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# **Syllabus**

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Models for Statistical Structured Prediction
- 3. Making Predictions: Decoding and Inference
- 4. Model Parameter Estimation

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Lectures

Monday 15:00 - 18:00 (10 sessions of 3 hours)

J.M. Benedí November 06 first session

J.A. Sánchez December 11 first session

### **Assessment**

2 Collections of selected exercises (theoretical and/or practical)

1 Multiple-choice test (February 12 2024)

	delivery	deadline
Q2	02 - 02 - 2024	09 - 02 - 2024

Tutoring

Tutoring available by previous appointment

- 4.1. Introduction
- 4.2. Unsupervised Learning: Generative Models
  - > HMMs: Forward-Backward algorithm
  - > PCFGs: *Inside-outside* algorithm
  - > PCFGs: estimation from a subset of derivations
- 4.3. Supervised Learning: Generative Models
  - Discriminative Training
- 4.4. Supervised Learning: Discriminative Models
  - > Parameter estimation in CRFs
  - ➤ Learning structured predictors: Structured Perceptron
- 4.5. Advanced Issues in Model Parameter Estimation
  - ➤ On-Line learning
  - > Active learning

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## 1. Optimization methods:

- Analytical optimization
- Constrained optimization: Lagrange multipliers
- Gradient descent
- > Expectation-maximization algorithm
- Growth transformations (Baum-Eagon and extended Baum-Eagon methods)

## 2. Learning strategies:

- ightharpoonup Given a fully annotated training set  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}_{n=1}^N$ Supervised learning
- ightharpoonup Given a training set only with inputs  $\mathcal{D} = \{x^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N$ Unsupervised learning

### Other learning strategies

- > Semi-supervised learning makes use of a small amount of labeled data along with a large amount of unlabeled data.
- > Reinforcement Learning allows models to be learnt by maximizing their performance.
  - A reward feedback (reinforcement signal) is required for the model to learn the ideal behaviour within a specific context.
- ➤ On-Line learning
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> Minimum classification error, ...

Discriminative Models — Supervised Learning — Discriminative Learning: MCL, MMI, etc. Maximum likelihood: ML Supervised Learning — Discriminative Learning: MCL, MMI, etc. **Generative Models** Unsupervised Learning 
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#### Unsupervised Learning

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## Optimization method: Growth Transformations

[Baum and Sell, 68] [Gopalakrishnan et al., 91] Baum and Eagon Theorem

Let  $L(\theta)$  be a homogeneous polynomial with non-negative coefficients. Let  $\theta = \{\theta_{ij}\}$ be a point in the domain  $\Theta = \{\theta_{ij} \mid \theta_{ij} \geq 0; \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} \theta_{ij} = 1, i = 1, \dots, p; \}$ , and let  $Q(\theta)$  be a close transformation in  $\Theta$ , that is defined as:

$$Q(\theta_{ij}^{(w)}) = \theta_{ij}^{(w+1)} = \frac{\theta_{ij}^{(w)} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_{ij}}\right)_{\theta_{ij} = \theta_{ij}^{(w)}}}{\sum_{k=1}^{q_i} \theta_{ik}^{(w)} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_{ik}}\right)_{\theta_{ik} = \theta_{ik}^{(w)}}}$$
(1)

with the denominator different from zero. Then,  $L(Q(\theta)) > L(\theta)$ except if  $Q(\theta) = \theta$ 

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(2)

Given a HMM  $(Q, \Sigma, \theta)$ , where Q is a set of states,  $\Sigma$  is a set of output symbols, and  $\theta$  is a vector of parameters that contains two types of parameters:

(for the sake of simplicity we consider HMMs with only one non-emiting intiial state and one non-emiting final state)

 $q(u|v): u, v \in \mathcal{Q}$  is the transition probability from state v to state u ( $v \stackrel{q(u|v)}{\longrightarrow} u$ ).

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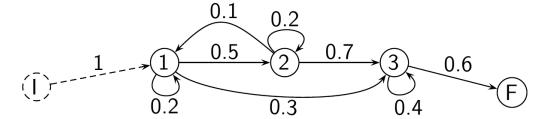
$$\overline{q}(u|v) = \frac{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{P_{\theta}(x)} \sum_{\pi} N(v \to u, \pi) P_{\theta}(x, \pi)}{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{P_{\theta}(x)} \sum_{\pi} N(v, \pi) P_{\theta}(x, \pi)}$$
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where  $N(\cdot,\cdot)$  is the number of times that first argument appears in the second argument, and  $\pi_x$  is a state sequence that accounts for string x.

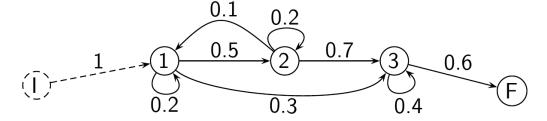
### Example:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
a & \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 \\ 0.3 \\ c & \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.6 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$



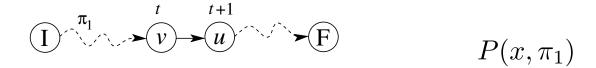
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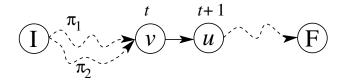
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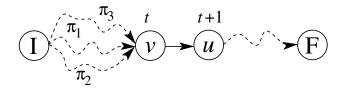
For  $\overline{q}(1|1)$  the inner addition in (4) is:

$$0.004234 + 0.000484 + 2 \cdot 0.000363$$

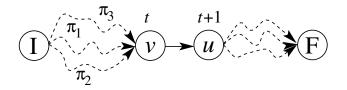




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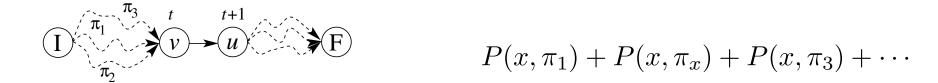


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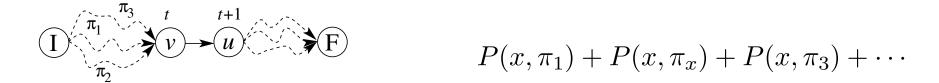
Another interpretation of numerator in (4):



For the parameter q(u|v):

$$\sum_{t} \sum_{\Psi_{t}(v,u,x_{t})} \underbrace{p(x_{1}^{t},s_{t}=v)}_{\alpha_{t}(v)} \cdot \underbrace{\Psi_{t}(s_{t}=v,s_{t+1}=u,x_{t+1})}_{q(u|v) \cdot e(x_{t+1}|u)} \cdot \underbrace{p(x_{t+2}^{T} \mid s_{t+1}=u)}_{\beta_{t+1}(u)}$$

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Therefore equation (2) for q(u|v) is:

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(Transitions to the final state require a slight modification)

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(5)

Time complexity: O(|x| |Q|)

#### FORWARD ALGORITHM

**Definition**: Score for  $x_1 \dots x_t$  arriving to  $\pi_t = s$ 

$$\alpha_t(s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\substack{\pi_1^t; \ \pi_t = s, \pi_0 = I}} \prod_{i=0}^t \Psi_i(s_i, \ s_{i+1}, \ x_{i+1})$$

Initialization:

