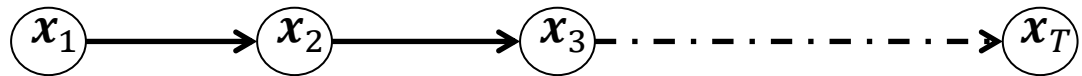


Hidden Markov Models (HMM)

Devise algorithms for computing the posteriors on a Markov Chain with hidden variables (HMM).

Markov Chains with Discrete Random Variables



Let's assume we have discrete random variables (e.g., taking 3 discrete values $\mathbf{x}_t = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$)

Markov Property: $p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$

$$\text{e.g. } p\left(\mathbf{x}_t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

Stationary, Homogeneous or Time-Invariant if the distribution $p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$ does not depend on t

Markov Chains with Discrete Random Variables

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) = p(\mathbf{x}_1) \prod_{t=2}^T p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

What do we need in order to describe the whole procedure?

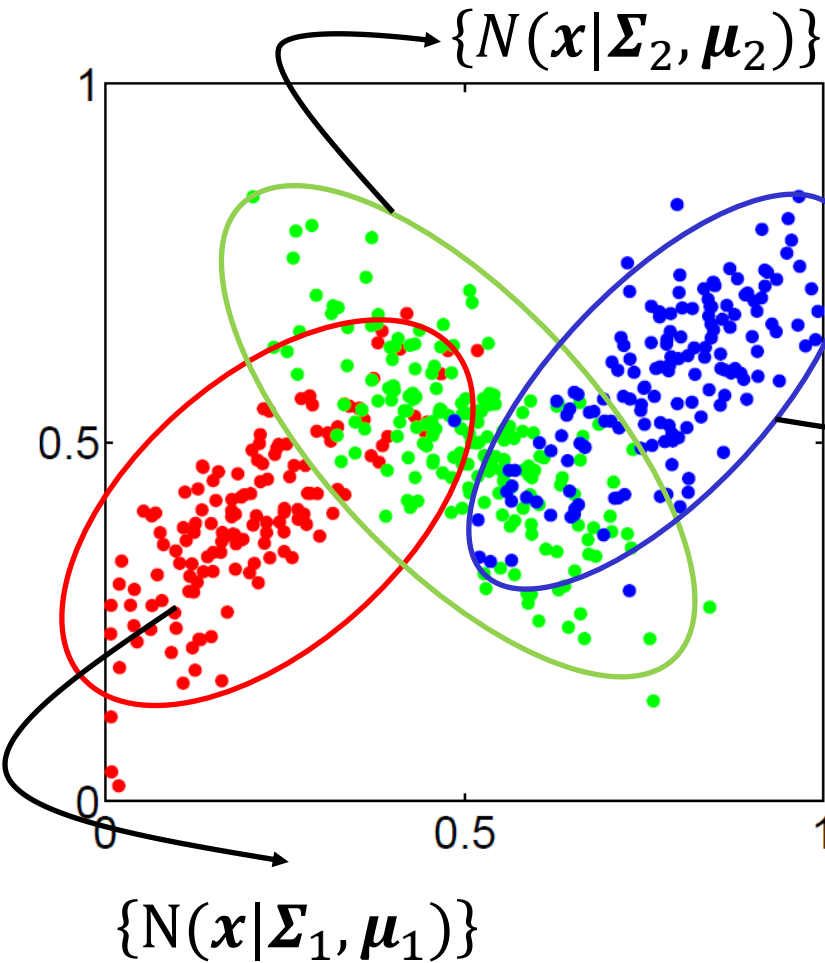
- (1) A probability for the first frame/timestamp etc $p(\mathbf{x}_1)$. In order to define the probability we need to define the vector $\boldsymbol{\pi} = (\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_K)$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1 | \boldsymbol{\pi}) = \prod_{c=1}^K \pi_c^{x_{1c}}$$

- (2) A transition probability $p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1})$. In order to define it we need a $K \times K$ transition matrix $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{A}) = \prod_{j=1}^K \prod_{k=1}^K a_{jk}^{x_{t-1j} x_{tk}}$$

