

10-301/601 Introduction to Machine Learning

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Hidden Markov Models

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Exam 2 Review

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Reminders

- Lecture on Friday!
- Homework 6: Learning Theory / Generative Models
 - Out: Thu, Oct. 21
 - Due: Thu, Oct. 28 at 11:59pm
 - Same collaboration policy as Homework 3
 - Opt-in to homework groups on Piazza
 - IMPORTANT: you may only use 2 grace days on Homework 6
 - Last posible moment to submit HW6: Sat, Oct. 30 at 11:59pm
- Midterm Exam 2
 - Tue, Nov. 2, 6:30pm 8:30pm
- Practice for Exam 2
 - Practice problems released on course website
 - (Tentatively) Out: Thu, Oct. 21
 - Mock Exam 2
 - (Tentatively) Out: Thu, Oct. 28
 - Due Sun, Oct. 31 at 11:59pm

MIDTERM EXAM LOGISTICS

Midterm Exam

- Time / Location
 - Time: Tue, Nov. 2, 6:30pm 8:30pm
 - Location & Seats: You have all been split across multiple rooms.
 Everyone has an assigned seat in one of these room. Please watch
 Piazza carefully for announcements.

Logistics

- Covered material: Lecture 9 Lecture 17
- Format of questions:
 - Multiple choice
 - True / False (with justification)
 - Derivations
 - Short answers
 - Interpreting figures
 - Implementing algorithms on paper
- No electronic devices
- You are allowed to bring one 8½ x 11 sheet of notes (front and back)

Midterm Exam

How to Prepare

- Attend the midterm review lecture (right now!)
- Review prior year's exam and solutions (we'll post them)
- Review this year's homework problems
- Consider whether you have achieved the "learning objectives" for each lecture / section
- _ croudsource exam questrons

Midterm Exam

Advice (for during the exam)

- Solve the easy problems first
 (e.g. multiple choice before derivations)
 - if a problem seems extremely complicated you're likely missing something
- Don't leave any answer blank!
- If you make an assumption, write it down
- If you look at a question and don't know the answer:
 - we probably haven't told you the answer
 - but we've told you enough to work it out
 - imagine arguing for some answer and see if you like it

Topics for Midterm 1

- Foundations
 - Probability, Linear
 Algebra, Geometry,
 Calculus
 - Optimization
- Important Concepts
 - Overfitting
 - Experimental Design

- Classification
 - Decision Tree
 - KNN
 - Perceptron
- Regression
 - Linear Regression

Topics for Midterm 2

- Classification
 - Binary LogisticRegression
- Important Concepts
 - Stochastic Gradient
 Descent
 - Regularization
 - Feature Engineering
- Feature Learning
 - Neural Networks
 - Basic NN Architectures
 - Backpropagation

- Learning Theory
 - PAC Learning
- Generative Models
 - Generative vs.
 Discriminative
 - MLE / MAP
 - Naïve Bayes

SAMPLE QUESTIONS

3.2 Logistic regression

Given a training set $\{(x_i, y_i), i = 1, ..., n\}$ where $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is a feature vector and $y_i \in \{0, 1\}$ is a binary label, we want to find the parameters \hat{w} that maximize the likelihood for the training set, assuming a parametric model of the form

$$p(y = 1|x; w) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-w^T x)}.$$

The conditional log likelihood of the training set is

$$\ell(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \log p(y_i, | x_i; w) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p(y_i, | x_i; w)),$$

and the gradient is

$$\nabla \ell(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - p(y_i|x_i; w))x_i.$$

(b) [5 pts.] What is the form of the classifier output by logistic regression?

(c) [2 pts.] Extra Credit Consider the case with binary features, Let $\mathfrak{p} \in \{0,1\}^d \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, where feature x_1 is rare and happens to appear in the training set with only label 1. What is \hat{w}_1 ? Is the gradient ever zero for any finite w? Why is it important to include a regularization term to control the norm of \hat{w} ?

linear decision boundary



2.1 Train and test errors

In this problem, we will see how you can debug a classifier by looking at its train and test errors. Consider a classifier trained till convergence on some training data $\mathcal{D}^{\text{train}}$, and tested on a separate test set $\mathcal{D}^{\text{test}}$. You look at the test error, and find that it is very high. You then compute the training error and find that it is close to 0.

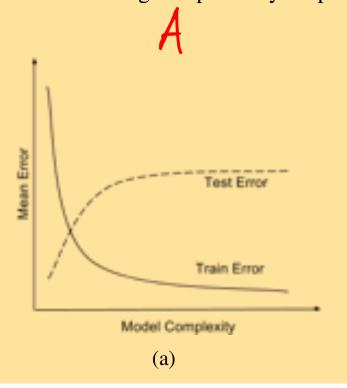
- 1. [4 pts] Which of the following is expected to help? Select all that apply.
 - (a) Increase the training data size.
 - (b) Decrease the training data size.
 - (c) Increase model complexity (For example, if your classifier is an SVM, use a more complex kernel. Or if it is a decision tree, increase the depth).
 - (d) Decrease model complexity.
 - (e) Train on a combination of $\mathcal{D}^{\text{train}}$ and $\mathcal{D}^{\text{test}}$ and test on $\mathcal{D}^{\text{test}}$
 - (f) Conclude that Machine Learning does not work.

