

# CSCI567 Machine Learning (Fall 2021)

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- 2 (Hidden) Markov models
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## Administration

HW5 will be released today (due on Nov 23).

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## Naive Bayes

Assume: **conditioning on a label, features are independent**

$$p(\mathbf{x}, y) = p(y)p(\mathbf{x} | y) = p(y) \prod_{d=1}^D p(x_d | y = c)$$

For a label  $c \in [C]$ ,

$$p(y = c) = \frac{|\{n : y_n = c\}|}{N}$$

For each possible value  $k$  of a discrete feature  $d$ ,

$$p(x_d = k | y = c) = \frac{|\{n : x_{nd} = k, y_n = c\}|}{|\{n : y_n = c\}|}$$

## PCA

**Input:** a dataset represented as  $\mathbf{X}$ , #components  $p$  we want

**Step 1** Center the data by subtracting the mean

**Step 2** Find the top  $p$  eigenvectors (with unit norm) of the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times p}$

**Step 3** Construct the new compressed dataset  $\mathbf{XV} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$

## Naive Bayes: continuous features

If the feature is continuous, we can do

- parametric estimation, e.g. via a Gaussian

$$p(x_d = x | y = c) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_{cd}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_{cd})^2}{2\sigma_{cd}^2}\right)$$

where  $\mu_{cd}$  and  $\sigma_{cd}^2$  are the empirical mean and variance of feature  $d$  among all examples with label  $c$ .

- or nonparametric estimation, e.g. via a Kernel  $K$  and bandwidth  $h$ :

$$p(x_d = x | y = c) = \frac{1}{|\{n : y_n = c\}|} \sum_{n:y_n=c} K_h(x - x_{nd})$$

## KPCA

**Input:** a dataset  $\mathbf{X}$ , #components  $p$  we want, a kernel function  $k$

**Step 1** Compute the Gram matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  and the centered Gram matrix

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{EK} - \mathbf{KE} + \mathbf{EKE} \quad (\text{implicitly centering } \Phi)$$

**Step 2** Find the top  $p$  eigenvectors of  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}$  with the appropriate scaling, denoted by  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$

(implicitly finding unit eigenvectors of  $\bar{\Phi}^T \bar{\Phi}$ :  $\mathbf{V} = \bar{\Phi}^T \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times p}$ )

**Step 3** Construct the new dataset  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$

(implicitly/equivalently computing  $\bar{\Phi}\mathbf{V} = \bar{\Phi}\bar{\Phi}^T \mathbf{A}$ )

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## Markov Models

Markov models are powerful probabilistic tools to analyze **sequential data**:

- text or speech data
- stock market data
- gene data
- ...

## Definition

A **Markov chain** is a stochastic process with **Markov property**: a sequence of random variables  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots$  s.t.

$$P(Z_{t+1} \mid Z_{1:t}) = P(Z_{t+1} \mid Z_t) \quad (\text{Markov property})$$

i.e. *the current state only depends on the most recent state* (notation  $Z_{1:t}$  denotes the sequence  $Z_1, \dots, Z_t$ ).

We only consider the following case:

- All  $Z_t$ 's take value from the same **discrete** set  $\{1, \dots, S\}$
- $P(Z_{t+1} = s' \mid Z_t = s) = a_{s,s'}$ , known as **transition probability**
- $P(Z_1 = s) = \pi_s$
- $(\{\pi_s\}, \{a_{s,s'}\}) = (\boldsymbol{\pi}, \mathbf{A})$  are **parameters of the model**

## Examples

- Example 1 (**Language model**)

States  $[S]$  represent a dictionary of words,

$$a_{\text{ice,cream}} = P(Z_{t+1} = \text{cream} \mid Z_t = \text{ice})$$

is an example of the transition probability.

- Example 2 (**Weather**)

States  $[S]$  represent weather at each day

$$a_{\text{sunny,rainy}} = P(Z_{t+1} = \text{rainy} \mid Z_t = \text{sunny})$$

## High-order Markov chain

*Is the Markov assumption reasonable?* Not completely for the language model for example.

Higher order Markov chains make it more reasonable, e.g.

$$P(Z_{t+1} | Z_{1:t}) = P(Z_{t+1} | Z_t, Z_{t-1}) \quad (\text{second-order Markov})$$

i.e. the current word only depends on the last two words.

