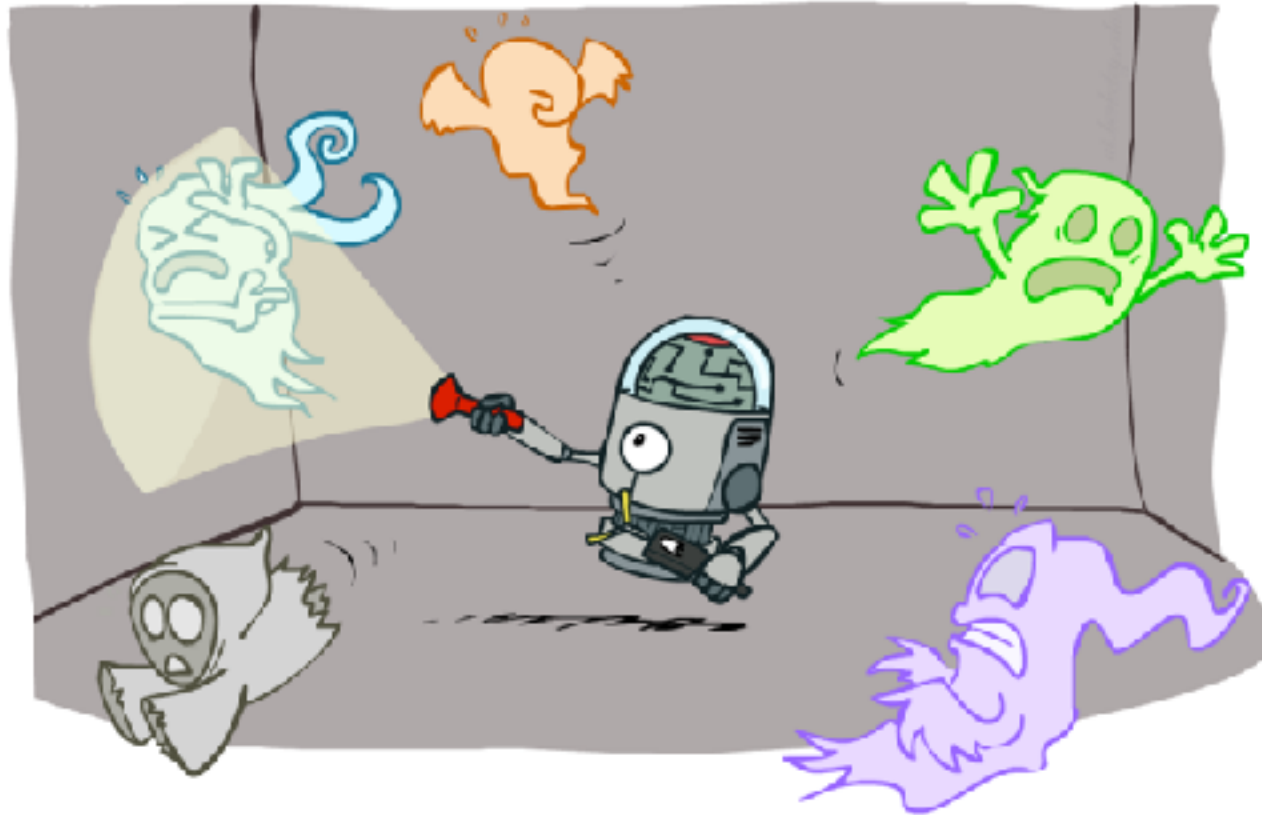


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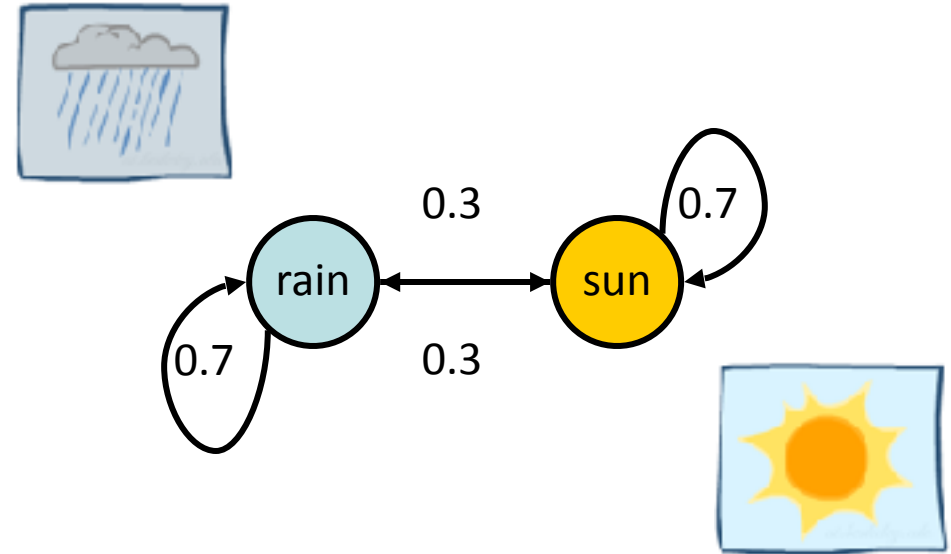
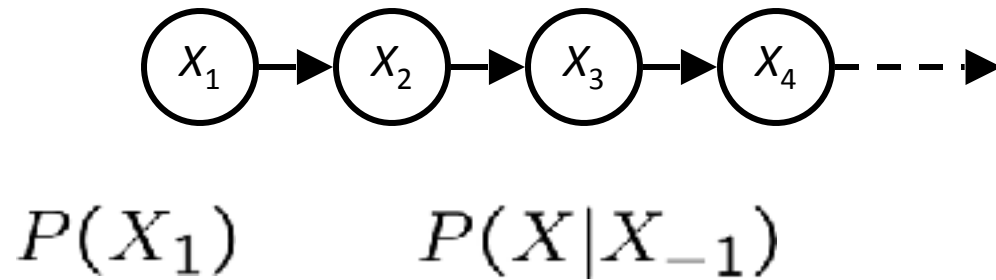
Particle Filters and Applications of HMMs



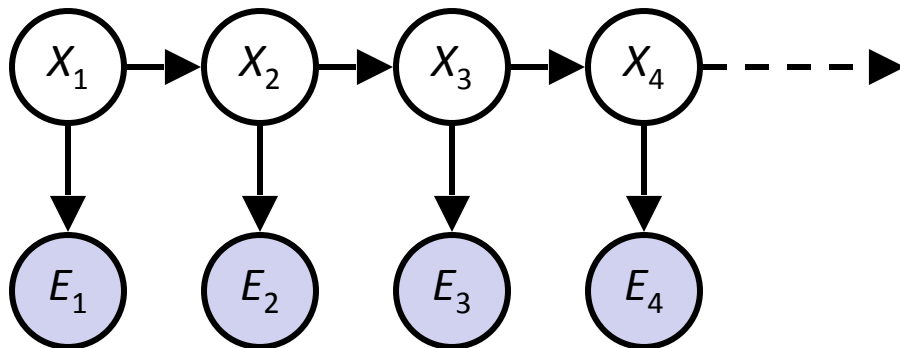
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Recap: Reasoning Over Time

■ Markov models



■ Hidden Markov models



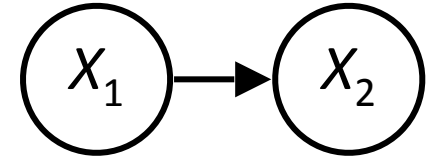
$$P(E|X)$$

X	E	P
rain	umbrella	0.9
rain	no umbrella	0.1
sun	umbrella	0.2
sun	no umbrella	0.8

Recap: Passage of Time

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{evidence to date})$

$$P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$



- Then, after one time step passes:

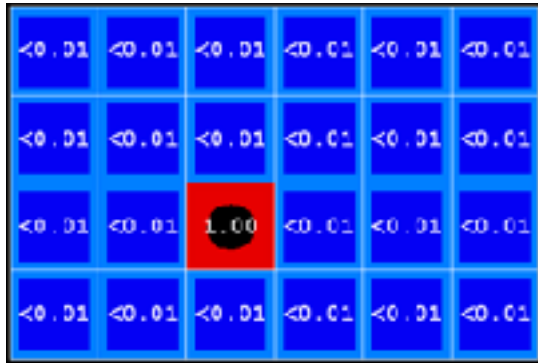
$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) &= \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1}, x_t | e_{1:t}) \\ &= \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t, e_{1:t}) P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \\ &= \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t) P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \end{aligned}$$

- Basic idea: beliefs get “pushed” through the transitions

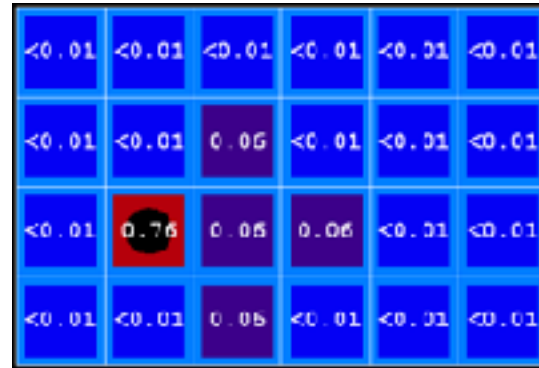
Recap: Forward Algo - Passage of Time

- As time passes, uncertainty “accumulates”

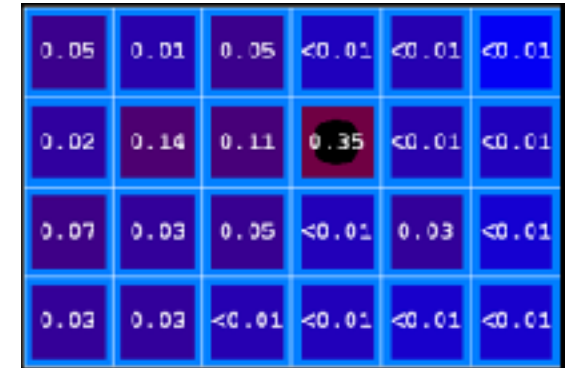
(Transition model: ghosts usually go clockwise)



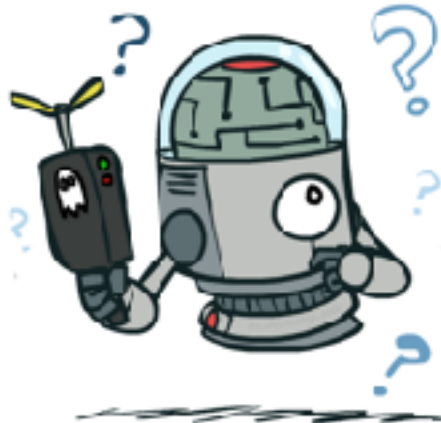
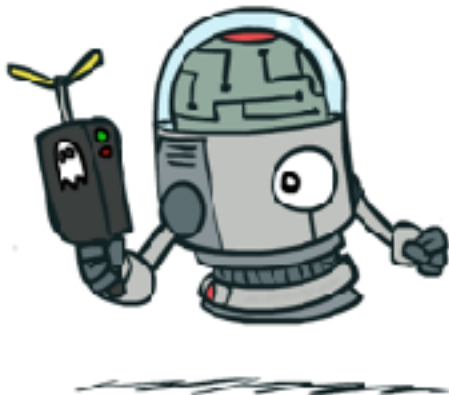
T = 1



