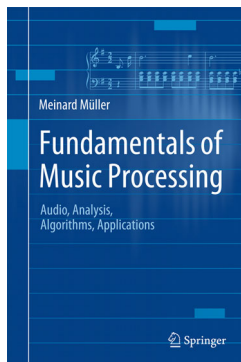


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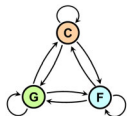
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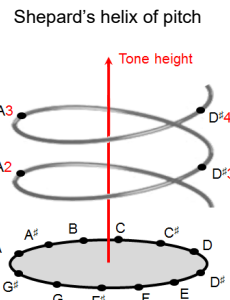
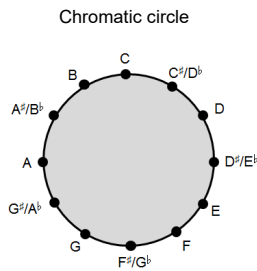
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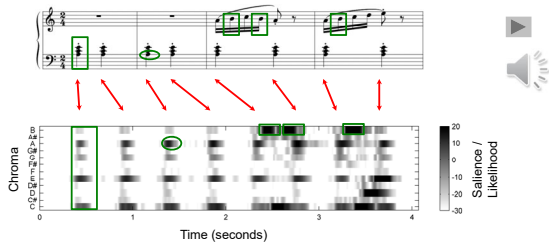
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Recall: Chroma Features

- Human perception of pitch is periodic
- Two components: **tone height** (octave) and **chroma** (pitch class)



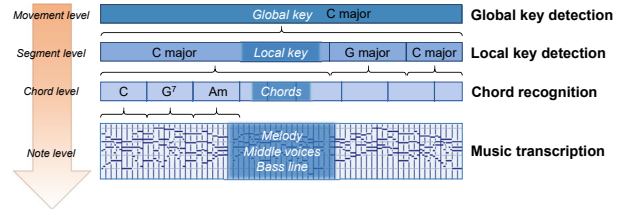
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→ capture harmonic progression

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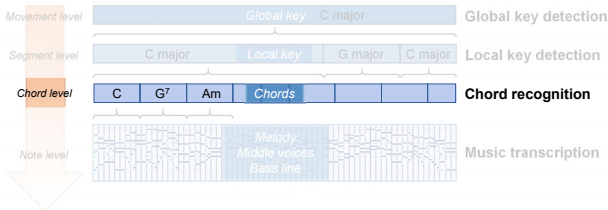
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Chord Recognition

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Let It Be chords
The Beatles 1970 (Let It Be)

[Intro]
C G Am F C G
F C Dm C

[Verse 1]
           C           G           Am           F
When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me
C           G           F C Dm C
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be

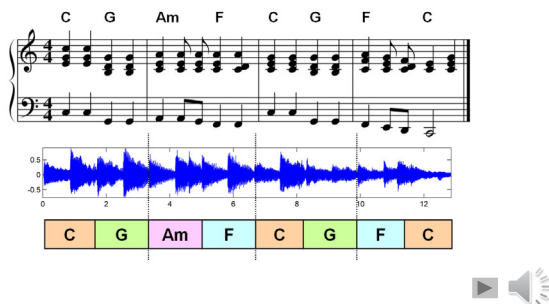
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[Chorus]
    
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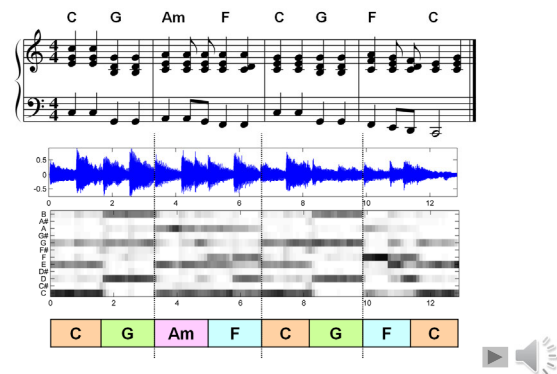


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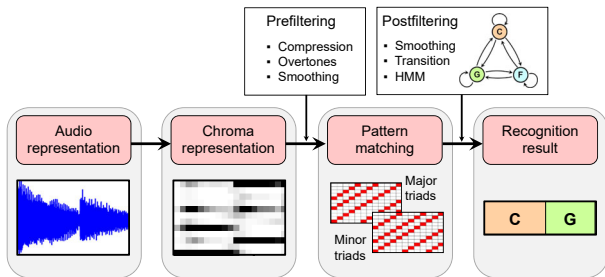
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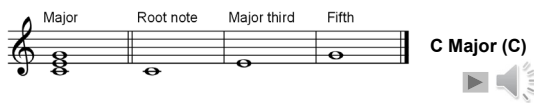