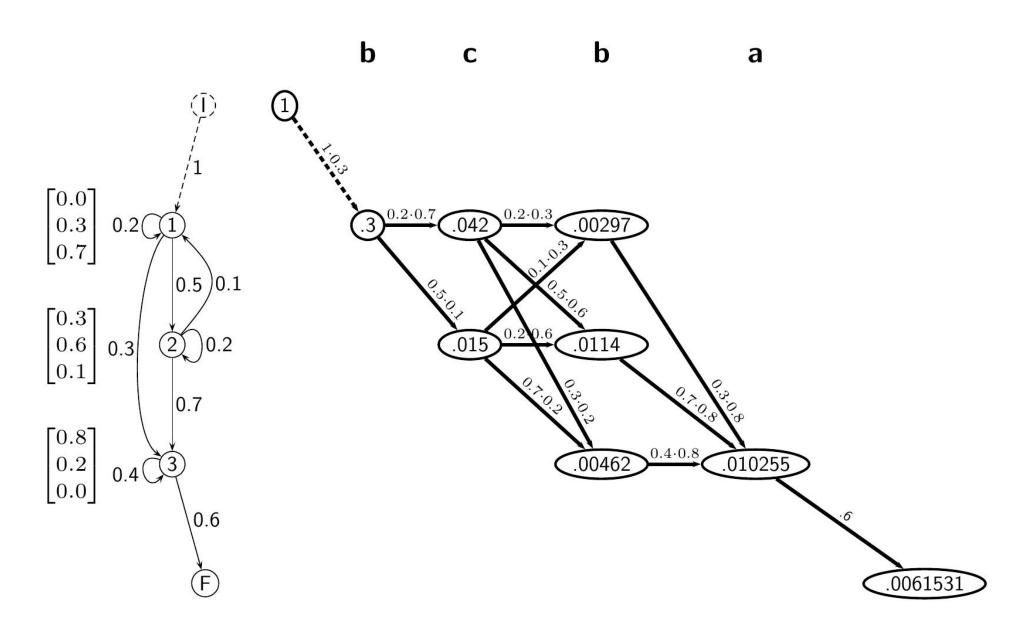
$$\alpha_0(I) = 1$$

ightharpoonup Recursion:  $\forall i = 1 \dots T$ ; and  $\forall s$ 

$$\alpha_t(s) = \sum_{s'} \alpha_{t-1}(s') \cdot \Psi_{t+1}(s', s, x_t)$$

Final result:

$$\alpha_{T+1}(F) = \sum_{s'} \alpha_T(s') \cdot q(F|s')$$



## Backward algorithm

Score for  $x_{t+1} \dots x_T$  starting at  $y_t = s$ **➤ Definition**:

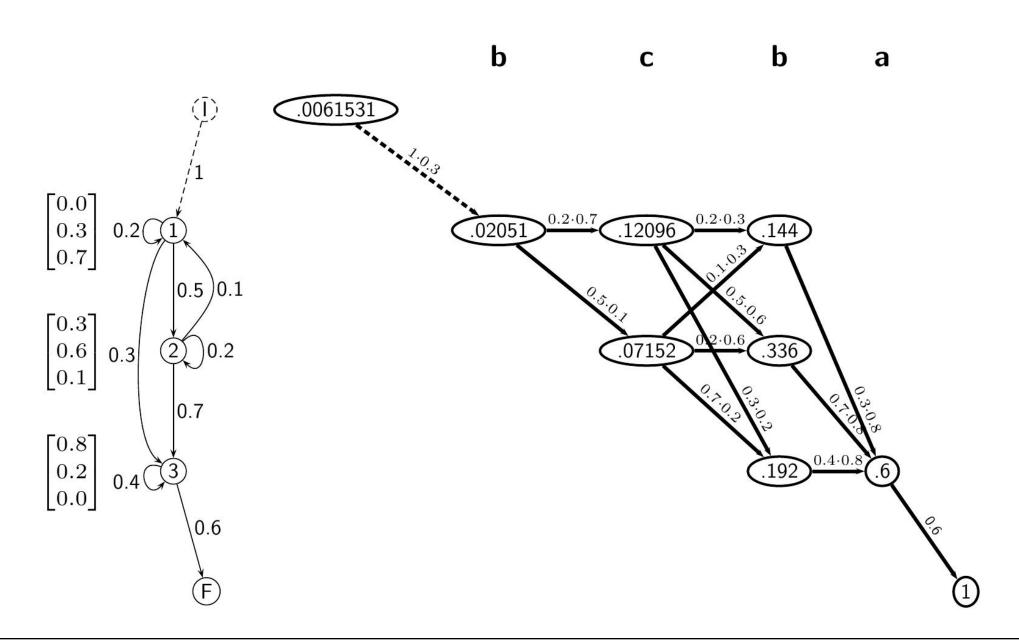
$$\beta_t(s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\substack{\pi_{t+1}^T; \ \pi_t = s}} \prod_{i=t+1}^T \Psi_i(\pi_{i-1}, \ \pi_i, \ x_i)$$

ightharpoonup Initialization:  $\forall s$  and F

$$\beta_{T+1}(F) = 1 \qquad \beta_T(s) = q(F|s)$$

**Recursion**:  $\forall i = T - 1 \dots 0$ ; and  $\forall s$ 

$$\beta_t(s) = \sum_{s'} \Psi_{t+1}(s, s', x_{t+1}) \cdot \beta_{t+1}(s')$$



This practical part is devoted to develop a simple parser of bibligraphic cites. The parser is based on hidden Markov models (HMM). It accepts a bibligraphic cite and generates a bib entry with the tokens distributed among the corresponding fields (author, title, etc.). The parser doest not distiguish among different types of entries (@book, @article, etc.).

The student has a toolkit that has been developed for this purpose. The toolkit includes a program for estimating a HMM with the forward-backward algorithm and with the Viterbi algorithm. The program also performs the parsing by accepting bibliographic cites and generating bib entries. For example, given the following cite:

```
J. Kupiec Hidden Markov Estimation for Unrestricted Stochastic Context-Free Grammars Proc. of
ICASSP'92 Vol. 1 1992 177 180
```

## the output should be

```
@inproceedings{Kupiec92,
 author =
                {J. Kupiec},
                {Hidden Markov Estimation for Unrestricted Stochastic Context-Free Grammars},
 title =
 booktitle = {Proc. of ICASSP'92 Vol. 1},
 year =
             1992,
                {177--180}
 pages =
```

### Tools:

- > m0: initial model to be trained
- trainHMM: training samples (punctuation marks have been removed)
- > testHMM: test samples (punctuation marks have been removed)
- > nameStates: mapping between states of the HMM and type of entries in a bibligraphic cite
- hmm2dot.sh: plot a model
- hmml: training tool. Options (if option -D is used, then options -v, -o, and -l are ignored):

```
Usage: hmml [-h] -i mI [-S sF] [-l sZ] [[-v] [-o mO] [-I ite] [-s sm]] | [-D]] [-V n]
-i mI input model file
-S sF sample file (stdin by default)
-1 sZ use strings up to length sZ (60 by default)
-v Viterbi learning (Bawm-Welch by default)
-o mO output model file (mI by default)
-I ite number of traing iterations (1 by default)
-s sm smooth value for emission probabilities (float, not by default)
-D decoding (useless in training mode)
-V n verbosity level (0 by default, 3 max)
-h this help
Example:
             hmml -i m0 -S trainHMM -o m1 -I 3 -s 0.00001 → training
                                                                   \longrightarrow decoding
              hmml -i mO -S testHMM -D
```

## The output is:

J.@O Kupiec@O Hidden@1 Markov@1 Estimation@1 for@1 Unrestricted@1 Stochastic@1 Context-Free@1 Grammars@1 Proc.@4 of@4 ICASSP'92@4 Vol.@4 1@8 1992@2 177@8 180@8

the token before the symbol @ corresponds to the input and the integer after the symbol @ corresponds to the state in which the token has been observed. These integers are mapped into bibligraphic fields as indicated in the nameStates file. For example J.@O Kupiec@O means that tokens J. Kupiec have been generated in state author.

### Question

File testHMM contains two additional cites. You have to parse these cites with hmml with model m0 and write the output in bib format as in the previous examples.

### Question

Train model m0 as in the previous example with 10 iterations. Then, parse the same cites included in testHMM with model m1 and write the output in bib format as in the previous examples. Justify the changes with respect to the previous exercise.

