Chain: Weather

States: X = {rain, sun}

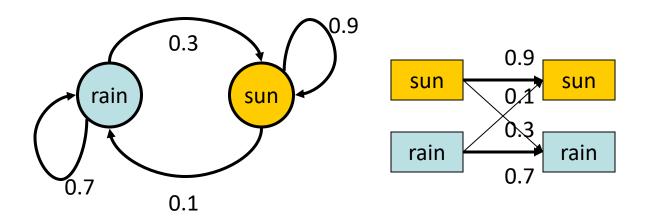
Initial distribution: 1.0 sun



<b>X</b> <sub>t-1</sub>	X <sub>t</sub>	$P(X_t   X_{t-1})$
sun	sun	0.9
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rain	rain	0.7

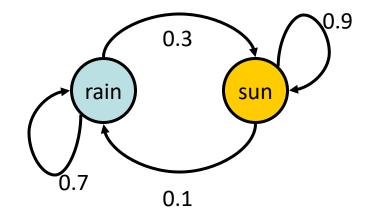


Two new ways of representing the same CPT



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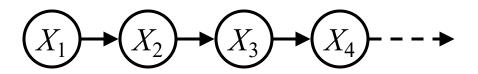


What is the probability distribution after one step?

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

## Mini-Forward Algorithm

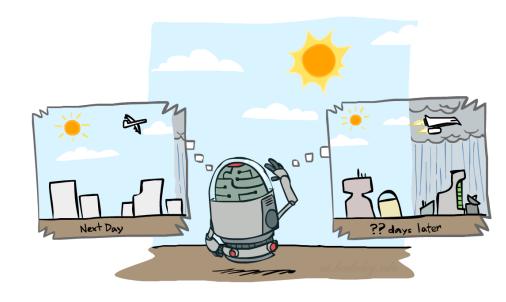
• Question: What's P(X) on some day t?



$$P(x_1) = known$$

$$P(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, x_t)$$

$$= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1})$$
Forward simulation



## Example Run of Mini-Forward Algorithm

From initial observation of sun

From initial observation of rain

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

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{c} p \\ 1-p \end{array} \right\rangle \qquad \cdots \qquad \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle$$

$$P(X_1) \qquad P(X_{\infty})$$

[Demo: L13D1,2,3]

# Video of Demo Ghostbusters Basic Dynamics



# Video of Demo Ghostbusters Circular Dynamics



# Video of Demo Ghostbusters Whirlpool Dynamics



## **Stationary Distributions**

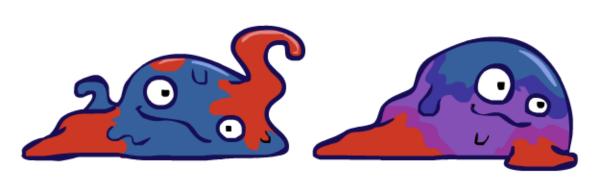
#### For most chains:

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

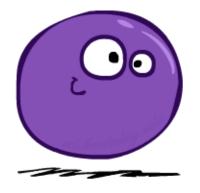
### Stationary distribution:

- The distribution we end up with is called the stationary distribution  $P_{\infty}$  of the chain
- It satisfies

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







## **Example: Stationary Distributions**

• Question: What's P(X) at time t = infinity?

$$X_1$$
  $X_2$   $X_3$   $X_4$   $X_4$ 

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

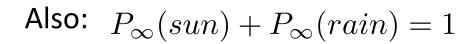
$$P_{\infty}(rain) = P(rain|sun)P_{\infty}(sun) + P(rain|rain)P_{\infty}(rain)$$

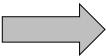
$$P_{\infty}(sun) = 0.9P_{\infty}(sun) + 0.3P_{\infty}(rain)$$

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

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

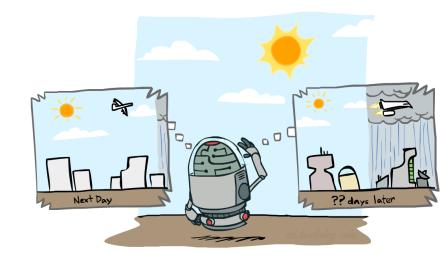
$$P_{\infty}(rain) = 1/3P_{\infty}(sun)$$





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

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



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## **Transition Matrix**

X <sub>t-1</sub>	X <sub>t</sub>	$P(X_{t} X_{t-1})$
sun	sun	0.9
sun	rain	0.1
rain	sun	0.3
rain	rain	0.7

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.84 \\ 0.16 \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Transition Matrix**

P

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P(sun|sun) & P(sun|rain) \\ P(rain|sun) & P(rain|rain) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Posterior Probability:  $\pi_t = P\pi_{t-1}$ 

## Example Run of Mini-Forward Algorithm

From initial observation of sun

Transition Matrix, 
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Posterior Probability:  $\pi_t = P\pi_{t-1}$ 

## **Stationary Distribution**

Stationary Distribution satisfies:

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

- i.e.,  $\pi = P\pi$
- In other words,  $\pi$  is *invariant* to the change of matrix P

A (non-zero) vector  $\mathbf{v}$  of dimension N is an eigenvector of a square  $N \times N$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  if it satisfies a linear equation of the form

$$Av = \lambda v$$

for some scalar  $\lambda$ 

### Conclusion:

The stationary distribution is an eigenvector of the transition matrix corresponding to the eigenvalue 1.

