

10-418 / 10-618 Machine Learning for Structured Data

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Midterm Exam Review + Structured Perceptron + Structured SVM

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Reminders

Midterm Exam

– Thu, Oct. 17 at 6:30pm – 8:00pm

- Homework 3: Structured SVM
 - Out: Sat, Sep. 28
 - Due: Sat, Oct. 12 at 11:59pm

MIDTERM EXAM LOGISTICS

Midterm Exam

- Time / Location
 - Time: Evening Exam
 Thu, Oct. 17 at 6:30pm 8:00pm
 - Room: Hamburg Hall A301
 - Seats: There will be assigned seats. Please arrive early to find yours.
 - Please watch Piazza carefully for announcements
- Logistics
 - Covered material: Lecture 1 Lecture 13
 - Format of questions:
 - Multiple choice
 - True / False (with justification)
 - Derivations
 - Short answers
 - Interpreting figures
 - Implementing algorithms on paper
 - No electronic devices
 - You are allowed to **bring** one $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ sheet of notes (front and back)

Midterm Exam

Advice (for during the exam)

- Solve the easy problems first
 (e.g. multiple choice before derivations)
 - if a problem seems extremely complicated you're likely missing something
- Don't leave any answer blank!
- If you make an assumption, write it down
- If you look at a question and don't know the answer:
 - we probably haven't told you the answer
 - but we've told you enough to work it out
 - imagine arguing for some answer and see if you like it

Topics for Midterm Exam

- Search-Based Structured Prediction
 - Reductions to Binary Classification
 - Learning to Search
 - RNN-LMs
 - seq2seq models
- **Graphical Model** Representation
 - Directed GMs vs. Undirected GMs vs. **Factor Graphs**
 - Bayesian Networks vs. Markov Random Fields vs. **Conditional Random Fields**

- **Graphical Model Learning**
 - Fully observed Bayesian Network learning
 - Fully observed MRF learning
 - Fully observed CRF learning
 - Parameterization of a GM
 - Neural potential functions
- **Exact Inference** •
 - Three inference problems: (1) marginals

 - (2) partition function (3) most probably assignment
 - Variable Elimination
 - Belief Propagation (sumproduct and max-product)
 - MAP Inference via MILP

SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Learning to Search

Suppose you are training a seq2seq model for supervised POS Tagging.

- Let the inputs to the encoder be e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots
- Let the inputs to the decoder be d_1, d_2, d_3, \ldots
- Let the outputs of the decoder be o_1, o_2, o_3, \ldots

1. (1 point) **Short Answer**: Describe in words what the inputs to the encoder would be. Assume you are training with Teacher Forcing.

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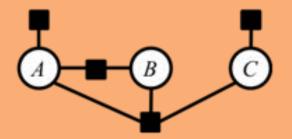


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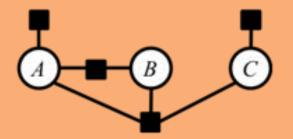


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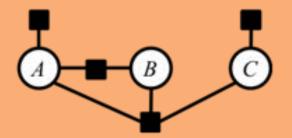


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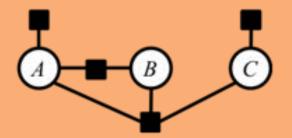


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1. (2 points) Short answer: Draw a table containing all values of the function $s(q, r) = \psi_Q(q)\psi_{Q,R}(q, r)$. You may use the integer abbreviations: red=1, green=2, blue=3, pencil=1, crayon=2.

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5. (2 points) Short answer: Suppose you run the Variable Elimination algorithm to eliminate the variable Q, resulting in a new factor graph with just one factor m(r). Draw a table containing the values of this new factor.

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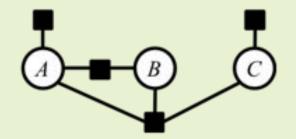


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1. (1 point) **Drawing**: Suppose you are running the Variable Elimination algorithm. The first variable you eliminate is B. Draw the factor graph that results after you have eliminated variable B.

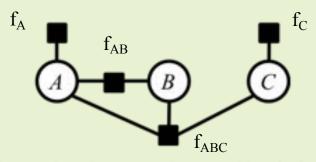
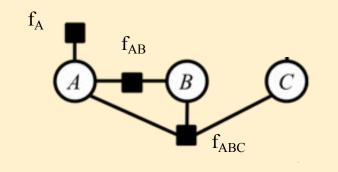


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2. (1 point) Numerical Answer: Suppose you are running the Belief Propagation algorithm? How many messages are required to send a message from f_{ABC} to C?



