

# Inference and Learning of Hidden Markov Model

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# Notice

- The next class will be on **May 30 (Wed)**.
- Hopefully, we will go on to Switching Linear Dynamical Systems, which can be regarded as a hybrid of LDS and HMM

# Outline

## 1. Markov Chain

- Maximum likelihood estimation of Markov chain

## 2. Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

## 3. Inference with HMM

- Filtering and smoothing
- Viterbi algorithm -> may be skipped

## 4. Example : Robot Position Estimation

## 5. Learning of HMM

- EM algorithm for HMM (Baum-Welch algorithm)

# Markov Process (Markov Chain)

- $x_t$  takes a value in a set of **discrete** values

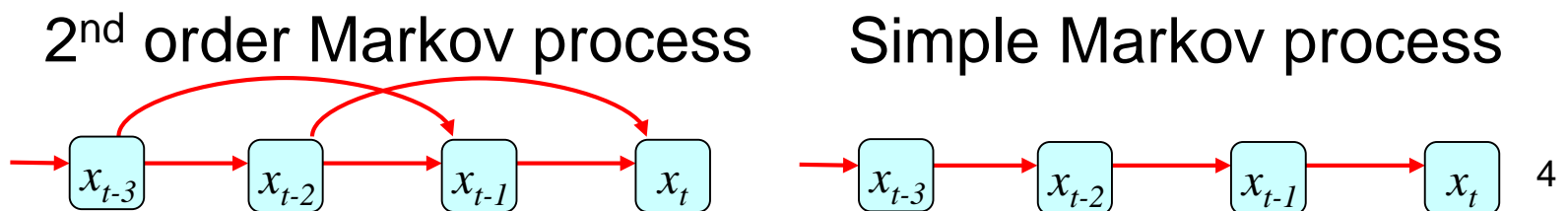
$$x_t \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\} \quad \text{for simplicity, consider integer numbers from 1 to K}$$

- Prob. dist. of  $x_t$  is dependent only on states at previous n-steps (n-th order Markov process)

$$P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}, x_{t-2}, \dots, x_1, x_0) = P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}, \dots, x_{t-n})$$

- Special case of  $n=1$  is called as *Simple Markov Process*

$$P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}, x_{t-2}, \dots, x_1, x_0) = P(x_t \mid x_{t-1})$$



# Examples of Markov Process

- Weather
  - $x_t \in \{\text{Sunny, Rain, Cloudy}\}$
- *Sugoroku*
  - $x_t \in \{\text{Places that pieces can occupy}\}$
- Musical note
- Web browsing history
- Psychological states of persons
- Status of machines
  - $x_t \in \{\text{Normal, Abnormal}\}$



日	月	火	水	木	金	土
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



# Model Parameters of Markov Chain

- We focus on *simple* Markov process
- Model parameters:

- Initial probabilities  $\pi_i \equiv p(x_1 = i) \quad (i=1,2,\dots,K)$

$\boldsymbol{\pi} \equiv [\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_K]^T$  K-dimensional vector

$$\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \dots + \pi_K = \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = \boldsymbol{\pi}^T \mathbf{1}_K = 1$$

where  $\mathbf{1}_K \equiv \underbrace{[1, 1, \dots, 1]^T}_K$

- Transition probabilities  $A_{i,j} \equiv p(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t = i)$

$\mathbf{A} \equiv [A_{i,j}]$  K x K matrix

$$\sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} = 1 \quad (i=1,2,\dots,K) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{1}_K = \mathbf{1}_K$$

# Likelihood Function of Markov Model (1)

- Model parameters:  $\Theta = \{\mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\pi}\}$
- Data:  $D = \mathbf{x}_{1:T} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_T]^T$
- Log-likelihood function:

$$l(\Theta | D) \equiv \ln p(\mathbf{x}_{1:T} | \Theta) = \ln \left\{ p(x_1) \prod_{t=1}^{T-1} p(x_{t+1} | x_t) \right\}$$

Note we can write

$$p(x_1) = \pi_{x_1} = \prod_{i=1}^K \pi_i^{\mathbf{I}(x_1=i)}$$

$$p(x_{t+1} | x_t) = A_{x_t, x_{t+1}} = \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}^{\mathbf{I}(x_t=i, x_{t+1}=j)}$$

where  $\mathbf{I}(x)$  is the indicator function defined as,

$$\mathbf{I}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & (\text{if } x \text{ is true}) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}$$

# Likelihood Function of Markov Model (2)

By substituting them,

$$\begin{aligned} l(\Theta | D) &= \ln \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^K \pi_i^{\mathbf{I}(x_1=i)} \prod_{t=1}^{T-1} \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}^{\mathbf{I}(x_t=i, x_{t+1}=j)} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \ln A_{i,j} \end{aligned}$$

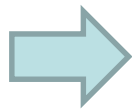
where  $N_{i,j} \equiv \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j)$



Counts of transitions from  $i$  to  $j$  in  $x_{1:T}$

Maximize  $l(\Theta|D)$  **with constraints** :

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} = 1 \quad (i=1,2,\dots,K)$$



Lagrange multipliers !



# Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Markov Model (1)

Define the Lagrangian as,

$$\begin{aligned} L(\Theta, \lambda, \boldsymbol{\mu}) &= l(\Theta \mid D) + \lambda \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i \right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \mu_i \left( 1 - \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \ln A_{i,j} \\ &\quad + \lambda \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i \right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \mu_i \left( 1 - \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \pi_i} = \frac{\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)}{\pi_i} - \lambda = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_i = \frac{\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)}{\lambda}$$

constraint

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\pi}_i = \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)$$

# Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Markov Model (2)

Derivatives of Lagrangian w.r.t.  $A_{i,j}$  :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial A_{i,j}} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{A_{i,j}} - \mu_i = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_{i,j} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{\mu_i}$$

Substitute this into the constraint:

$$\sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} = \frac{1}{\mu_i} \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_i = \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j}$$