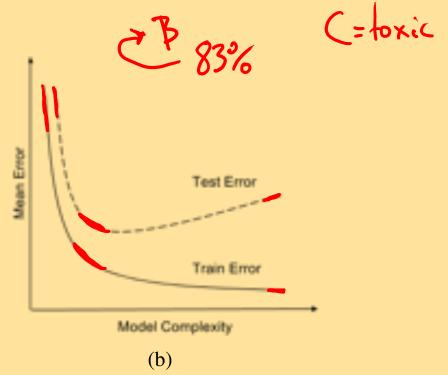


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4. **[1 pts]** Say you plot the train and test errors as a function of the model complexity. Which of the following two plots is your plot expected to look like?





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5 Learning Theory [20 pts.]

(a) [3 pts.] **T** or \mathbb{F} It is possible to label 4 points in \mathbb{R}^2 in all possible 2^4 ways via linear separators in \mathbb{R}^2 .

(d) [3 pts.] **T** or(**F**) The VC dimension of a concept class with infinite size is also infinite.

(f) [3 pts.] **T** or **F**: Given a realizable concept class and a set of training instances, a consistent learner will output a concept that achieves 0 error on the training instances.

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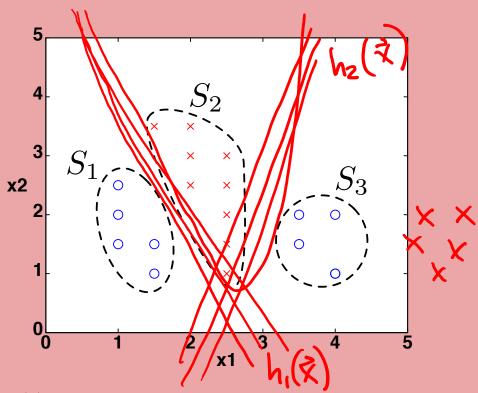
Neural Networks

A = toxic

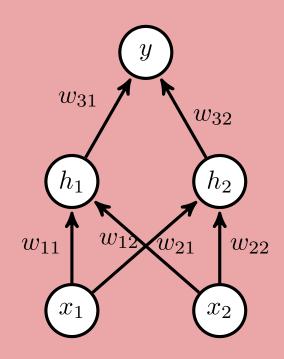
B= Yes

C=N0

Can the neural network in Figure (b) correctly classify the dataset given in Figure (a)?



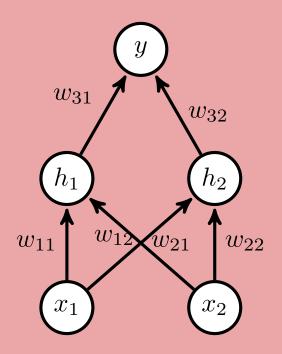
(a) The dataset with groups S_1 , S_2 , and S_3 .



(b) The neural network architecture

Neural Networks

Apply the backpropagation algorithm to obtain the partial derivative of the mean-squared error of y with the true value y^* with respect to the weight w_{22} assuming a sigmoid nonlinear activation function for the hidden layer.



(b) The neural network architecture

1.2 Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

Assume we have a random sample that is Bernoulli distributed $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\theta)$. We are going to derive the MLE for θ . Recall that a Bernoulli random variable X takes values in $\{0,1\}$ and has probability mass function given by

$$P(X;\theta) = \theta^X (1-\theta)^{1-X}.$$

(a) [2 pts.] Derive the likelihood, $L(\theta; X_1, \ldots, X_n)$.

(c) **Extra Credit:** [2 pts.] Derive the following formula for the MLE: $\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \right)$.

1.3 MAP vs MLE

Answer each question with **T** or **F** and **provide a one sentence explanation of your answer:**

(a) [2 pts.] **T** or **F**: In the limit, as n (the number of samples) increases, the MAP and MLE estimates become the same.

1.1 Naive Bayes

You are given a data set of 10,000 students with their sex, height, and hair color. You are trying to build a classifier to predict the sex of a student, so you randomly split the data into a training set and a testing set. Here are the specifications of the data set:

- $sex \in \{male, female\}$
- height $\in [0,300]$ centimeters
- hair \in {brown, black, blond, red, green}
- 3240 men in the data set
- 6760 women in the data set

Under the assumptions necessary for Naive Bayes (not the distributional assumptions you might naturally or intuitively make about the dataset) answer each question with **T** or **F** and **provide a one sentence explanation of your answer**:

(a) [2 pts.] **T or F:** As height is a continuous valued variable, Naive Bayes is not appropriate since it cannot handle continuous valued variables.

(c) [2 pts.] **T** or **F**: P(height|sex,hair) = P(height|sex).

Naïve Bayes vs. Logistic Regression

Question:

You just started working at a new company that manufactures comically large pennies. Your manager asks you to build a binary classifier that takes an image of a penny (on the factory assembly line) and predicts whether or not it has a defect.

What follow-up questions would you pose to your manager in order to decide between using a Naïve Bayes classifier and a Logistic Regression classifier?

