

13 Exercise solutions – Hidden Markov model

1. HMM probabilities

An HMM (hidden Markov model) is a probabilistic graphical model with three types of probabilities.

Transition probabilities:

	L_t	H_t
L_{t-1}	0.2	0.8
H_{t-1}	0.4	0.6

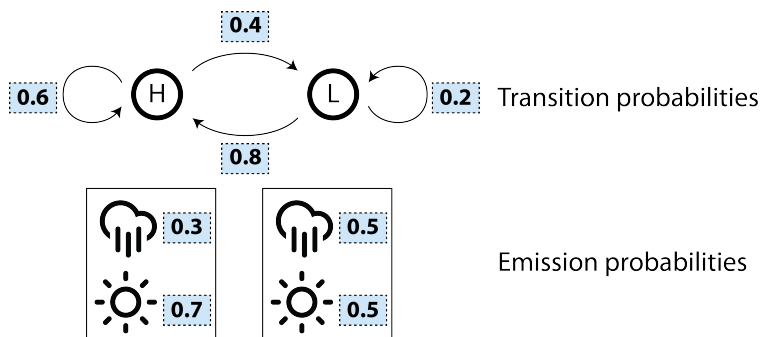
Emission probabilities:

	L	H
Sunny	0.5	0.7
Rain	0.5	0.3

Initial transition probabilities:

$$(L, H) = (0.3, 0.7)$$

- (a) Add the transition and emission probabilities to the graph.



- (b) What are the joint probabilities for (Rain, Rain, Sunny) and (H, L, L)?

Solution: $p(H)p(\text{Rain}|H) \times p(L|H)p(\text{Rain}|L) \times p(L|L)p(\text{Sunny}|L)$
 $= 0.7 \times 0.3 \times 0.4 \times 0.5 \times 0.2 \times 0.5 = 0.0042$

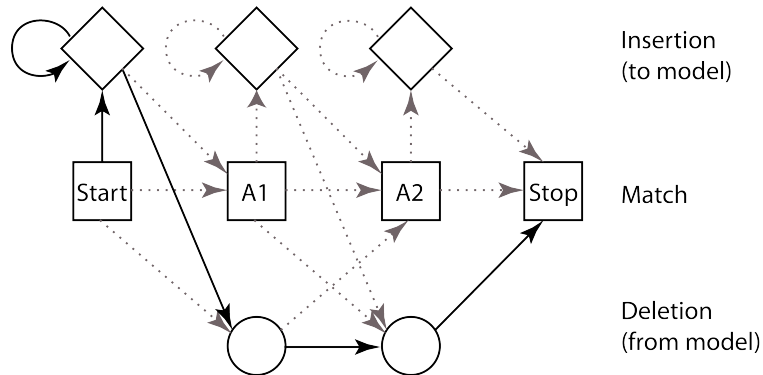
- (c) What are the joint probabilities for (Sunny, Rain, Sunny) and (L, H, L)?

Solution: $p(L)p(\text{Sunny}|L) \times p(H|L)p(\text{Rain}|H) \times p(L|H)p(\text{Sunny}|L)$
 $= 0.3 \times 0.5 \times 0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.4 \times 0.5 = 0.0072$

2. HMM profile

A path of an HMM profile represents an alignment between an input sequence and the profile.

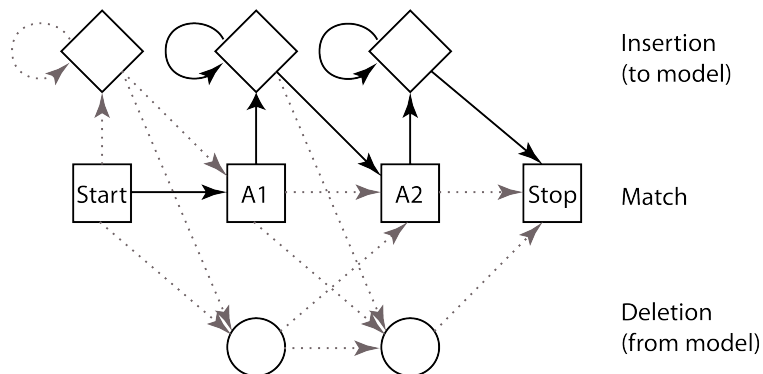
- (a) Assume Seq1 = q1 q2 and its path is indicated with solid lines. Draw the alignment of Seq1 and the profile.



Solution:

Seq1: q1 q2 - -
 Profile: - - A1 A2

- (b) Assume Seq2 = q1 q2 q3 q4 q5 q6 and its path is indicated with solid lines. Draw the alignment of Seq2 and the profile.

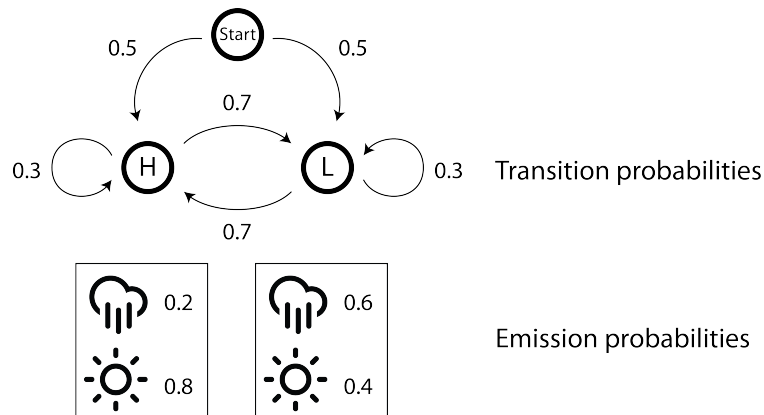


Solution:

Seq2: q1 q2 q3 q4 q5 q6
 Profile: A1 - - A2 - -

3. The Viterbi algorithm

The Viterbi algorithm is a dynamic programming based method to find the optimal path of an HMM with hidden status.



(a) Find the optimal path when observed weather conditions are (Rain, Sunny).

	H	L
Rain	$0.5 \times 0.2 = 0.1$	$0.5 \times 0.6 = 0.3$
Sunny	(H) $0.1 \times 0.3 \times 0.8 = 0.024$ (L) $0.3 \times 0.7 \times 0.8 = 0.168$	(H) $0.1 \times 0.7 \times 0.4 = 0.028$ (L) $0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.4 = 0.036$

Solution: (L, H)

(b) Find the optimal path when observed weather conditions are (Sunny, Sunny, Rain).

	H	L
Sunny	$0.5 \times 0.8 = 0.4$	$0.5 \times 0.4 = 0.2$
Sunny	(H) $0.4 \times 0.3 \times 0.8 = 0.096$ (L) $0.2 \times 0.7 \times 0.8 = 0.112$	(H) $0.4 \times 0.7 \times 0.4 = 0.112$ (L) $0.2 \times 0.3 \times 0.4 = 0.024$
Rain	(H) $0.112 \times 0.3 \times 0.2 = 0.007$ (L) $0.112 \times 0.7 \times 0.2 = 0.016$	(H) $0.112 \times 0.7 \times 0.6 = 0.047$ (L) $0.112 \times 0.3 \times 0.6 = 0.02$

Solution: (L, H, L)