1. (1 point) Is there a Bayesian Network that would convert to the factor graph shown above? Is yes, draw an example of such a Bayesian Network. If not, explain why not.

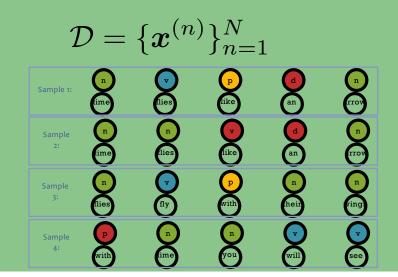


MAP INFERENCE AS MATHEMATICAL PROGRAMMING



Exact Inference

1. Data



5. Inference

1. Marginal Inference

$$p(\boldsymbol{x}_{C}) = \sum_{\boldsymbol{x}': \boldsymbol{x}_{C}' = \boldsymbol{x}_{C}} p(\boldsymbol{x}' \mid \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

2. Partition Function

$$Z(m{ heta}) = \sum_{m{x}} \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \psi_C(m{x}_C)$$
3. MAP Inference

 $\hat{\boldsymbol{x}} = \operatorname{argmax} p(\boldsymbol{x} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta})$

2. Model

$$p(\boldsymbol{x} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \psi_C(\boldsymbol{x}_C)$$

3. Objective $\ell(\theta; \mathcal{D}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log p(\boldsymbol{x}^{(n)} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta})$

4. Learning

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \operatorname*{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{D})$$

5. Inference

Three Tasks: (All three are NP-Hard in the general case)

1. Marginal Inference

Compute marginals of variables and cliques

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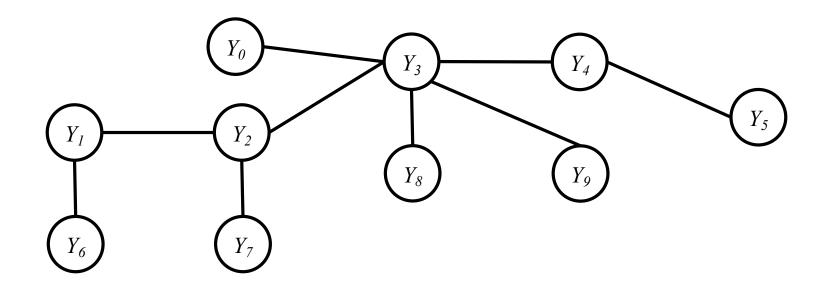
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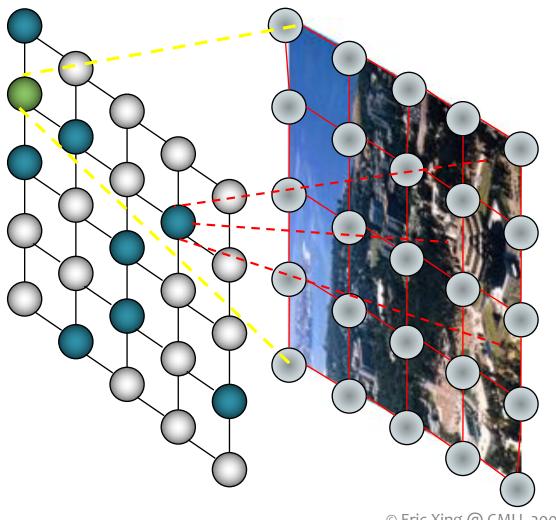
Lemma: (Wainwright et al., 2002) If there is a unique MAP assignment, the LP relaxation of the ILP above is guaranteed to have an integer solution, which is exactly the MAP solution!

Integer Linear Programming

Whiteboard

- MAP Inference for a Binary Pairwise MRF as an ILP
- Question: What if we have non-binary variables?

Image Segmentation



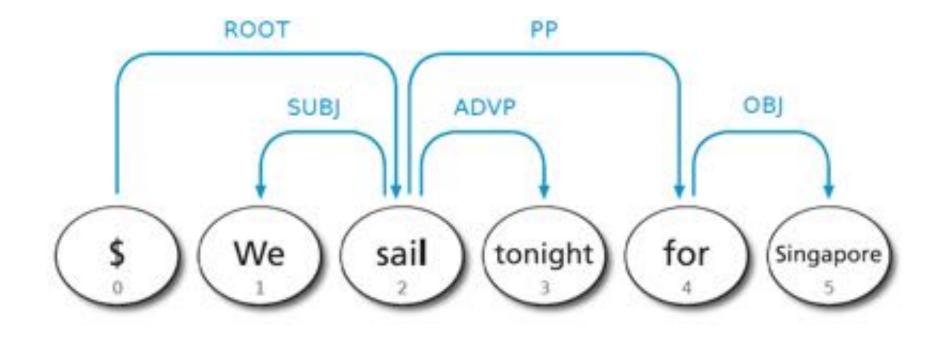
 $p_{\theta}(y \mid x) = \frac{1}{Z(\theta, x)} \exp\left\{\sum_{c} \theta_{c} f_{c}(x, y_{c})\right\}$