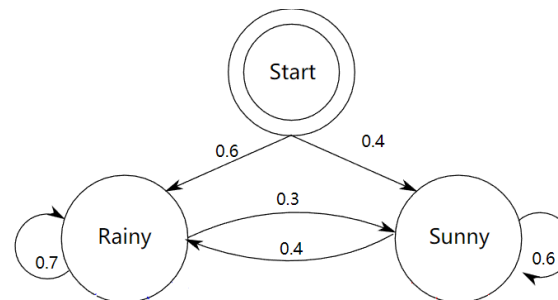
Learning higher order Markov chains is similar, but more expensive.

We only consider standard Markov chains.

## Graph Representation

picture from Wikipedia

It is intuitive to represent a Markov model as a **graph**



## Learning from examples

Now suppose we have observed  $N$  **sequences of examples**:

- $z_{1,1}, \dots, z_{1,T}$
- ...
- $z_{n,1}, \dots, z_{n,T}$
- ...
- $z_{N,1}, \dots, z_{N,T}$

where

- for simplicity we assume each sequence has the same **length**  $T$
- lower case  $z_{n,t}$  represents the **value** of the random variable  $Z_{n,t}$

From these observations how do we **learn the model parameters**  $(\pi, \mathbf{A})$ ?

## Finding the MLE

Same story, find the **MLE**. The log-likelihood of a sequence  $z_1, \dots, z_T$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \ln P(Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T}) \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^T \ln P(Z_t = z_t | Z_{1:t-1} = z_{1:t-1}) \quad (\text{always true}) \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^T \ln P(Z_t = z_t | Z_{t-1} = z_{t-1}) \quad (\text{Markov property}) \\
 &= \ln \pi_{z_1} + \sum_{t=2}^T \ln a_{z_{t-1}, z_t} \\
 &= \sum_s \mathbb{I}[z_1 = s] \ln \pi_s + \sum_{s, s'} \left( \sum_{t=2}^T \mathbb{I}[z_{t-1} = s, z_t = s'] \right) \ln a_{s, s'}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Finding the MLE

So MLE is

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\pi, \mathbf{A}} \sum_s (\# \text{initial states with value } s) \ln \pi_s + \sum_{s, s'} (\# \text{transitions from } s \text{ to } s') \ln a_{s, s'}$$

We have seen this many times. The solution is:

$$\pi_s \propto \# \text{initial states with value } s$$

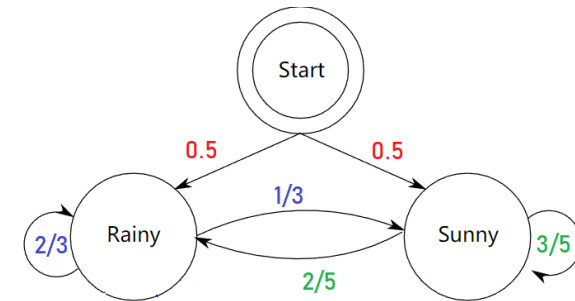
$$a_{s, s'} \propto \# \text{transitions from } s \text{ to } s'$$

## Example

Suppose we observed the following 2 sequences of length 5

- sunny, sunny, rainy, rainy, rainy
- rainy, sunny, sunny, sunny, rainy

MLE is the following model



## Markov Model with outcomes

Now suppose each state  $Z_t$  also “emits” some **outcome**  $X_t \in [O]$  based on the following model

$$P(X_t = o \mid Z_t = s) = b_{s,o} \quad (\text{emission probability})$$

independent of anything else.

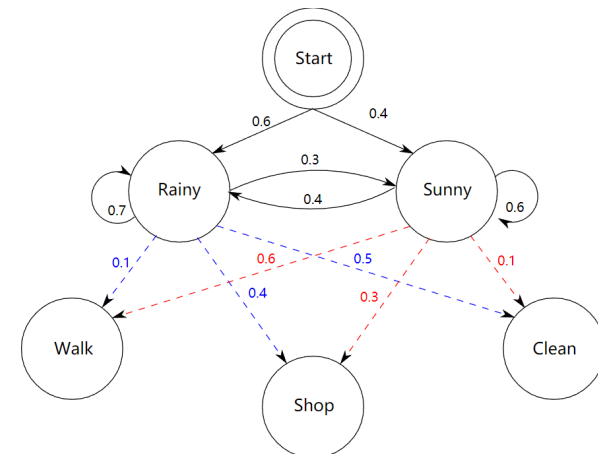
For example, in the language model,  $X_t$  is the speech signal for the underlying word  $Z_t$  (very useful for **speech recognition**).