T = 2



T = 5



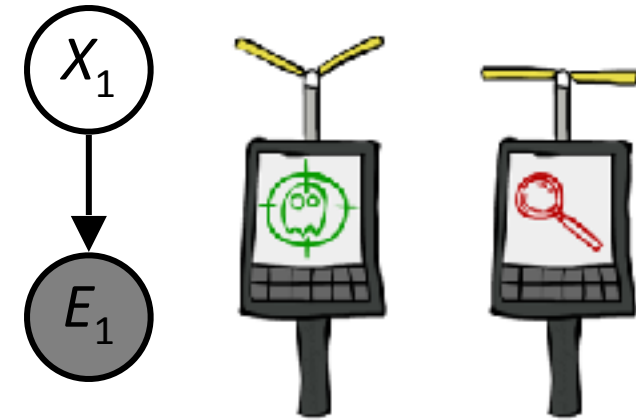
Recap: Observation

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{previous evidence})$:

$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

- Then, after evidence comes in:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t+1}) &= P(X_{t+1}, e_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) / P(e_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) \\ &\propto_{X_{t+1}} P(X_{t+1}, e_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) \\ &= P(e_{t+1} | e_{1:t}, X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) \\ &= P(e_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) \end{aligned}$$



- Basic idea: beliefs “reweighted” by likelihood of evidence
- Unlike passage of time, we have to renormalize

Recap: Forward Algo - Observation

- As we get observations, beliefs get reweighted, uncertainty “decreases”

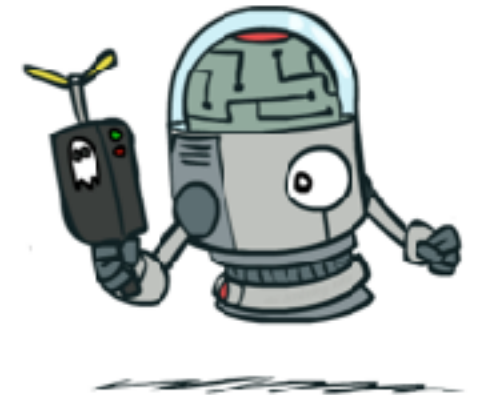
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0.07	0.02	0.05	<0.01	0.02	<0.01
0.03	0.03	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01

Before observation

<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.02	<0.01
<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.83	0.02	<0.01
<0.01	<0.01	0.11	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01

After observation

$$B(X) \propto P(e|X)B'(X)$$



Recap: The Forward Algorithm

- We are given evidence at each time and want to know

$$B_t(X) = P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$

- We can derive the following updates

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_t | e_{1:t}) &\propto_X P(x_t, e_{1:t}) \\ &= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, x_t, e_{1:t}) \\ &= \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1}) P(x_t | x_{t-1}) P(e_t | x_t) \\ &= P(e_t | x_t) \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t | x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1}, e_{1:t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

We can normalize as we go if we want to have $P(x|e)$ at each time step, or just once at the end...

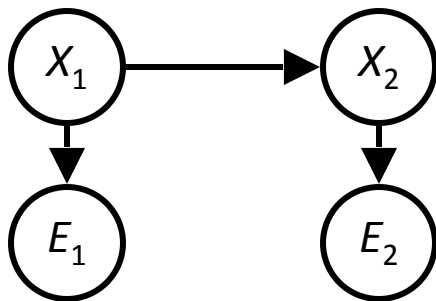
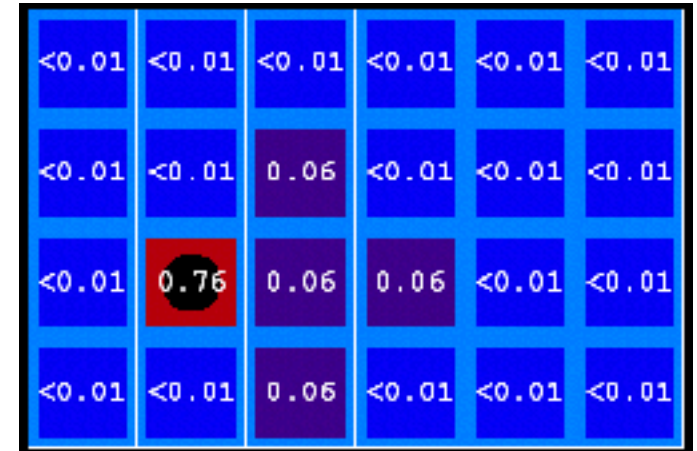
Recap: Online Filtering w/ Forward Algo

Elapse time: compute $P(X_t | e_{1:t-1})$

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1} | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t | x_{t-1})$$

Observe: compute $P(X_t | e_{1:t})$

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \propto P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(e_t | x_t)$$



Belief: $\langle P(\text{rain}), P(\text{sun}) \rangle$

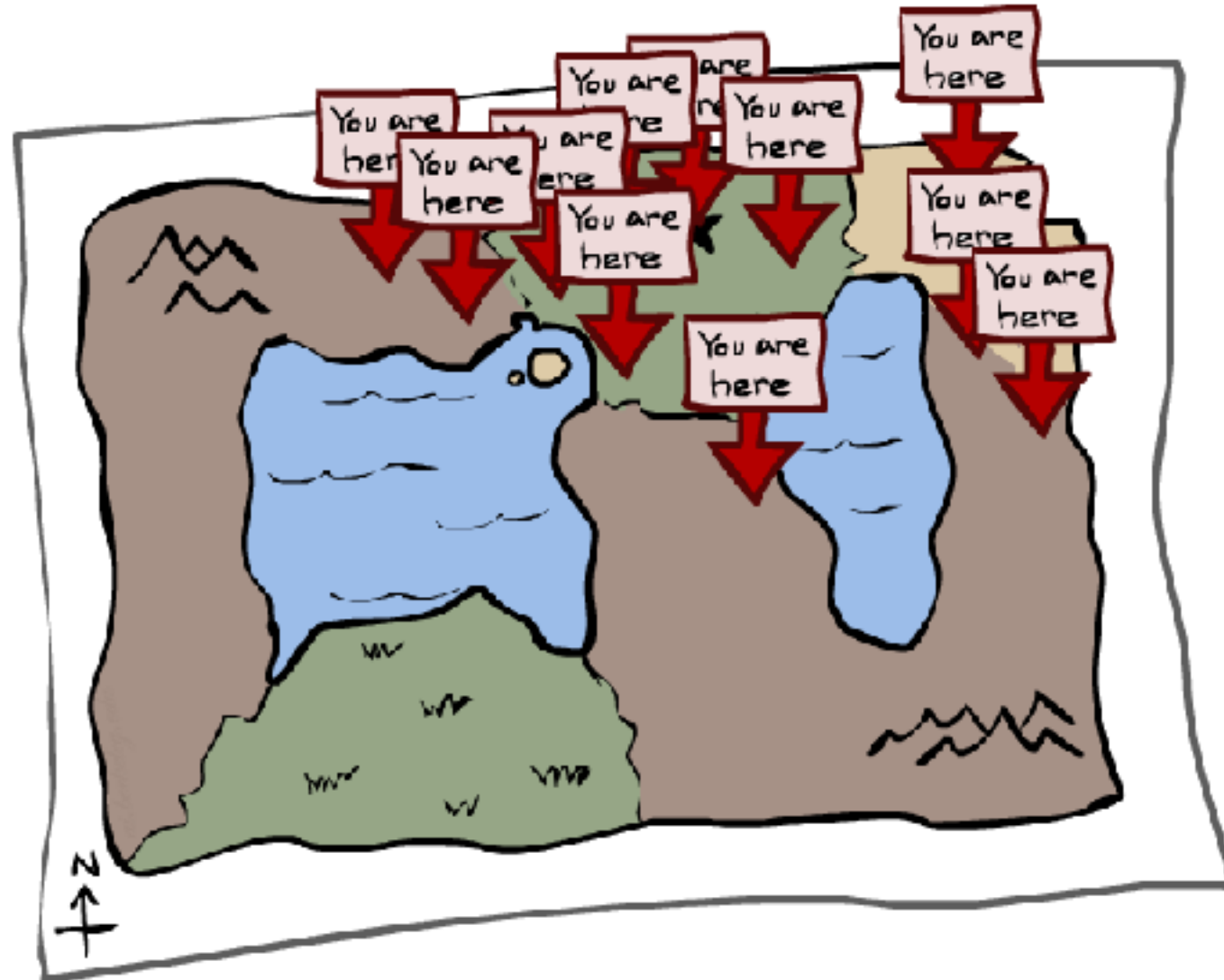
$P(X_1)$ $\langle 0.5, 0.5 \rangle$ *Prior on X_1*

$P(X_1 | E_1 = \text{umbrella})$ $\langle 0.82, 0.18 \rangle$ *Observe*

$P(X_2 | E_1 = \text{umbrella})$ $\langle 0.63, 0.37 \rangle$ *Elapse time*

$P(X_2 | E_1 = \text{umb}, E_2 = \text{umb})$ $\langle 0.88, 0.12 \rangle$ *Observe*

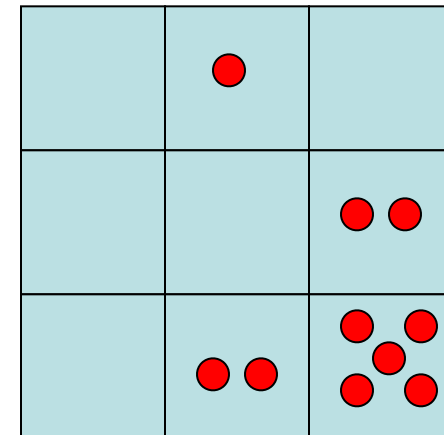
Particle Filtering



Particle Filtering

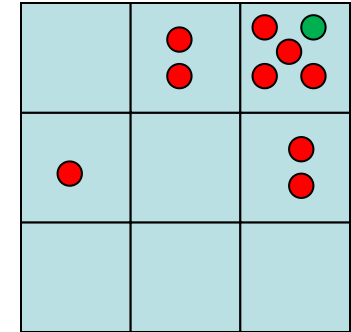
- Filtering: approximate solution
- Sometimes $|X|$ is too big to use exact inference
 - $|X|$ may be too big to even store $B(X)$
 - E.g. X is continuous
- Solution: approximate inference
 - Track samples of X , not all values
 - Samples are called particles
 - Time per step is linear in the number of samples
 - But: number needed may be large
 - In memory: list of particles, not states
- This is how robot localization works in practice
- Particle is just new name for sample

0.0	0.1	0.0
0.0	0.0	0.2
0.0	0.2	0.5



Representation: Particles

- Our representation of $P(X)$ is now a list of N particles (samples)
 - Generally, $N \ll |X|$ (...but not in project 4)
 - Storing map from X to counts would defeat the point
- $P(x)$ approximated by number of particles with value x
 - So, many x may have $P(x) = 0$!
 - More particles, more accuracy
- For now, all particles have a weight of 1
- Particle filtering uses three repeated steps:
 - Elapse time and observe (similar to exact filtering) and resample



Particles:

(3,3)

(2,3)

(3,3)

(3,2)

(3,3)