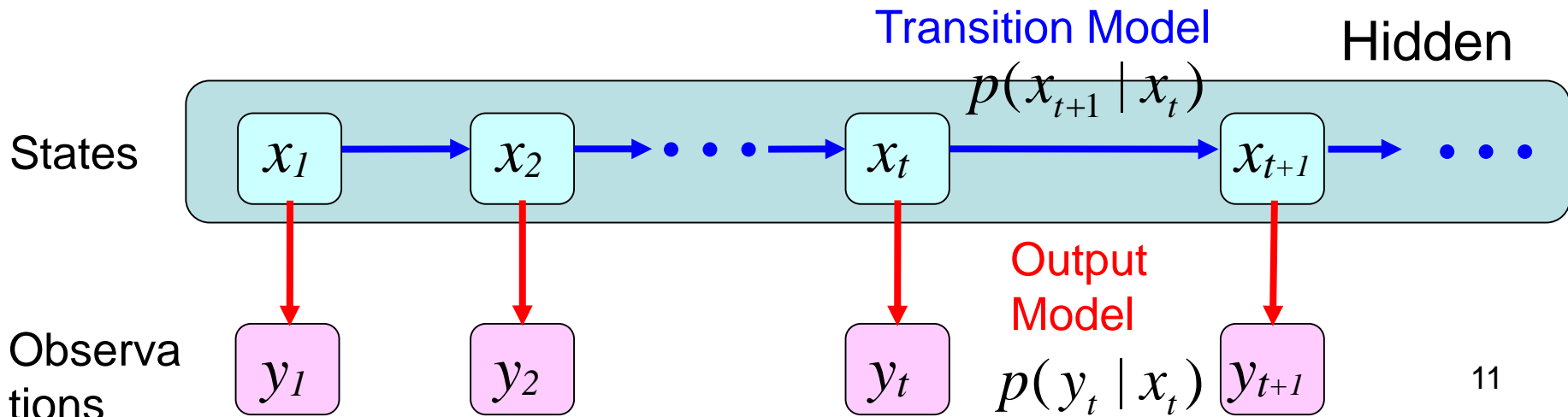
As a result,

$$\hat{A}_{i,j} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{\sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j}}$$

Just frequencies ..

# Hidden Markov Model

- Transition of **internal state**  $x_t$  of the system is modeled by Markov process
- **Unable to access to (observe)  $x_t$  directly**
- Observation  $y_t$  is available instead
  - Prob. dist. of  $y_t$  is determined by  $x_t$   $P(y_t | x_t)$
  - $y_t$  can be a discrete or continuous scalar or vector



# Elements of HMM

## (with Discrete Observations)

- Hidden state :  $x_t \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$
- Observation (output) :  $y_t \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$
- Transition model :  $\mathbf{A} \equiv [A_{i,j}]$   
 $A_{i,j} \equiv p(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t = i)$  Probability of moving from state  $i$  to state  $j$
- Output (Observation) model :  $\mathbf{B} \equiv [B_{i,k}]$   
 $B_{i,k} \equiv p(y_t = k \mid x_t = i)$  Probability of observing  $k$  at state  $i$
- Initial probability distribution :  $\boldsymbol{\pi} \equiv [\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_K]^T$   
 $\pi_i \equiv p(x_1 = i)$

Here we deal  
with discrete  
scalar output

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Filtering (1)

- Filtering : Estimation of posterior distribution of current state, given all observations to date
- i.e., Compute  $P(x_t | y_{1:t})$

[Hints for derivation]

- Consider deriving a recursive form for computing  $P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t+1})$  from  $P(x_t | y_{1:t})$
- Transition & output models will be contained in the result
- Take advantage of Markov property (conditional independence)
- Use Bayes' rule and marginalization techniques

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Filtering (2)

Posterior  
at time t+1

$$P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t+1}) = P(x_{t+1} | y_{t+1}, y_{1:t})$$

$$\leftarrow y_{1:t+1} = \{y_{t+1}, y_{1:t}\}$$

$$= \frac{P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}, y_{1:t}) \cdot P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t})}{P(y_{t+1} | y_{1:t})}$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Bayes' rule}$$

$$= c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}, y_{1:t}) \cdot P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t})$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Independent of } x_{t+1}$$

$$= c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \cdot P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t})$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Markov Property}$$

$$= c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^K P(x_{t+1}, x_t = i | y_{1:t})$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Marginalization}$$

$$= c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^K \{P(x_{t+1} | x_t = i, y_{1:t}) \cdot P(x_t = i | y_{1:t})\}$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Bayes'}$$

$$= c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^K \{P(x_{t+1} | x_t = i) \cdot P(x_t = i | y_{1:t})\}$$

$$\leftarrow \text{Markov}$$

Observation  
Model

Transition  
Model

Posterior  
at time t

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Filtering (3)

$$P(x_{t+1} | y_{1:t+1}) = c \cdot P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^K \underbrace{\{P(x_{t+1} | x_t = i) \cdot P(x_t = i | y_{1:t})\}}_{\text{Filtered dist.}}$$

Define the **forward** prob.  $\alpha_t(i) \equiv P(x_t = i | y_{1:t})$

Assume the observation at t+1  $y_{t+1} \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$

Then,  $\alpha_{t+1}(j) = c \cdot B_{j,y_t} \sum_{i=1}^K A_{i,j} \alpha_t(i)$  **Filtered dist.** k-th column of B

By defining  $\mathbf{a}_t \equiv [\alpha_t(1), \dots, \alpha_t(K)]^T$   $\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,k} \equiv [B_{1,k}, \dots, B_{K,k}]^T$

$$\mathbf{a}_{t+1} \propto \mathbf{B}_{\bullet,y_t} \circ (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{a}_t) \quad \text{with } \mathbf{1}_K^T \mathbf{a}_{t+1} = \sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_{t+1}(j) = 1$$

Element-wise (Hadamard) product

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Smoothing (1)

- Smoothing : Estimation of posterior of a past state, given all observations up to the present
- i.e., Compute  $P(x_t | y_{1:T})$  (where  $t < T$ )

Ref. Derivation of Bayesian Smoothing”

$$P(x_t | y_{1:T}) = P(x_t | y_{1:t}, y_{t+1:T})$$

$$= c \cdot P(x_t | y_{1:t}) \cdot P(y_{t+1:T} | x_t, y_{1:t})$$

$$= c \cdot P(x_t | y_{1:t}) \cdot P(y_{t+1:T} | x_t)$$

Filtering distribution  
(Forward probability)

called “Backward probability”