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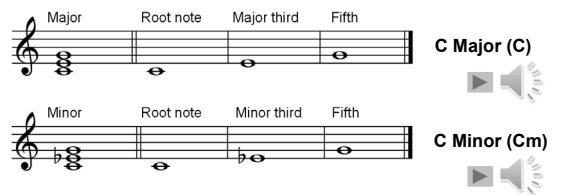
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- Enharmonic equivalence: 12 root notes → 24 major/minor triads

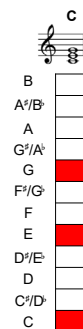
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Chords appear in different forms:

- Inversions
- Different voicings
- Harmonic figuration: Broken chords (arpeggio)
- Melodic figuration: Different melody note (suspension, passing tone, ...)
- Further: Additional notes, incomplete chords

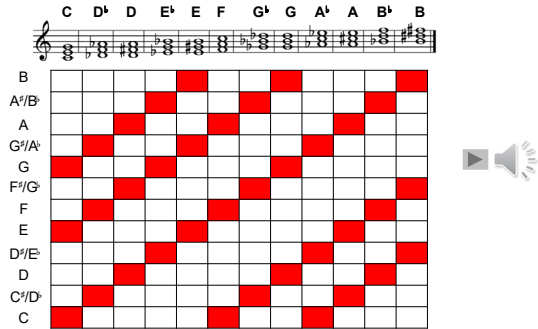
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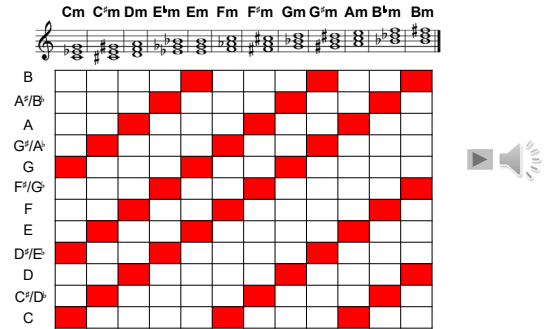
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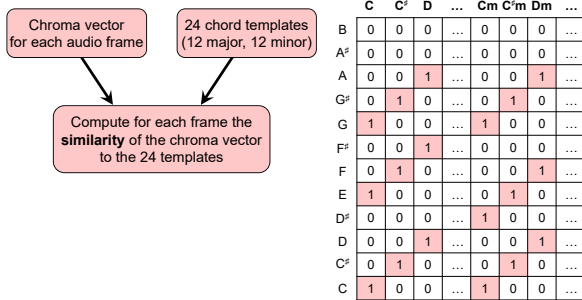


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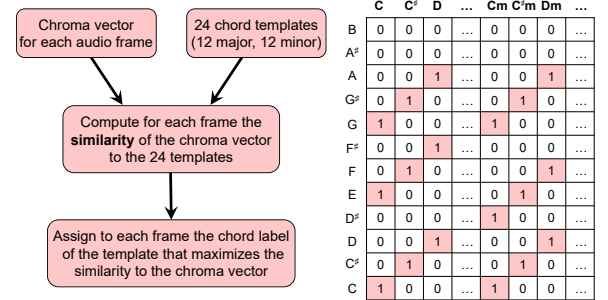
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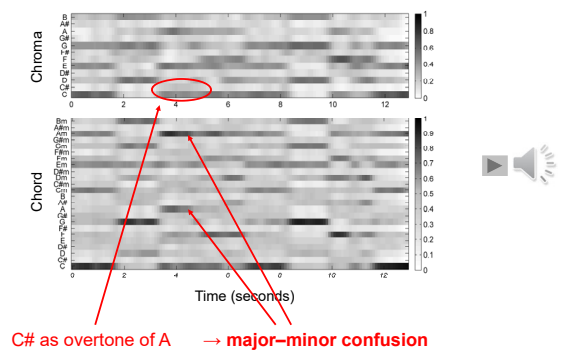
- Similarity measure: Cosine similarity (inner product of normalized vectors)