- Jointly segmenting/annotating images
- Image-image matching, imagetext matching
- Problem:
 - Given structure (feature), learning 🔔
 - Learning sparse, interpretable,
 predictive structures/features

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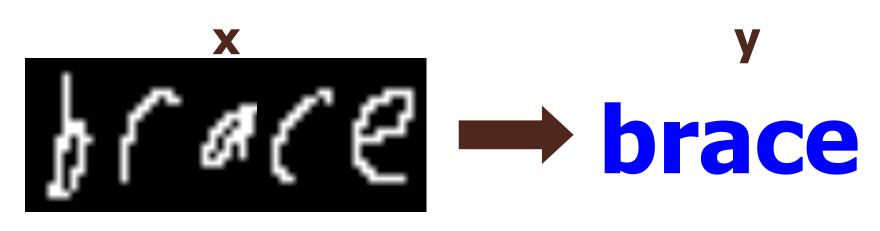
Dependency parsing of Sentences



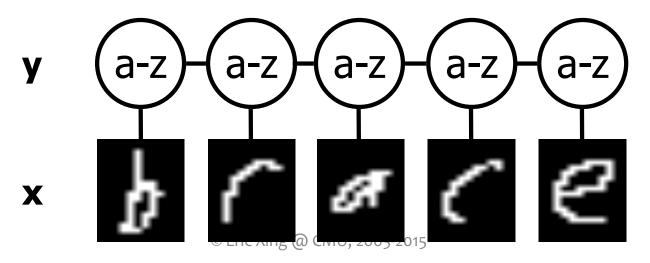
Challenge: Structured outputs, and globally constrained to be a valid tree

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OCR example



Sequential structure



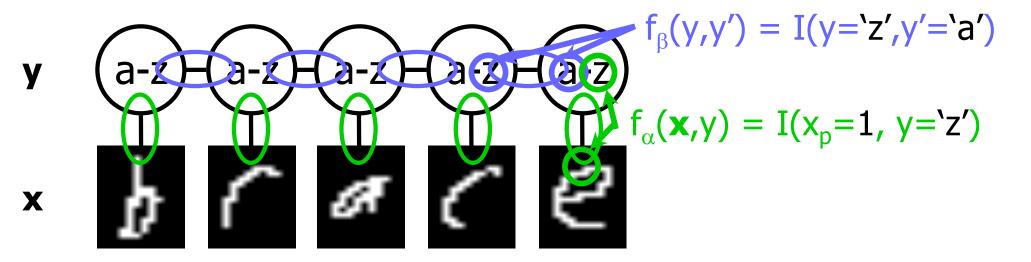
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Linear-chain CRF for OCR

 $\mathsf{P}(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z(\mathbf{x})} \prod_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}, y_{i}) \prod_{i} \phi(y_{i}, y_{i+1})$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}, y_{i}) = \exp\{\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{i}, y_{i})\}\$$

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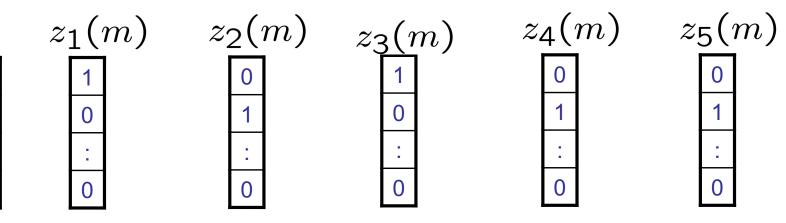


*Lafferty et al. 01

$y \Rightarrow z map$ for linear chain structures

OCR example: y = 'ABABB';

