

CSE 250A. Principles of AI

Probabilistic Reasoning and Decision-Making

Lecture 13 – More latent variable models

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Outline

- 1 Review
- 2 Mixture models
- 3 Noisy-OR models
- 4 Hidden Markov models

EM algorithm

- Updates

root
nodes

$$P(X_i = x) \leftarrow \frac{1}{T} \sum_t P(X_i = x | V_t = v_t)$$

nodes
with
parents

$$P(X_i = x | \text{pa}_i = \pi) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_t P(X_i = x, \text{pa}_i = \pi | V_t = v_t)}{\sum_t P(\text{pa}_i = \pi | V_t = v_t)}$$

- Convergence

Each iteration of these updates is guaranteed to increase the log-likelihood $\sum_t \log P(V_t)$ (except at stationary points).

Example 1



Incomplete data $\{(a_t, c_t)\}_{t=1}^T$

A and C are observed.

B is hidden.

- **E-step (Inference)**

$$P(b|a_t, c_t) = \frac{P(c_t|b) P(b|a_t)}{\sum_{b'} P(c_t|b') P(b'|a_t)}$$

- **M-step (Learning)**

$$P(a) = \frac{1}{T} \text{count}(A=a)$$

$$P(b|a) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_t I(a, a_t) P(b|a_t, c_t)}{\sum_t I(a, a_t)}$$

$$P(c|b) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_t I(c, c_t) P(b|a_t, c_t)}{\sum_t P(b|a_t, c_t)}$$

Application 1: word clustering



$$w, w' \in \{1, 2, \dots, V\}$$

$$z \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\} \text{ where } k \ll V$$

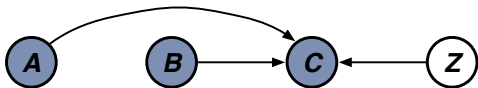
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| 1 | as cents made make take | 19 | billion hundred million nineteen |
| 2 | ago day earlier Friday Monday month quarter reported said Thursday trading Tuesday Wednesday {...} | 20 | did (") (') |
| 3 | even got to | 21 | but called San (:) (start-of-sentence) |
| 4 | based days down home months up work years (%) | 22 | bank board chairman end group members number office out part percent price prices rate sales shares use |
| 5 | those (,) (—) | 23 | a an another any dollar each first good her his its my old our their this |
| 6 | (.) (?) | 24 | long Mr. year |
| 7 | eighty fifty forty ninety seventy sixty thirty twenty (()) (<—) | 25 | business California case companies corporation dollars incorporated industry law money thousand time today war week ()) (unknown) |
| 8 | can could may should to will would | 26 | also government he it market she that there which who |
| 9 | about at just only or than (&) (<:) | 27 | A. B. C. D. E. F. G. I. L. M. N. P. R. S. T. U. |
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| 11 | president | 29 | after all among and before between by during for from in including into like of off on over since through told under until while with |
| 12 | because do how if most say so then think very what when where | 30 | eight fifteen five four half last next nine oh one second seven several six ten third three twelve two zero (—) |
| 13 | according back expected going him plan used way | 31 | are be been being had has have is it's not still was were |
| 15 | don't I people they we you | 32 | chief exchange news public service trade |
| 16 | Bush company court department more officials police retort spokesman | | |
| 17 | former the | | |
| 18 | American big city federal general house military national party political state union York | | |

k = 32

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Example 2 — Inference



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 Z is hidden.

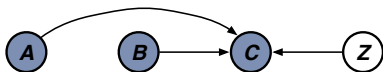
Posterior probability

$$P(Z|A, B, C) = \frac{P(C|Z, A, B) P(Z|A, B)}{P(C|A, B)} \quad \text{Bayes rule}$$

$$= \frac{P(C|Z, A, B) P(Z)}{P(C|A, B)} \quad \text{marginal independence}$$

$$= \frac{P(C|Z, A, B) P(Z)}{\sum_z P(C|Z=z, A, B) P(Z=z)} \quad \text{normalization}$$

Example 2 — Learning



Incomplete data set
 $\{a_t, b_t, c_t\}_{t=1}^T$

- Log (conditional) likelihood

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L} &= \sum_t \log P(c_t | a_t, b_t) \\
 &= \sum_t \log \sum_z P(z, c_t | a_t, b_t) && \text{marginalization} \\
 &= \sum_t \log \sum_z P(z | a_t, b_t) P(c_t | z, a_t, b_t) && \text{product rule} \\
 &= \sum_t \log \sum_z P(z) P(c_t | z, a_t, b_t) && \text{marginal independence}
 \end{aligned}$$

- EM update

$$P(z) \leftarrow \frac{1}{T} \sum_t P(z | a_t, b_t, c_t) \quad \text{root node}$$

Application

- **Markov models**

Let $P_1(w)$ be a unigram model.

Let $P_2(w'|w)$ be a bigram model.

Let $P_3(w''|w, w')$ be a trigram model.