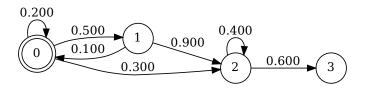
## Question

The model in first question can be written in a file as:

```
HMM 4 3
1.0 0.0 0.0
0.2 0.5 0.3 0.0
0.1 0.0 0.9 0.0
0.0 0.0 0.4 0.6
0.0 0.3 1.0 0.0 a
0.3 0.6 0.0 0.0 b
0.7 0.1 0.0 0.0 c
```

Then, the HMM we be can plot (only the transitions) as follows:

```
hmm2dot.sh t0 > t0.dot
dot -Tpdf t0.dot -o t0.pdf
and we get
```



You have to plot the HMMs obtained in first question and and then in second question after the training process. For this process you have the scripts hmm2dot.sh and hmm2dotWithLabels.sh.

Complete/execute the following steps and have a look to intermediate files:

```
1. ./prepareBib.sh teds_bib.bib > refs.bib \leftarrow prepare the bib file
2. ./createMapFile.sh refs.bib > tabLabels ← create map label file
3. ./prepareData4HMM.sh refs.bib tabLabels > train \leftarrow prepare train data
4. ./createHMM.sh refs.bib > hmm0 ← create initial HMM
5. ./hmml -i hmm0 -S train -o hmm1 -I 10 -s 0.00001 \leftarrow train
6. ./hmml -i hmm1 -S train -D ← decode
```

## Question

In the previous steps, the training set is used as test. Remove some samples from the training and used them for testing.

## Question

Define an evalution method and perform a complete experiment.

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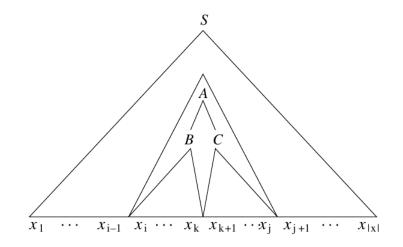
Then, Eq (2) becomes (see [Benedí 05]):

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Note that the number of derivation trees can be exponential.

Let  $\Delta_{x,i,j,k,A\to BC}$  be the subset of derivations of x in which the rule  $A\to BC$  appears delimited by positions i, j, k



For the parameters  $p(A \to BC)$ , we can express  $P_{\theta}(x)$ 

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$$= \sum_{A \to BC} \sum_{l=2}^{T} \sum_{i=0}^{T-l} \sum_{k=1}^{l-1} \underbrace{p(S \overset{*}{\Rightarrow} x_{1}^{i} A x_{i+l+1}^{T})}_{f(A,i,i+l)} \cdot \underbrace{p(B \overset{*}{\Rightarrow} x_{i+1}^{i+k})}_{e(B,i,i+k)} \cdot \underbrace{p(C \overset{*}{\Rightarrow} x_{i+k+1}^{i+l})}_{e(C,i+k,i+l)} \cdot p(A \to BC)$$

Therefore equation (2) for  $p(A \to BC)$  is (see [Benedi 05] for alternative interpretation):

$$\overline{p}(A \to BC) =$$

$$\frac{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \frac{p(A \to BC)}{P_{\theta}(x)} \sum_{l=2}^{T} \sum_{i=0}^{T-l} \sum_{k=1}^{l-1} f(A, i, i+l) \cdot e(B, i, i+k) \cdot e(C, i+k, i+l)}{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{P_{\theta}(x)} \sum_{l=1}^{T} \sum_{i=0}^{T-l} f(A, i, i+l) \cdot e(A, i, i+l)}$$
(6)

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(7)

Time complexity:

 $O(|x|^3 |\mathcal{P}|)$ 

[Baker 79, Lari and Young 90, Benedí 05]

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$$f(A, 0, T) = \delta(A, S)$$

ightharpoonup Recursion:  $\forall A \in N; \quad \forall l:1...T; \quad \forall i:0...T-l;$ 

$$f(A, i, i+l) = \sum_{B,C \in N} p(B \to CA) \sum_{k=1}^{i} f(B, i-k, i+l) \cdot e(C, i-k, i)$$

$$+ \sum_{B,C \in N} p(B \to AC) \sum_{k=1}^{T-i-l} f(B,i,i+l+k) \cdot e(C,i+l,i+l+k>)$$

> Final result: The sentence probability is:

$$P_{G_p}(x) = \sum_{A \in N} f(A, i, i+1) \cdot p(A \to x_{i+1})$$
  $0 \le i \le T-1$ 

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Time complexity:

 $O(|x||\mathcal{P}|)$ 

|Ney 91, Benedí 05|

#### Theorem [Sánchez 97]

Let  $G_{\theta} = (G, \theta)$  be a PCFGs, and let  $\mathcal{D}$  be a training sample of L(G). If  $\overline{G}_{\theta}$  is a PCFG obtained by applying the previous transformations, then the following proprerties are accomplished:

- $ightharpoonup \overline{G}_{\theta}$  is consistent.
- ightharpoonup The expected number of times that a symbol from  $\Sigma$  appears in  $L(\overline{G}_{\theta})$  is equal to the expected number of times that this symbols appears in the sample  $\mathcal{D}$ .
- ightharpoonup The expected length of the strings in  $L(\overline{G}_{\theta})$  is equal to the expected length of the strings in the sample  $\mathcal{D}$ .

See [Sánchez and Romero, 20] for additional information about the computation of moments on PFA.

## Palindrome Language

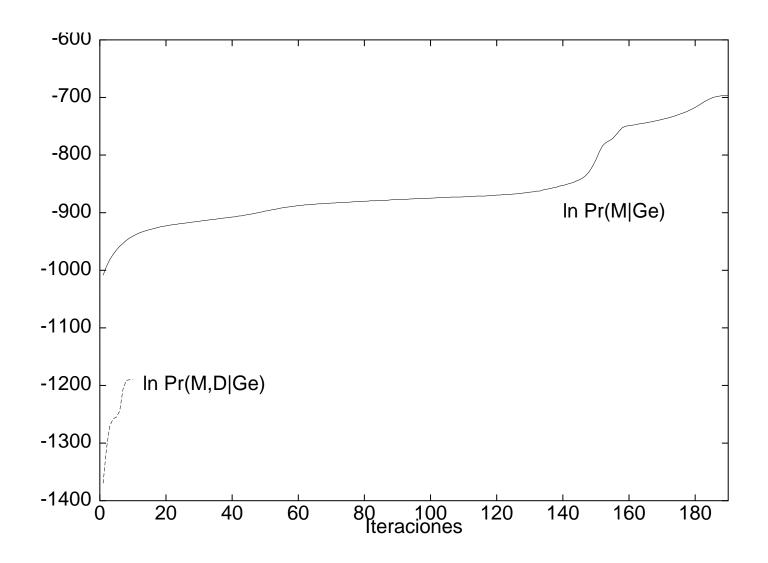
$$\{ ww^R \mid w \in \{a,b\}^+ \}$$
  $w^R$  means the reverse string of  $w$ 

Original model

$$S \rightarrow AC \ 0.4$$
  $S \rightarrow BB \ 0.1$   $C \rightarrow SA \ 1.0$   $A \rightarrow a \ 1.0$   $S \rightarrow BD \ 0.4$   $S \rightarrow AA \ 0.1$   $D \rightarrow SB \ 1.0$   $B \rightarrow b \ 1.0$ 

- > Training sample: 1000 sentences
- > Initial model
  - $\succ$  5 non-terminal symbols and 2 terminal symbols  $\Rightarrow$  130 rules
  - > Rule probabilities were randomly generated