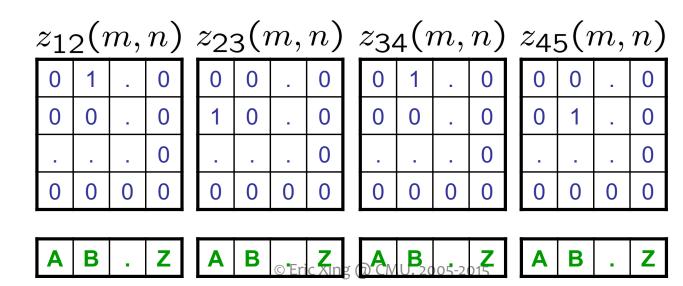
z's are the indicator variables for the corresponding classes (alphabet)



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 $\max_{\mathbf{y}} \sum_{j} \mathbf{w}^{T} f_{\text{node}}(x_{j}, y_{j}) + \sum_{j,k} \mathbf{w}^{T} f_{\text{edge}}(\mathbf{x}_{jk}, y_{j}, y_{k})$

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STRUCTURED PERCEPTRON

Whiteboard

- Multiclass Perceptron
- Structured Perceptron
- Structured Perceptron with Averaging
- Definition: Margin for Structured Outputs
- Mistake Bound for Structured Perceptron

Mistake Bound:

Definition 1 Let $\overline{\text{GEN}}(x_i) = \text{GEN}(x_i) - \{y_i\}$. In other words $\overline{\text{GEN}}(x_i)$ is the set of incorrect candidates for an example x_i . We will say that a training sequence (x_i, y_i) for $i = 1 \dots n$ is separable with margin $\delta > 0$ if there exists some vector U with ||U|| = 1 such that

$$\forall i, \forall z \in \overline{\mathbf{GEN}}(x_i), \quad \mathbf{U} \cdot \Phi(x_i, y_i) - \mathbf{U} \cdot \Phi(x_i, z) \ge \delta$$
 (3)

 $(||\mathbf{U}|| \text{ is the 2-norm of } \mathbf{U}, \text{ i.e., } ||\mathbf{U}|| = \sqrt{\sum_s \mathbf{U}_s^2}.)$

Theorem 1 For any training sequence (x_i, y_i) which is separable with margin δ , then for the perceptron algorithm in figure 2

Number of mistakes
$$\leq \frac{R^2}{\delta^2}$$

where R is a constant such that $\forall i, \forall z \in \overline{\mathbf{GEN}}(x_i) ||\Phi(x_i, y_i) - \Phi(x_i, z)|| \leq R.$

- Results from Collins (2002) on two sequence tagging problems
- Metrics:
 - F-measure: higher is better
 - Error: lower is better
- Comparison of...
 - Structured Perceptron
 with and without
 averaging
 - Maximum entropy Markov model (MEMM)
- Takeaways:
 - incredibly easy to implement
 - typically blazing fast

NP Chunking Results

Method	F-Measure	Numits
Perc, avg, cc=0	93.53	13
Perc, noavg, cc=0	93.04	35
Perc, avg, cc=5	93.33	9
Perc, noavg, cc=5	91.88	39
ME, cc=0	92.34	900
ME, $cc=5$	92.65	200

POS Tagging Results

Method	Error rate/%	Numits
Perc, avg, cc=0	2.93	10
Perc, noavg, cc=0	3.68	20
Perc, avg, cc=5	3.03	6
Perc, noavg, cc=5	4.04	17
ME, cc=0	3.4	100
ME, $cc=5$	3.28	200

Figure 4: Results for various methods on the part-ofspeech tagging and chunking tasks on development data. All scores are error percentages. Numits is the number of training iterations at which the best score is achieved. Perc is the perceptron algorithm, ME is the maximum entropy method. Avg/noavg is the perceptron with or without averaged parameter vectors. cc=5 means only features occurring 5 times or more in training are included, cc=0 means all features in training are included.

aka. Max-Margin Markov Networks (M³Ns)

STRUCTURED SVM

Whiteboard

- Warmup: Binary SVM
- Warmup: Binary SVM Hinge Loss
- Structured Large Margin
- Structured Hinge Loss
- Gradient of Structured Hinge Loss
- SGD for Structured SVM
- Loss Augmented MAP Inference



Max vs "Soft-Max" Margin

SVMs:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} k ||\mathbf{w}||^2 - \sum_{i} \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}^i) - \max_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}) + \ell_i(y) \right)}_{\mathbf{y}} \right)$$

Hard (Penalized) Margin

Maxent:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} k||w||^2 - \sum_{i} \left(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}^i) - \log \sum_{\mathbf{y}} \exp\left(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y})\right) \right)$$

