

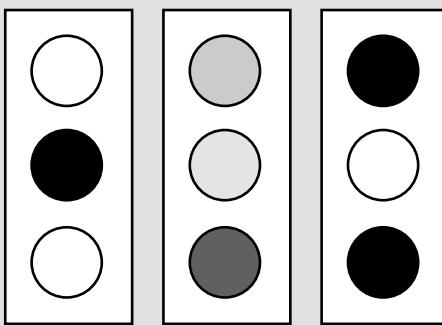
# Composable, distributed-state models for high-dimensional time series

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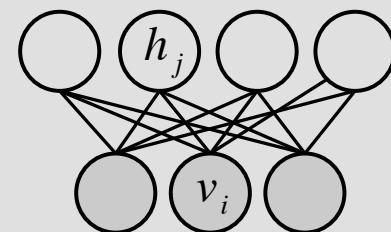
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## Distributed



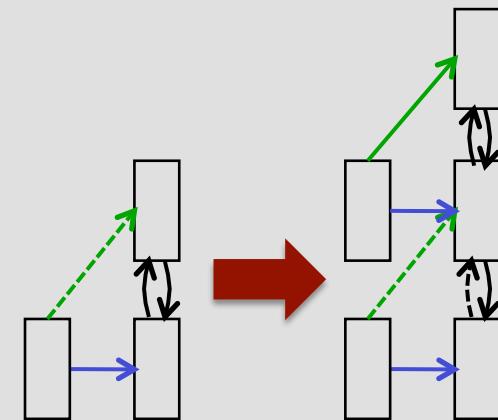
- Capable of representing data that is a product of multiple underlying influences

## Undirected



- Using an RBM makes exact inference easy

## Composable



- Train greedily, layer-by-layer

# Modeling human motion

- Capture the movement of a subject as a time series of 3D cartesian coordinates
- High-dimensional (60-100), nonlinear, long-range deps
- Large repositories available
- Extension to tracking (Ch. 6)



# Related work

Concatenation

Transforming  
existing motion

Interpolation/  
Blending

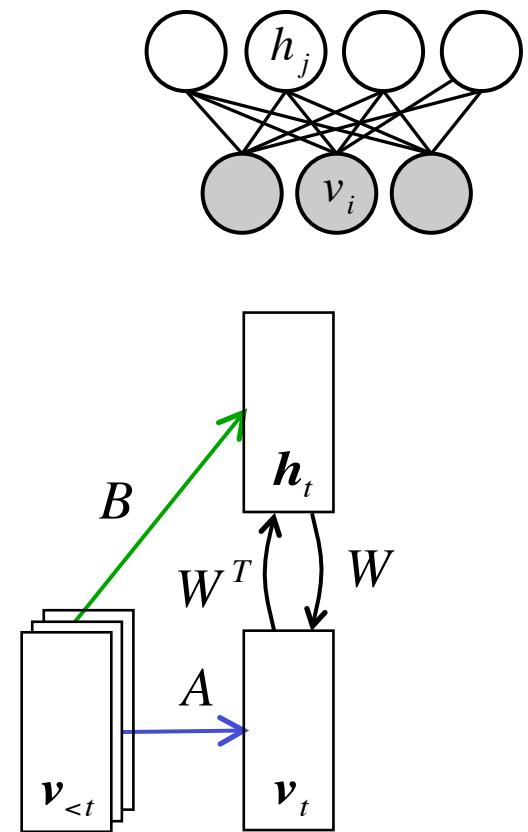
Physics-based  
methods

Generative models-

Our method is based on a “pure” learning approach. It is able to generalize well while avoiding the complexity of explicitly imposing physics-based constraints.

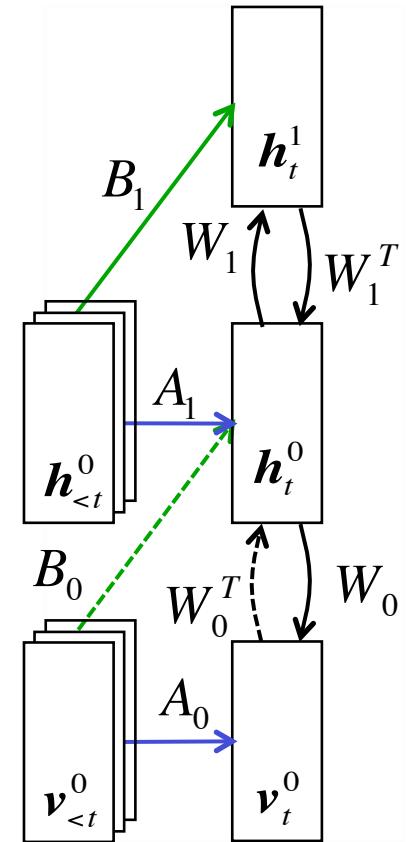
# Conditional Restricted Boltzmann Machines

- Start with an RBM (binary-binary or real-binary)
- Add two types of directed connections
- Does not change inference and learning
- Autoregressive weights model short-term, linear structure