- **Linear interpolation of Markov models**

$$\underbrace{P_{\text{mix}}(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2})}_{\text{mixture model}} = \lambda_1 P_1(w_\ell) + \lambda_2 P_2(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}) + \lambda_3 P_3(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2})$$

We require $\lambda_i \geq 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i = 1$.

This ensures a properly normalized distribution.

But how to estimate $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$?

Methodology

- **What to do**

Use corpus A to estimate $P_1(w)$, $P_2(w'|w)$, $P_3(w''|w, w')$.

Use corpus B to estimate λ_1 , λ_2 , λ_3 (only).

Use corpus C to evaluate the mixture model $P_{\text{mix}}(w''|w, w')$.

- **What not to do**

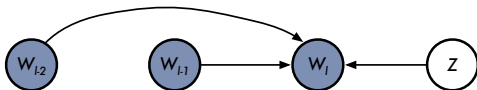
Do not use corpus A to estimate λ_1 , λ_2 , λ_3 .

Otherwise you will find $\lambda_3 = 1$ and $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$.

Do not use corpus C to estimate any parameters.

That would bias the evaluation.

Latent variable model (con't)



Predicting the next word

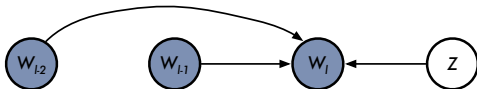
$$P(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2})$$

$$= \sum_z P(z, w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2}) \quad \text{marginalization}$$

$$= \sum_z P(z | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2}) P(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2}, z) \quad \text{product rule}$$

$$= \sum_z P(z) P(w_\ell | w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2}, z) \quad \text{marginal independence}$$

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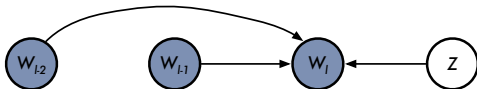
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Learning the mixing coefficients



- Mixing the n -gram models**

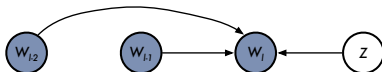
We learn $P_1(w)$, $P_2(w'|w)$, and $P_3(w''|w, w')$ from corpus A.
We learn $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ from corpus B.

- EM update for mixing coefficients**

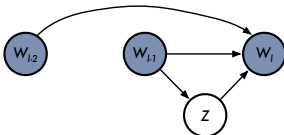
$$\underbrace{P(Z=i)}_{\lambda_i} \leftarrow \frac{1}{L_B} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L_B} P(Z=i | w_\ell, w_{\ell-1}, w_{\ell-2})$$

Here, L_B is the length in words of corpus B .

Extensions of this model



EM may seem like overkill to learn just 3 numbers $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$.
But this model can be extended in interesting ways ...



Now the coefficients depend on the previous word:

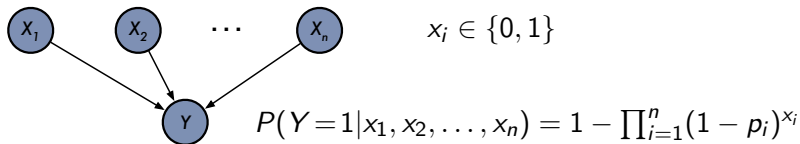
$$P(Z=i|w_{\ell-1}) = \lambda_i(w_{\ell-1})$$

This model has $3V$ coefficients where V is the vocabulary size.
But the EM algorithm hardly changes.

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Example 3: Noisy-OR

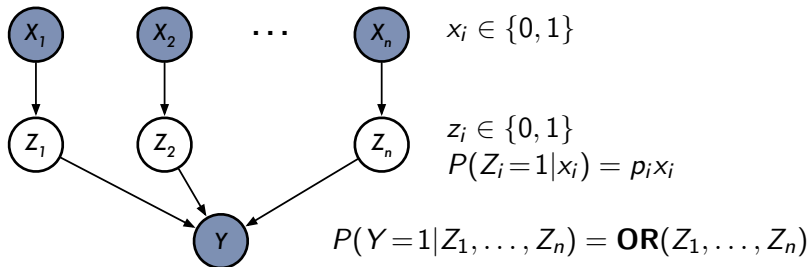


The log (conditional) likelihood is $\sum_t \log P(y_t|x_t)$.

How to estimate parameters $p_i \in [0, 1]$ that maximize this?

- 1 Gradient ascent
- 2 Newton's method
- 3 **EM — but how? Isn't the data complete?**

EM for noisy-OR



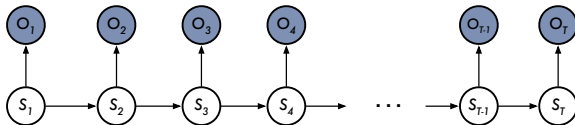
HW 6

First you will show that this model is equivalent to noisy-OR.
Then you will derive the EM updates for $p_i \in [0, 1]$.

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Hidden Markov models (HMMs)



- **Random variables**

$S_t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ hidden state at time t

$O_t \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ observation at time t

- **States versus observations**

Each observation O_t is a noisy, partial reflection of the true underlying (but hidden) state S_t of the world at time t .

What makes this model so useful?