Chord template: $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{12}$

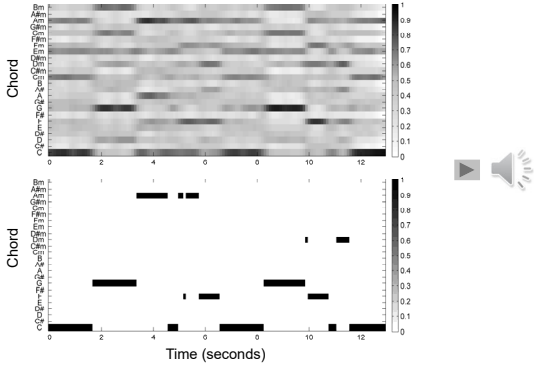
Chroma vector: $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^{12}$

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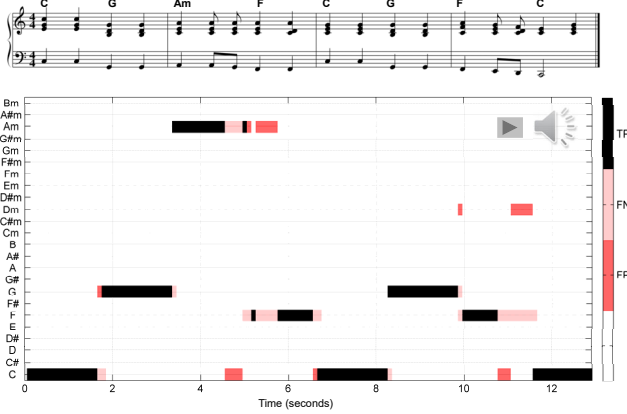
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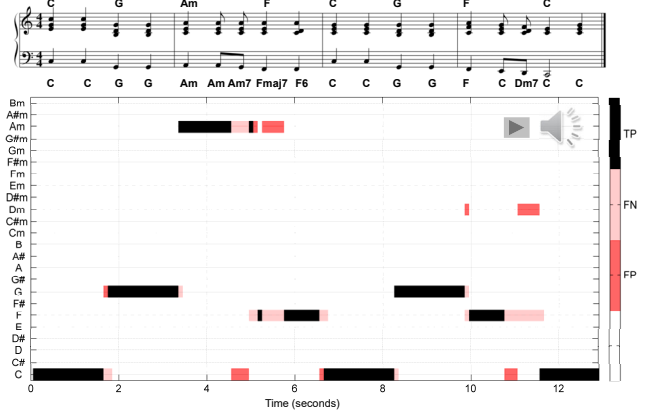
Chord Recognition: Evaluation

- Comparison of
 - reference labels (ground truth; relevant "items")
 - estimated labels (computed)
- TP (true positive):
Reference label and estimated label agree
- FN (false negative):
References label not detected
- FP (false positive):
Estimated label not covered by reference label

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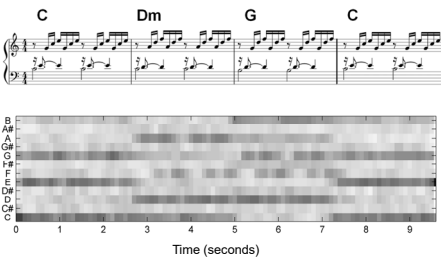


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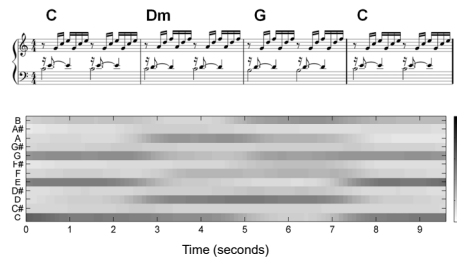
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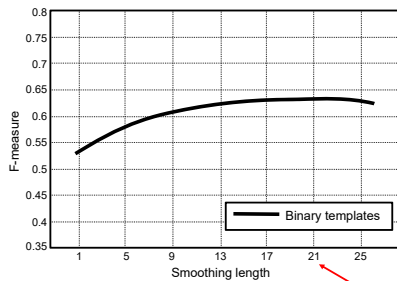
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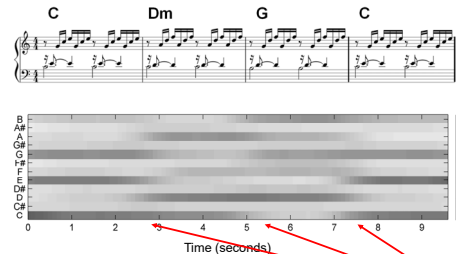
- Evaluation on all 180 Beatles songs (10 studio albums)



~2 seconds at 10 Hz feature rate

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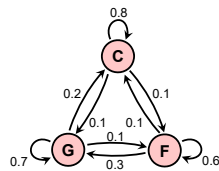
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blurring of boundaries!

