# Modeling and Predicting Sequences: HMM and (may be) CRF

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#### Big Picture

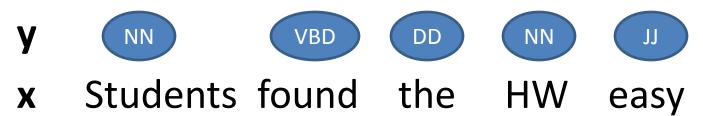
- Predicting a Single Label
  - Input (x): A set of features:
    - Bag of words in a document
  - Output (y): Class label
    - Topic of the document
- Predicting Sequence of Labels
  - Input (x): A set of features (with order/structure among them)
    - Sequence of words in a sentence
  - Output (y)
    - Part of speech (POS) tag of each word

#### **Notation Note:**

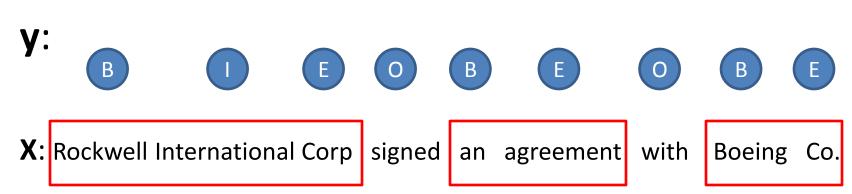
I use normal face letters for scalar as in y and bold face letters for vectors like x and y

# **Predicting Sequences**

Example: POS



Example NP chunking



# Back To big Picture

#### Single Output

- Generative:
  - Models P(x,y)
  - Predict using Bayes rule argmax P(y | x)
  - Naïve Bayes
- Discriminative:
  - Model P(y|x)
  - Predict using argmax P(y | x)
  - Logistic Regression

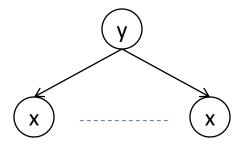
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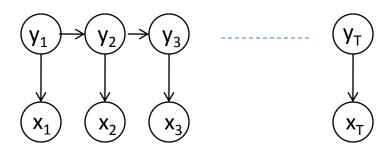
#### Sequence of Output

- Generative:
  - Models P(x,y)
  - Predict using Bayes rule argmax, P(y | x)
  - HMM
- Discriminative:
  - Model P(y|x)
  - Predict using  $\underset{\mathbf{v}}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x})$
  - CRF

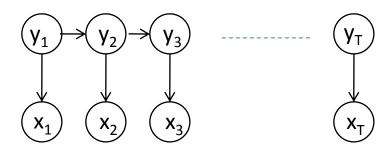
#### **HMM**

- Defines a generative model over P(x,y)
- Each x has M options and each y has K options
- You need a big table of size M<sup>|X|</sup> K<sup>|Y|</sup>
- We need to add some conditional independence assumption to make things manageable
  - We have done that in Naïve Bayes





#### **HMM**



What we need to define

- Initial state:  $P(y_1)$  K-1  $\pi = P(y_1=i)$ 

- Transitoin:  $P(y_t|y_{t-1})$   $K^*(K-1)$   $a_{ij} = P(y_{t+1} = j | y_t = i)$ 

- Emission:  $P(x_t|y_t)$   $K^*(M-1)$   $b_{ik}=P(x_t=k|y_t=i)$ 

#### Factorization:

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_T, y_1, \dots, y_T) = P(y_1)p(x_1|y_1)p(y_2|y_1) \dots P(y_2|y_1)P(x_T|y_T)$$
  
=  $P(y_1) \prod_t P(y_t|y_{t-1})P(x_t|y_t)$ 

#### **Tasks**

- Inference
  - Find P(y|x)
    - MPA:  $P(y_t|\mathbf{x})$
    - Veterbi: P(y | X)
  - Learning
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#### Inference: MPA

- Find  $argmax_i P(y_t=i|x)$
- We need to compute  $P(y_t=i | x)$  first

$$p(y_{t} = i | x_{1}, \dots, x_{T}) = \frac{p(y_{t} = i, x_{1}, \dots, x_{T})}{p(x_{1}, \dots, x_{T})}$$

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$$= \frac{\alpha_{t}^{i}\beta_{t}^{i}}{p(x_{1}, \dots, x_{T})}$$