Now the model parameters are  $(\{\pi_s\}, \{a_{s,s'}\}, \{b_{s,o}\}) = (\pi, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B})$ .

## Another example

picture from Wikipedia

On each day, we also observe **Bob's activity: walk, shop, or clean**, which only depends on the weather of that day.



## Joint likelihood

The joint log-likelihood of a **state-outcome sequence**  $z_1, x_1, \dots, z_T, x_T$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln P(Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T}, X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\ &= \ln P(Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T}) + \ln P(X_{1:T} = x_{1:T} \mid Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T}) \quad (\text{always true}) \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^T \ln P(Z_t = z_t \mid Z_{t-1} = z_{t-1}) + \sum_{t=1}^T \ln P(X_t = x_t \mid Z_t = z_t) \\ & \hspace{15em} (\text{due to all the independence}) \\ &= \ln \pi_{z_1} + \sum_{t=2}^T \ln a_{z_{t-1}, z_t} + \sum_{t=1}^T \ln b_{z_t, x_t} \end{aligned}$$

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## Learning the model

If we observe  $N$  state-outcome sequences:  $z_{n,1}, x_{n,1}, \dots, z_{n,T}, x_{n,T}$  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$ , the MLE is again very simple (verify yourself):

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_s &\propto \text{\#initial states with value } s \\ a_{s,s'} &\propto \text{\#transitions from } s \text{ to } s' \\ b_{s,o} &\propto \text{\#state-outcome pairs } (s, o) \end{aligned}$$

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## Learning the model

However, *most often we do not observe the states!* Think about the speech recognition example.

This is called **Hidden Markov Model (HMM)**, widely used in practice

How to learn HMMs? **Roadmap:**

- first discuss how to **infer** when the model is known (key: **dynamic programming**)
- then discuss how to **learn** the model (key: **EM**)

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## What can we infer about an HMM?

Knowing the parameter of an HMM, we can infer

- **the probability of observing some sequence**

$$P(X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})$$

e.g. prob. of observing Bob's activities "walk, walk, shop, clean, walk, shop, shop" for one week

- **the state at some point, given an observation sequence**

$$P(Z_t = s \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})$$

e.g. given Bob's activities for one week, how was the weather like on Wed?

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## What can we infer for a known HMM?

Knowing the parameter of an HMM, we can infer

- **the transition at some point, given an observation sequence**

$$P(Z_t = s, Z_{t+1} = s' \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})$$

e.g. given Bob's activities for one week, how was the weather like on Wed and Thu?

- **most likely hidden states path, given an observation sequence**

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{z_{1:T}} P(Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T} \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})$$

e.g. given Bob's activities for one week, what's the most likely weather for this week?

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## Forward and backward messages

The key to infer all these is to compute two things:

- **forward messages**: for each  $s$  and  $t$

$$\alpha_s(t) = P(Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t})$$

- **backward messages**: for each  $s$  and  $t$

$$\beta_s(t) = P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_t = s)$$

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## Computing forward messages

Key: *establish a recursive formula*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_s(t) &= P(Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) \\ &= P(X_t = x_t \mid Z_t = s, X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) P(Z_t = s, X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) \\ &= b_{s,x_t} \sum_{s'} P(Z_t = s, Z_{t-1} = s', X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) \quad (\text{marginalizing}) \\ &= b_{s,x_t} \sum_{s'} P(Z_t = s \mid Z_{t-1} = s', X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) P(Z_{t-1} = s', X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) \\ &= b_{s,x_t} \sum_{s'} a_{s',s} \alpha_{s'}(t-1) \quad (\text{recursive form!}) \end{aligned}$$

**Base case:**  $\alpha_s(1) = P(Z_1 = s, X_1 = x_1) = \pi_s b_{s,x_1}$

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## Forward procedure

Forward procedure

For all  $s \in [S]$ , compute  $\alpha_s(1) = \pi_s b_{s,x_1}$ .

For  $t = 2, \dots, T$

- for each  $s \in [S]$ , compute

$$\alpha_s(t) = b_{s,x_t} \sum_{s'} a_{s',s} \alpha_{s'}(t-1)$$

It takes  $O(S^2T)$  time and  $O(ST)$  space.

