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HMM & the Forward Algo

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# How to build a POS tagger?

Other sequence tagging tasks

F J saw Is. O. go to the Star  
↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓  
NotNER PER PER

Named Entity Recog.

- Key sources of information:

HMM

- 1. The word itself

to chair ~~the session~~  
Prep N..V???

- 2. Word-internal characters

Chaired "word ends with -ed"

- 3. POS tags of surrounding words:

syntactic context

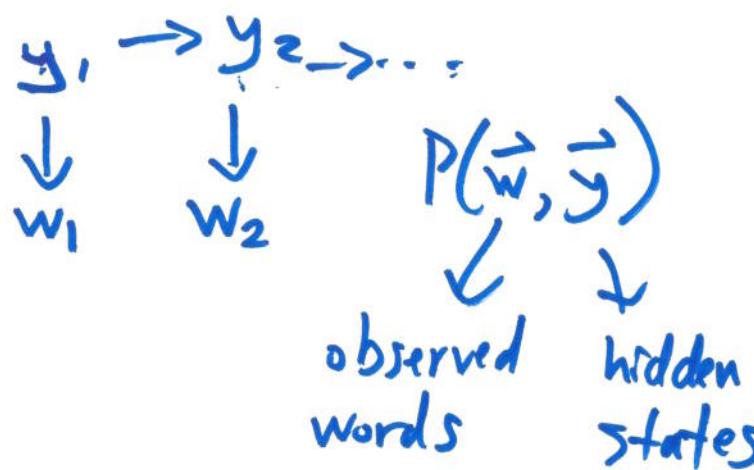
... attack  
Det Noun

## Markov Model

$$w \rightarrow w \rightarrow \cdots \quad P(\vec{w}) = \prod_{t=1}^T P(w_t | w_{t-1})$$

## Hidden Markov Model

$y_1, \dots, y_T$ : hidden/latent states



$$P(\vec{w}, \vec{y}) = \prod_{t=1}^T P(y_t | y_{t-1}) P(w_t | y_t)$$

Transition Model

Emission/Observation Model

## Other Examples?

Econ:  $y$  = Recession?

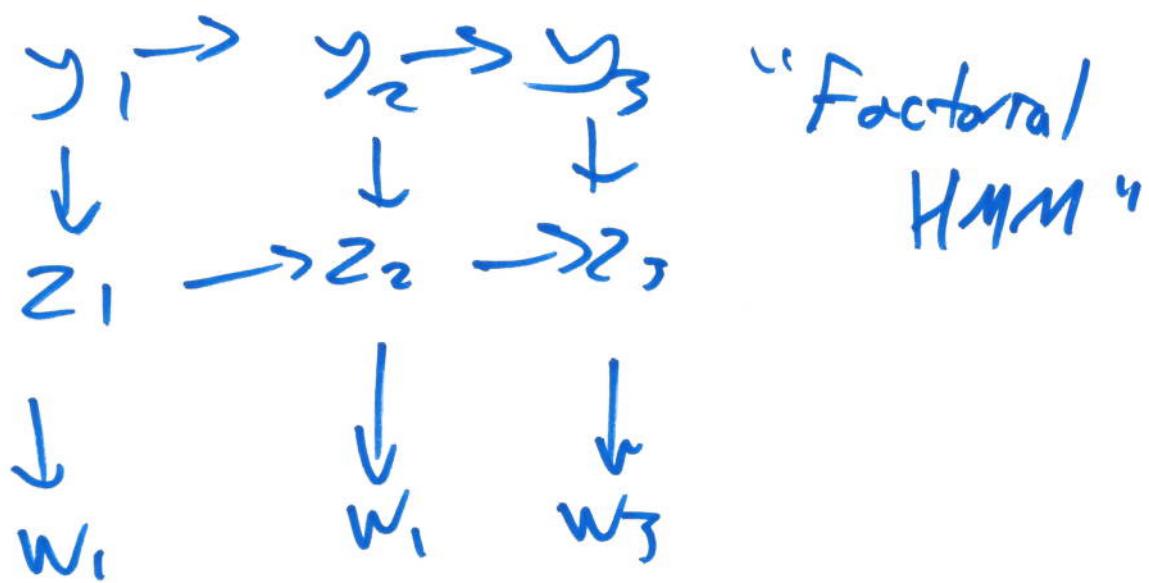
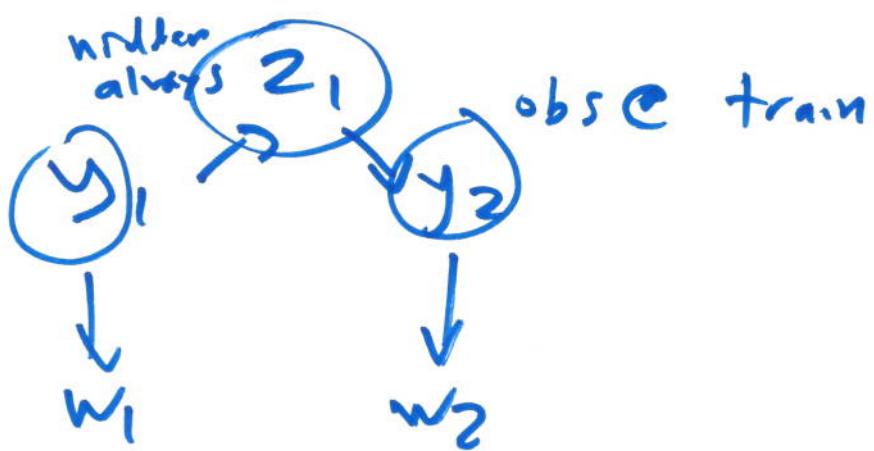
$w$  = Employment Stats

