

Hidden Markov Models



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Signal Modeling

❑ Need for Signal Modeling

- ✓ Provide the basis for theoretical description of a signal processing system
- ✓ Remove noise & transmission distortion etc..
- ✓ Learn about the signal source, and generate synthetic signals without real source
- ✓ Important to realize the practical systems such as ASR, LID, etc..

❑ Deterministic Signal Models

- ✓ Modeling a sine wave or Sum of exponentials
- ✓ Parameters : Amplitude, Frequency, Phase & Rate of exponentials

❑ Statistical Signal Models

- ✓ Signals characterized by parametric random process (Speech Production)
- ✓ Examples: Gaussian, Poission, Markov & HMMs

Discrete Markov Process

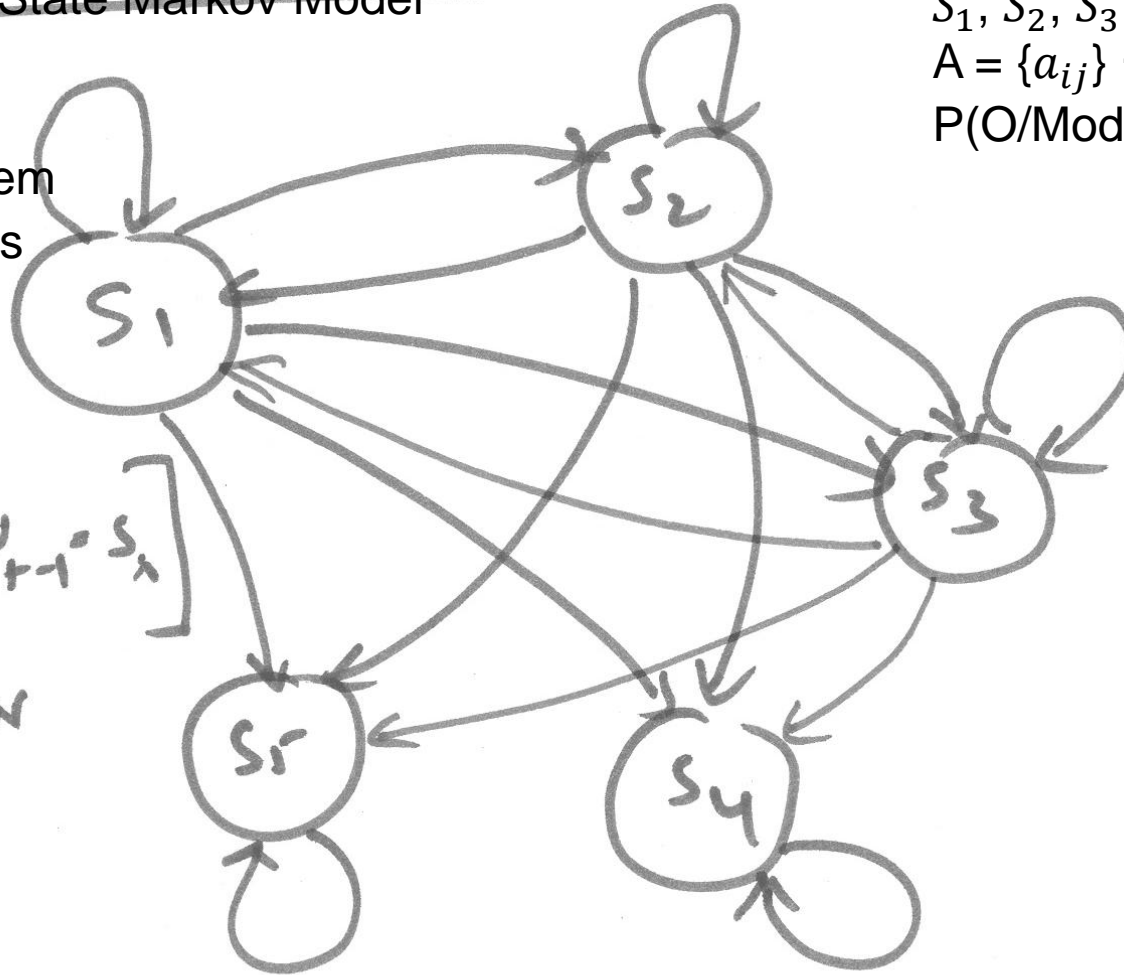
Example : 5-State Markov Model

$S_i, S_j \rightarrow$ States of the system
 $N \rightarrow$ Total number of states

$$a_{ij} = P[u_t = S_j | u_{t-1} = S_i]$$

$$i \geq 1 ; j \leq N$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} = 1$$