- A stationary distribution of a Markov chain is a probability distribution that remains unchanged in the Markov chain as time progresses.
- Typically, it is represented as a row vector  $\pi$  whose entries are probabilities summing to 1, and given transition matrix P, it satisfies  $\pi = P\pi$
- Thus ,the stationary distribution is an eigenvector of the transition matrix corresponding to the eigenvalue 1.

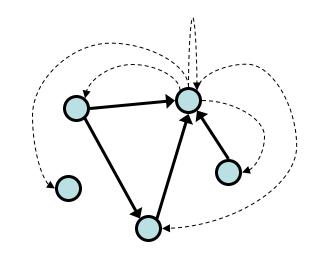
## Application of Stationary Distribution: Web Link Analysis

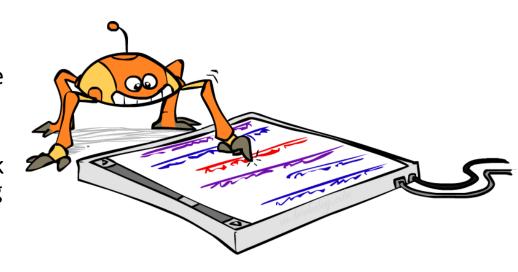
#### PageRank over a web graph

- Each web page is a state
- Initial distribution: uniform over pages
- Transitions:
  - With prob. c, uniform jump to a random page (dotted lines, not all shown)
  - With prob. 1-c, follow a random outlink (solid lines)

### 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 (rank actually getting less important over time)





## PageRank Algorithm

Web link analysis, specifically PageRank leverages the stationary distribution of a Markov chain, which reflects the long-term behavior of a random walker traversing a web graph.

## PageRank Algorithm

 PageRank utilizes the principles of Markov chains and stationary distributions to rank web pages based on their connectivity and importance.

## Setup

- Each web page is treated as a state in a Markov chain.
- The algorithm models a random walk over the web graph:
  - Transitions are defined as follows:
    - With probability c, the random walker jumps to a uniformly chosen random page (teleportation step).
    - With probability 1 c, the walker follows a randomly chosen outlink from the current page (link-following step).

## Mathematical Representation

# ■ The transition matrix P of is given by: $P = c \cdot \frac{1}{n} \cdot \mathbf{1} + (1 - c) \cdot A$

$$P = c \cdot rac{1}{n} \cdot \mathbf{1} + (1-c) \cdot P$$

#### where:

- n: Number of pages.
- 1: Matrix where all entries are 1 (uniform transition probability).
- A: Normalized adjacency matrix representing the link structure of the web graph.
- c: Damping factor (typically  $c \approx 0.15$ ).

The stationary distribution  $\pi$  is computed as the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue 1 of the matrix P:

$$\pi P = \pi$$

#### Intuition

- Pages that are "highly reachable" (i.e., have many inbound links or links from important pages) will accumulate higher stationary probabilities.
- The teleportation step ensures robustness to dangling nodes (pages with no outbound links) and avoids trapping the walker in isolated subgraphs.

## Application of Stationary Distributions: Gibbs Sampling\*

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

#### Transitions:

With probability 1/n resample variable X<sub>i</sub> according to

$$P(X_i \mid X_1, X_2, ..., X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, ..., X_n, e_1, ..., e_m)$$

### Stationary distribution:

- Conditional distribution  $P(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n | e_1, ..., e_m)$
- 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



# Pacman – Sonar (P4)



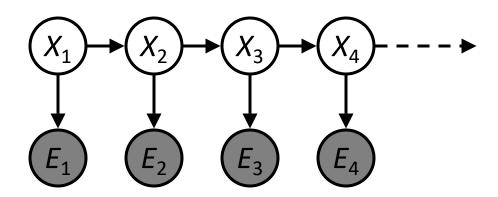
[Demo: Pacman – Sonar – No Beliefs(L14D1)]