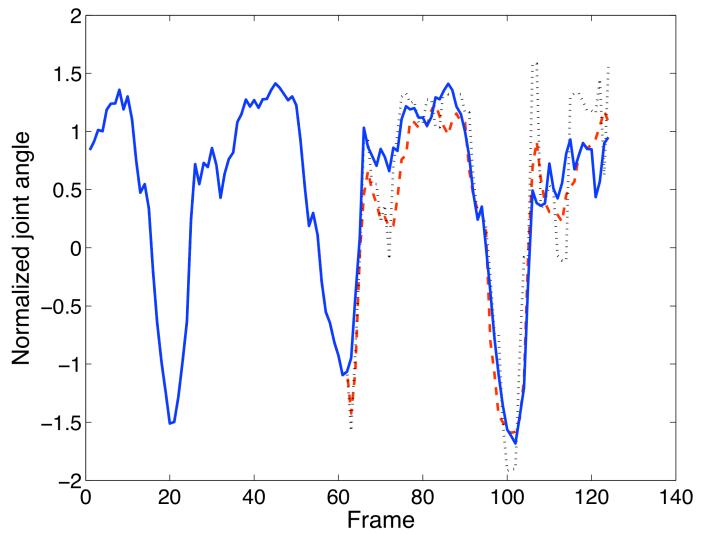
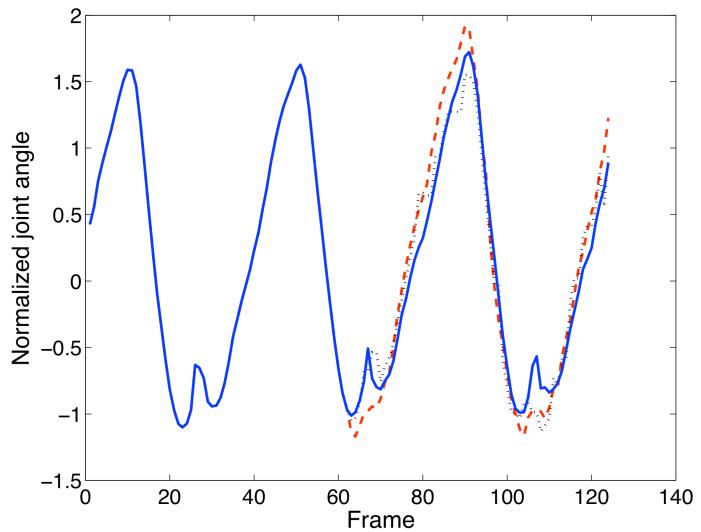
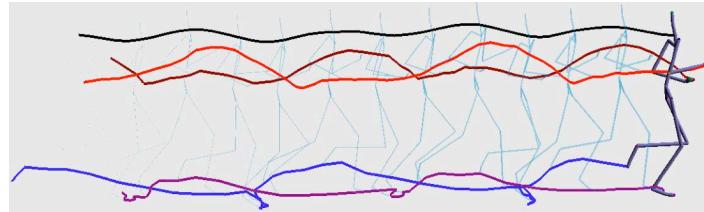
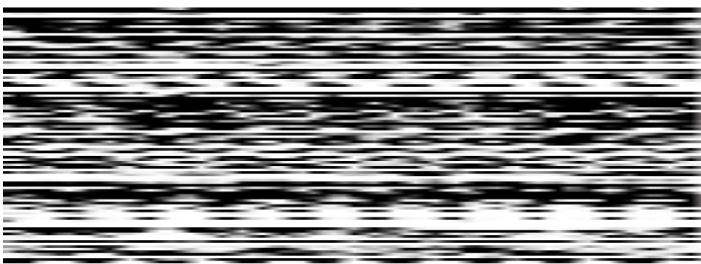
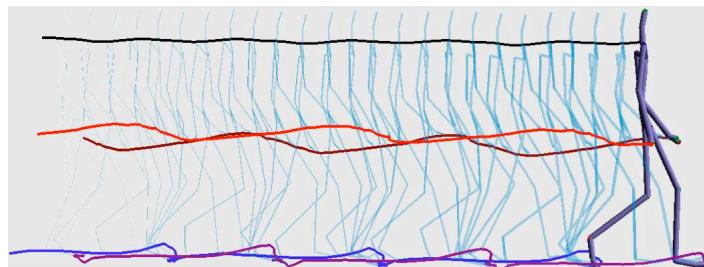
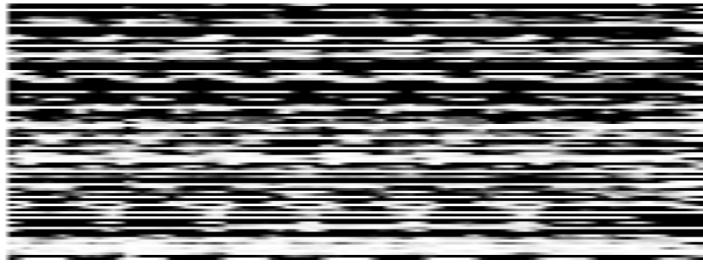


# Conditional deep belief networks

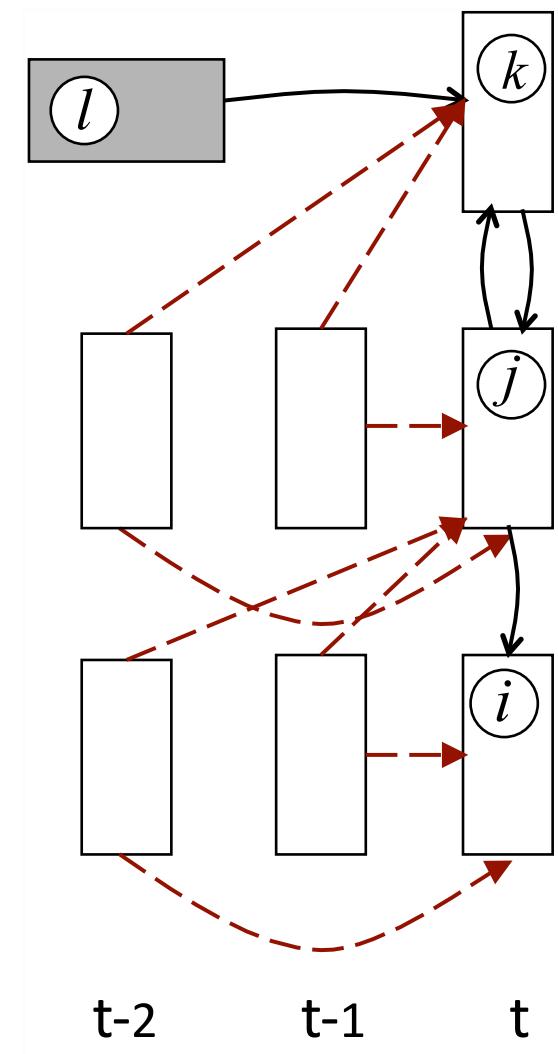
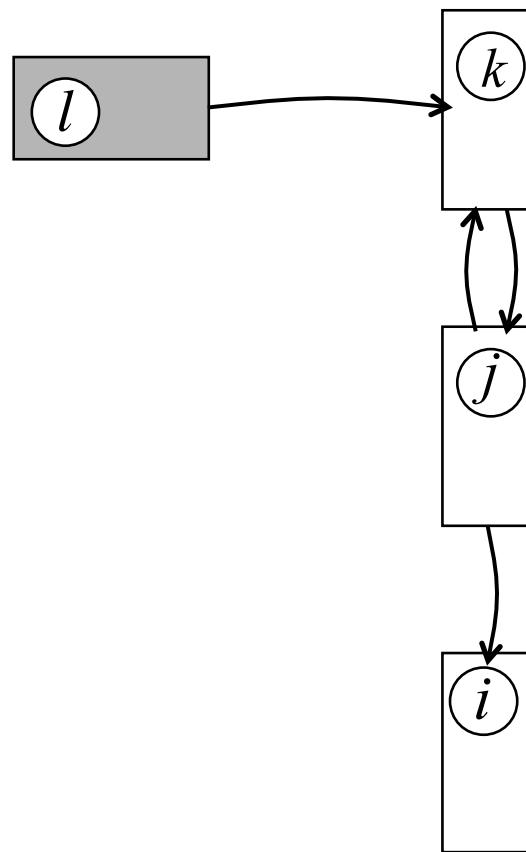
- CRBM defines  $p(v^0, h^0)$  – implicitly  $p(h^0), p(v^0 | h^0)$
- Consider “trading in”  $p(h^0)$  for a better model
- Subject to conditions (which we violate) – guaranteed to never decrease a variational lower bound on log prob