# State Estimation Using HMM

## Smoothing (2)

$$\begin{aligned} P(y_{t+1:T} \mid x_t) &= \sum_{j=1}^K P(y_{t+1:T}, x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^K P(y_{t+1:T} \mid x_{t+1} = j, x_t) \cdot P(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^K P(y_{t+1:T} \mid x_{t+1} = j) \cdot P(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^K P(y_{t+1}, y_{t+2:T} \mid x_{t+1} = j) \cdot P(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^K \underbrace{P(y_{t+1} \mid x_{t+1} = j)}_{\text{Observation Model}} \cdot \underbrace{P(y_{t+2:T} \mid x_{t+1} = j)}_{\text{Transition Model}} \cdot P(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t) \end{aligned}$$

Backward recursive form !

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Smoothing (3)

$$P(y_{t+1:T} | x_t) = \sum_{j=1}^K P(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1} = j) \cdot P(y_{t+2:T} | x_{t+1} = j) \cdot P(x_{t+1} = j | x_t)$$

$\beta_t(i) \equiv P(y_{t+1:T} | x_t = i)$       $B_{j,y_{t+1}}$       $\beta_{t+1}(j)$       $A_{1:K,j}$  j-th column

$$\beta_t(i) = \sum_{j=1}^K B_{j,y_{t+1}} \beta_{t+1}(j) A_{i,j}$$

By defining  $\boldsymbol{\beta}_t \equiv [\beta_t(1), \dots, \beta_t(K)]^T$       $\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,k} \equiv [B_{1,k}, \dots, B_{K,k}]^T$  k-th column of B

$\boldsymbol{\beta}_t = \mathbf{B}_{\bullet,y_{t+1}} \circ (A \boldsymbol{\beta}_{t+1}) \quad \text{with} \quad \boldsymbol{\beta}_T = \mathbf{1}_K$

Backward equation

Element-wise (Hadamard) product

# State Estimation Using HMM Smoothing (4)

Finally, smoothed distribution is obtained by

$$\gamma_t(i) \equiv P(x_t = i \mid y_{1:T})$$

$$\propto P(x_t = i \mid y_{1:t}) \cdot P(y_{t+1:T} \mid x_t = i)$$

$$\propto \alpha_t(i) \cdot \beta_t(i) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^K \gamma_t(i) = 1$$

In the vector form,

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}_t \propto \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t \circ \boldsymbol{\beta}_t \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{1}_K^T \boldsymbol{\gamma}_t = 1$$

Smoothed distribution

# State Estimation Using HMM Smoothing (5)

One more thing,...

When we consider the learning of HMM,  
we will need the **joint posterior distribution of  $x_t$  and  $x_{t+1}$  given all outputs  $y_{1:T}$  (\*)**, i.e.,

$$\xi_{t,t+1}(i, j) \equiv P(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j \mid y_{1:T})$$



How can we compute this ?

(\*) In LDS, we also needed the covariance between  **$x_t$  and  $x_{t+1}$**  given  **$y_{1:T}$**

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Smoothing (6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(x_t, x_{t+1} \mid y_{1:T}) &= P(x_t, x_{t+1}, y_{1:T}) / P(y_{1:T}) \\
 &\propto P(x_t, x_{t+1}, y_{1:T}) = P(x_t, x_{t+1}, y_{1:t}, y_{t+1}, \boxed{y_{t+2:T}}) \\
 &\propto P(y_{t+2:T} \mid \cancel{x_t}, \cancel{x_{t+1}}, \cancel{y_{1:t}}, \cancel{y_{t+1}}) \cdot P(x_t, x_{t+1}, y_{1:t}, \boxed{y_{t+1}}) \\
 &\propto P(y_{t+2:T} \mid x_{t+1}) \cdot P(y_{t+1} \mid \cancel{x_t}, \cancel{x_{t+1}}, \cancel{y_{1:t}}) \cdot P(x_t, \boxed{x_{t+1}}, y_{1:t}) \\
 &\propto P(y_{t+2:T} \mid x_{t+1}) \cdot P(y_{t+1} \mid x_{t+1}) \cdot P(x_{t+1} \mid x_t, \cancel{y_{1:t}}) \cdot P(\boxed{x_t}, y_{1:t}) \\
 &\propto \underbrace{P(y_{t+2:T} \mid x_{t+1})}_{\beta_{t+1}} \cdot \underbrace{P(y_{t+1} \mid x_{t+1})}_{B_{\bullet, y_{t+1}}} \cdot \underbrace{P(x_{t+1} \mid x_t)}_A \cdot \underbrace{P(x_t \mid y_{1:t})}_{\alpha_t}
 \end{aligned}$$

# State Estimation Using HMM Smoothing (7)

From this result, we obtain

$$\xi_{t,t+1}(i, j) = A_{i,j} \cdot \alpha_t(i) \cdot B_{j,y_{t+1}} \cdot \beta_{t+1}(j)$$

Define a matrix  $\mathbf{\Xi}_{t,t+1}$  whose (i,j)-th element is  $\xi_{t,t+1}(i, j)$

$$\mathbf{\Xi}_{t,t+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{t,t+1}(1,1) & \cdots & \xi_{t,t+1}(1,K) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \xi_{t,t+1}(K,1) & \cdots & \xi_{t,t+1}(K,K) \end{bmatrix}$$

Then, we can compute it by matrix-vector manipulation

$$\mathbf{\Xi}_{t,t+1} \propto \mathbf{A} \circ \left( \alpha_t \left( \mathbf{B}_{\cdot, y_{t+1}} \circ \boldsymbol{\beta}_{t+1} \right)^T \right)$$

$$\text{with } \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K \xi_{t,t+1}(i, j) = \mathbf{1}_K^T \mathbf{\Xi}_{t,t+1} \mathbf{1}_K = 1$$

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Decoding Problem

- Decoding : Find the **most likely state sequence**, given all observations
- i.e., Find  $\hat{x}_{1:T} = \arg \max_{x_{1:T}} P(y_{1:T}, x_{1:T})$

Naive approach (exhaustive search):

For all possible sequences of  $x_{1:T}$ , compute

$$P(y_{1:T}, x_{1:T}) = P(x_1) \cdot \prod_{t=2}^T P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \cdot \prod_{t=1}^T P(y_t | x_t)$$

Then determine the sequence that maximize the probability



Although it looks good..