# Video of Demo Pacman – Sonar (no beliefs)



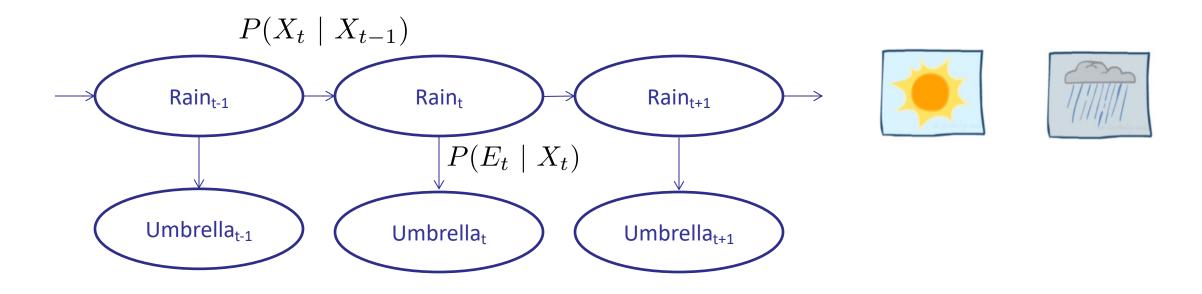
## Hidden Markov Models

- Markov chains not so useful for most agents
  - Need observations to update your beliefs
- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
  - Underlying Markov chain over states X
  - You observe outputs (effects) at each time step





## Example: Weather HMM



## An HMM is defined by:

• Initial distribution:  $P(X_1)$ 

■ Transitions:  $P(X_t \mid X_{t-1})$ 

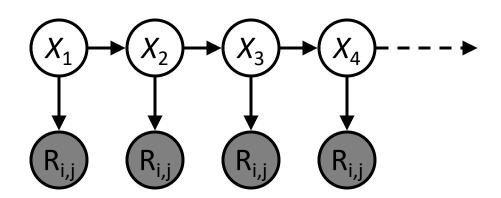
• Emissions:  $P(E_t \mid X_t)$ 

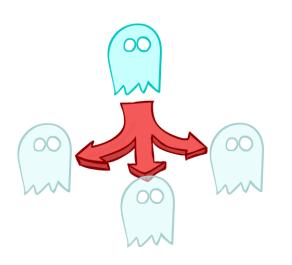
R <sub>t-1</sub>	R <sub>t</sub>	$P(R_t   R_{t-1})$
+r	+r	0.7
+r	-r	0.3
-r	+r	0.3
-r	-r	0.7

R <sub>t</sub>	U <sub>t</sub>	$P(U_t   R_t)$
+r	+u	0.9
+r	-u	0.1
-r	+u	0.2
-r	-u	0.8

## **Example: Ghostbusters HMM**

- $P(X_1) = uniform$
- P(X|X') = usually move clockwise, but sometimes move in a random direction or stay in place
- $P(R_{ij}|X)$  = same sensor model as before: red means close, green means far away.







1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9

 $P(X_1)$ 

1/6	16	1/2
0	1/6	0
0	0	0

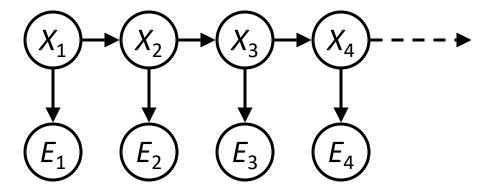
P(X | X' = <1,2>)

## Video of Demo Ghostbusters – Circular Dynamics -- HMM



## 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 correlated by the hidden state]

## Real HMM Examples

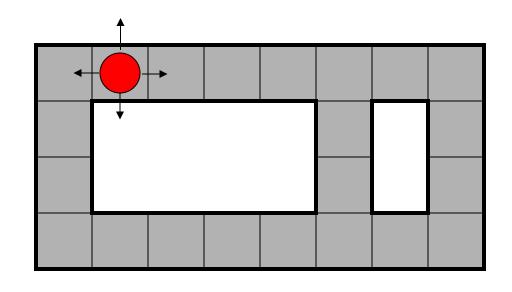
- Speech recognition HMMs:
  - Observations are acoustic signals (continuous valued)
  - States are specific positions in specific words (so, tens of thousands)
- Robot tracking:
  - Observations are range readings (continuous)
  - States are positions on a map (continuous)

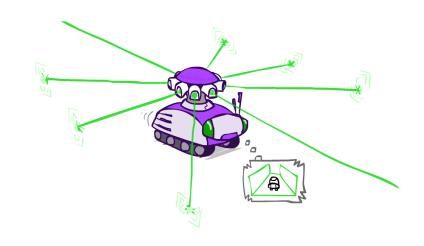
# Filtering / Monitoring

- Filtering, or monitoring, is the task of tracking the distribution  $B_t(X) = P_t(X_t \mid e_1, ..., e_t)$  (the belief state) over time
- We start with  $B_1(X)$  in an initial setting, usually uniform
- As time passes, or we get observations, we update B(X)