# Optimized functions with IO and VS algorithms



# Accumulated probability mass

	IO				
iteration	apm 5bd				
0	0.002	50.0%			
340	0.724	97.4%			

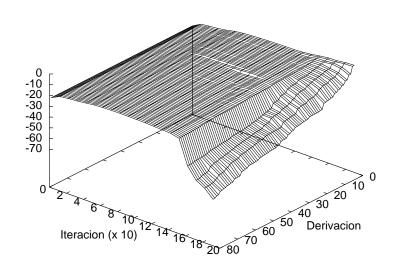
	VS				
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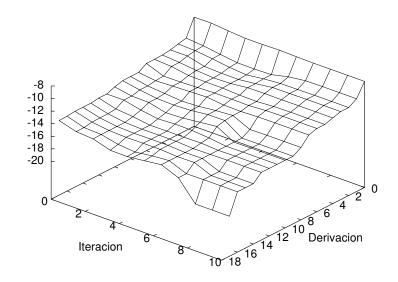
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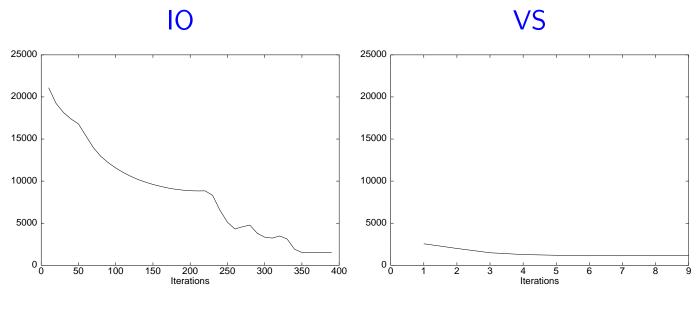
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# Evolution of the logarithm of the probability



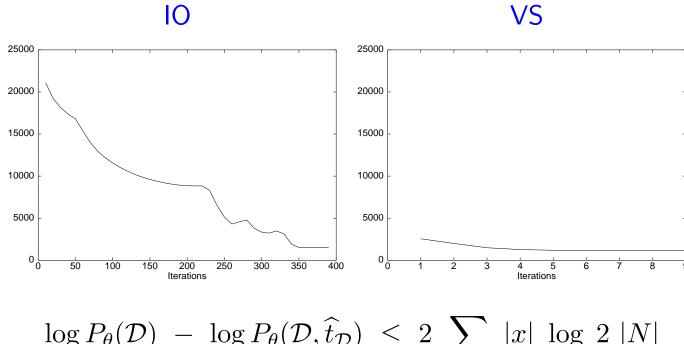


## Upper bound estimate



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## Evaluation of models

Algorithm	kld	Palindromes (%)	Non palindromes (%)
VS	6.00	1.9	98.1
Ю	1.88	76.0	24.0

## ESTIMATION OF PCFGs from a subset of derivations

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Time complexity:  $O(|x|^3 |\mathcal{P}|)$ 

[Benedí 05]

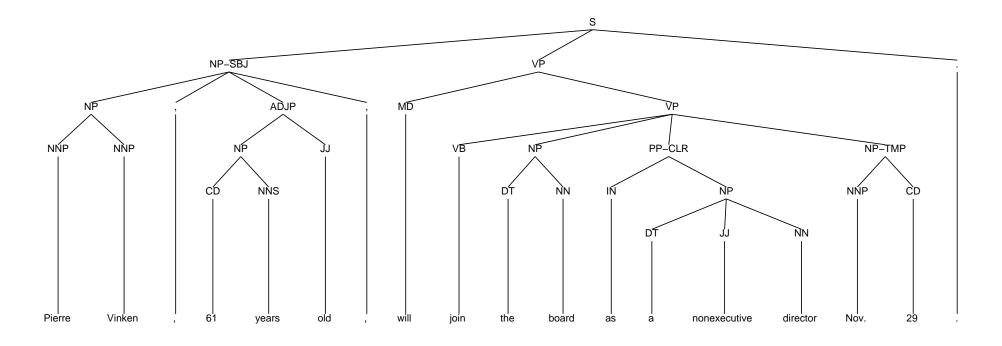
## ESTIMATION FROM STATISTICAL INFORMATION

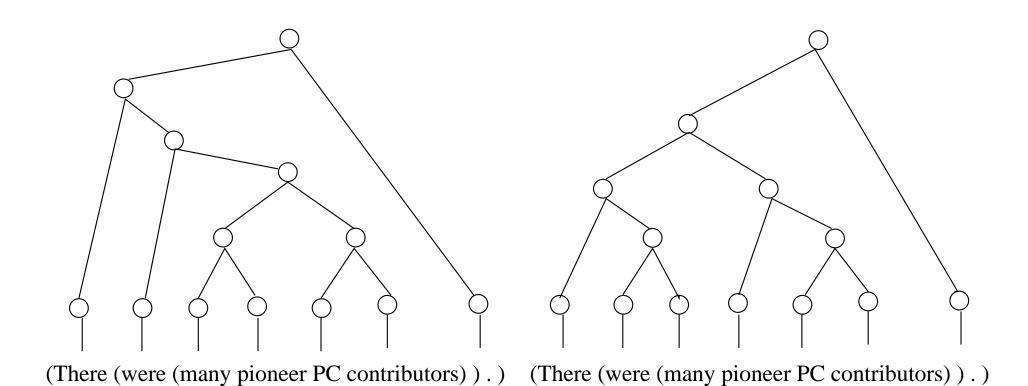
- > kVS algorithm:
  - 1. Obtaining the k-best derivations
  - 2. Applying the transformation
- ightharpoonup Calculation of k-best derivations [Jiménez 00]
  - - ightharpoonup Worst case:  $O(|x|^3|\mathcal{P}| + k|x|\log k + |x|^3|\mathcal{P}|\log k)$
    - ightharpoonup Best case:  $O(|x|^3|\mathcal{P}| + k + \frac{|x||\mathcal{P}|}{|N|})$
  - Space complexity
    - $> O(k(|x|^2|N| + |x||N|))$

Estimation		Palino	dromes	Non palindromes		
algorithm	kld	%	apm	%	apm	
VS	6.00	1.9	0.023	98.1	0.851	
kVS (k=2)	5.76	2.3	0.028	97.7	0.835	
kVS (k=4)	5.68	3.7	0.040	96.3	0.822	
kVS $(k=8)$	5.56	7.9	0.074	92.1	0.800	
kVS $(k=16)$	5.45	7.8	0.076	92.2	0.793	
kVS $(k=32)$	5.07	13.2	0.111	86.8	0.696	
kVS $(k = 64)$	5.03	12.7	0.112	87.3	0.691	
kVS (k = 128)	4.98	11.2	0.095	88.88	0.685	
	4.95	11.9	0.119	88.1	0.637	
kVS (k = 512)	3.59	17.6	0.156	82.4	0.372	
$kVS \ (k = 1024)$	3.59	17.9	0.156	82.1	0.373	
kVS $(k = 2048)$	3.59	17.9	0.156	82.1	0.373	
Ю	1.88	76.0	0.710	24.0	0.044	

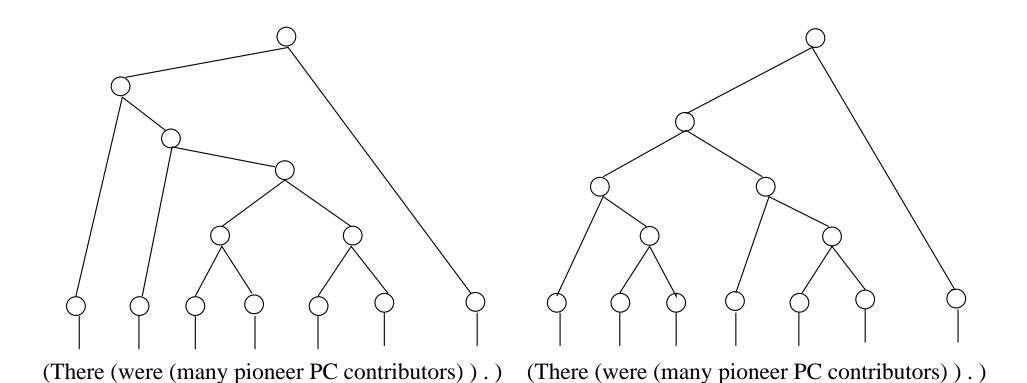
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### ESTIMATION FROM STRUCTURAL INFORMATION