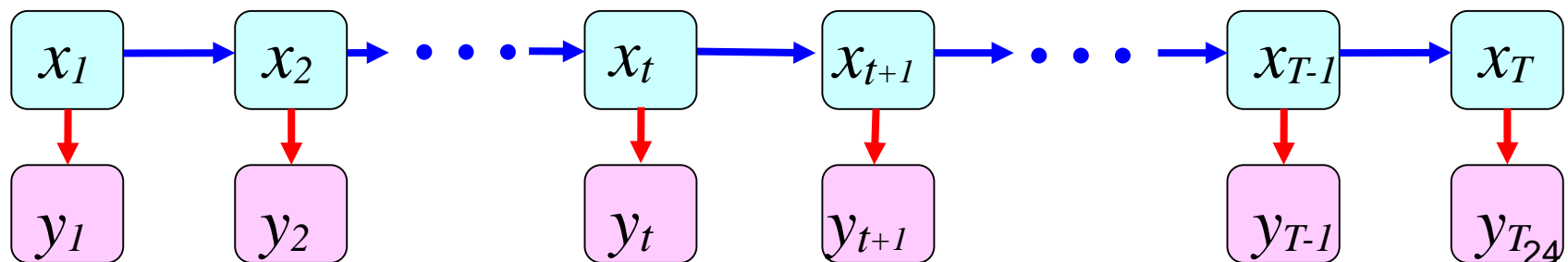
# of patterns of  $x_{1:T}$ :  $K^{T+1}$  **Exponential complexity !**  
Impractical

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Viterbi Algorithm (1)

- Decoding problem of HMM is a kind of “optimal path” problem (cf. optimal control)
- Viterbi Algorithm : decoding algorithm based on dynamic programming (DP)
- Idea : Among all paths such that  $x_t = i$ , you only have to consider the path that maximizes

$$P(x_t = i \mid x_{t-1})P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1})$$

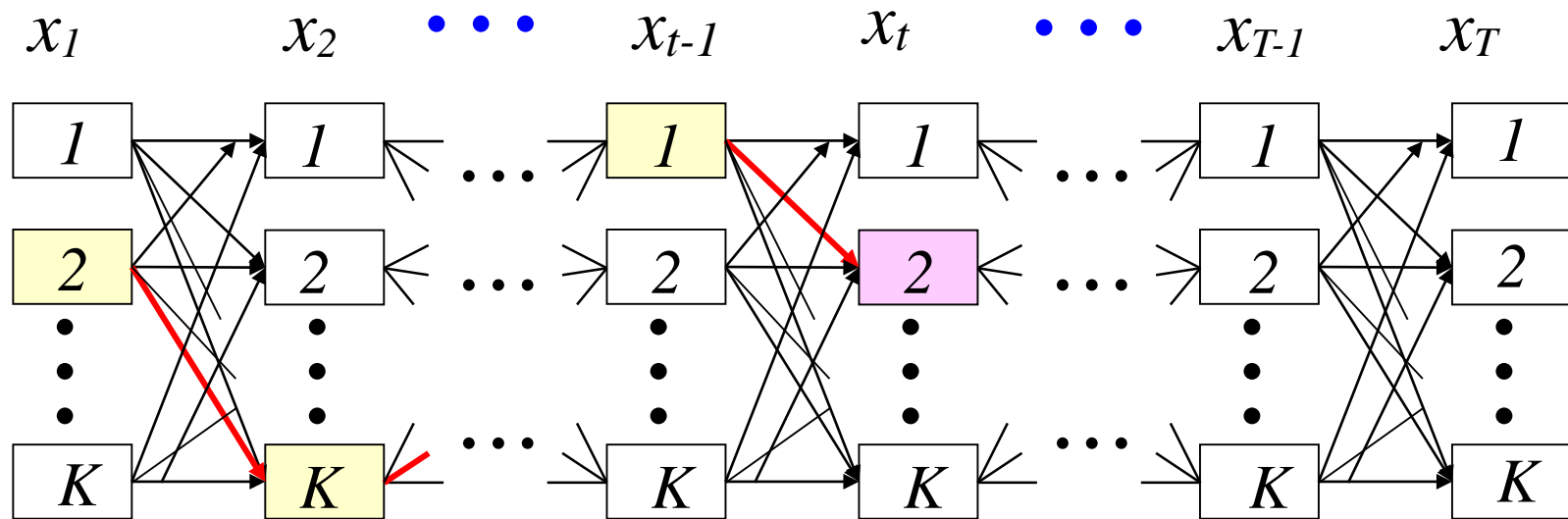




# State Estimation Using HMM

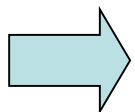
## Viterbi Algorithm (2)

Possible state sequences (paths)



E.g. Among all paths that  $x_t = 2$ , the one that maximizes

$P(x_t = 2 | x_{t-1})P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1})$  should be considered



Only have to store K paths up to previous time

# State Estimation Using HMM

## Viterbi Algorithm (3)

As 
$$P(y_{1:t}, x_{1:t}) = P(y_t | x_t) \cdot P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \cdot P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1})$$

$K^t$  patterns

$$\max_{x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}} P(y_{1:t}, x_{1:t})$$

$$= \max_{x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}} P(y_t | x_t) \cdot P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \cdot P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1})$$

$$= P(y_t | x_t) \cdot \max_{x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}} P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \cdot P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1})$$

$$= P(y_t | x_t) \cdot \max_{x_{t-1}} \left( P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \cdot \max_{x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}} P(y_{1:t-1}, x_{1:t-1}) \right)$$

Just  $K$  patterns !