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## Computing backward messages

Again establish a recursive formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_s(t) &= P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_t = s) \\
 &= \sum_{s'} P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T}, Z_{t+1} = s' \mid Z_t = s) && \text{(marginalizing)} \\
 &= \sum_{s'} P(Z_{t+1} = s' \mid Z_t = s) P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_{t+1} = s', Z_t = s) \\
 &= \sum_{s'} a_{s,s'} P(X_{t+1} = x_{t+1} \mid Z_{t+1} = s') P(X_{t+2:T} = x_{t+2:T} \mid Z_{t+1} = s') \\
 &= \sum_{s'} a_{s,s'} b_{s',x_{t+1}} \beta_{s'}(t+1) && \text{(recursive form!)}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Base case:**  $\beta_s(T) = 1$

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## Backward procedure

Backward procedure

For all  $s \in [S]$ , set  $\beta_s(T) = 1$ .

For  $t = T - 1, \dots, 1$

- for each  $s \in [S]$ , compute

$$\beta_s(t) = \sum_{s'} a_{s,s'} b_{s',x_{t+1}} \beta_{s'}(t+1)$$

Again it takes  $O(S^2T)$  time and  $O(ST)$  space.

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## Using forward and backward messages

With forward and backward messages, we can easily infer many things, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma_s(t) &= P(Z_t = s \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\
 &\propto P(Z_t = s, X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\
 &= P(Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) \\
 &= \alpha_s(t) \beta_s(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

*What constant are we omitting in “ $\propto$ ”?* It is exactly

$$P(X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) = \sum_s \alpha_s(t) \beta_s(t),$$

the probability of observing the sequence  $x_{1:T}$ .

This is true for any  $t$ ; a good way to check correctness of your code.

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## Using forward and backward messages

Another example: the conditional probability of transition  $s$  to  $s'$  at time  $t$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \xi_{s,s'}(t) &= P(Z_t = s, Z_{t+1} = s' \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\
 &\propto P(Z_t = s, Z_{t+1} = s', X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\
 &= P(Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) P(Z_{t+1} = s', X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_t = s, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) \\
 &= \alpha_s(t) P(Z_{t+1} = s' \mid Z_t = s) P(X_{t+1:T} = x_{t+1:T} \mid Z_{t+1} = s') \\
 &= \alpha_s(t) a_{s,s'} P(X_{t+1} = x_{t+1} \mid Z_{t+1} = s') P(X_{t+2:T} = x_{t+2:T} \mid Z_{t+1} = s') \\
 &= \alpha_s(t) a_{s,s'} b_{s',x_{t+1}} \beta_{s'}(t+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

The **normalization constant** is in fact again  $P(X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})$

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## Finding the most likely path

Though can't use forward and backward messages directly to find the most likely path, it is **very similar to the forward procedure**. Key: compute

$$\delta_s(t) = \max_{z_{1:t-1}} P(Z_t = s, Z_{1:t-1} = z_{1:t-1}, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t})$$

the probability of the most likely path for time  $1 : t$  ending at state  $s$

## Computing $\delta_s(t)$

Observe

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_s(t) &= \max_{z_{1:t-1}} P(Z_t = s, Z_{1:t-1} = z_{1:t-1}, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) \\ &= \max_{s'} \max_{z_{1:t-2}} P(Z_t = s, Z_{t-1} = s', Z_{1:t-2} = z_{1:t-2}, X_{1:t} = x_{1:t}) \\ &= \max_{s'} P(Z_t = s \mid Z_{t-1} = s') P(X_t = x_t \mid Z_t = s) \cdot \\ &\quad \max_{z_{1:t-2}} P(Z_{t-1} = s', Z_{1:t-2} = z_{1:t-2}, X_{1:t-1} = x_{1:t-1}) \\ &= b_{s,x_t} \max_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{recursive form!})$$

**Base case:**  $\delta_s(1) = P(Z_1 = s, X_1 = x_1) = \pi_s b_{s,x_1}$

*Exactly the same as forward messages except replacing "sum" by "max"!*

## Viterbi Algorithm (!)

### Viterbi Algorithm

For each  $s \in [S]$ , compute  $\delta_s(1) = \pi_s b_{s,x_1}$ .

