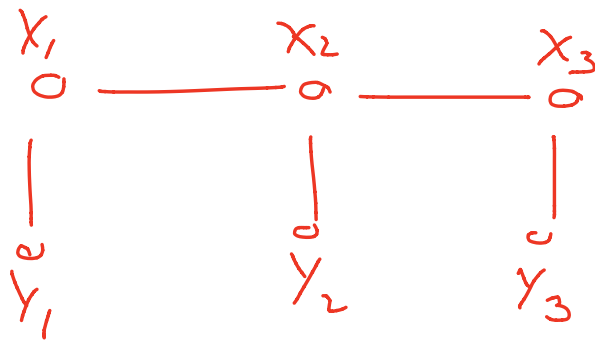


Last time we described a scheme to compute sums & maximas of Gibbs/MRFs.

An important example: HMM



$$P(x, y) = P(x_1) P(y_1 | x_1) P(x_2 | x_1) \\ P(y_2 | x_2) P(x_3 | x_2) P(y_3 | x_3)$$

$$P(y) = \sum_x P(x, y)$$

$$= \sum_{x_3} \sum_{x_2} \sum_{x_1} \left(\underbrace{P(x_1)}_{f_1(x_1)} \underbrace{P(y_1 | x_1)}_{f_2} \underbrace{P(x_2 | x_1)}_{f_3} \right)$$

$$\left(\left(P(y_2|x_2) P(x_3|x_2) P(y_3|x_3) \right) \right)$$

Could continue this process for $n > 3$

Thus we could define a recurrence.

$$f_1 = P(x_1) P(y_1|x_1)$$

$$f_i = \sum_{x_{i-1}} \left[f_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) P(x_i|x_{i-1}) \right] P(y_i|x_i)$$

"forward" probabilities.

Rmk: $f_i = P(x_i, y_i)$ Suppose that

$$f_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) = P(x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}, \dots, y_1)$$

then

$$f_i(x_i) = \sum_{x \dots} P(x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}, \dots, y_i) P(x_i|x_{i-1}) P(y_i|x_i)$$

$$x_{i-1}$$

$$= \sum_{x_{i-1}} P(x_i, y_{i-1}, \dots, y_i) P(x_i | x_{i-1}, y_i, \dots, y_{i-1}) P(y_i | x_i)$$

$$= \sum_{x_{i-1}} P(x_i, x_{i-1}, y_{i:i-1}) P(y_i | x_i, x_{i-1}, y_{i:i-1})$$

$$= \sum_{x_{i-1}} P(x_{i-1}, x_i, y_{i:i-1}, y_i) = P(x_i, y_{i:i})$$

In practice we work with logs

$$\tilde{f}_i(x_i) = \log f_i(x_i)$$

$$\tilde{f}_1(x_1) = \log P(x_1) + \log P(y_1 | x_1)$$

$$\tilde{f}_i(x_i) = \log f_i(x_i)$$

$$= \log \left\{ \sum_{y_i} f_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) P(y_i | x_{i-1}) \right\}$$

x_{i-1}

$$= \log \left\{ \sum_{x_{i-1}} \exp(\log f_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) + \log P(x_i | x_{i-1})) \right. \\ \left. + \log P(y_i | x_i) \right\}$$

$$= \log \sum_{x_{i-1}} \exp \left\{ \tilde{f}_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) + \log P(x_i | x_{i-1}) \right\} \\ + \log P(y_i | x_i)$$

Thus with

$$l_1 \oplus l_2 = \log (e^{l_1} + e^{l_2})$$

$$\tilde{f}_i(x_i) = \oplus (\tilde{f}_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) + \log P(x_i | x_{i-1})) \\ + \log P(y_i | x_i)$$

Similarly if we want

$$\hat{x} = \arg \max_x P(x|y) = \arg \max_x P(x, y)$$

$$\max_x P(x, y) = \max_{x_3} \left\{ \max_{x_2} \left\{ \max_{x_1} \right. \right.$$

$$\left. P(x_1) P(y_1|x_1) P(x_2|x_1) \right\} P(y_2|x_2) P(x_3|x_2) \left. \right\} \\ P(y_3|x_3) \left. \right\}$$

Define

$$m_i(x_i) = P(x_i) P(y_i|x_i)$$

$$m_{i-1}(x_i) = \max_{x_{i-1}} m_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) P(x_i|x_{i-1}) P(y_i|x_i)$$

$$b_{i-1}(x_i) = \arg \max_{y \dots} m_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) P(x_i|x_{i-1})$$

$n-1$

Then use traceback to find the X_i :

$$b_n = \arg \max_{x_n} m_n(x_n)$$

$$\hat{x}_n = b_n$$

$$\bar{x}_{n-1} = b_{n-1}(\hat{x}_n)$$

\vdots

$$\hat{x}_1 = b_1(\bar{x}_2)$$

In practice

$$\bar{m}_i(x_i) = \log m_i(x_i)$$

$$= \log \max_{x_{i-1}} m_{i-1}(x_{i-1}) P(x_i | x_{i-1})$$

+

$$\log P(y_i | x_i)$$

$$= \max_{x_{i-1}} \left\{ \hat{m}_i(x_{i-1}) + \log P(x_i | x_{i-1}) \right\} + \log P(y_i | x_i)$$

Same as the softmax relation - just with hard max.

— "Viterbi algorithm"

Rmk: For optimization this is a dynamic program