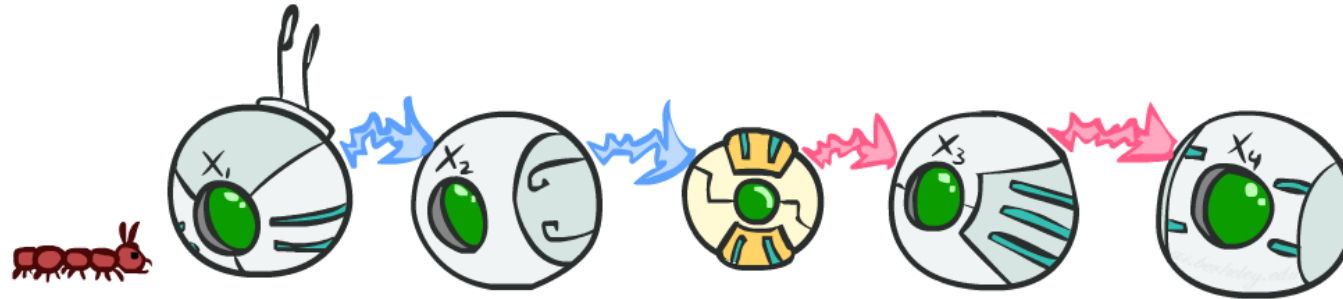


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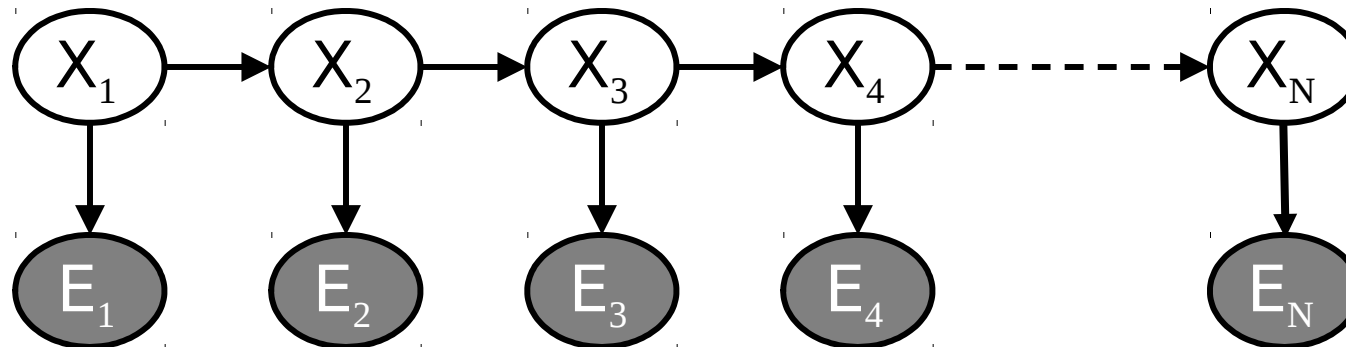
Hidden Markov Models



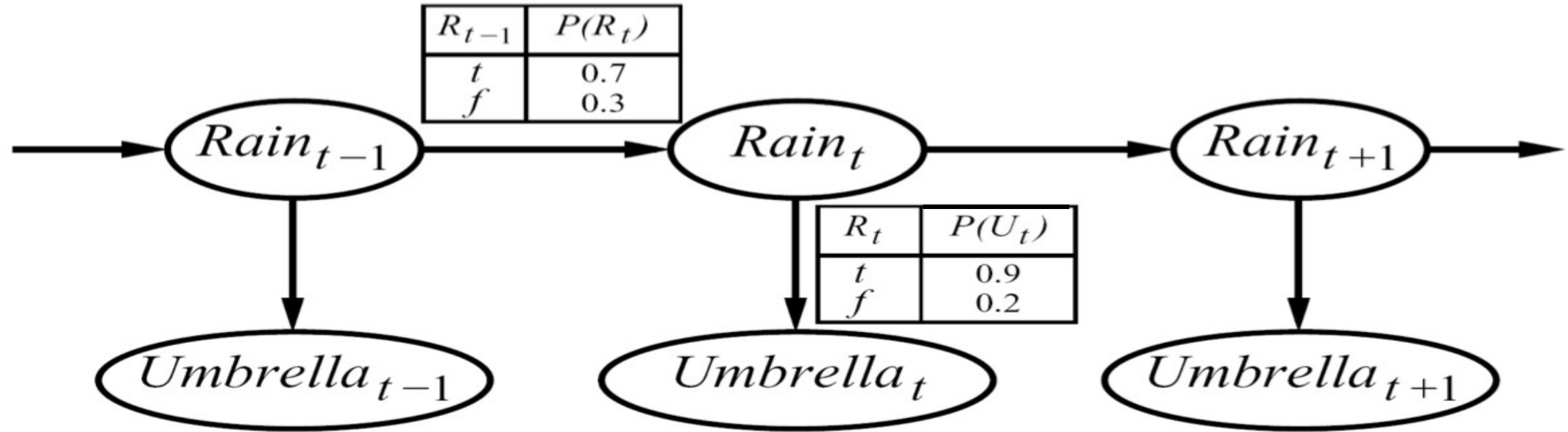
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Hidden Markov Models

- Markov chains not so useful for most agents
 - Eventually you don't know anything anymore
 - Need observations to update your beliefs
- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
 - Underlying Markov chain over states S
 - You observe outputs (effects) at each time step
 - As a Bayes' net:



Example



- An HMM is defined by:

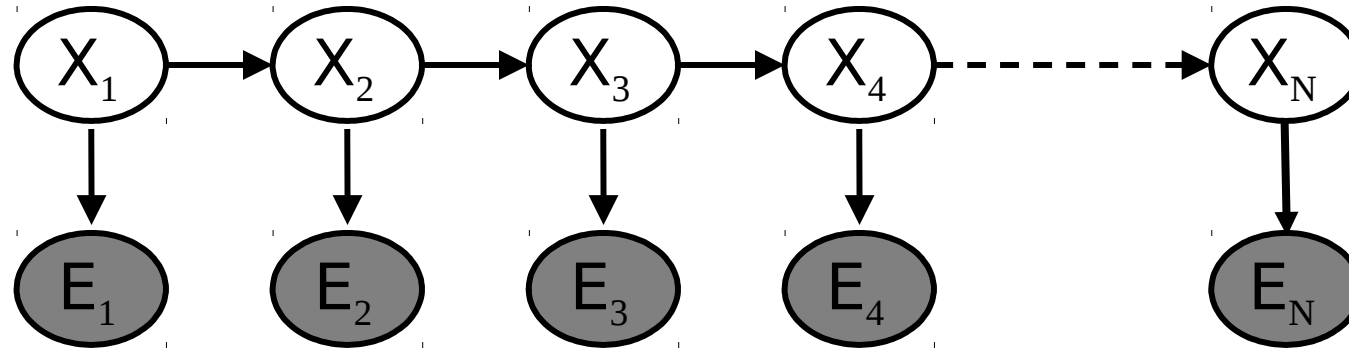
- Initial distribution:
- Transitions:
- Emissions:

$$P(X_1)$$

$$P(X_t|X_{t-1})$$

$$P(E|X)$$

Hidden Markov Models



- Defines a joint probability distribution:

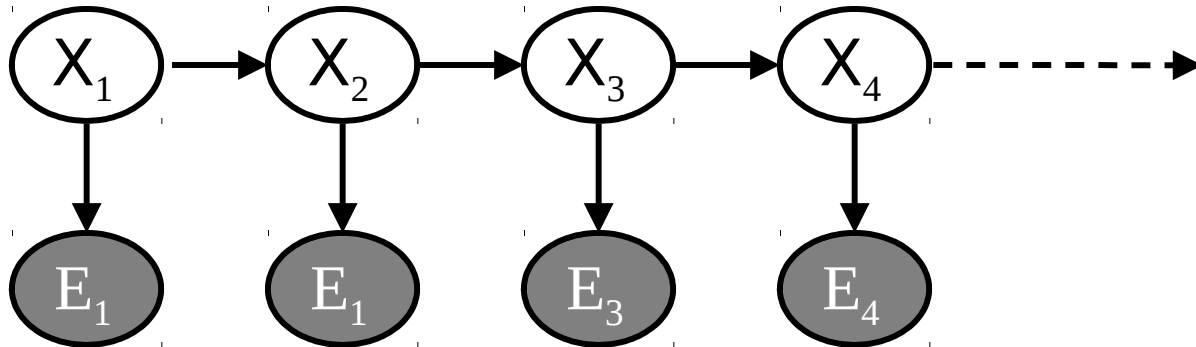
$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n, E_1, \dots, E_n) =$$

$$P(X_{1:n}, E_{1:n}) =$$

$$P(X_1)P(E_1|X_1) \prod_{t=2}^N P(X_t|X_{t-1})P(E_t|X_t)$$

Ghostbusters HMM

- $P(X_1)$ = uniform
- $P(X' | X)$ = ghosts usually move clockwise, but sometimes move in a random direction or stay put
- $P(E | X)$ = same sensor model as before:
red means close, green means far away.



| | | |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1/9 | 1/9 | 1/9 |
| 1/9 | 1/9 | 1/9 |
| 1/9 | 1/9 | 1/9 |

$P(X_1)$

| | | |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1/6 | 1/6 | 1/2 |
| 0 | 1/6 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

$P(X' | X = \langle 1, 2 \rangle)$

Etc...

$P(E | X)$

| $P(\text{red} 3)$ | $P(\text{orange} 3)$ | $P(\text{yellow} 3)$ | $P(\text{green} 3)$ |
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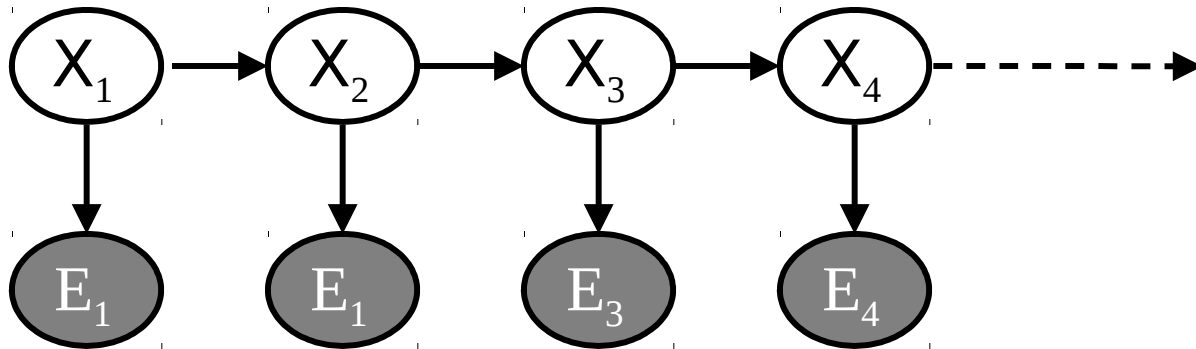
Etc... (must specify for other distances)

HMM Computations

- Given
 - parameters
 - evidence $E_{1:n} = e_{1:n}$
- Inference problems include:
 - **Filtering**, find $P(X_t | e_{1:t})$ for all t
 - **Smoothing**, find $P(X_t | e_{1:n})$ for all t
 - **Most probable explanation**, find
$$x_{1:n}^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{x_{1:n}} P(x_{1:n} | e_{1:n})$$

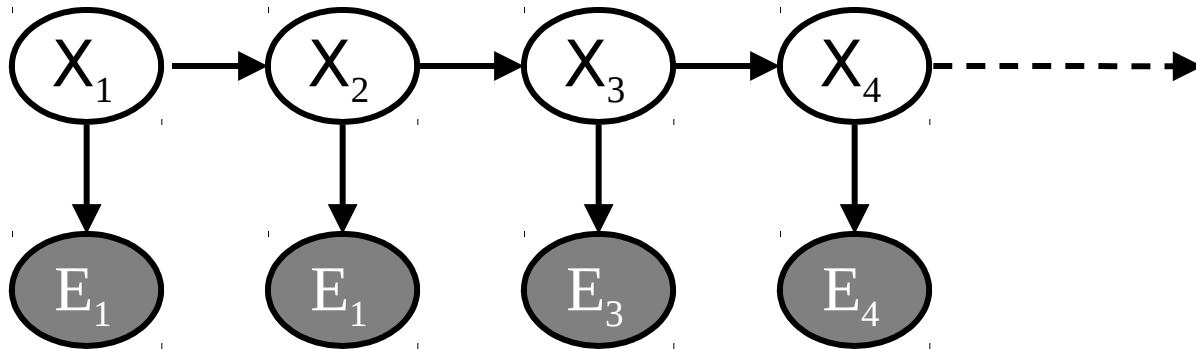
Real HMM Examples

- Speech recognition HMMs:
 - Observations are acoustic signals (continuous valued)
 - States are specific positions in specific words (so, tens of thousands)