# Results: synthesis and filling-in

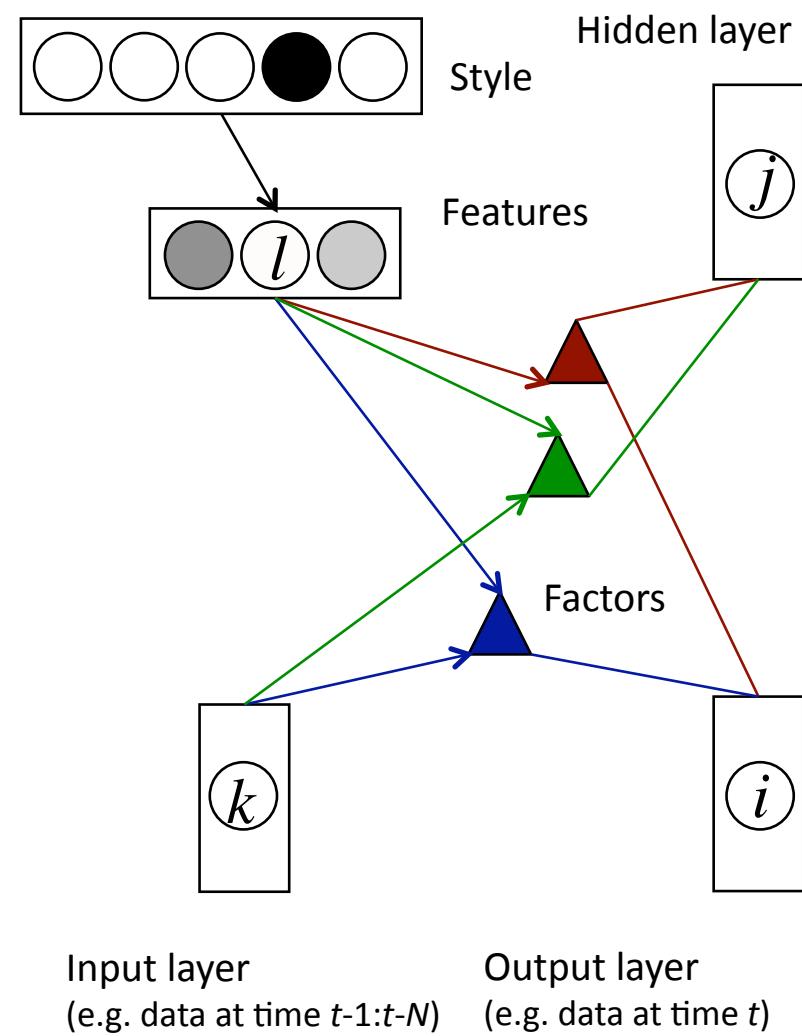


# Learning style



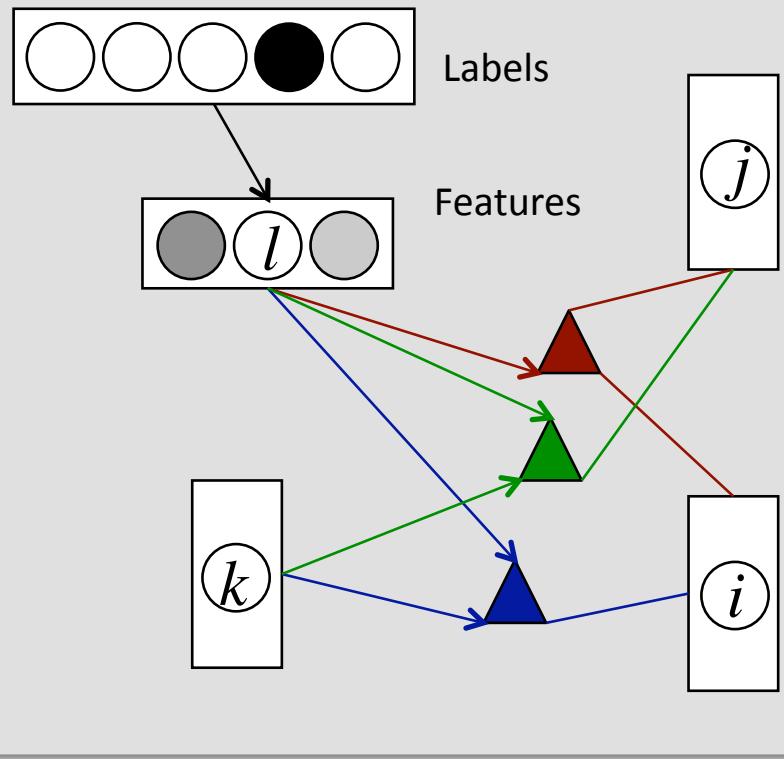
# Factored Conditional RBMs

- Effective interaction weight between two units is modulated by the dynamic state of a third unit
- Factor implied three-way weight tensor, reducing parameters from  $O(N^2)$  to  $O(N^3)$
- Can blend and transition among motion styles