Latent Variables

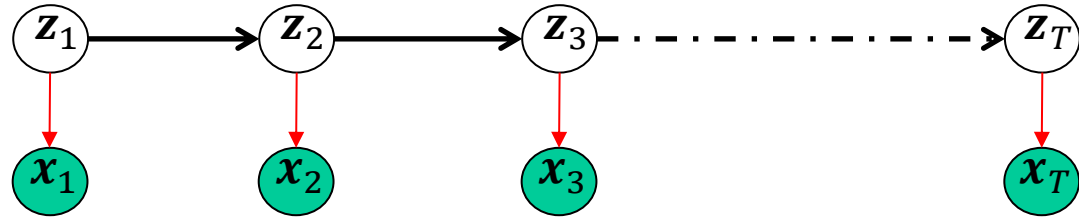
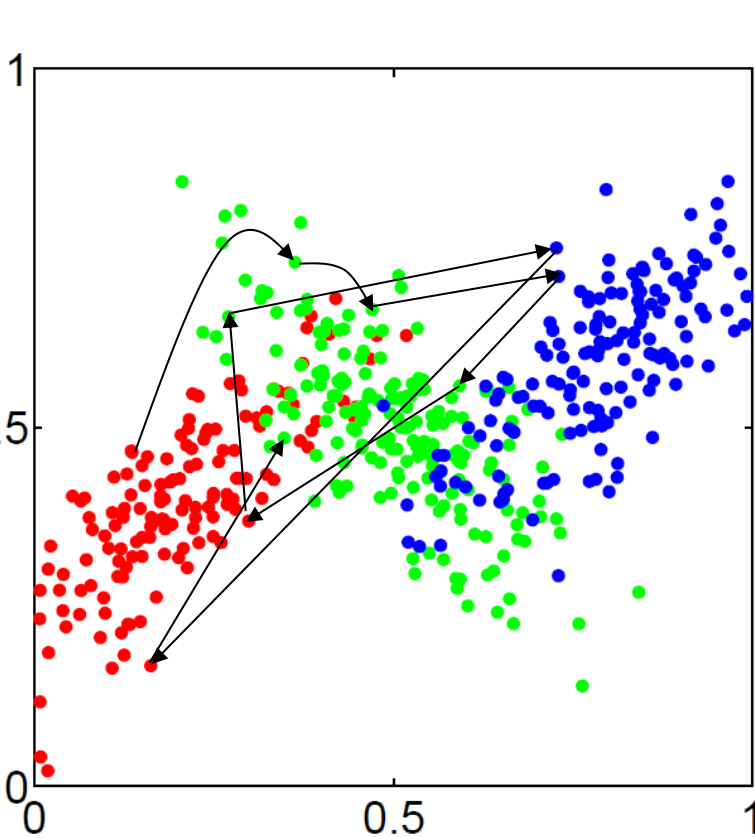


$$\{N(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3, \boldsymbol{\mu}_3)\}$$

$$\mathbf{z}_t = \begin{bmatrix} z_{t1} \\ z_{t2} \\ z_{t3} \end{bmatrix} \in \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}|\theta) &= p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T, \mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \dots, \mathbf{z}_T|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{t=1}^T p(\mathbf{x}_t|\mathbf{z}_t, \theta_x) \prod_{t=1}^T p(\mathbf{z}_t|\theta_z) \end{aligned}$$

Latent Variables in a Markov Chain



$$p(\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_T) = p(\mathbf{z}_1) \prod_{t=2}^T p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \theta) &= p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T, \mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \dots, \mathbf{z}_T | \theta) \\ &= \prod_{t=1}^T p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t, \theta_x) p(\mathbf{z}_1) \prod_{t=2}^T p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Hidden Markov Models

A casino has two dice (our latent variable is probably the dice 😊)

$$\mathbf{z} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

One is fair and one is not

Each die has 6 sides.

$$\mathbf{x} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(1) Fair die $p(x_j = 1 | z_1 = 1) = \frac{1}{6}$ for all $j = \{1, \dots, 6\}$

