

NLP Programming Tutorial 6 - Kana-Kanji Conversion

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Formal Model for Kana-Kanji Conversion (KKC)

- In Japanese input, users type in **phonetic Hiragana**, but proper Japanese is written in **logographic Kanji**
- **Kana-Kanji Conversion**: Given an unsegmented Hiragana string X , predict its **Kanji string Y**

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かな漢字変換は日本語入力の一部

- Also a type of **structured prediction**, like HMMs or word segmentation

There are Many Choices!

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かな漢字変換は日本語入力の一部 good!

仮名漢字変換は日本語入力の一部 good?

かな漢字変換は二本後入力の一部 bad

家中ん事变感歯に☒御乳力の胃治舞?!?!

...

- How does the computer tell between good and bad?

Probability model! $\operatorname{argmax}_Y P(Y|X)$

Remember (from the HMM): Generative Sequence Model

- Decompose probability using Bayes' law

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{argmax}_Y P(Y|X) &= \operatorname{argmax}_Y \frac{P(X|Y) P(Y)}{P(X)} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_Y P(X|Y) P(Y) \end{aligned}$$

Model of Kana/Kanji interactions

“かんじ” is probably “感じ”

Model of Kanji-Kanji interactions

“漢字” comes after “かな”

Sequence Model for Kana-Kanji Conversion

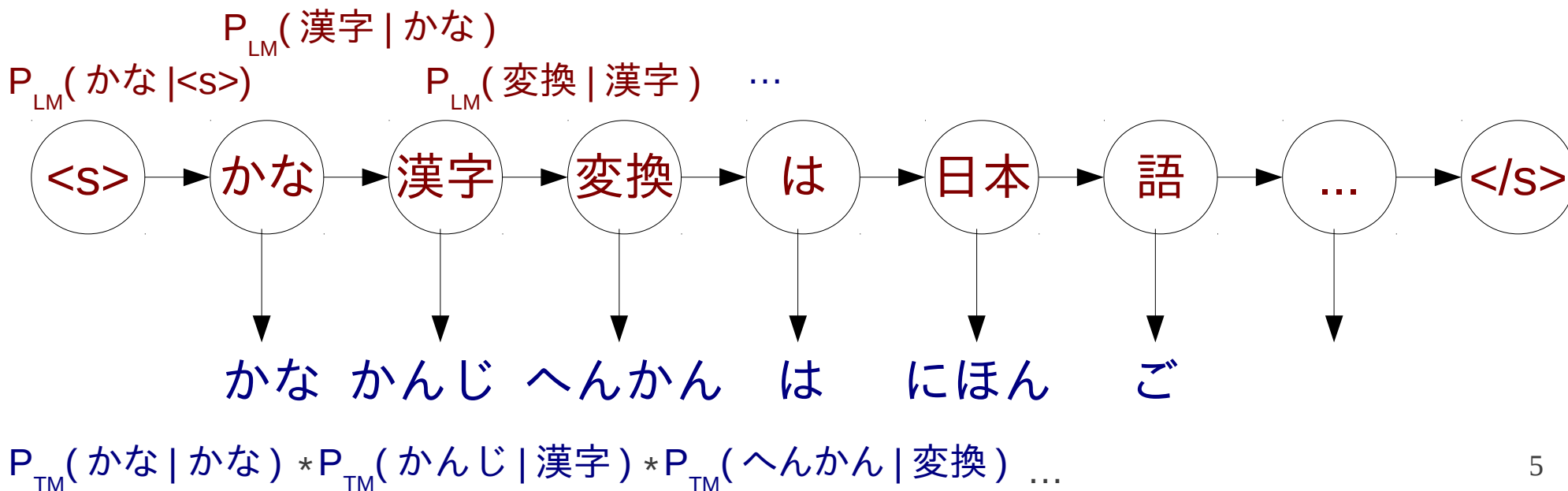
- Kanji → Kanji language model probabilities

- Bigram model

$$P(Y) \approx \prod_{i=1}^{l+1} P_{LM}(y_i | y_{i-1})$$

- Kanji → Kana translation model probabilities

$$P(X|Y) \approx \prod_1^l P_{TM}(x_i | y_i)$$



Generative Sequence Model

Emission/Translation Probability

Wait! I heard this last week!!!