Answer:

Question 4

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- Respond to activity
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MOTIVATION: STRUCTURED PREDICTION

Structured Prediction

 Most of the models we've seen so far were for classification

- Given observations: $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_K)$
- Predict a (binary) label: y
- Many real-world problems require structured prediction
 - Given observations: $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_K)$
 - Predict a structure: $y = (y_1, y_2, ..., y_J)$
- Some classification problems benefit from latent structure

Structured Prediction Examples

Examples of structured prediction

- Part-of-speech (POS) tagging
- Handwriting recognition
- Speech recognition
- Word alignment
- Congressional voting

Examples of latent structure

Object recognition

Dataset for Supervised Part-of-Speech (POS) Tagging

Data: $\mathcal{D} = \{oldsymbol{x}^{(n)}, oldsymbol{y}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N$

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Sample 2:	n	n	like	d	$\begin{array}{c c} $
Sample 3:	n	fily	with	heir	$ \begin{array}{c c} $
Sample 4:	with	n	you	will	

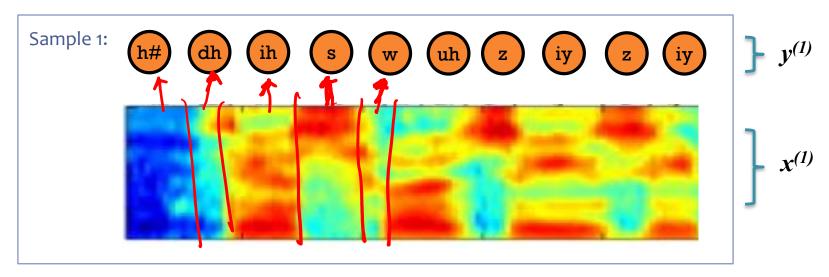
Dataset for Supervised Handwriting Recognition

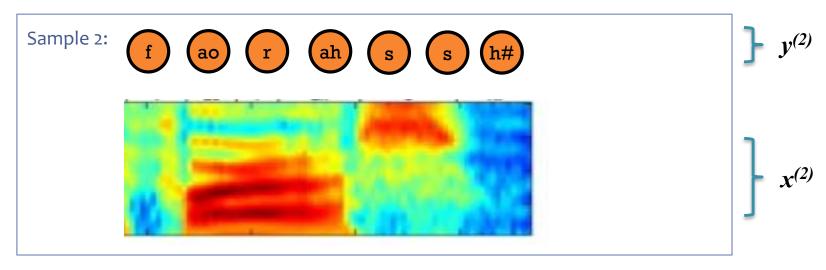
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Dataset for Supervised Phoneme (Speech) Recognition

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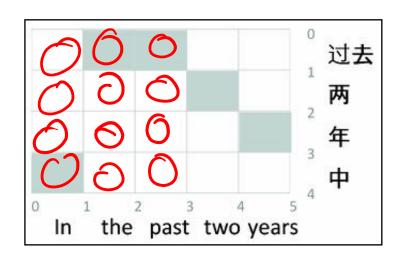


Application:

Word Alignment / Phrase Extraction

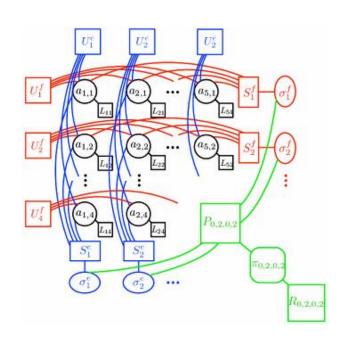
Variables (boolean):

 For each (Chinese phrase, English phrase) pair, are they linked?



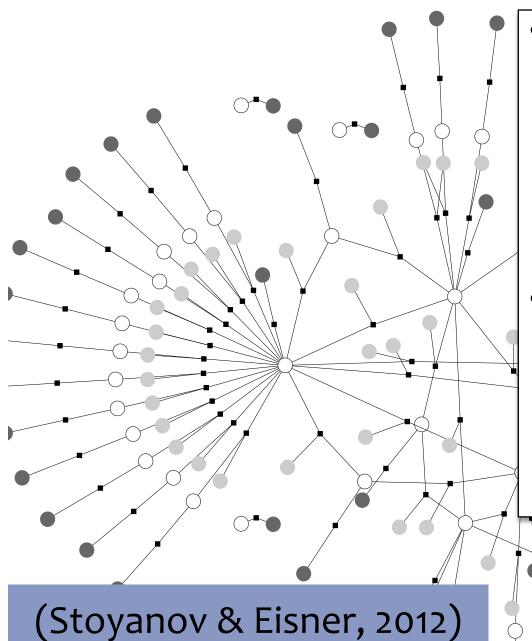
Interactions:

- Word fertilities
- Few "jumps" (discontinuities)
- Syntactic reorderings
- "ITG contraint" on alignment
- Phrases are disjoint (?)