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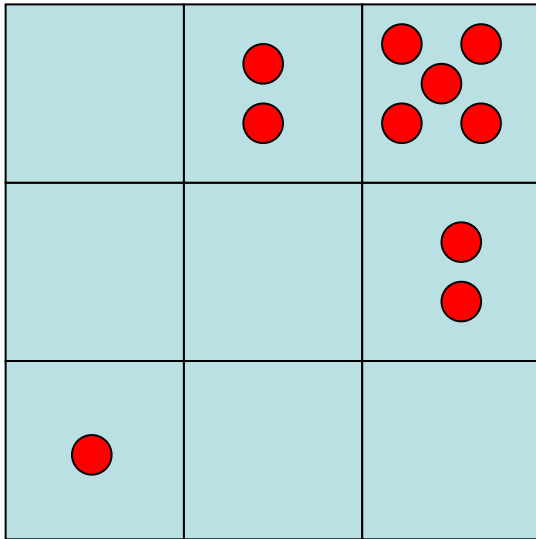
(1,2)

(3,3)

(3,3)

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Example: Elapse Time



Elapse Time



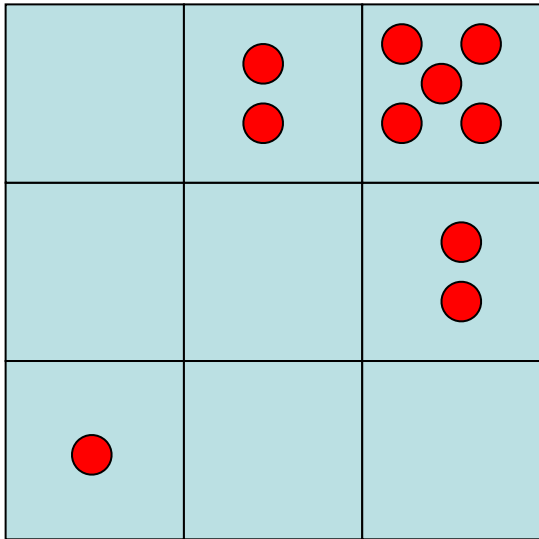
Policy: ghosts always move up
(or stay in place if already at top)



Belief over possible
ghost positions at time t

New belief at
time $t+1$

Example: Elapse Time



Belief over possible ghost positions at time t

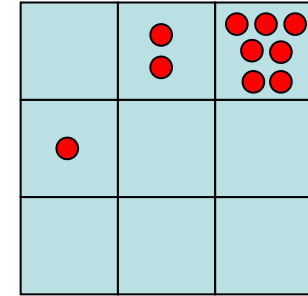
Elapse Time



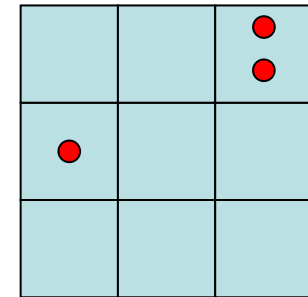
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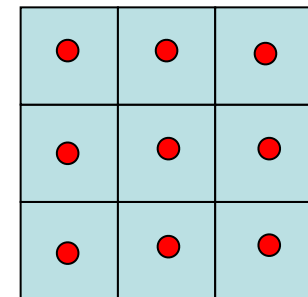
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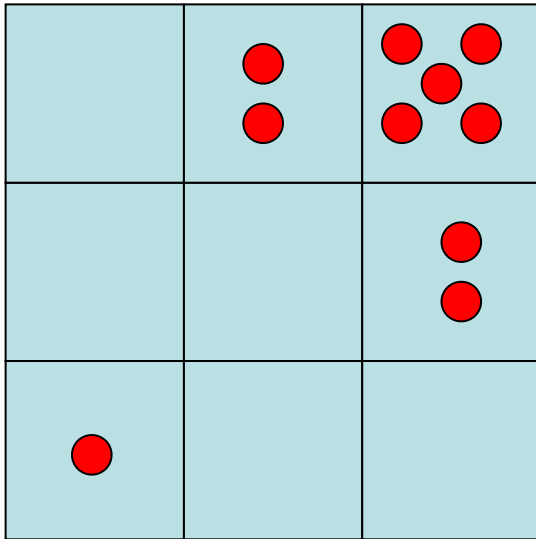
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Example: Elapse Time

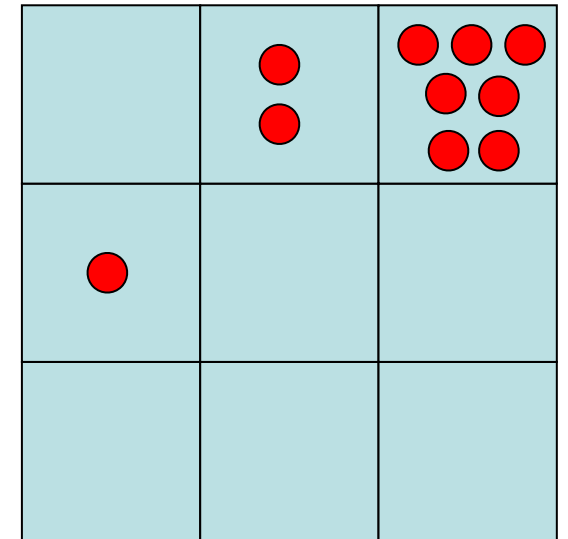


Belief over possible ghost positions at time t

Elapse Time



Policy: ghosts always move up (or stay in place if already at top)



New belief at time $t+1$

Particle Filtering: Elapse Time

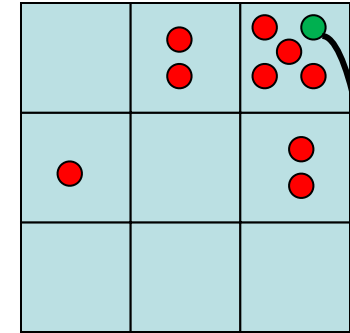
- Each particle is moved by sampling its next position from the transition model

$$x' = \text{sample}(P(X'|x))$$

- Sample frequencies reflect the transition probabilities
 - Here, most samples move clockwise, but some move in another direction or stay in place
- This captures the passage of time
 - If enough samples, close to exact values before and after (consistent)

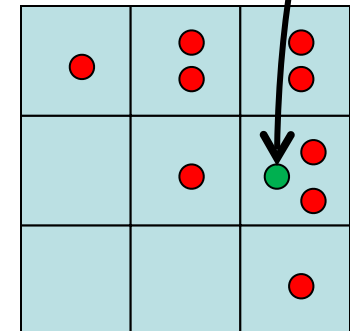
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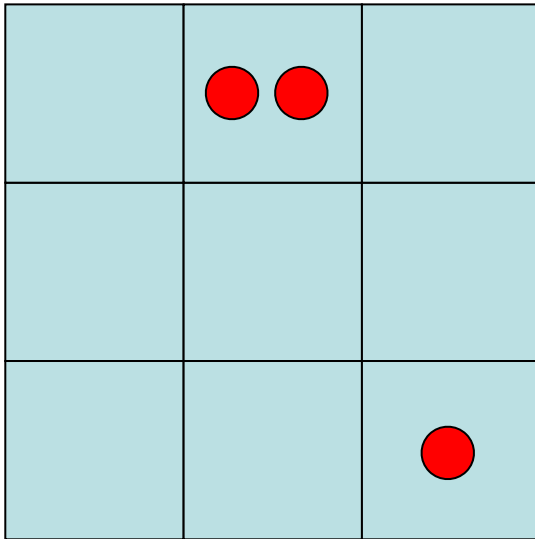


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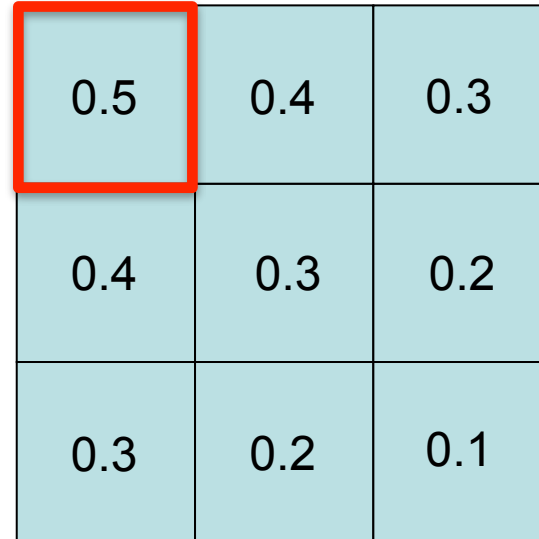
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Example: Observe



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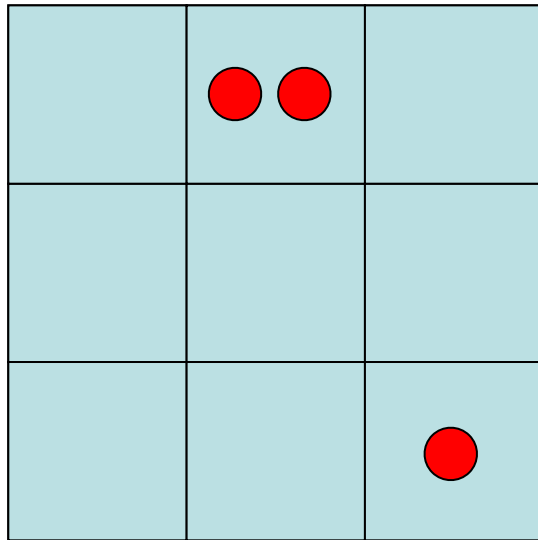


Belief over possible ghost positions before observation

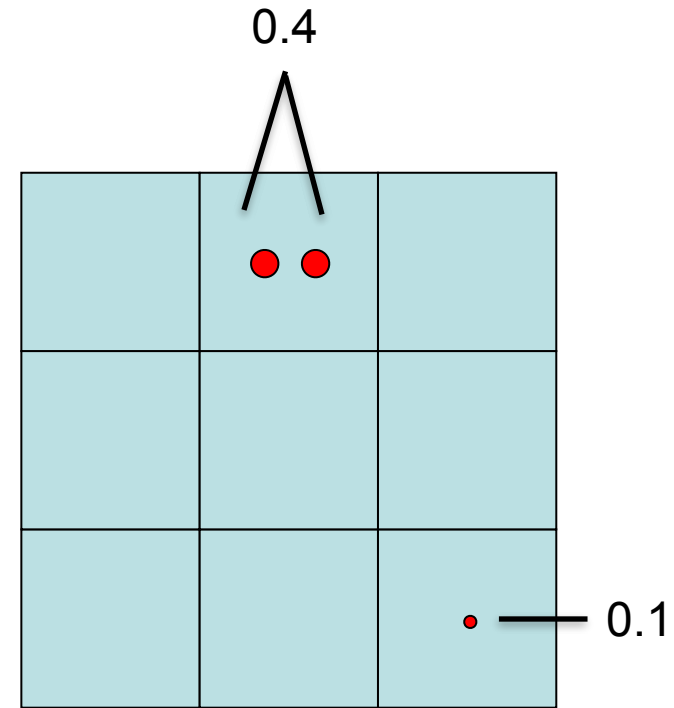
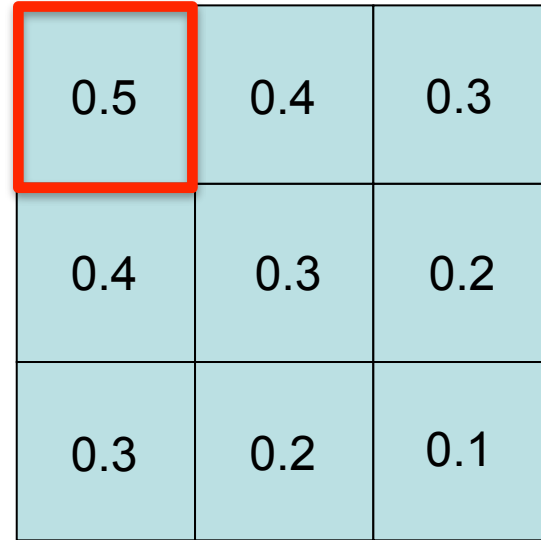
Observation and evidence likelihoods $p(e | X)$

