Machine Learning for Data Science (CS4786) Lecture 24

HMM Particle Filter

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REJECTION SAMPLING

Algorithm:

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For t = 1 to n (number of samples)
For i = 1 to N (number of variables in model)
Sample x_i^t \sim P(X_i | \text{Parents}(X_i) \text{ already sampled})
End For
End For
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Discard samples that do not match observations

Compute empirical frequencies

IMPORTANCE SAMPLING

- We really want to draw from distribution *P*.
- But we can only draw from distribution *Q* easily
- Trick:
 - Draw $x_1, \ldots, x_n \sim Q$
 - Re-weight each sample x_t by $P(X = x_t)/Q(X = x_t)$

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Likelihood weighting:

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For t = 1 to n (number of samples)

Set w_t = 1

For i = 1 to N (number of variables)

If X_i is observed,

Set w_t \leftarrow w_t \cdot P(X_i = x_i | \text{Parents}(X_i) = \text{ already sampled})

Set x_i^t = x_i (the observed value)

Else, sample x_i^t \sim P(X_i | \text{Parents}(X_i) = \text{ already sampled})

End For
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End For

Output,

 $P(\text{Variable} = \text{value}|\text{Observation}) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n} w_t \mathbf{1}\{\text{Variable} = \text{value}\}}{\sum_{t=1}^{n} w_t}$



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Can you catch the Bot? In time?



Xt's are what you hear (observation)

St's are the unseen locations (states)

Eg: for m x m grid we have, $K = m^2$ states Number of alphabets = # colors you can observe



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Use sampling to do approximate inference Number of samples $n << m^4$

Inference Question

• Can we compute (efficiently and approximately)

$$P(S_t|x_1,\ldots,x_{t-1})$$

 We cant afford too much time to compute since we need to move the bot in time


























































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We can do this sequentially!















































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Multiple samples simultaneously.

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- Problem: Too many samples have negligible weight!

























































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- Use new particles to proceed

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 - Hence fewer samples suffice

- Inference time only depends on number of samples
- Of course more the samples the better accuracy
- Often we don't need too many samples. Why ?

Gibbs Sampling

- Repeat n times for, n samples,
 - Start with arbitrary value for variables
 - Replace each variable by new sample from P(Variable| all other variables)
 - Go over all variables multiple times
 - Return final sample of the N variables

VARIATIONAL INFERENCE

- Basic idea: we want to infer *P*(Unobserved|Observed)
 We create a new parametric distribution *Q*_θ(Unobserved) where
 θ is picked based on Obervations
- We pick θ such that, Q_{θ} is close to P(Unobserved|Observed)
- Closeness measured using KL divergence
- Mean-field approximation,

$$Q_{\theta}(X_1,\ldots,X_m) = \prod_{j=1}^m Q_{\theta_j}(X_j)$$