## **Example: Robot Localization**

Example from Michael Pfeiffer

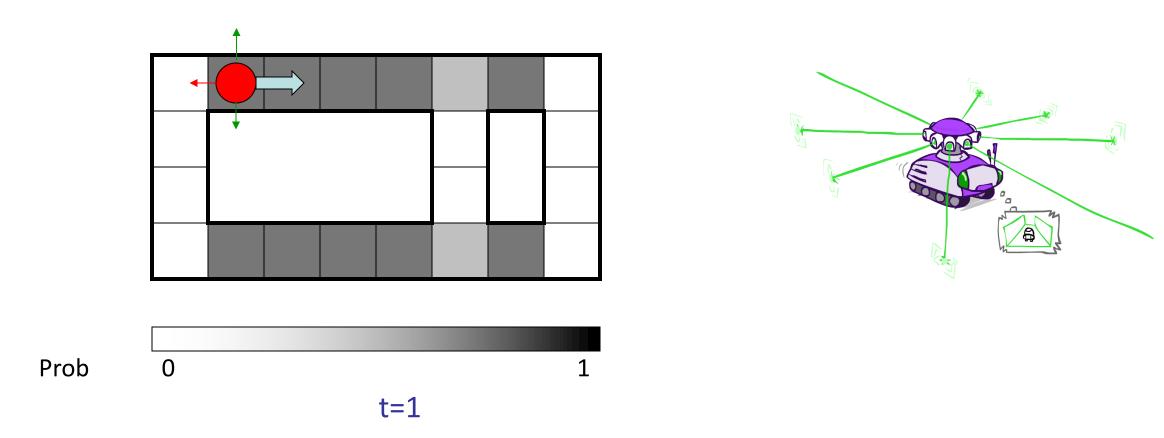




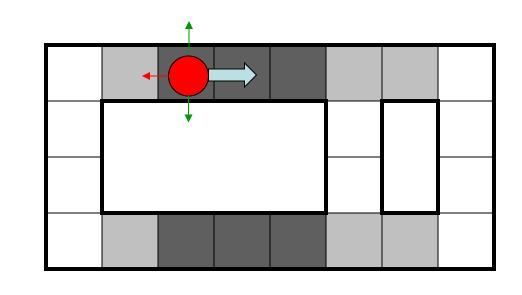


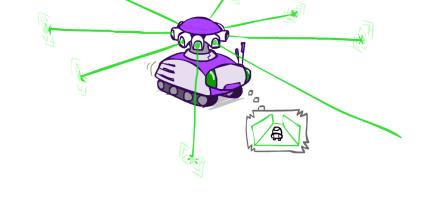
Sensor model: can read in which directions there is a wall, never more than 1 mistake

Motion model: may not execute action (with small prob).

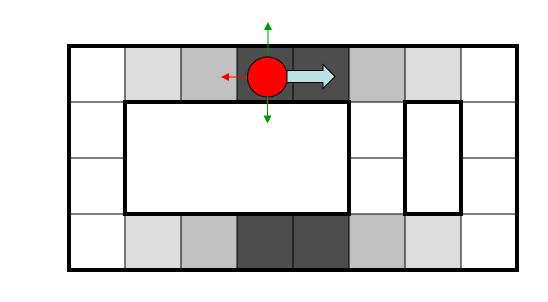


Lighter grey: was possible to get the reading, but less likely b/c required 1 mistake

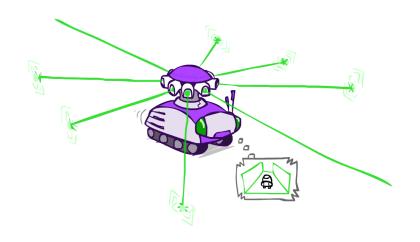


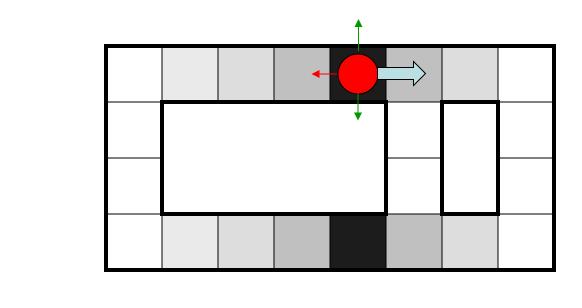


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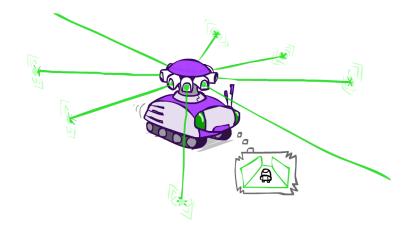