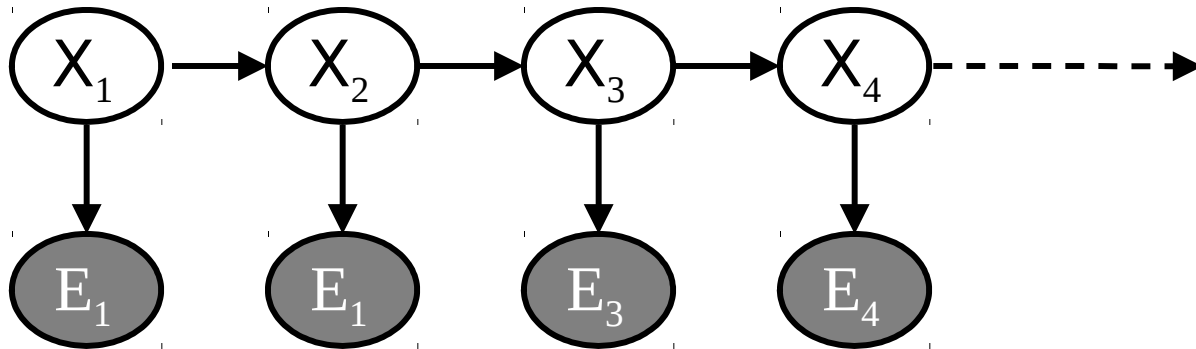
Real HMM Examples

- Machine translation HMMs:
 - Observations are words (tens of thousands)
 - States are translation options



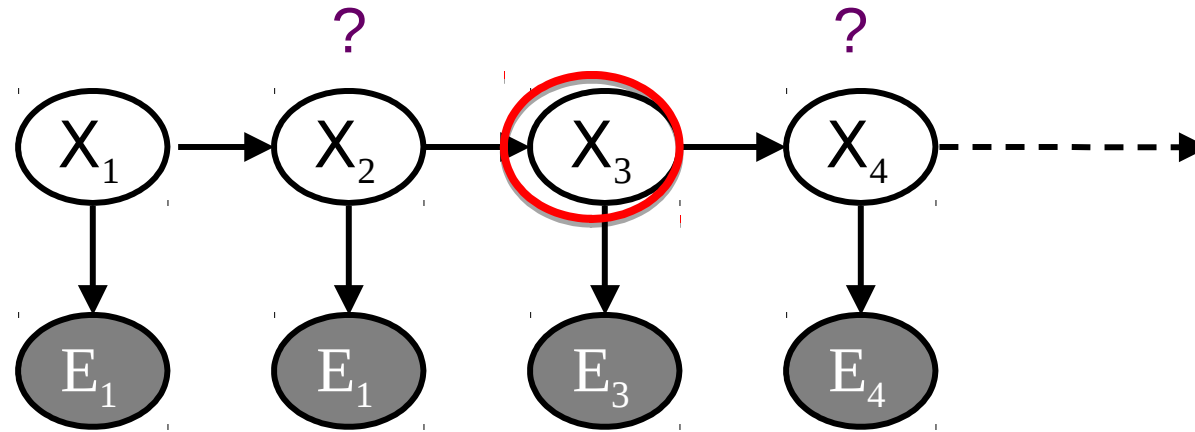
Real HMM Examples

- Robot tracking:
 - Observations are range readings (continuous)
 - States are positions on a map (continuous)



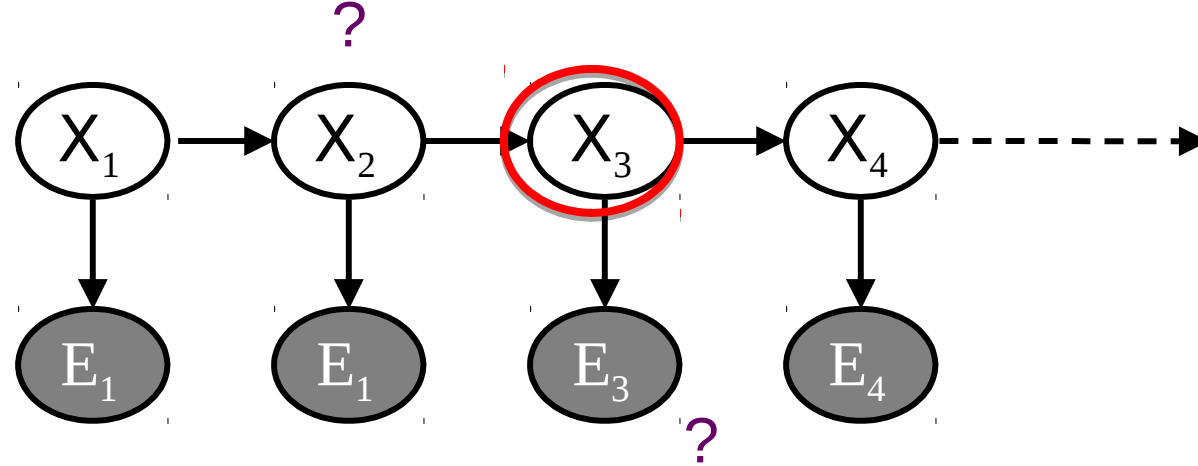
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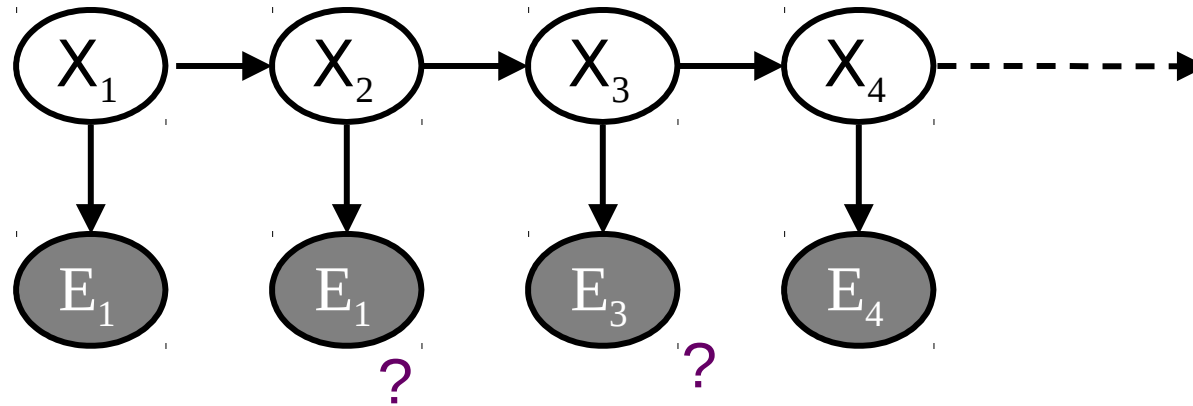
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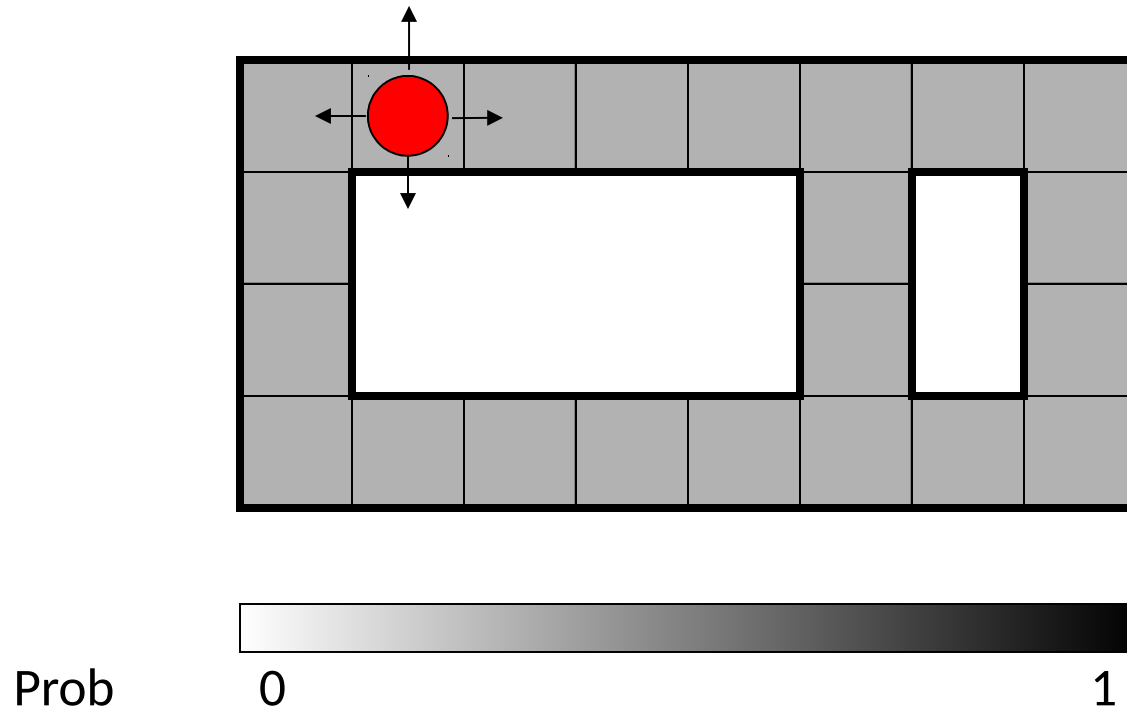
- Quiz: does this mean that observations are independent given no evidence?

Filtering / Monitoring

- Filtering, or monitoring, is the task of tracking the distribution $B(X)$ (the belief state) over time
- We start with $B(X)$ in an initial setting, usually uniform
- As time passes, or we get observations, we update $B(X)$
- The Kalman filter (one method – Real valued values)
 - invented in the 60's as a method of trajectory estimation for the Apollo program

Example: Robot Localization

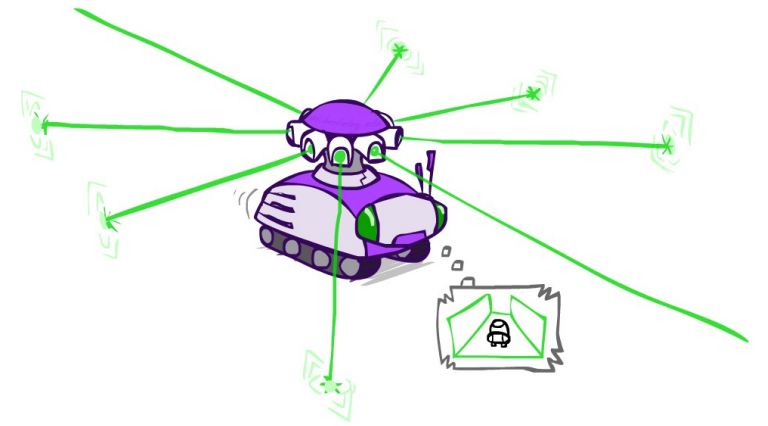
Example from
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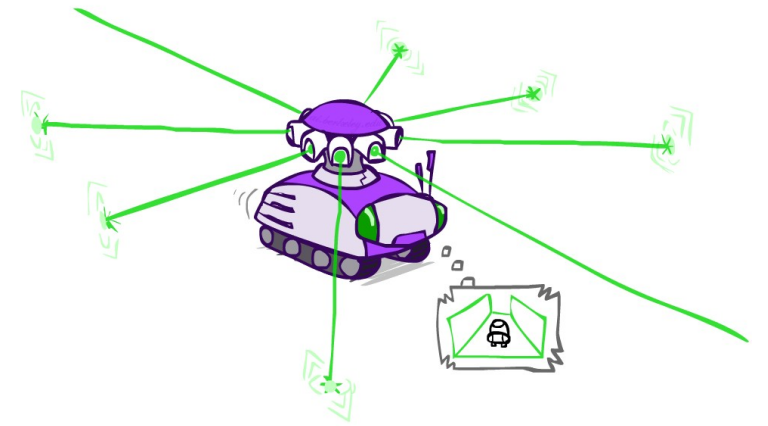
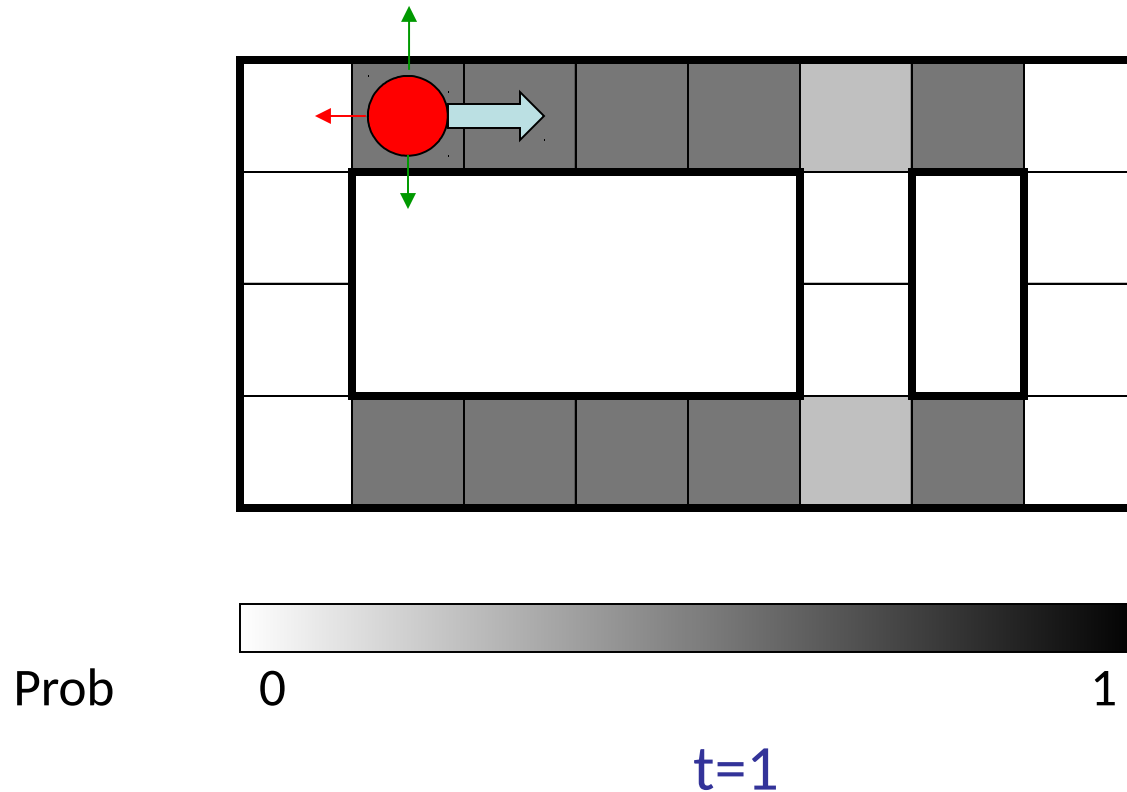
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Sensor model: can read in which directions there is a wall,
never more than 1 mistake

Motion model: may not execute action with small prob.