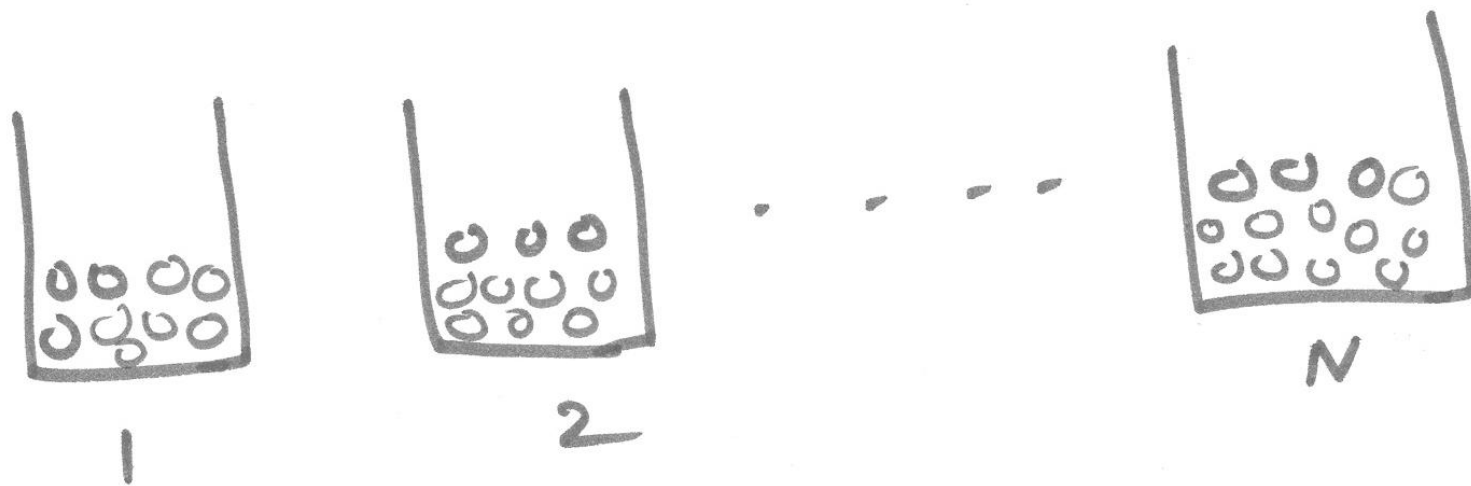
Example : 3-State Markov Model

$S_1, S_2, S_3 \rightarrow$ rain, cloudy, sunny

$A = \{a_{ij}\} \rightarrow$ 3X3 state transition matrix

$P(O/Model) = P(S_1, S_1, S_2, S_1, S_3, S_2, S_1/Model)$

Hidden Markov Model



$O = (b, G, R, R, b, G, b, b, R, \dots)$

\Rightarrow # boxes, Sequence of boxes

Symbol prob

Spectral vectors \Leftrightarrow Sequence of VT shapes

Basic Elements of HMM

1. # states — N
2. # distinct symbols / state — M
 $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_M\}$
3. State transition probability $A = \{a_{ij}\}_{M \times M}$
 $a_{ij} = P[q_{t+1} = j \mid q_t = i]; \quad i \geq 1, j \leq N$
4. Observation symbol prob $B = \{b_j(k)\}$
 $b_j(k) = P[o_t = v_k \mid q_t = j]$
5. Initial prob $\pi_i = \pi; \quad \pi_i = P[q_1 = i]$
MODEL = $\lambda = [A, B, \pi]$