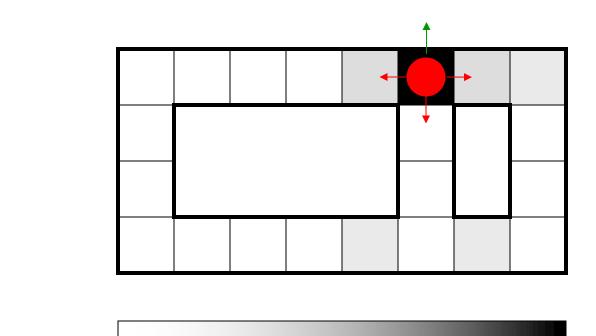




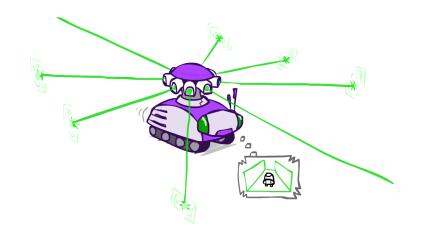


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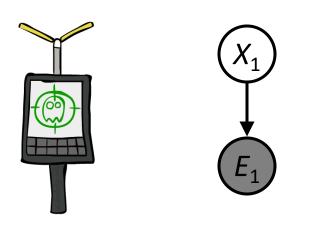




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#### Inference: Base Cases

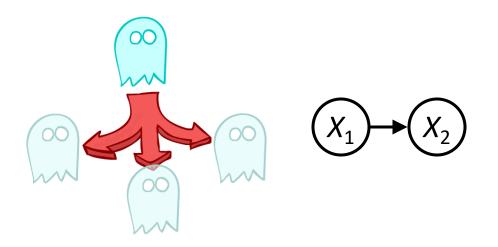


$$P(X_1|e_1)$$

$$P(x_1|e_1) = P(x_1, e_1)/P(e_1)$$

$$\propto_{X_1} P(x_1, e_1)$$

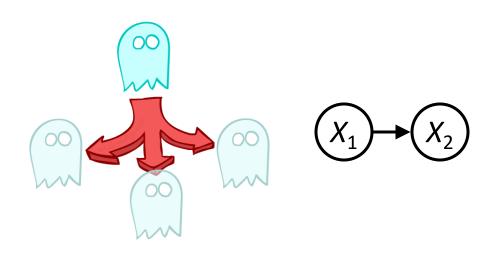
$$= P(x_1)P(e_1|x_1)$$



$$P(X_2)$$

$$P(x_2) = \sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2)$$
$$= \sum_{x_1} P(x_1) P(x_2 | x_1)$$

#### Inference: Base Cases



$$P(X_2)$$

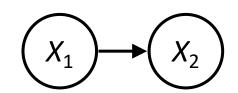
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### Passage of Time

Assume we have current belief P(X | evidence to date)

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



Then, after one time step passes:

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

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

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

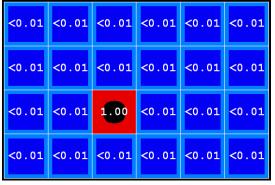
Or compactly:

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

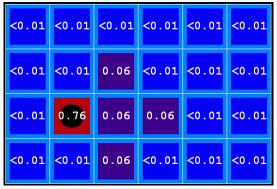
- Basic idea: beliefs get "pushed" through the transitions
  - With the "B" notation, we have to be careful about what time step t the belief is about, and what evidence it includes

#### Example: Passage of Time

As time passes, uncertainty "accumulates"

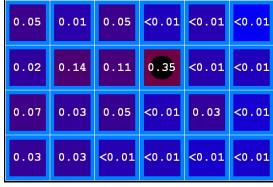




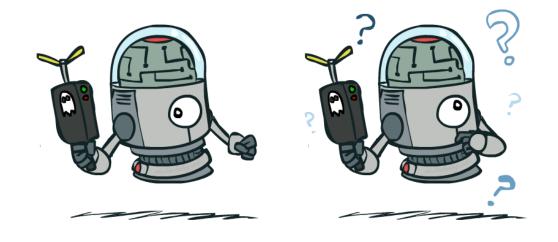


T = 2

(Transition model: ghosts usually go clockwise)

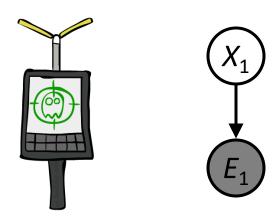


$$T = 5$$





#### Inference: Base Cases



$$P(X_1|e_1)$$

$$P(x_1|e_1) = P(x_1, e_1)/P(e_1)$$

$$\propto_{X_1} P(x_1, e_1)$$

$$= P(x_1)P(e_1|x_1)$$

#### Observation

Assume we have current belief P(X | previous evidence):

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

Then, after evidence comes in:

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

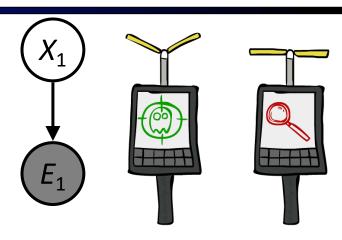
$$\propto_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1}, e_{t+1}|e_{1:t})$$

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

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

Or, compactly:

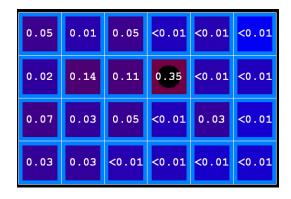
$$B(X_{t+1}) \propto_{X_{t+1}} P(e_{t+1}|X_{t+1})B'(X_{t+1})$$



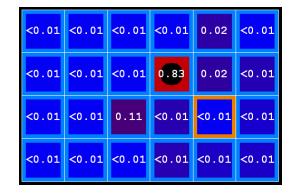
- Basic idea: beliefs "reweighted" by likelihood of evidence
- Unlike passage of time, we have to renormalize

## **Example: Observation**

As we get observations, beliefs get reweighted, uncertainty "decreases"



Before observation



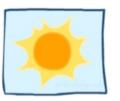
After observation



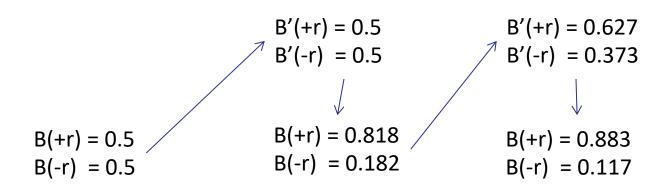


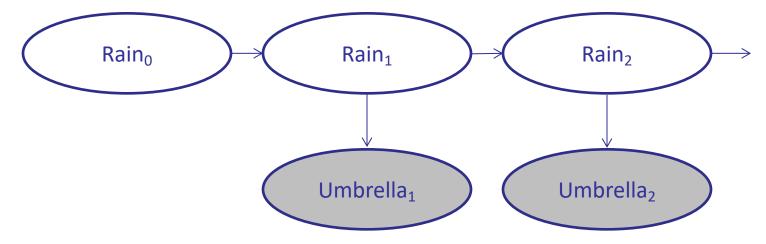


## Example: Weather HMM









$R_{t}$	R <sub>t+1</sub>	$P(R_{t+1} R_t)$
+r	+r	0.7
+r	-r	0.3
-r	+r	0.3
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R <sub>t</sub>	U <sub>t</sub>	$P(U_t   R_t)$
+r	+u	0.9
+r	-u	0.1
-r	+u	0.2
-r	-u	0.8

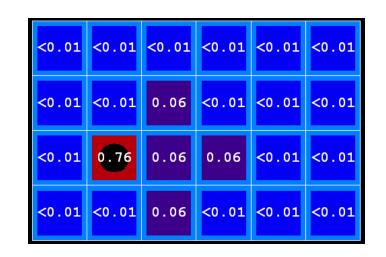
## Summary: Filtering

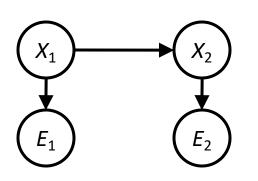
**Elapse time:** compute P( $X_t \mid e_{1:t-1}$ )

$$P(x_t|e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}|e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t|x_{t-1})$$

**Observe:** compute P( $X_t \mid e_{1:t}$ )

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





$$P(X_1)$$
 <0.5, 0.5> Prior on  $X_1$ 

$$P(X_1 \mid E_1 = umbrella)$$
 <0.82, 0.18> *Observe*

$$P(X_2 \mid E_1 = umbrella)$$
 <0.63, 0.37> Elapse time

$$P(X_2 \mid E_1 = umb, E_2 = umb)$$
 <0.88, 0.12> Observe

[Demo: Ghostbusters Exact Filtering (L15D2)]

# Pacman – Sonar (P4)



[Demo: Pacman – Sonar – No Beliefs(L14D1)]

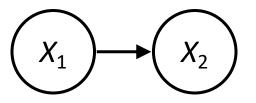
# Video of Demo Pacman – Sonar (with beliefs)



### Online Belief Updates

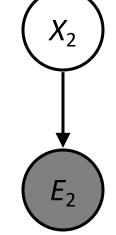
- Every time step, we start with current P(X | evidence)
- We update for time:

$$P(x_t|e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}|e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t|x_{t-1})$$



We update for evidence:

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



The forward algorithm does both at once (and doesn't normalize)

#### The Forward Algorithm

We are given evidence at each time and want to know

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

We can derive the following updates

$$P(x_{t}|e_{1:t}) \propto_{X} P(x_{t}, e_{1:t})$$

$$= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, x_{t}, e_{1:t})$$

$$= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1}) P(x_{t}|x_{t-1}) P(e_{t}|x_{t})$$

$$= P(e_{t}|x_{t}) \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t}|x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1})$$

We can normalize as we go if we want to have P(x|e) at each time step, or just once at the end...