Eco:  $y$  = Animal Pop.  
Bird

$w$  = Reports of Sightings

$y$  = Temp/weather

$w$  = Clothing Types



# What good is an HMM?

Model:  $P(\vec{w}, \vec{y}) = \prod_t P(y_t | y_{t-1}) \underbrace{P(w_t | y_t)}$

① Likelihood  
(LM) calc  $P(\vec{w}) = \sum_{\vec{y}} \underbrace{P(\vec{w}, \vec{y})}_{\cancel{\text{break}}}$

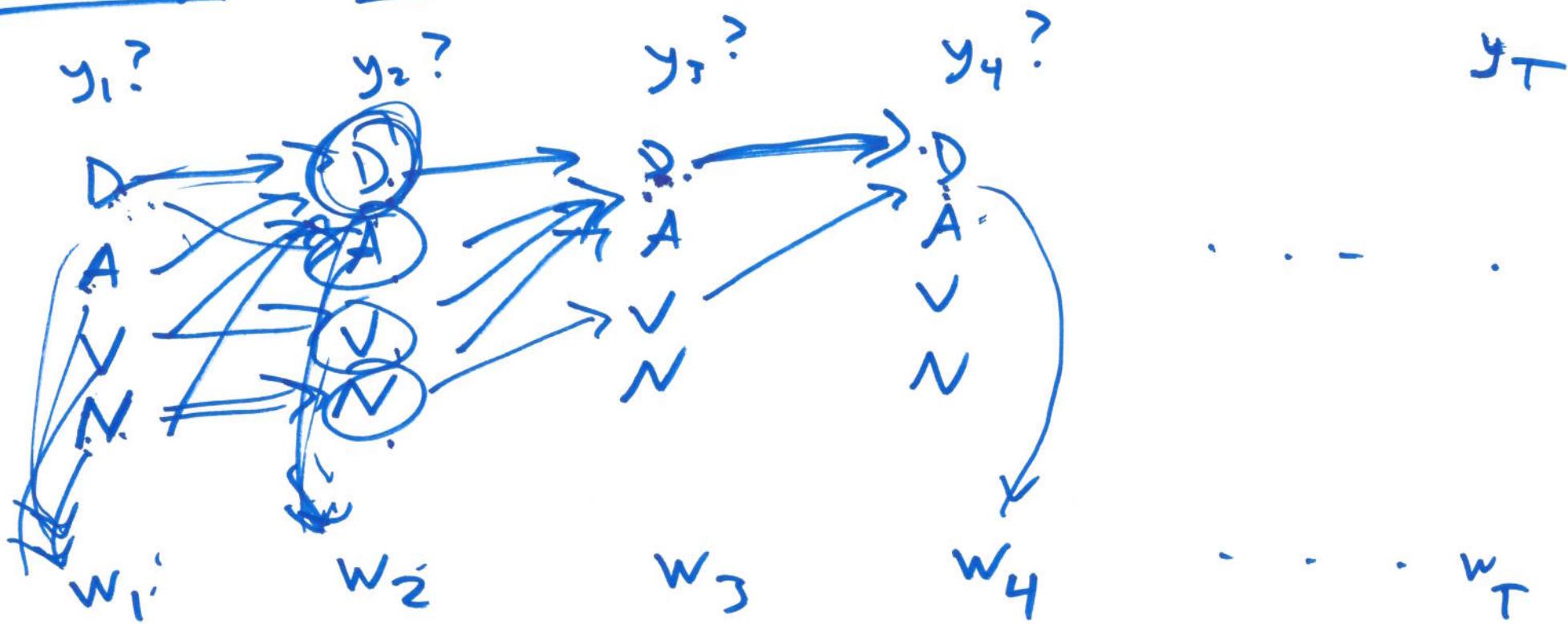
Algo: Forward Algo



② Tagging/Pred/Decoding: calc  $\underset{\vec{y}}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(\vec{y} | \vec{w})$