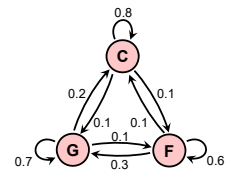
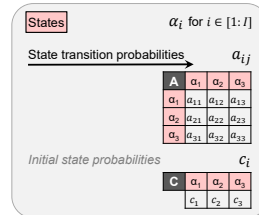
Markov Chains

- Probabilistic model for sequential data
- Markov property:** Next state only depends on current state (transition model – time-invariant, no “memory”)
- Consist of:
 - Set of states**
 - State transition probabilities**
 - Initial state probabilities**



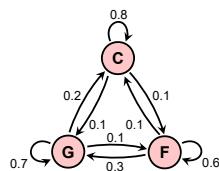
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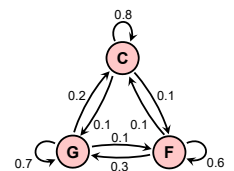


Markov Chains

- Application examples:
 - Compute probability of a sequence using given a model (evaluation)
 - Compare two sequences using a given model
 - Evaluate a sequence with two different models (classification)

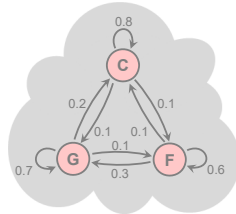


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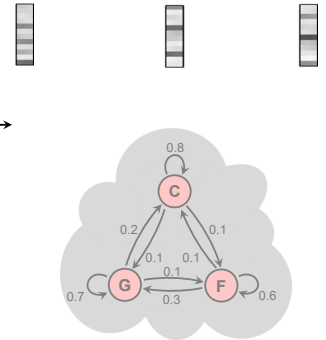
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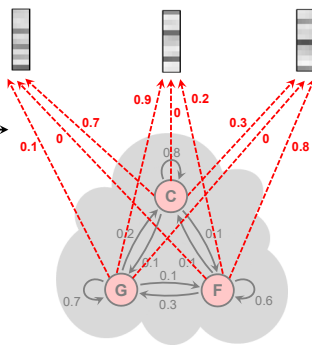
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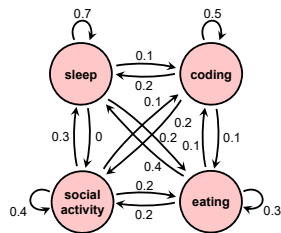
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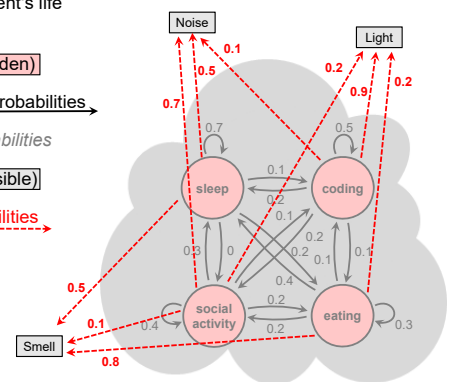
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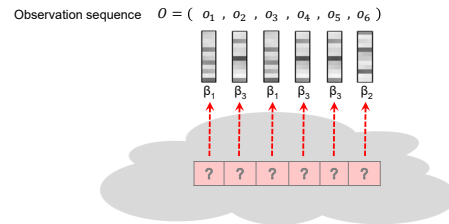
- Only observation sequence is visible!