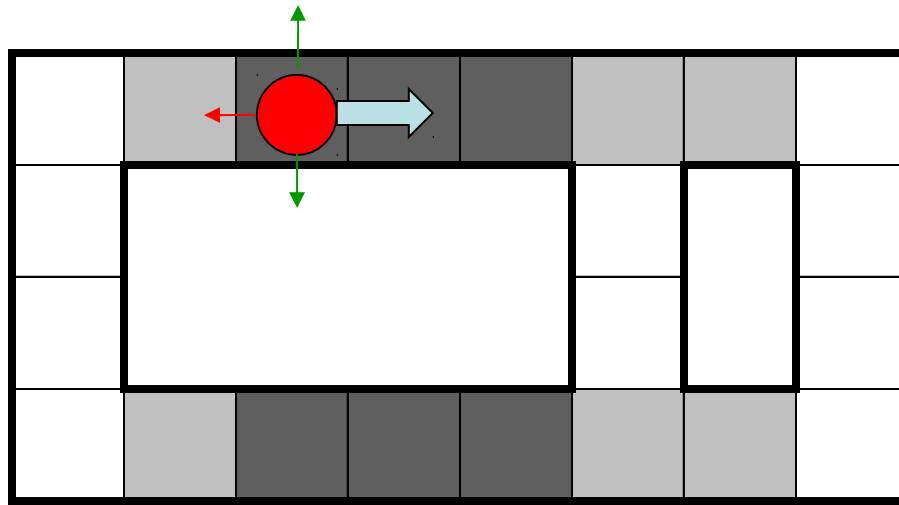


Example: Robot Localization



Lighter grey: was possible to get the reading, but less likely b/c required 1 mistake

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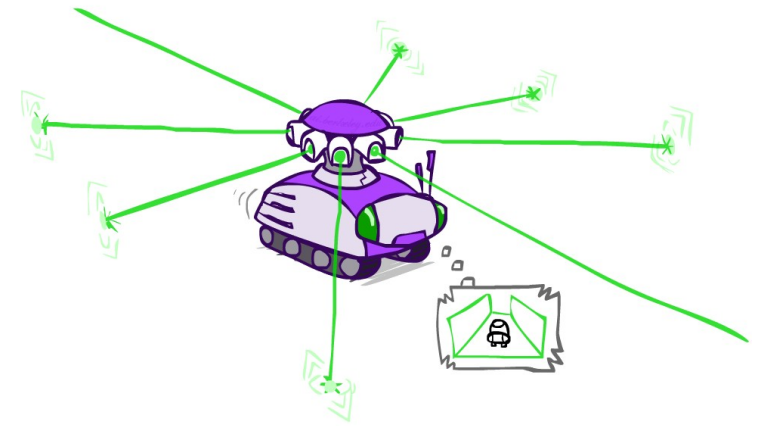


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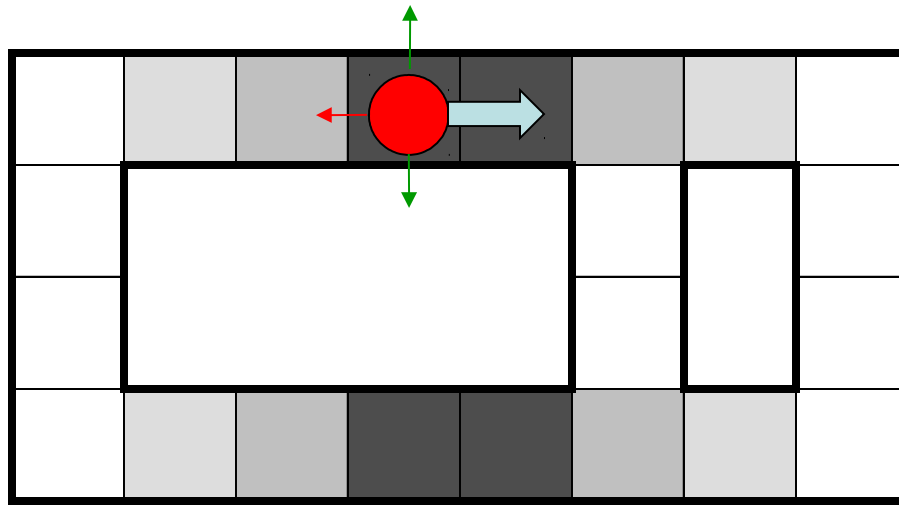
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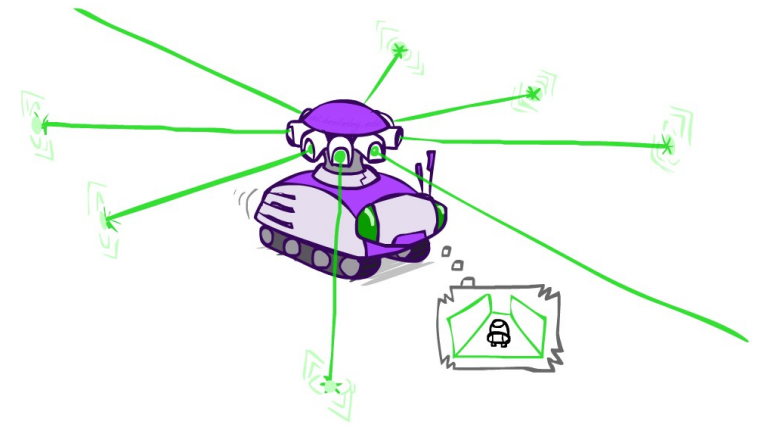


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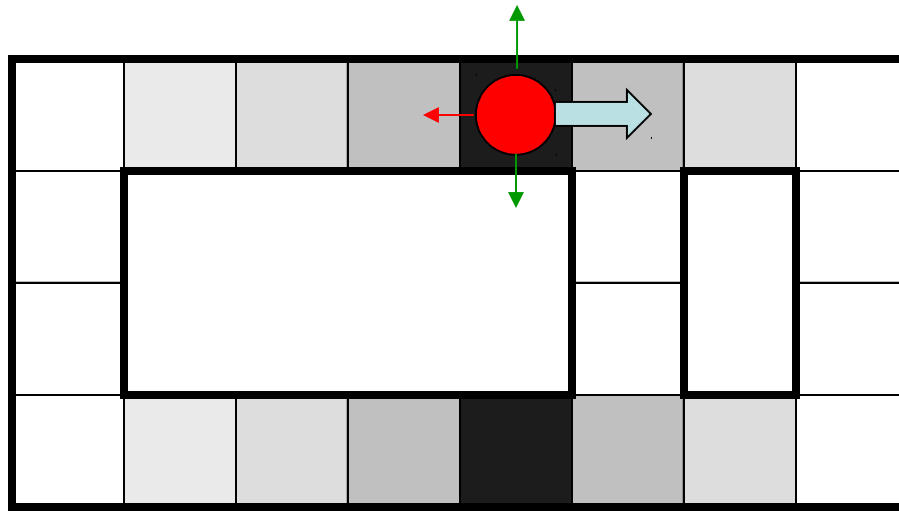
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t=3



Example: Robot Localization

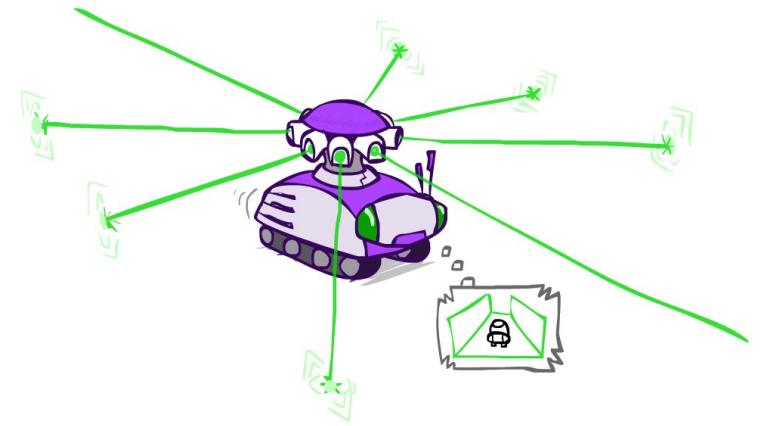


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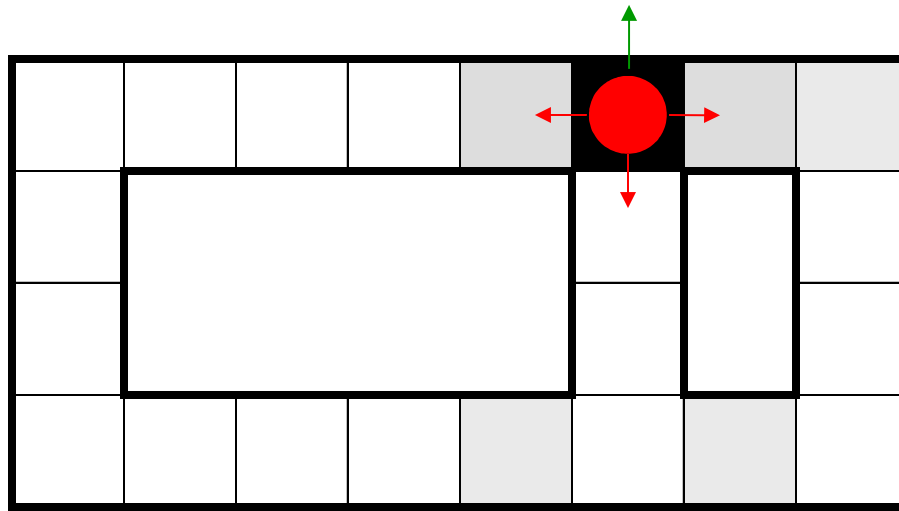
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$t=4$



Example: Robot Localization

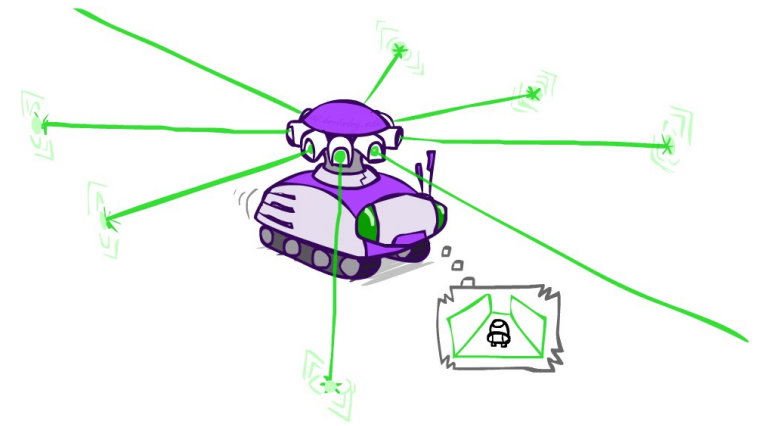


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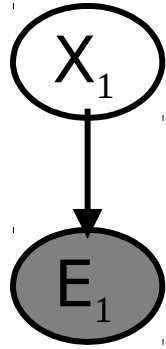
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$t=5$

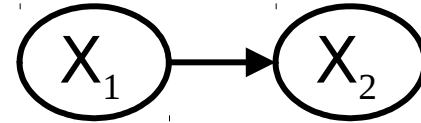


Inference Recap: Simple Cases



$$P(X_1|e_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_1|e_1) &= P(x_1, e_1)/P(e_1) \\ &\propto_{X_1} P(x_1, e_1) \\ &= P(x_1)P(e_1|x_1) \end{aligned}$$



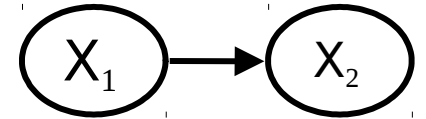
$$P(X_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_2) &= \sum_{x_1} P(x_1, x_2) \\ &= \sum_{x_1} P(x_1)P(x_2|x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Online Belief Updates