Three Basic Problems of HMM

① How do we efficiently compute $P(o/\lambda)$
 $P(o_1 o_2 \dots o_T / \lambda) \Rightarrow$ Testing, evaluation
Recognition, calculation

②
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} o = o_1 o_2 \dots o_T \\ \lambda = (A, B, \pi) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow Q = q_1 q_2 \dots q_T$$

(Seq of states)

best seq that explains the observations in better way
optimal seq for the given observation
states & # symbols can be modified using ~~step~~ step-2

③ How do we adjust $\lambda = (A, B, \pi)$ to max $P(o/\lambda)$
Training step, building model

Illustration of Use of HMM

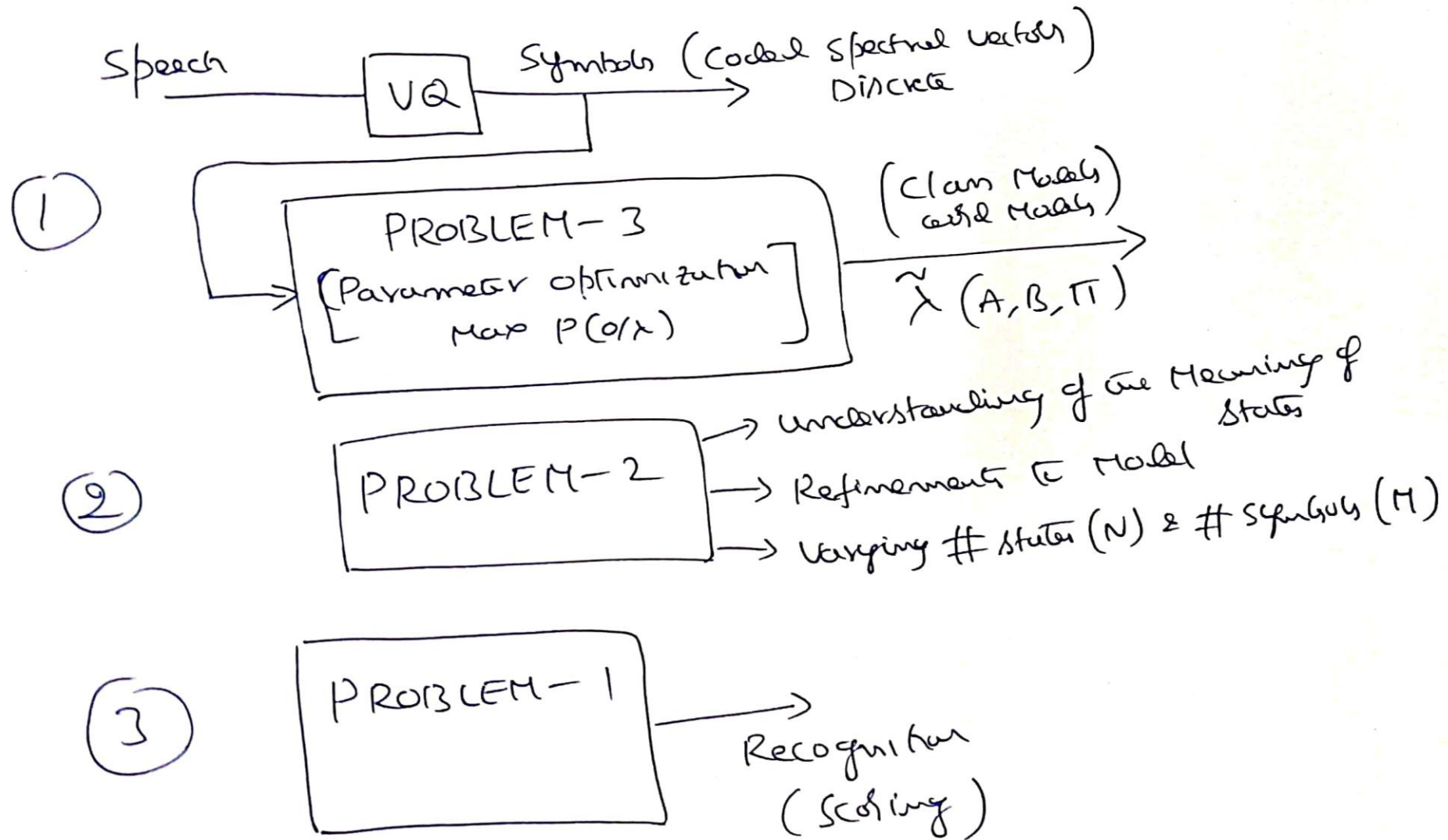
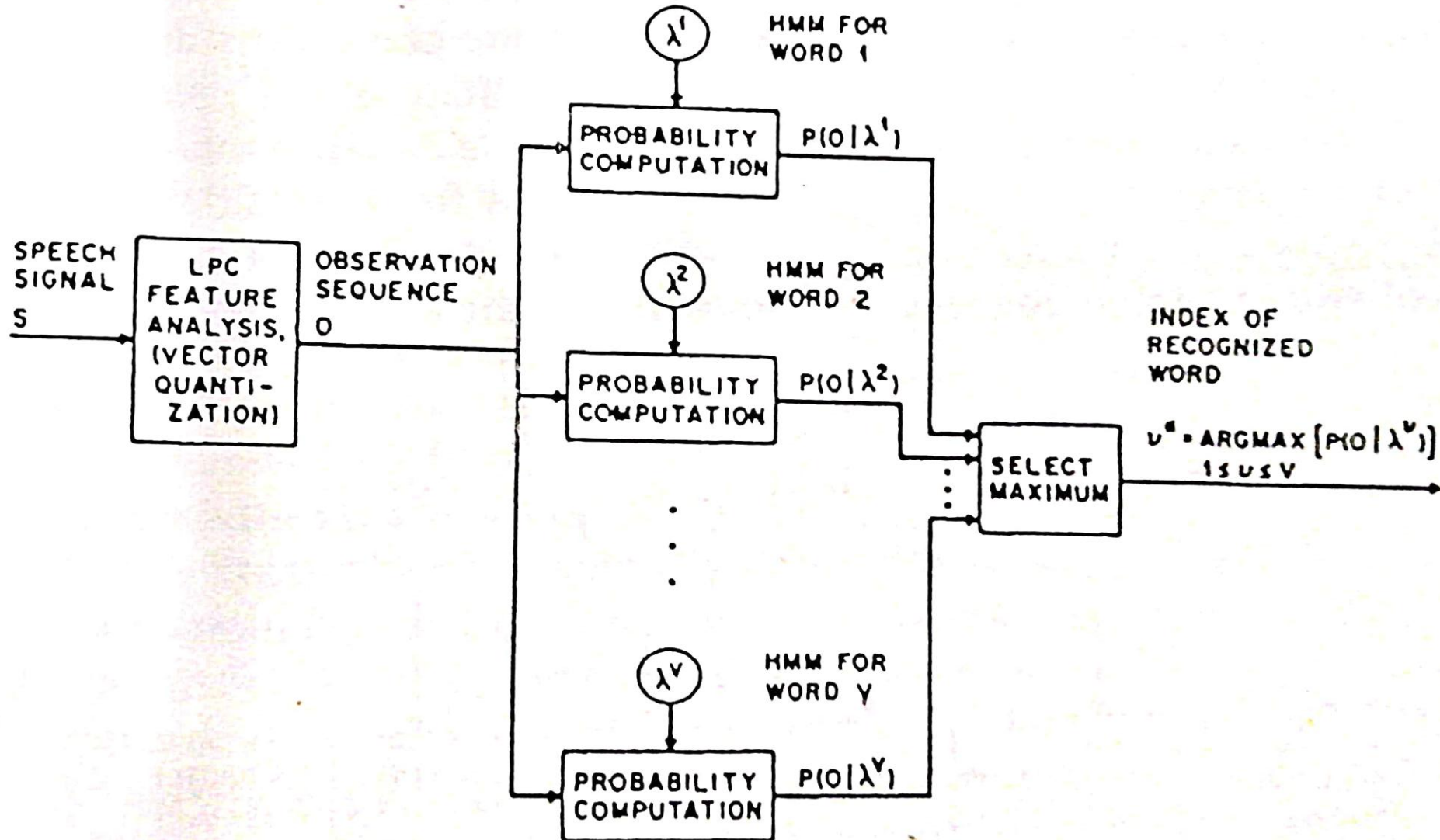


