

# CS 615 – Deep Learning

Markov Models

# Overview

- Markov Systems
- Markov Chains
- Hidden Markov Models

# Time-Series Data

- Up until now everything we done is on observations taken at a single moment in time.
  - Each of which are temporally independent of one another.
- Some applications look to classify time-series data.
- Examples include:
  - Gesture Recognition
  - Audio classification

# Time Series Data

- When any two samples are not independent
  - In stock prediction, today's price is impacted by yesterday's price
- Should be able to start anywhere
  - Time series data is often continuous
- Type of data must not change
  - All of the changes in the data should be explainable and consistent

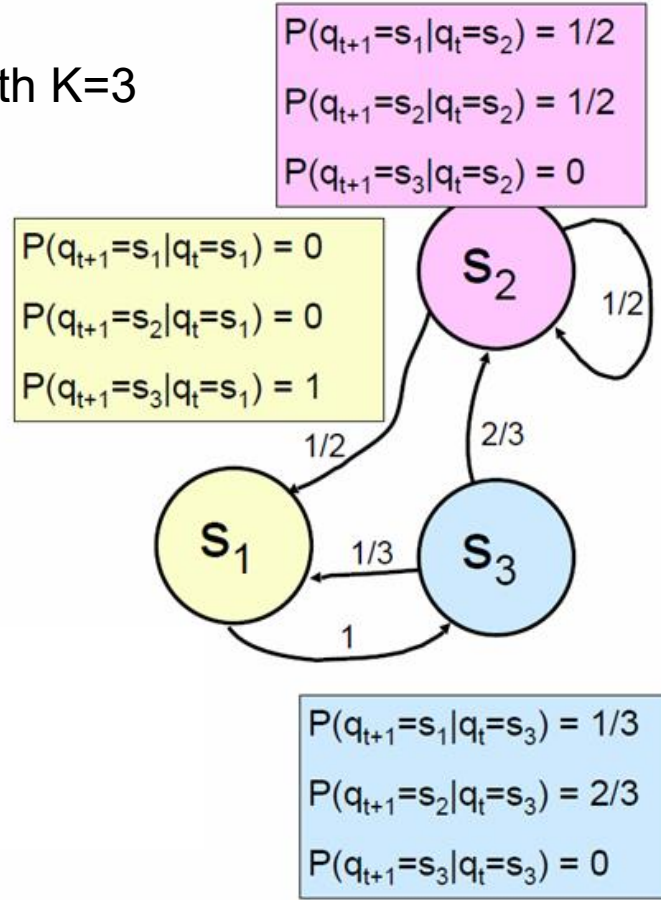


# A Markov System

- Let a Markov System have:
  - $K$  states, called  $s_1, \dots, s_K$
  - Discrete time-steps,  $t = 1, \dots, t = T$
- On the  $t^{th}$  time-step the system is in exactly one of the available states, call it  $q_t \in \{s_1, \dots, s_K\}$
- Between each time-step, the next state is chosen randomly
  - But based on some distribution,  $P(q_{t+1} = s_j | q_t = s_i)$

# A Markov System

Markov System with  $K=3$



# A Markov System

- These distributions,  $P(q_{t+1} = s_j | q_t = s_i)$ , are typically stored in a *state transition matrix*,  $A$ , such that

$$a_{ij} = P(q_{t+1} = s_j | q_t = s_i)$$

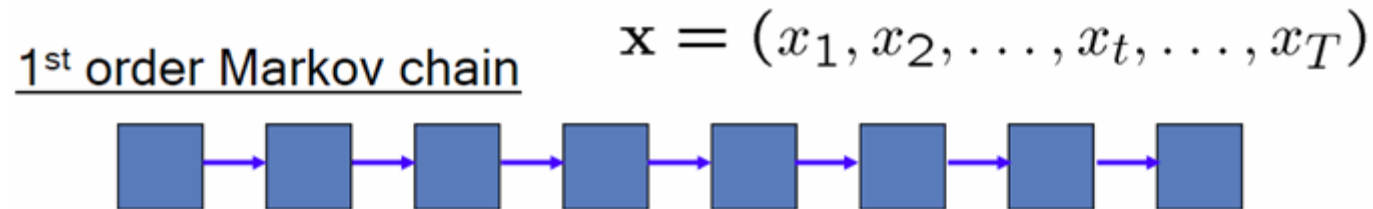
- Often we're also given a vector  $\pi$  such that  $\pi_i$  is the probability that at time  $t = 1$  we are in state  $i$

$$\pi_i = P(q_1 = s_i)$$

- Together we'll say that  $\lambda = (S, A, \pi)$  defines the Markov system.

# Markov Chains

- A Markov chain is a sequence of states
$$Q = (q_1, \dots, q_T)$$
- We can use these for things like prediction and classification.
- Although we could use information further back in the chain to help us make our decision at time  $t + 1$  typically we only use information from time  $t$
- This is called a *first order Markov chain*.





# Markov Model

- Given a Markov Model specified by its state transition probability matrix, we easily compute the probability of a sequence of states  $Q = (q_1, \dots, q_T)$  occurring,  $P(Q|\lambda)$ 
  - Especially for a 1<sup>st</sup> order Markov chain

$$P(Q|\lambda) = \pi_{q_1} \prod_{i=1}^{T-1} a_{q_i, q_{i+1}}$$

- We could then use this for classification of sequences.