# Example : 1-dim Robot Position Estimation from Noisy Observation (1)

Transition  
(Motion) Model



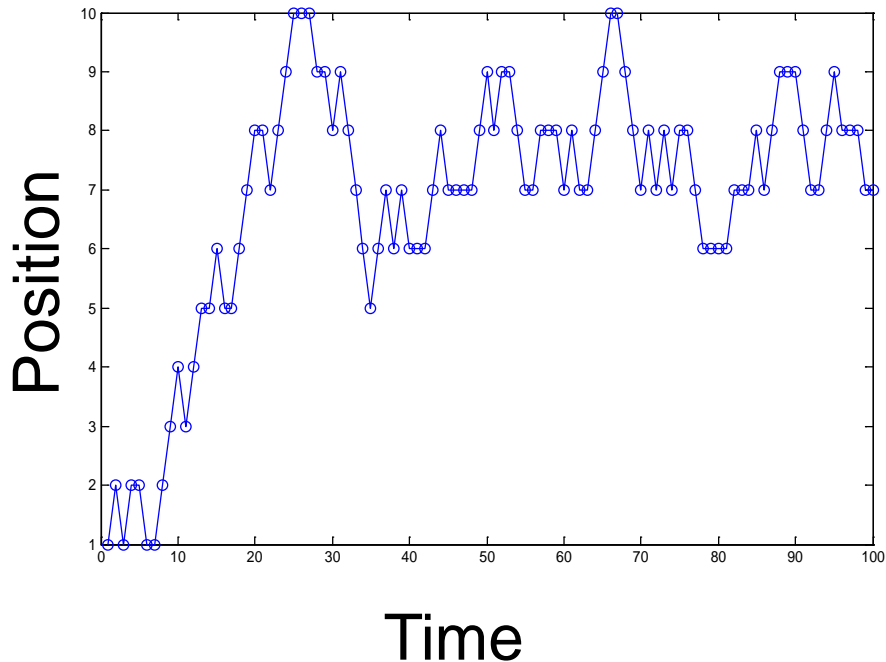
Observation (Sensor) Model

$$\begin{cases} P(x_t = i \mid x_t = i) = 0.8 & \text{Prob. of returning true position} \\ P(y_t = k \mid x_t = i) = 0.0222 \quad (k \neq i) & \text{Prob. of returning incorrect position} \end{cases}$$