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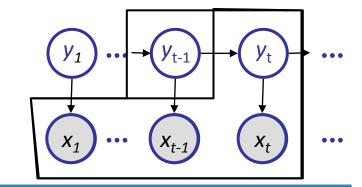
A trick that we will use often: add a variable and marginalize over to be able to apply recursion

#### **MPA**

- We need to do that for any t
  - $-\alpha_1,\alpha_2,\ldots,\alpha_T$
  - Define a recursive program

$$\alpha_t^i = p(y_t = i, x_1, \dots, x_t)$$

$$\alpha_{t-1}^j = p(y_{t-1} = j, x_1, \dots, x_{t-1})$$



Divide variable into three sets:  $\{X_1,...,X_{t-1},y_{t-1}\}$  (to be able to see  $\alpha_{t-1}$ ), $\{y_t\}$ , $\{x_t\}$ , then apply chain rule

$$\alpha_{t}^{k} = P(x_{1},...,x_{t-1},x_{t},y_{t}=k) = \sum_{y_{t-1}} P(x_{1},...,x_{t-1},x_{t},y_{t-1},y_{t}=k)$$

$$= \sum_{y_{t-1}} P(x_{1},...,x_{t-1},y_{t-1})P(y_{t}=k \mid y_{t-1},x_{1},...,x_{t-1})P(x_{t} \mid y_{t}=k,x_{1},...,x_{t-1},y_{t-1})$$

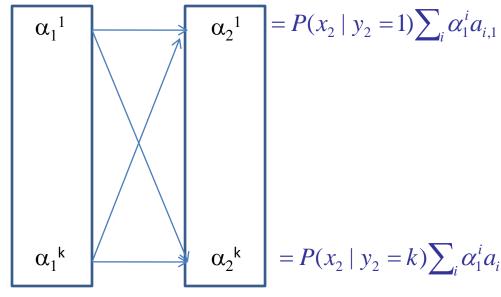
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$$= P(x_{t} \mid y_{t}=k)\sum_{i} P(x_{1},...,x_{t-1},y_{t-1}=i)P(y_{t}=k \mid y_{t-1}=i)$$
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Summing over y<sub>t-1</sub> is just summing Over y<sub>t-1</sub>=1...K

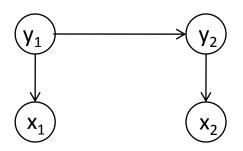
# Forward Algorithm

$$\alpha_1^1 = P(x_1 \mid y_1 = 1)\pi_1$$

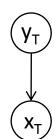


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$$\alpha_1^k = P(x_1 \mid y_1 = k) \pi_k$$







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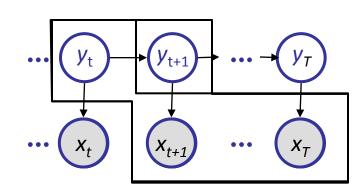
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# **Backward Algorithm**

- We need to do that for any t
  - $\beta_1, \beta_2, \ldots, \beta_T$
  - Define a recursive program

 $= \sum_{i} a_{k,i} p(x_{t+1} \mid y_{t+1} = i) \beta_{t+1}^{i}$ 

$$\beta_t^i = p(x_{t+1}, \dots, x_T | y_t = i)$$
 $\beta_{t+1}^j = p(x_{t+2}, \dots, x_T | y_{t+1} = j)$ 



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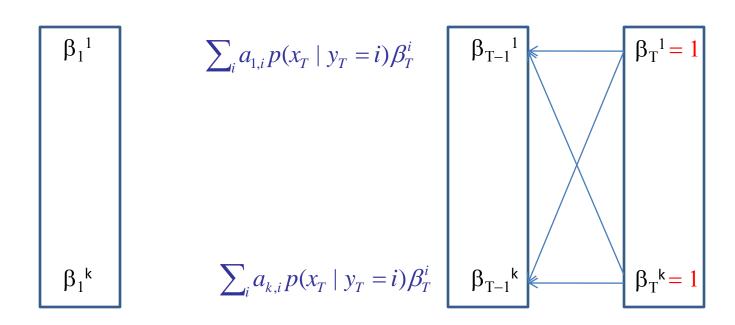
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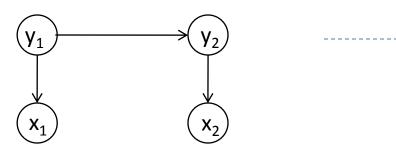
$$= \sum_{y_{t+1}} P(y_{t+1} = i | y_{t} = k) p(x_{t+1} | y_{t+1} = i, y_{t} = k) P(x_{t+2},...,x_{T} | x_{t+1}, y_{t+1} = i, y_{t} = k)$$