For each  $t = 2, \dots, T$ ,

- for each  $s \in [S]$ , compute

$$\delta_s(t) = b_{s,x_t} \max_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1),$$

$$\Delta_s(t) = \operatorname{argmax}_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1).$$

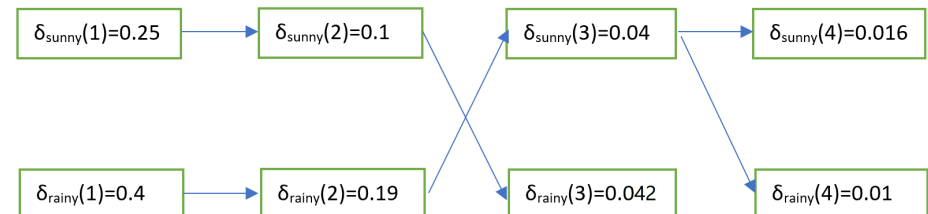
**Backtracking:** let  $z_T^* = \operatorname{argmax}_s \delta_s(T)$ .

For each  $t = T, \dots, 2$ : set  $z_{t-1}^* = \Delta_{z_t^*}(t)$ .

Output the most likely path  $z_1^*, \dots, z_T^*$ .

## Example

Arrows represent the "argmax", i.e.  $\Delta_s(t)$ .



The most likely path is **"rainy, rainy, sunny, sunny"**.

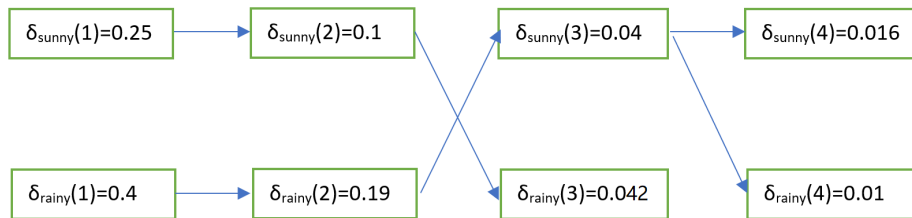
## Exercise 1

What is the most likely sequence  $z_{1:T_0}^*$  given  $x_{1:T_0}$  for some  $T_0 < T$ ?

- Is it the first  $T_0$  outputs of the Viterbi algorithm (with all data)?

**No.** It should be

- $z_{T_0}^* = \operatorname{argmax}_s \delta_s(T_0)$
- for each  $t = T_0, \dots, 2$ :  $z_{t-1}^* = \Delta_{z_t^*}(t)$



The answer for  $T_0 = 3$  is: **“sunny, sunny, rainy”**.

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## Exercise 2

What is the most likely sequence  $z_{1:T_0}^*$  given  $x_{1:T}$  for some  $T_0 < T$ ?

- Is it the same as Exercise 1?
- Is it the first  $T_0$  outputs of the Viterbi algorithm (with all data)?

**Neither.** It should be

- $z_{T_0}^* = \operatorname{argmax}_s \delta_s(T_0) \beta_s(T_0)$
- for each  $t = T_0, \dots, 2$ :  $z_{t-1}^* = \Delta_{z_t^*}(t)$

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## Exercise 2 (cont.)

Reasoning:

$$\begin{aligned}
 z_{T_0}^* &= \operatorname{argmax}_s \max_{z_{1:T_0-1}} P(Z_{T_0} = s, Z_{1:T_0-1} = z_{1:T_0-1}, X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_s \max_{z_{1:T_0-1}} P(Z_{T_0} = s, Z_{1:T_0-1} = z_{1:T_0-1}, X_{1:T_0} = x_{1:T_0}) \cdot \\
 &\quad P(X_{T_0+1:T} = x_{T_0+1:T} \mid Z_{T_0} = s, Z_{1:T_0-1} = z_{1:T_0-1}, X_{1:T_0} = x_{1:T_0}) \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_s \left( \max_{z_{1:T_0-1}} P(Z_{T_0} = s, Z_{1:T_0-1} = z_{1:T_0-1}, X_{1:T_0} = x_{1:T_0}) \right) \cdot \\
 &\quad P(X_{T_0+1:T} = x_{T_0+1:T} \mid Z_{T_0} = s) \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_s \delta_s(T_0) \beta_s(T_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Exercise 3

What is the most likely sequence  $z_{1:T_0}^*$  given  $x_{1:T_0}$  for some  $T_0 < T$ ?

- Is it the same as the Viterbi algorithm (with all data)?
- Are the first  $T_0$  states the same as Exercise 1?

**Again, neither is true.**

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## Exercise 3 (cont.)

