

Set A

CSE440: Natural Language Processing II

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This is an MCQ quiz. Each question is worth 1. Write your answers serially on the other side.

Questions:

1. Which assumption does the Markov property make?
 - A. Future states depend on all previous states
 - B. Future states are independent of the past
 - C. Future states depend only on the current state
 - D. Future states depend on observed values
2. In HMMs, the emission probability refers to:
 - A. Transition between hidden states
 - B. Probability of a hidden state
 - C. Probability of an observation given a state
 - D. Observing all states
3. What does the first row of the transition matrix stand for?
 - A. Probabilities of the words being the first word of a sentence
 - B. Probabilities of the tags being assigned to the first word of a sentence
 - C. Probabilities of the words being assigned to <s> tag
 - D. Probabilities of the tag being assigned to the last word of the previous sentence
4. HMMs assume (remember, observations = words, states = PoS tags):
 - A. Observations are not independent
 - B. Observations are conditionally dependent on states
 - C. States are fully observable
 - D. No temporal dependencies
5. The complexity of the Viterbi algorithm is (n = sentence length, T = tag count):
 - A. $O(n^3)$
 - B. $O(n^2T)$
 - C. $O(nT)$
 - D. $O(T^2n)$
6. Which is not a valid application of HMMs?
 - A. Speech recognition
 - B. Part-of-speech tagging
 - C. Image classification
 - D. Named Entity Recognition
7. Viterbi's backpointer table is used for:
 - A. Estimating likelihood
 - B. Parameter training
 - C. Backtracking most probable path

- D. Building transition probabilities
8. Which parameter is not needed for Viterbi decoding?
- A. Initial state probabilities
 - B. Transition matrix
 - C. Observation sequence
 - D. Feature vectors
9. Which of these is common to MEMMs and HMMs?
- A. Use of latent variables
 - B. Markov assumption
 - C. Generative modeling
 - D. No features used
10. MEMMs solve which of the following problems better than HMMs?
- A. Long-term dependencies
 - B. Unknown words during testing
 - C. Posterior estimation
 - D. Efficient training

Answers:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
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- 10.