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# **Backward Algorithm**







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#### **Evaluation**

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_T) = \sum_{y_T} P(x_1, \dots, x_T, y_T)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k P(x_1, \dots, x_T, y_T = i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_T^i$$

Now we have everything to compute:

$$p(y_t = i | x_1, \dots, x_T) = \frac{\alpha_t^i \beta_t^i}{p(x_1, \dots, x_T)}$$

#### **Practical Consideration**

- $\beta$ ,  $\alpha$  are product of many terms
- Likely to run (and you will) into underflow for any sequence > 10
- Can we use logs?

$$\alpha_t^k = P(x_t \mid y_t^k = 1) \sum_i \alpha_{t-1}^i a_{i,k}$$

$$\log(\alpha_t^k) = \log(P(x_t \mid y_t^k = 1)) + \log(\sum_i \alpha_{t-1}^i a_{i,k})$$

- In general we didn't get  $log(\alpha)$  on the right hand side, but you can use a technique called (log add) that I didn't discuss in the recitation.
- Solution: rescaling --- normalize  $\alpha$  after each step!

# Scaling

- Normalize  $\alpha$  after each step!
- c<sub>t</sub> is a normalization constant
- Keep track of c<sub>t</sub> for all t

$$\hat{\alpha}_{t}^{k} = \frac{P(x_{t} | y_{t} = k) \sum_{i} \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^{i} a_{i,k}}{\sum_{j} P(x_{t} | y_{t} = j) \sum_{i} \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^{i} a_{i,j}}$$

$$c_{t} = \sum_{i} P(x_{t} | y_{t} = j) \sum_{i} \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^{i} a_{i,j}$$

# Scaling: Interpretation

- How to interpret  $c_t$  and the normalized  $\alpha$
- Claim:  $\hat{\alpha}_t^k = \alpha_t^k \prod_{i=1}^t \frac{1}{c_i}$  remember  $c_t = \sum_j P(x_t \mid y_t = j) \sum_i \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^i a_{i,j}$
- Proof by induction: assume it is true for  $\alpha_{\text{ t-1}}$

$$\begin{split} \hat{\alpha}_t^k &= \frac{P(x_t \mid y_t = k) \sum_i \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^i a_{i,k}}{\sum_j P(x_t \mid y_t = j) \sum_i \hat{\alpha}_{t-1}^i a_{i,j}} & \text{Subs. } \alpha_{t-1} \text{ from hypothesis} \\ &= \frac{P(x_t \mid y_t = k) \sum_i \prod_{t'=1}^{t-1} \frac{1}{c_{t'}} \alpha_{t-1}^i a_{i,k}}{c_t} \\ &= \prod_{t'=1}^{t-1} \frac{1}{c_{t'}} \frac{P(x_t \mid y_t = k) \sum_i \alpha_{t-1}^i a_{i,k}}{c_t} = \prod_{t'=1}^{t} \frac{1}{c_{t'}} \alpha_t^k \end{split}$$

# Scaling: Computation

Can we still calculate P(x<sub>1</sub>,...,x<sub>T</sub>)

• Yes! 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{K} \hat{\alpha}_{T}^{i} = 1$$
 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{K} \alpha_{T}^{i} \prod_{t=1}^{T} \frac{1}{c_{t}} = 1$$
 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{K} \alpha_{T}^{i} = \prod_{t=1}^{T} c_{t} = P(x_{1}, ..., x_{T})$$

But you really need to do it in log space:

$$\log P(x_1, ..., x_T) = \sum_{t=1}^{T} \log(c_t)$$

# Scaling: Backward

- You can use the same trick with  $\beta$
- Now how to compute MPA

$$P(y_t = k \mid \mathbf{x}) = \frac{P(y_t = k, \mathbf{x})}{P(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$\propto \alpha_t^k \beta_t^k$$

$$\propto \hat{\alpha}_t^k \hat{\beta}_t^k$$

- Then finally normalize
- Note that the constant in the "hat" version of both  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  is only function of t (same for all k)