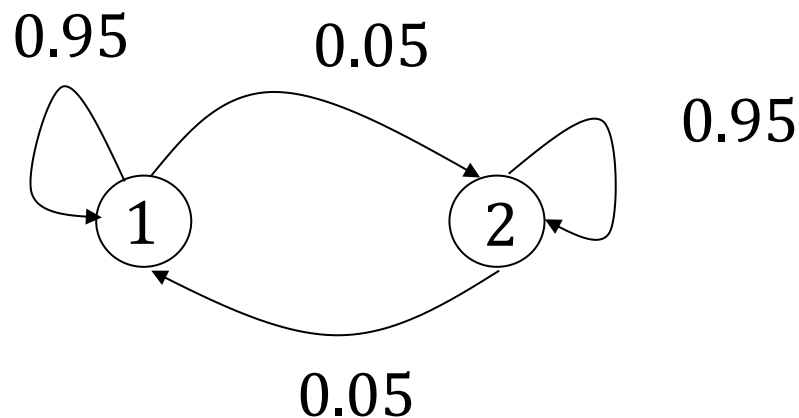
(2) Loaded die $p(x_j = 1 | z_2 = 1) = \frac{1}{10}$ for $j = \{1, \dots, 5\}$ and

$p(x_6 = 6 | z_2 = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$ Emission probability

Hidden Markov Models

A casino player switches back & forth between fair and loaded die once every 20 turns

$$\text{(i.e., } p(z_{t+1} = 1 | z_t = 1) = p(z_{t+1} = 2 | z_t = 2) = 0.95)$$



Hidden Markov Models

Given a string of observations and the above model:

664153216162115234653214356634261655234232315142464156663246

(1) We want to find for a timestamp t the probabilities of each die given the observations **that far**.

This process is called Filtering: $p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)$

(2) We want to find for a timestamp t the probabilities of each die given **the whole string**.

This process is called Smoothing: $p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$

Hidden Markov Models

(3) Given the observation string find the string of hidden variables that maximize the posterior.

This process is called Decoding (Viterbi).

$$\arg \max_{y_1 \dots y_t} p(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)$$

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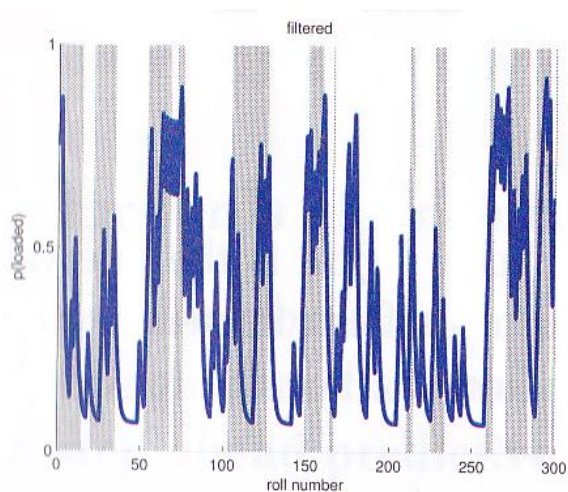
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(4) Find the probability of the model.