Illustration of Use of HMM : Isolated Word Rec



Solution to Problem – 1 (Computation of $P(o/\lambda)$)

$$o = o_1 o_2 \dots o_T, \quad \lambda = A, B, \pi$$

$$\text{Possible state seq} = Q = (v_1 v_2 \dots v_T) \Rightarrow N^T$$

$$P(o/\lambda) = \sum_{v_1 v_2 \dots v_T} \cancel{P(o/v, \lambda)} P(o, v/\lambda)$$

$$P(o, v/\lambda) = P(o/v, \lambda) P(v/\lambda)$$

$$P(o/v, \lambda) = \prod_{t=1}^T P(o_t/v_t, \lambda)$$

$$= b_{v_1}(o_1) b_{v_2}(o_2) \dots b_{v_T}(o_T)$$

Solution to Problem – 1 (Computation of $P(o/\lambda)$)

$$P(u/\lambda) = \pi_{u_1} a_{u_1 u_2} a_{u_2 u_3} \dots a_{u_{T-1} u_T}$$

$$P(o, u/\lambda) = P(o/u, \lambda) P(u/\lambda)$$

$$= \underbrace{\pi_{u_1} b_{u_1}(o_1) a_{u_1 u_2} b_{u_2}(o_2) \dots b_{u_{T-1}}(o_{T-1}) a_{u_{T-1} u_T} b_{u_T}(o_T)}_{(2T-1) \text{ multiplications}}$$

$$P(o/\lambda) = \sum P(o, u/\lambda)$$

$u_1, u_2, \dots, u_T \Rightarrow N_T$ state sequences

Total no. of computations $\begin{cases} 2T N^T - \text{multiplications} \\ N^{T-1} - \text{additions} \end{cases}$

Ex $N = 5, T = 100$
 $\# \text{ computations} = 2 \times 100 \times 5^{100} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{10^{72}}}$

Solution to Problem – 1 (Forward Procedure)

