CS 343: Artificial Intelligence

Hidden Markov Models



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Good morning colleagues!

- Congratulations on getting past the midterm!
- Try not to focus on grades focus on keeping up and learning
- Some context...

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Past due:

- HW1-5: Search, CSPs, Games, MDP, RL
- 7 reading responses: AI100 report; 8 Textbook readings
- P0,1,2: tutorial, Search, Multiagent
- Midterm
- Upcoming EdX Homeworks
 - HW6: Bayes Nets due Monday 4/5 at 11:59 pm
 - HW7: Sampling, HMMs, Particle Filters, and VPI due Monday 4/12 at 11:59 pm
- Upcoming programming projects
 - P3: RL due Wednesday 3/31 at 11:59pm
 - P4: Bayes Nets due Wednesday 4/14 at 11:59pm
 - P5: Particle Filters due Wednesday 4/21 at 11:59pm
- Readings: Naive Bayes and Perceptrons Due Monday 4/5 at 9:30am
- Contest: Capture the flag
 - Qualification due 4/28 (required); Finals 5/3 (extra credit)

Reasoning over Time or Space

- Often, we want to reason about a sequence of observations
 - Speech recognition
 - Robot localization
 - User attention
 - Medical monitoring
- Need to introduce time (or space) into our models

Markov Models

Value of X at a given time is called the state

$$X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow X_3 \rightarrow X_4 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow$$

$$P(X_1) \qquad P(X_t|X_{t-1})$$

- Parameters: called transition probabilities or dynamics, specify how the state evolves over time (also, initial state probabilities)
- Stationarity assumption: transition probabilities the same at all times
- Same as MDP transition model, but no choice of action

Joint Distribution of a Markov Model

$$(X_1) \rightarrow (X_2) \rightarrow (X_3) \rightarrow (X_4)$$

$$P(X_1) \qquad P(X_t | X_{t-1})$$

Joint distribution:

 $P(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4) = P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_2)P(X_4|X_3)$

More generally:

 $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_T) = P(X_1) P(X_2 | X_1) P(X_3 | X_2) \dots P(X_T | X_{T-1})$ $= P(X_1) \prod_{t=2}^T P(X_t | X_{t-1})$

Implied Conditional Independencies

$$X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow X_3 \rightarrow X_4 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow$$

• We assumed: $X_3 \perp \!\!\perp X_1 \mid X_2$ and $X_4 \perp \!\!\perp X_1, X_2 \mid X_3$

- Do we also have? $X_1 \perp \!\!\!\perp X_3, X_4 \mid X_2$
 - Yes! D-Separation

• Or, Proof:

$$P(X_1 \mid X_2, X_3, X_4) = \frac{P(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)}{P(X_2, X_3, X_4)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X_1)P(X_2 \mid X_1)P(X_3 \mid X_2)P(X_4 \mid X_3)}{\sum_{x_1} P(x_1)P(X_2 \mid x_1)P(X_3 \mid X_2)P(X_4 \mid X_3)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X_1, X_2)}{P(X_2)}$$

$$= P(X_1 \mid X_2)$$

Example Markov Chain: Weather

States: X = {rain, sun}



- Initial distribution: 1.0 sun
- CPT P(X_t | X_{t-1}):

X _{t-1}	X _t	$P(X_{t} X_{t})$		
sun	sun	0.9		
sun	rain	0.1		
rain	sun	0.3		
rain	rain	0.7		

Two new ways of representing the same CPT



Example Markov Chain: Weather

Initial distribution: 0.6 sun / 0.4 rain



What is the probability distribution after one step?

$$P(X_2 = \operatorname{sun}) = P(X_2 = \operatorname{sun}|X_1 = \operatorname{sun})P(X_1 = \operatorname{sun}) + P(X_2 = \operatorname{sun}|X_1 = \operatorname{rain})P(X_1 = \operatorname{rain})$$

= 0.9 * 0.6 + 0.3 * 0.4 = 0.66

Mini-Forward Algorithm

Question: What's P(X) on some day t?

$$(X_1) \rightarrow (X_2) \rightarrow (X_3) \rightarrow (X_4) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow (X_4) \rightarrow$$



$$P(x_1) = known$$

$$P(x_{t}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, x_{t})$$

=
$$\sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t} \mid x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1}) \leftarrow \text{Recursion}$$