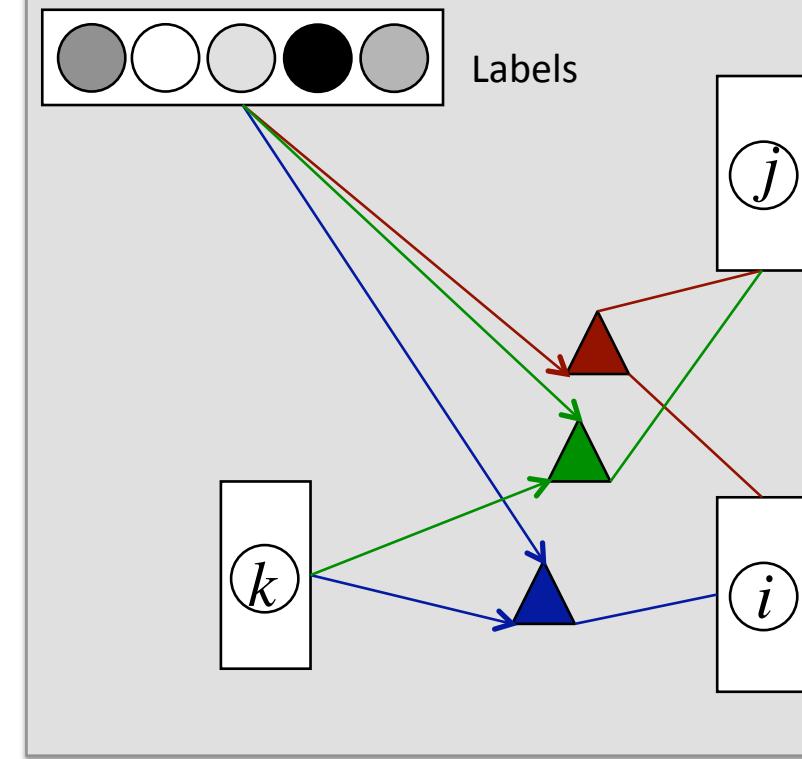


# Results: synthesis

Discrete labels

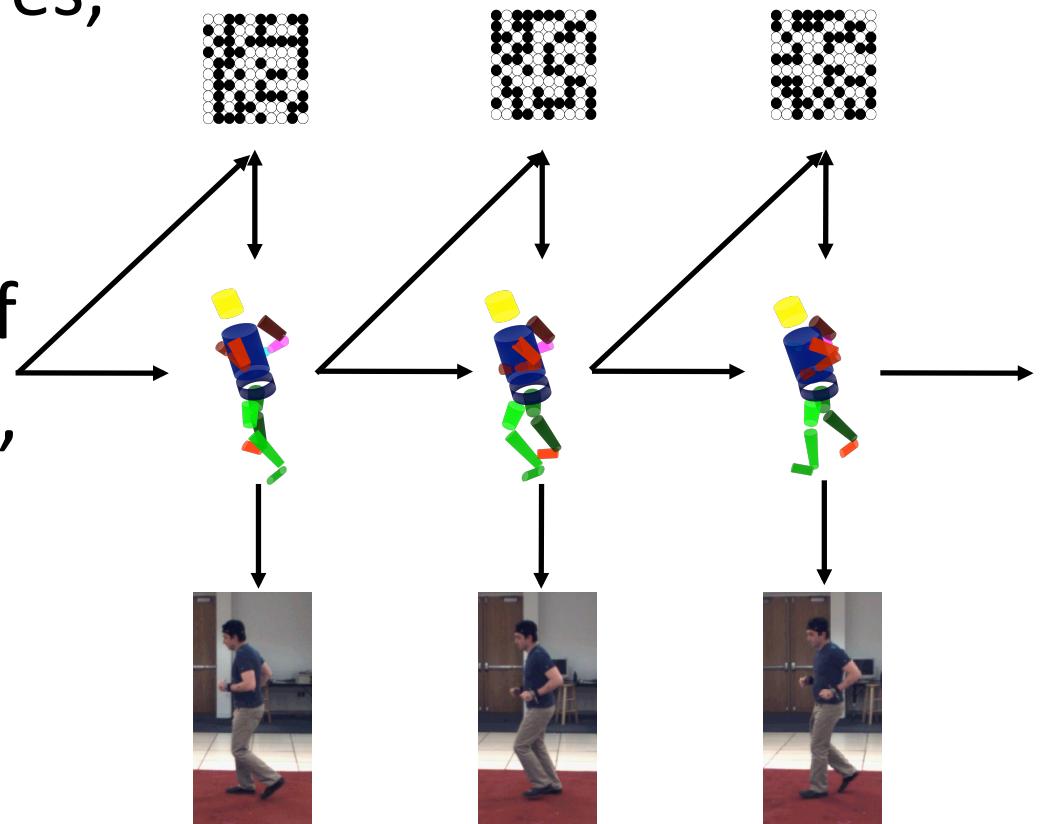


Continuous labels



# Tracking people with rich dynamical priors

- Given image features, infer 3-D pose at every frame
- Difficult because of noisy observations, occlusions, ambiguities
- Need good priors



# Bayesian filtering

$$p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t}) \propto p(\mathbf{y}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1})$$



$\mathbf{x}_t$ : pose

$\mathbf{y}_t$ : image features

$$p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}) = \int_{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}) d\mathbf{x}_{t-1}$$

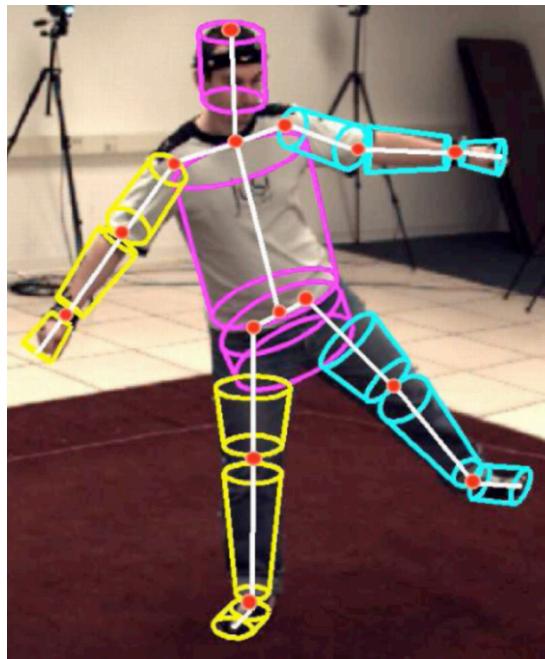
Dynamical prior

Cannot be computed in closed form

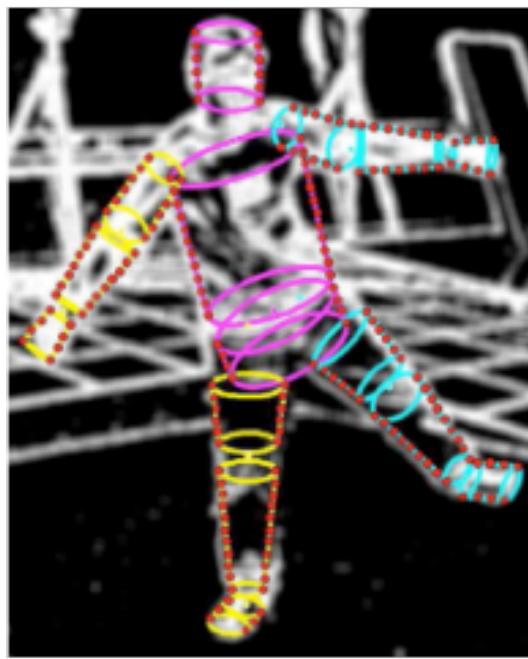
$$p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t}) \approx \sum_{p=1}^P w_t^{(p)} \delta(\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}_t^{(p)})$$
$$\mathbf{x}_t^{(p)} \sim p(\mathbf{x}_t \mid \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1})$$
$$w_t^{(p)} \propto p(\mathbf{y}_t \mid \mathbf{x}_t^{(p)})$$

(Deutscher & Reid, 2005)

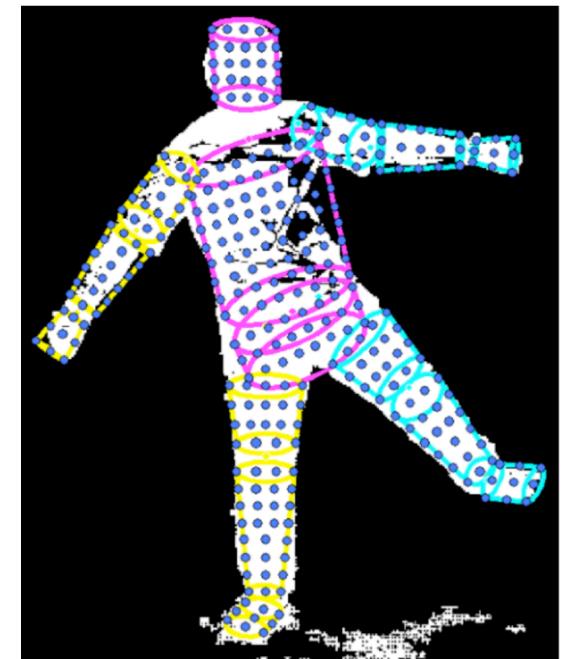
# Cylindrical body model, likelihoods



Body model



Edge-based



Silhouette-based

(Images reproduced from Sigal, Balan, and Black, 2009)