Different algorithmic problems:

- Evaluation problem**
 - Given: observation sequence and model
 - Find: fitness (how well the model matches the sequence)
- Uncovering problem:**
 - Given: observation sequence and model
 - Find: optimal hidden state sequence
- Estimation problem** („training“ the HMM):
 - Given: observation sequence
 - Find: model parameters
 - Baum-Welch algorithm (Expectation-Maximization)

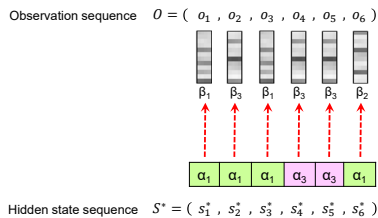
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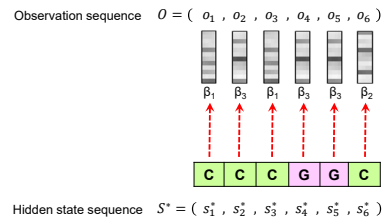
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Uncovering problem

- Optimal** hidden state sequence?
 - „Best explains“ given observation sequence O
 - Maximizes probability $P[O, S | \theta]$

$$\text{Prob}^* = \max_S P[O, S | \theta]$$

$$S^* = \underset{S}{\text{argmax}} P[O, S | \theta]$$

- Straight-forward computation (naive approach):
 - Compute probability for each possible sequence S
 - Number of possible sequences of length N (I = number of states):

$$\underbrace{I \cdot I \cdot \dots \cdot I}_{N \text{ factors}} = I^N \quad \text{computationally infeasible!}$$

Viterbi Algorithm

- Based on dynamic programming (similar to DTW)
- Idea: Recursive computation from sub-problems
- Use **truncated versions** of observation sequence

$$O(1:n) := (o_1, \dots, o_n), \text{ length } n \in [1:N]$$
- Define $\mathbf{D}(i, n)$ as the highest probability along a single state sequence (s_1, \dots, s_n) that ends in state $s_n = \alpha_i$

$$\mathbf{D}(i, n) = \max_{(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1})} P[O(1:n), (s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}, s_n = \alpha_i) | \theta]$$

- Then, our solution is the state sequence yielding

$$\text{Prob}^* = \max_{i \in [1:I]} \mathbf{D}(i, N)$$

Viterbi Algorithm

- **D**: matrix of size $I \times N$
- Recursive computation of $\mathbf{D}(i, n)$ along the column index n
- **Initialization:**
 - $n = 1$
 - Truncated observation sequence: $O(1) = (o_1)$
 - Current observation: $o_1 = \beta_{k_1}$

$$\mathbf{D}(i, 1) = c_i \cdot b_{ik_1} \quad \text{for some } i \in [1: I]$$

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 - $n \in [2: N]$
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 - Last observation: $o_n = \beta_{k_n}$

$$\mathbf{D}(i, n) = b_{ik_n} \cdot a_{j^*i} \cdot \underbrace{P[O(1:n-1), (s_1, \dots, s_{n-1} = \alpha_{j^*}) \mid \Theta]}_{\text{must be maximal!}} \quad \text{for } i \in [1: I]$$

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must be maximal (best index j^*)

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Viterbi Algorithm

- **D** given – find optimal state sequence $S^* = (s_1^*, \dots, s_N^*) := (\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_N})$
- Backtracking procedure (reverse order)
- **Last element:**
 - $n = N$
 - Optimal state: α_{i_N}

$$i_N = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1:I]} \mathbf{D}(j, N)$$

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- **Further elements:**
 - $n = N-1, N-2, \dots, 1$
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- Simplification of backtracking: Keep track of maximizing index j in

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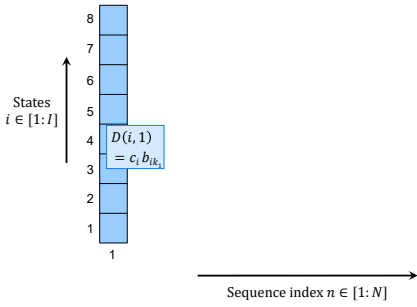
- Define $(I \times (N-1))$ matrix **E**:

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$$o_1 = \beta_{k_1}$$

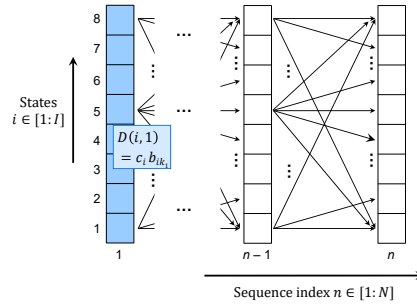
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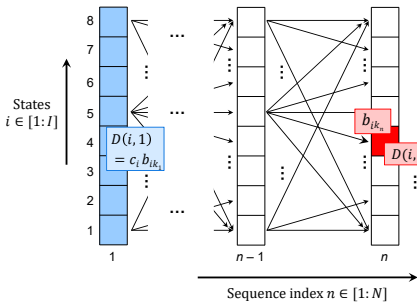