Forward Procedure $\{\alpha_t(i)\}$

$\alpha_t(i) \rightarrow$ Prob of partial observation sequence

$$\alpha_t(i) = P(o_1 o_2 \dots o_t, a_t = i \mid \lambda)$$

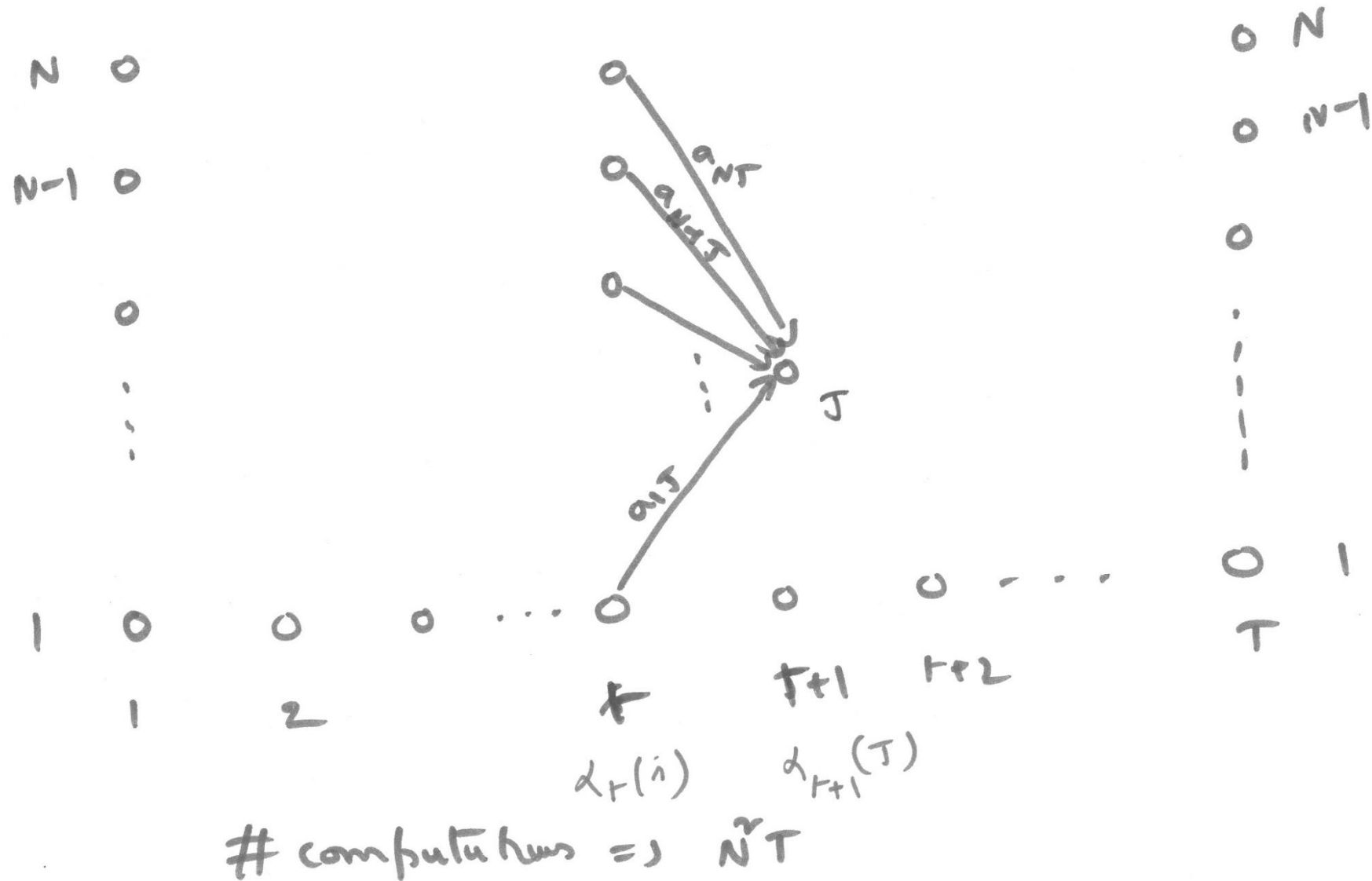
1. Initialization $\alpha_1(i) = P(o_1, a_1 = i \mid \lambda)$
 $= \pi_i b_i(o_1) ; 1 \leq i \leq N$

2. Induction

$$\alpha_{t+1}(j) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_t(i) a_{ij} \right] b_j(o_{t+1}) ; \begin{matrix} 1 \leq t \leq T-1 \\ 1 \leq j \leq N \end{matrix}$$