# Results: generalization over subject

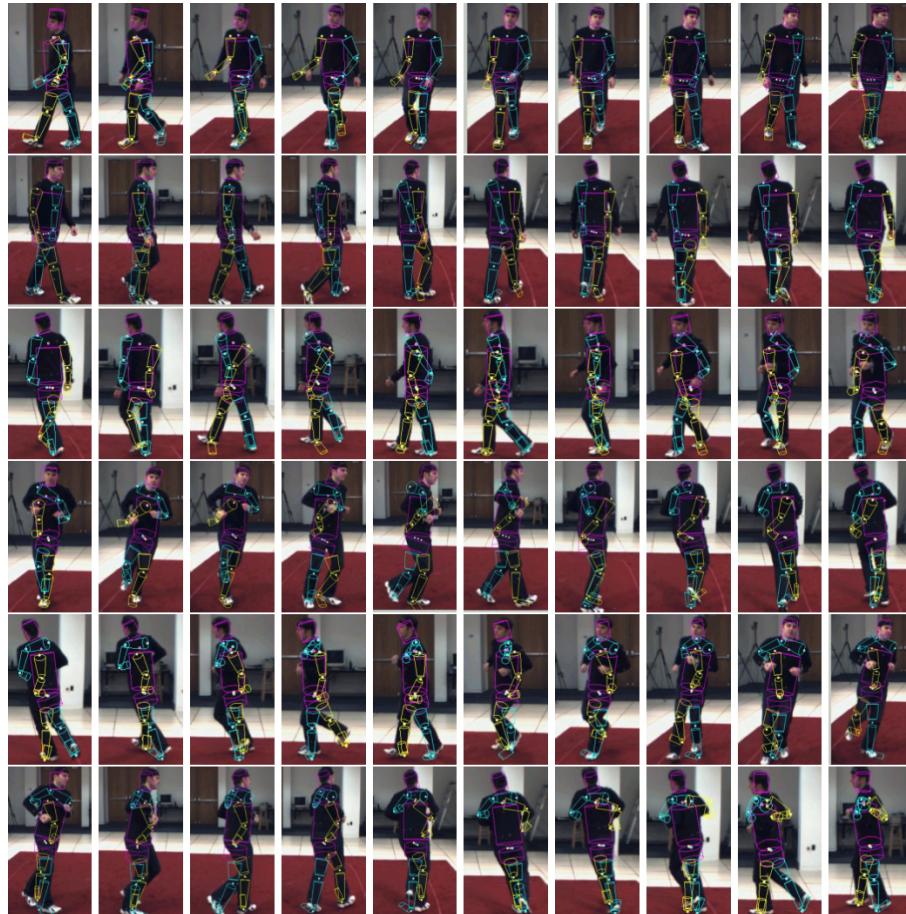
Training set	Baseline	Xu and Li (2007)	CRBM
S5	91.37±6.29	48.98	41.97±3.57
S1		51.66	38.45±0.80
S1S2S3		55.30	48.03±0.29

Training:Test	Baseline	Xu and Li (2007)	CRBM
S1S2S3:S1	129.18±19.47	140.35	55.43±0.79
S1:S1		-	48.75±3.72
S1S2S3:S2	162.75±15.36	149.37	99.13±22.98
S2:S2		-	47.43±2.86
S1S2S3:S3	180.11±24.02	156.30	70.89±2.10
S3:S3		-	49.81±2.19

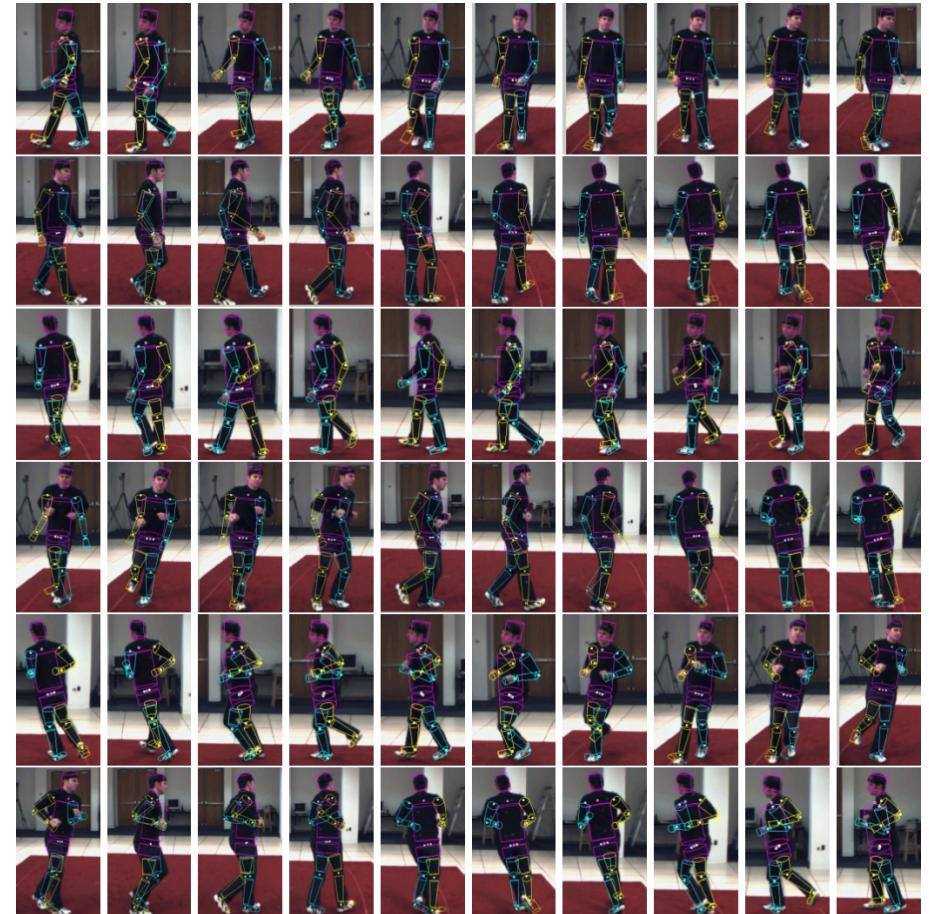
(Mean pose error in mm)