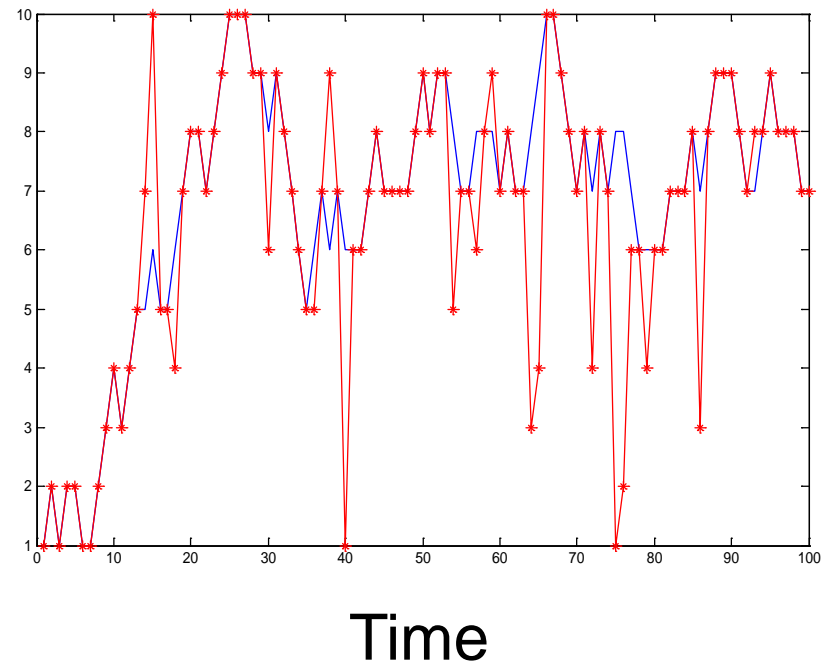
Initial Position  $P(x_0 = 1) = 1$

# Example : 1-dim Robot Position Estimation from Noisy Observation (2)

Ground Truth



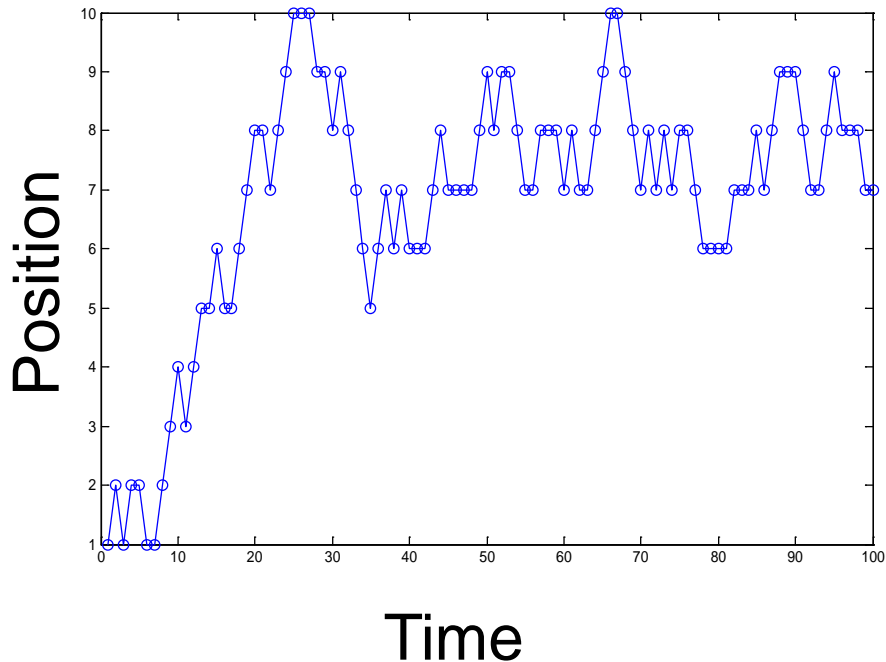
Observation



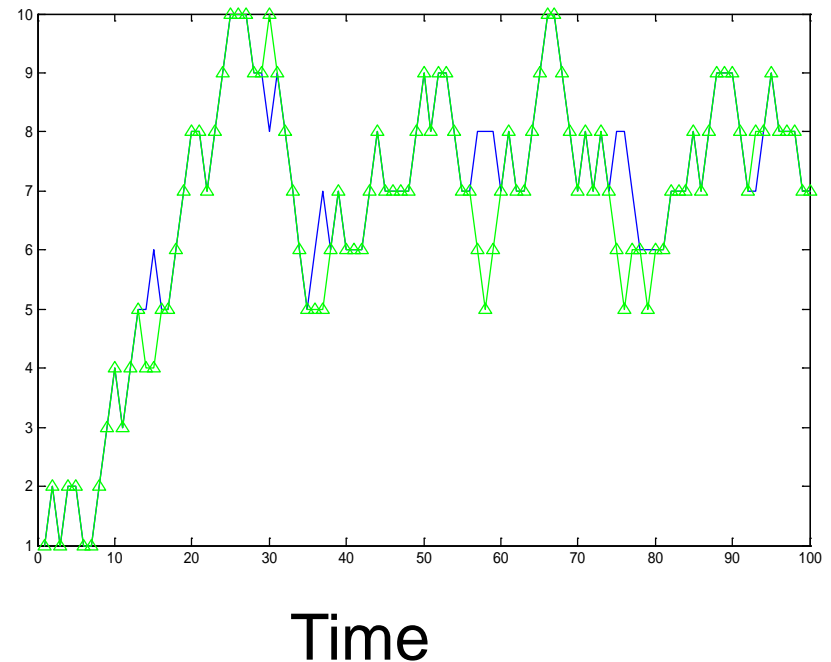
Mean Square Root Error = 0.156

# Example : 1-dim Robot Position Estimation from Noisy Observation (3)

Ground Truth



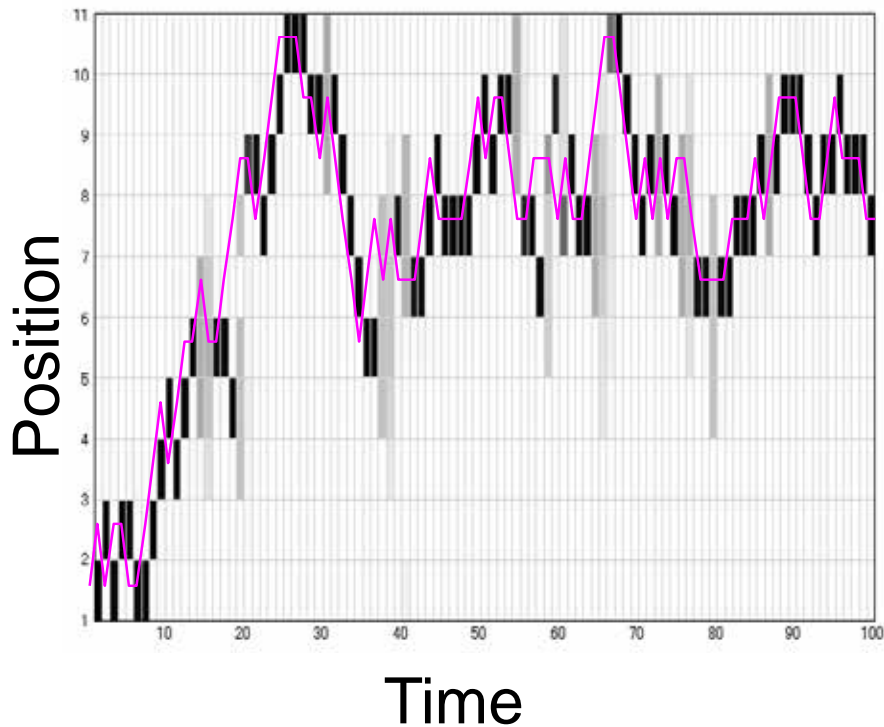
Estimation by **Viterbi**



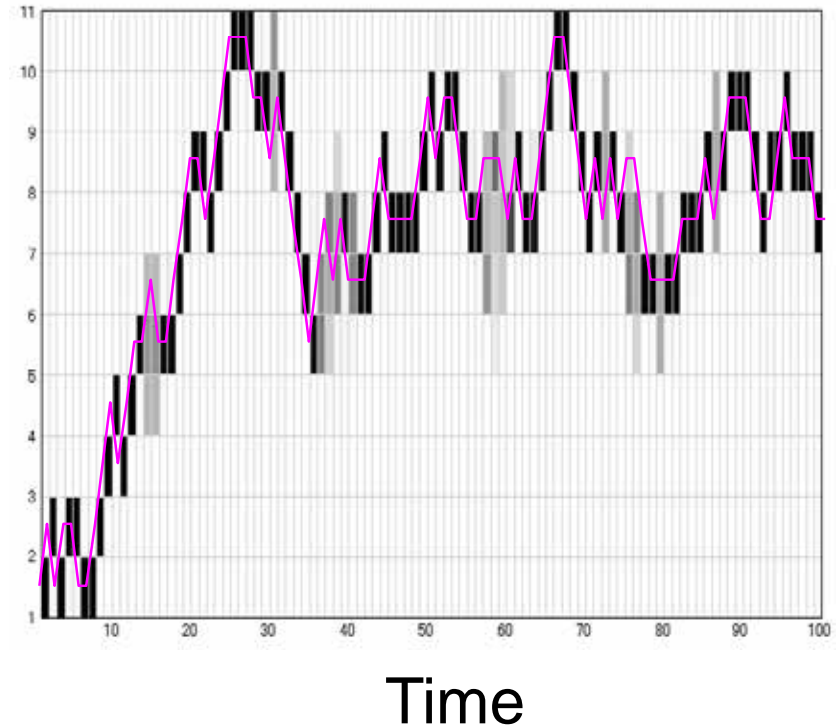
Mean Square Root Error = **0.068**

# Example : 1-dim Robot Position Estimation from Noisy Observation (4)

Filtering by Forward Algo.