Forward simulation

Example Run of Mini-Forward Algorithm

From initial observation of sun $\left\langle \begin{array}{c} 1.0\\ 0.0 \end{array} \right\rangle \quad \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.9\\ 0.1 \end{array} \right\rangle \quad \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.84\\ 0.16 \end{array} \right\rangle \quad \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.804\\ 0.196 \end{array} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0.75\\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle$ $P(X_1)$ $P(X_2)$ $P(X_3)$ $P(X_4)$ $P(X_{\sim})$ + From initial observation of rain $\begin{pmatrix} 0.0 \\ 1.0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.48 \\ 0.52 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.588 \\ 0.412 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{pmatrix}$ $P(X_1) P(X_2) P(X_3) P(X_4) P(X_{\infty})$ + From yet another initial distribution $P(X_1)$: $\left| \begin{array}{c} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{array} \right\rangle$ $\left\langle \begin{array}{c} p\\ 1-p \end{array} \right\rangle \qquad \dots$ $P(X_1)$

Stationary Distributions

For most chains:

- Influence of the initial distribution gets less and less over time.
- The distribution we end up in is independent of the initial distribution

Stationary distribution:

- The distribution we end up with is called the stationary distribution P_{∞} of the chain
- It satisfies

$$P_{\infty}(X) = P_{\infty+1}(X) = \sum_{x} P(X|x)P_{\infty}(x)$$



Example: Stationary Distributions

$$(X_1) \longrightarrow (X_2) \longrightarrow (X_3) \longrightarrow (X_4) \longrightarrow (X_4)$$

 $P_{\infty}(sun) = P(sun|sun)P_{\infty}(sun) + P(sun|rain)P_{\infty}(rain)$ $P_{\infty}(rain) = P(rain|sun)P_{\infty}(sun) + P(rain|rain)P_{\infty}(rain)$

 $P_{\infty}(sun) = 0.9P_{\infty}(sun) + 0.3P_{\infty}(rain)$ $P_{\infty}(rain) = 0.1P_{\infty}(sun) + 0.7P_{\infty}(rain)$

 $P_{\infty}(sun) = 3P_{\infty}(rain)$ $P_{\infty}(rain) = 1/3P_{\infty}(sun)$

Also:
$$P_{\infty}(sun) + P_{\infty}(rain) = 1$$

$$P_{\infty}(sun) = 3/4$$
$$P_{\infty}(rain) = 1/4$$

Remember:

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X _{t-1}	X _t	$P(X_{t} X_{t^{-1}})$
sun	sun	0.9
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Hidden Markov Models

- Markov chains not so useful for most agents
 - Need observations to update your beliefs
- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
 - Underlying Markov chain over states X
 - You observe outputs (effects) at each time step





Example: Weather HMM





 $P(U_t | R_t)$

0.9

0.1

0.2

0.8

An HMM is defined by:

- Initial distribution: $P(X_1)$
- Transitions:
- Emissions:

 $P(X_t \mid X_{t-1})$ $P(E_t \mid X_t)$

R _t	R _{t+1}	$P(R_{t+1} R_t)$	R_{t}	U _t
+r	+r	0.7	+r	+u
+r	-r	0.3	+r	-u
-r	+r	0.3	-r	+u
-r	-r	0.7	-r	-u

Test Your Understanding

- Hidden Markov Models
- Practice problem in breakout rooms
- Work for a couple of minutes independently, but then quickly start comparing progress – even if you're not done yet.

Joint Distribution of an HMM



Joint distribution:

 $P(X_1, E_1, X_2, E_2, X_3, E_3) = P(X_1)P(E_1|X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(E_2|X_2)P(X_3|X_2)P(E_3|X_3)$

• More generally: $P(X_1, E_1, \dots, X_T, E_T) = P(X_1)P(E_1|X_1)\prod_{t=2}^T P(X_t|X_{t-1})P(E_t|X_t)$

Implied Conditional Independencies



• Many implied conditional independencies, e.g., $E_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2, E_2, X_3, E_3 \mid X_1$

To prove them

- Approach 1: follow similar (algebraic) approach to what we did for Markov models
- Approach 2: D-Separation

Some of Your Questions

- Normalization when calculating probabilities
- Markov Model/Chain vs. Markov Decision Process (MDP) vs. Hidden Markov Model (HMM)?
- Filtering vs. Smoothing (vs. Prediction vs. Most Likely Explanation vs. Learning)?
- Bayes Net vs. Dynamic Bayes Net (DBN) (vs. HMM)?
- Is the Markov assumption reasonable?
- How are state variables chosen? (Philip Zeng)
 - Should we limit the number? Can you test if one is useful? (Colette Montminy)
- Since Markov Models depend on Bayesian principles can there be cycles in the graphs? (Lilia Li)
- Real-world applications of HMMs?

Real HMM Examples

Speech recognition HMMs:

- Observations are acoustic signals (continuous valued)
- States are specific positions in specific words (so, tens of thousands)

Machine translation HMMs:

- Observations are words (tens of thousands)
- States are translation options

Robot tracking:

- Observations are range readings (continuous)
- States are positions on a map (continuous)