# Results: multi-view tracking

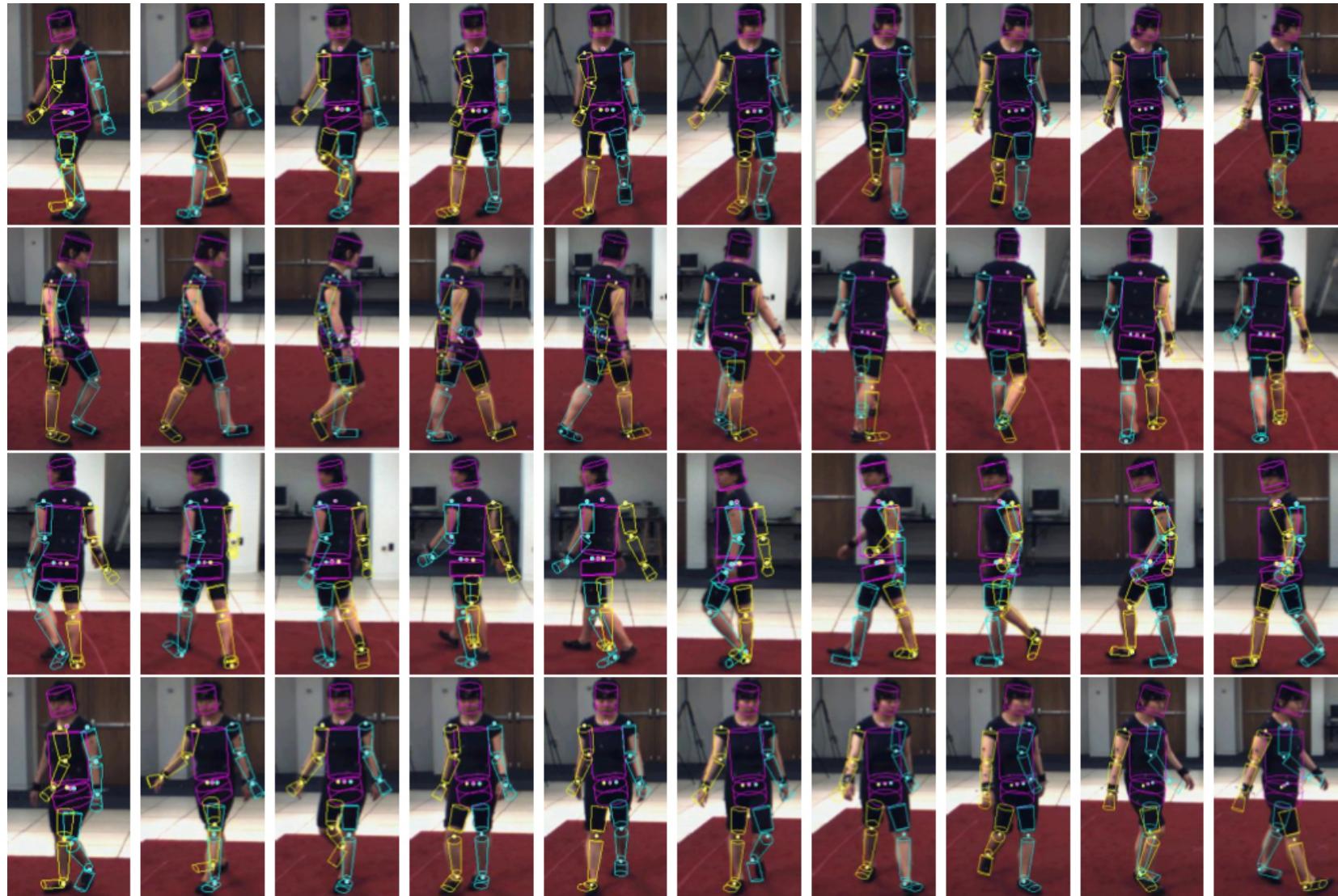
Baseline



CRBM prior



# Results: monocular tracking



# Conclusions

- CRBMs: distributed representations, exact inference and efficient approximate learning
  - Measuring likelihood, improving CD
- FCRBMs: multiplicative interactions with quadratic number of parameters
  - Unsupervised style discovery, deep models
- Tracking: prior aids in challenging settings
  - Augmenting models with identity or action
- PoHMMs: It takes  $N>1$  to Tango

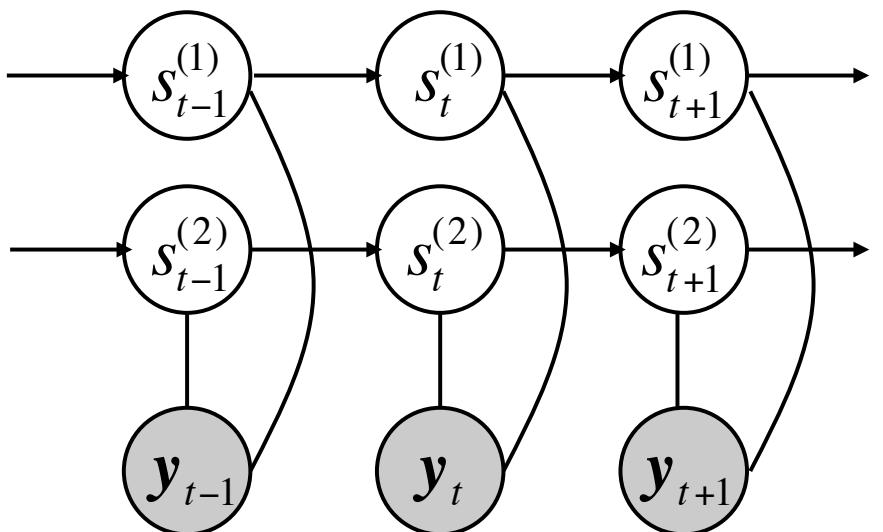
(Brown & Hinton 2001)

# Products of Hidden Markov Models

$$p(\mathbf{y}_{1:T}; \Theta) = \frac{\prod_{m=1}^M p^{(m)}(\mathbf{y}_{1:T}; \theta^{(m)})}{\sum_{\mathbf{y}'_{1:T}} \prod_{m=1}^M p^{(m)}(\mathbf{y}'_{1:T}; \theta^{(m)})}$$
$$= \frac{\prod_{m=1}^M p^{(m)}(\mathbf{y}_{1:T}; \theta^{(m)})}{Z(\Theta, T)}$$

