# CS 188: Artificial Intelligence

#### Hidden Markov Models II



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#### Markov Chains

o Value of X at a given time is called the state

$$
(X_1 \rightarrow (X_2) \rightarrow (X_3 \rightarrow (X_4) \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow P(X_t) = ?
$$
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$$
P(X_1) \quad P(X_t|X_{t-1})
$$

 $\circ$  Transition probabilities (dynamics):  $P(X_t | X_{t-1})$  specify how the state evolves over time



## Hidden Markov Models

#### o Hidden Markov models (HMMs)

- $\circ$  Underlying Markov chain over states  $X_i$
- o You observe outputs (effects) at each time step

#### o An HMM is defined by:

- $\circ$  Initial distribution:  $P(X_1)$
- o Transitions:
- o Emissions:







#### Inference: Base Cases



## Passage of Time

- $\circ$  Assume we have current belief P(X | evidence to date)  $P(X_t|e_1 \cdot_t)$
- Then, after one time step passes:  $P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t}) = \sum P(X_{t+1}, x_t|e_{1:t})$ *xt*  $=\sum P(X_{t+1}|x_t, e_{1:t})P(x_t|e_{1:t})$ *xt*  $= \sum P(X_{t+1}|x_t)P(x_t|e_{1:t})$ *xt*
- Basic idea: beliefs get "pushed" through the transitions



## **Observation**

- $\circ$  Assume we have current belief P(X | previous evidence):  $P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$
- $\circ$  Then, after evidence comes in:  $\left(E_1\right)$

$$
P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t+1}) = P(X_{t+1}, e_{t+1}|e_{1:t})/P(e_{t+1}|e_{1:t})
$$
  
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$$
\propto_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1}, e_{t+1}|e_{1:t})
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$$
= P(e_{t+1}|e_{1:t}, X_{t+1})P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t})
$$
  
\n
$$
= P(e_{t+1}|X_{t+1})P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t})
$$

- Basic idea: beliefs "reweighted" by likelihood of evidence
- Unlike passage of time, we have to renormalize



## Online Belief Updates

 $\circ$  Every time step, we start with current  $P(X \mid evidence)$ o We update for time:

$$
P(x_t|e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}|e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t|x_{t-1})
$$



 $X_2$ 

 $E_2$ 

o We update for evidence:

 $P(x_t|e_1 \cdot t) \propto_X P(x_t|e_1 \cdot t-1) \cdot P(e_t|x_t)$ 

o The forward algorithm does both at once (and doesn't normalize)

## The Forward Algorithm

- o We are given evidence at each time and want to know  $P(X_t|e_{1:t})$
- $\circ$  We can derive the following updates  $\overline{\hspace{1cm}}$  We can normalize as we go if we
- want to have  $P(x|e)$  at each time  $P(x_t|e_{1:t}) \propto_{X_t} P(x_t, e_{1:t})$   $\longrightarrow$  want to have P(x|e) at each time.  $= \sum P(x_{t-1}, x_t, e_{1:t})$  $x_{t-1}$  $= \sum P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1}) P(x_t | x_{t-1}) P(e_t | x_t)$  $x_{t-1}$  $= P(e_t|x_t) \sum P(x_t|x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1})$  $x_{t-1}$

#### Video of Demo Pacman – Sonar (with beliefs)



## Most Likely Explanation



### HMMs: MLSE Queries

#### o HMMs defined by

- o States X
- o Observations E
- o Initial distribution:
- o Transitions:
- o Emissions:

 $P(X_1)$  $P(X|X_{-1})$  $P(E|X)$ 



o New query: most likely explanation: arg max  $P(x_{1:t}|e_{1:t})$  $x_{1:t}$ 

o New method: the Viterbi algorithm

## Most likely explanation = most probable path

o **State trellis**: graph of states and transitions over time



$$
\arg\max_{x_{1:t}} P(x_{1:t} \mid e_{1:t})
$$
\n=  $\arg\max_{x_{1:t}} P(x_{1:t}, e_{1:t})$   
\n=  $\arg\max_{x_{1:t}} P(x_0) \prod_t P(x_t \mid x_{t-1}) P(e_t \mid x_t)$ 

- $\circ$  Each arc represents some transition  $X_{t-1} \to X_t$
- $\circ$  Each arc has weight  $P(x_t | x_{t-1}) P(e_t | x_t)$  (arcs to initial states have weight  $P(x_0)$ )
- o The **product** of weights on a path is proportional to that state seq's probability
- o Forward algorithm: sums of paths
- o **Viterbi algorithm:** best paths
	- o Dynamic Programming: solve subproblems, combine them as you go along

## Forward / Viterbi Algorithms



Forward Algorithm (Sum) For each state at time *t*, keep track of the *total probability of all paths* to it

 $f_t[x_t] = P(x_t, e_{1:t})$ =  $P(e_t|x_t)$   $\sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t|x_{t-1})f_{t-1}[x_{t-1}]$ 

Viterbi Algorithm (Max) For each state at time *t*, keep track of the *maximum probability of any path* to it

$$
m_t[x_t] = \max_{x_{1:t-1}} P(x_{1:t-1}, x_t, e_{1:t})
$$
  
=  $P(e_t|x_t) \max_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t|x_{t-1})m_{t-1}[x_{t-1}]$ 