3. Termination $P(o \mid \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_T(i)$

Illustration of Computation of FV : $\alpha_t(i)$



Backward Procedure BV : $\beta_t(i)$

$$\beta_t(i) = P(o_{t+1} o_{t+2} \dots o_T | a_t = i, \lambda)$$

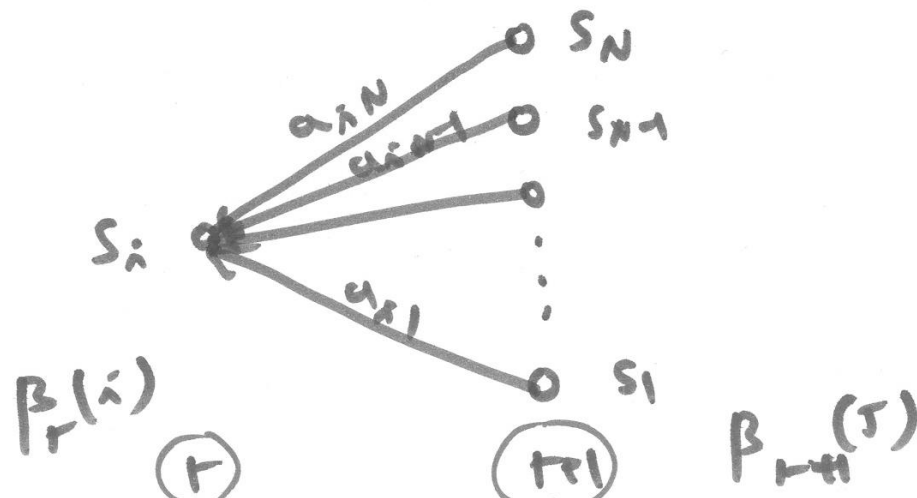
Initialization

$$\beta_T(\hat{i}) = 1 \quad 1 \leq \hat{i} \leq N$$

Induction

$$\beta_t(\hat{i}) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)$$

$$t = T-1, T-2, \dots, 1; \quad 1 \leq \hat{i} \leq N$$



$N^2 T$ computations

Solution to Problem – 2 Optimal State Sequence

- Individually most likely states at each time
- Map expectation of pairs of states (u_t, u_{t+1})
- Map expectation of triplets of states (u_{t-1}, u_t, u_{t+1})

$$\gamma_t(i) = P(u_t = i \mid o, \lambda) = \frac{P(o, u_t = i \mid \lambda)}{\sum_{\tilde{i}=1}^N P(o, u_t = \tilde{i} \mid \lambda)}$$

$$= \frac{P(o, u_t = i \mid \lambda)}{P(o \mid \lambda)} = \frac{\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)}{\sum_{\tilde{i}=1}^N \alpha_t(\tilde{i}) \beta_t(\tilde{i})}$$

$$u_t^* = \arg \max_i (\gamma_t(i))$$

For speech some of $a_{i,j} = 0$; \therefore optimal seq with u_t^* may not be valid sequence

Solution to Problem – 2 : Viterbi Algorithm (OSS)

$$\delta_t(i) = \max_{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{t-1}} P[o_1, v_1, o_2, v_2, \dots, o_t, v_t = i | \lambda]$$

By induction v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{t-1}

$$\delta_{t+1}(j) = \max_i [\delta_t(i) a_{ij}] b_j(o_{t+1})$$

$\psi_t(j)$ = tracing the argument that max for each $t \leq T$
 $t = 2 \text{ to } T; \quad 1 \leq j \leq N$

Initialization

$$\delta_1(i) = \pi_i b_i(o_1) \quad ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

$$\psi_1(i) = 0$$

Recursion

$$\delta_t(j) = \max_i [\delta_{t-1}(i) a_{ij}] b_j(o_t) \quad 2 \leq t \leq T$$

$$\psi_t(j) = \arg \max_i [\delta_{t-1}(i) a_{ij}] \quad 1 \leq j \leq N$$

Solution to Problem – 2 : Viterbi Algorithm (OSS)

Termination

$$f_T(i) = \max_i \left[f_{T-1}(i) a_{iT} \right] b_T(o_T)$$

$$p^* = \max_i f_T(i) ; a_T^* = \operatorname{argmax}_i [f_T(i)]$$

Path backtracking
(state sequence)