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#### Viterbi

- Find the globally maximal posterior sequence
  - $\operatorname{argmax}_{y_1,...,y_T} P(y_1,...,y_T | x_1,...x_T)$
  - Same as argmax<sub>v1...vT</sub> P( $y_1,...,y_T,x_1,...x_T$ ) why?
  - Develop a dynamic (recursive) program
  - $\max_{y_1..y_{t-1}} P(y_1,...,y_t,x_1,...x_t)$  and relate it to
  - $\max_{y_1..y_{t-2}} P(y_1,...,y_{t-1},x_1,...x_{t-1})$
  - We call this quantity V<sub>t</sub> which is a vector:

$$V_t^k = \max_{\{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}\}} P(x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}, y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, x_t, y_t = k)$$

– It means the maximal prob of ending in state k at time t where we are maximizing over  $y_1...y_{t-1}$ 

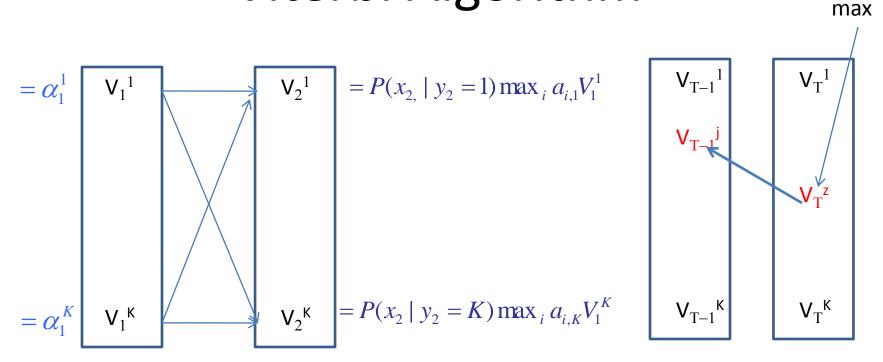
#### Viterbi: the math

- You should be bored of that by now?
- No, this is a different trick (pushing max in)

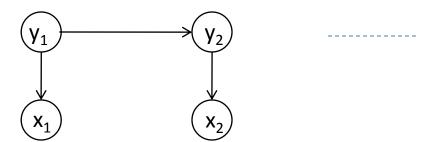
$$\begin{split} V_{t+1}^k &= \max_{\{y_1, \dots, y_t\}} P(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_1, \dots, y_t, x_{t+1}, y_{t+1} = k) \\ &= \max_{\{y_1, \dots, y_t\}} P(x_1, \dots, x_t, y_1, \dots, y_t) P(x_{t+1}, y_{t+1} = k \mid x_1, \dots, x_t, y_1, \dots, y_t) \\ &= \max_{\{y_1, \dots, y_t\}} P(x_{t+1}, y_{t+1} = k \mid y_t) P(x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}, y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, x_t, y_t) \\ &= \max_i P(x_{t+1}, y_{t+1} = k \mid y_t = i) \max_{\{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}\}} P(x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}, y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, x_t, y_t = i) \\ &= \max_i P(x_{t+1}, \mid y_{t+1} = k) a_{i,k} V_t^i \\ &= P(x_{t+1}, \mid y_{t+1} = k) \max_i a_{i,k} V_t^i \end{split}$$

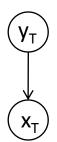
Also keep track of the maximizing i

# Viterbi Algorithm

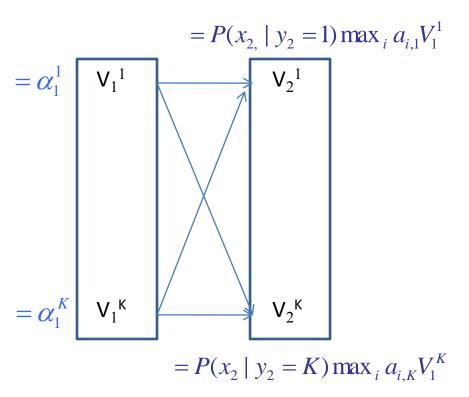


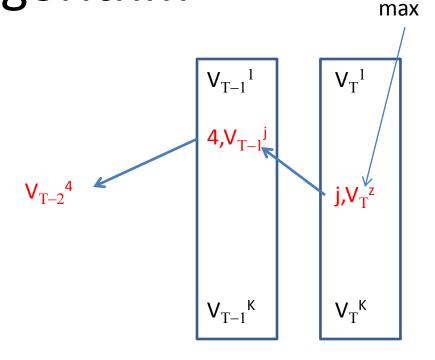
$$j = \arg \max_{i} P(x_{T} | y_{T} = i) a_{i,z} V_{T-1}^{z}$$