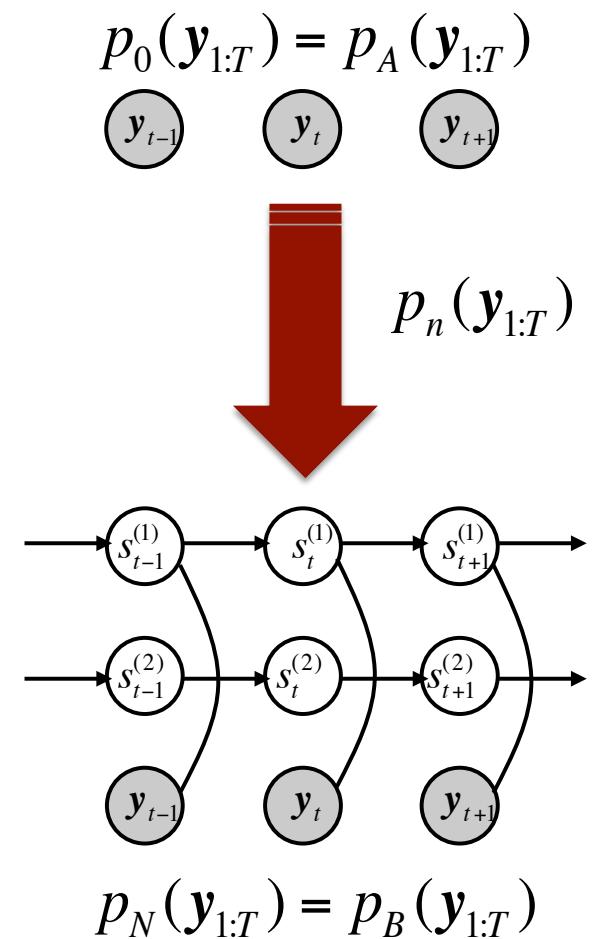


Partition function

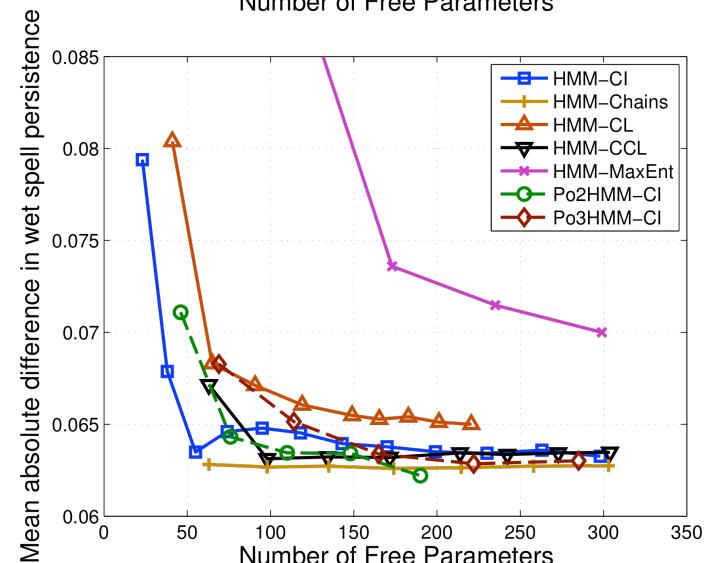
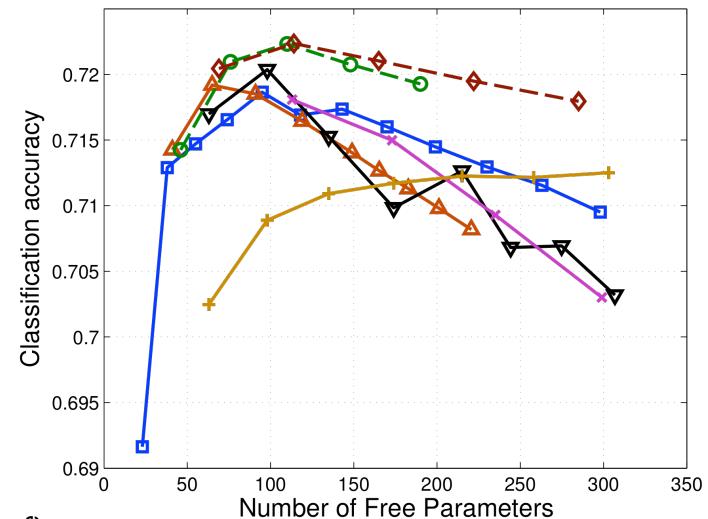
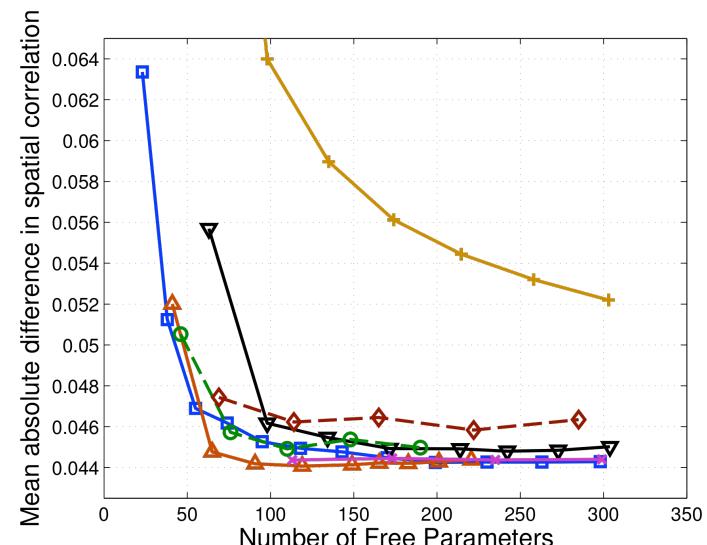
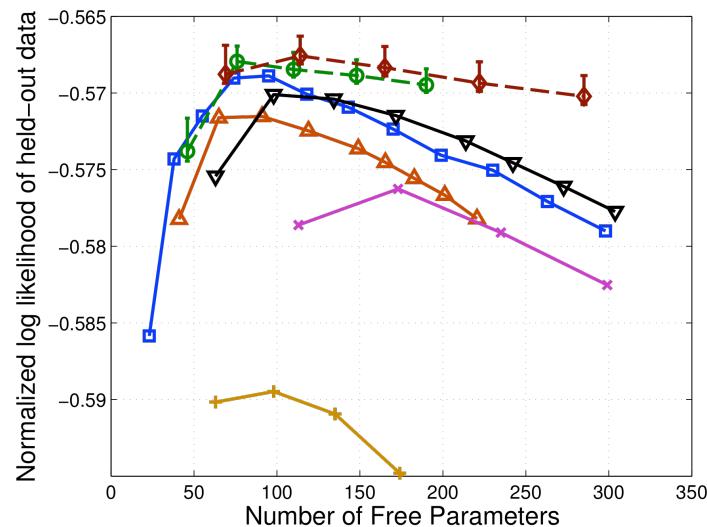


# Annealed Importance Sampling

- AIS works well for RBMs (Salakhutdinov & Murray 2008)
- PoHMMs and RBMs are both Products of Experts!
- MCMC approach to obtaining an unbiased estimate of the ratio of partition functions  $Z_B/Z_A$
- Define intermediate distribution and transition operator that leaves this distribution invariant