Smoothing by Forward-Backward



# Relationship with Naïve Bayes

- Naïve Bayes Classifier is an inference method for **static** systems

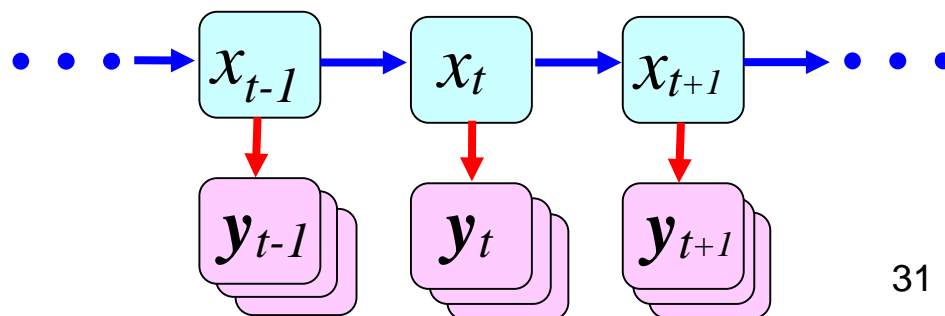
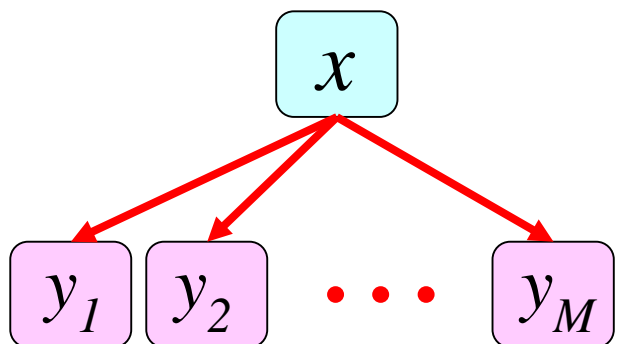
$$p(x | \mathbf{y}) \propto p(x, \mathbf{y}) = p(\mathbf{y} | x)p(x) = p(x) \prod_{j=1}^M p(y_j | x)$$

- HMM can be viewed as a **dynamic** extension of Naïve Bayes

$$p(x_{0:T} | \mathbf{y}_{1:T}) \propto p(x_{1:T}, \mathbf{y}_{1:T}) = p(x_0) \prod_{t=1}^T p(x_t | x_{t-1}) p(y_t | x_t)$$

Naïve Bayes Classifier

Hidden Markov Model



# Learning of HMM



# Supervised Learning of HMM (Discrete Outputs)

- Given:
  - Observation sequence :  $y_{1:T}$
  - State sequence :  $x_{1:T}$
- Find:
  - Model parameters :  $\Theta = \{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \pi\}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Transition model} & A_{i,j} = p(x_{t+1} = j \mid x_t = i) \\ \text{Output model} & B_{i,k} = p(y_t = k \mid x_t = i) \\ \text{Initial probability} & \pi_i = p(x_1 = i) \end{array} \right.$$

# Likelihood Function in Supervised Learning (1)

## Log-likelihood

$$l(\Theta | D) \equiv \underbrace{\ln p(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}, \mathbf{y}_{1:T} | \Theta)}_{\text{complete data log-likelihood}} = \ln \left\{ p(x_1) \prod_{t=1}^{T-1} p(x_{t+1} | x_t) \prod_{t=1}^T p(y_t | x_t) \right\}$$

Note we can write

$$p(x_1) = \pi_{x_1} = \prod_{i=1}^K \pi_i^{I(x_1=i)}$$

$$p(x_{t+1} | x_t) = A_{x_t, x_{t+1}} = \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}^{I(x_t=i, x_{t+1}=j)}$$

$$p(y_t | x_t) = B_{x_t, y_t} = \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{k=1}^M B_{i,k}^{I(x_t=i, y_t=k)}$$

where  $I(x)$  is the indicator function

# Likelihood Function in Supervised Learning (2)

By substituting them,

$$\begin{aligned} l(\Theta | D) &= \ln \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^K \pi_i^{\mathbf{I}(x_1=i)} \prod_{t=1}^{T-1} \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}^{\mathbf{I}(x_t=i, x_{t+1}=j)} \prod_{t=1}^T \prod_{i=1}^K \prod_{k=1}^M B_{i,k}^{\mathbf{I}(x_t=i, y_t=k)} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \ln A_{i,j} + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M M_{i,k} \ln B_{i,k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } N_{i,j} &\equiv \sum_{t=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j) \\ M_{i,k} &\equiv \sum_{t=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, y_t = k) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{t=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j)} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Can be} \\ \text{counted from} \\ \text{data} \end{array}$$

Maximize  $l(\Theta|D)$  **with constraints** :

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = 1 \quad , \quad \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^M B_{i,k} = 1 \quad (i=1,2,\dots,K)$$

# Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Supervised Hidden Markov Model (1)

Define the Lagrangian as,

$$\begin{aligned} L(\Theta, \lambda, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\nu}) &= l(\Theta | D) + \lambda \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i\right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \mu_i \left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \nu_i \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^M B_{i,k}\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \ln A_{i,j} + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M M_{i,k} \ln B_{i,k} \\ &\quad + \lambda \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i\right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \mu_i \left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^K A_{i,j}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^K \nu_i \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^M B_{i,k}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \pi_i} = \frac{\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)}{\pi_i} - \lambda = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_i = \frac{\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)}{\lambda}$$

By considering the constraint

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\pi}_i = \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)$$

# Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Supervised Hidden Markov Model (2)

Derivatives of Lagrangian w.r.t.  $A_{i,j}$  and  $B_{i,k}$ :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial A_{i,j}} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{A_{i,j}} - \mu_i = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_{i,j} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{\mu_i}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial B_{i,k}} = \frac{M_{i,k}}{B_{i,k}} - \nu_i = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad B_{i,k} = \frac{M_{i,k}}{\nu_i}$$

Substitute them into the constraints, we obtain

$$\mu_i = \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_i = \sum_{k=1}^M M_{i,k}$$

As a result,

$$\hat{A}_{i,j} = \frac{N_{i,j}}{\sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j}} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{B}_{i,k} = \frac{M_{i,k}}{\sum_{k=1}^M M_{i,k}}$$