Soft Margin

- Very similar! Both try to make the true score better than a function of the other scores.
 - The SVM tries to beat the augmented runner-up
 - The maxent classifier tries to beat the "soft-max"

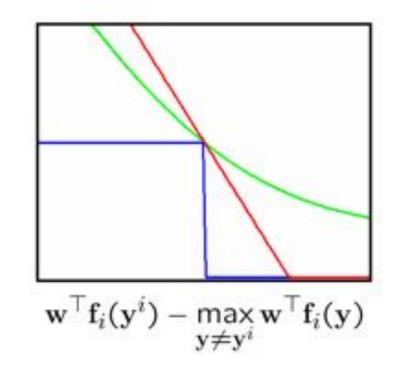
Hinge Loss



• Consider the per-instance SVM objective: $\min_{\mathbf{w}} k ||\mathbf{w}||^2 - \sum_{i} \left(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}^i) - \max_{\mathbf{y}} \left[\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}) + \ell_i(y) \right] \right)$

This is called the "hinge loss"

- Upper bounds zero-one loss
- Unlike maxent / log loss, you stop gaining objective once the true label wins by enough
- You can start from here and derive the SVM objective

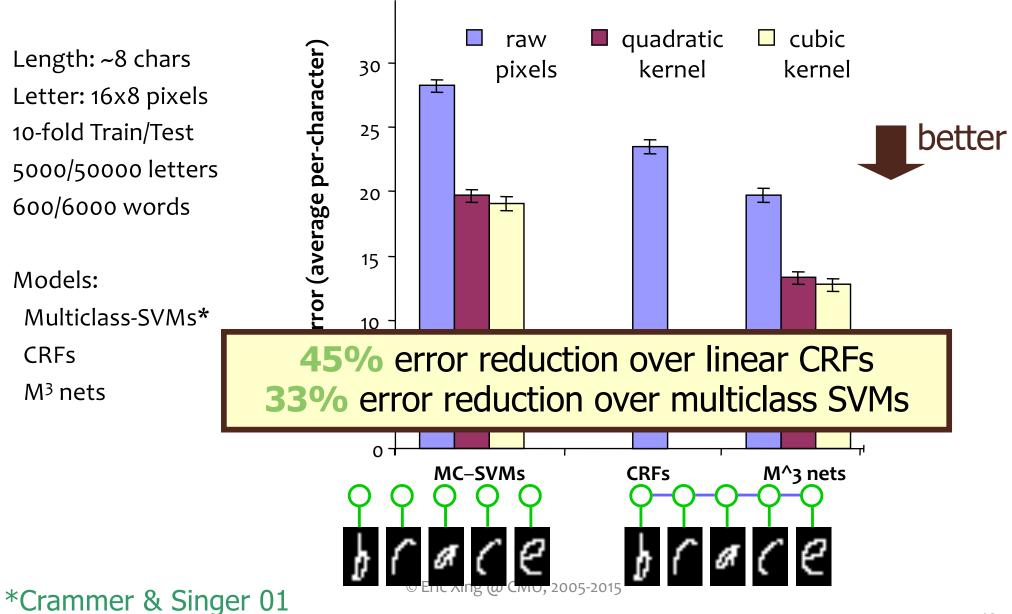


Max (Conditional) Likelihood

$$\log P_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - \log Z_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x})$$

Don't need to learn entire distribution!

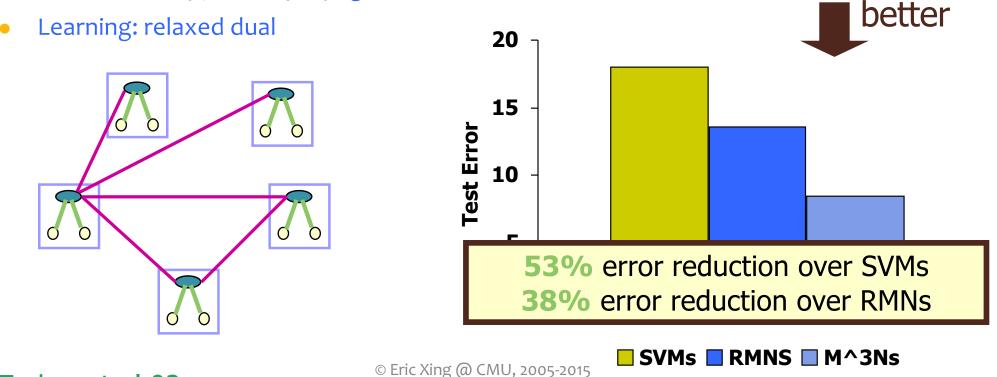
Results: Handwriting Recognition



Results: Hypertext Classification

WebKB dataset

- Four CS department websites: 1300 pages/3500 links
- Classify each page: faculty, course, student, project, other
- Train on three universities/test on fourth
- Inference: loopy belief propagation