From a set of bracketed corpus, the following function is defined [Pereira 92]:

 $\overline{c}(i,j) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } (i,j) \text{ is consistent with the bracketed sample,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right.$ 

### ESTIMATION FROM STRUCTURAL INFORMATION: IOB ALGORITHM

#### (Bracketed) Viterbi algorithm [Pereira 92]

 $\forall A \in N$ , we compute:

$$\widehat{e}^{(b)}(A, i, i+1) = p(A \to b) \cdot \delta(b, x_{i+1}) \qquad 0 \le i < T - 1$$

$$\widehat{e}^{(b)}(A, i, i+l) = \overline{c}(i, i+l) \max_{B, C \in N} \cdot p(A \to BC)$$

$$\max_{k=1, \dots, l-1} \widehat{e}^{(b)}(B, i, i+k) \widehat{e}^{(b)}(C, i+k, i+l)$$

$$2 \le l \le T; \ 0 \le i \le T - l$$

$$\widehat{P}_{\theta}(x) = \widehat{e}^{(b)}(S < 0, n >).$$

## IOB: EXPERIMENTS WITH PALINDROMES

	Palind	romes	Non palindromes		
kld	%	apm	%	apm	
4.49	17.1	0.159	82.9	0.600	
4.96	12.8	0.119	87.2	0.633	
4.49	16.8	0.159	83.2	0.600	
4.47	18.2	0.158	81.8	0.591	
4.45	17.6	0.162	82.4	0.584	
4.43	16.9	0.170	83.1	0.578	
4.41	17.5	0.174	82.5	0.572	
3.93	22.5	0.200	77.5	0.564	
3.80	31.6	0.303	68.4	0.442	
3.23	27.1	0.264	72.9	0.299	
3.59	17.6	0.157	82.4	0.370	
1.88	74.7	0.715	25.3	0.049	
0.00	100.0	0.746	0.0	0.000	
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## EXPERIMENTS WITH WSJ CORPUS

## > Characteristics of WSJ corpus:

Data set	Directories	No. of senten.	No. of words
Training (full)	00-20	42,075	1,004,073
Training ( $\leq 50$ )	00-20	41,315 (98,2%)	959,390 (95,6%)
Tuning	21-22	3,371	80,156
Test	23-24	3,762	89,537

- $\rightarrow$  Vocabulary (Training), only the 10.000 most frequent words
- $\triangleright$  Category-based PCFGs (length restriction  $\leq 50$ ):

N  (size)	V	S	kVS V		VS	b	kVSb		IOb	
			(k =	(k = 128)			(k =	128)		
	tsp	size	tsp	size	tsp	size	tsp	size	tsp	size
14 (3,374)	20.13	195	18.56	195	21.10	256	19.53	256	13.34	471
20 (8,900)	20.42	255	17.46	280	19.38	406	18.01	311	12.33	888
25 (16,750)	17.58	407	16.76	349	16.93	499	16.89	398	11.86	1042
30 (28,350)	17.67	367	16.34	400	17.90	609	16.78	424	10.86	1454
35 (44,450)	16.92	600	16.02	454	16.64	789	16.24	619	10.24	1741

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Optimization methods: Growth transformations

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Maximum conditional likelihood (discriminative) estimation [Jebara 98]

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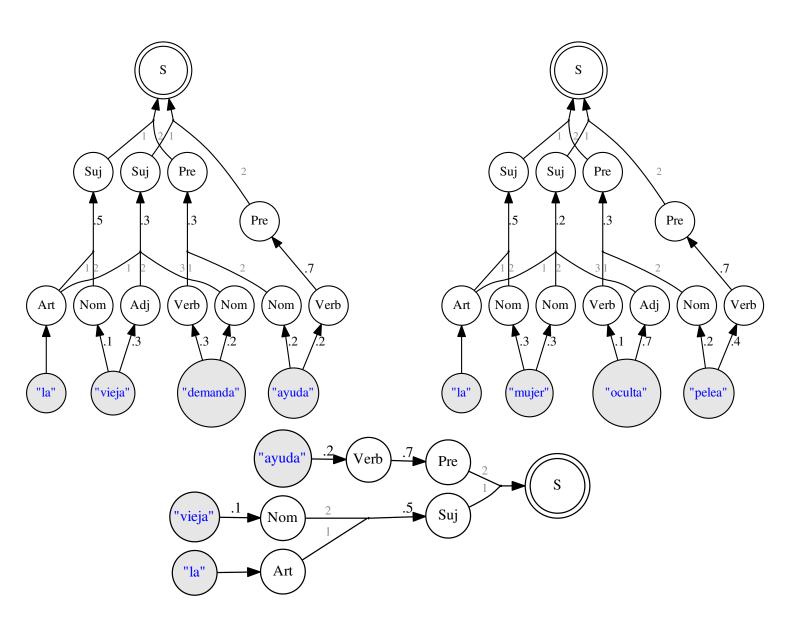
# Discriminative Training: Optimization methods

- Gradient Descent
- Extended Baum method (Growth transformations)

[Gopalakrishnan et al. 1991]

# **Grammar**: $(G, \theta)$

- 1.0 S  $\rightarrow$  Suj Pre
- $0.5 \text{ Suj } \rightarrow \text{Art Nom}$
- $0.3 \text{ Suj } \rightarrow \text{Art Adj Nom}$
- $0.2 \text{ Suj } \rightarrow \text{Art Nom Adj}$
- 0.3 Pre  $\rightarrow$  Verb Nom
- $0.7 \text{ Pre } \rightarrow \text{Verb}$
- 1.0 Art  $\rightarrow$  "la"
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- $0.2 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{"ayuda"}$
- $0.3 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{"mujer"}$
- $0.2 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{"pelea"}$
- $0.2 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{"demanda"}$
- $0.3 \text{ Verb} \rightarrow \text{"demanda"}$
- $0.2 \text{ Verb} \rightarrow \text{"ayuda"}$
- $0.1 \text{ Verb} \rightarrow \text{"oculta"}$
- $0.4 \text{ Verb} \rightarrow \text{"pelea"}$
- $0.3 \text{ Adj } \rightarrow \text{"vieja"}$
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Sample:  $\mathcal{D} = \{$ Ia vieja demanda ayuda, la mujer oculta pelea, la vieja ayuda $\}$ 

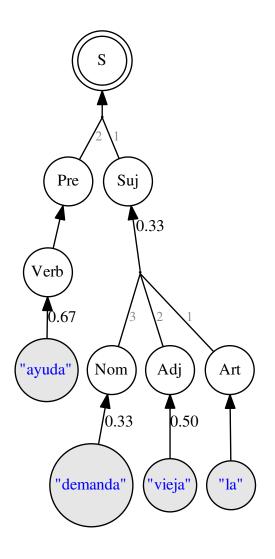
 $P_{\theta}(\text{la vieja demanda ayuda}) = .00090 + .00252 = .00342$  $P_{\theta}(\text{la mujer oculta pelea}) = .00090 + .01176 = .01266$  $P_{\theta}(\text{la vieja ayuda}) = .00700$ 

