

# CS 378 Lecture 10

Today

= Review HMMs

- Viterbi Algorithm

- Beam search

- If time: revisit POS tagging

Announcements

- A2 due tonight

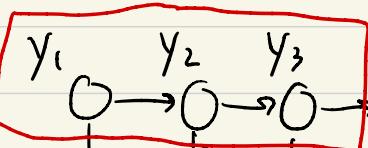
- A3 out tonight

Recap HMMs: sequence model

tag  $\bar{y}$ ,  $y_i \in T$  words  $\bar{x}$ ,  $x_i \in V$

$$P(\bar{y}, \bar{x}) = P(y_1) P(x_1 | y_1) P(y_2 | y_1) P(x_2 | y_2)$$

$$P(y_3 | y_2) P(x_3 | y_3) \dots P(\text{STOP} | y_n)$$



Markov process

Params: start probs  $P(y_1)$   
 transitions  $P(y_i | y_{i-1})$   
 emissions  $P(x_i | y_i)$

## Inference in HMMs

Given  $\bar{x}$ . Want to return most likely  $\bar{y}$

$$\underset{\bar{y}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \ P(\bar{y} | \bar{x})$$

① argmax over an exponentially large space  
 $|Y|^n$

② we don't have  $P(\bar{y} | \bar{x})$

$$\Rightarrow = \underset{Y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{P(\bar{y} | \bar{x}) P(\bar{x})}{P(\bar{x})} = \underset{\bar{Y}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{P(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{P(\bar{x})}$$

$$P(\bar{x}) = \sum_{\bar{Y}} P(\bar{y}, \bar{x}) \quad \text{prob. of the sent.}$$

const. w.r.t.  $\bar{Y}$

$$\Rightarrow \underset{\bar{Y}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \ P(\bar{y}, \bar{x})$$

$$\underset{\bar{y}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \log P(\bar{y}, \bar{x}) =$$

$$\underset{\tilde{y}_1, \dots, \tilde{y}_n}{\operatorname{argmax}} \log P(\tilde{y}_1) + \log P(x_1 | \tilde{y}_1) + \\ \log P(\tilde{y}_2 | \tilde{y}_1) + \log P(x_2 | \tilde{y}_2) + \dots$$

Ex log probs for HMM

$$S = \begin{matrix} N: & -1 \\ V: & -1 \end{matrix} \quad T = \begin{matrix} N & V & STOP \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \\ V & -1 & -1 & -2 \end{matrix}$$

$$E = \begin{matrix} N & \text{they} & \text{can} & \text{fish} \\ -1 & -3 & -1 \end{matrix}$$

$$P(x_i | y_i) \quad V \quad -3 \quad -1 \quad -1$$

they can fish What is the most likely tag seq?

NVV  
NVN

NNV  
NNN

..

-1 -1 -1 -2  
init + + +

N V V STOP total log prob: -8

they can fish

e e e  
-1 -1 -1

-1 -1 -1 -1 log prob = -? ✓  
N V N STOP

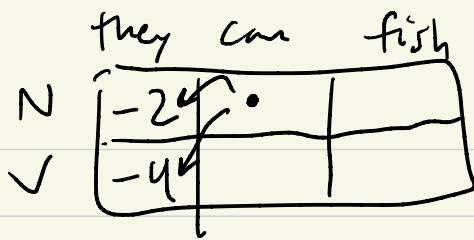
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-1 -1 -1

Viterbi Algorithm Dynamic programming

Define  $v_i(\tilde{y})$   $n \times |\mathcal{T}|$  matrix  
sent len

log prob of the best tag seq ending  
in  $\tilde{y}$  at step i



$v_i$

Initial:  $v_i(\tilde{y}) = \log P(x_i | \tilde{y}) + \log P(\tilde{y})$

Recurrent: We can figure out scores for step  $i$  using scores from step  $i-1$

$$v_i(\tilde{y}) = \log P(x_i | \tilde{y}) + \max_{\tilde{y}_{prev}} \left[ \log P(\tilde{y} | \tilde{y}_{prev}) + v_{i-1}(\tilde{y}_{prev}) \right]$$