Application:

Congressional Voting



Variables:

- Representative's vote
- Text of all speeches of a representative
- Local contexts of references between two representatives

Interactions:

- Words used by representative and their vote
- Pairs of representatives and their local context

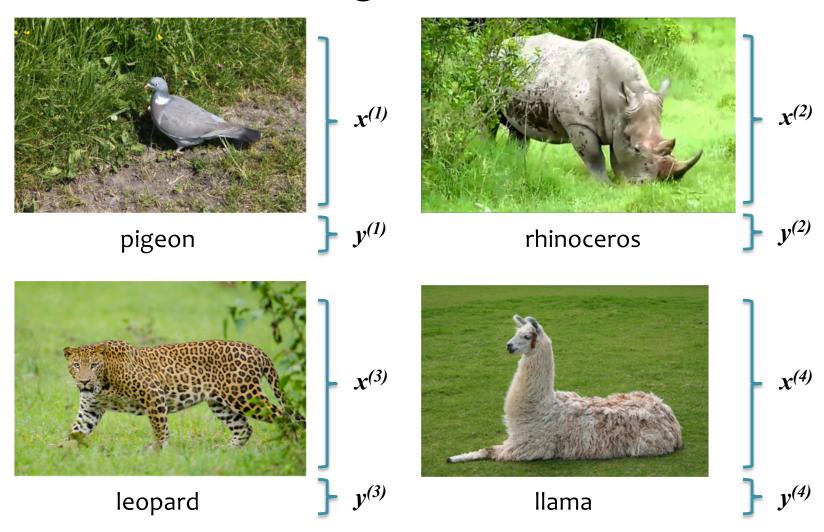
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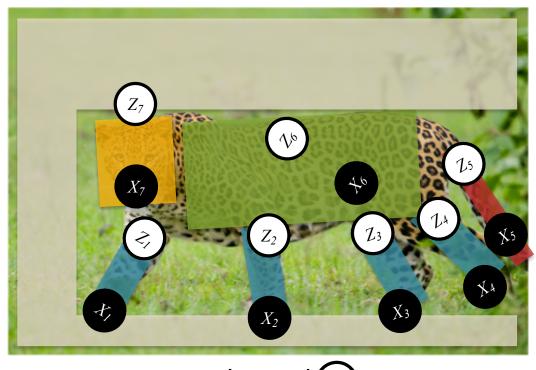


- Preprocess data into "patches"
- Posit a latent labeling z describing the object's parts (e.g. head, leg, tail, torso, grass)
- Define graphical model with these latent variables in mind
- z is not observed at train or test time

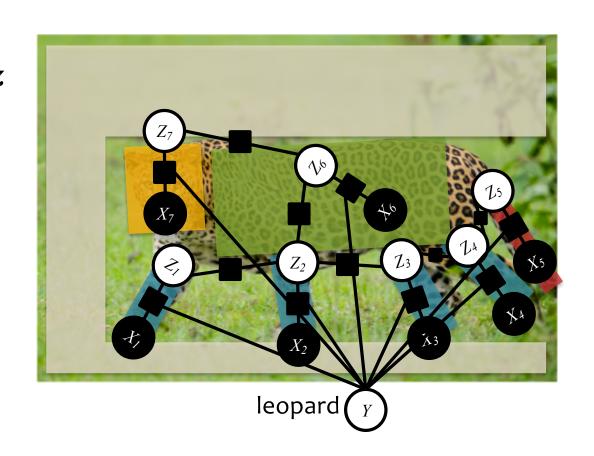


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Structured Prediction

Preview of challenges to come...

Consider the task of finding the most probable

assignment to the output

Classification
$$\hat{y} = \operatorname*{argmax} p(y|\mathbf{x})$$
 where $y \in \{+1, -1\}$

Structured Prediction
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \operatorname*{argmax} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$$
 where $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}$ and $|\mathcal{Y}|$ is very large

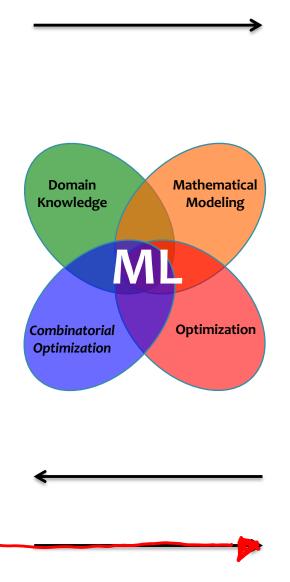
Machine Learning

The data inspires
the structures
we want to
predict

Inference finds

{best structure, marginals, partition function} for a new observation

(Inference is usually called as a subroutine in learning)

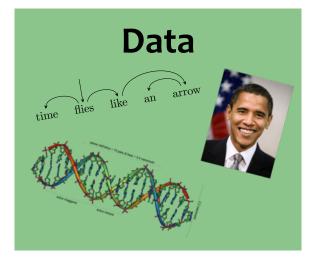


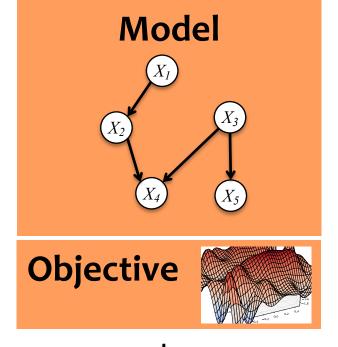
Our **model**defines a score
for each structure