Almost the same  
with Simple Markov  
Chain

# Unsupervised Learning of HMM (Discrete Outputs)

- Given:
  - Observation sequence :  $y_{1:T}$  Incomplete data
- Find:
  - Model parameters :  $\Theta = \{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \pi\}$
  - State sequence :  $x_{1:T}$



EM algorithm, again

# (Review) EM Algorithm in General

Given:

- Data :  $Y = \mathbf{y}_{1:T}$  Observation sequence
- Initial parameter values:  $\Theta^{(0)} = \{\mathbf{A}^{(0)}, \mathbf{B}^{(0)}, \boldsymbol{\pi}^{(0)}\}$

Repeat until convergence

1. [E-step] Compute posterior dist. Smoothed dist.  $q^*(X) = p(X | Y, \Theta^{(t)})$

$$\text{and } Q(\Theta | \Theta^{(t)}) = E_{q^*(X)} [\ln p(Y, X | \Theta)]$$

2. [M-step] Maximize  $Q(\Theta | \Theta^{(t)})$  w.r.t.  $\Theta$

$$\Theta^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \arg \max_{\Theta} Q(\Theta | \Theta^{(t)})$$

3.  $t \leftarrow t + 1$

# E-step of Learning HMM

For given parameter estimates  $\Theta^{(t)} = \{A^{(t)}, B^{(t)}, \pi^{(t)}\}$ ,  
perform forward and backward algorithm

Forward:  $\alpha_t \equiv [\alpha_t(1), \dots, \alpha_t(K)]^T$  where  $\alpha_t(i) \equiv P(x_t = i \mid y_{1:t})$   
(Filtering)

$$\alpha_{t+1} \propto B^{(t)}_{\cdot, y_{t+1}} \circ (A^{(t)T} \alpha_t) \text{ with } \sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_{t+1}(j) = 1$$

Backward:  $\beta_t \equiv [\beta_t(1), \dots, \beta_t(K)]^T$  where  $\beta_t(i) \equiv P(y_{t+1:T} \mid x_t = i)$

$$\beta_t = B^{(t)}_{\cdot, y_{t+1}} \circ (A^{(t)} \beta_{t+1}) \text{ with } \beta_T = \mathbf{1}_K$$

Smoothing:  $\gamma_t \equiv [\gamma_t(1), \dots, \gamma_t(K)]^T$   $\gamma_t \propto \alpha_t \circ \beta_t$  with  $\mathbf{1}_K^T \gamma_t = 1$

$$\Xi_{t,t+1} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{t,t+1}(1,1) & \dots & \xi_{t,t+1}(1,K) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \xi_{t,t+1}(K,1) & \dots & \xi_{t,t+1}(K,K) \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \begin{aligned} \gamma_t(i) &\equiv P(x_t = i \mid y_{1:T}) \\ \xi_{t,t+1}(i,j) &\equiv P(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j \mid y_{1:T}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Xi_{t,t+1} \propto A \circ \left( \alpha_t \left( B_{\cdot, y_{t+1}} \circ \beta_{t+1} \right)^T \right) \text{ with } \mathbf{1}_K^T \Xi_{t,t+1} \mathbf{1}_K = 1^{40}$$



# M-step of Learning HMM

Complete data log-likelihood:

$$\ln p(\mathbf{x}_{1:T}, \mathbf{y}_{1:T} \mid \Theta) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_1 = i) \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K N_{i,j} \ln A_{i,j} + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M M_{i,k} \ln B_{i,k}$$

$$\text{where } N_{i,j} \equiv \sum_{t=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j)$$

$$M_{i,k} \equiv \sum_{t=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M \mathbf{I}(x_t = i, y_t = k)$$

Expected complete data-log-likelihood:

$$Q(\Theta \mid \Theta^{(t)}) = E_{q^*(X)} [\ln p(\mathbf{y}_{1:T}, \mathbf{x}_{1:T} \mid \Theta)] \\ = \sum_{i=1}^K E[\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)] \ln \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^K E[N_{i,j}] \ln A_{i,j} + \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^M E[M_{i,k}] \ln B_{i,k}$$

# M-step of Learning HMM

We can compute the expected values in Q function:

$$E[\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)] = \gamma_1(i)$$

$$E[N_{i,j}] = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_{t,t+1}(i, j)$$

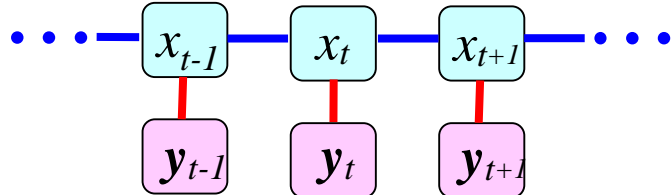
$$E[M_{i,k}] = \sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(i) \mathbf{I}(y_t = k) = \sum_{y_t=k} \gamma_t(i)$$

By maximizing  $Q(\Theta|\Theta^{(t)})$ , we obtain new parameter estimates:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pi_i^{(t+1)} = E[\mathbf{I}(x_1 = i)] = \gamma_1(i) \\ A_{i,j}^{(t+1)} = E[N_{i,j}] / \sum_{j=1}^K E[N_{i,j}] = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_{t,t+1}(i, j) / \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_{t,t+1}(i, j) \\ B_{i,k}^{(t+1)} = E[M_{i,k}] / \sum_{k=1}^M E[M_{i,k}] = \sum_{y_t=k} \gamma_t(i) / \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{y_t=k} \gamma_t(i) \end{array} \right.$$

# (Advanced) Linear-Chain Conditional Random Fields

- Conditional Random Fields (CRF) : A **discriminative** approach to labeling structured data (including time-series)
- CRF models the conditional probability  $p(x_{1:T} | y_{1:T})$

$$p(x_{1:T} | y_{1:T}) = \frac{1}{Z(y_{1:T})} \prod_{t=1}^T \psi_t(x_t, x_{t-1}, y_t)$$


- CRF is represented by **undirected** graph
- CRF is better than HMM in prediction accuracy
- Supervised training of CRF is more difficult (complicated) than that of HMM
  - Numerical optimization is necessary