# Markov Model

- If  $\lambda_i$  defines the model for class  $i$  then we may be interested in  $P(\lambda_i|Q)$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, C$  different classes.

$$P(\lambda_i|Q) = \frac{P(\lambda_i)P(Q|\lambda_i)}{P(Q)}$$

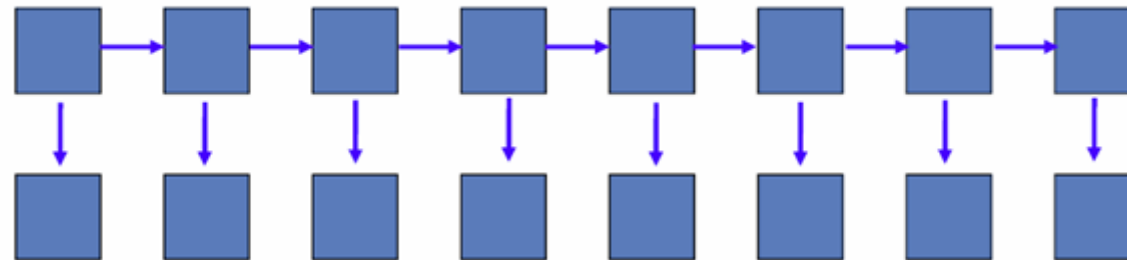
- As usual since  $P(Q)$  is class-independent we can just ignore it (or later divide by the sum) and choose:

$$i^* = \operatorname{argmax}_i (P(\lambda_i)P(Q|\lambda_i))$$

# Hidden Markov Models

- Often we can't observe directly the states
- Instead we observe some other information related to the states
- This is the idea of a *hidden* Markov Model.

1<sup>st</sup> order with stochastic observations -- HMM



# HMM Example: 3 Coins

HTHTHTHHHTHTTHTTTTHTTTHTTTTTHHHHTHHTHHHH

- Assume there are 3 coins:
  - One biased towards heads
  - One biased towards tails
  - One non-biased
- Someone tosses one coin repeatedly, then switches to another, etc..
- You observe the sequence of outputs/results (though not which coin was used)
- Can you find the most likely explanation as to which coins he used?

# HMM: Definition

- Hidden Markov Model
  - Double stochastic process
  - There is an underlying stochastic process that is not observable (hidden) but can only be observed through another set of stochastic processes that produce the sequence of observed symbols
- Stochastic process #1: heads or tails?
- Stochastic process #2: which coin?
- The observations are the outcomes of the tosses
- The biased coins are the hidden states

# HMM Notation

- We have a lot of the same stuff as with regular Markov models/chains:
  - States  $s_1, \dots, s_K$
  - A chain of length  $T$
  - The *true (now hidden)* sequences of states:  $Q = q_1 \dots q_T$
  - The state transition matrix,  $A$
  - The initial state values  $\pi$
- However now we add in:
  - The set of possible things we can *observe*,  $h_1, \dots, h_M$
  - The sequence that we observe  $O = o_1, \dots, o_T$
  - The probability of a state  $i$  *emitting* observation  $j$ :  $b_{i,j}$

# HMM Definition

- Therefore a HMM,  $\lambda$ , is a 5-tuple consisting of
  - The set of states:  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_K\}$
  - The set of observable values:  $H = \{h_1, \dots, h_M\}$
  - The starting state probabilities:  $\pi_i = P(q_1 = s_i)$
  - The state transition probabilities :  $a_{ij} = P(q_{t+1} = s_j | q_t = s_i)$ 
    - For  $1 \leq i, j \leq K$
  - The observation/emission probabilities:
$$b_{ik} = P(o_t = h_k | q_t = s_i)$$
    - For  $1 \leq i \leq K$  and  $1 \leq k \leq M$
- $\lambda = (S, H, \pi, A, B)$  is the specification of a HMM

# HMM Applications

- There are 3 main problems associated with HMMs
  - The evaluation problem
    - What's the probability of an observed sequence given the current HMM?,  $P(O|\lambda)$
  - The decoding problem
    - Given an observed sequence and an HMM, what is the most probable sequence of (hidden) states?
$$\hat{Q} = \operatorname{argmax}_Q P(Q|O, \lambda)$$
  - The learning problem
    - Given an observed sequence, find the HMM that maximizes the probability of generating this sequence.
$$\hat{\lambda} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda} P(O|\lambda)$$
- Let's look at each of them



# The Evaluation Problem

HMMs

# Evaluation Problem

- Given a HMM,  $\lambda$ , we want to know the probability of observing the sequence  $O$ :

$$P(O|\lambda)$$

- Recall from Markov models:

$$P(Q|\lambda) = \pi_{q_1} \prod_{i=1}^{T-1} a_{q_i, q_{i+1}}$$

- How does this have to be changed since now we don't observe the states directly?
  - We have to consider the possibility that we can from any of the  $K$  states
  - And take into consideration the emission probability.