Transition/Language Model Probability

Structured Prediction

Differences between POS and Kana-Kanji Conversion

- 1. Sparsity of $P(y_i|y_{i-1})$:
 - **HMM**: POS \rightarrow POS is not sparse \rightarrow no smoothing
 - **KKC**: Word \rightarrow Word is sparse \rightarrow need smoothing
- 2. Emission possibilities
 - **HMM**: Considers all word-POS combinations
 - **KKC**: Considers only previously seen combinations
- 3. Word segmentation:
 - **HMM**: 1 word, 1 POS tag
 - **KKC**: Multiple Hiragana, multiple Kanji

1. Handling Sparsity

- Simple! Just use a **smoothed bi-gram model**

Bigram:
$$P(y_i|y_{i-1}) = \lambda_2 P_{ML}(y_i|y_{i-1}) + (1 - \lambda_2) P(y_i)$$

Unigram:
$$P(y_i) = \lambda_1 P_{ML}(y_i) + (1 - \lambda_1) \frac{1}{N}$$

- Re-use your code from Tutorial 2

2. Translation possibilities

- For translation probabilities, use maximum likelihood

$$P_{TM}(x_i|y_i) = c(y_i \rightarrow x_i) / c(y_i)$$

- Re-use your code from Tutorial 5
- **Implication:** We only need to consider some words

c(感じ → かんじ) = 5
c(漢字 → かんじ) = 3
c(幹事 → かんじ) = 2

c(トマト → かんじ) = 0
c(奈良 → かんじ) = 0
c(監事 → かんじ) = 0
...

→ Efficient search is possible

3. Words and Kana-Kanji Conversion

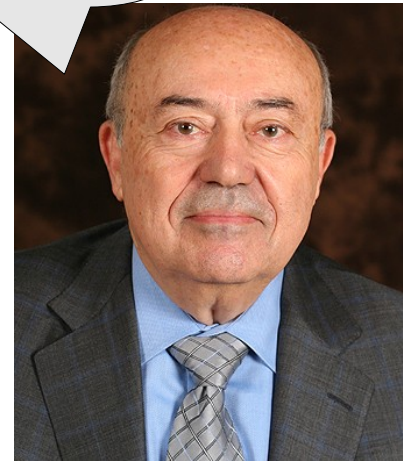
- Easier to think of Kana-Kanji conversion using words

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|----|-----|------|---|-----|---|--------|---|----|---|
| かな | かんじ | へんかん | は | にほん | ご | にゅうりよく | の | いち | ぶ |
| ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| かな | 漢字 | 変換 | は | 日本 | 語 | 入力 | の | 一 | 部 |

- We need to do two things:
 - Separate Hiragana into words
 - Convert Hiragana words into Kanji
- We will do these at the same time with the Viterbi algorithm

Search for Kana-Kanji Conversion

I'm back!