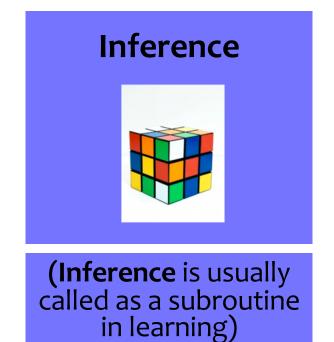
It also tells us what to optimize

Learning tunes the parameters of the model

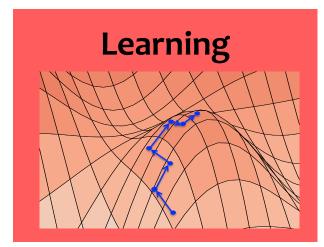
Machine Learning











BACKGROUND

Background: Chain Rule of Probability

For random variables A and B:

$$P(A,B) = P(A|B)P(B)$$

For random variables X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 :

$$P(X_{1}, X_{2}, X_{3}, X_{4}) = P(X_{1}|X_{2}, X_{3}, X_{4})$$

$$P(X_{2}|X_{3}, X_{4})$$

$$P(X_{3}|X_{4})$$

$$P(X_{4})$$

Background: Conditional Independence

Random variables A and B are conditionally independent given C if:

$$P(A,B|C) = P(A|C)P(B|C)$$
 (1)

or equivalently:

$$P(A|B,C) = P(A|C)$$
 (2)

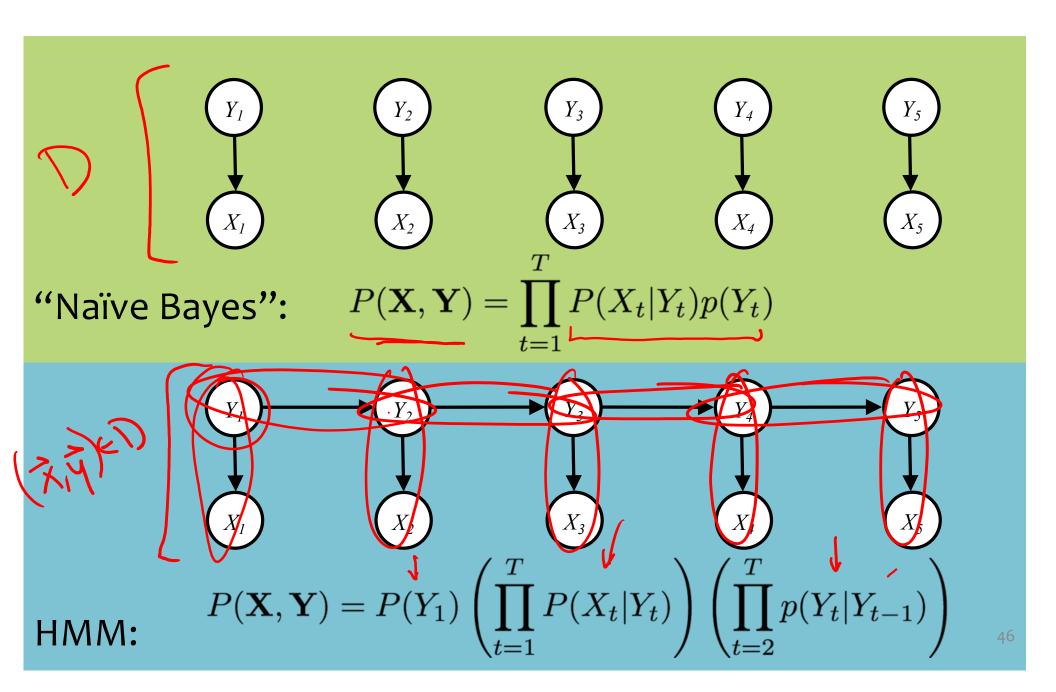
We write this as:

$$A \perp \!\!\! \perp B | C$$

Later we will also write: $I \le A$, $\{C\}$, B >

HIDDEN MARKOV MODEL (HMM)

From Mixture Model to HMM



HIDDEN MARKOV MODEL (HMM)

HMM Outline

Motivation

Time Series Data

Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

- Example: Squirrel Hill Tunnel Closures [courtesy of Roni Rosenfeld]
- Background: Markov Models
- From Mixture Model to HMM
- History of HMMs
- Higher-order HMMs

Training HMMs

- (Supervised) Likelihood for HMM
- Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE) for HMM
- EM for HMM (aka. Baum-Welch algorithm)

Forward-Backward Algorithm

- Three Inference Problems for HMM
- Great Ideas in ML: Message Passing
- Example: Forward-Backward on 3-word Sentence
- Derivation of Forward Algorithm
- Forward-Backward Algorithm
- Viterbi algorithm

Markov Models

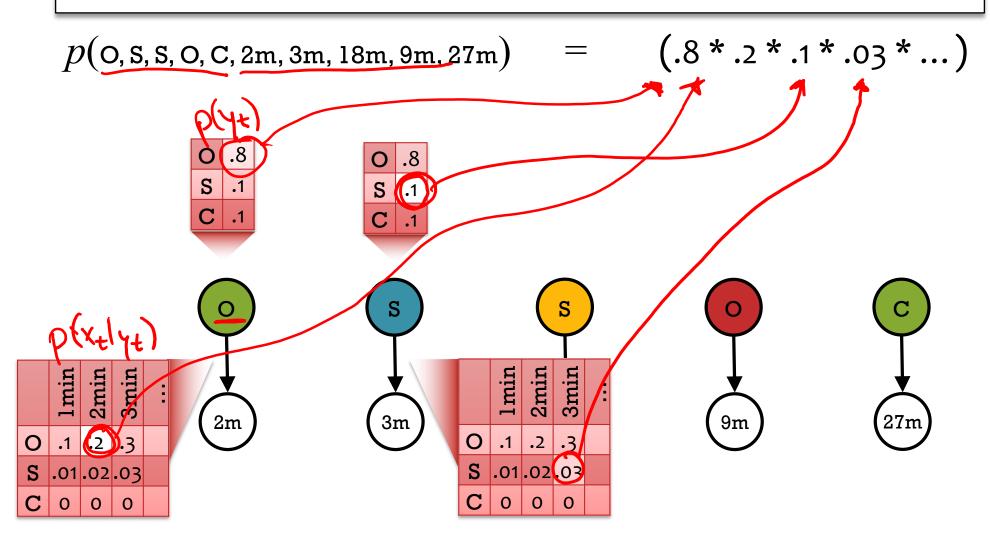
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- Example: Tunnel Closures[courtesy of Roni Rosenfeld]
- First-order Markov assumption
- Conditional independence assumptions