# Evaluation Problem

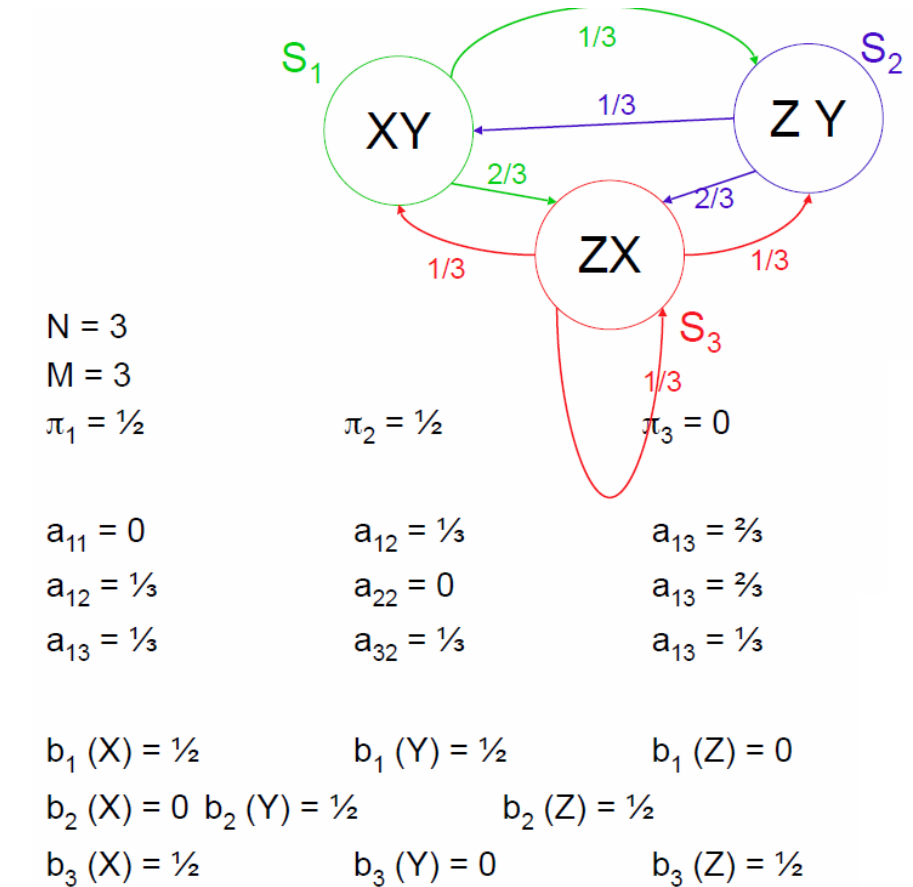
- $P(O|\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^K a_k(T)$  where for  $t = 1, \dots, T$  compute for each  $k = 1, \dots, K$

$$a_k(t) = \begin{cases} b_{ko_1} \pi_k & t = 1 \\ b_{ko_t} \sum_i a_{ik} a_i(t-1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- This is most easily computed recursively, where the final probability is  $P(O|\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^K a_j(T)$
- Then just like with Markov models, we could do this computation for different models  $\lambda_i$  and use those to decide on which class the sequence belongs to.

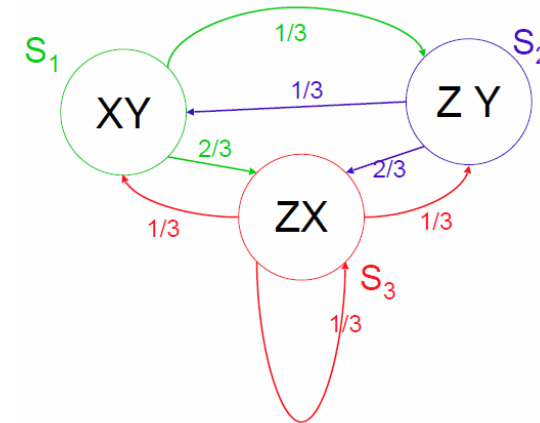
# Evaluation Example

- Suppose we are given the HMM to the right.
- What is the probability that it could have generated the observed sequence  $O = XXX$ ?



# Evaluation Example

- Time 1 (observed X)
  - $a_1(1) = \frac{1}{4}, a_2(1) = 0, a_3(1) = 0$
- Time 2 (observed X)
  - $a_1(2) = 0, a_2(1) = 0, a_3(1) = \frac{1}{12}$
- Time 3 (observed X)
  - $a_1(3) = 0, a_2(3) = \frac{1}{72}, a_3(3) = \frac{1}{72}$
- $P(O|\lambda) = 0 + \frac{1}{72} + \frac{1}{72} = \frac{1}{36}$



# HMMs for Classification

- We are given a HMM for each class with parameters  $\lambda_i$
- Compute  $P(\lambda_i|O)$  for all classes
  - Proportional to computing  $P(O|\lambda_i)P(\lambda_i)$
  - Compute  $P(O|\lambda_i)$  using forward/evaluation algorithm
  - Often assume  $P(\lambda_i)$  is uniform
- Classifying input according to maximum
$$i^* = \operatorname{argmax}_i P(\lambda_i|O)$$

# The Decoding Problem

## HMMs

# The Decoding Problem

- Given a sequence of visible states  $O$ , the decoding problem is to find the most probably sequence of hidden states
  - We call this the *most probably path* (MPP):  $P(Q|\lambda, O)$
- This is solved via the Viterbi algorithm
  - A Dynamic Programming (DP) approach



# DP MPP Computation

- The general idea is:
  - At time  $t$ , for each state  $i$ 
    - Find the path of length  $t - 1$ ,  $\{q_1, \dots, q_{t-1}\}$ , that has the highest probability of
      - Occurring, given observation chain  $o_1, \dots, o_{t-1}$
      - Ending up at time  $t$  with  $q_t = s_i$
      - Emitting  $o_t$  at time  $t$  given  $s_i$
    - Let  $\delta_i(t)$  be that probability