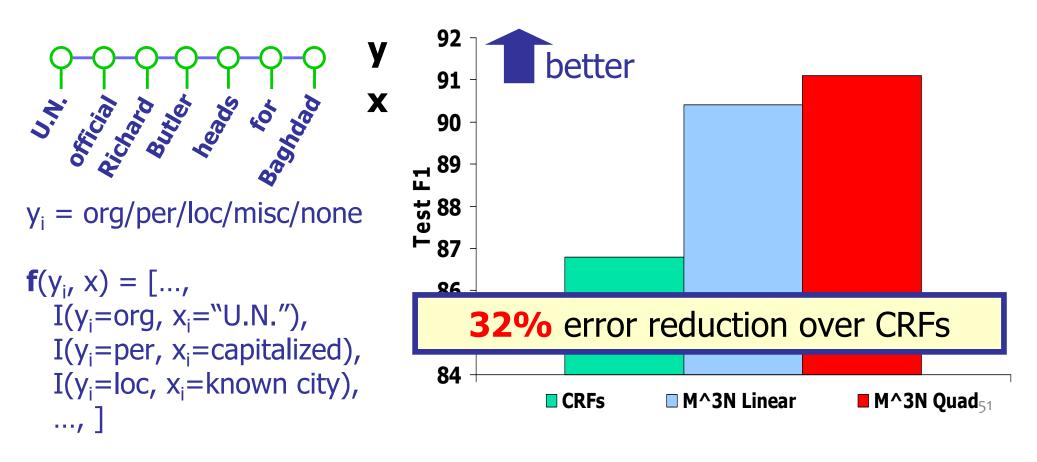


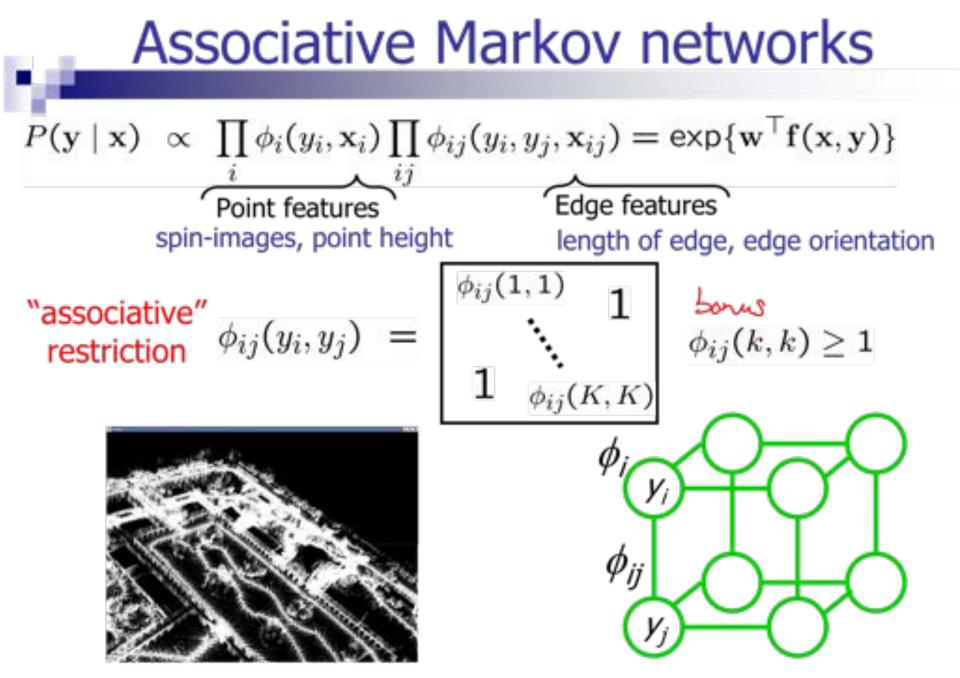
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Named Entity Recognition

