

HW 5 - due **Tuesday**

Hidden Markov Models (HMMs)

* Random Variables

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

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

"noisy" reflection of hidden state S_t

* Ex: toilet training

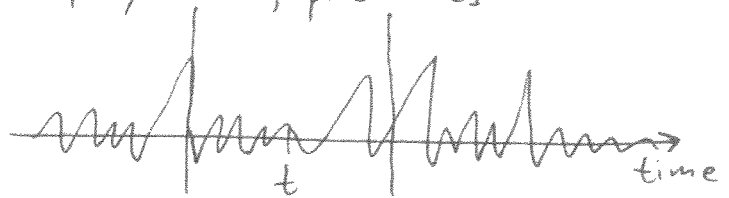
$S = \{\text{have-to-go}, \text{don't have to go}, \text{went}\}$

$O = \{\text{smile}, \text{intense concentration}, \text{walking funny}, \text{squat}\}$

* Ex: speech recognition

$S_t = \text{units of language: words, syllables, phonemes}$

$O_t = \text{acoustic measurements}$



* Ex: robotics

$S_t = \text{location}$

$O_t = \text{sensor readings}$

* Markov Assumptions

- finite context

$$P(S_t | S_{t-1}, S_{t-2}, \dots, S_1) = P(S_t | S_{t-1})$$

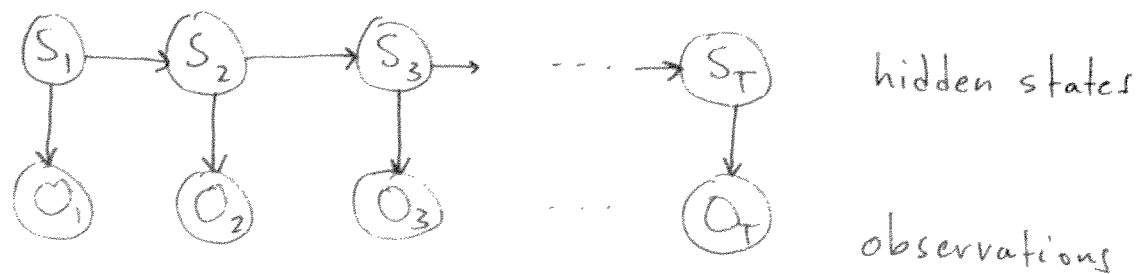
$$P(O_t | S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{t-1}, S_t, S_{t+1}, \dots, S_T) = P(O_t | S_t)$$

- shared CPTs

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

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

* Belief Network



Is this a polytree? Yes

Joint Distribution

$$P(\vec{S}, \vec{O}) = P(s_1) \cdot \left\{ \prod_{t=2}^T P(s_t | s_{t-1}) \right\} \cdot \left\{ \prod_{t=1}^T P(o_t | s_t) \right\}$$

$\vec{S} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T)$
 $\vec{O} = (o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$

initial state

* Parameters

$\pi_i = P(s_1 = i)$ initial state distribution

$a_{ij} = P(s_{t+1} = j | s_t = i)$ transition matrix ($i = 1, \dots, n$ & $j = 1, \dots, n$)

$b_{ik} = P(o_t = k | s_t = i)$ emission matrix ($i = 1, \dots, n$ & $k = 1, \dots, m$)

For clarity: $b_{ik} = b_i(k)$ alternate notation

Ex: isolated word speech recognizer

e.g. word = CAT

use HMM with $n=5$ states, with initial and final states representing silence

$$\pi_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{initial silence} \\ \text{"C"} \\ \text{"A"} \\ \text{"T"} \\ \text{final silence} \end{array}$$

$$a_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 & \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & 0.9 & 0.1 & \emptyset & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & 0.9 & 0.1 & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & 0.9 & 0.1 \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{left to right} \\ \text{HMM} \end{array}$$

* Key Questions for HMMs

- 1) How to compute $P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$ given $\{\pi_i, a_{ij}, b_{ik}\}$
- 2) How to compute most likely state sequence?

$$(s_1^*, s_2^*, \dots, s_T^*) = \underset{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left[P(\underbrace{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T}_{\text{sequence of states that maximizes posterior probability}} \mid \underbrace{o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T}_{nT \text{ possible settings}}) \right]$$

- 3) How to estimate parameters $\{\pi_i, a_{ij}, b_{ik}\}$ that maximize likelihood $P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T)$?