New belief after observation

Example: Observe



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Belief over possible ghost positions before observation

Observation and evidence likelihoods $p(e | X)$

New belief after observation

Particle Filtering: Observe

- Slightly trickier:

- Don't sample observation, fix it
- Similar to likelihood weighting, downweight samples based on the evidence

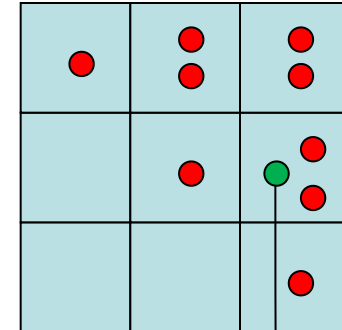
$$w(x) = P(e|x)$$

$$B(X) \propto P(e|X)B'(X)$$

- As before, the probabilities don't sum to one, since all have been downweighted

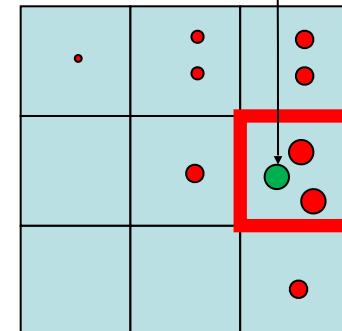
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Particles:

(3,2) w=.9
(2,3) w=.2
(3,2) w=.9
(3,1) w=.4
(3,3) w=.4
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(2,3) w=.2
(3,2) w=.9
(2,2) w=.4

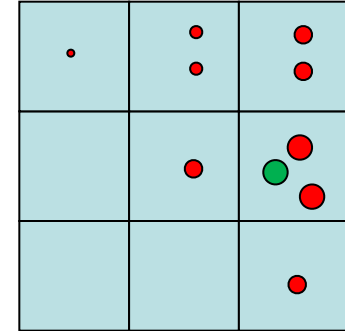


Particle Filtering: Resample

- Rather than tracking weighted samples, we resample
- N times, we choose from our weighted sample distribution (i.e. draw with replacement)
- This essentially renormalizes the distribution
- Now the update is complete for this time step, continue with the next one

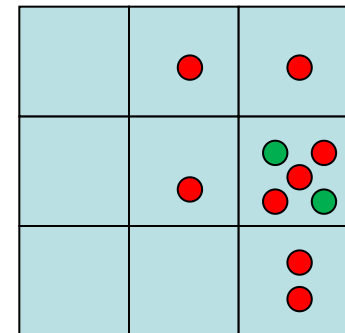
Particles:

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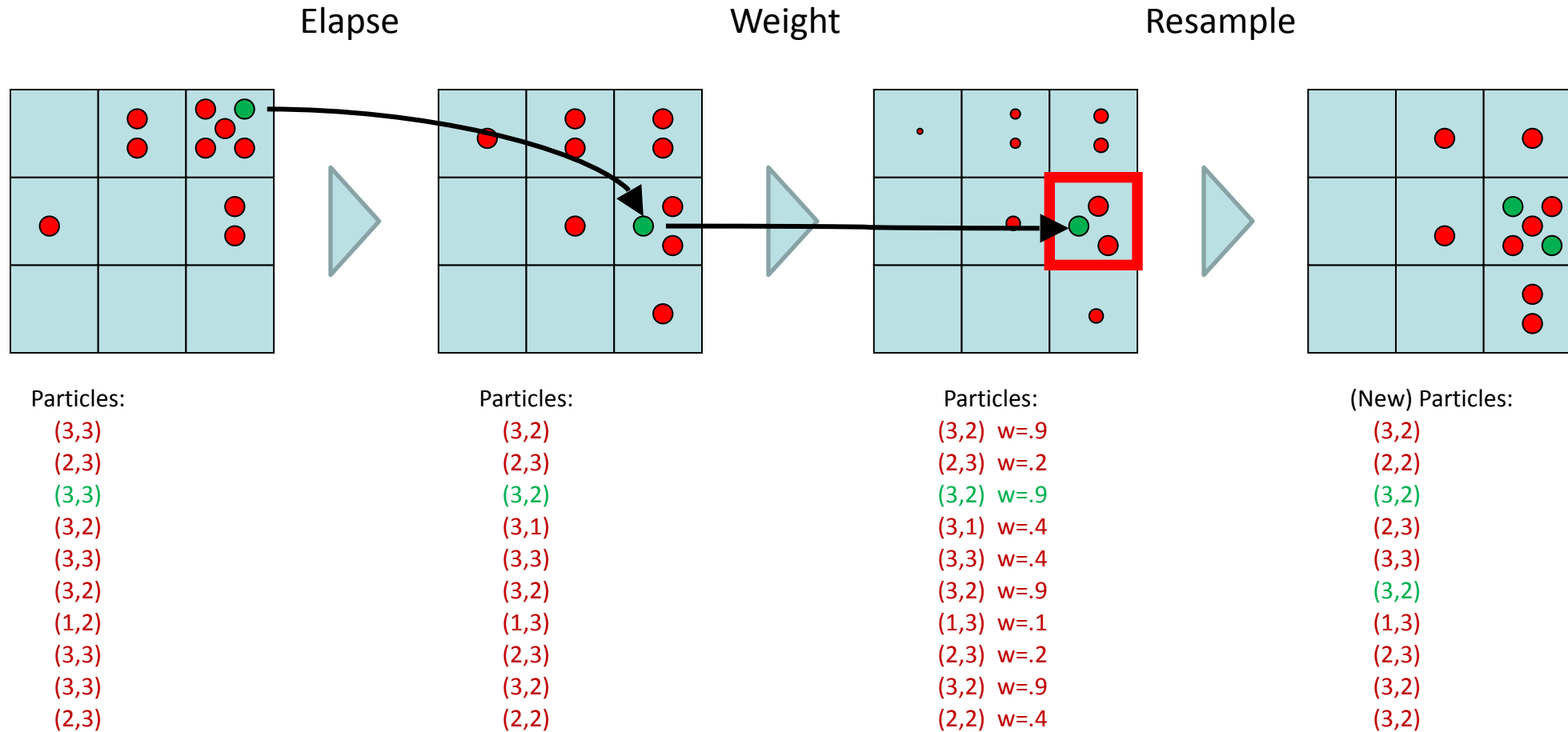
(New) Particles:

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Recap: Particle Filtering

- Particles: track samples of states rather than an explicit distribution



Moderate Number of Particles

The screenshot shows a PyDev IDE window titled 'ghostbusters'. The main content is a 6x10 grid of blue squares, each containing a white numerical value. To the right of the grid, there is a statistics section and two buttons.

<0.01	0.04	0.01	0.01	<0.01	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02
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0.03	0.06	0.01	0.02	<0.01	0.04	0.01	<0.01	0.01	0.01
<0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.03	<0.01	0.01	0.04
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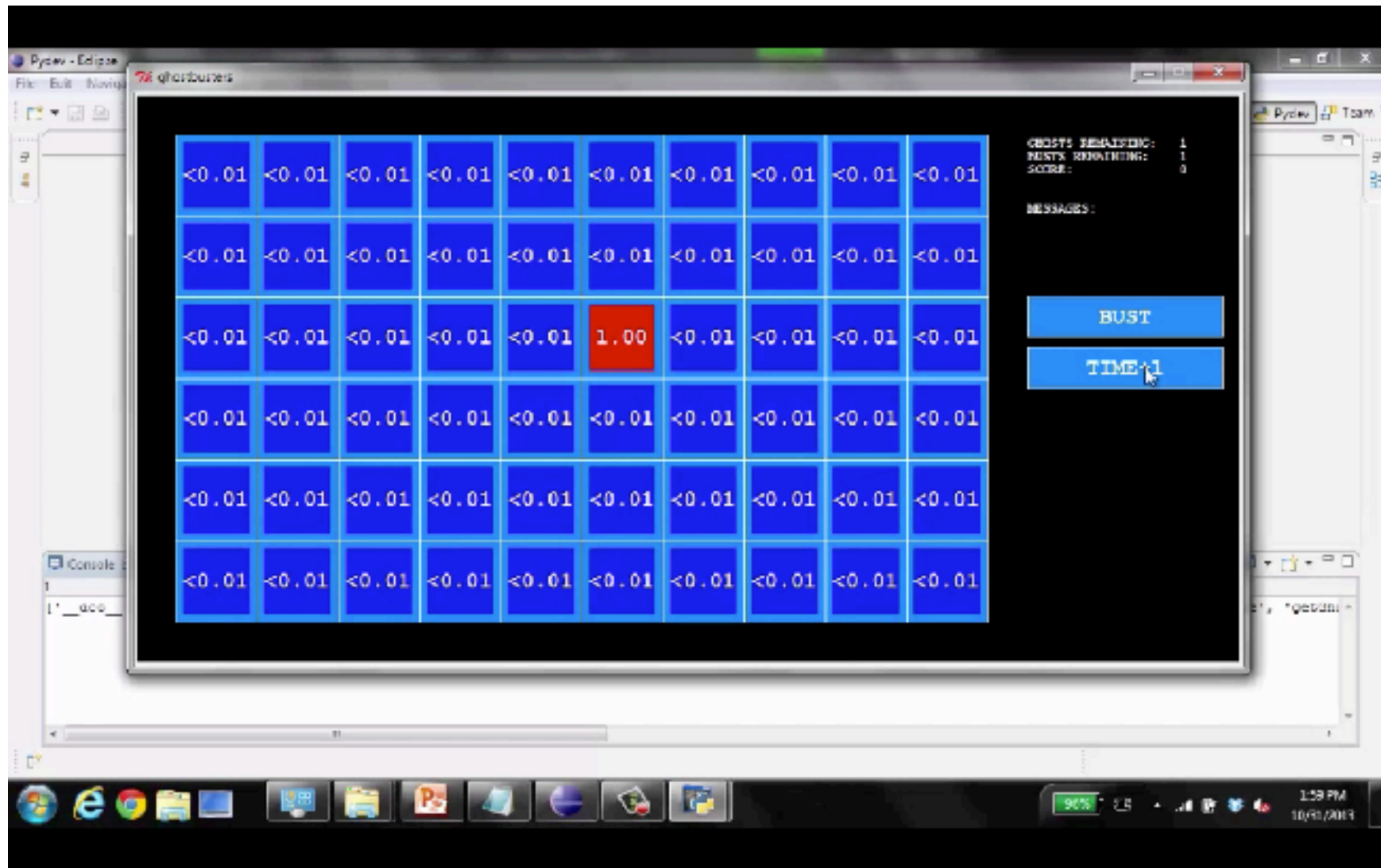
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MESSAGES:

BUST

TIME+1

One Particle

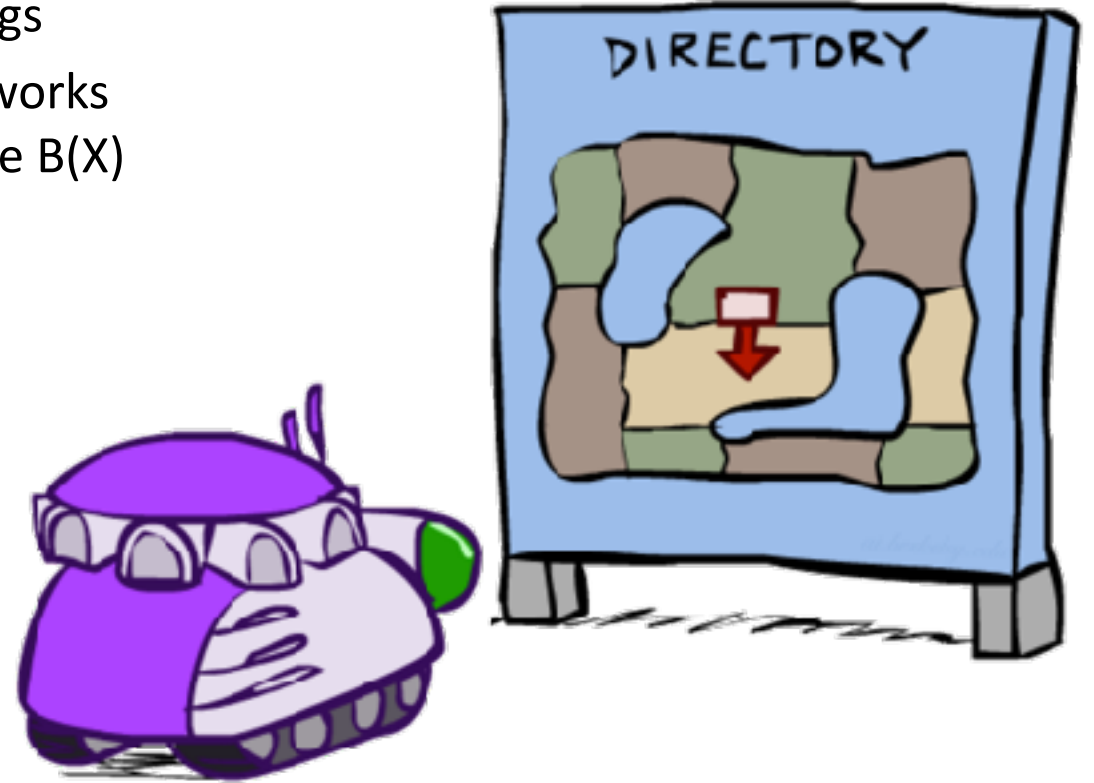
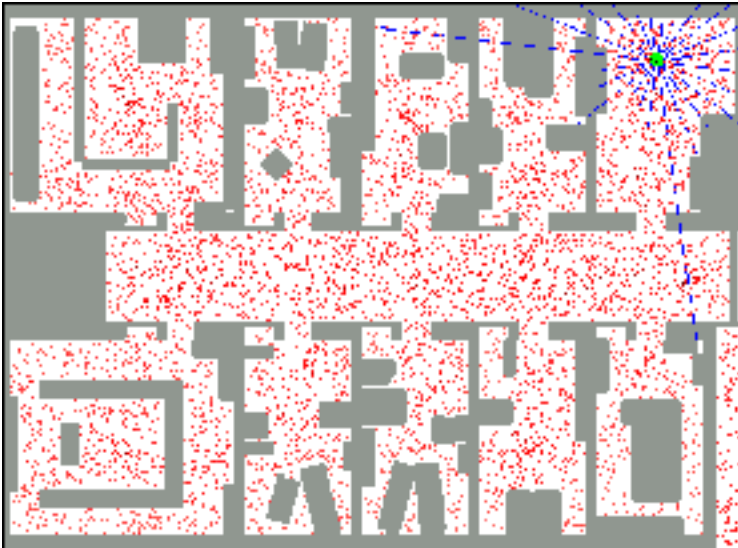


Huge Number of Particles



Robot Localization

- In robot localization:
 - We know the map, but not the robot's position
 - Observations may be vectors of range finder readings
 - State space and readings are typically continuous (works basically like a very fine grid) and so we cannot store $B(X)$
 - Particle filtering is a main technique



Particle Filter Localization (Sonar)

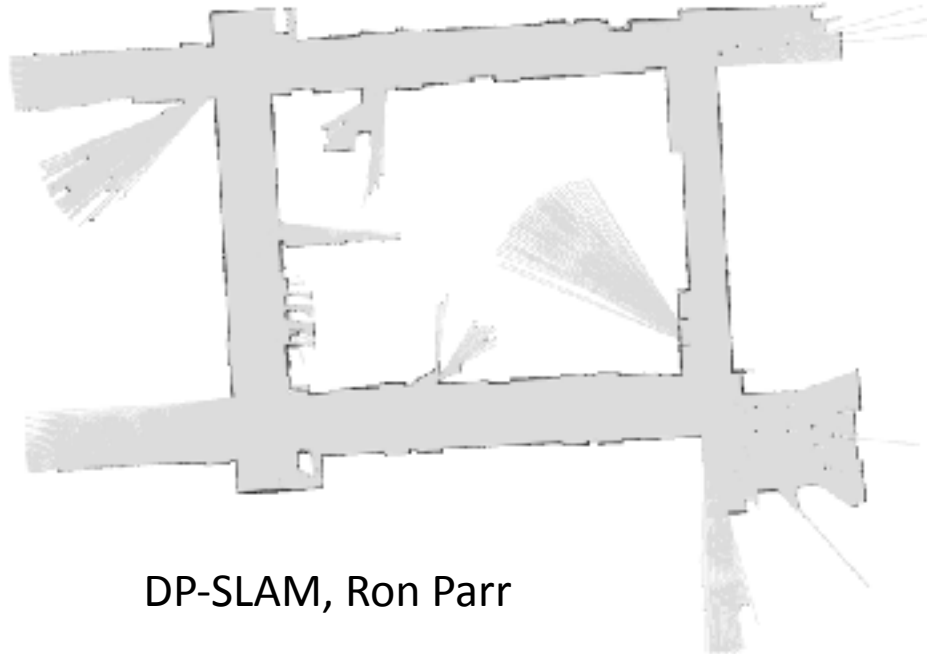


**Global localization with
sonar sensors**

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Robot Mapping

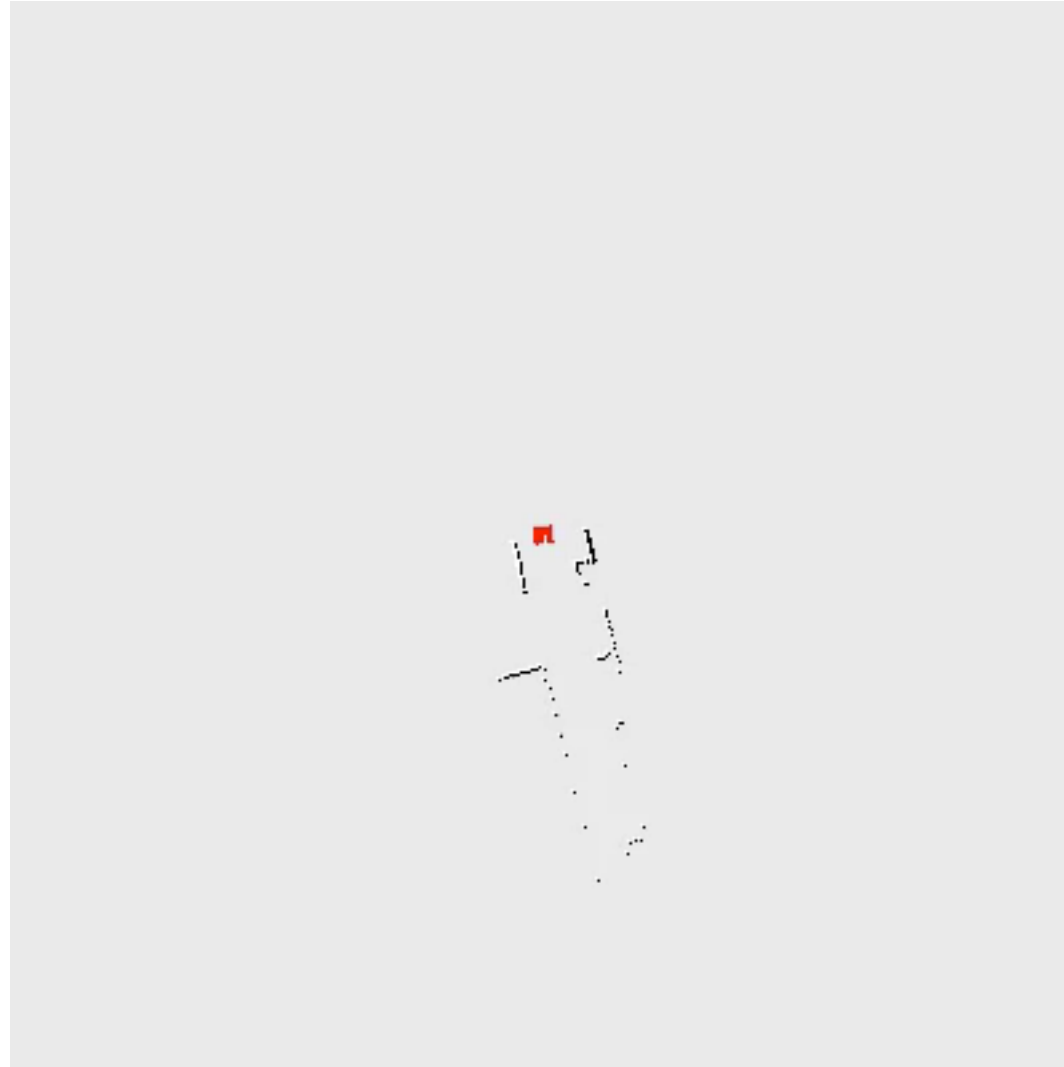
- SLAM: Simultaneous Localization And Mapping
 - We do not know the map or our location
 - State consists of position AND map!
 - Main techniques: Kalman filtering (Gaussian HMMs) and particle methods