### Inside-Outside:

$$\begin{split} \overline{p}(\mathsf{Suj} &\to \mathsf{Art} \; \mathsf{Nom} \; \mathsf{Adj}) \\ &= \; \frac{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \; \frac{1}{P_{\theta}(x)} \; \sum_{t_x} \; N(\mathsf{Suj} \to \mathsf{Art} \; \mathsf{Nom} \; \mathsf{Adj}, t_x) P_{\theta}(x, t_x)}{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \; \frac{1}{P_{\theta}(x)} \; \sum_{t_x} \; N(\mathsf{Suj}, t_x) \; P_{\theta}(x, t_x)} \\ &= \; \frac{\frac{1}{.01266} \; .01176}{\frac{1}{.00342} \; (.00090 + .00252) + \frac{1}{.01266} \; (.00090 + .01176) + \frac{1}{.00700} \; (.00700)} \\ &= \; \frac{.9289}{3} = .3096 \end{split}$$

### GENERATIVE MODELS: EXAMPLE

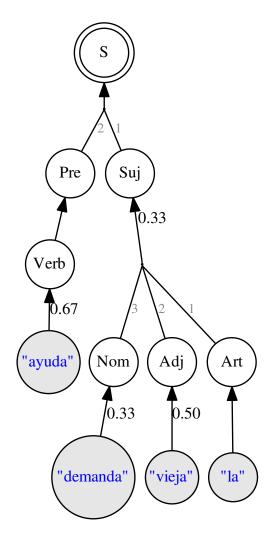
Inside-Outside:	$ heta_1$	$ heta_2$	$\theta_3$
1.0 S $→$ Suj Pre	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
0.5 Suj $\rightarrow$ Art Nom	0.4447	0.3370	0.3333
0.3 Suj $\rightarrow$ Art Adj Nom	0.2456	0.3299	0.3333
0.2 Suj $\rightarrow$ Art Nom Adj	0.3096	0.3331	0.3334
0.3 Pre $\rightarrow$ Verb Nom	0.1114	0.0036	
0.7 Pre $\rightarrow$ Verb	0.8886	0.9964	1.0000
1.0 Art $ ightarrow$ "la"	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
0.1 $Nom \!  o  ext{``vieja''}$	0.3788	0.3356	0.3333
0.2 Nom $\rightarrow$ "ayuda"	0.0789	0.0034	
0.3 Nom $\rightarrow$ "mujer"	0.2999	0.3322	0.3333
$0.2 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{``pelea''}$	0.0213	0.0002	
0.2 Nom $\rightarrow$ "demanda"	0.2201	0.3286	0.3334
0.3 Verb $ ightarrow$ "demanda"	0.0877	0.0035	
0.2 Verb $ ightarrow$ "ayuda"	0.5790	0.6632	0.6667
0.1 Verb $ ightarrow$ "oculta"	0.0237	0.0002	
0.4 Verb $ ightarrow$ "pelea"	0.3096	0.3331	0.3333
0.3 Adj $ ightarrow$ "vieja"	0.4423	0.4976	0.5000
0.7 Adj $\rightarrow$ "oculta"	0.5577	0.5024	0.5000
$L_{\Theta}(\mathcal{D}) = 3.0  10^{-7}$	$8.710^{-6}$	$4.910^{-5}$	$5.110^{-5}$

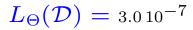


### GENERATIVE MODELS: EXAMPLE

Viterbi:	$ heta_1$

1.0 S → Suj Pre	1.0000
0.5 Suj $\rightarrow$ Art Nom	0.3333
0.3 Suj $\rightarrow$ Art Adj Nom	0.3333
$0.2 \; Suj \;  o Art \; Nom \; Adj$	0.3334
0.3 Pre $\rightarrow$ Verb Nom	
0.7 Pre $\rightarrow$ Verb	1.0000
1.0 Art $\rightarrow$ "la"	1.0000
$0.1~Nom\! o ext{``vieja''}$	0.3333
$0.2 \ Nom \!  o \text{``ayuda''}$	
$0.3 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{"mujer"}$	0.3333
$0.2 \text{ Nom} \rightarrow \text{``pelea''}$	
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0.3 Verb $\rightarrow$ "demanda"	
0.2 Verb $\rightarrow$ "ayuda"	0.6667
$0.1~{\sf Verb} { ightarrow}$ "oculta"	
0.4 Verb $\rightarrow$ "pelea"	0.3333
0.3 Adj $\rightarrow$ "vieja"	0.5000
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This practical exercise is devoted to develop a PCFG for modeling geometric figures, namely, triangles. The toolkit includes a program for estimating a SCFG with the Inside-Outside algorithm, with the Viterbi-Score algorithm, with and without bracketed samples. For example, in the following commands:

```
scfg-toolkit/scfg_cgr -g MODELS/Gm1 -f MODELS/Gm1-new
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/Gm1-new -f MODELS/Gm1-new-100 -i 100 -m DATA/D
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/Gm1-new -f MODELS/Gm1-new-br-100 -i 100 -m DATA/Dpar
```

the first command creates a new SCFG, the second trains the grammar with the Inside-Outside algorithm with plain samples, and the third command trains the grammar with the Inside-Outside algorithm with bracketed samples. The second command could take a lot of time given the time complexity and should be used taking into account this restriction. Therefore if the sample has many repeated string then it can trained also as follows:

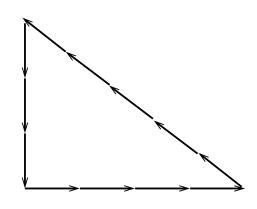
```
sort DATA/D | uniq -c | sed 's/^ +//g;s/ +//g;' > DATA/D-s-u
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/Gm1-new -f MODELS/Gm1-new-100-s-u -i 100 -m DATA/D-s-u -U
```

With the -U option, each uniq string is parsed only once and absolute frequencies are taken into account.

PCFG can be used to represent geometric figures. Consider the following primitives:

$$a=\nearrow, b=\rightarrow, c=\searrow, d=\downarrow, e=\swarrow, f=\leftarrow, g=\nwarrow, h=\uparrow.$$

Then, a rectangle triangle like the one that can be seen to the right can be represented with the string bbbgggggddd (left bottom corner is assumed to be the begining of the string).



A dataset SampleTriangle-10K representing rectangle triangles is provided. The samples are bracketed as (bbbb)(ggggg)(ddd). A PCFG can be trained and tested as follows:

```
scfg-toolkit/scfg_cgr -g MODELS/G-triangle -f MODELS/Gt-0
sort DATA/SampleTriangle-10K | uniq -c | sed 's/^ \+//g;s/ \+/ /g;' > DATA/SampleTriangle-10K-s-u
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/Gt-0 -f MODELS/Gt-100 -i 100 -m DATA/SampleTriangle-10K-s-u -U
scfg-toolkit/scfg_gstr -g MODELS/Gt-100 -c 1000 > tri-test
awk -f scfg-toolkit/checkTriangle tri-test | grep Y | wc -l
```

The last command outputs the number of rectangle triangles in 1000 generated strings. The learning process can take some time. The number of non-terminal symbols in the PCFG is a critical point since the more non-terminal symbols the more flexibility the PCFG has to learn the samples, but it takes more time and more training samples are needed.