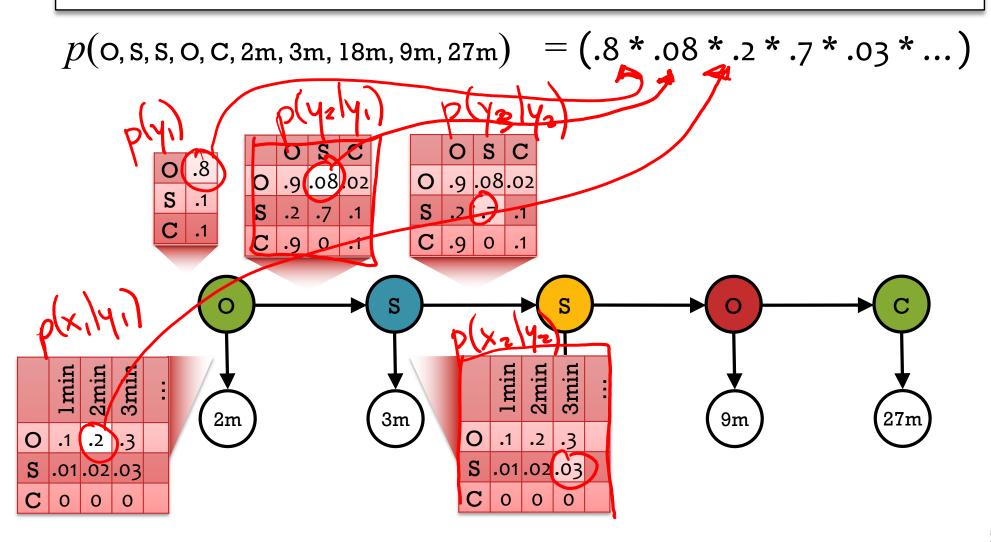
Mixture Model for Time Series Data

We could treat each (tunnel state, travel time) pair as independent. This corresponds to a Naïve Bayes model with a single feature (travel time).