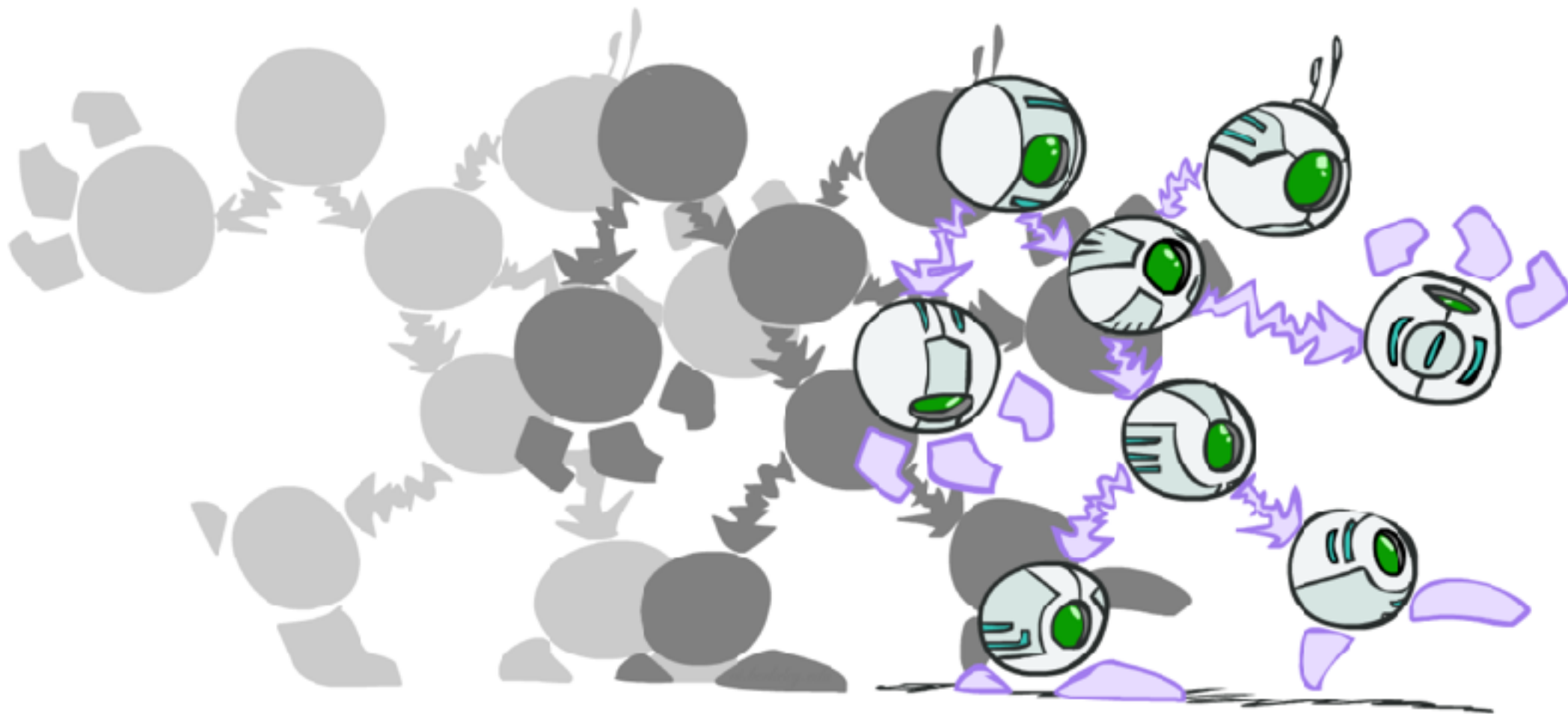
DP-SLAM, Ron Parr



Particle Filter SLAM – Video 1

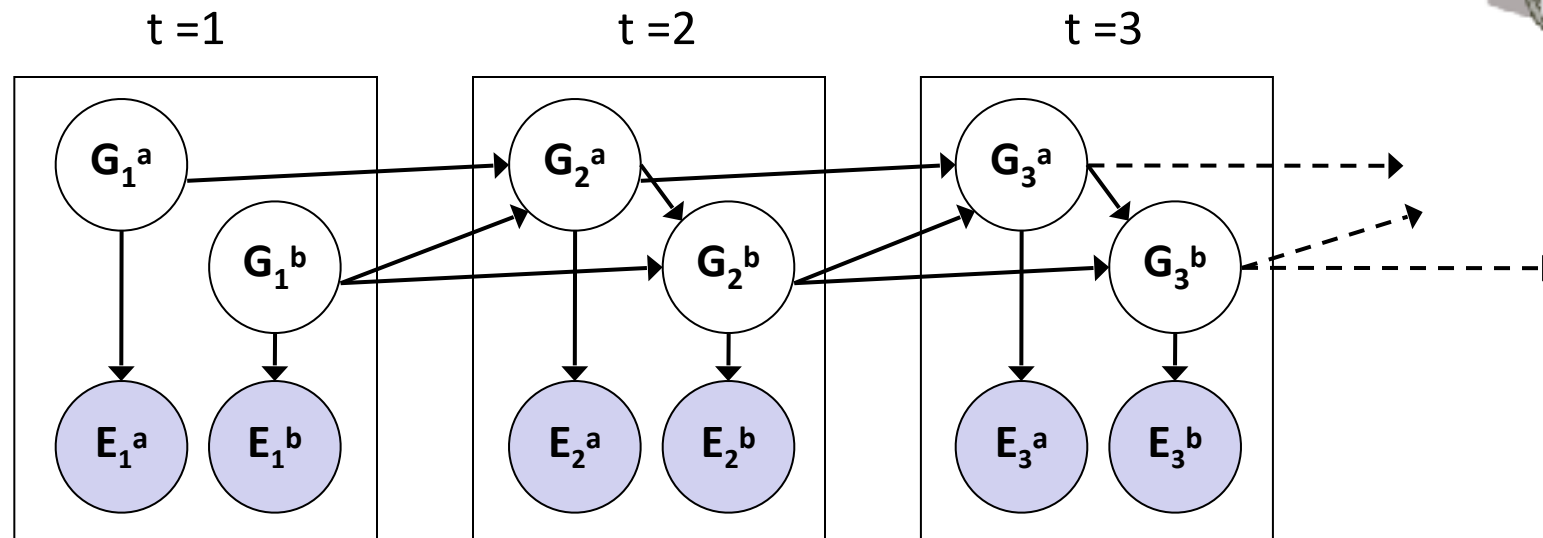


Dynamic Bayes Nets



Dynamic Bayes Nets (DBNs)

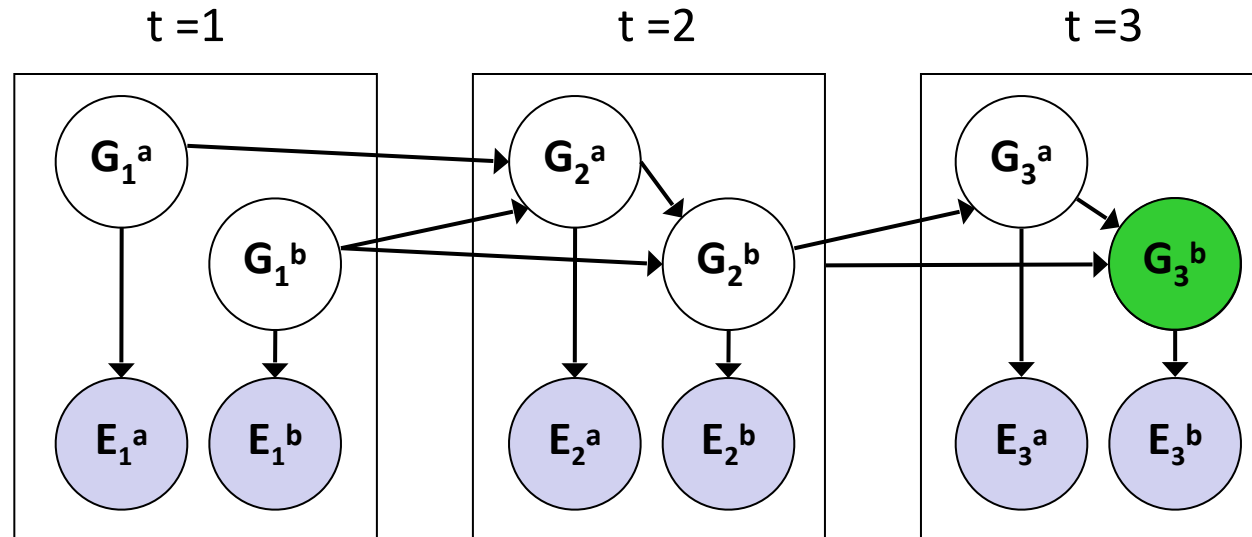
- We want to track multiple variables over time, using multiple sources of evidence
- Idea: Repeat a fixed Bayes net structure at each time
- Variables from time t can condition on those from $t-1$



- Dynamic Bayes nets are a generalization of HMMs

Exact Inference in DBNs

- Variable elimination applies to dynamic Bayes nets
- Procedure: “unroll” the network for T time steps, then eliminate variables until $P(X_T | e_{1:T})$ is computed



- Online belief updates: Eliminate all variables from the previous time step; store factors for current time only

DBN Particle Filters

- A particle is a complete sample for a time step
- **Initialize:** Generate prior samples for the $t=1$ Bayes net
 - Example particle: $\mathbf{G}_1^a = (3,3)$ $\mathbf{G}_1^b = (5,3)$
- **Elapse time:** Sample a successor for each particle
 - Example successor: $\mathbf{G}_2^a = (2,3)$ $\mathbf{G}_2^b = (6,3)$
- **Observe:** Weight each entire sample by the likelihood of the evidence conditioned on the sample
 - Likelihood: $P(\mathbf{E}_1^a | \mathbf{G}_1^a) * P(\mathbf{E}_1^b | \mathbf{G}_1^b)$
- **Resample:** Select samples (tuples of values) in proportion to their likelihood (weight)

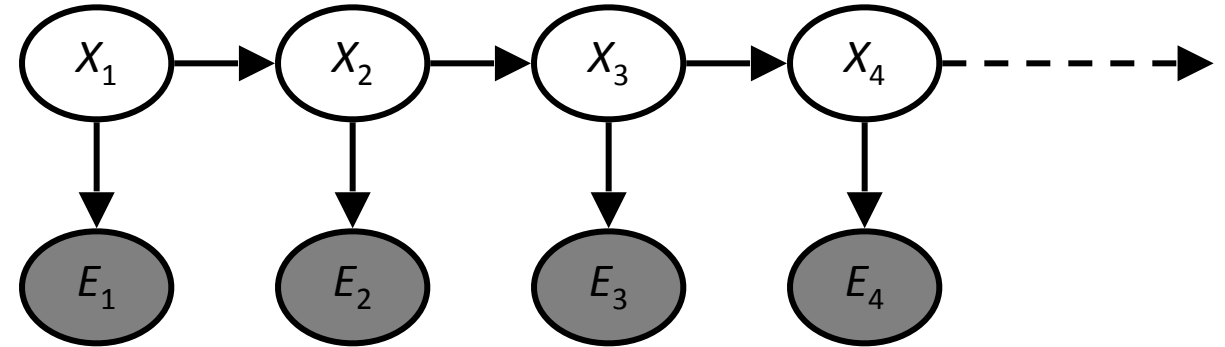
Most Likely Explanation



HMMs: MLE Queries

- HMMs defined by

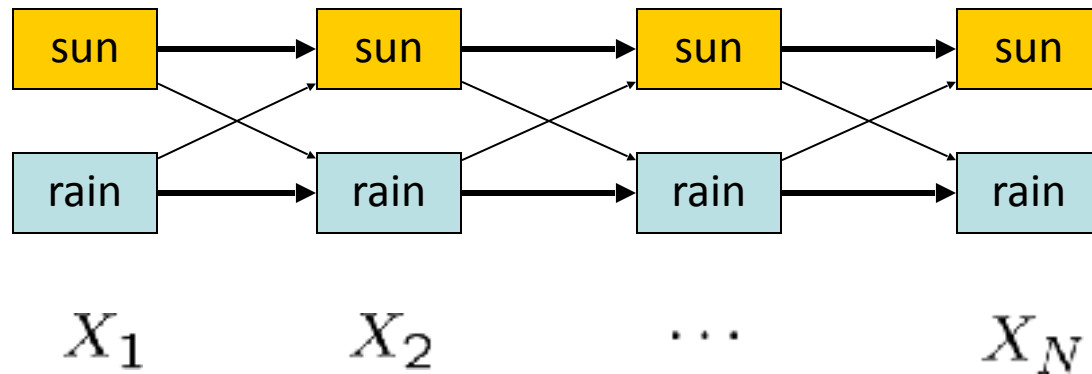
- States X
- Observations E
- Initial distribution: $P(X_1)$
- Transitions: $P(X|X_{-1})$
- Emissions: $P(E|X)$



- New query: most likely explanation: $\arg \max_{x_{1:t}} P(x_{1:t}|e_{1:t})$
- New method: the Viterbi algorithm
- Question: Why not just apply filtering and predict most likely value of each variable separately?