Viterbi Algorithm

$$o_n = \beta_{k_n}$$

Initialization

Recursion

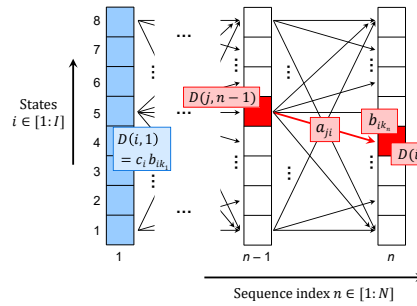


Viterbi Algorithm

$$\mathbf{D}(i, n) = b_{ik_n} \cdot \max_{j \in [1: I]} (a_{ji} \cdot \mathbf{D}(j, n-1))$$

Initialization

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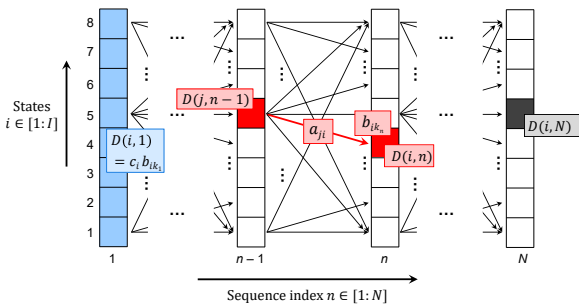


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Viterbi Algorithm

$$S^* = (s_1^*, \dots, s_N^*) := (\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_N})$$

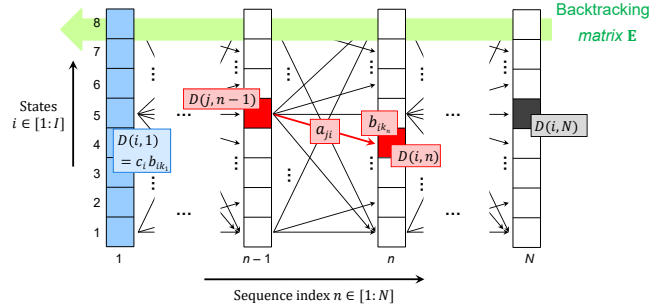
$$i_N = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1: I]} \mathbf{D}(j, N)$$

$$i_n = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1: I]} (a_{ji_{n+1}} \cdot \mathbf{D}(j, n))$$

Initialization

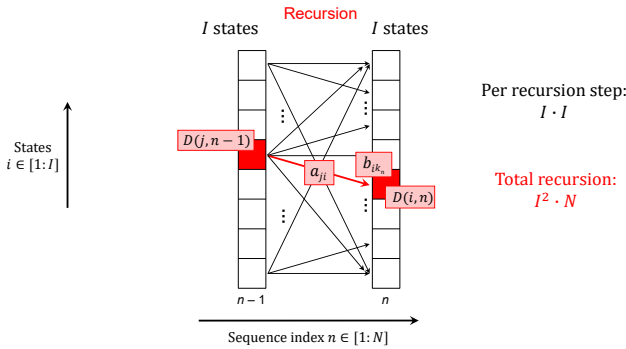
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Termination



Viterbi Algorithm

Computational Complexity



Viterbi Algorithm

Summary

Algorithm: VITERBI

Input: HMM specified by $\Theta = (A, A, C, B, B)$
Observation sequence $O = (o_1 = \beta_{k_1}, o_2 = \beta_{k_2}, \dots, o_N = \beta_{k_N})$

Output: Optimal state sequence $S^* = (s_1^*, s_2^*, \dots, s_N^*)$

Procedure: Initialize the $(I \times N)$ matrix D by $D(i, 1) = c_i b_{ik_1}$ for $i \in [1: I]$. Then compute in a nested loop for $n = 2, \dots, N$ and $i = 1, \dots, I$:

$$D(i, n) = \max_{j \in [1: I]} (a_{ji} \cdot D(j, n-1) \cdot b_{ik_n})$$

$$E(i, n-1) = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1: I]} (a_{ji} \cdot D(j, n-1))$$

Set $i_N = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1: I]} D(j, N)$ and compute for decreasing $n = N-1, \dots, 1$ the maximizing indices

$$i_n = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1: I]} (a_{ji_{n+1}} \cdot D(j, n)) = E(i_{n+1}, n).$$

The optimal state sequence $S^* = (s_1^*, \dots, s_N^*)$ is defined by $s_n^* = \alpha_n$ for $n \in [1: N]$.