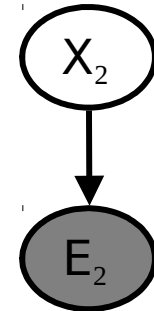
- Every time step, we start with current $P(X \mid \text{evidence})$
- We update for time:

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1} | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t | x_{t-1})$$



- We update for evidence:

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \propto_X P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(e_t | x_t)$$



- The forward algorithm does both at once (and doesn't normalize)
- Problem: space is $|X|$ and time is $|X|^2$ per time step

Passage of Time

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{evidence to date})$

$$B(X_t) = P(X_t | e_{1:t})$$

- Then, after one time step passes:

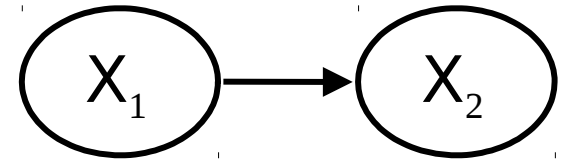
$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t}) = \sum_{x_t} P(X_{t+1} | x_t) P(x_t | e_{1:t})$$

- Or, compactly:

$$B'(X') = \sum_x P(X' | x) B(x)$$

- Basic idea: beliefs get “pushed” through the transitions

- With the “B” notation, we have to be careful about what time step t the belief is about, and what evidence it includes



Example: Passage of Time

- As time passes, uncertainty “accumulates”

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
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T = 1

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| <0.01 | <0.01 | 0.06 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| <0.01 | 0.76 | 0.06 | 0.06 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
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T = 2

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| 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.05 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.35 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| 0.07 | 0.03 | 0.05 | <0.01 | 0.03 | <0.01 |
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T = 5

$$B'(X') = \sum_x P(X'|x) B(x)$$

Transition model: ghosts usually go clockwise

Observation

- Assume we have current belief $P(X \mid \text{previous evidence})$:

$$B'(X_{t+1}) = P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

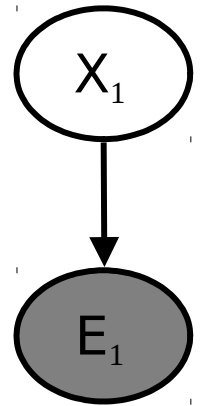
- Then:

$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t+1}) \propto P(e_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t})$$

- Or:

$$B(X_{t+1}) \propto P(e | X) B'(X_{t+1})$$

- Basic idea: beliefs reweighted by likelihood of evidence
- Unlike passage of time, we have to renormalize



Example: Observation

- As we get observations, beliefs get reweighted, uncertainty “decreases”

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| 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.05 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
| 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.35 | <0.01 | <0.01 |
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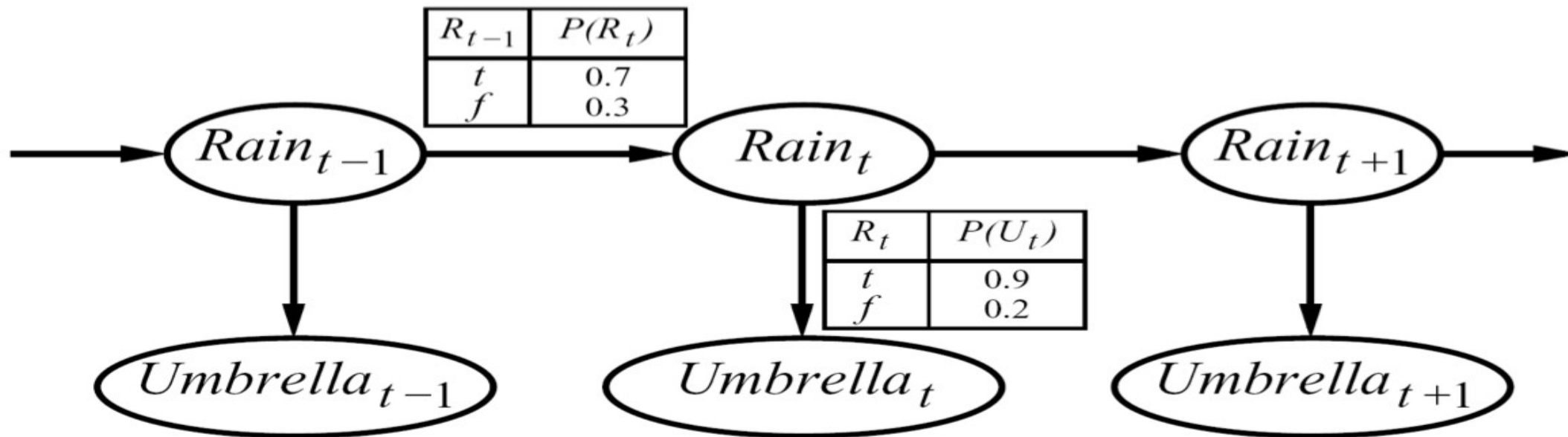
Before observation

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After observation

$$B(X) \propto P(e|X)B'(X)$$

Example: Run the Filter



- An HMM is defined by:

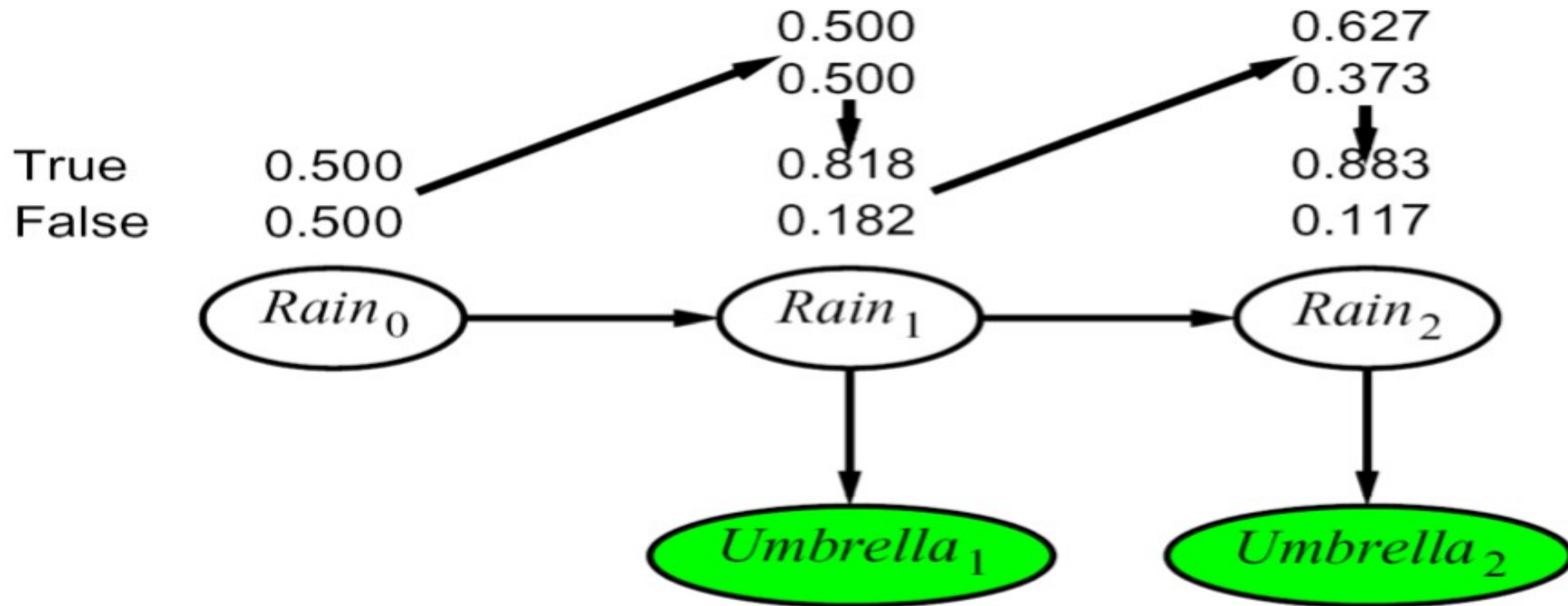
- Initial distribution:
- Transitions:
- Emissions:

$$P(X_1)$$

$$P(X_t|X_{t-1})$$

$$P(E|X)$$

Example HMM



Summary: Filtering

- Filtering is the inference process of finding a distribution over X_T given e_1 through e_T : $P(X_T | e_{1:t})$

- We first compute $P(X_1 | e_1)$:

$$P(x_1 | e_1) \propto P(x_1) \cdot P(e_1 | x_1)$$

- For each t from 2 to T , we have $P(X_{t-1} | e_{1:t-1})$

- Elapse time: compute $P(X_t | e_{1:t-1})$

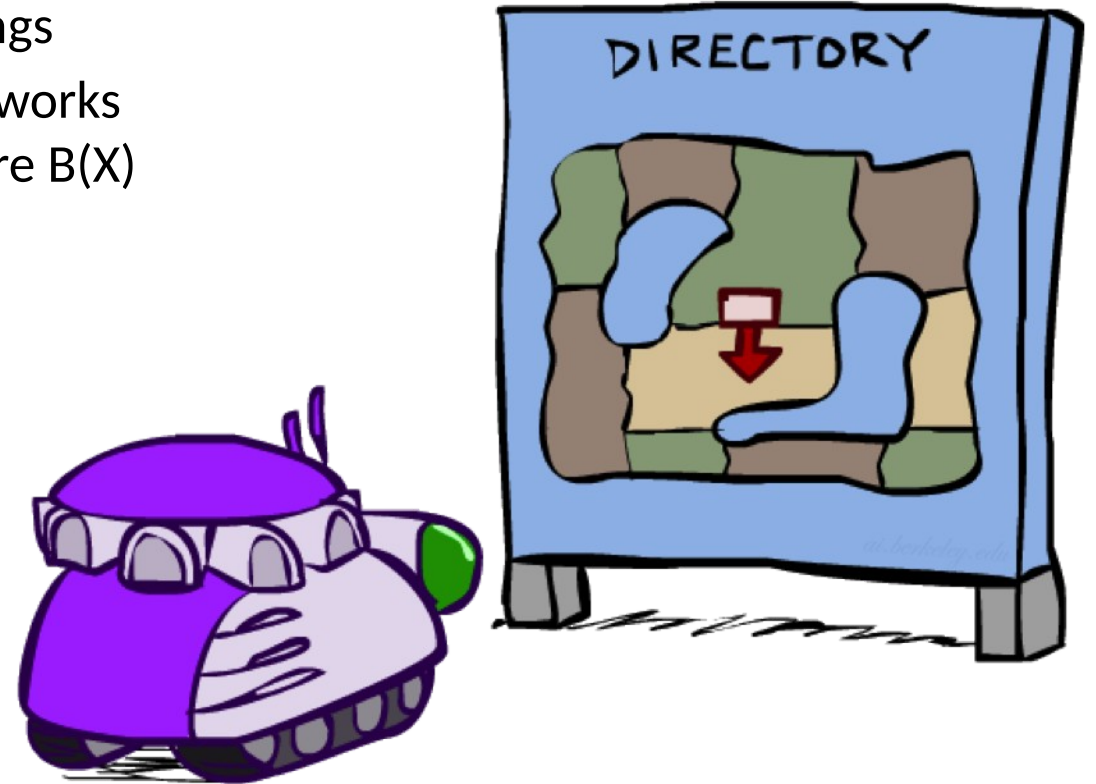
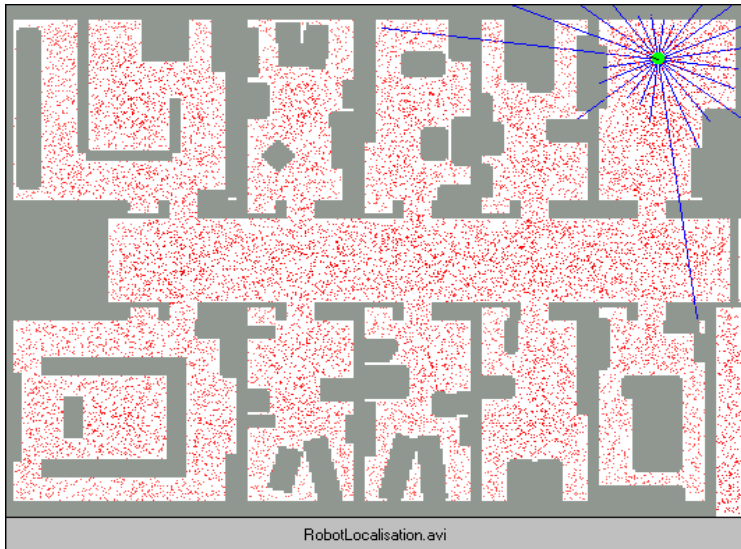
$$P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(x_{t-1} | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(x_t | x_{t-1})$$

- Observe: compute $P(X_t | e_{1:t-1}, e_t) = P(X_t | e_{1:t})$

$$P(x_t | e_{1:t}) \propto P(x_t | e_{1:t-1}) \cdot P(e_t | x_t)$$

Robot Localization

- In robot localization:
 - We know the map, but not the robot's position
 - Observations may be vectors of range finder readings
 - State space and readings are typically continuous (works basically like a very fine grid) and so we cannot store $B(X)$
 - Particle filtering is a main technique