$$q_t^* = \psi_{t+1}(q_{t+1}^*)$$
$$t = T-1, T-2, \dots, 1$$

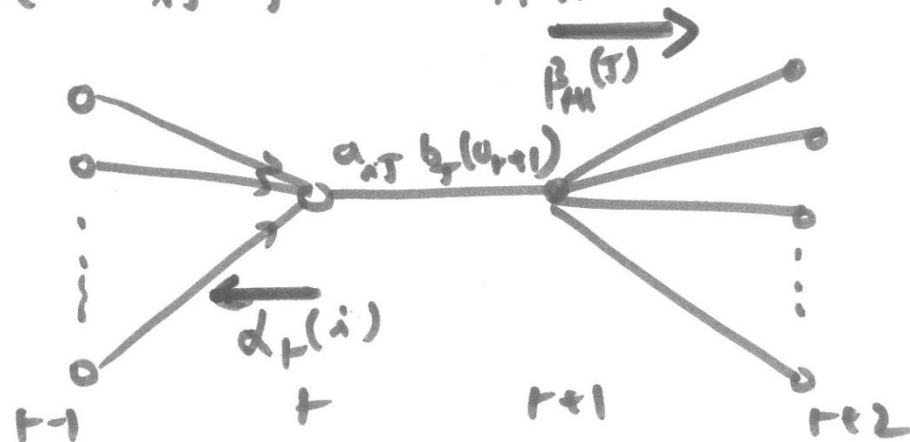
Solution to Problem – 3: Estimation of λ (A, B, π)

Baum – Welch method (stochastic approach)

$$\xi_t(i, j) = P(u_t = i, u_{t+1} = j \mid o, \lambda)$$

$$= P(o, u_t = i, u_{t+1} = j \mid \lambda) / P(o \mid \lambda)$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)}{\sum_i \sum_j \alpha_t(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)}$$



Solution to Problem – 3: Estimation of λ (A, B, π)

$$\delta_t(\bar{i}) = P[a_t = i \mid o, \lambda] = \sum_{j=1}^N \xi_t(i, j)$$

$$\text{Avg \# transitions from state 'i' in 'o'} = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \delta_t(i)$$

$$\text{Avg \# transition from state } i \rightarrow j \text{ in 'o'} = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_t(i, j)$$

$$\overline{\pi}_i = \text{expected \# times in state 'i' at } t=1 = \delta_1(i)$$

$$\overline{a_{ij}} = \frac{\text{Expected \# transitions from } i \rightarrow j}{\text{Expected \# transit from } i} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \xi_t(i, j)}{\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \delta_t(i)}$$

$$\overline{b_j}(ic) = \frac{\text{Expected \# times in state 'j' } o_t = v_k}{\text{Expected \# times in state j}} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \delta_t(j) / o_t = v_k}{\sum_{t=1}^T \delta_t(j)}$$

$$\bar{\lambda} = (\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{\pi}) ; P(o/\bar{\lambda}) > P(o/\lambda)$$

Types of HMMs

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Based on structure
of transition matrix

Ergodic

Left-right

(1) Ergodic (fully connected) HMM

$$\forall a_{i,j} > 0$$

(2) Left-right model (Bakis model)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_{i,j} = 0 \quad j < i \\ \pi_i = 0 \quad i \neq 1 \\ \quad \quad \quad = 1 \quad i = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$a_{i,j} = 0 \quad j > i + \Delta i$$

$$\Delta i = 2$$



(3) Discrete vs Continuous HMMs

Continuous Density HMMs

Prob density of observation u given state $T = b_T(u)$

$$b_T(u) = \sum_{k=1}^M c_{Tk} N(u, \mu_{Tk}, \Sigma_{Tk})$$

Mixture coeff
for k^{th} component

Mean vector for k^{th} component

Covariance matrix for k^{th} component

Gaussian density

$$\sum_{k=1}^M c_{Tk} = 1$$

$$c_{Tk} \geq 0$$

$$1 \leq T \leq N ; 1 \leq k \leq M$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} b_T(u) du = 1$$

$$1 \leq T \leq N$$

Continuous Density HMMs : Parameter Estimation

$$\bar{c}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^K \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

$$\bar{\mu}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k) \cdot o_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k) (o_t - \bar{\mu}_{jk})(o_t - \bar{\mu}_{jk})^T}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t(j, k)}$$

$$\gamma_t(j, k) = \left[\frac{\alpha_t(j) \beta_t(j)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_t(j) \beta_t(j)} \right] \left[\frac{c_{jk} N(o_t, \bar{\mu}_{jk}, \bar{\Sigma}_{jk})}{\sum_{k=1}^K c_{jk} N(o_t, \bar{\mu}_{jk}, \bar{\Sigma}_{jk})} \right]$$

$$\gamma_t(j, k) = \gamma_t(j)$$

Mixture with only one component