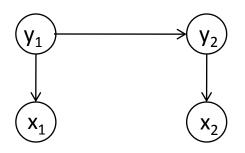


# Viterbi Algorithm





$$j = \arg \max_{i} P(x_{T} | y_{T} = z) a_{i,z} V_{T-1}^{z}$$





# Viterbi: scaling

You can use log here

$$V_t^k = P(x_{t,} | y_t^k = 1) \max_i a_{i,k} V_{t-1}^i$$

$$\log V_{t}^{k} = \log p(x_{t} \mid y_{t}^{k} = 1) + \max_{i} \left( \log \left( a_{i,k} \right) + \log V_{t-1}^{i} \right)$$

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#### Learning

- For fully observed dataD =  $\{(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)\}\ n=1:N$
- *LL* is log-lik

$$LL(\mathbf{\theta}) = \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$$

For partially observed data (missing Y)

$$LL(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{n} \log p(\mathbf{x}_{n} | \mathbf{\theta})$$
$$= \sum_{n} \log \sum_{\mathbf{y}_{n}} p(\mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{y}_{n} | \mathbf{\theta})$$

Using Jensen

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \sum_{n} \sum_{\mathbf{y}_n} p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) \log p(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{\theta})$$

# Learning: Observed

For a give sequence

$$\begin{split} LL(\mathbf{\theta}) &= \log \, p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \\ &= \log \, \prod_{n} \left( p(y_{n,1}) \prod_{t=2}^{T} p(y_{n,t} \mid y_{n,t-1}) \prod_{t=1}^{T} p(x_{n,t} \mid x_{n,t}) \right) \\ &= \log \, \prod_{n} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{K} \pi_{i}^{C_{i,n}} \prod_{i,j=1}^{K} a_{ij}^{A_{ij,n}} \prod_{i=1,o=1}^{i=K,o=M} b_{io}^{B_{io,n}} \right) \quad \text{On the board (see next page)} \\ &= \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} C_{i,n} \log \, \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} A_{ij,n} \log \, a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} B_{io,n} \log \, b_{io} \right) \end{split}$$

- $C_{i,n}$ : number of times first state was i in  $\mathbf{x}_n$  (0 or 1)
- $B_{io,n}$ : number of times state i emits o in  $(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)$
- $A_{ij,n}$ : number of time state *i* moves to state *j* in  $(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)$

#### digression

- Take y=1,2,3,1,2 x=1,3,5,1,1
- Then  $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = p(y_{n,1}) \prod_{t=2}^{T} p(y_{n,t} \mid y_{n,t-1}) \prod_{t=1}^{T} p(x_{n,t} \mid x_{n,t})$  Which

$$= \pi_1^* a_{12}^* a_{23}^* a_{32}^* a_{12}^* b_{11}^* b_{23}^* b_{35}^* b_{11}^* b_{21}$$

$$= \pi_1^* (a_{12}^*)^{2*} a_{23}^* a_{31}^* (b_{11}^*)^{2*} b_{23}^* b_{35}^* b_{21}^*$$

$$=\prod_{i=1}^{K}\pi_{i}^{C_{i,n}}\prod_{i,j=1}^{K}a_{ij}^{A_{ij,n}}\prod_{i=1,o=1}^{i=K,o=M}b_{io}^{B_{io,n}}$$

-Note that if the count of any item in C or A or B is zero then simply the term that involves it will be 1.

# Learning: observed

$$LL(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} C_{i,n} \log \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} A_{ij,n} \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} B_{io,n} \log b_{io} \right)$$

- Note that all parameters are decoupled
- Take gradient and solve for every one separately
- Simply count and normalize, for example:

$$a_{ij}^{ML} = \frac{\#(i \to j)}{\#(i \to \bullet)} = \frac{\sum_{n} A_{ij,n}}{\sum_{n} \sum_{j'} A_{ij',n}}$$

# Learning: unsupervised

• Recall  $LL(\theta) = \sum_{n} \log \sum_{\mathbf{y}_{n}} p(\mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{y}_{n} | \theta)$  $Q(\theta, \theta^{old}) = \sum_{n} \sum_{\mathbf{y}} p(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}_{n}, \theta^{old}) \log p(\mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{y} | \theta)$ 

