

Lab 5

Hidden Markov Models (HMMs)

Ex. 1 (2p) A professor gives tests that can be difficult, medium, or easy. The probability of the difficulty of the first test is equal for all three. If, at some point, a difficult test is given, the next test can only be medium or easy, with equal probability. However, if a medium or easy test is given, then the next test will be difficult with probability 0.5, or medium or easy with equal probability 0.25.

A student's grade on the test — FB (very good), B (good), S (satisfactory), or NS (unsatisfactory) — depends on the difficulty of the test. The conditional probabilities of the grade given the test difficulty are:

- Difficult test: $[0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.3]$;
- Medium test: $[0.15, 0.25, 0.5, 0.1]$;
- Easy test: $[0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.1]$.

For the following assignments (except Bonus), you should use the `hmmlearn` library.

- a) (0.5p.) Use the `hmmlearn` library to define the Hidden Markov Model and draw the state diagram

Suppose now that you have observed the following sequence of grades: FB, FB, S, B, B, S, B, B, NS, B, B.

- b) (0.5p.) Determine the probability of obtaining the above observations.
- c) (1p.) Determine the most probable sequence of test difficulties corresponding to these grades and the probability of that sequence.

Bonus: (1p.) Implement the *Viterbi* algorithm from Lecture 4 directly (without using a dedicated library).