# The Viterbi Algorithm

- For  $t = 1, \dots, T$  compute for each state  $k = 1, \dots, K$ :

$$\delta_k(t) = \begin{cases} b_{ko_1} \pi_k & t = 1 \\ b_{ko_t} \max_i (\delta_i(t-1) a_{ik}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- And keep track of what which route we chose as you go:

$$q_t = \underset{i}{\operatorname{argmax}} \delta_i(t-1) a_{ik}$$

# Decoding Example

- What's the most probably path  $Q$  for the observed sequence  $O = (2,5,4)$
- Let's assume starting probabilities:

$$\pi = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0\right]$$

- And

$$a_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.1 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0.8 & 0.1 & 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \quad b_{jk} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.2 & 0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example

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- $t = 1$  (observed 2):

- $\delta_1(1) = \frac{1}{2} b_{12} = 0$
- $\delta_2(1) = \frac{1}{2} b_{22} = 0.15,$
- $\delta_3(1) = 0, \delta_3(0) = 0$

$$O = (2, 5, 4)$$

$$\pi = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0]$$

$$\delta_i(1) = \pi_i b_{io_1}$$

- $t = 2$  (observed 5)

- $\delta_1(2) = 0 \cdot \max(\dots) = 0$ 
  - Dead End
- $\delta_2(2) = 0.2 \cdot \max(0, 0.15 * 0.3, 0, 0) = 0.009$ 
  - $mpp_2(2)=(2)$
- $\delta_3(2) = 0.1 \cdot \max(0, 0.15 * 0.1, 0, 0) = 0.0015$ 
  - $mpp_3(2)=(2)$
- $\delta_4(2) = 0.2 \cdot \max(0, 0.15 * 0.4, 0, 0) = 0.012$ 
  - $mpp_4(2)=(2)$

$$O = (2, 5, 4)$$

$$\delta_j(t) = b_{jo_t} \max_i \delta_i(t-1) a_{ij}$$

# Example

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- $t = 2$ :

- $\delta_1(2) = 0$ , mpp<sub>1</sub>(2)=N/A
- $\delta_2(2) = 0.009$ , mpp<sub>2</sub>(2)=(2)
- $\delta_3(2) = 0.0015$ , mpp<sub>3</sub>(2) = (2)
- $\delta_4(2) = 0.012$ , mpp<sub>4</sub>(2) = (2)

$$\delta_j(t) = b_{j o_t} \max_i \delta_i(t-1) a_{ij}$$

- $t = 3$  (observed 4)

$$O = (2, 5, 4)$$

- $\delta_1(3) = 0 \cdot \max(\dots) = 0$ 
  - mpp<sub>1</sub>(3)=N/A
- $\delta_2(3) = 0.1 \cdot \max(0, \mathbf{0.009} * \mathbf{0.3}, 0.0015 * 0.5, 0.012 * 0.1) = 0.00027$ 
  - mpp<sub>2</sub>(3)=(2,2)
- $\delta_3(3) = 0.7 \cdot \max(0, \mathbf{0.009} * \mathbf{0.1}, 0.0015 * 0.2, 0.012 * 0) = 0.00063$ 
  - mpp<sub>3</sub>(3)=(2,2)
- $\delta_4(3) = 0.1 \cdot \max(0, \mathbf{0.009} * \mathbf{0.4}, 0.0015 * 0.1, 0.012 * 0.1) = 0.00036$ 
  - mpp<sub>4</sub>(3)=(2,2)

- So most likely path was 2→2→3

# The Learning Problem

## HMMs

# The Learning Problem

- For both the evaluation and decoding problems we need to know the model already.
- Where does the model come from?
- Maybe the application and/or prior knowledge allows us to “manually” create it.
- Or maybe we could *learn* it given some labeled data.
  - Given an observed sequence,  $O$ , we want to find a  $\lambda^*$  that maximizes the likelihood of creating the observed sequence:

$$\lambda^* = \underset{\lambda}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(O|\lambda)$$

# EM for HMMs

- Given a current model,  $\lambda(t)$  we can say stuff about our observation sequence  $O$
- Given what we say about  $O$  can we updated our model  $\lambda(t) \rightarrow \lambda(t + 1)$  to better fit this?
- This sort of algorithm, where we iterative between making predictions using our current model, then update our model to better fit our predictions, is called *expectation maximization*.
- Technically we already saw one EM algorithm with k-means!



# EM for HMMs

## Expectation

- From the evaluation problem we know
  - $\delta_i(1) = \pi_i b_{io_1}$
  - $\delta_i(t+1) = b_{io_{t+1}} \sum_{j=1}^N \delta_j(t) a_{ji}$
- Similarly we can compute  $\beta_i(t)$  (backwards evaluation?) as:
  - $\beta_i(T) = 1$
  - $\beta_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_j(t+1) a_{ij} b_{jo_{t+1}}$

# EM for HMMs

## Expectation

- Now let's use these values of  $\delta$  and  $\beta$  to set up information related to state probabilities and transition probabilities.
- Let  $\gamma_i(t)$  be the probability of being at state  $s_i$  at time  $t$  given our sequence:  $\gamma_i(t) = P(q_t = s_i | O, \lambda)$
- We can use our forward and backwards estimations to compute this
- And then normalize it by sum of the probabilities of being at each state:

$$\gamma_i(t) = P(q_t = s_i | O, \lambda) = \frac{\delta_i(t)\beta_i(t)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \delta_j(t)\beta_j(t)}$$