## Question

Complete the following table:

# non-terminal symbols	# rectangle triangles
5	
10	
15	
20	

Now we will work with three types of triangles: right triangles, equilateral triangles, and isoscalen triangles. These type of triangles exhibit some relations that PCFG may capture. For this purpose, bracketed samples can be used to represent the relations. The following commands perform a simple experiment for given training and test sets:

```
# train models
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/G-O -f MODELS/right -m DATA/Tr-right-s-u -i 100 -U
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/G-O -f MODELS/equil -m DATA/Tr-equil-s-u -i 100 -U
scfg-toolkit/scfg_learn -g MODELS/G-O -f MODELS/isosc -m DATA/Tr-isosc-s-u -i 100 -U
# classify with the trained models and get results
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/right -m DATA/Ts-right > r
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/equil -m DATA/Ts-right > e
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/isosc -m DATA/Ts-right > i
paste r e i | awk '{m=$1;argm="right"; if ($2>m) {m=$2;argm="equil";}
              if ($3>m) {m=$3;argm="isosc";}printf("right %s\n",argm);}' > results
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/right -m DATA/Ts-equil > r
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/equil -m DATA/Ts-equil > e
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/isosc -m DATA/Ts-equil > i
paste r e i | awk '{m=$2;argm="equil"; if ($1>m) {m=$1;argm="right";}
              if ($3>m) {m=$3;argm="isosc";} printf("equil %s\n",argm);}' >> results
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/right -m DATA/Ts-isosc > r
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/equil -m DATA/Ts-isosc > e
scfg-toolkit/scfg_prob -g MODELS/isosc -m DATA/Ts-isosc > i
paste r e i | awk '{m=$3;argm="isosc"; if ($1>m) {m=$1;argm="right";}
              if (\$2>m) {m=\$2;argm="equil";} printf("isosc \%s\n",argm);}' >> results
cat results | scfg-toolkit/confus
       equi isos righ Err Err%
# equi 923
                       77 7.7
            77
                    0
# isos 551 220 229 780 78.0
# righ 123 105 772 228 22.8
# Error: 1085/3000 = 36.17%
```

### Question

Study the classification results depending on the algorithm used for training (Inside-Outside or Viterbi) and the type of samples (bracketed or not). Analyze the results.

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Study the classification results depending on the algorithm used for learning the PCFG and the size of the training data. You can generate more training data as follows:

```
scfg-toolkit/genFig -F 0 -c 1000 -l 2 -L 10 > DATA/Tr-right
```

You have to use a different seed for each training set in order to avoid a repeated sequence of training samples. Analyze the results.

### Question

Apply a different classifier to this task and evaluate the results.

# Discriminative models: Conditional Random Fields (CRF)

[Lafferty, McCallum, Pereira, 2001].

$$P_{\theta}(y|x) = \frac{\exp\{\phi(x,y;\theta)\}}{Z(x;\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\exp\{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_k f_k(y_{t-1}, y_t, x_t)\}}{Z(x; \theta)}$$
(10)

Where

$$Z(x;\theta) = \sum_{y' \in y^*} \exp \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_k f_k(y'_{t-1}, y'_t, x_t) \right\}$$
 (11)

## CRF: PARAMETER ESTIMATION

ightharpoonup Given  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(N)}, y^{(N)})\}$ , finding the optimal parameters of a CRF:  $\widehat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \ L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D})$ 

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Objective function: Regularized log likelihood

$$L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log P_{\theta}(y^{(n)}|x^{(n)}) - \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{k} \theta_{k}^{2}$$
 (14)

The second term is an additional regularization term, with  $\lambda > 0$ , to control the trade-off between fitting to data and model complexity  $\triangleright$  Substituting the definitions of CRF model (10, 11) into the expression of  $L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D})$  (13)

$$L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_k f_k(y_{t-1}^{(n)}, y_t^{(n)}, x_t^{(n)}) - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log Z(x^{(n)}; \theta)$$
 (15)

> Find 
$$\widehat{\theta} = \argmax_{\theta} \ L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D}) \ - \ \frac{\lambda}{2} \ \sum_{k} \ \theta_{k}^{2}$$

- > In general there is no analytical solution to this optimization, so we must use a numerical optimization, i.e. gradient-based optimization.
- $\triangleright$  It can be shown that  $L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D})$  is a concave function. It means that every local optimum is also a global optimum. Adding regularization ensures that  $L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D})$  is strictly concave, which implies that it has exactly one global optimum [Sutton & McCallum, 2010].

### CRF: PARAMETER ESTIMATION

# Gradient-based optimization

 $\theta = 0$ 1 Initialize:

2 Compute the gradient:

$$\delta_k = \frac{\partial \ L_{\theta}(\mathcal{D})}{\partial \theta_k} \quad \forall k = 1 \dots K$$

3 Calculate

$$\widehat{\beta} = \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \ L_{(\theta+\beta\delta)}(\mathcal{D})$$

4 Move  $\theta$  in steps proportional to the gradient:

$$\theta = \theta + \widehat{\beta} \ \delta$$

- 5 Repeat steps 2 to 4 until convergence
- The step 3 can be performed using some type of linear search.
- There are many standard packages which use more sophisticated algorithms, and which give considerably faster convergence.

$$\frac{\partial L(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{k}} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} f_{k}(y_{t-1}^{(n)}, y_{t}^{(n)}, x_{t}^{(n)})$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{V}^{T}} f_{k}(y_{t-1}, y_{t}, x_{t}^{(n)}) P_{\theta}(y \mid x^{(n)}) \tag{16}$$

- $\succ$  The first term is simply the number of times that the feature  $f_k$  is equal to 1 on the training data. This term is easy to compute by counting.
- The second term can be interpreted as the expected number of times the feature  $f_k$  is equal to 1. This term is more involved to compute.
- $\succ$  For the Regularized log likelihood (14), add the term:  $-\lambda \theta_k$

#### CALCULATION OF THE DERIVATIVES

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{V}^{T}} f_k(y_{t-1}, y_t, x_t^{(n)}) P_{\theta}(y \mid x^{(n)}) =$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{s,s'\in\mathcal{Y}} f_k(y_{t-1} = s', y_t = s, x_t^{(n)}) \sum_{\substack{y\in\mathcal{Y}^T\\y_{t-1} = s', y_t = s}} P_{\theta}(y \mid x^{(n)}) \quad (17)$$

From the definition of CRF (10):

$$P_{\theta}(y|x) = \frac{1}{Z(x;\theta)} \prod_{t=1}^{T} \Psi_{t}(y_{t-1}, y_{t}, x_{t})$$

Where:

$$\Psi_t(y_{t-1}, y_t, x_t) = \exp \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k f_k(y_{t-1}, y_t, x_t) \right\}$$

> Forward variables

$$\alpha_t(s) = \sum_{\substack{y_1^t; y_t = s}} \prod_{j=1}^t \Psi_j(y_{j-1}, y_j, x_j)$$

Backward variables

$$\beta_t(s) = \sum_{\substack{y_{t+1}^T; y_t = s}} \prod_{j=t+1}^T \Psi_j(y_{j-1}, y_j, x_j)$$

 $\succ$  The quantity Z

$$Z = \sum_{s} \alpha_{T}(s)$$

Finally, the marginal distribution needed for the gradient can be computed as:

$$\sum_{\substack{y \in \mathcal{Y}^T \\ y_{t-1} = s', y_t = s}} P_{\theta}(y \mid x^{(n)}) = \alpha_{t-1}(s') \ \Psi_t(y_{t-1} = s', y_t = s, x_t^{(n)}) \ \beta_t(s) \ Z^{-1}$$

#### LEARNING STRUCTURED PREDICTORS

> Given a training corpus  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(N)}, y^{(N)})\}$ 

**Goal**: to learn a predictor  $x \rightarrow y$  with small error on unseen inputs.

> In CRFs:

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} P_{\theta}(y|x) = \underset{y}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \frac{\exp\{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_{k} f_{k}(y_{t-1}, y_{t}, x_{t})\}}{Z(x; \theta)}$$

$$= \underset{y}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \theta f(y_{t-1}, y_{t}, x_{t})$$

 $\triangleright$  Can we learn  $\theta$  more directly, focusing on errors?