## Viterbi algorithm







Time complexity? **O(|X|2 T)**

Space complexity? **O(|X|T)**

Number of paths?  $O(|X|^{T})$ 

## Viterbi in negative log space







argmax of product of probabilities

- = argmin of sum of negative log probabilities
- = minimum-cost path

Viterbi is essentially uniform cost graph search

## Viterbi Algorithm Pseudocode

function  $VITERBI(O, S, \Pi, Y, A, B): X$ for each state  $i=1,2,\ldots,K$  do  $T_1[i,1] \leftarrow \pi_i \cdot B_{iy_1}$  $T_2[i,1] \leftarrow 0$ end for for each observation  $j=2,3,\ldots,T$  do for each state  $i=1,2,\ldots,K$  do  $T_1[i,j] \leftarrow \max_k \left(T_1[k,j-1] \cdot A_{ki} \cdot B_{iy_j}\right)$  $T_2[i,j] \leftarrow \arg\max\limits_{l} \left(T_1[k,j-1] \cdot A_{ki} \cdot B_{iy_j}\right)$ end for end for  $z_T \leftarrow \arg\max_k \left(T_1[k,T]\right)$  $x_T \leftarrow s_{z_T}$ for  $j = T, T - 1, ..., 2$  do  $z_{i-1} \leftarrow T_2[z_i,j]$  $x_{j-1} \leftarrow s_{z_{j-1}}$ end for return  $X$ end function

 $O = \{o_1, o_2, \ldots, o_N\}$ Observation Space State Space  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_K\}$ Initial probabilities  $\Pi = (\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_K)$ Observations  $Y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_T)$ Transition Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$ Emission Matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times N}$ 

Matrix  $T_1[i, j]$  stores probabilities of most likely path so far with  $x_i = s_i$ 

Matrix  $T_2[i, j]$  stores  $x_{i-1}$  of most likely path so far with  $x_i = s_i$ 

## Particle Filtering



## Approximate Inference on HMMs

- $\circ$  When  $|X|$  is more than 10<sup>6</sup> or so (e.g., 3 ghosts in a 10x20 world), exact inference becomes infeasible
- o Likelihood weighting fails completely number of samples needed grows *exponentially* with *T*





#### We need a new idea!



- <sup>o</sup> The problem: sample state trajectories go off into low-probability regions, ignoring the evidence; too few "reasonable" samples
- o Solution: kill the bad ones, make more of the good ones
- o This way the population of samples stays in the high-probability region
- o This is called *resampling* or survival of the fittest

## Particle Filtering

- Filtering: approximate solution
- Sometimes  $|X|$  is too big to use exact inference
	- $\blacksquare$  |X| may be too big to even store  $P(X \mid e_{1:T})$
- Solution: approximate inference
	- $\blacksquare$  Track samples of X, not all values
	- Samples are called particles
	- Time per step is linear in the number of samples
	- But: number needed may be large
	- In memory: list of particles, not states
- This is how robot localization works in practice







## Representation: Particles

- $\circ$  Our representation of  $P(X)$  is now a list of N particles (samples)  $\circ$  Generally, N << | X |
- $\circ$  P(x) approximated by number of particles with value x  $\circ$  So, many x may have  $P(x) = 0!$ o More particles, more accuracy
- o For now, all particles have a weight of 1





## Particle Filtering: Elapse Time

■ Each particle is moved by sampling its next position from the transition model

 $x' =$ sample $(P(X'|x))$ 

- This is like prior sampling sample's frequencies reflect the transition probabilities
- Here, most samples move clockwise, but some move in another direction or stay in place
- This captures the passage of time
	- If enough samples, close to exact values before and after (consistent)



(3,3) (2,3) (3,3) (3,2) (3,3) (3,2)  $(1,2)$ (3,3) (3,3) (2,3)

(3,2) (2,3) (3,2) (3,1) (3,3) (3,2)  $(1,3)$ (2,3) (3,2) (2,2)

## Particle Filtering: Incorporate Observation

- After observing Evidence  $e_{t+1}$ :
	- Don't sample observation, fix it
	- Similar to likelihood weighting, downweight samples based on the evidence

 $w(x) = P(e|x)$ 

- $B(X) \propto P(e|X)B'(X)$
- § As before, the probabilities don't sum to one, since all have been downweighted (in fact they now sum to (N times) an approximation of  $\dot{P}(e)$



## Particle Filtering: Resample

- Rather than tracking weighted samples, we resample
- o N times, we choose from our weighted sample distribution (i.e. draw with replacement)
- o This is equivalent to renormalizing the distribution
- o Now the update is complete for this time step, continue with the next one





## Recap: Particle Filtering

o Particles: track samples of states rather than an explicit distribution



#### Video of Demo – Moderate Number of Particles



#### Video of Demo – One Particle



### Video of Demo – Huge Number of Particles



### Robot Localization

#### o In robot localization:

- o Know the map, but not the robot's position
- o Observations may be vectors of range finder readings
- o State space and readings typically continuous (very fine grid) and so we cannot store  $P(X_t | e_{1:t})$
- o Particle filtering is a main technique





#### Particle Filter Localization (Sonar)



[Dieter Fox, et al.] **[2006]** [Video: global-sonar-uw-annotated.avi]

#### Particle Filter Localization (Laser)



#### [Dieter Fox, et al.] [Video: global-floor.gif]

## Robot Mapping

- o SLAM: Simultaneous Localization And Mapping
	- o We do not know the map or our location
	- o State consists of position AND map!
	- o Main techniques: Kalman filtering (Gaussian HMMs) and particle methods





[Demo: PARTICLES-SLAM-mapping1-new.avi]

#### Particle Filter SLAM – Video