Viterbi for  $i=1 \dots n$

for  $\tilde{y}$  in  $\tilde{\Sigma}$

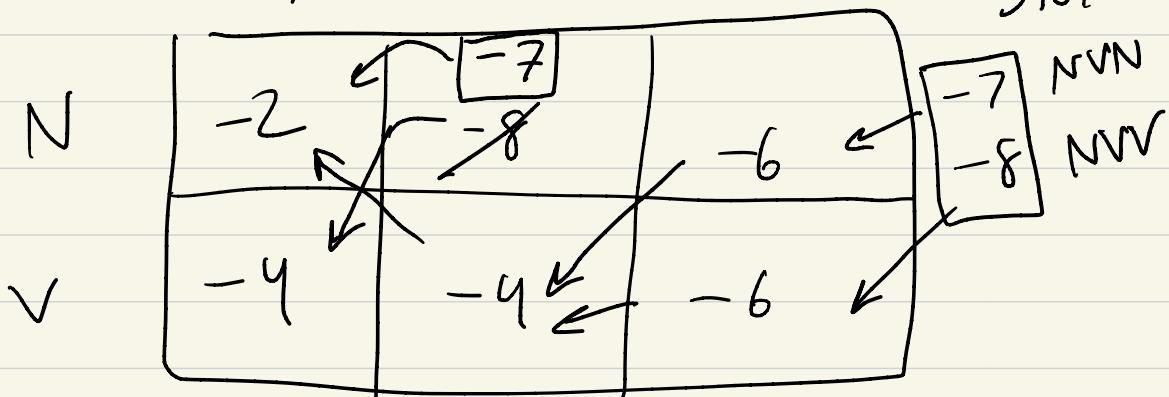
Compute  $v_i(\tilde{y})$  as above  
 Add STOP transition to end  
 Compute  $v_{n+1}(\text{STOP}) = \max_{\tilde{y}} \log P(\tilde{y}, \tilde{x})$

Track "backpointers" to reconstruct sequence

Ex

they can fish

STOP



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$$E = \begin{matrix} N & \text{they can fish} \\ V & -1 & -3 & -1 \\ & -3 & -1 & -1 \end{matrix}$$

$$V_2(N) = \log P(\text{can}|N) \rightarrow 3$$

$$+ \max_{Y_{\text{prev}}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N: \log P(N|N) + V_1(N) \\ V: \log P(N|V) + V_1(V) \end{array} \right.$$

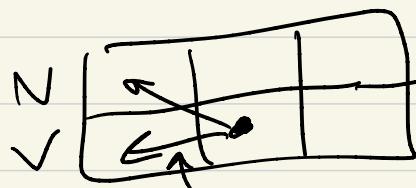
-5	-1	-4
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## Getting 2nd best

New example

① N V N

② V V N



2nd best

Recovering k-best list is hard!  
n-best

## Beam Search

Viterbi:  $O(n |\mathcal{T}|^2)$  slow if  $|\mathcal{T}|$  is big

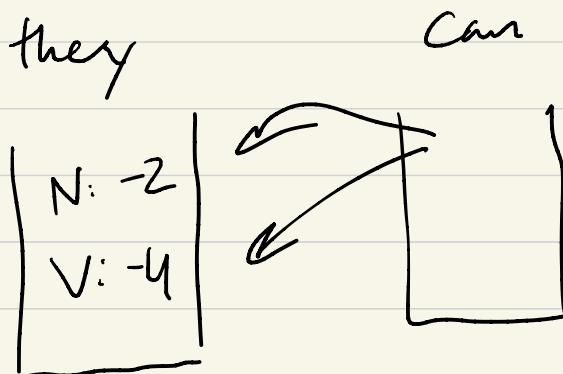
they can fish

N	-2	*
V	-4	*
P	-20	*
CC	-20	*
.	-20	*
\$	-20	*
:	-20	*
		bad

Most transitions  
Suck

most words  
can't take  
most tags

Beam search: only keep top  $K$  scoring states in each column  
 $v_i$  of Viterbi chart



only 2 prev options, not  $|T|$

beam size = 2  
 everything not  
 in top 2 gets  
 kicked out

Cnn: N  
 ✓  
 P  
 CC  
 •  
 \$

$O(|T|)$   
 tags to check,  
 but only  $K$  far

$O(n|T|^2)$

;  $y_{\text{prev}}$

$\Rightarrow O(n|T|K)$   
 (but approximate!)

"sort of"  
 -  $\log K$  from dealing with priority queue