### [Collins, 2002]

- $\triangleright$  Given a training set  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}_{n=1}^N$
- $\triangleright$  Set  $\theta = 0$
- ightharpoonup For each iteration  $w:1\ldots W$ , and for each training sample  $(x^{(n)},y^{(n)}):n:1\ldots N$ 
  - > Compute

$$z^{(n)} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{arg max}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \theta f(z_{t-1}, z_t, x_t^{(n)})$$

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$$\theta = \theta + \sum_{t=1}^{T} f(y_{t-1}^{(n)}, y_t^{(n)}, x_t^{(n)}) - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f(z_{t-1}^{(n)}, z_t^{(n)}, x_t^{(n)})$$

Return

[Collins, 2002] approximation of voted perceptron [Freund & Schapire, 1999]

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- $\triangleright \theta_a = \theta_a + \theta$
- $\triangleright$  Return  $\theta_a / N \cdot W$

#### PROPERTIES OF THE PERCEPTRON

- > If the data is separable, Perceptron algorithm converges. Also there are partial solutions for non-separable cases.
- > It is a very simple framework that can work with many structured problems and that works very well:
  - > all you need is (fast) 1-best inference (Viterbi);
  - > typically reaches a good solution after only a few iterations;
  - > can be applied to parsing, translation, etc.

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Rewriting the numerator for all parameters:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{oldsymbol{t} \in heta(oldsymbol{x}^{(n)})} oldsymbol{\phi}(oldsymbol{x}^{(n)}, oldsymbol{t}) P_{ heta}(oldsymbol{t} | oldsymbol{x}^{(n)})$$

# EM algorithm [Liang 09]:

#### **Batch EM**

```
\theta \leftarrow \text{initialization}
for each iteration w = 1, \ldots, W:
    \mu \leftarrow 0
    for each example n = 1, \ldots, N:

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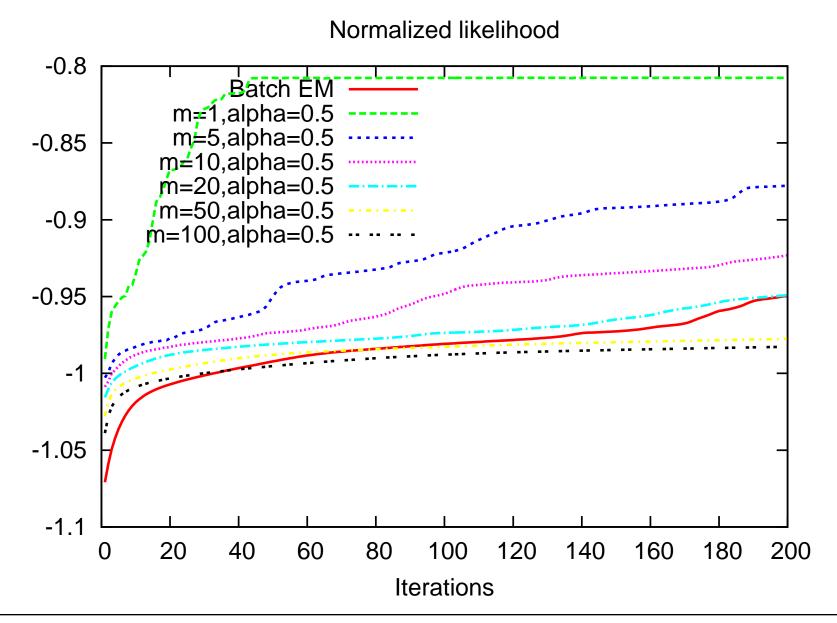
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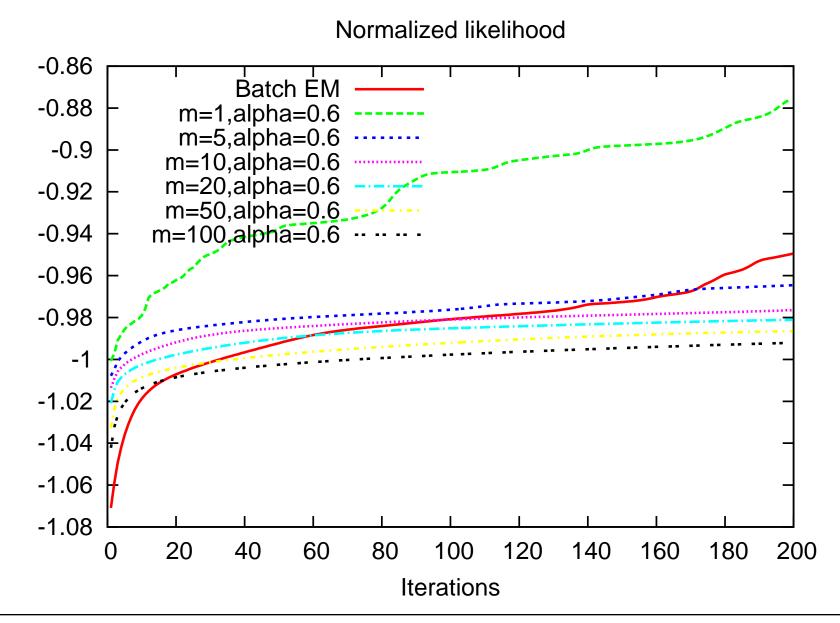
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0.5	$30.6 \pm 2.0$	$83.4 \pm 11.9$	$84.6 \pm 19.4$	$71.0 \pm 27.7$	$33.2 \pm 26.9$
0.6	$79.6 \pm 13.1$	$70.2 \pm 28.6$	$42.4 \pm 30.6$	$26.0 \pm 18.6$	$16.8 \pm 3.9$
0.7	$52.1 \pm 28.3$	$19.0 \pm 6.5$	$17.0 \pm 4.3$	$16.1 \pm 4.0$	$15.9 \pm 3.7$

Motivation: Supervised learning: (x, y) x: input data (sentence) y: label

- > Problem: to annotate data is slow and expensive
- > Active learning: to annotate just the necessary data

# Pool-based active learning algorithm [Settles 2008, Settles 2010]:

```
Given: Labeled set \mathcal{L}, unlabeled pool \mathcal{U},
           query strategy \phi(\dot{}), query batch size B
repeat
       // learn a model using the current {\cal L}
       \theta = \mathsf{train}(\mathcal{L})
       for b = 1 to B do
               // query the most informative instance
               \mathbf{x}_b^* = \arg\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{U}} \ \phi(\mathbf{x})
               // move the labeled query from {\cal U} to {\cal L}
               \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} \cup \langle \mathbf{x}_b^*, \mathsf{label}(\mathbf{x}_b^*) \rangle
               \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{U} - \mathbf{x}_h^*
       end
until some stopping criterion
```

### ACTIVE LEARNING: QUERY STRATEGIES

- Uncertainty sampling We select the sample that it has most uncertainty about their label
  - > Least confidence (LC):

$$\phi^{LC}(\boldsymbol{x}) = 1 - P_{\theta}(\hat{\boldsymbol{t}} | \boldsymbol{x})$$

> Sequence entropy (SE)

$$\phi^{SE}(\boldsymbol{x}) = -\sum_{\widehat{\boldsymbol{t}}} P_{\theta}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{t}} \,|\, \boldsymbol{x}) \log P_{\theta}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{t}} \,|\, \boldsymbol{x})$$

 $\rightarrow$  N-best sequence entropy (NSE)

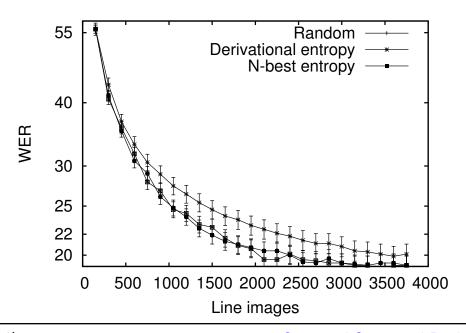
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# Handwritten Text Recognition experiment [Romero 18]:

ESPOSALLES dataset: single writer in old Catalan in the 17th century, composed by 173 pages that contain 5,437 lines.

	$\mathcal{L}$	$\mathcal{U}$	Test	Total
Lines	150	4,470	827	5,447
Running words	1,650	50,234	8,893	60,777
Vocabulary	397	2,914	1,119	3,500

- Initial model trained on 150 sentences randomly selected
- $\triangleright$  Batch size: 150 lines for each selection iteration (about 5 pages)



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