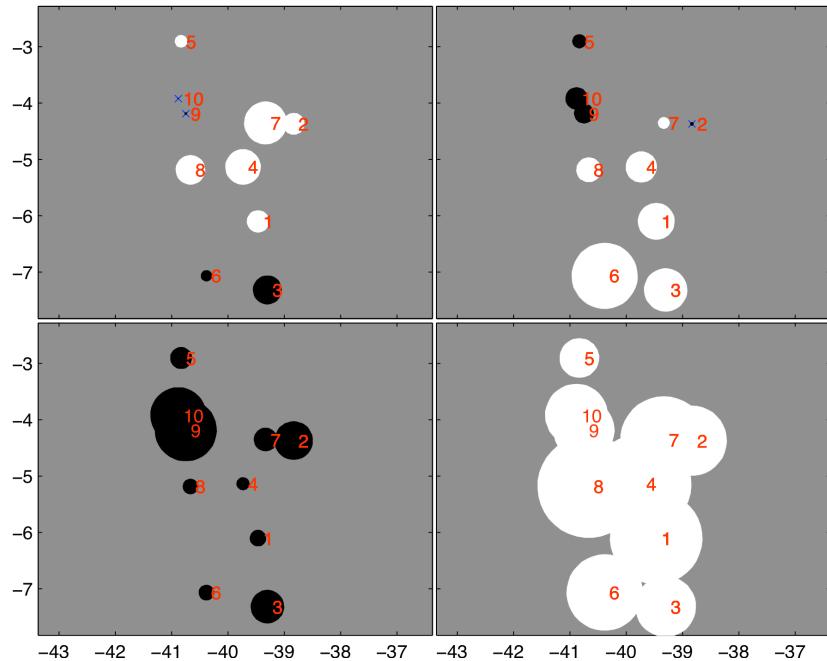


# Results: rainfall occurrence data

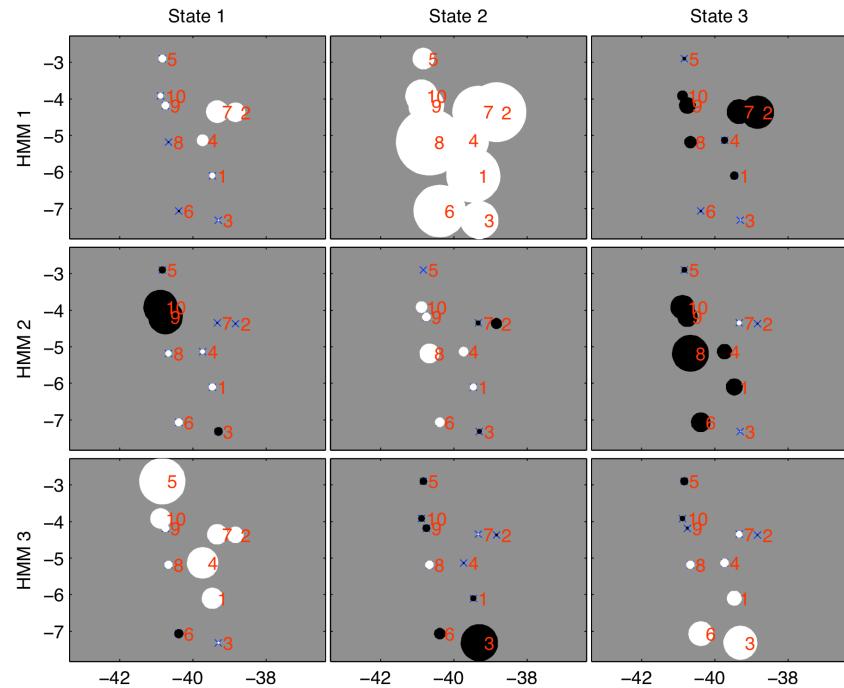


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4-state HMM

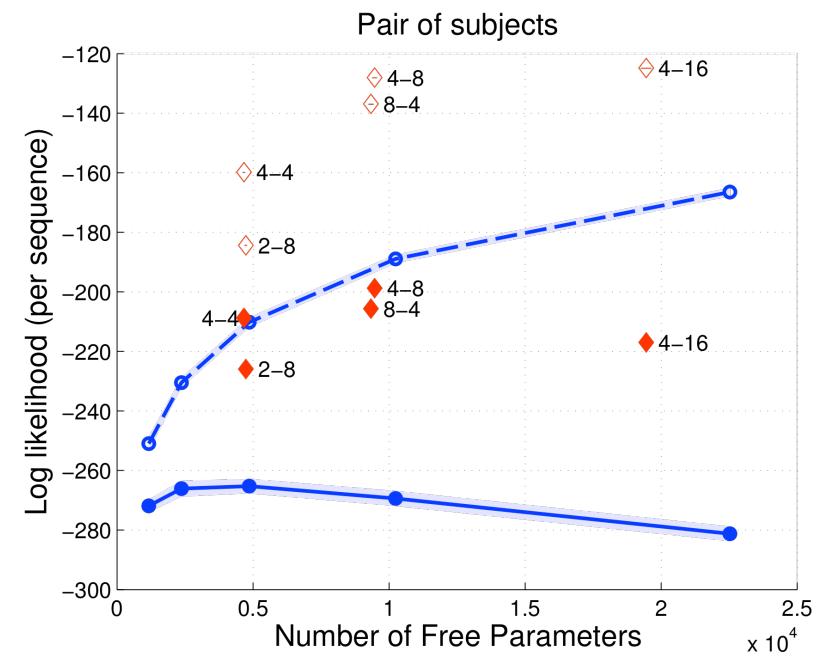
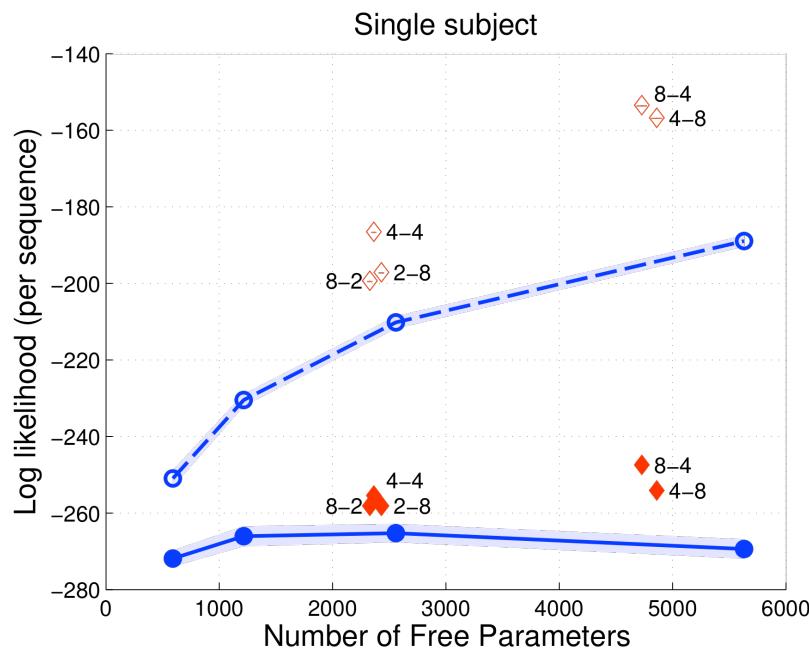


Product of 3 3-state HMMs



HMMs specialize  
locally

# Results: weakly and strongly componential motion



# Results: forecasting