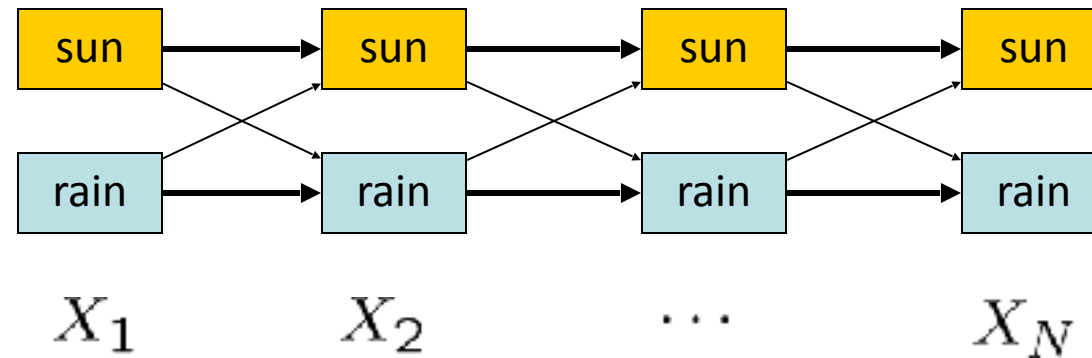
State Trellis

- State trellis: graph of states and transitions over time



- Each arc represents some transition $x_{t-1} \rightarrow x_t$
- Each arc has weight $P(x_t|x_{t-1})P(e_t|x_t)$
- Each path is a sequence of states
- The product of weights on a path is that sequence's probability along with the evidence
- Forward algorithm computes sums of all paths to each node, Viterbi computes best paths
- Exponentially many paths, but dynamic programming can find best path in linear time!

Forward / Viterbi Algorithms



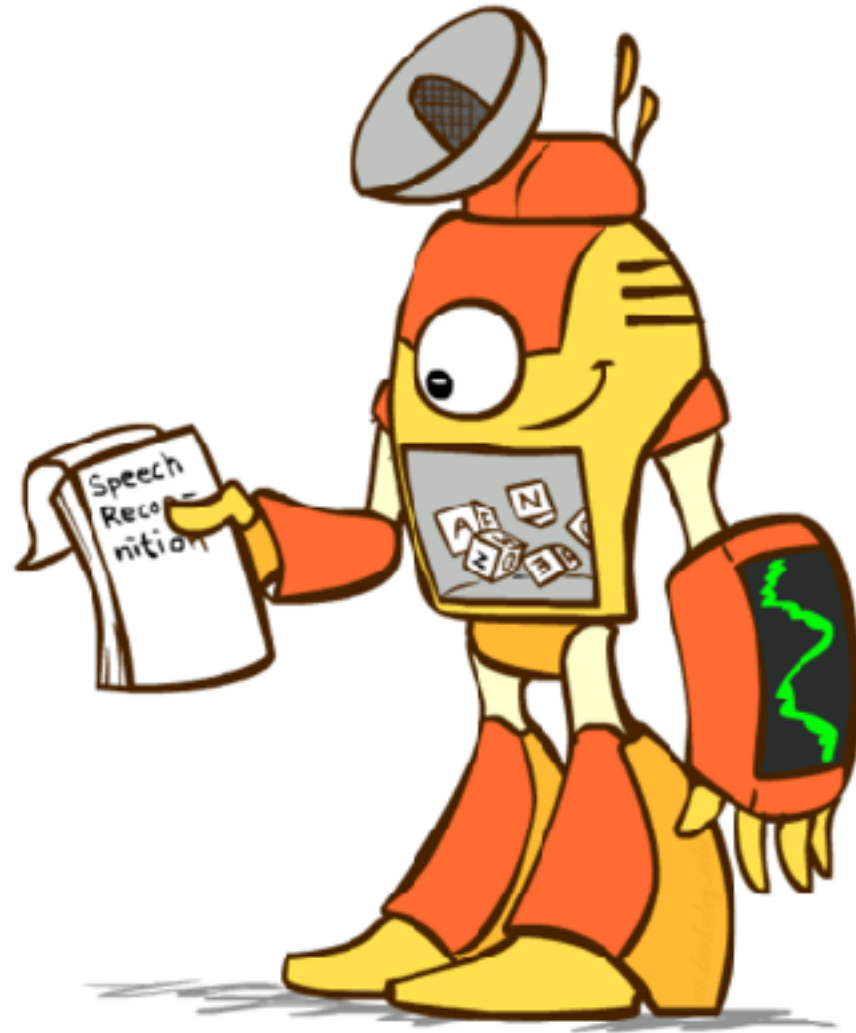
Forward Algorithm (Sum)

$$\begin{aligned} f_t[x_t] &= P(x_t, e_{1:t}) \\ &= P(e_t|x_t) \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t|x_{t-1}) f_{t-1}[x_{t-1}] \end{aligned}$$

Viterbi Algorithm (Max)

$$\begin{aligned} m_t[x_t] &= \max_{x_{1:t-1}} P(x_{1:t-1}, x_t, e_{1:t}) \\ &= P(e_t|x_t) \max_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t|x_{t-1}) m_{t-1}[x_{t-1}] \end{aligned}$$