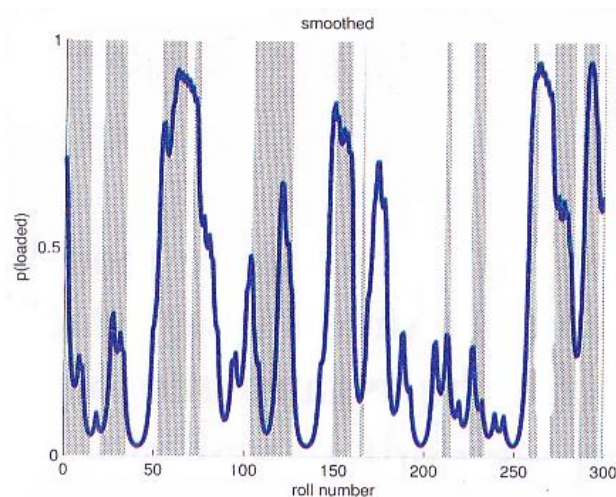
This process is called Evaluation

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$$

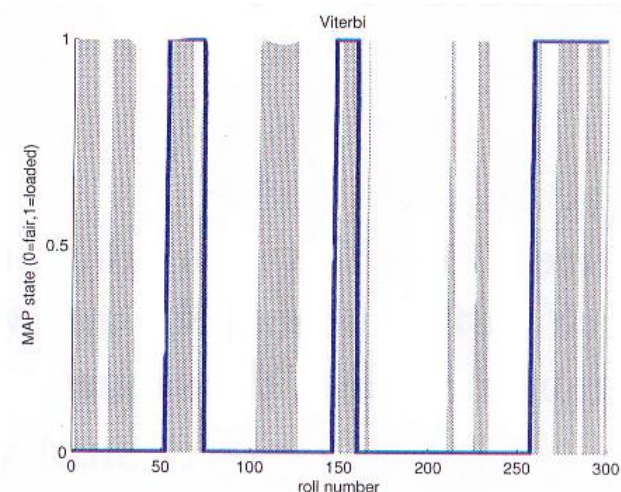
Hidden Markov Models



Filtering



Smoothing



Decoding

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Hidden Markov Models

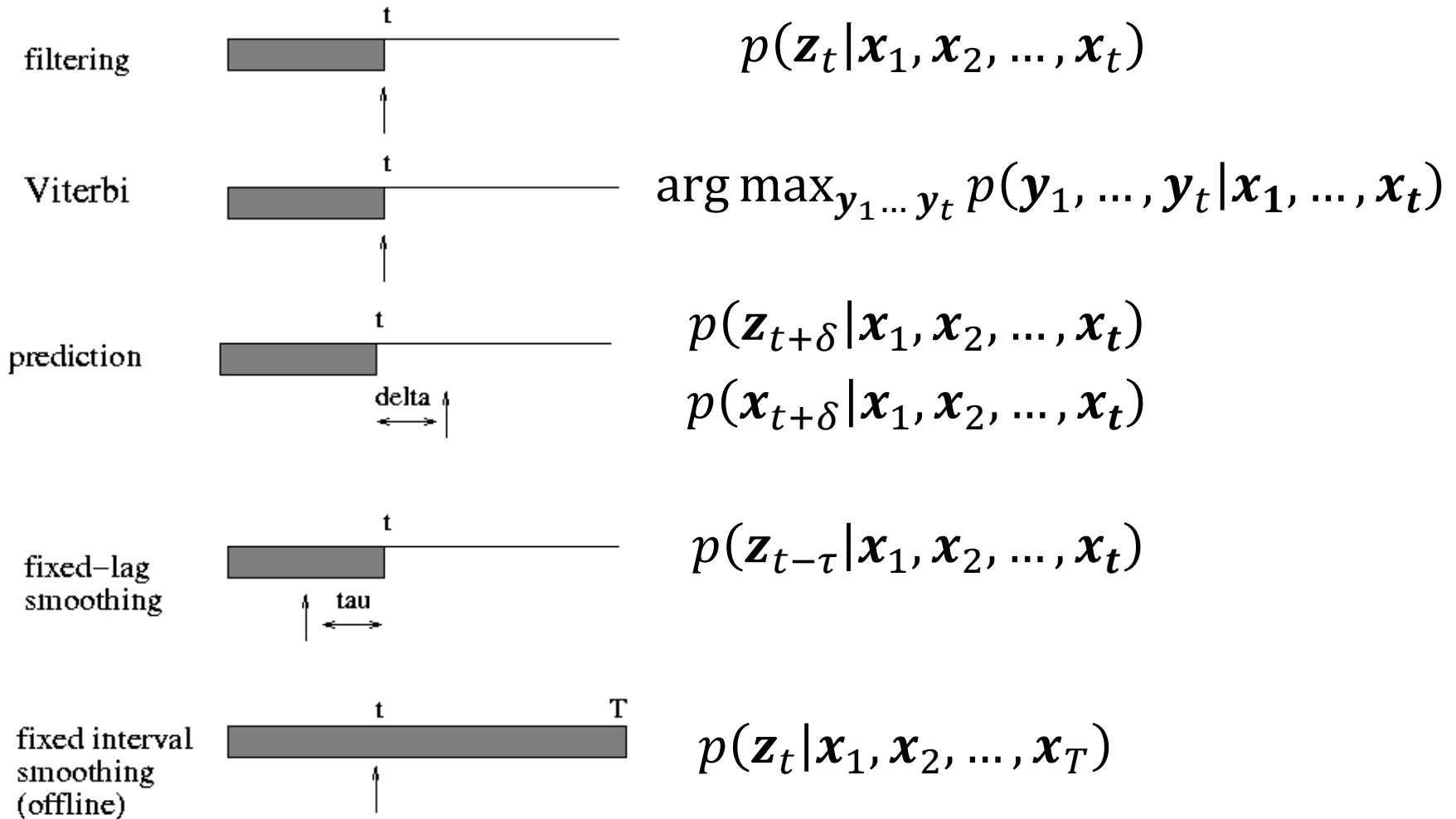
(5) Prediction

$$p(\mathbf{z}_{t+\delta} | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) \quad p(\mathbf{x}_{t+\delta} | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)$$

(6) Parameter estimation (Baum-Welch algorithm)

$$A, \pi, \theta$$

Hidden Markov Models



Hidden Markov Models

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t) = p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t) = p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) = p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1})$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t, \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) = p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t+1})$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+2}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}, \mathbf{x}_{t+1}) = p(\mathbf{x}_{t+2}