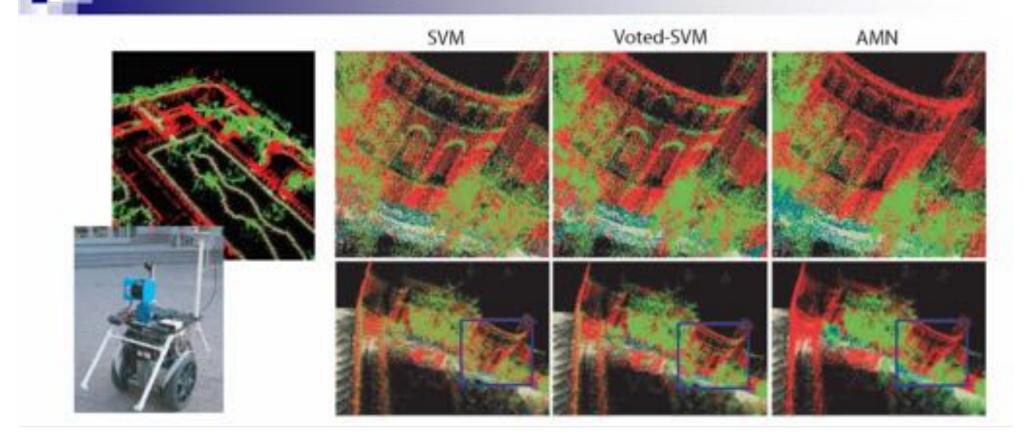
Locate and classify named entities in sentences:

- 4 categories: organization, person, location, misc.
- e.g. "U.N. official Richard Butler heads for Baghdad".
- CoNLL 03 data set (200K words train, 50K words test)