Viterbi Algorithm: Example

HMM:

States				Observation symbols							
α_i for $i \in [1: I]$				β_k for $k \in [1: K]$							
State transition probabilities				Emission probabilities				Initial state probabilities			
a_{ij}				b_{ik}				c_i			
A	a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}	B	β_{11}	β_{12}	β_{13}	C	c_1	c_2	c_3
	a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}		β_{21}	β_{22}	β_{23}				
	a_{31}	a_{32}	a_{33}		β_{31}	β_{32}	β_{33}				

Viterbi Algorithm: Example

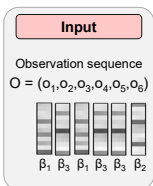
HMM:

States				Observation symbols							
α_i for $i \in [1: I]$				β_k for $k \in [1: K]$							
State transition probabilities				Emission probabilities				Initial state probabilities			
a_{ij}				b_{ik}				c_i			
A	a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}	B	β_{11}	β_{12}	β_{13}	C	c_1	c_2	c_3
	0.8	0.1	0.1		0.7	0	0.3		0.6	0.2	0.2
	a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}		β_{21}	β_{22}	β_{23}				
	0.2	0.7	0.1		0.1	0.9	0				
	a_{31}	a_{32}	a_{33}		β_{31}	β_{32}	β_{33}				
	0.1	0.3	0.6		0	0.2	0.8				

Viterbi Algorithm: Example

HMM:

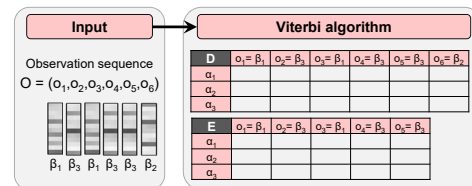
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α_i for $i \in [1: I]$				β_k for $k \in [1: K]$							
State transition probabilities				Emission probabilities				Initial state probabilities			
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	0.1	0.3	0.6		0	0.2	0.8				



Viterbi Algorithm: Example

HMM:

States α_i for $i \in [1:J]$

Observation symbols β_k for $k \in [1:K]$

State transition probabilities a_{ij}

Emission probabilities b_{ik}

Initial state probabilities c_i

Input: $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6$
 $\beta_1, \beta_3, \beta_1, \beta_3, \beta_3, \beta_2$

Viterbi algorithm

D	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_2$
α_1						
α_2						
α_3						

E	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_3$
α_1						
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Viterbi algorithm

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α_1	0.4200					
α_2	0.0200					
α_3	0					

Initialization

$$D(i, 1) = c_i \cdot b_{ik_1}$$

E	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_3$
α_1						
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Viterbi Algorithm: Example

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Viterbi algorithm

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Initialization

$$D(i, 1) = c_i \cdot b_{ik_1}$$

Recursion

$$D(i, n) = b_{ik_n} \cdot \max_{j \in [1:J]} (a_{ji} \cdot D(j, n-1))$$

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α_1						
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 $\beta_1, \beta_3, \beta_1, \beta_3, \beta_3, \beta_2$

Viterbi algorithm

D	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_2$
α_1	0.4200	0.1008				
α_2	0.0200	0				
α_3	0	0.0336				

Initialization

$$D(i, 1) = c_i \cdot b_{ik_1}$$

Recursion

$$D(i, n) = b_{ik_n} \cdot \max_{j \in [1:J]} (a_{ji} \cdot D(j, n-1))$$

$$E(i, n-1) = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1:J]} (a_{ji} \cdot D(j, n-1))$$

$0.42 \cdot 0.8 \cdot 0.3 = 0.1008$
 $0.42 \cdot 0.2 \cdot 0 = 0$
 $0.42 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.8 = 0.0336$

E	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_3$
α_1	1					
α_2	1					
α_3	1					

Viterbi Algorithm: Example

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States α_i for $i \in [1:J]$

Observation symbols β_k for $k \in [1:K]$

State transition probabilities a_{ij}

Emission probabilities b_{ik}

Initial state probabilities c_i

Input: $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6$
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Viterbi algorithm