Algo: Viterbi

Fwd Algo    Goal: calc  $P(\vec{w}) = \sum_{\vec{s}} P(\vec{s}, \vec{w})$



Exhaustive bnd:  $K^T$  paths

Idea: Incrementally sum out paths  
from left to right

$$P(\vec{w}) = \sum_j P(\vec{w}, \vec{y})$$

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From J&M -- Jason Eisner's ice cream / weather HMM example.

### Model

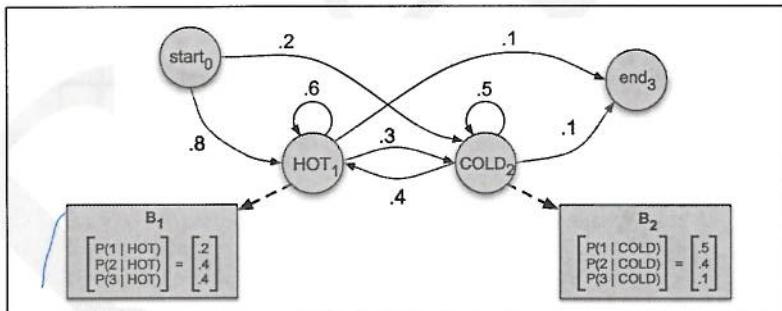


Figure 7.3 A hidden Markov model for relating numbers of ice creams eaten by Jason (the observations) to the weather (H or C, the hidden variables).

$K$  state types

length  $T$  seq

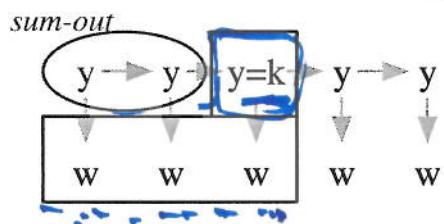
Runtime?

$O(TK^2)$

### Forward algorithm

Declaratively:

$$\alpha_t[k] = \sum_{y_1 \dots y_{t-1}} P(y_t = k, w_1..w_t, y_1..y_{t-1})$$



Recursive Algo.: for each  $t=1..N$ ,

$$\alpha_t[k] := \sum_{j=1..K} \left( \alpha_{t-1}[j] P_{trans}(k | j) P_{emit}(w_t | k) \right)$$