#### Problem

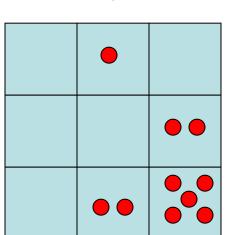
The state space could be too large to fit in memory

Solution: Particle Filtering

## Particle Filtering

- Filtering: approximate solution
- Sometimes |X| is too big to use exact inference
  - |X| may be too big to even store B(X)
  - E.g. X is continuous
- Solution: approximate inference
  - Track samples of X, not all values
  - Samples are called particles
  - Time per step is linear in the number of samples
  - But: number needed may be large
  - In memory: list of particles, not states
- This is how robot localization works in practice
- Particle is just new name for sample

0.0	0.1	0.0
0.0	0.0	0.2
0.0	0.2	0.5

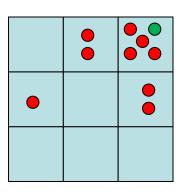


#### Representation: Particles

- Our representation of P(X) is now a list of N particles (samples)
  - Generally, N << |X|
  - Storing map from X to counts would defeat the point



- So, many x may have P(x) = 0!
- More particles, more accuracy
- For now, all particles have a weight of 1



Particles:

(3,3)

(2,3)

(3,3)

(3,2)

(3,3)

(3,2) (1,2)

(3,3)

(3,3)

(2,3)

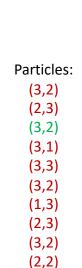
### Particle Filtering: Elapse Time

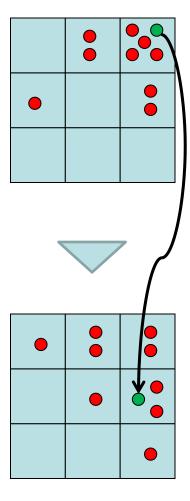
 Each particle is moved by sampling its next position from the transition model

$$x' = \text{sample}(P(X'|x))$$

- This is like prior sampling samples' frequencies reflect the transition probabilities
- Here, most samples move clockwise, but some move in another direction or stay in place
- This captures the passage of time
  - If enough samples, close to exact values before and after (consistent)

# Particles: (3,3) (2,3) (3,3) (3,2) (3,3) (3,2) (1,2) (3,3) (3,3) (3,3) (2,3)





#### Particle Filtering: Observe

#### Slightly trickier:

- Don't sample observation, fix it
- Similar to likelihood weighting, downweight samples based on the evidence

$$w(x) = P(e|x)$$

$$B(X) \propto P(e|X)B'(X)$$

 As before, the probabilities don't sum to one, since all have been downweighted (in fact they now sum to (N times) an approximation of P(e))

# Particles: (3,2) (2,3) (3,2) (3,1) (3,3) (3,2) (1,3) (2,3) (3,2)

#### Particles: (3,2) w=.9

(2,2)

(2,3) w=.2

(3,2) w=.9 (3,1) w=.4

(3,3) w=.4

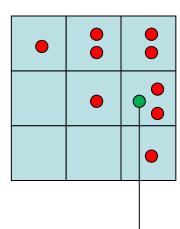
(3,2) w=.9

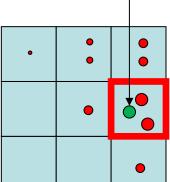
(1,3) w=.1

(2,3) w=.2

(3,2) w=.9

(2,2) w=.4





## Particle Filtering: Resample

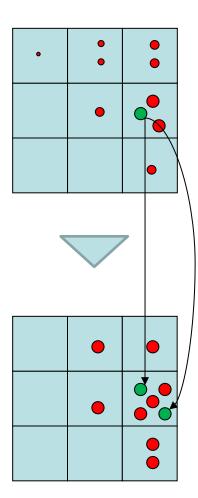
- Rather than tracking weighted samples, we resample
- N times, we choose from our weighted sample distribution (i.e. draw with replacement)
- This is equivalent to renormalizing the distribution
- Now the update is complete for this time step, continue with the next one

#### Particles:

- (3,2) w=.9
- (2,3) w=.2
- (3,2) w=.9
- (3,1) w=.4
- (3,3) w=.4
- (3,2) w=.9
- (1,3) w=.1
- (2,3) w=.2
- (3,2) w=.9
- (2,2) w=.4