D	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_2$
α_1	0.4200	0.1008	0.0564	0.0135	0.0033	0
α_2	0.0200	0	0.0010	0	0	0.0006
α_3	0	0.0336	0	0.0045	0.0022	0.0003

Backtracking

$$i_n = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [1:J]} D(j, n)$$

$$i_{n-1} = E(i_n, n)$$

E	$\alpha_1 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_2 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_3 = \beta_1$	$\alpha_4 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_5 = \beta_3$	$\alpha_6 = \beta_3$
α_1	1	1	1	1	1	
α_2	1	1	1	1	3	
α_3	1	3	1	3	3	

Viterbi Algorithm: Example

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Output

Optimal state sequence $S^* = (\alpha_1, \alpha_1, \alpha_1, \alpha_3, \alpha_3, \alpha_2)$

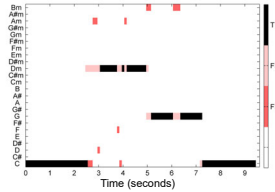
$i_6 = 2$

HMM: Application to Chord Recognition

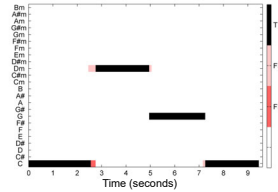
- Effect of HMM-based chord estimation and smoothing:



(a) Template Matching (frame-wise)

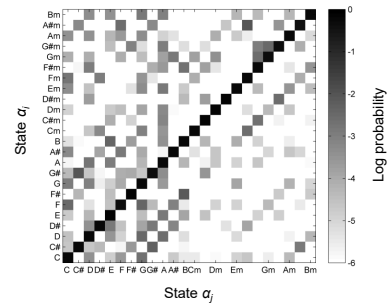


(b) HMM



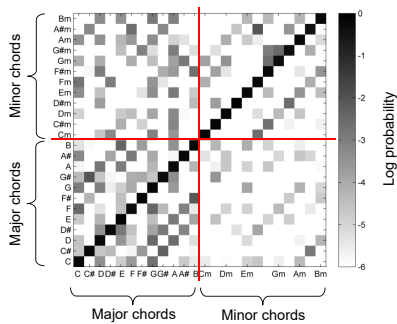
HMM: Application to Chord Recognition

- Parameters: **Transition probabilities**
- Estimated from data



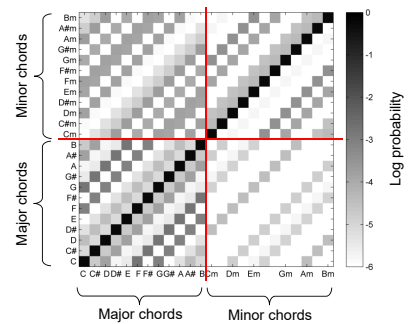
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- Estimated from data



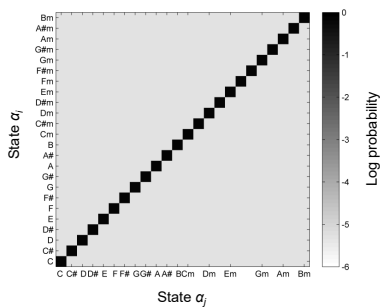
HMM: Application to Chord Recognition

- Parameters: **Transition probabilities**
- Transposition-invariant**



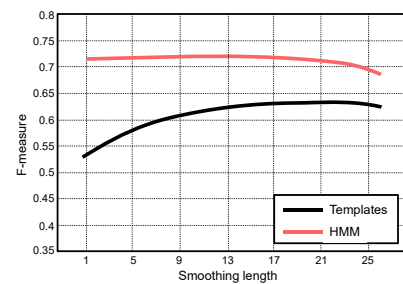
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- Parameters: **Transition probabilities**
- Uniform, diagonal-enhanced transition matrix** (only smoothing)



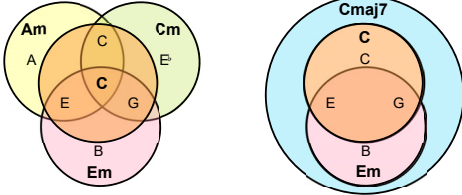
HMM: Application to Chord Recognition

- Evaluation on all Beatles songs



Chord Recognition: Further Challenges

- Chord ambiguities



- Acoustic ambiguities (overtones)

- Use advanced templates (model overtones, learned templates)
- Enhanced chroma (logarithmic compression, overtone reduction)
- Tuning inconsistency