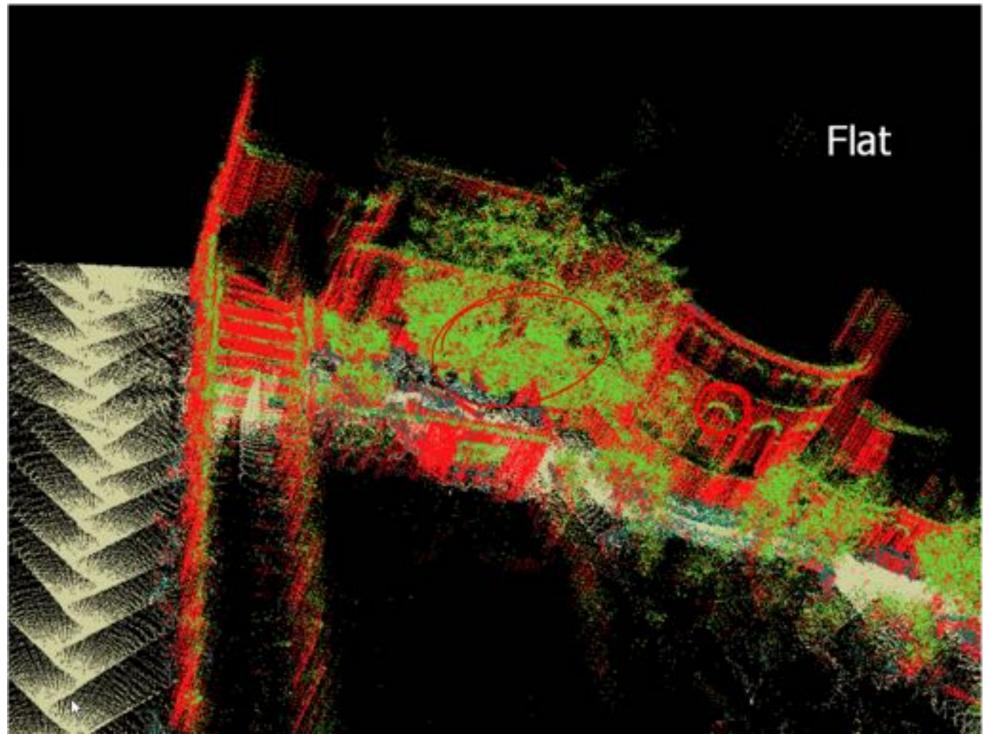


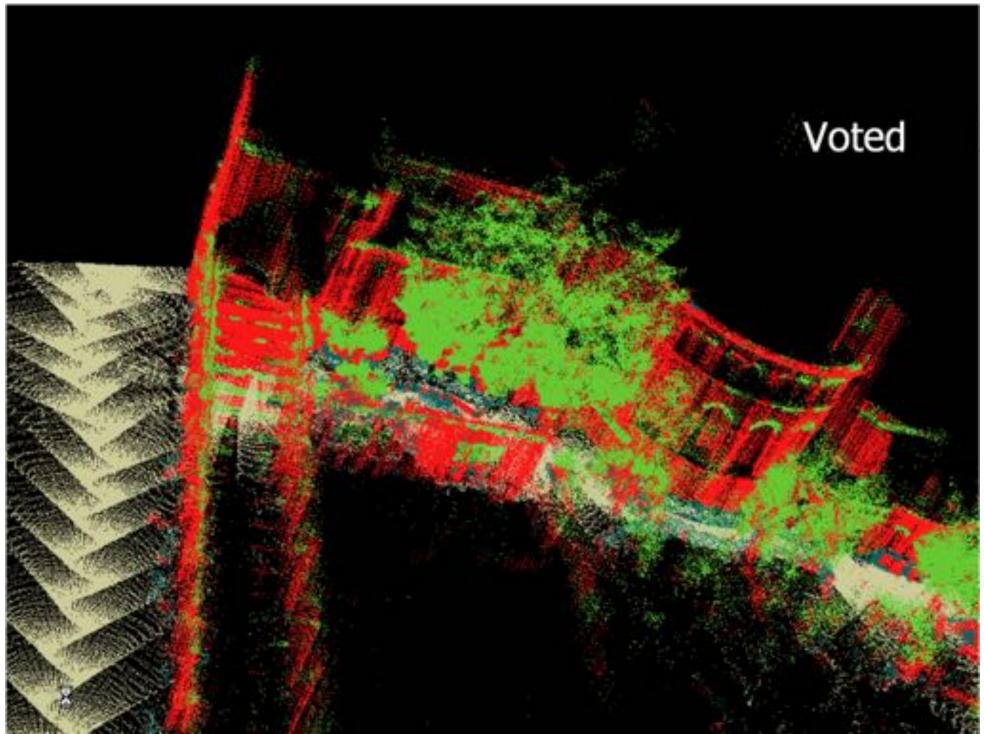


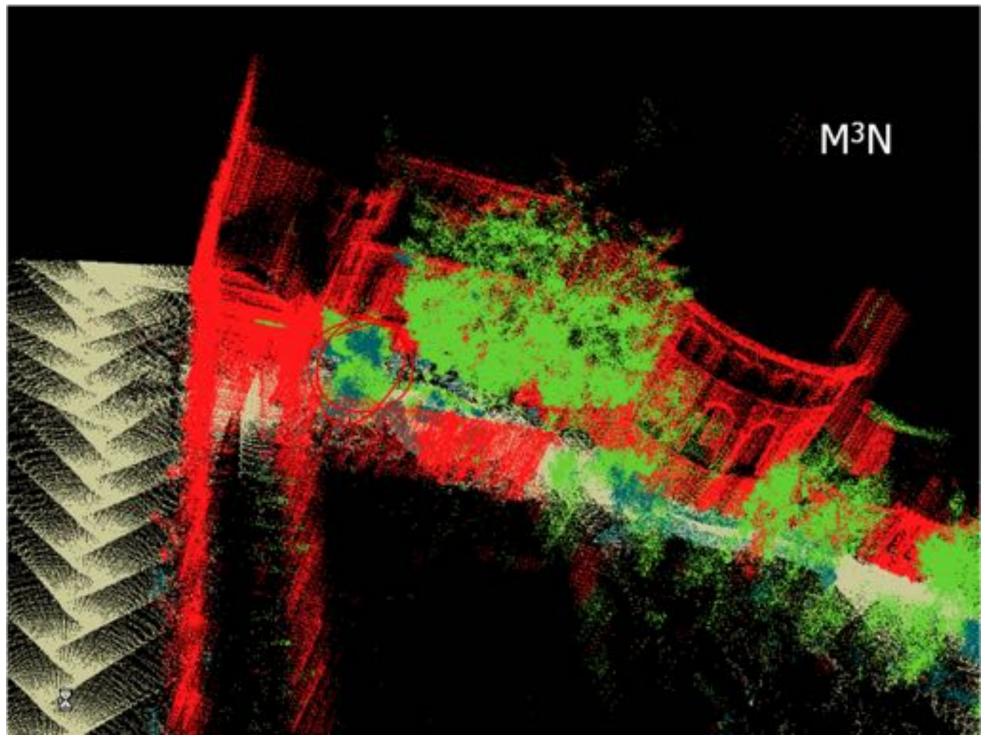
Max-margin AMNs results



Label: ground, building, tree, shrub Training: 30 thousand points Testing: 3 million points









Hand labeled 180K test points

Model	Accuracy	
SVM	68%	
V-SVM	73%	
M ³ N	93%	