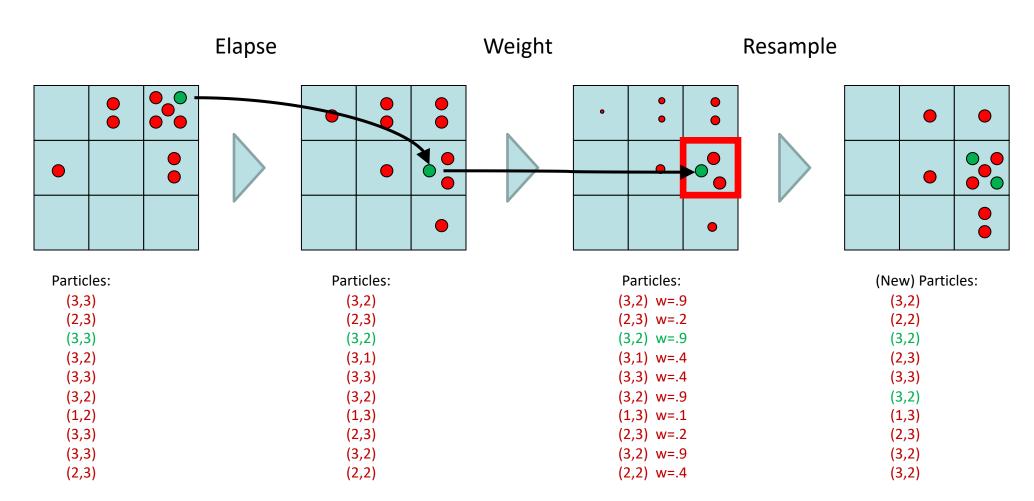
#### (New) Particles:

- (3,2)
- (2,2)
- (3,2)
- (2,3)
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- (1,3)
- (2,3)
- (3,2)
- (3,2)



### Recap: Particle Filtering

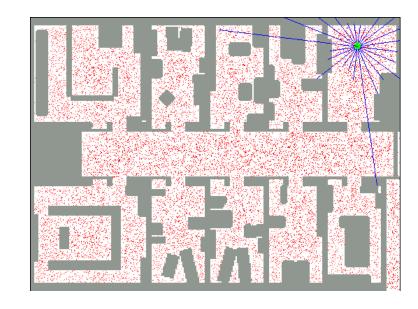
Particles: track samples of states rather than an explicit distribution

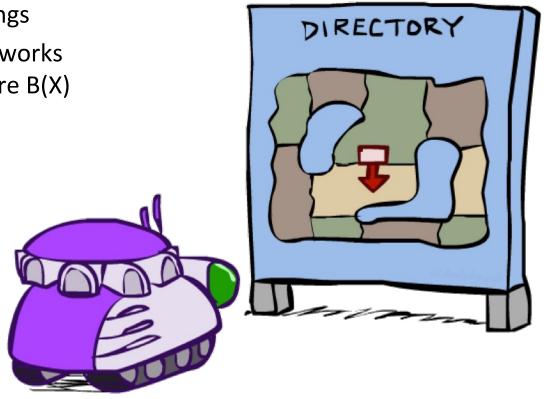


#### **Robot Localization**

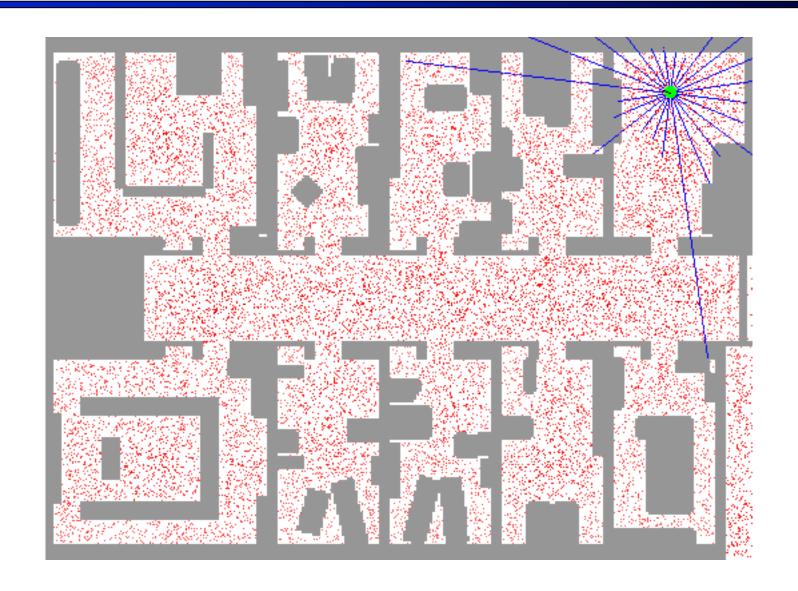
#### In robot localization:

- We know the map, but not the robot's position
- Observations may be vectors of range finder readings
- State space and readings are typically continuous (works basically like a very fine grid) and so we cannot store B(X)
- Particle filtering is a main technique





## Particle Filter Localization (Laser)



[Video: global-floor.gif]

#### Final Details

- Everything taught in the class
- Final:
  - Reinforcement Learning
  - Probability and Bayes Net
  - Decision Networks
  - HMM
  - Topics covered before Midterm

- Exam
  - Out of 100
- Exam Pattern:
- 10 one-line answer questions (including T/F or Multiple Choice)
  - 20 pts
- 4 short questions:
  - 4 \* 5 pts = 20 pts
- 4 long questions (may have parts
  - 4 \* 15 = 60 pts
  - Mostly RL + BN