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t+1})$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) = p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1})p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{z}_{T+1} | \mathbf{z}_T, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) = p(\mathbf{z}_{T+1} | \mathbf{z}_T)$$

Filtering and smoothing

Filtering: $p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)$ Smoothing: $p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} \\ &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} \\ &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} \\ &= \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{z}_t) \beta(\mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} \end{aligned}$$

Forward Probabilities

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(\mathbf{z}_t) &= p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t, \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1})\end{aligned}$$

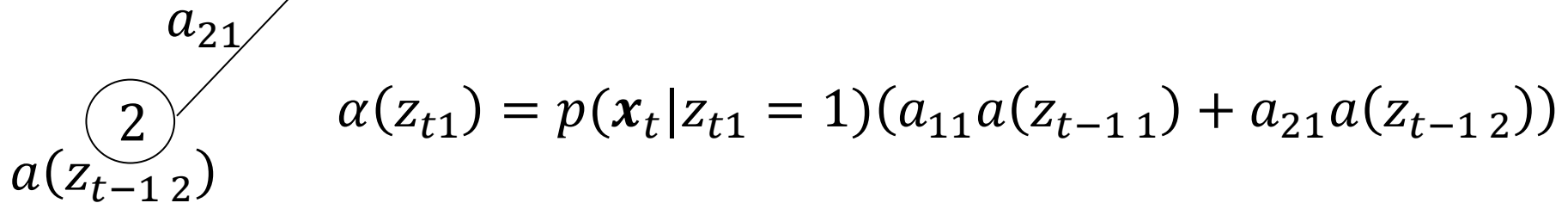
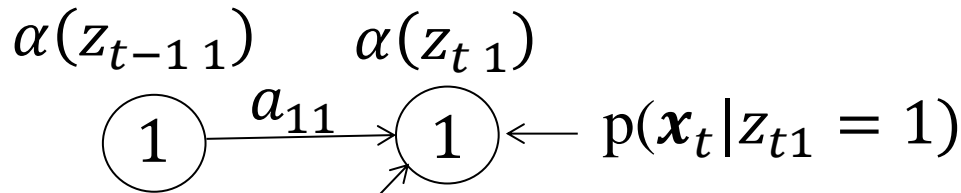
Forward Probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t-1}} \alpha(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