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n) = \sum_{i=1}^K C_{i,n} \log \pi_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^K A_{ij,n} \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} B_{io,n} \log b_{io}$$

So we have:

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) =$$

$$\sum_{n} \sum_{y_n} P(\mathbf{y}_n \mid \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} C_{i,n} \log \pi_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} A_{ij,n} \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} B_{io,n} \log b_{io} \right)$$

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \langle C_{i,n} \rangle \log \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} \langle A_{ij,n} \rangle \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} \langle B_{io,n} \rangle \log b_{io} \right)$$

• All expectations are under  $P(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old})$ 

$$\langle C_{i,n} \rangle = \sum_{y_n} p(\mathbf{y}_n \mid \mathbf{x}_n, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{old}) C_{i,n}$$
$$= P(y_{n,1} = i \mid \mathbf{x}_n, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{old})$$

We know how to compute that (F-B)

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \langle C_{i,n} \rangle \log \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} \langle A_{ij,n} \rangle \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} \langle B_{io,n} \rangle \log b_{io} \right)$$

Where

$$\langle B_{io,n} \rangle = \sum_{y} p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) B_{io,n}$$
$$= \sum_{t: x_{n,t} = o} P(y_{n,t} = i | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old})$$

We also know how to compute that (F-B)

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \langle C_{i,n} \rangle \log \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} \langle A_{ij,n} \rangle \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} \langle B_{io,n} \rangle \log b_{io} \right)$$

Where

$$\langle A_{ij,n} \rangle = \sum_{y_n} p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) A_{ij,n}$$

$$= \sum_{t=1:T-1} P(y_{n,t} = i, y_{n,t+1} = j | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old})$$

Do we know how to compute that? Sort of

• Recall 
$$\langle A_{ij,n} \rangle = \sum_{y_n} p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{t-1}) A_{ij,n}$$
  

$$= \sum_{t=1:T-1} P(y_{n,t} = i, y_{n,t+1} = j | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{\theta}^{old})$$

• But:
$$P(y_{n,t} = i, y_{n,t+1} = j \mid \mathbf{x_n}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \frac{P(y_{n,t} = i, y_{n,t+1} = j, \mathbf{x_n} \mid \mathbf{\theta}^{old})}{P(\mathbf{x_n} \mid \mathbf{\theta}^{old})}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_t^i P(x_{n,t+1} \mid y_{n,t+1} = j) a_{ij} \beta_{t+1}^j}{P(\mathbf{x_n} \mid \mathbf{\theta}^{old})}$$

Which we now how to compute

You should be able to Prove the above step

#### M-Step

Now we have all what we need

$$Q(\mathbf{\theta}, \mathbf{\theta}^{old}) = \sum_{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \langle C_{i,n} \rangle \log \pi_{i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{K} \langle A_{ij,n} \rangle \log a_{ij} + \sum_{i=1,o=1}^{K,M} \langle B_{io,n} \rangle \log b_{io} \right)$$

Just as before solve for MLE, for ex:

$$a_{ij}^{ML} = \frac{\#(i \to j)}{\#(i \to \bullet)} = \frac{\sum_{n} \langle A_{ij,n} \rangle}{\sum_{n} \sum_{j'} \langle A_{ij',n} \rangle}$$

# **EM Summary for HMM**

- Initialize HMM model parameters
- Repeat
  - E-Step
    - Run forward-backward over every sequence (x<sub>n</sub>)
    - Compute necessary expectations using  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (or their normalized versions)
  - M-Step
    - Re-estimate model parameters
      - Simply count and normalize

# Final Note about Rescaling

Recall

$$P(y_{n,t} = i, y_{n,t+1} = j \mid \mathbf{x_n}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{old}) = \frac{\alpha_t^i P(x_{n,t+1} \mid y_{n,t+1} = j) a_{ij} \beta_{t+1}^j}{P(\mathbf{x_n} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}^{old})}$$

$$\propto \widehat{\alpha}_t^i P(x_{n,t+1} \mid y_{n,t+1} = j) a_{ij} \widehat{\beta}_{t+1}^j$$

- Remember the underflow solution
- Same thing here, compute using normalized vectors and then finally normalize P