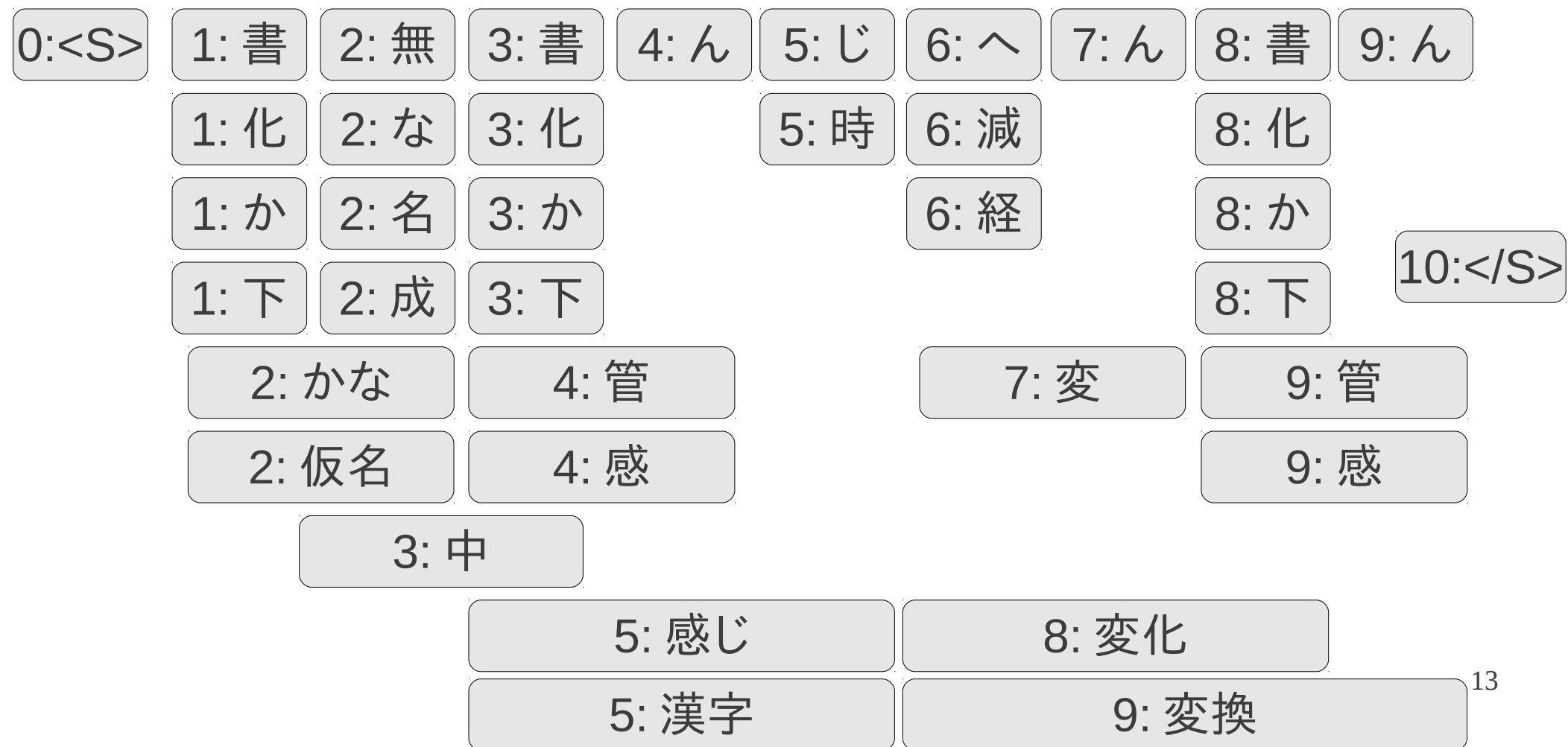
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- Use the Viterbi Algorithm
- What does our graph look like?