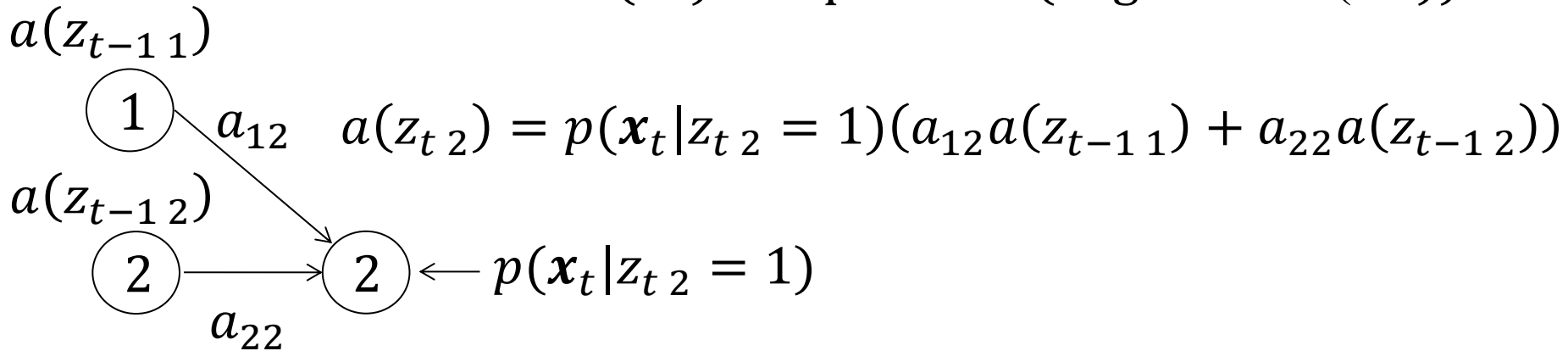
Recursive formula and initial condition $\alpha(\mathbf{z}_1)$

$$\alpha(\mathbf{z}_1) = p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{z}_1) = p(\mathbf{z}_1) p(\mathbf{x}_1 | \mathbf{z}_1) = \prod_{k=1}^2 \{\pi_k p(\mathbf{x}_1 | z_{1k})\}^{z_{1k}}$$

Forward Probabilities



In total $O(2^2)$ computation (in general $O(K^2)$)



Filtering

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} \alpha(\mathbf{z}_t) = \alpha(\mathbf{z}_{t1}) + \alpha(\mathbf{z}_{t2})!!$$

$$\text{Filtering } p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)} = \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{z}_t)}{\sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} \alpha(\mathbf{z}_t)} = \tilde{\alpha}(\mathbf{z}_t)$$

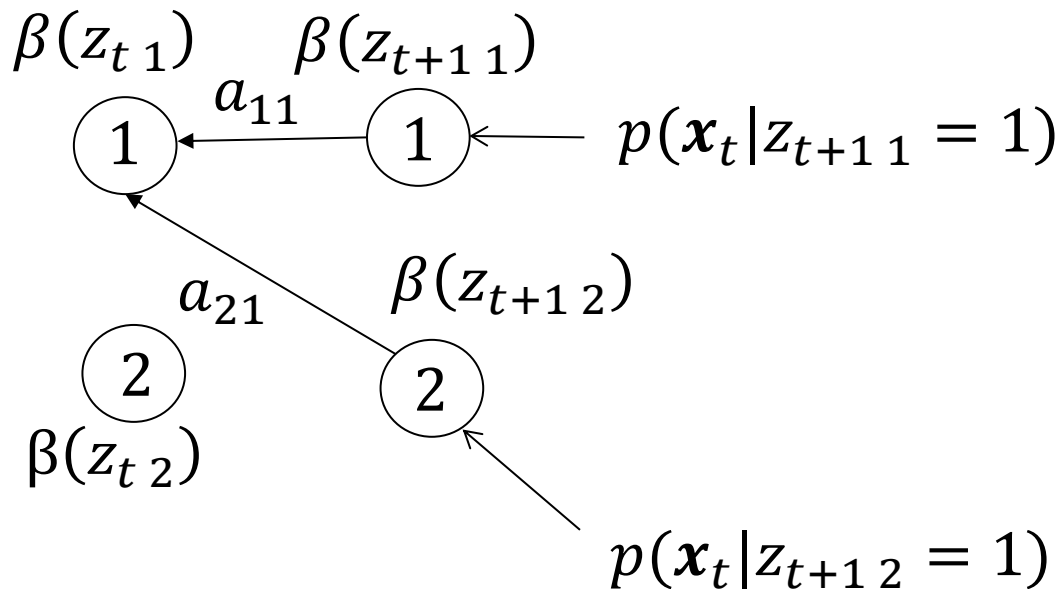
Evaluation: How can we compute $p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$?

