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(Example from Prof. Jurafsky's book)

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- $S=\left\{s_{1} \ldots s_{N}\right\}, N$ states (2 states: cold or hot)
- $A=a_{11} \ldots a_{i j} \ldots a_{N N}$, transition probabilities (e.g. cold $\rightarrow$ hot?)
- $B=b_{i}\left(o_{t}\right)$, emission probabilities (e.g. 3 ice creams $\rightarrow$ hot?)
- $\pi=\left\{\pi_{1} \ldots \pi_{N}\right\}$, initial probabilities (e.g. start $\rightarrow$ hot?)


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Then add them all together...

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Forward Algorithm does this in $O\left(N^{2} T\right)$ via dynamic programming!

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Formally, for each cell $\alpha_{t}(j)$ in our lattice structure, we compute

$$
\alpha_{t}(j)=\sum_{i}^{N} \alpha_{t-1}(i) a_{i j} b_{j}\left(o_{t}\right)
$$

and the probability of sequence 313 is at the end

$$
P(O \mid \lambda)=\sum_{i}^{N} \alpha_{T}(i)
$$

# Hidden Markov Model (HMM) Review 

Relating back to Lecture

## The Problem of Filtering



Problem of Filtering: what is the distribution of a hidden state $H_{i}$ based on the observations aka evidence ( $E$ in lecture) so far? Check your understanding: what is the distribution of $q_{2}$ in the ice cream example given observations $O: o_{1}=3$ and $o_{2}=1$ ?

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## The Problem of Smoothing



Problem of Smoothing: what is the distribution of a hidden state $H_{i}$ based ALL observations aka evidence from start to end?
Forward Algorithm is not enough! What if hypothetically a later transition is 0 ?

## The Problem of Smoothing



For Smoothing, need Forward AND Backward passes!

- Forward: compute $\alpha_{t}(i)$ or $F$ from lecture.
- Backward: compute $\beta_{t}(i)$ or $B$ from lecture.
- Define $S=F B$, that is for each cell in the lattice, multiply the forward and backward results together.

What happens now if there is a 0 along the backward pass?

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$P\left(q_{2}=C \mid O\right)=\frac{0.069 * 0.03}{0.0404 * 0.02+0.069 * 0.03}$
Check back on the lecture slides to make sure you see the parallel!

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Particle Filtering

## Motivation for Particle Filtering



For $T$ observations and $N$ possible states (i.e. $\mid$ domain $\mid=N$ ), the Forward-Backward Algorithm is $O\left(2 * N^{2} T\right) \rightarrow O\left(N^{2} T\right)$.

This can still be slow if $N$ is large! Or consider if the domain is based on a continuous function, e.g. instead of just hot or cold, we have to consider a spectrum of floating point temperatures $[0,100]$.

## Particle Filtering



Big idea of Particle Filtering: introduce sampling!

1. First, we propose assignments aka particles to each hidden state by sampling from the transition probabilities.

Example: proposing a value for $q_{1}$ involves sampling from $P(H \mid$ start $)=0.8$ and $P(C \mid$ start $)=0.2$, i.e. we have an $80 \%$ chance to pick hot, $20 \%$ chance to pick cold.

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## Now to resample, we have the distribution:

- $P\left(q_{1} \rightarrow H\right)=\frac{0.2}{0.2+0.2+0.5}$
- $P\left(q_{1} \rightarrow H\right)=\frac{0.2}{0.2+0.2+0.5}$
- $P\left(q_{1} \rightarrow C\right)=\frac{0.5}{0.2+0.2+0.5}$

Notice how even though our initial proposal had a higher chance to pick $q_{1}=H$, we now have a higher chance to get $q_{1}=C$ !
The resampling takes into account the observations!

## Particle Filtering



Suppose after all that, we have new assignments for our 3 particles: $q_{1}=C, q_{1}=C, q_{1}=H \ldots$
And repeated the propose process for $q_{2}$ to get: $\left(q_{1}, q_{2}\right)=(C, H)$; $\left(q_{1}, q_{2}\right)=(C, C) ;\left(q_{1}, q_{2}\right)=(H, C)$ with $o_{2}=3 \ldots$

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And the resample process then samples from the above 3 options, that is:

- $\left(q_{1}, q_{2}\right)=(C, H)$ has a $4 / 6$ chance of being picked.
- The other two each have a $1 / 6$ chance of being picked.

And so a possible resampling result might yield the particles: $\left(q_{1}, q_{2}\right)=(C, H),(C, H)$, and $(C, C)$.
And you'd repeat the process with $q_{3} \ldots$

