
Natural Language Processing – Exercise 3

Q1:

Given Data:

Hidden states – {H, L}

Transition Probabilities		
	H	L
H	0.5	0.5
L	0.4	0.6

Emission Probabilities				
	A	T	G	C
H	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
L	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2

Given sequence: **S = ACCGTGCA**

Starting state = H.

Viterbi Algorithm:

K=0:

$$\pi(0, H) = 1$$

$$\pi(0, L) = 0$$

$$bp(0, H) = bp(0, L) = \text{None}$$

We know that the starting state is H, and there are no back pointers yet.

K=1: A nucleotide was emitted

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(1, H) &= \max(\pi(0, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(A|H), \pi(0, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(A|H)) \\ &= \max(1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.2, 0 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.2) = 0.1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(1, L) &= \max(\pi(0, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(A|L), \pi(0, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(A|L)) \\ &= \max(1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.3, 0 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.3) = 0.15 \end{aligned}$$

$$bp(1, H) = H$$

$$bp(1, L) = H$$

K=2: C nucleotide was emitted

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(2, H) &= \max(\pi(1, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(C|H), \pi(1, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(C, H)) \\
 &= \max(0.1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.3, 0.15 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.3) = \max(0.015, 0.018) = 0.018 \\
 \pi(2, L) &= \max(\pi(1, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(C|L), \pi(1, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(C|L)) \\
 &= \max(0.1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.2, 0.15 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.2) = \max(0.01, 0.018) = 0.018 \\
 bp(2, H) &= L, \quad bp(2, L) = L
 \end{aligned}$$

K=3: C nucleotide was emitted

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(3, H) &= \max(\pi(2, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(C|H), \pi(2, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(C, H)) \\
 &= \max(0.018 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.3, 0.018 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.3) = \max(0.0027, 0.00216) = 0.0027 \\
 \pi(3, L) &= \max(\pi(2, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(C|L), \pi(2, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(C|L)) \\
 &= \max(0.018 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.2, 0.018 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.2) = \max(0.0018, 0.00216) = 0.00216 \\
 bp(3, H) &= H, \quad bp(3, L) = L
 \end{aligned}$$

K=4: G nucleotide was emitted

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(4, H) &= \max(\pi(3, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(G|H), \pi(3, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(G, H)) \\
 &= \max(0.0027 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.3, 0.00216 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.3) = \max(0.000405, 0.0002592) \\
 &= 0.000405 \\
 \pi(4, L) &= \max(\pi(3, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(G|L), \pi(3, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(G|L)) \\
 &= \max(0.0027 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.2, 0.00216 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.2) = \max(0.00027, 0.0002592) \\
 &= 0.00027 \\
 bp(4, H) &= H, \quad bp(4, L) = H
 \end{aligned}$$

K=5: T nucleotide was emitted

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(5, H) &= \max(\pi(4, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(T|H), \pi(4, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(T, H)) \\
 &= \max(0.0000405, 0.0000216) = 0.0000405 \\
 \pi(5, L) &= \max(\pi(4, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(T|L), \pi(4, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(T|L)) \\
 &= \max(0.00006075, 0.0000486) = 0.00006075 \\
 bp(5, H) &= H, \quad bp(5, L) = H
 \end{aligned}$$

K=6: G nucleotide was emitted

$$\pi(6, H) = \max(\pi(5, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(G|H), \pi(5, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(G, H))$$

$$= \max(6.075 \cdot 10^{-6}, 7.29 \cdot 10^{-6}) = 7.29 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\pi(6, L) = \max(\pi(5, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(G|L), \pi(5, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(G|L))$$

$$= \max(4.05 \cdot 10^{-6}, 7.29 \cdot 10^{-6}) = 7.29 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$bp(6, H) = L, \quad bp(6, L) = L$$

K=7: C nucleotide was emitted

$$\pi(7, H) = \max(\pi(6, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(C|H), \pi(6, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(C, H))$$

$$= \max(1.093 \cdot 10^{-6}, 8.748 \cdot 10^{-7}) = 1.093 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\pi(7, L) = \max(\pi(6, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(C|L), \pi(6, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(C|L))$$

$$= \max(7.29 \cdot 10^{-7}, 8.748 \cdot 10^{-7}) = 8.748 \cdot 10^{-7}$$

$$bp(7, H) = H, \quad bp(7, L) = L$$

K=8: A nucleotide was emitted

$$\pi(8, H) = \max(\pi(7, H) \cdot P(H|H) \cdot P(A|H), \pi(7, L) \cdot P(H|L) \cdot P(A, H))$$

$$= \max(1.093 \cdot 10^{-7}, 6.998 \cdot 10^{-8}) = 1.093 \cdot 10^{-7}$$

$$\pi(8, L) = \max(\pi(7, H) \cdot P(L|H) \cdot P(A|L), \pi(7, L) \cdot P(L|L) \cdot P(A|L))$$

$$= \max(1.64 \cdot 10^{-7}, 1.57 \cdot 10^{-7}) = 1.64 \cdot 10^{-7}$$

$$bp(8, H) = H, \quad bp(8, L) = H$$

As we can see the best end state is L as shown in K=8: $\pi(8, L) > \pi(8, H)$.

We will follow the back pointers and reach to the best state-sequence:

hidden state	L	H	H	H	L	H	H	L
nucleotide emitted	A	C	C	G	T	G	C	A

Best sequence probability calculation:

$$P(S|best\ state\ seq)$$

$$= P(A|L) \cdot P(C|H) \cdot P(C|H) \cdot P(C|H) \cdot P(G|H) \cdot P(T|L) \cdot P(G|H) \cdot P(C|H) \cdot P(A|L) = 0.3^8 = 6.561 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

Q2:

Pseudo-code for the Four-gram Viterbi Algorithm:

Input:

- An integer n .
- Parameters $q(w|t, u, v)$ and $e(x|s)$.

Definitions:

- K : Set of possible tags.
- $K_{-2} = K_{-1} = K_0 = \{*\}$.
- $K_k = K$ for $k = 1, \dots, n$.
- V : Set of possible words.

Initialization:

1. Define $\pi(-2, *, *) = 1$ (Base probability).
2. For $k = -1, 0$: $\pi(k, *, *) = 0$.

Algorithm:

1. Iterate over positions $i = 1$ to n :
 - For each tag y_{i-3} in K_{i-3} :
 - For each tag y_{i-2} in K_{i-2} :
 - For each tag y_{i-1} in K_{i-1} :
 - Compute the maximum probability:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(i, y_{i-2}, y_{i-1}) &= \max_{y_i \in K_i} (\pi(i-1, y_{i-3}, y_{i-2}) \\ &\quad \cdot q(y_i | y_{i-3}, y_{i-2}, y_{i-1}) \cdot e(x_i | y_i) \end{aligned}$$
 - Store the corresponding y_i in a back-pointer $bp[i][y_{i-2}][y_{i-1}]$.
2. Final Step ($n+1$):
 - Set $\pi(n+1, STOP)$ to:

$$\max_{y_{n-2}, y_{n-1}, y_n \in K} (\pi(n, y_{n-2}, y_{n-1}) \cdot q(STOP | y_{n-2}, y_{n-1}, y_n))$$
 - Track back-pointers for the best sequence.
3. Return:
 - a. Use the back-pointers to reconstruct the optimal tag sequence $y_1, \dots, y_n, STOP$.
 - b. Return the sequence and the maximum probability.