Bayes Filters: Framework

- **Given:**

- Stream of observations z and action data u :

$$d_t = \{u_1, z_2, \dots, u_{t-1}, z_t\}$$

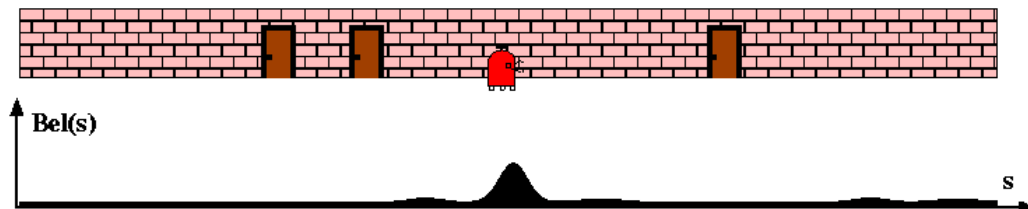
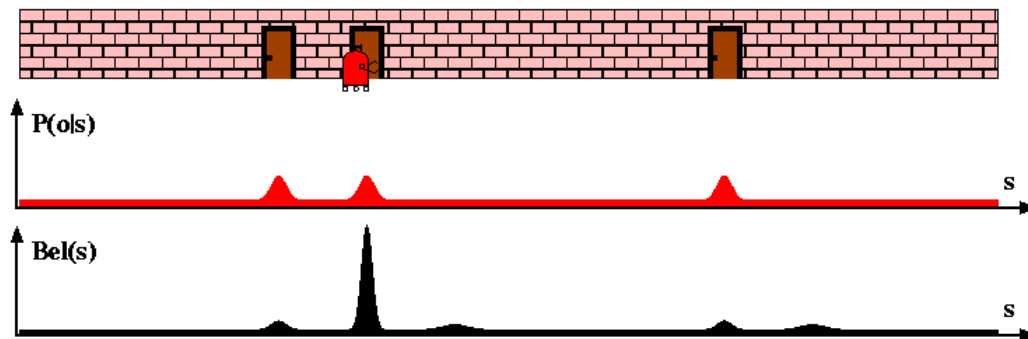
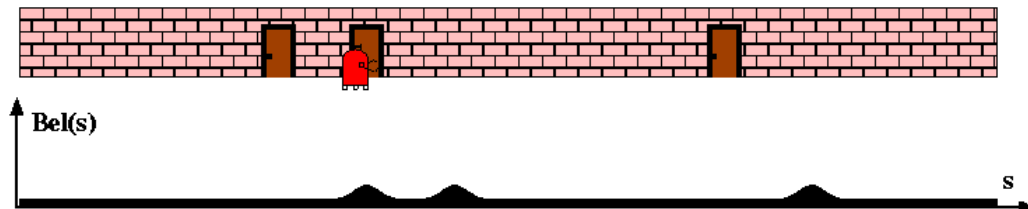
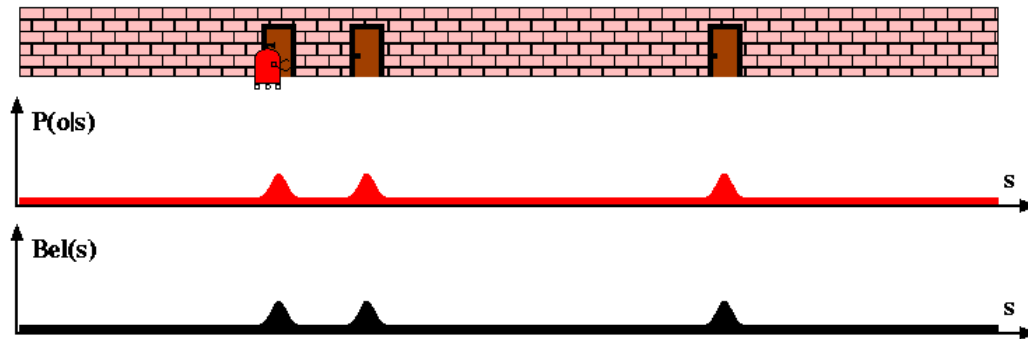
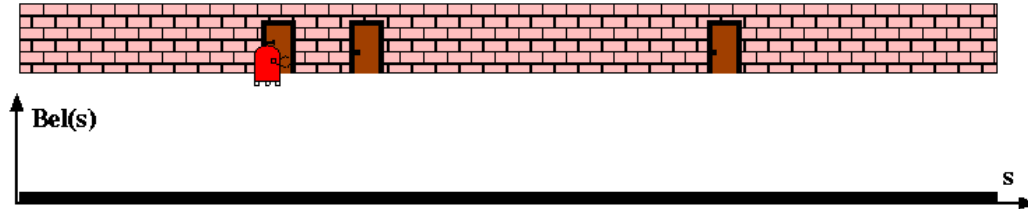
- Sensor model $P(z|x)$.
- Action model $P(x|u, x')$.
- Prior probability of the system state $P(x)$.

- **Wanted:**

- Estimate of the state X of a **dynamical system**.
- The posterior of the state is also called **Belief**:

$$Bel(x_t) = P(x_t | u_1, z_2, \dots, u_{t-1}, z_t)$$

Bayes Filter for Robot Localization



Representations for Bayesian Robot Localization

Discrete approaches ('95)

- Topological representation ('95)
 - uncertainty handling (POMDPs)
 - occas. global localization, recovery
- Grid-based, metric representation ('96)
 - global localization, recovery

Particle filters ('99)

- sample-based representation
- global localization, recovery

AI

Kalman filters (late-80s)

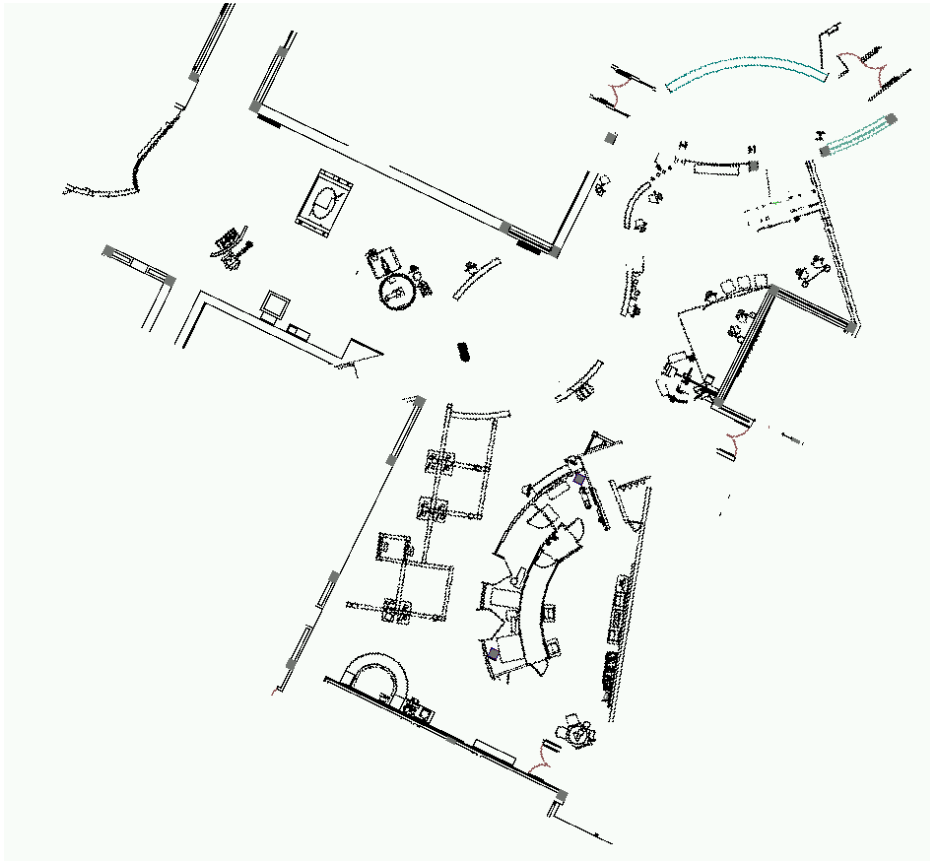
- Gaussians, unimodal
- approximately linear models
- position tracking

Robotics

Multi-hypothesis ('00)

- multiple Kalman filters
- global localization, recovery

Occupancy Map



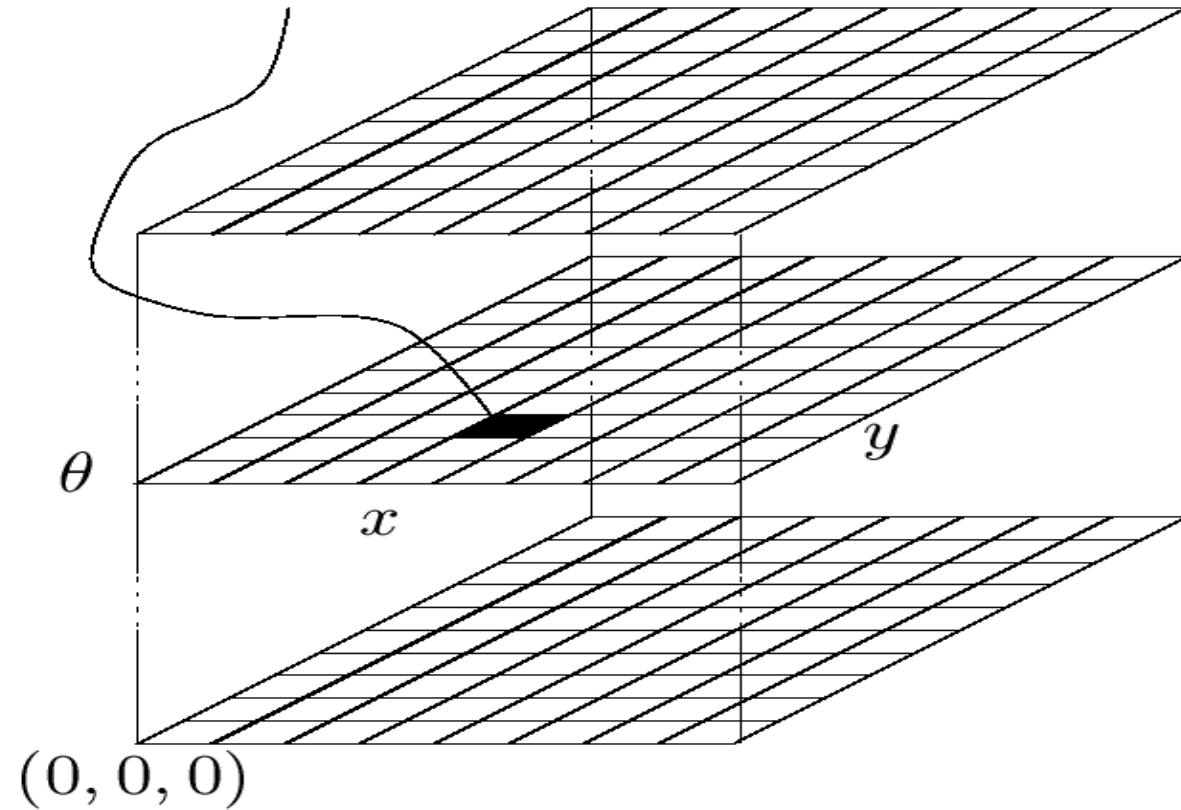
CAD map



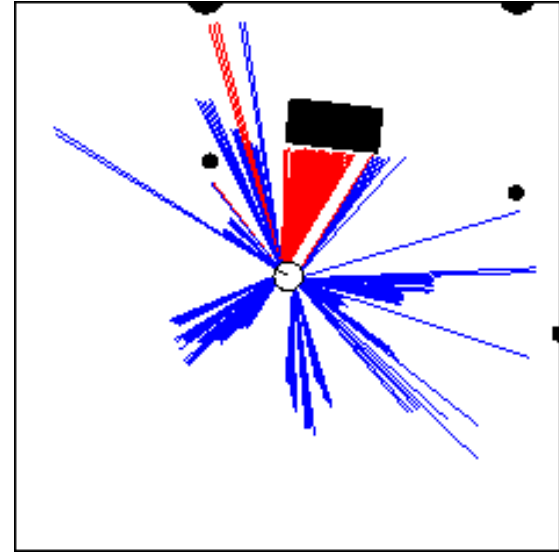
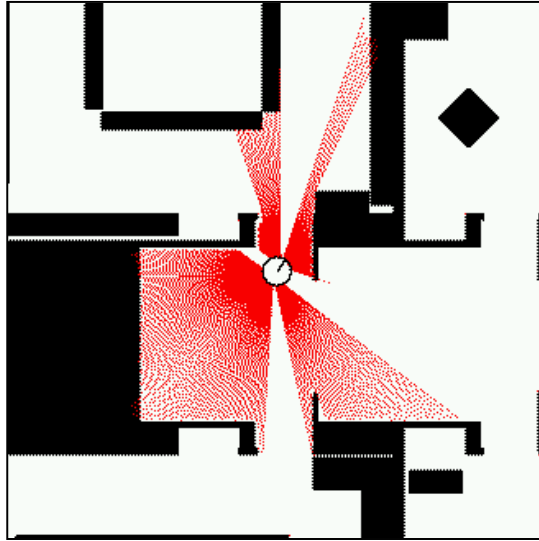
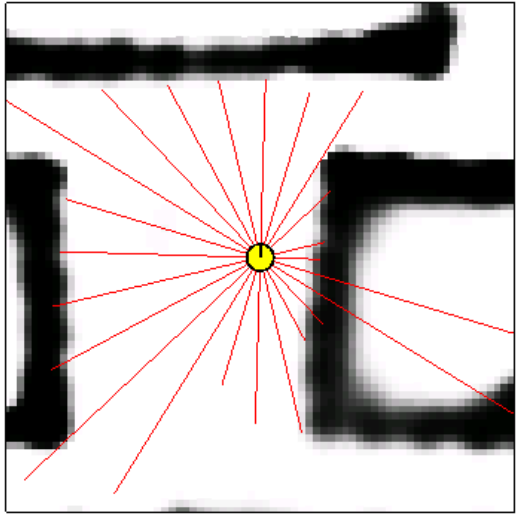
occupancy grid map