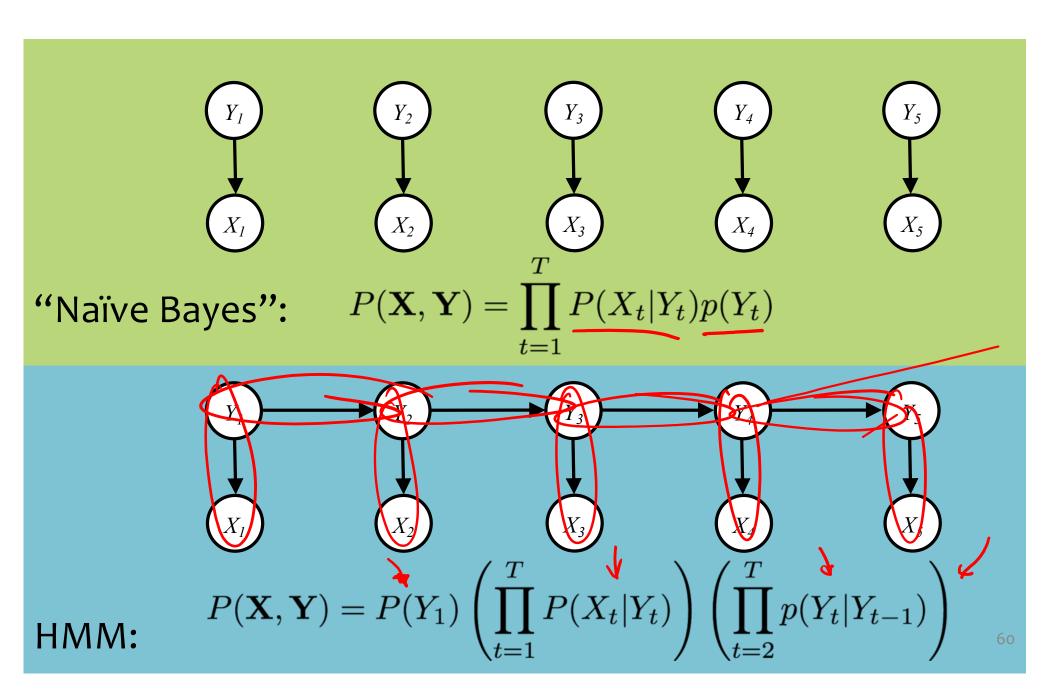


Hidden Markov Model

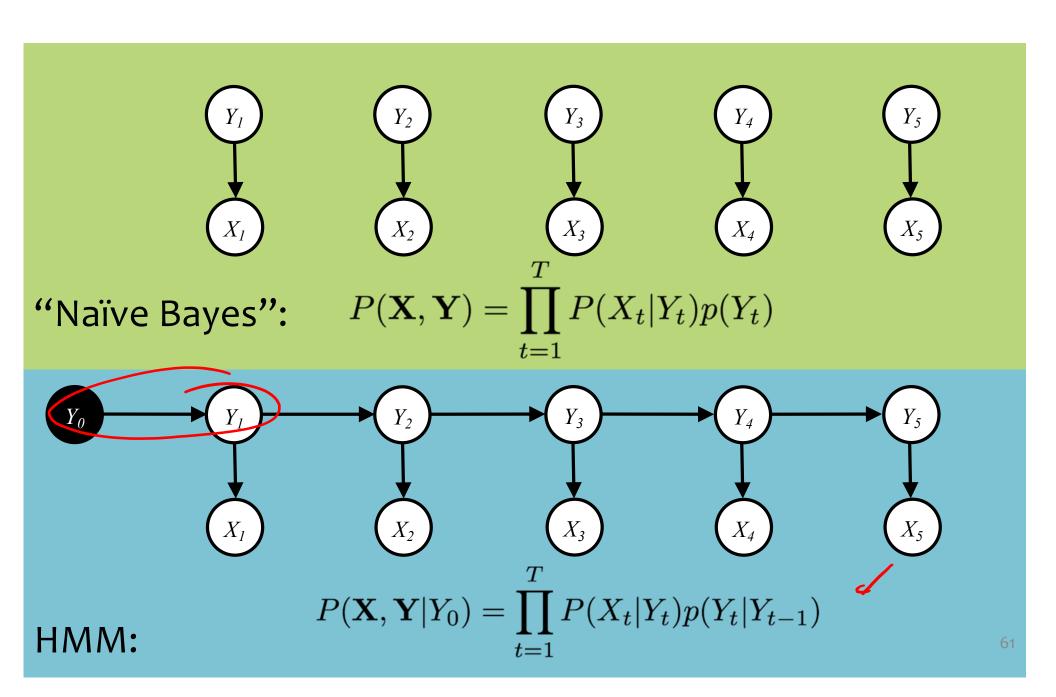
A Hidden Markov Model (HMM) provides a joint distribution over the the tunnel states / travel times with an assumption of dependence between adjacent tunnel states.



From Mixture Model to HMM



From Mixture Model to HMM



SUPERVISED LEARNING FOR HMMS

Recipe for Closed-form MLE

1. Assume data was generated i.i.d. from some model (i.e. write the generative story) $x^{(i)} \sim p(x|\theta)$

2. Write log-likelihood

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log p(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \dots + \log p(\mathbf{x}^{(N)}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

3. Compute partial derivatives (i.e. gradient)

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\mathbf{\Theta})}{\partial \theta_1} = \dots$$
$$\frac{\partial \ell(\mathbf{\Theta})}{\partial \theta_2} = \dots$$
$$\frac{\partial \ell(\mathbf{\Theta})}{\partial \theta_M} = \dots$$

- 4. Set derivatives to zero and solve for θ
 - $\partial \ell(\theta)/\partial \theta_{\rm m} = 0$ for all $m \in \{1, ..., M\}$

 Θ^{MLE} = solution to system of M equations and M variables

5. Compute the second derivative and check that $\ell(\theta)$ is concave down at θ^{MLE}

MLE of Categorical Distribution

1. Suppose we have a **dataset** obtained by repeatedly rolling a M-sided (weighted) die N times. That is, we have data

$$\mathcal{D} = \{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$$
 vector

where $x^{(i)} \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ and $x^{(i)} \sim \mathsf{Categorical}(\phi)$.

2. A random variable is **Categorical** written $X \sim \mathsf{Categorical}(\phi)$ iff

$$P(X=x) = p(x; \phi) = \phi_x$$

where $x \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ and $\sum_{m=1}^{M} \phi_m = 1$. The **log-likelihood** of the data becomes:

$$\ell(\pmb{\phi}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log \phi_{x^{(i)}} \text{ s.t. } \sum_{m=1}^M \phi_m = 1$$

Solving this constrained optimization problem yields the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE):

$$\phi_m^{MLE} = \frac{N_{x=m}}{N} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbb{I}(x^{(i)} = m)}{N}$$



