

## Hidden Markov Models

Introduction to  
Artificial Intelligence  
COS302

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## Administration

Exams need a swift kick.  
Form project groups next week.  
Project due on the last day.  
**BUT!** There will be milestones.  
In 2 weeks, synonyms via web.  
3 weeks, synonyms via wordnet.

## Shannon Game Again

Recall

Sue swallowed the large green \_\_\_.

Ok: pepper, frog, pea, pill

Not ok: beige, running, very

Parts of speech could help:

noun verbed det adj adj noun

## POS Language Model

How could we define a  
probabilistic model over  
sequences of parts of speech?

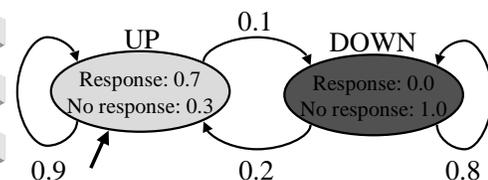
How could we use this to define a  
model over word sequences?

## Hidden Markov Model

Idea: We have states with a  
simple transition rule (Markov  
model). We observe a  
probabilistic function of the  
states. Therefore, the states  
are not what we see...

## HMM Example

Browsing the web, connection is  
either up or down. Observe  
response or no.



## HMM Definition

**N states, M observations**

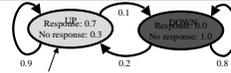
$\pi(s)$ : prob. starting state is  $s$

$p(s, s')$ : prob. of  $s$  to  $s'$  transition

$b(s, k)$ : probability of obs  $k$  from  $s$

$k_0 k_1 \dots k_i$ : observation sequence

## HMM Problems



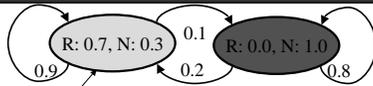
**Probability of a state sequence**

**Probability of an obs. sequence**

**Most like state sequence for an observation sequence**

**Most likely model given obs. seq.**

## States Example



**Probability of:**

**U U D D U U U**

**is**

**1.0 0.9 0.1 0.8 0.2 0.9 0.9 = .01166**

## Derivation

**$\Pr(s_0 \dots s_1)$**

**=  $\Pr(s_0) \Pr(s_1 | s_0) \Pr(s_2 | s_0 s_1) \dots$**

**=  $\Pr(s_0) \Pr(s_1 | s_0) \Pr(s_2 | s_1) \dots$**

**=  $\pi(s_0) p(s_0, s_1) p(s_1, s_2) \dots p(s_{i-1}, s_i)$**

## States/Obs. Example



**Probability of:**

**R R N N N R N**

**given**

**U U D D U U U**

**is**

**0.7 0.7 1.0 1.0 0.3 0.7 0.3 = .0308700**

## Derivation

**$\Pr(k_0 \dots k_i | s_0 \dots s_i)$**

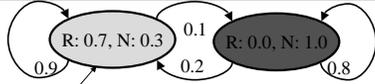
**=  $\Pr(k_0 | s_0 \dots s_i) \Pr(k_1 | s_0 \dots s_i, k_0) \dots$**

**=  $\Pr(k_1 | s_0 \dots s_i, k_0 \dots k_{i-1})$**

**=  $\Pr(k_0 | s_0) \Pr(k_1 | s_1) \Pr(k_2 | s_2) \dots$**

**=  $b(s_0, k_0) b(s_1, k_1) b(s_2, k_2) \dots b(s_i, k_i)$**

## Observation Example



Probability of:  
**R R N N N R N**  

$$= \sum\{s_0 \dots s_6\} \Pr(s_0 \dots s_6) \Pr(R R N N N R N | s_0 \dots s_6)$$

## Derivation

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(k_0 \dots k_t) \\ &= \sum\{s_0 \dots s_t\} \Pr(s_0 \dots s_t) \Pr(k_0 \dots k_t | s_0 \dots s_t) \\ &= \sum\{s_0 \dots s_t\} \Pr(s_0) \Pr(k_0 | s_0) \Pr(s_1 | s_0) \\ & \quad \Pr(k_1 | s_1) \Pr(s_2 | s_1) \Pr(k_2 | s_2) \dots \\ & \quad \Pr(s_t | s_{t-1}) \Pr(k_t | s_t) \\ &= \sum\{s_0 \dots s_t\} \pi(s_0) b(s_0, k_0) p(s_0, s_1) \\ & \quad b(s_1, k_1) p(s_1, s_2) b(s_2, k_2) \dots p(s_{t-1}, s_t) \\ & \quad b(s_t, k_t) \end{aligned}$$

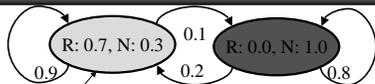
## Uh Oh, Better Get $\alpha$

Grows exponentially with  $t$ :  $M^t$   
 How do this more efficiently?  
 $\alpha(i, t)$ : probability of seeing first  $t$  observations *and* ending up in state  $i$ :  $\Pr(k_0 \dots k_t, s_t = i)$   
 $\alpha(i, 0) = \pi(s_0) b(k_0, s_0)$   
 $\alpha(i, t) = \sum_j \alpha(j, t-1) p(s_j, s_i) b(k_t, s_i)$   
 Return  $\Pr(k_0 \dots k_t) = \sum_j \alpha(j, t)$