Housetraining a puppy



**This is Lilo.
She's a chihuahua-terrier.**

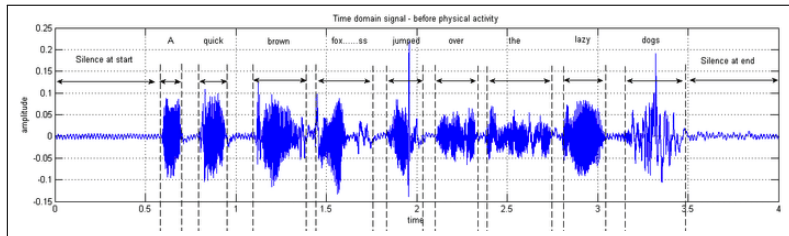
$O_t \in \{\text{sleeping, eating, barking, waiting by door, etc.}\}$

$S_t \in \{\text{playful, hungry, tired, ready to burst}\}$

Does Lilo need to go outside?

What is $P(s_t|o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t)$?

Speech recognition

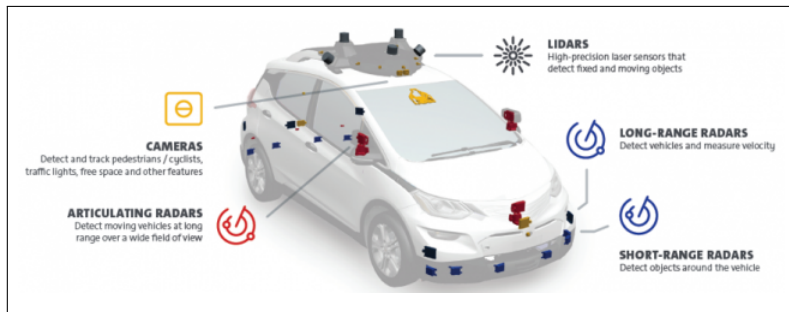


O_t is the acoustic feature vector for windowed speech at time t .
 S_t is the unit of language (e.g., phoneme) being uttered at time t .

What did I just hear?

What is $\operatorname{argmax}_{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T} P(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T | o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$?

Autonomous navigation



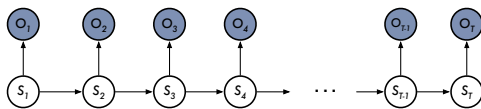
<https://www.extremetech.com/computing/305691-the-future-of-sensors-for-self-driving-cars-all-roads-all-conditions>

O_t encodes the sensor readings at time t .

S_t encodes the nearby vehicles and pedestrians at time t .

Monitoring the road: what is $P(s_t|o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t)$?

HMMs as belief networks



- Conditional independence assumptions**

$$P(S_t | S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{t-1}) = P(S_t | S_{t-1})$$

$$P(O_t | S_1, S_2, \dots, S_T) = P(O_t | S_t)$$

- CPTs are shared across time**

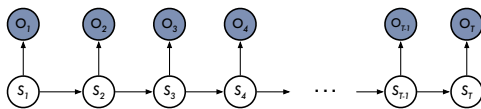
$$P(S_t = s' | S_{t-1} = s) = P(S_{t+1} = s' | S_t = s)$$

$$P(O_t = o | S_t = s) = P(O_{t+1} = o | S_{t+1} = s)$$

- Joint distribution**

$$P(S_1, \dots, S_T$$

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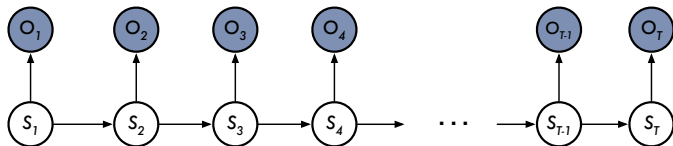
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- Joint distribution**

$$P(\underbrace{S_1, \dots, S_T}_{\vec{s}}, \underbrace{O_1, \dots, O_T}_{\vec{o}}) = P(S_1) P(O_1 | S_1) \prod_{t=2}^T \left[P(S_t | S_{t-1}) P(O_t | S_t) \right]$$

Parameters of HMMs



$$a_{ij} = P(S_{t+1}=j|S_t=i)$$

$n \times n$ transition matrix

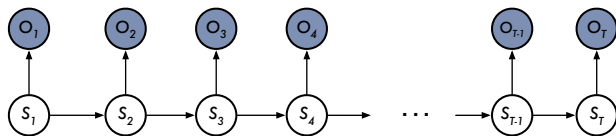
$$b_{ik} = P(O_t=k|S_t=i)$$

$n \times m$ emission matrix

$$\pi_i = P(S_1=i)$$

$n \times 1$ initial state distribution

Next lecture: key computations in HMMs



POLYTREE!

Inference

- 1 How to compute the likelihood $P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$?
- 2 How to compute the most likely state sequence $\arg\max_{\vec{s}} P(\vec{s}|\vec{o})$?
- 3 How to update beliefs by computing $P(s_t|o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t)$?

Learning

How to estimate parameters $\{\pi_i, a_{ij}, b_{ik}\}$ that maximize the log-likelihood of observed sequences?