$K^3$  for second-order HMM

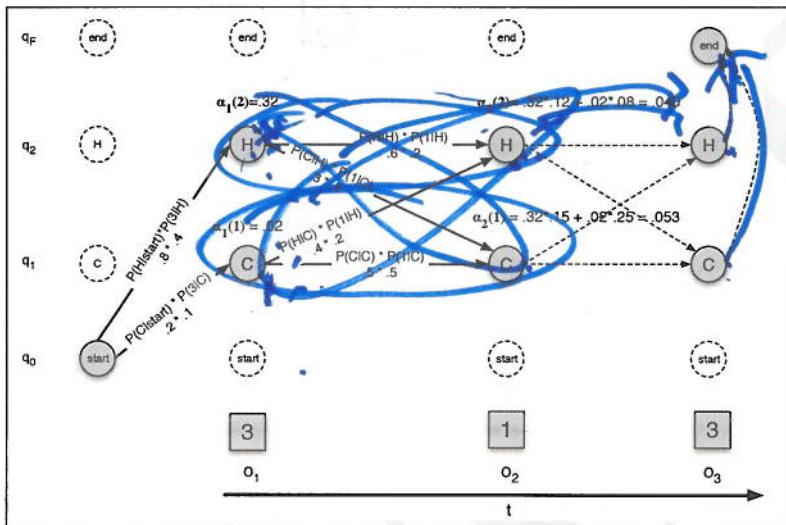


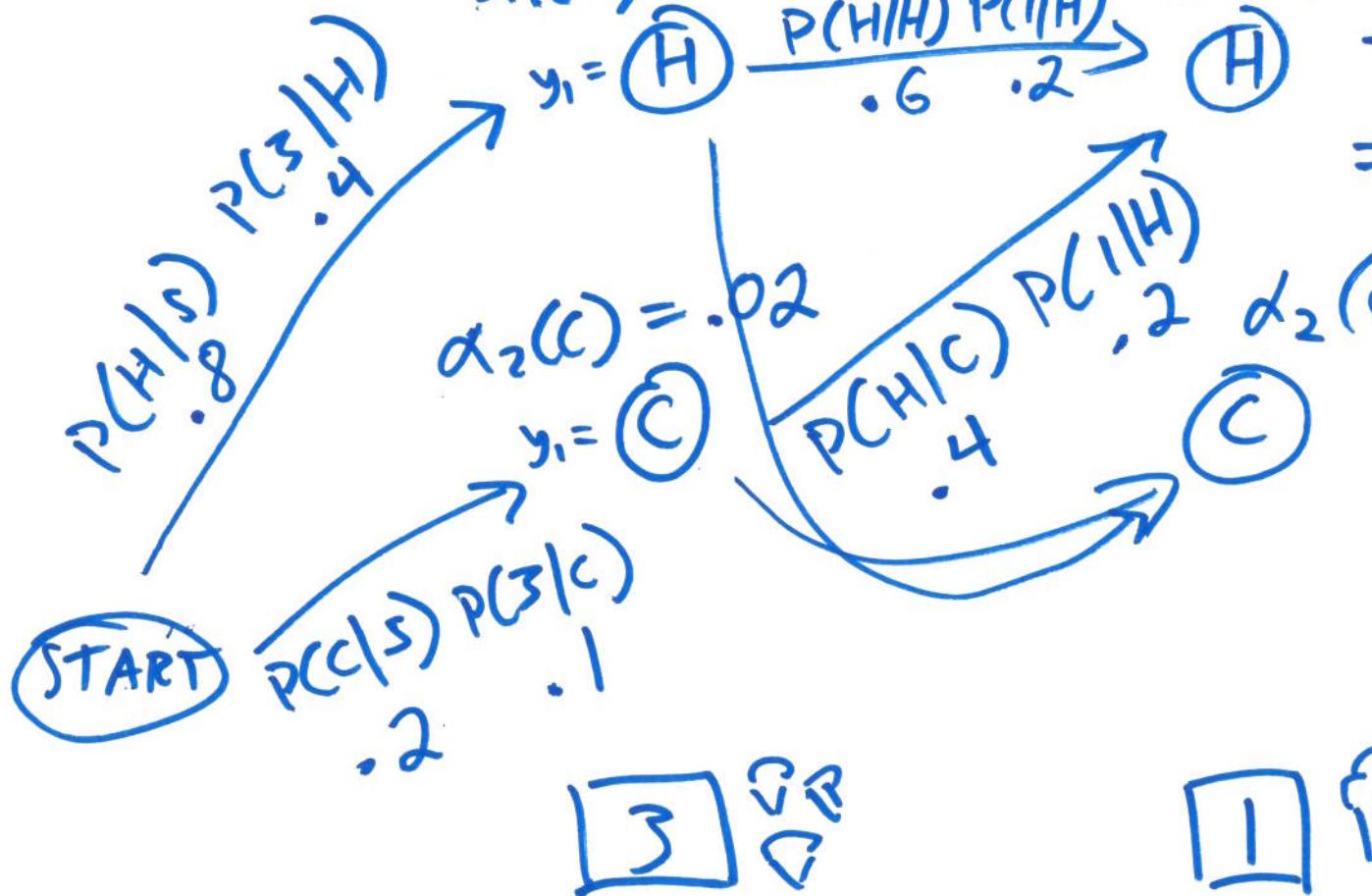
Figure 7.7 The forward trellis for computing the total observation likelihood for the ice-cream events 3 1 3. Hidden states are in circles, observations in squares. White (unfilled) circles indicate illegal transitions. The figure shows the computation of  $\alpha_t(j)$  for two states at two time steps. The computation in each cell follows Eq. 7.14:  $\alpha_t(j) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_{t-1}(i) a_{ij} b_j(o_i)$ . The resulting probability expressed in each cell is Eq. 7.13:  $\alpha_t(j) = P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t, q_t = j | \lambda)$ .

$$P(w_1, y_1 = H) = \alpha_1(H) = .32$$

$$\frac{P(H/H) P(I/H)}{.6 \cdot 2} \alpha_2(H) = .32 (.6)(.2)$$

$$+ .02 (.4)(.2)$$

$$= .04$$



$t=0$

$\boxed{3}$   $w_1$

$\boxed{1}$   $w_2$