## Partial Derivation

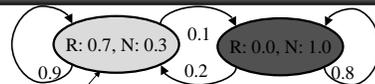
$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(i, t) \\ &= \Pr(k_0 \dots k_t, s_t = i) \\ &= \sum_j \Pr(k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ & \quad \Pr(k_0 \dots k_t, s_t = i | k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ &= \sum_j \alpha(j, t-1) \Pr(k_0 \dots k_{t-1} | k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ & \quad \Pr(s_t = i, k_t | k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ &= \sum_j \alpha(j, t-1) \Pr(s_t = i | k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ & \quad \Pr(k_t | s_t = i, k_0 \dots k_{t-1}, s_{t-1} = j) \\ &= \sum_j \alpha(j, t-1) \Pr(s_t = i | s_{t-1} = j) \Pr(k_t | s_t = i) \\ &= \sum_j \alpha(j, t-1) p(s_j, s_i) b(k_t, s_i) \end{aligned}$$

## $\Pr(N N N)$



$$\begin{aligned} &= \Pr(UUU) \Pr(N N N | UUU) \\ &+ \Pr(UUD) \Pr(N N N | UUD) \\ &+ \Pr(UDU) \Pr(N N N | UDU) \\ &+ \Pr(UDD) \Pr(N N N | UDD) \\ &+ \Pr(DUU) \Pr(N N N | DUU) \\ &+ \Pr(DUD) \Pr(N N N | DUD) \\ &+ \Pr(DDU) \Pr(N N N | DDU) \\ &+ \Pr(DDD) \Pr(N N N | DDD) \end{aligned}$$

## $\Pr(N N N)$



$\alpha$	N	N	N
UP			
DOWN			

## POS Tagging

Simple tagging model says part of speech depends only on previous part of speech, word depends only on part of speech.

So, HMM state is previous part of speech, observation is word.

What are the probabilities and where could they come from?

## Shannon Game

If we have a POS-based language model, how do we compute probabilities?

$\Pr(\text{Sue ate the small blue candy.})$   
 $= \sum_{\text{tags}} \Pr(\text{sent}|\text{tags})$

## Best Tag Sequence

Useful problem to solve:

Given sentence, find most likely sequence of POS tags

Sue saw the fly .  
 noun verb det noun .  
 $\max_{\text{tags}} \Pr(\text{tags}|\text{sent})$   
 $= \max_{\text{tags}} \Pr(\text{sent}|\text{tags}) \Pr(\text{tags}) / \Pr(\text{sent})$   
 $= c \max_{\text{tags}} \Pr(\text{sent}|\text{tags}) \Pr(\text{tags})$

## Viterbi

$\delta(i,t)$ : probability of *most likely* state sequence that ends in state  $i$  when seeing first  $t$  observations:

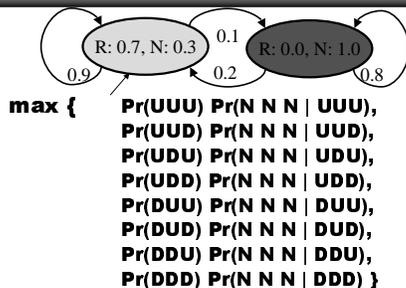
$\max_{\{s_0 \dots s_{t-1}\}} \Pr(k_0 \dots k_t, s_0 \dots s_{t-1}, s_t = i)$

$\delta(i,0) = \pi(s_0) b(k_0, s_0)$

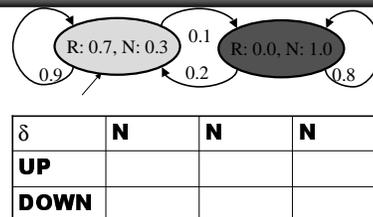
$\delta(i,t) = \max_j \delta(j,t-1) p(s_j, s_t) b(k_t, s_t)$

Return  $\max_j \delta(j,l)$  (trace it back)

## $\max \Pr(s^*) \Pr(\text{NNN}|s^*)$



## $\max \Pr(s^*) \Pr(\text{NNN}|s^*)$



## PCFG

An analogy...

**Finite-state Automata (FSAs):**

**Hidden Markov Models (HMMs) ::**

**Context-free Grammars (CFGs):**

**Probabilistic context-free grammars (PCFGs)**

## Grammars & Recursion

**S** → 1.0 NP VP

**NP** → 0.45 NP PP, 0.55 N

**PP** → 1.0 P NP

**VP** → 0.3 VP PP, 0.7 V NP

**N** → 0.4 mice, 0.25 hats, 0.35 pimples

**P** → 1.0 with

**V** → 1.0 wore

## Computing with PCFGs

Can compute  $\Pr(\text{sent})$  and also  $\max_{\text{tree}} \Pr(\text{tree}|\text{sent})$  using algorithms like the ones we discussed for HMMs. Still polynomial time.

## What to Learn

**HMM Definition**

**Computing probability of state and observation sequences**

**Part of Speech Tagging**

**Viterbi: most likely state sequence**

**PCFG Definition**

## Homework 7 (due 11/21)

1. Give a maximization scheme for filling in the two blanks in a sentence like "I hate it when \_\_\_ goes \_\_\_ like that." Be somewhat rigorous to make the TA's job easier.
2. Derive that (a)  $\Pr(k_0 \dots k_l) = \sum_j \alpha(j, l)$ , and (b)  $\alpha(i, 0) = \pi(s_0) b(k_0, s_i)$ .
3. Email me your project group of three or four.

## Homework 8 (due 11/28)

1. Write a program that decides if a pair of words are synonyms using the web. I'll send you the list, you send me the answers.
2. more soon



## **Homework 9 (due 12/5)**

- 1. Write a program that decides if a pair of words are synonyms using wordnet. I'll send you the list, you send me the answers.**
- 2. more soon**