Piecewise Constant Representation

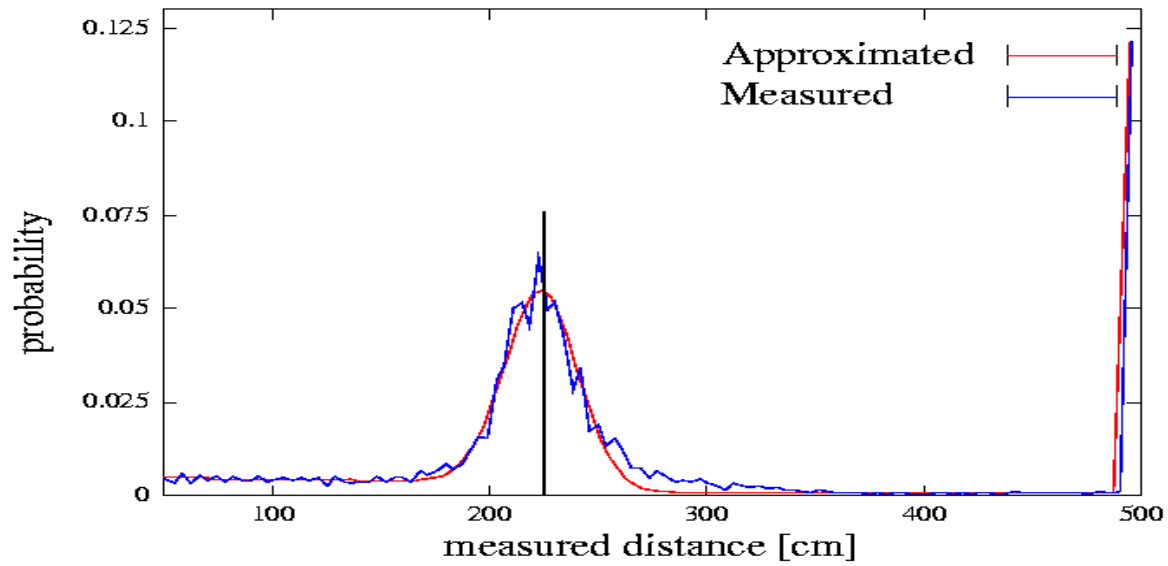
$$Bel(\exists x \neq y, \theta >)$$



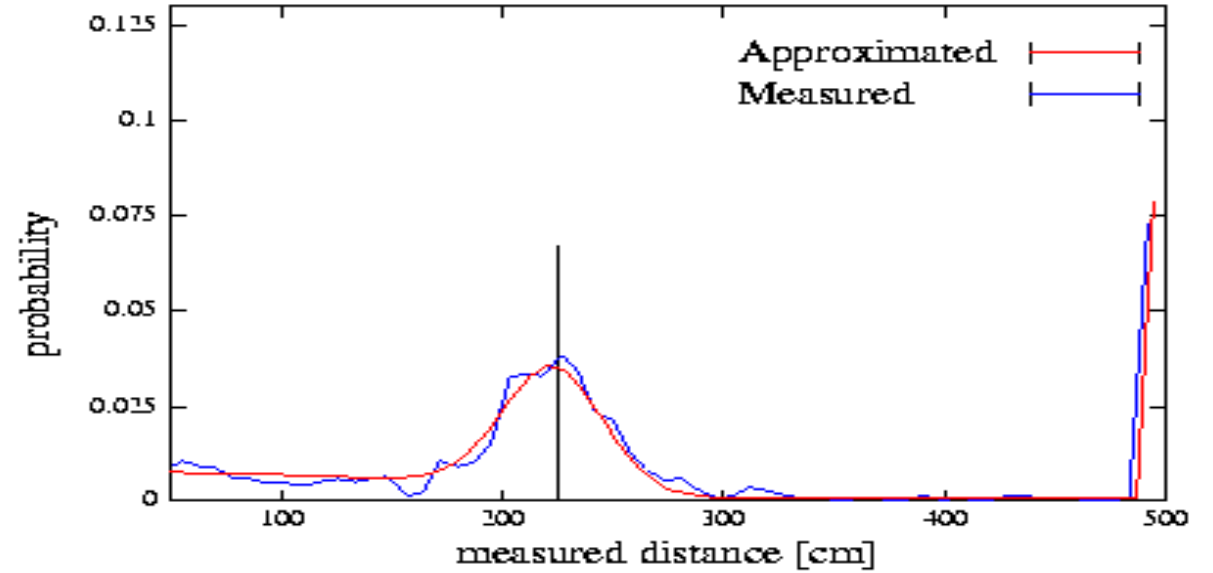
Proximity Sensors



Proximity Sensor Model



Laser sensor



Sonar sensor

Beam-based Sensor Model

- Scan z consists of K measurements.

$$z = \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_K\}$$

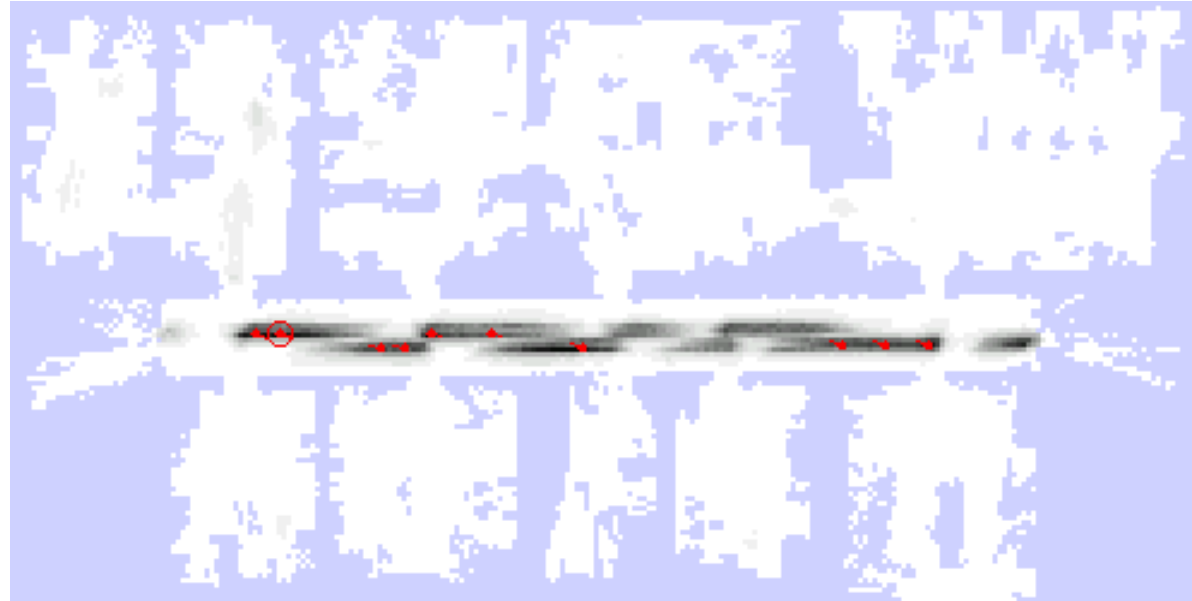
- Individual measurements are independent given the robot position.

$$P(z \mid x, m) = \prod_{k=1}^K P(z_k \mid x, m)$$

Example



z



$P(z|x,m)$

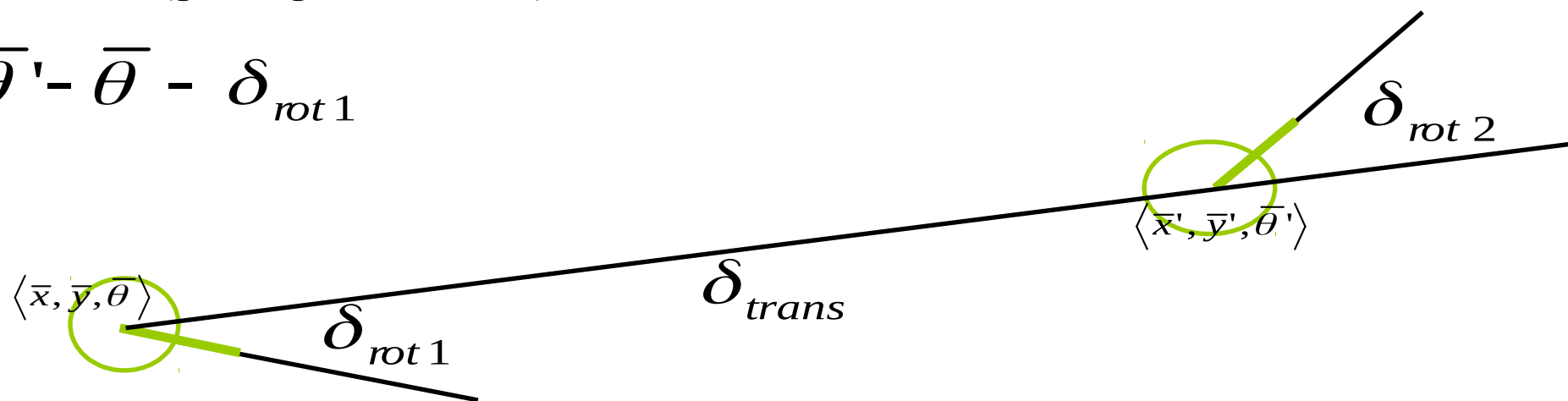
Probabilistic Kinematics

- Robot moves from $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{\theta} \rangle$ to $\langle \bar{x}', \bar{y}', \bar{\theta}' \rangle$
- Odometry information $u = \langle \delta_{rot1}, \delta_{rot2}, \delta_{trans} \rangle$

$$\delta_{trans} = \sqrt{(\bar{x}' - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y}' - \bar{y})^2}$$

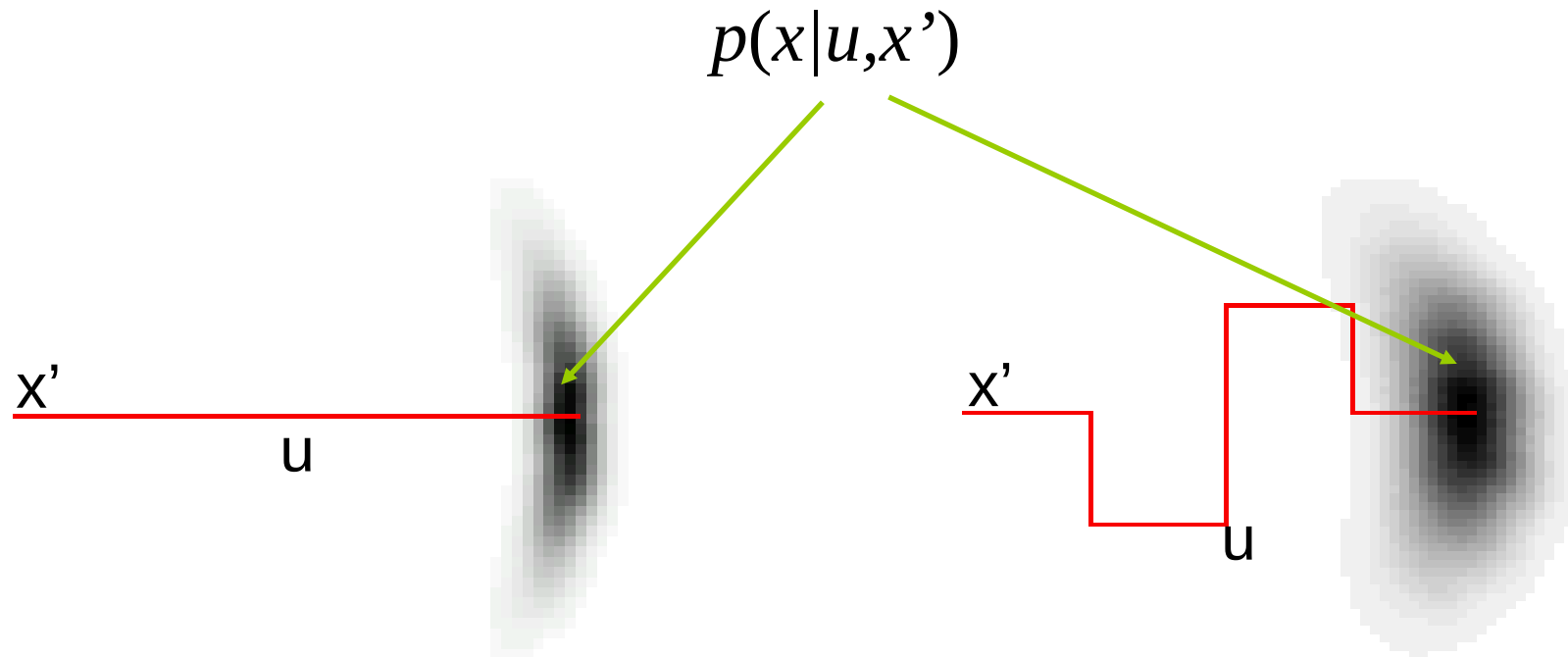
$$\delta_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(\bar{y}' - \bar{y}, \bar{x}' - \bar{x}) - \bar{\theta}$$