Viterbi Algorithm with partial data  $x_{1:T_0}$

For each  $s \in [S]$ , compute  $\delta_s(1) = \pi_s b_{s,x_1}$ .

For each  $t = 2, \dots, T$ ,

- for each  $s \in [S]$ , compute

$$\delta_s(t) = \begin{cases} b_{s,x_t} \max_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1) & \text{if } t \leq T_0 \\ \max_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta_s(t) = \operatorname{argmax}_{s'} a_{s',s} \delta_{s'}(t-1).$$

**Backtracking:** let  $z_T^* = \operatorname{argmax}_s \delta_s(T)$ .  
For each  $t = T, \dots, 2$ : set  $z_{t-1}^* = \Delta_{z_t^*}(t)$ .

Output the most likely path  $z_1^*, \dots, z_T^*$ .

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## Learning the parameters of an HMM

All previous inferences depend on **knowing the parameters**  $(\pi, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B})$ .

*How do we learn the parameters based on  $N$  observation sequences  $x_{n,1}, \dots, x_{n,T}$  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$ ?*

MLE is **intractable due to the hidden variables**  $Z_{n,t}$ 's (similar to GMMs)

Need to apply **EM** again! Known as the **Baum–Welch algorithm**.

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## Applying EM: E-Step

Recall in the E-Step we fix the parameters and find the **posterior distributions  $q$  of the hidden states** (for each sample  $n$ ), which leads to the complete log-likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}_{z_{1:T} \sim q} [\ln(Z_{1:T} = z_{1:T}, X_{1:T} = x_{1:T})] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{z_{1:T} \sim q} \left[ \ln \pi_{z_1} + \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \ln a_{z_t, z_{t+1}} + \sum_{t=1}^T \ln b_{z_t, x_t} \right] \\ &= \sum_s \gamma_s(1) \ln \pi_s + \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s,s'} \xi_{s,s'}(t) \ln a_{s,s'} + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_s \gamma_s(t) \ln b_{s,x_t} \end{aligned}$$

We have discussed how to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_s(t) &= P(Z_t = s \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \\ \xi_{s,s'}(t) &= P(Z_t = s, Z_{t+1} = s' \mid X_{1:T} = x_{1:T}) \end{aligned}$$

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## Applying EM: M-Step

The maximizer of complete log-likelihood is simply doing **weighted counting** (compared to the unweighted counting on Slide 22):

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_s &\propto \sum_n \gamma_s^{(n)}(1) = \mathbb{E}_q [\text{\#initial states with value } s] \\ a_{s,s'} &\propto \sum_n \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_{s,s'}^{(n)}(t) = \mathbb{E}_q [\text{\#transitions from } s \text{ to } s'] \\ b_{s,o} &\propto \sum_n \sum_{t: x_t=o} \gamma_s^{(n)}(t) = \mathbb{E}_q [\text{\#state-outcome pairs } (s, o)] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_s^{(n)}(t) &= P(Z_{n,t} = s \mid X_{n,1:T} = x_{n,1:T}) \\ \xi_{s,s'}^{(n)}(t) &= P(Z_{n,t} = s, Z_{n,t+1} = s' \mid X_{n,1:T} = x_{n,1:T}) \end{aligned}$$

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## Baum–Welch algorithm

**Step 0** Initialize the parameters  $(\pi, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B})$

**Step 1 (E-Step)** Fixing the parameters, [compute forward and backward messages for all sample sequences](#), then use these to compute  $\gamma_s^{(n)}(t)$  and  $\xi_{s,s'}^{(n)}(t)$  for each  $n, t, s, s'$  (see Slides 31 and 32).

**Step 2 (M-Step)** Update parameters:

$$\pi_s \propto \sum_n \gamma_s^{(n)}(1), \quad a_{s,s'} \propto \sum_n \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_{s,s'}^{(n)}(t), \quad b_{s,o} \propto \sum_n \sum_{t:x_t=o} \gamma_s^{(n)}(t)$$

**Step 3** Return to Step 1 if not converged

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## Outline

- 1 Review of last lecture
- 2 (Hidden) Markov models
- 3 Review of HW4

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## Summary

Very important models: [Markov chains](#), [hidden Markov models](#)

Several algorithms:

- forward and backward procedures
- inferring HMMs based on forward and backward messages
- Viterbi algorithm
- Baum–Welch algorithm

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