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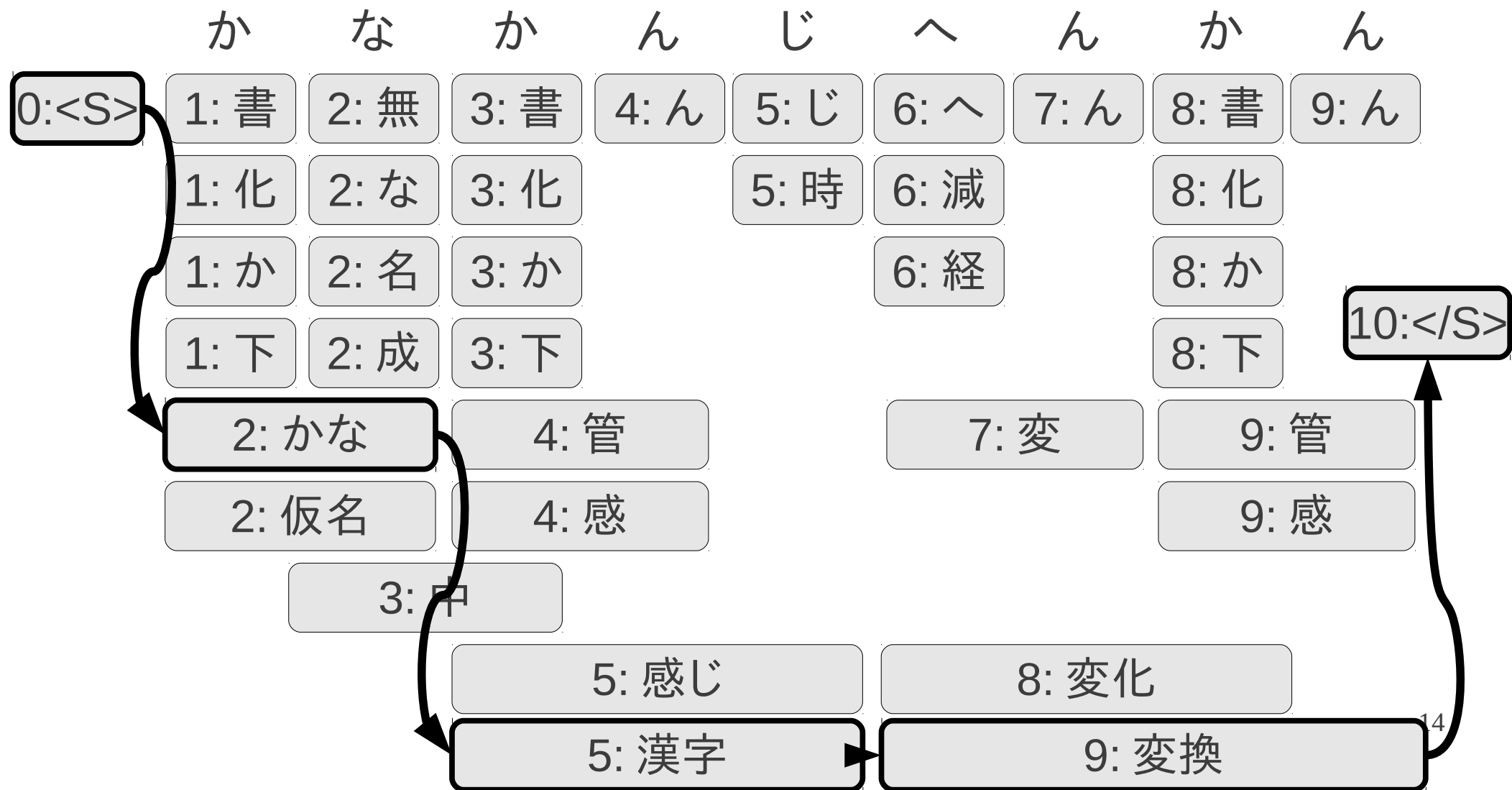
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- Use the Viterbi Algorithm



Steps for Viterbi Algorithm

- First, start at 0:<S>

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0:<S> S["0:<S>"] = 0

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- Expand 0 → 1, with all previous states ending at 0