# EM for HMMs

## Expectation

- Similarly, let  $\epsilon_{i,j}(t)$  be the probability of transitioning from state  $i$  to state  $j$  at time  $t$ :

$$\epsilon_{ij}(t) = P(q_t = s_i, q_{t+1} = j | O, \lambda)$$

- We can again use the forwards and backwards estimations (and again normalize) but also incorporate the current state transition and the current state emission:

$$\epsilon_{ij}(t) = P(q_t = s_i, q_{t+1} = j | O, \lambda) = \frac{\delta_i(t) a_{ij} \beta_j(t+1) b_{j|o_{t+1}}}{\sum_{k=1}^N \delta_k(t) \beta_k(t)}$$

# EM for HMMs

## Maximization

- Now we need to maximize!
- Given  $\gamma_i(t)$  and  $\epsilon_{i,j}(t)$  this should be somewhat straight forward:
  - The initial state probabilities are just taken directly from  $\gamma_i(t)$ 
$$\pi_i = \gamma_i(1)$$
  - The state transition matrix values are take from  $\epsilon_{i,j}(t)$  (summed over all times) but normalized by the probabilities of being at state  $i$  at any given time:
- The emission matrix values basically for each state  $s_i$ , add up the probabilities of that state occurring whenever  $h_j$  is emitted, again normalized

$$a_{i,j} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{i,j}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_i(t)}$$
$$b_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == j) \gamma_i(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_i(t)}$$

# EM for HMMs

1. Get your observations  $o_1 \dots o_T$
  2. Guess your first model  $\lambda(0), k = 0$ . Random?
  3. Until convergence do steps 4 and 5
  4. Do expectation via estimation
    - $\delta_i(t), \beta_i(t)$
    - $\gamma_i(t), \epsilon_{i,j}(t)$
  5. Do maximization
    - $\pi_i = \gamma_i(1)$
    - $a_{i,j} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{i,j}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_i(t)}$
    - $b_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == j) \gamma_i(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_i(t)}$
- This is known as the Baum-Welch algorithm

# Example

| from \ to | LA  | NY  |
|-----------|-----|-----|
| LA        | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| NY        | 0.5 | 0.5 |

| where \ report | LA  | NY  | null |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| LA             | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5  |
| NY             | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4  |

- Let's try to find the HMM of a criminal traveling between LA and NY!
- The FBI doesn't know where the criminal started his/her activity
  - Uniform probability of starting either place:  $\pi = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$
- The FBI has no clue on if he/she will go from one place to another at any time
  - State Transition Matrix, A
- The FBI has some historic data based on where people said the criminal was and if he was actually there
  - This is our emissions matrix, B

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|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| LA             | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5  |
| NY             | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4  |

| from \ to | LA  | NY  |
|-----------|-----|-----|
| LA        | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| NY        | 0.5 | 0.5 |

# Example

- The FBI has been tracking reports over 5 time instances and observed the sequence:
  - $O = (-, LA, LA, NY)$
  - Using our current model and these observations we can already do things like:
    1. How good is our model? Evaluation Problem
    2. What was likely his/her actual states? Decoding problem
    3. What's the probability that we're in a given ending state?
    4. What's the probability distribution at the next period  $t = 5$  (so we can catch him/her!):
    5. Can we update the model to make it better!? Learning Problem
- Let's use this example to make our model better!

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# Example EM for HMM

- $\pi = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$
- $O = (-, LA, LA, NY)$
- Iteration 1: Forward Estimation

- $\delta_{LA}(1) = \pi_{LA} b_{LA}(-) = 0.25$
- $\delta_{NY}(1) = \pi_{NY} b_{NY}(-) = 0.2$
- $\delta_{LA}(2) = b_{LA}(LA)(\delta_{LA}(1)a_{LA,LA} + \delta_{NY}(1)a_{NY,LA}) = 0.4 * (0.25 * 0.5 + 0.2 * 0.5) = 0.09$
- $\delta_{NY}(2) = b_{NY}(LA)(\delta_{LA}(1)a_{LA,NY} + \delta_{NY}(1)a_{NY,NY}) = 0.1 * (0.25 * 0.5 + 0.2 * 0.5) = 0.0225$
- $\delta_{LA}(3) = b_{LA}(LA)(\delta_{LA}(2)a_{LA,LA} + \delta_{NY}(2)a_{NY,LA}) = 0.4 * (0.09 * 0.5 + 0.0225 * 0.5) = 0.0225$
- $\delta_{NY}(3) = b_{NY}(LA)(\delta_{LA}(2)a_{LA,NY} + \delta_{NY}(2)a_{NY,NY}) = 0.1 * (0.09 * 0.5 + 0.0225 * 0.5) = 0.0056$
- $\delta_{LA}(4) = b_{LA}(NY)(\delta_{LA}(3)a_{LA,LA} + \delta_{NY}(3)a_{NY,LA}) = 0.1 * (0.0225 * 0.5 + 0.0056 * 0.5) = 0.0014$
- $\delta_{NY}(4) = b_{NY}(NY)(\delta_{LA}(3)a_{LA,NY} + \delta_{NY}(3)a_{NY,NY}) = 0.5 * (0.0225 * 0.5 + 0.0056 * 0.5) = 0.0070$

$$\delta_i(1) = \pi_i b_{io_1}$$

$$\delta_i(t+1) = b_{jo_{t+1}} \sum_{j=1}^N \delta_j(t) a_{ji}$$



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|----------------|-----|-----|------|
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| NY             | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4  |