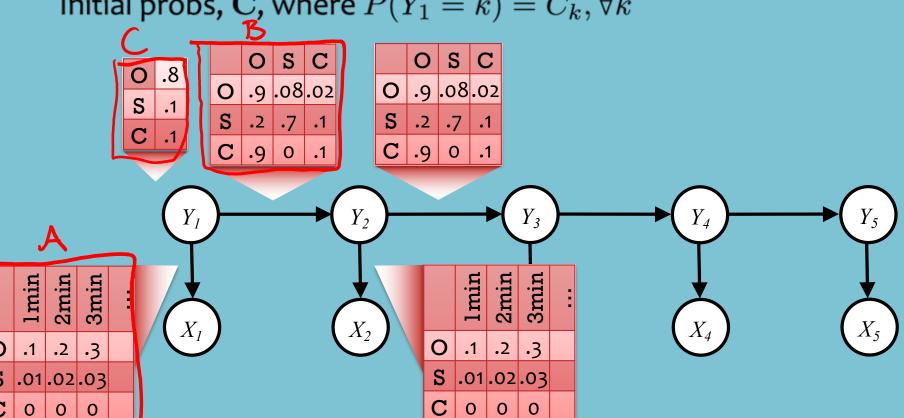
Hidden Markov Model



Emission matrix, **A**, where $P(X_t = k | Y_t = j) = A_{j,k}, \forall t, k$

Transition matrix, **B**, where $P(Y_t = k | Y_{t-1} = j) = B_{j,k}, \forall t, k$

Initial probs, C, where $P(Y_1 = k) = C_k, \forall k$



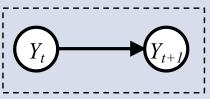
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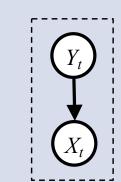
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- (Supervised) Likelihood for an HMM
- Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE) for HMM

Supervised Learning for HMMs

Learning an HMM decomposes into solving two (independent) Mixture Models





Hidden Markov Model

HMM Parameters:

Emission matrix, **A**, where $P(X_t = k | Y_t = j) = A_{j,k}, \forall t, k$ Transition matrix, **B**, where $P(Y_t = k | Y_{t-1} = j) = B_{j,k}, \forall t, k$

Assumption: $y_0 = START$

Generative Story:

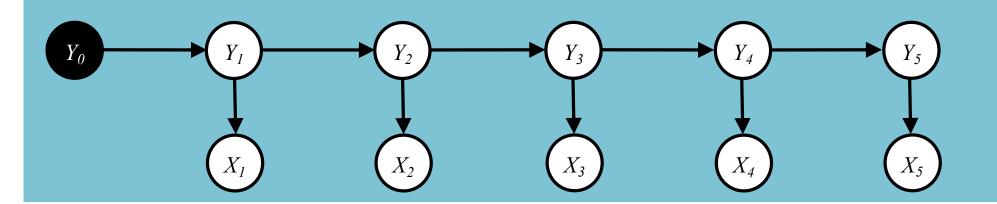
 $Y_t \sim \text{Multinomial}(\mathbf{B}_{Y_{t-1}}) \ \forall t$

 $X_t \sim \mathsf{Multinomial}(\mathbf{A}_{Y_t}) \ \forall t$





For notational convenience, we fold the initial probabilities **C** into the transition matrix **B** by our assumption.



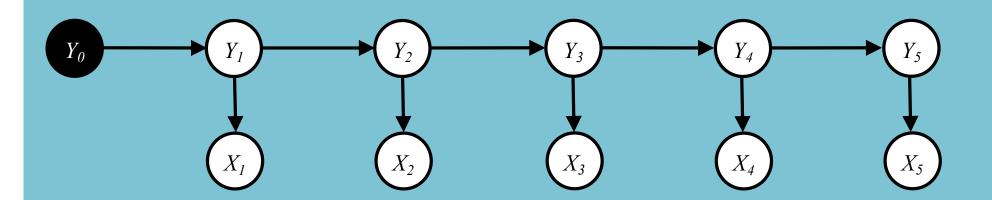
Hidden Markov Model

Joint Distribution:

$$y_0 = \mathsf{START}$$

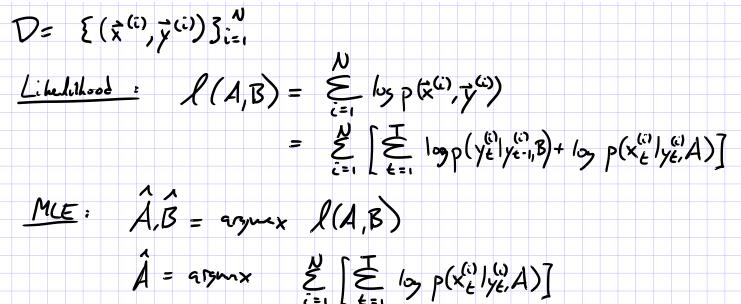
$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}|y_0) = \prod_{t=1}^{T} p(x_t|y_t) p(y_t|y_{t-1})$$

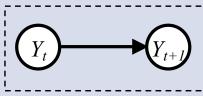
$$= \prod_{t=1}^{1} A_{y_t, x_t} B_{y_{t-1}, y_t}$$

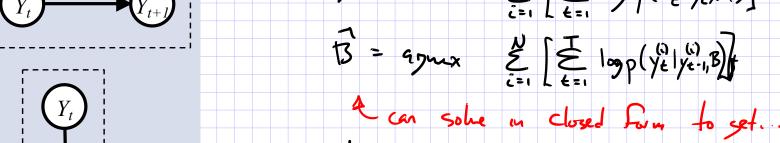


Supervised Learning for HMMs

Learning an **HMM** decomposes into solving two (independent) Mixture Modéls







$$\hat{\beta}_{jk} = \pm (y_{t} = k \text{ and } y_{t-1} = j)$$

$$\pm (y_{t-1} = j)$$

Ajk = # (xt = k and ye = j)

