

# 1 Parsing-as-deduction rules for noisy channel

## 1.1 Item format

Each item has the following entries. In general, numerical indices are denoted by lowercase letters and other entries are denoted by uppercase letters.

1. frame index ( $i, j, \dots$ )
2. PLU-internal HMM state ( $s \in \{start, mid, end\}$ )
3. PLU bottom type ( $A, B, \dots$ )
4. PLU bottom index ( $a, b, \dots$ )
5. edit operation type ( $E \in \{NONE, IB, IT, SUB\}$ )
6. PLU top index ( $m, n, \dots$ )
7. the probability of the item ( $P$  or  $P'$ )

We also assume the existence of the following functions:

- $TOP(m)$  returns the type of the PLU at position  $M$  in the top-level PLU sequence.
- $p_{hmm}(s_1 \rightarrow s_2)$  returns the probability of transitioning from PLU-internal HMM state  $s_1$  to  $s_2$ . This is always 0.5 under the current implementation.
- $p_{op}(E)$  returns the probability of the given operation type ( $\{IB, IT, SUB\}$ ).
- $p_{ib}(A)$  returns the probability of the insert bottom operation for PLU  $A$ , given that  $E = IB$ .
- $p_{it}(M)$  returns the probability of the insert top operation for PLU  $M$ , given that  $E = IT$ .
- $p_{sub}(M, A)$  returns the probability of the substitute operation that substitutes PLU  $A$  for PLU  $M$ , given that  $E = SUB$ .
- $lh(A, s, i)$  returns the likelihood of state  $s$  of PLU  $A$  at frame  $i$  (based on the audio input).

## 1.2 Moves in Levenshtein matrix (PLU transitions)

### 1.2.1 Insert Bottom

$$\frac{[i, end, A, a, E, m, P]}{[i + 1, start, B, a + 1, IB, m, P' = P \cdot p_{hmm}(end \rightarrow start) \cdot p_{op}(IB) \cdot p_{ib}(B) \cdot lh(B, start, i + 1)]}$$

### 1.2.2 Insert Top

$$\frac{[i, end, A, a, E, m, P]}{[i, end, A, a, IT, m + 1, P' = P \cdot p_{op}(IT) \cdot p_{it}(TOP(m + 1))]}$$

### 1.2.3 Substitute

$$\frac{[i, end, A, a, E, m, P]}{[i + 1, start, B, a + 1, SUB, m + 1, P' = P \cdot p_{hmm}(end \rightarrow start) \cdot p_{op}(SUB) \cdot p_{sub}(TOP(m + 1), B) \cdot lh(B, start, i + 1)]}$$

## 1.3 PLU-internal transitions

### 1.3.1 HMM-state-internal transition

$$\frac{[i, s, A, a, E \in \{NONE, IB, SUB\}, m, P]}{[i + 1, s, A, a, NONE, m, P' = P \cdot p_{hmm}(s \rightarrow s) \cdot lh(A, s, i + 1)]}$$

### 1.3.2 PLU-internal HMM state transition

$$\frac{[i, s \in \{start, mid\}, A, a, E \in \{NONE, IB, SUB\}, m, P]}{[i + 1, s + 1, A, a, NONE, m, P' = P \cdot p_{hmm}(s \rightarrow s + 1) \cdot lh(A, s + 1, i + 1)]}$$

## 1.4 Start items

The start items are as follows:

- $\{ [i = 0, start, A, a = 0, IB, m = -1, P = p_{op}(IB) \cdot p_{ib}(A) \cdot lh(A, start, 0)] \}, \forall A \in \{\text{bottom-level PLUs}\}$
- $\{ [i = -1, end, A, a = -1, IT, m = 0, P = p_{op}(IT) \cdot p_{it}(TOP(0))] \}$

- $\{ [\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{0}, start, A, \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}, SUB, \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0}, P = p_{op}(SUB) \cdot p_{sub}(TOP(0), A) \cdot lh(A, start, 0)] \},$   
 $\forall A \in \{\text{bottom-level PLUs}\}$

## 1.5 Completion rules

The parse is complete when any item of the following is reached, where  $x$  is the number of frames in the audio input and  $y$  is the number of PLUs in the top-level sequence.

- $\{ [\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{n}, end, A, a, E, \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{y}, P] \}, \forall A \in \{\text{bottom-level PLUs}\}, 1 \leq a \leq max\_bottom$

## 2 Implementation details

### 2.1 Iteration order

Iterating through the items in a correct order, such that all items from which item  $x$  is reachable are completed before item  $x$  is entered, is nontrivial.

As a starting point for thinking about ordering, below is a list of all items from which item  $x = [i, s, A, a, E, m, P]$  is reachable, and thus must be completed before  $x$  is entered, given certain conditions on the parameters.

Item	Conditions	Transition type
$[i - 1, end, B, a - 1, E', m, P']$	if $E = IB, s = start$	Insert-bottom operation
$[i, end, A, a, E', m - 1, P']$	if $E = IT, s = end$	Insert-top operation
$[i - 1, end, B, a - 1, E', m - 1, P']$	if $E = SUB, s = start$	Substitute operation
$[i - 1, s, A, a, NONE, m, P']$	if $E \in \{NONE, IB, SUB\}$	PLU-internal HMM self-transition
$[i - 1, s - 1, A, a, NONE, m, P']$	if $E \in \{NONE, IB, SUB\}, s \in \{mid, end\}$	PLU-internal HMM transition

### 2.2 Time complexity analysis

The chart, under the 3-state-HMM implementation, has the following dimensionality.

Dimension	Length	Typical value for a 15-second utterance
Number of frames	$i$	1500
HMM state	3 (constant)	3
Number of PLU bottom types	$A$	50
Number of PLU bottom indices	$a$	130
Number of edit operation types	4 (constant)	4
Number of PLU top indices	$m$	120

Full chart contains  $n = O(i \times 3 \times A \times a \times 4 \times m) = O(iAam)$  items. However:

- The number of PLU top indices has an approximately linear relationship with the number of frames (and is upper bounded by it). We can express this as  $m = O(i)$ .
- Likewise, the number of PLU bottom indices also has an approximately linear relationship with  $i$ , so  $a = O(i)$ .
- Therefore,  $n = O(Ai^3)$ . In other words, the number of chart items the cube of the number of frames and linearly as the number of PLU bottom types.

Full chart for a typical 15-second utterance contains approximately  $1.4 \times 10^{10}$  items.