$$\delta_{rot2} = \bar{\theta}' - \bar{\theta} - \delta_{rot1}$$

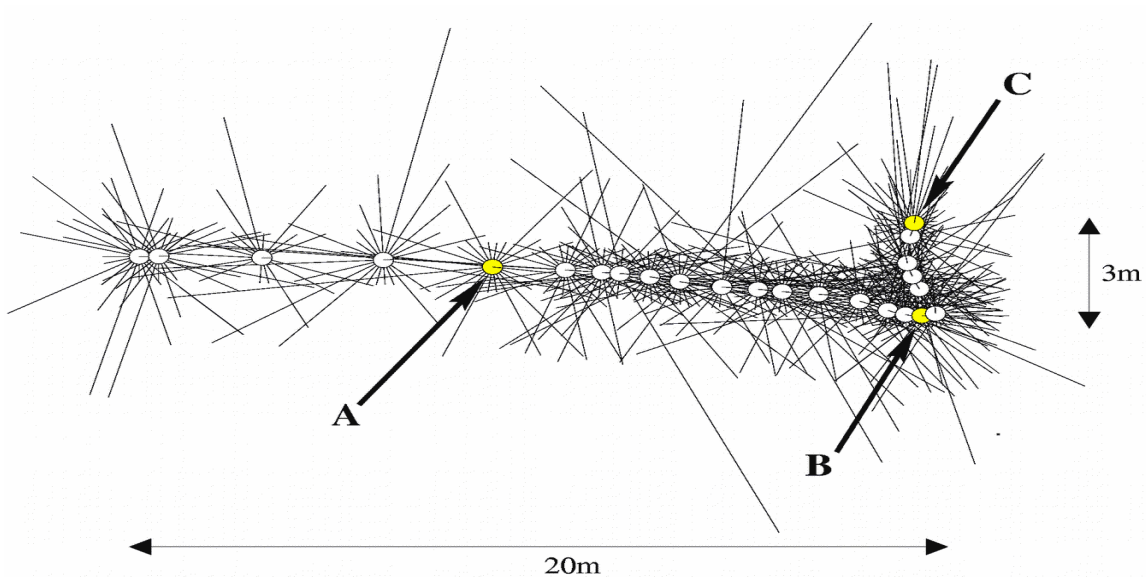
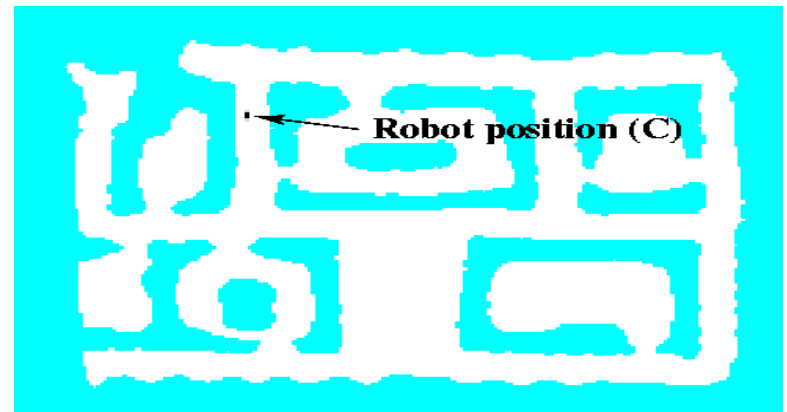
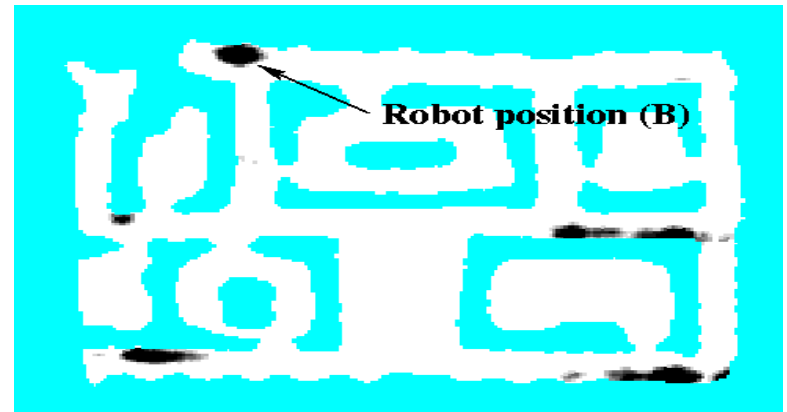
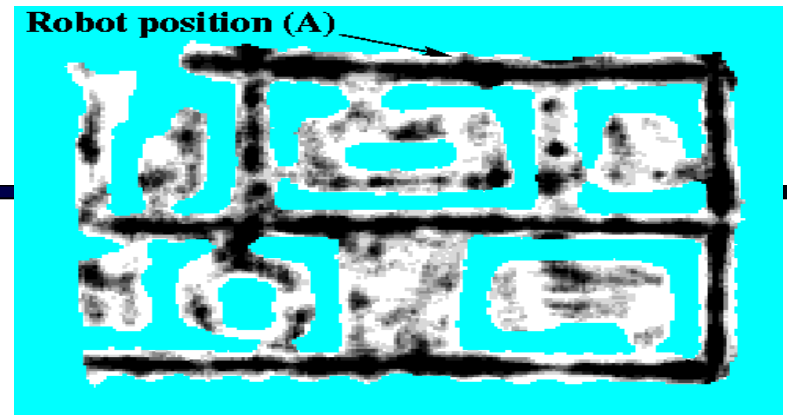


Probabilistic Kinematics

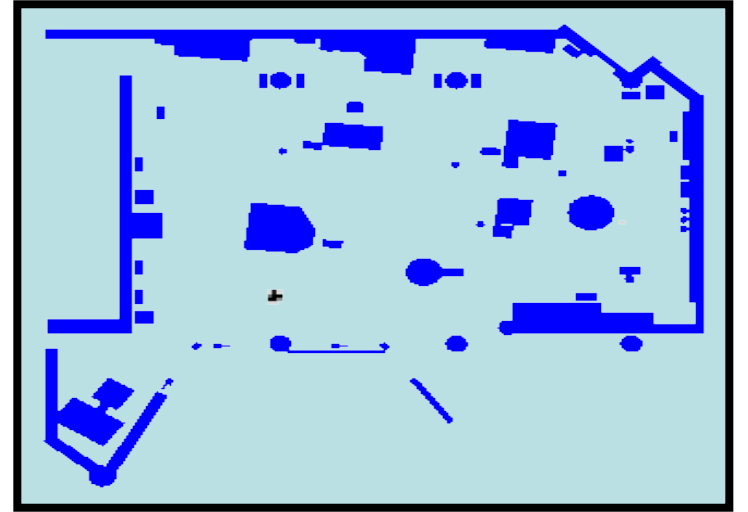
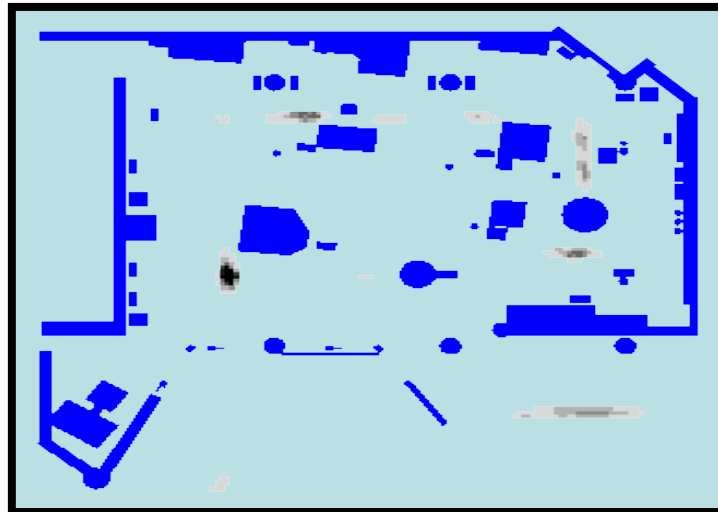
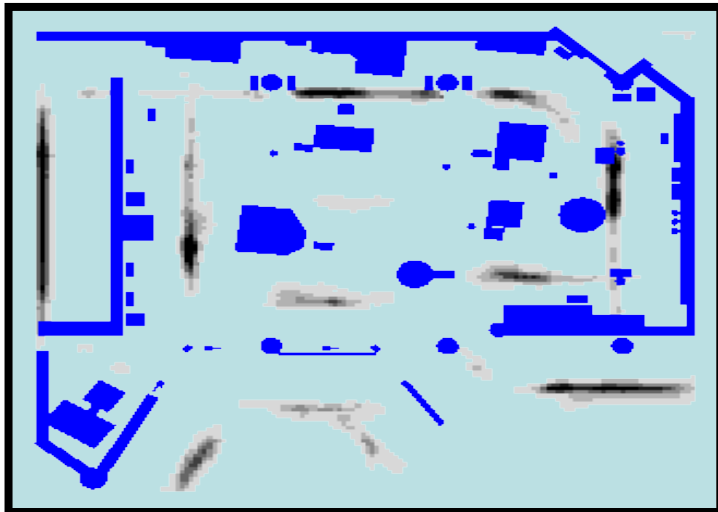
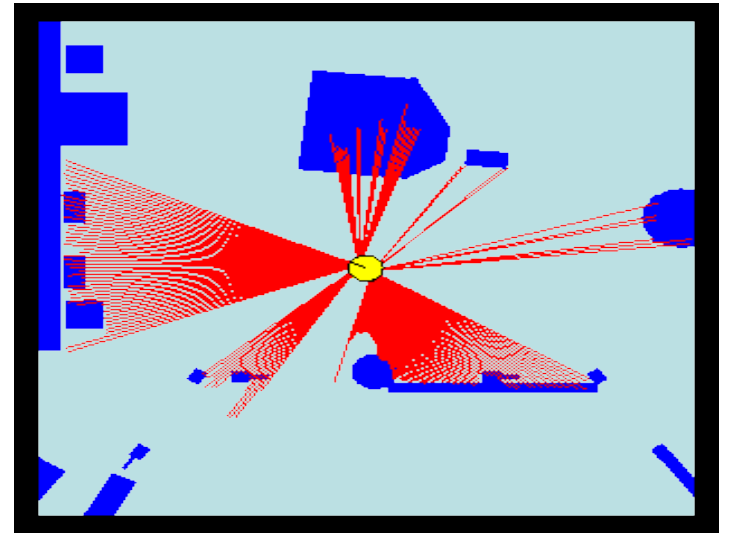
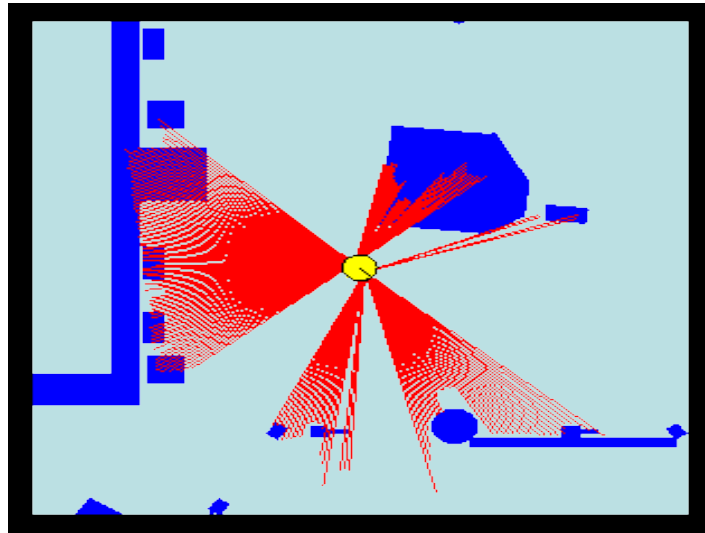
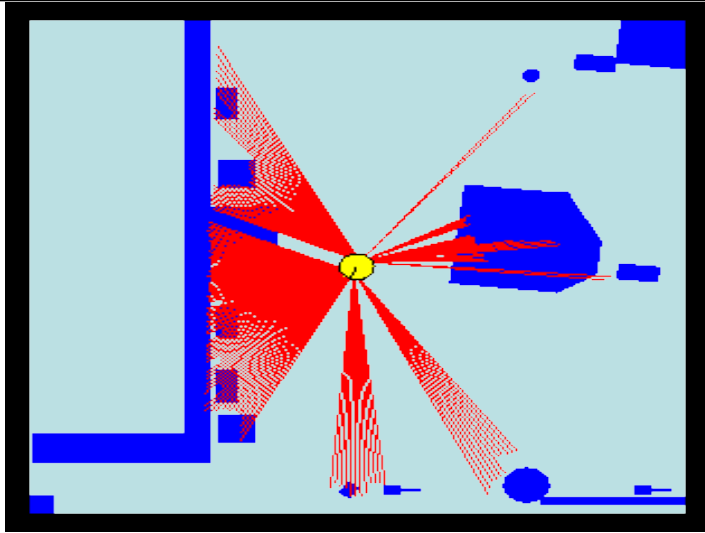
- Odometry information is inherently noisy.