# Example EM for HMM

- $O = (-, LA, LA, NY)$
- Iteration 1: Backwards Procedure

$$\beta_i(T) = 1$$

$$\beta_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_j(t+1) a_{ij} b_{j_{o_{t+1}}}$$

- $\beta_{LA}(4) = 1$
- $\beta_{NY}(4) = 1$
- $\beta_{LA}(3) = \left( \beta_{LA}(4) a_{LA,LA} b_{LA}(NY) + \beta_{NY}(4) a_{LA,NY} b_{NY}(NY) \right) = 1 * 0.5 * 0.1 + 1 * 0.5 * 0.5 = 0.3$
- $\beta_{NY}(3) = \left( \beta_{LA}(4) a_{NY,LA} b_{LA}(NY) + \beta_{NY}(4) a_{NY,NY} b_{NY}(NY) \right) = 1 * 0.5 * 0.1 + 1 * 0.5 * 0.5 = 0.3$
- $\beta_{LA}(2) = \left( \beta_{LA}(3) a_{LA,LA} b_{LA}(LA) + \beta_{NY}(3) a_{LA,NY} b_{NY}(LA) \right) = 0.3 * 0.5 * 0.4 + 0.3 * 0.5 * 0.1 = 0.075$
- $\beta_{NY}(2) = \left( \beta_{LA}(3) a_{NY,LA} b_{LA}(LA) + \beta_{NY}(3) a_{NY,NY} b_{NY}(LA) \right) = 0.3 * 0.5 * 0.4 + 0.3 * 0.5 * 0.1 = 0.075$
- $\beta_{LA}(1) = \left( \beta_{LA}(2) a_{LA,LA} b_{LA}(LA) + \beta_{NY}(2) a_{LA,NY} b_{NY}(LA) \right) = 0.075 * 0.5 * 0.4 + 0.075 * 0.5 * 0.1 = 0.0187$
- $\beta_{NY}(1) = \left( \beta_{LA}(2) a_{NY,LA} b_{LA}(LA) + \beta_{NY}(2) a_{NY,NY} b_{NY}(LA) \right) = 0.075 * 0.5 * 0.4 + 0.075 * 0.5 * 0.1 = 0.0187$

# Example: EM for HMM

$$\gamma_i(t) = P(q_t = s_i | O, \lambda) = \frac{\delta_i(t)\beta_i(t)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \delta_j(t)\beta_j(t)}$$

- $O=(-,LA,LA,NY)$
- Iteration 1: Gamma
- $\gamma_{LA}(1) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(1)\beta_{LA}(1)}{\delta_{LA}(1)\beta_{LA}(1)+\delta_{NY}(1)\beta_{NY}(1)} = \frac{0.25*0.0187}{(0.25*0.0187+0.2*0.0187)} = 0.5556$
- $\gamma_{NY}(1) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(1)\beta_{NY}(1)}{\delta_{LA}(1)\beta_{LA}(1)+\delta_{NY}(1)\beta_{NY}(1)} = \frac{0.2*0.0187}{(0.25*0.0187+0.22*0.0187)} = 0.4444$
- $\gamma_{LA}(2) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(2)\beta_{LA}(2)}{\delta_{LA}(2)\beta_{LA}(2)+\delta_{NY}(2)\beta_{NY}(2)} = \frac{0.09*0.075}{(0.09*0.075+0.0225*0.075)} = 0.8$
- $\gamma_{NY}(2) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(2)\beta_{NY}(2)}{\delta_{LA}(2)\beta_{LA}(2)+\delta_{NY}(2)\beta_{NY}(2)} = \frac{0.0225*0.075}{(0.09*0.075+0.0225*0.075)} = 0.2$
- $\gamma_{LA}(3) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(3)\beta_{LA}(3)}{\delta_{LA}(3)\beta_{LA}(3)+\delta_{NY}(3)\beta_{NY}(3)} = \frac{0.0225*0.3}{(0.0225*0.3+0.0056*0.3)} = 0.8$
- $\gamma_{NY}(3) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(3)\beta_{NY}(3)}{\delta_{LA}(3)\beta_{LA}(3)+\delta_{NY}(3)\beta_{NY}(3)} = \frac{0.0056*0.3}{(0.0225*0.3+0.0056*0.3)} = 0.2$
- $\gamma_{LA}(4) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(4)\beta_{LA}(4)}{\delta_{LA}(4)\beta_{LA}(4)+\delta_{NY}(4)\beta_{NY}(4)} = \frac{0.0014*1}{(0.0014*1+0.0070*1)} = 0.1667$
- $\gamma_{NY}(4) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(4)\beta_{NY}(4)}{\delta_{LA}(4)\beta_{LA}(4)+\delta_{NY}(4)\beta_{NY}(4)} = \frac{0.0070*1}{(0.0014*1+0.0070*1)} = 0.8333$

# Example: EM for HMM

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(t) = P(q_t = s_i, q_{t+1} = j | O, \lambda) = \frac{\delta_i(t) a_{ij} \beta_j(t+1) b_{j o_{t+1}}}{\sum_{k=1}^N \delta_k(t) \beta_k(t)}$$