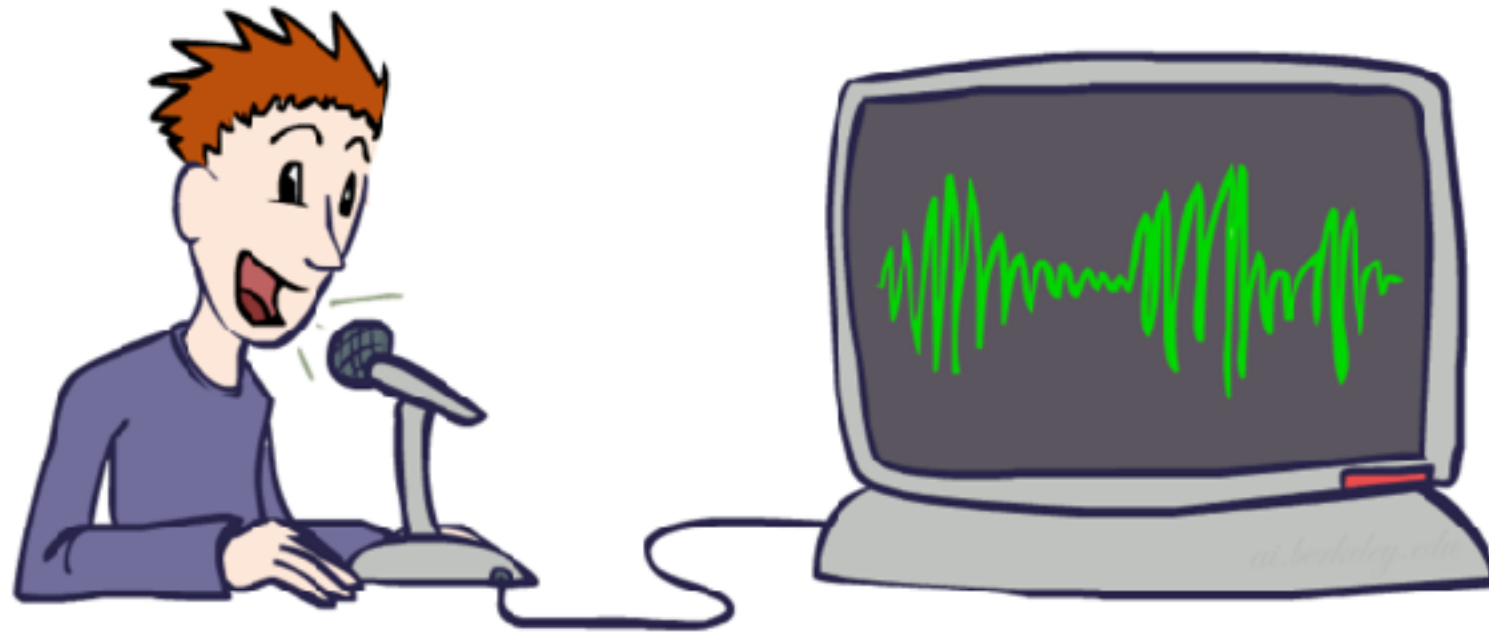
Speech Recognition



Speech Recognition in Action

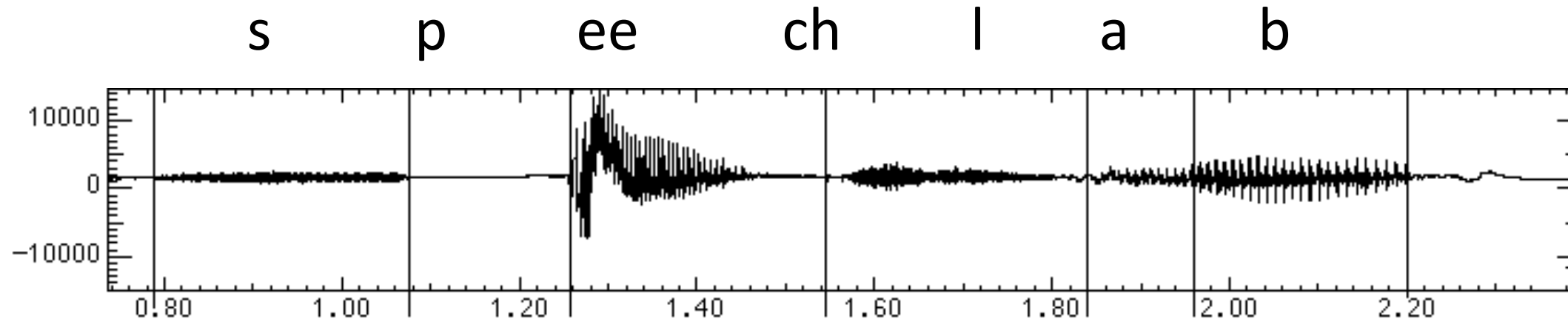


Digitizing Speech



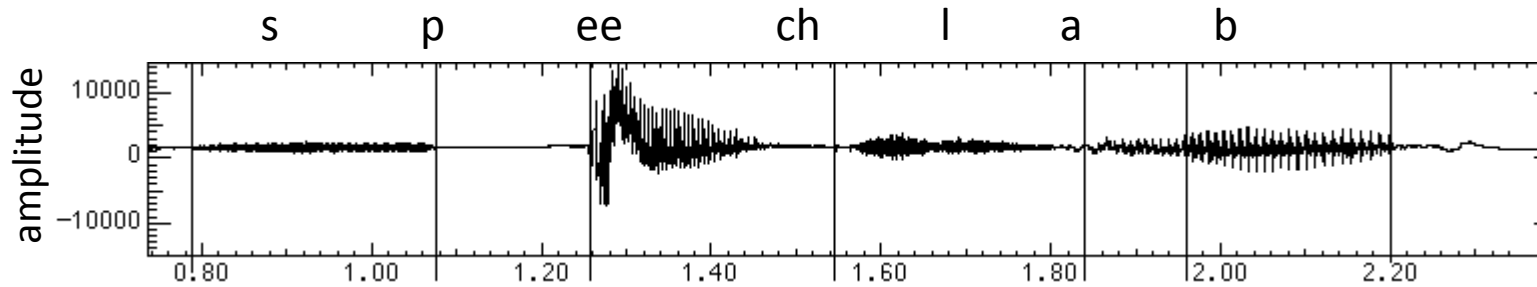
Speech waveforms

- Speech input is an acoustic waveform

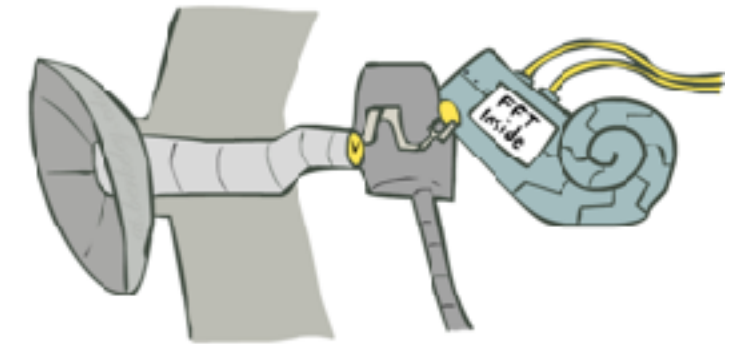
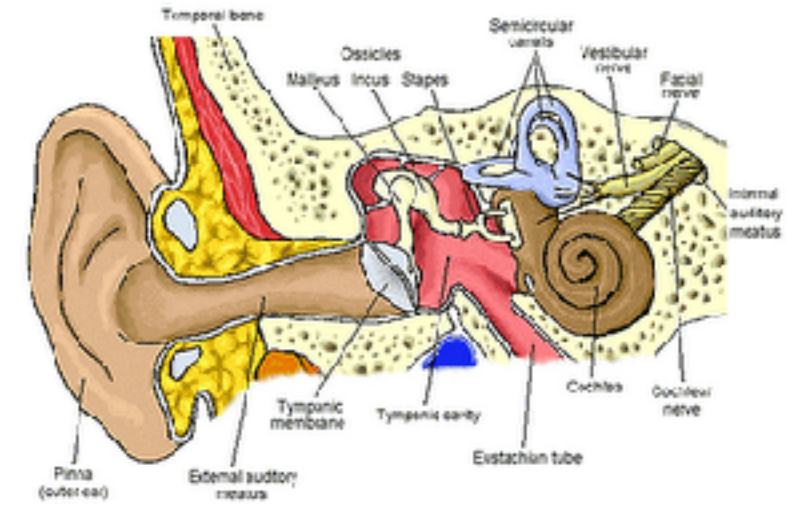
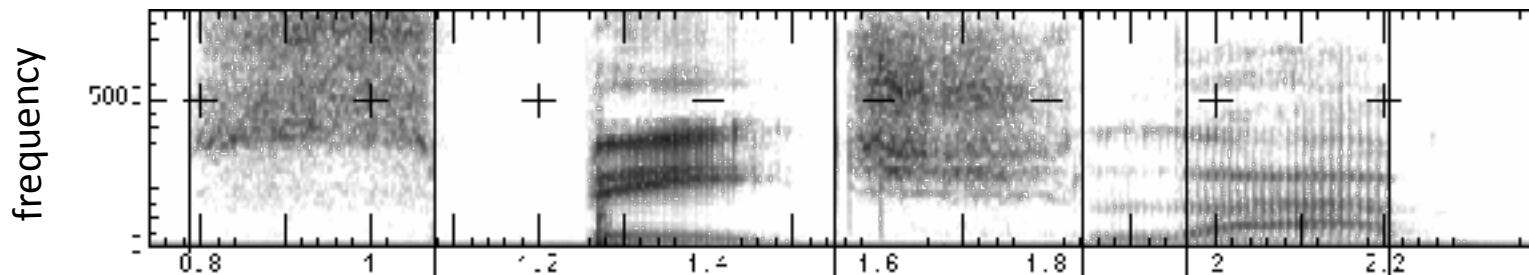


Spectral Analysis

- Frequency gives pitch; amplitude gives volume
 - Sampling at ~8 kHz (phone), ~16 kHz (mic) (kHz=1000 cycles/sec)

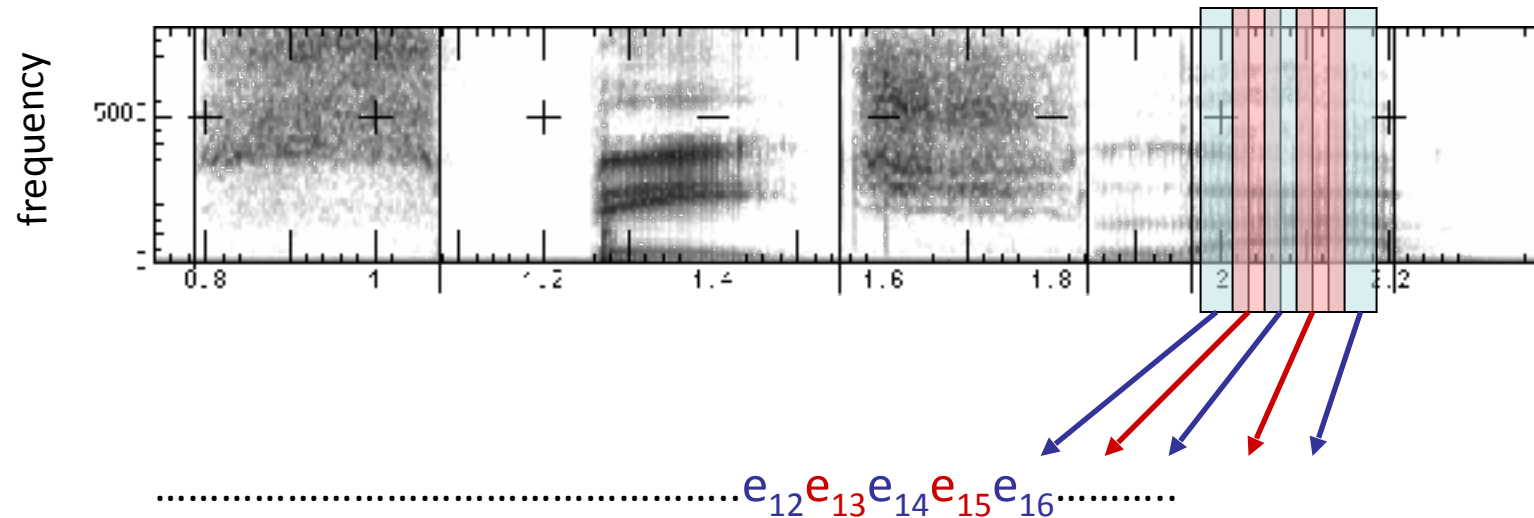


- Fourier transform of wave displayed as a spectrogram
 - Darkness indicates energy at each frequency



Acoustic Feature Sequence

- Time slices are translated into acoustic feature vectors (~39 real numbers per slice)



- These are the observations E , now we need the hidden states X

Speech State Space

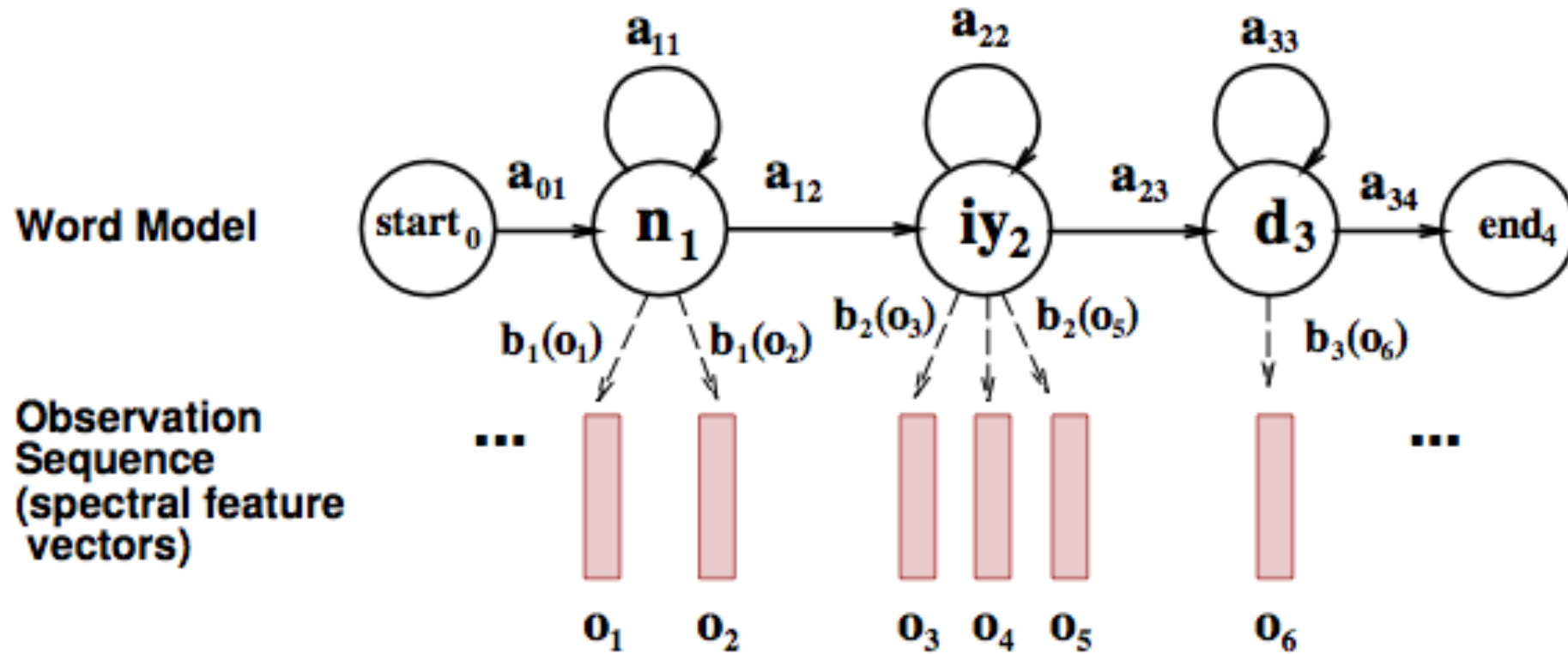
■ HMM Specification

- $P(E|X)$ encodes which acoustic vectors are appropriate for each phoneme (each kind of sound)
- $P(X|X')$ encodes how sounds and words can be strung together

■ State Space

- We will have one state for each sound in each word
- Mostly, states advance sound by sound
- Build a little state graph for each word and chain them together to form the state space X

States in a Word



Transitions with a Bigram Model

Training Counts

198015222	the first
194623024	the same
168504105	the following
158562063	the world
...	
14112454	the door

23135851162	the *

$$\hat{P}(\text{door}|\text{the}) = \frac{14112454}{23135851162}$$
$$= 0.0006$$

Decoding (Viterbi)

- Finding the words given the acoustics is an HMM inference problem
- Which state sequence $x_{1:T}$ is most likely given the evidence $e_{1:T}$?

$$x_{1:T}^* = \arg \max_{x_{1:T}} P(x_{1:T}|e_{1:T}) = \arg \max_{x_{1:T}} P(x_{1:T}, e_{1:T})$$

- From the sequence x , we can simply read off the words