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_T} p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T, \mathbf{z}_T) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_T} \alpha(\mathbf{z}_T)$$

Backward probabilities

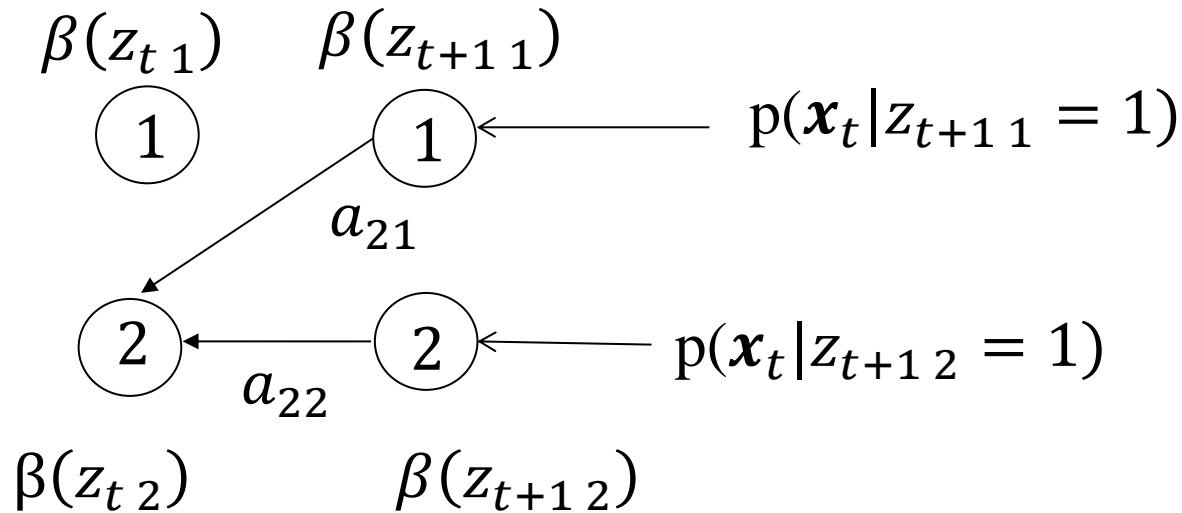
$$\begin{aligned}\beta(\mathbf{z}_t) &= p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T, \mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t, \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} p(\mathbf{x}_{t+2}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} \beta(\mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t)\end{aligned}$$

Computing Backward probabilities



$$\begin{aligned}\beta(z_{t,1}) &= \beta(z_{t+1,1})a_{11}p(\mathbf{x}_t | z_{t+1,1} = 1) \\ &\quad + \beta(z_{t+1,2})a_{12}p(\mathbf{x}_t | z_{t+1,2} = 1)\end{aligned}$$

Computing Backward probabilities



$$\beta(z_{t 2}) = \beta(z_{t+1 1})a_{21}p(\mathbf{x}_t | z_{t+1 1} = 1) + \beta(z_{t+1 2})a_{22}p(\mathbf{x}_t | z_{t+1 2} = 1)$$

$$p(\mathbf{z}_T | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T, \mathbf{z}_T)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} = \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{z}_T) * 1}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)} \Rightarrow \beta(\mathbf{z}_T) = 1$$

Prediction

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2} | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2}, \mathbf{z}_{t+1}, \mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2}, \mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2}, \mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \underbrace{p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)}_{\tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{z}_t)} \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+1}} \sum_{\mathbf{z}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2} | \mathbf{z}_{t+1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+1} | \mathbf{z}_t) \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{z}_t) \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}^T \tilde{\mathbf{a}} \end{aligned}$$

Prediction

and

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+2} | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{t+2}} p(\mathbf{x}_{t+2} | \mathbf{z}_{t+2}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t+2} | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t)$$

Smoothed transition

$$\xi(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) = p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$$

$$= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)}$$

$$= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1})}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}) p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{z}_t) p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}) \beta(\mathbf{z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)}$$

Parameter Estimation (Baum-Welch algorithm)

We need to define an EM algorithm

and we have all the necessary ingredients ☺

$$p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T) \quad p(\mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T)$$

Summary

We saw how to perform

- (a) Filtering
- (b) Smoothing
- (c) Evaluation
- (d) Prediction

Next we will see how to perform (e) EM and (f) Decoding