We can use EM algorithm

Of these Questions: ① and ② are inference.
③ is learning.

(1) Computing Likelihood

$$P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T) = \sum_{\overbrace{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T}^{\text{hidden}}} P(\overbrace{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_T}^{\text{hidden}}, \overbrace{o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T}^{\text{observed}})$$

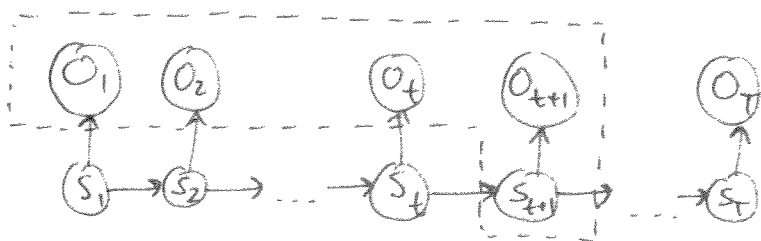
\leftarrow sum over n^T hidden configurations

$$= \sum_{\overline{s}} P(s_1) \left[\prod_{t=2}^T P(s_t | s_{t-1}) \right] \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(o_t | s_t) \right]$$

* Efficient Recursion

$$P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, o_{t+1}, s_{t+1}=j) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(o_1, \dots, o_t, o_{t+1}, s_{t+1}=j, s_t=i) \quad \text{marginalization}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n P(o_1, \dots, o_t, s_t=i) \quad \text{product rule}$$



$$\times P(s_{t+1}=j, o_{t+1} | s_t=i, o_1, \dots, o_t)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n P(o_1, \dots, o_t, s_t=i) P(s_{t+1}=j, o_{t+1} | s_t=i, o_1, \dots, o_t) \quad \text{conditional independence} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, s_t=i) P(s_{t+1}=j | s_t=i) P(o_{t+1} | s_{t+1}=j, s_t=i) \quad \text{product rule} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \underbrace{P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, s_t=i)}_{\text{recursive instance}} \underbrace{P(s_{t+1}=j | s_t=i) P(o_{t+1} | s_{t+1}=j)}_{\text{CPTs}} \quad \text{conditional independence}
\end{aligned}$$

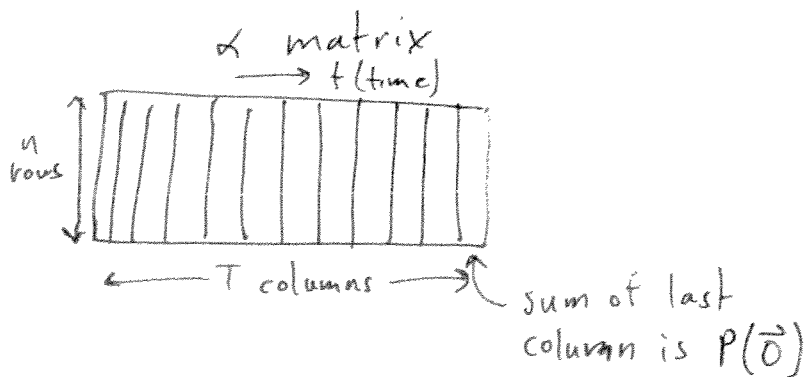
* short hand notation

$$\alpha_{it} = P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, s_t=i)$$

↑

$i=1, \dots, n$ # hidden states

$t=1, \dots, T$ sequence length



* Forward Algorithm

- recursive step

$$\alpha_{j,t+1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{it} a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1})$$

* initial condition (column of α)

$$\alpha_{i1} = P(o_1, s_1=i) = P(s_1=i) P(o_1 | s_1=i) = \pi_i b_i(o_1) \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n$$

* Back to likelihood Computation

$$\begin{aligned}
P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T) &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T, s_T=i) \quad \text{marginalization} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{iT}
\end{aligned}$$

* Scales as $O(n^2T)$

linear, not exponential, in sequence length
quadratic in # of states

* Warning: naive calculations will underflow for long sequences
because $P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T) \ll 1$