- $O = (-, LA, LA, NY)$
- Iteration 1: Epsilon
- $\varepsilon_{LA, LA}(1) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(1) a_{LA, LA} \beta_{LA}(2) b_{LA}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(1) \beta_{LA}(1) + \delta_{NY}(1) \beta_{NY}(1))} = \frac{0.25 * 0.5 * 0.075 * 0.4}{(0.25 * 0.0187 + 0.20 * 0.0187)} = 0.4444$
- $\varepsilon_{LA, NY}(1) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(1) a_{LA, NY} \beta_{NY}(2) b_{NY}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(1) \beta_{LA}(1) + \delta_{NY}(1) \beta_{NY}(1))} = \frac{0.25 * 0.5 * 0.075 * 0.1}{(0.25 * 0.0187 + 0.20 * 0.0187)} = 0.1111$
- $\varepsilon_{NY, LA}(1) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(1) a_{NY, LA} \beta_{LA}(2) b_{LA}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(1) \beta_{LA}(1) + \delta_{NY}(1) \beta_{NY}(1))} = \frac{0.20 * 0.5 * 0.075 * 0.4}{(0.25 * 0.0187 + 0.20 * 0.0187)} = 0.3556$
- $\varepsilon_{NY, NY}(1) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(1) a_{NY, NY} \beta_{NY}(2) b_{NY}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(1) \beta_{LA}(1) + \delta_{NY}(1) \beta_{NY}(1))} = \frac{0.20 * 0.5 * 0.075 * 0.1}{(0.25 * 0.0187 + 0.20 * 0.0187)} = 0.0891$
- $\varepsilon_{LA, LA}(2) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(2) a_{LA, LA} \beta_{LA}(3) b_{LA}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(2) \beta_{LA}(2) + \delta_{NY}(2) \beta_{NY}(2))} = \frac{0.09 * 0.5 * 0.3 * 0.4}{(0.09 * 0.075 + 0.0225 * 0.075)} = 0.64$
- $\varepsilon_{LA, NY}(2) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(2) a_{LA, NY} \beta_{NY}(3) b_{NY}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(2) \beta_{LA}(2) + \delta_{NY}(2) \beta_{NY}(2))} = \frac{0.09 * 0.5 * 0.3 * 0.1}{(0.09 * 0.075 + 0.0225 * 0.075)} = 0.16$
- $\varepsilon_{NY, LA}(2) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(2) a_{NY, LA} \beta_{LA}(3) b_{LA}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(2) \beta_{LA}(2) + \delta_{NY}(2) \beta_{NY}(2))} = \frac{0.0025 * 0.5 * 0.3 * 0.4}{(0.09 * 0.075 + 0.0225 * 0.075)} = 0.16$
- $\varepsilon_{NY, NY}(2) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(2) a_{NY, NY} \beta_{NY}(3) b_{NY}(LA)}{(\delta_{LA}(2) \beta_{LA}(2) + \delta_{NY}(2) \beta_{NY}(2))} = \frac{0.0025 * 0.5 * 0.3 * 0.1}{(0.09 * 0.075 + 0.0225 * 0.075)} = 0.04$

| where \ report | LA  | NY  | null |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| LA             | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5  |
| NY             | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4  |

# Example: EM for HMM

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(t) = P(q_t = s_i, q_{t+1} = j | O, \lambda) = \frac{\delta_i(t) a_{ij} \beta_j(t+1) b_{j_{O_{t+1}}}}{\sum_{k=1}^N \delta_k(t) \beta_k(t)}$$

- $O = (-, LA, LA, NY)$

- Iteration 1: Epsilon

- $\varepsilon_{LA,LA}(3) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(3) a_{LA,LA} \beta_{LA}(4) b_{LA}(NY)}{(\delta_{LA}(3) \beta_{LA}(3) + \delta_{NY}(3) \beta_{NY}(3))} = \frac{0.0225 * 0.5 * 1 * 0.1}{(0.0225 * 0.3 + 0.0056 * 0.3)} = 0.1333$

- $\varepsilon_{LA,NY}(3) = \frac{\delta_{LA}(3) a_{LA,NY} \beta_{NY}(4) b_{NY}(NY)}{(\delta_{LA}(3) \beta_{LA}(3) + \delta_{NY}(3) \beta_{NY}(3))} = \frac{0.0225 * 0.5 * 1 * 0.5}{(0.0225 * 0.3 + 0.0056 * 0.3)} = 0.6667$

- $\varepsilon_{NY,LA}(3) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(3) a_{NY,LA} \beta_{LA}(4) b_{LA}(NY)}{(\delta_{LA}(3) \beta_{LA}(3) + \delta_{NY}(3) \beta_{NY}(3))} = \frac{0.0056 * 0.5 * 1 * 0.1}{(0.0225 * 0.3 + 0.0056 * 0.3)} = 0.0333$

- $\varepsilon_{NY,NY}(3) = \frac{\delta_{NY}(3) a_{NY,NY} \beta_{NY}(4) b_{NY}(NY)}{(\delta_{LA}(3) \beta_{LA}(3) + \delta_{NY}(3) \beta_{NY}(3))} = \frac{0.0056 * 0.5 * 1 * 0.5}{(0.0225 * 0.3 + 0.0056 * 0.3)} = 0.1667$

# Example EM for HMM

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{ij}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_i(t)}$$
$$\pi_i = \gamma_i(1)$$

- Iteration 1: Maximization

- $\pi_{LA} = \gamma_{LA}(1) = 0.5556$

- $\pi_{NY} = \gamma_{NY}(1) = 0.4444$

- $a_{LA,LA} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{LA,LA}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_{LA}(t)} = \frac{0.4444+0.64+0.1333}{0.5556+0.8+0.8} = 0.5649$