Sonars and Occupancy Grid Map



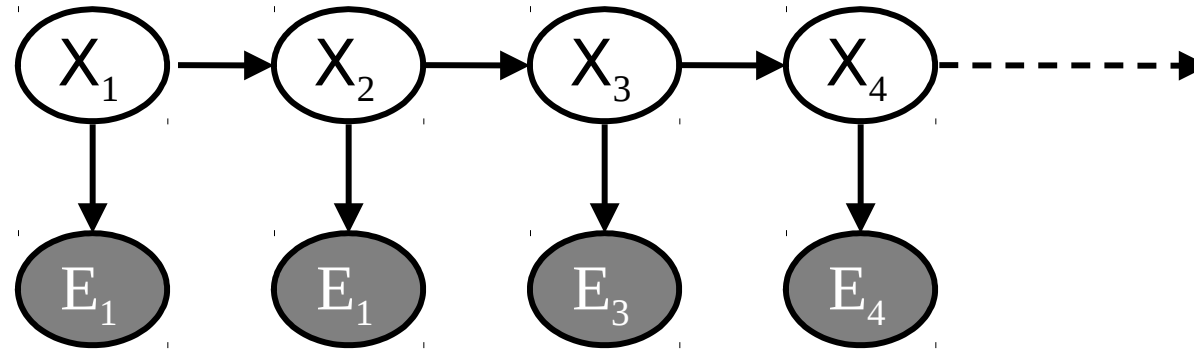
Laser-based Localization



Museum Tourguide Minerva



Best Explanation Queries

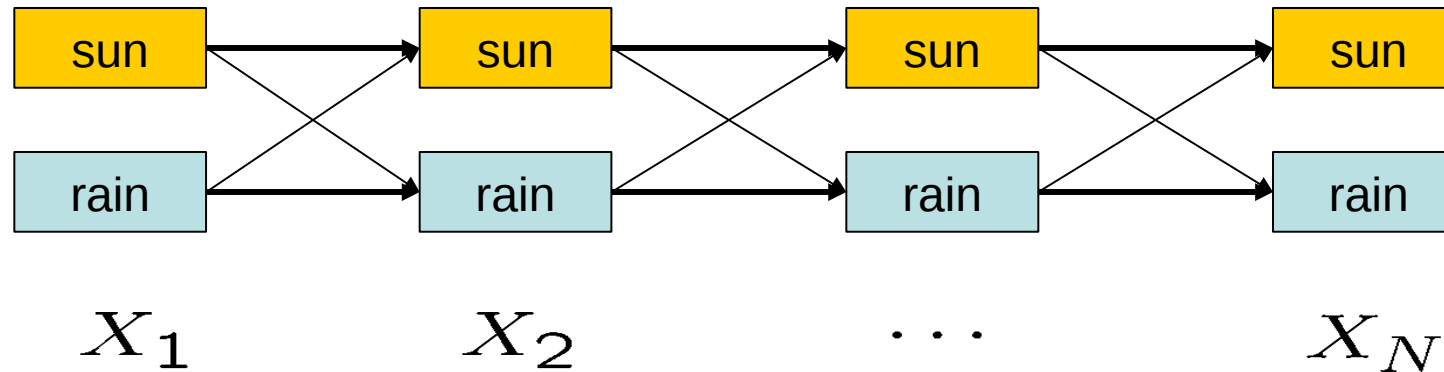


- Query: most likely seq:

$$\arg \max_{x_{1:t}} P(x_{1:t} | e_{1:t})$$

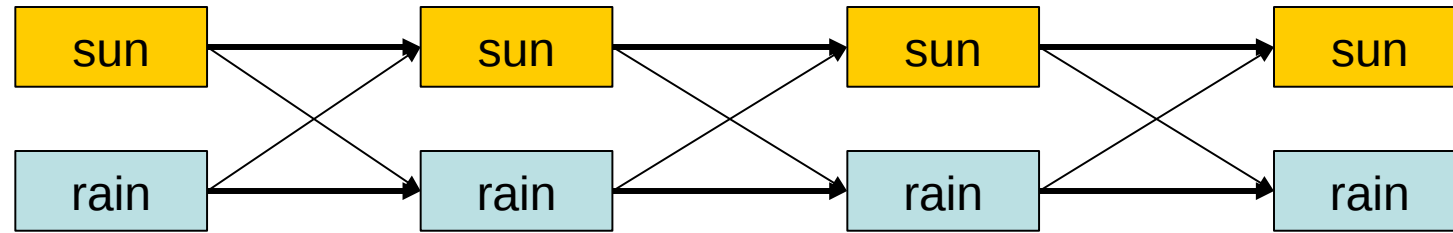
State Path Trellis

- State trellis: graph of states and transitions over time



- Each arc represents some transition $x_{t-1} \rightarrow x_t$
- Each arc has weight $P(x_t|x_{t-1})P(e_t|x_t)$
- Each path is a sequence of states
- The product of weights on a path is the seq's probability
- Can think of the Forward (and now Viterbi) algorithms as computing sums of all paths (best paths) in this graph

Viterbi Algorithm



$$x_{1:T}^* = \arg \max_{x_{1:T}} P(x_{1:T} | e_{1:T}) = \arg \max_{x_{1:T}} P(x_{1:T}, e_{1:T})$$

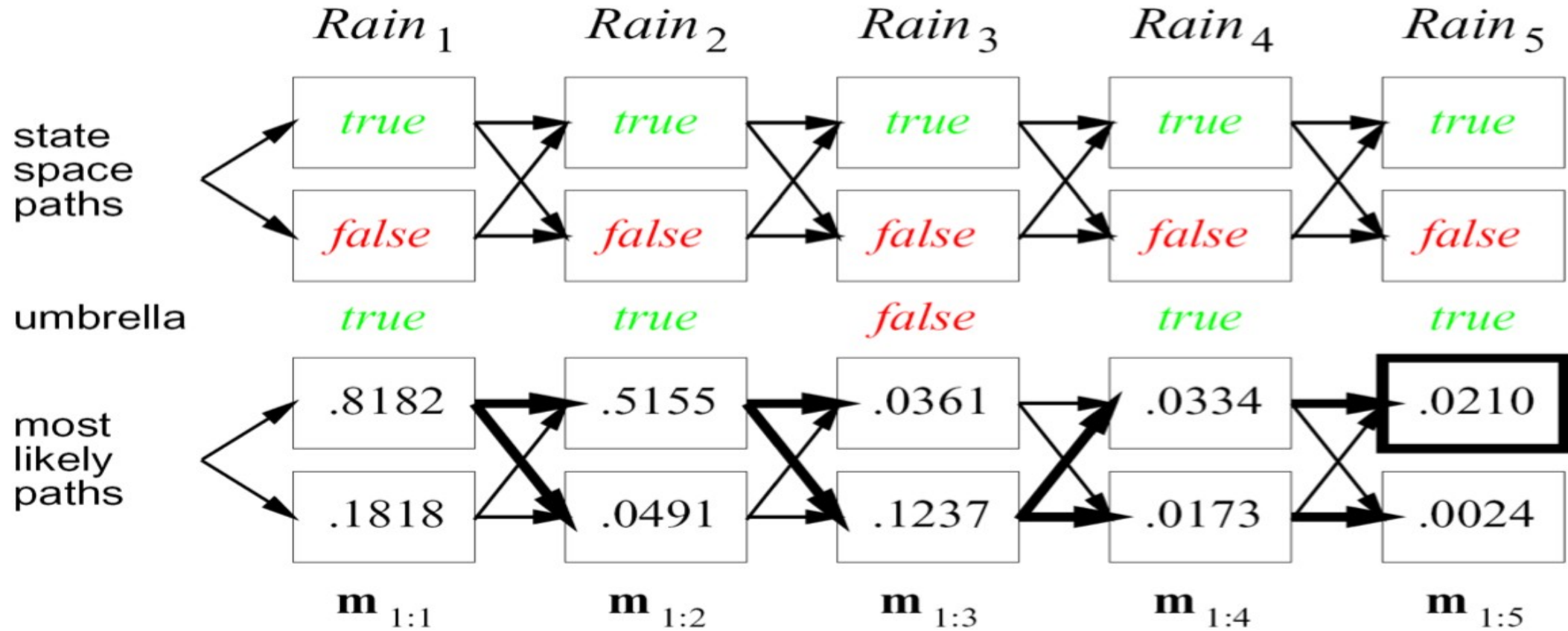
$$m_t[x_t] = \max_{x_{1:t-1}} P(x_{1:t-1}, x_t, e_{1:t})$$

$$= \max_{x_{1:t-1}} P(x_{1:t-1}, e_{1:t-1}) P(x_t | x_{t-1}) P(e_t | x_t)$$

$$= P(e_t | x_t) \max_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t | x_{t-1}) \max_{x_{1:t-2}} P(x_{1:t-1}, e_{1:t-1})$$

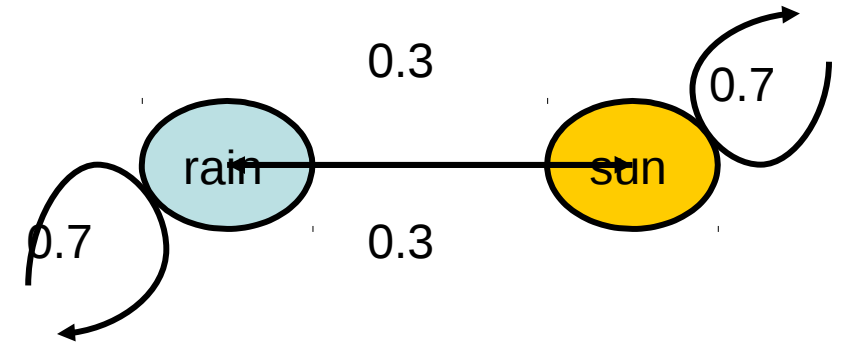
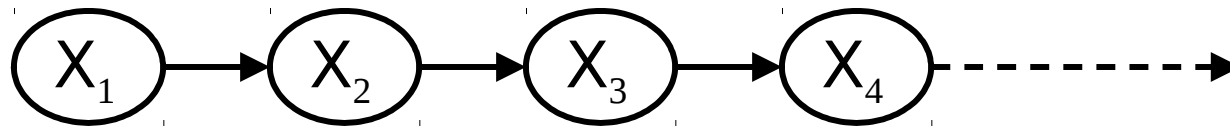
$$= P(e_t | x_t) \max_{x_{t-1}} P(x_t | x_{t-1}) m_{t-1}[x_{t-1}]$$

Example



Recap: Reasoning Over Time

- Stationary Markov models

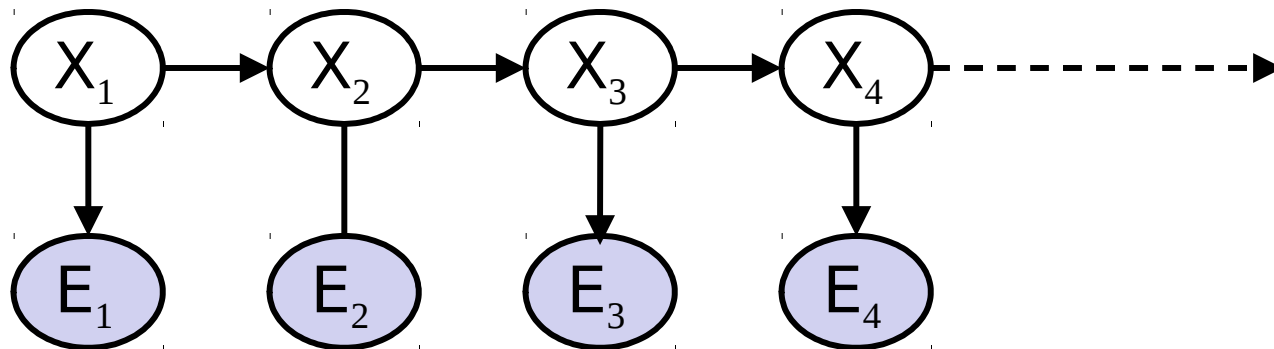


$$P(X_1)$$

$$P(X|X_{-1})$$

$$P(E|X)$$

- Hidden Markov models



| X | E | P |
|------|-------------|-----|
| rain | umbrella | 0.9 |
| rain | no umbrella | 0.1 |
| sun | umbrella | 0.2 |
| sun | no umbrella | 0.8 |