- $a_{LA,NY} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{LA,NY}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_{LA}(t)} = 0.4357$

- $a_{NY,LA} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{NY,LA}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_{NY}(t)} = 0.65$

- $a_{NY,NY} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \epsilon_{NY,NY}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \gamma_{NY}(t)} = 0.35$

# Example EM for HMM

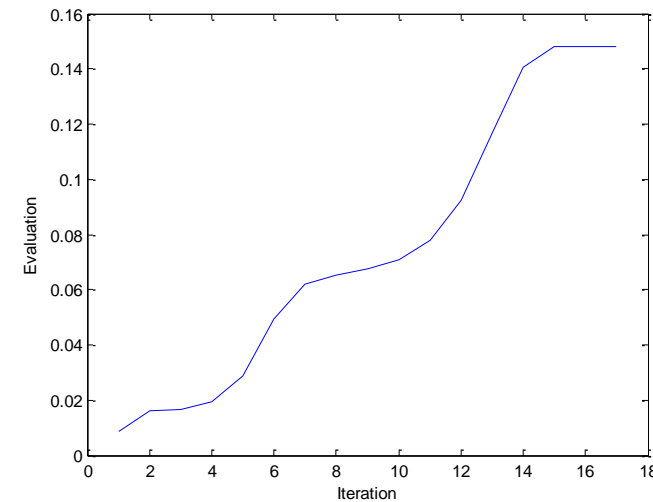
$$b_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == j) \gamma_i(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_i(t)}$$

- Iteration 1: Maximization

- $b_{LA}(LA) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == LA) \gamma_{LA}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{LA}(t)} = \frac{(0+0.8+0.8+0)}{(0.5556+0.8+0.8+0.1667)} = 0.689$
- $b_{LA}(NY) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == NY) \gamma_{LA}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{LA}(t)} = 0.0718$
- $b_{LA}(-) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == -) \gamma_{LA}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{LA}(t)} = 0.2392$
- $b_{NY}(LA) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == LA) \gamma_{NY}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{NY}(t)} = 0.2384$
- $b_{NY}(NY) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == NY) \gamma_{NY}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{NY}(t)} = 0.4967$
- $b_{NY}(-) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (o_t == -) \gamma_{NY}(t)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_{NY}(t)} = 0.2649$

# Example EM for HMM

- Sanity Check
- Let's evaluate using our original HMM
  - $P(O|\lambda(1)) = 0.0084$
- Let's evaluate using our (slightly) updated HMM
  - $P(O|\lambda(2)) = 0.0160$
- After 17 iterations
  - $P(O|\lambda(17)) = 0.1481$
  - $\pi = [0,1]^T$
  - $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
  - $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6667 & 0.3333 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
  - Does anything look odd with this?
  - How can we deal with it



# Random HMM

- How good (relatively) is this HMM at generating this sequence of observations?
- Consider a random HMM for this problem

$$\pi_i = \frac{1}{N}, a_{ij} = \frac{1}{N}, b_{ik} = \frac{1}{M}$$

- And since we have 2 states and a chain of length 4 we have  $2^4 = 16$  possible paths
- Recall the *exhaustive* equation

$$P(O|\lambda) = \sum_{r=1}^{r_{max}} \prod_{t=1}^T P(o_t|q_t)P(q_t|q_{t-1})$$



# Example

- In a random system  $P(o_t|q_t) = \frac{1}{M}$  for all  $t$  and  $P(q_t|q_{t-1}) = \frac{1}{N}$  for all  $t$
- So for a particular path of length  $T$  we have

$$P(Q_r|\lambda, O) = \prod_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{N} = (MN)^{-T}$$

- For this example we then get  $P(Q_r|\lambda, O) = (3 \cdot 2)^{-4}$
- And we have this for all  $2^4$  possible paths so

$$P(O|\lambda) = 2^4 (3 \cdot 2)^{-4} = 0.0123$$

- Even simpler, if a HMM is random then for all  $t$ ,  $o_t = \frac{1}{M}$  and  
 $P(O|\lambda) = \prod_{t=1}^T o_t = \left(\frac{1}{M}\right)^T$  which for this example is  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 = 0.0123$

# Continuous HMM

- Often we observe continuous values.
- How can we make an learn/use an HMM where our observations are continuous?

$$P(o_t | q_t = s_i)$$

- We'll still have discrete states,  $\{s_1, \dots, s_K\}$
- However, now each state has a probability of emitting a values according to some distribution.

# Continuous HMM

- Again, a common distribution is Gaussian:

- Each state  $s_i$ 's emission distribution is parameterized by  $(\mu_i, \sigma_i)$

$$P(o_t | q_t = s_i) \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_i^2}} e^{-\frac{(o_t - \mu_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}}$$

- Or we can do a multi-variate version
  - Either we're given those parameters or we learn them via an EM algorithm.
  - Then we can use this  $P(o_t | q_t = s_i)$  for our evaluation/classification and decoding problems.

# The Good and Bad

- Bad
  - There are lots of local minima
- Good news
  - The local minima are usually adequate models of the data
- Other things:
  - EM doesn't estimate the number of states. That must be given
    - Trade-off between too few (inadequately modeling the structure) and too many (fitting the noise)
  - Often HMMs are forced to have some links with zero probability. This is done by setting  $a_{ij} = 0$  in initial estimate  $\lambda(0)$

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