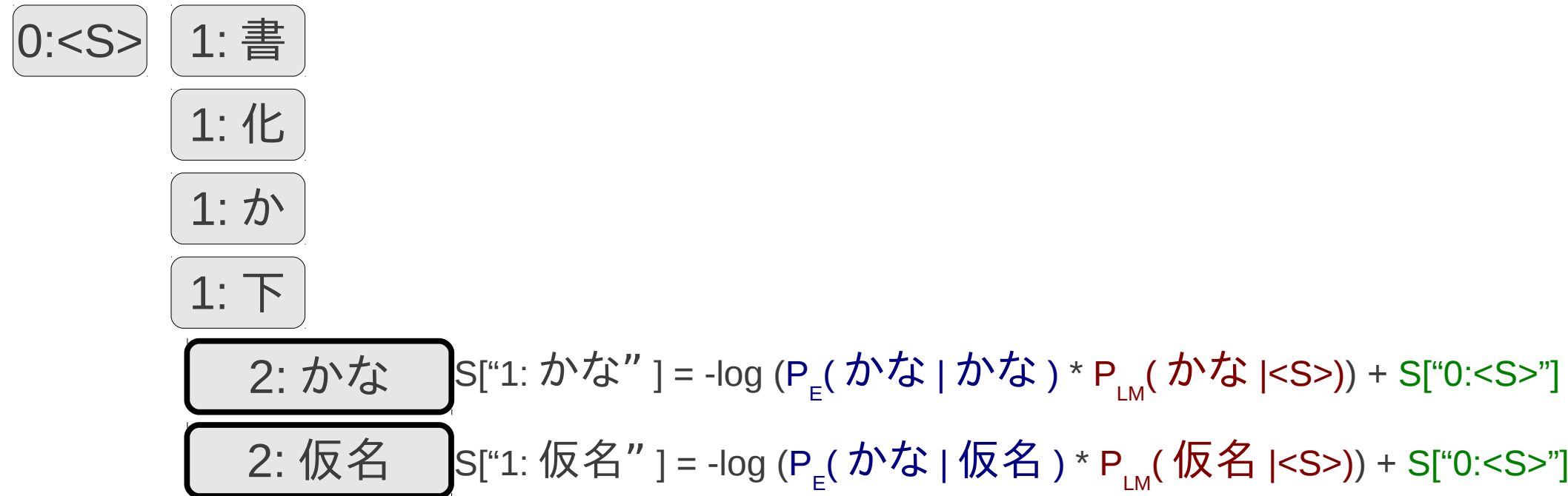
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|-------|------|---|
| 0:<S> | 1: 書 | $S["1: 書"] = -\log (P_{TM}(か 書) * P_{LM}(書 <S>)) + S["0: <S>"]$ |
| | 1: 化 | $S["1: 化"] = -\log (P_{TM}(か 化) * P_{LM}(化 <S>)) + S["0: <S>"]$ |
| | 1: か | $S["1: か"] = -\log (P_{TM}(か か) * P_{LM}(か <S>)) + S["0: <S>"]$ |
| | 1: 下 | $S["1: 下"] = -\log (P_{TM}(か 下) * P_{LM}(下 <S>)) + S["0: <S>"]$ |

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- Expand 0 → 2, with all previous states ending at 0

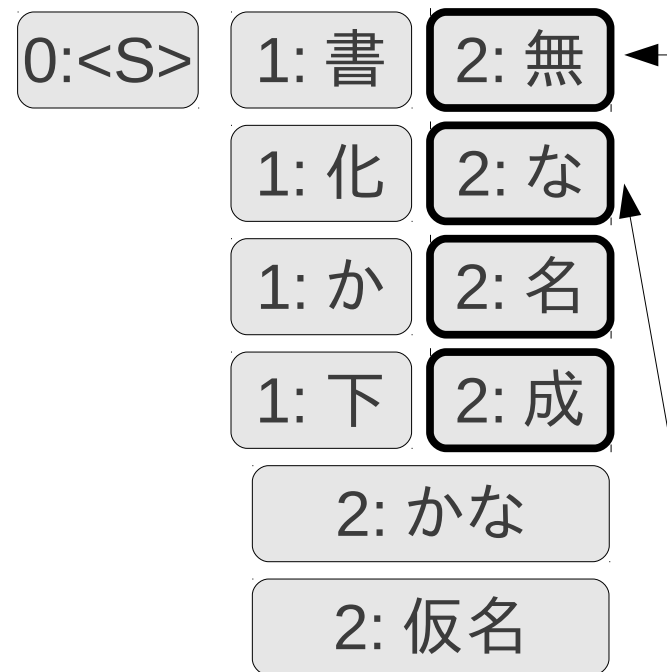
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Search for Kana-Kanji Conversion

- Expand 1 → 2, with all previous states ending at 1

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$$\begin{aligned}
 S["2: 無"] = \min(& \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{無})) * P_{LM}(\text{無} | \text{書})) + S["1: 書"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{無})) * P_{LM}(\text{無} | \text{化})) + S["1: 化"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{無})) * P_{LM}(\text{無} | \text{か})) + S["1: か"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{無})) * P_{LM}(\text{無} | \text{下})) + S["1: 下"])
 \end{aligned}$$

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 S["2: な"] = \min(& \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{な})) * P_{LM}(\text{な} | \text{書})) + S["1: 書"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{な})) * P_{LM}(\text{な} | \text{化})) + S["1: 化"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{な})) * P_{LM}(\text{な} | \text{か})) + S["1: か"], \\
 & -\log(P_E(\text{な} | \text{な})) * P_{LM}(\text{な} | \text{下})) + S["1: 下"])
 \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm

Overall Algorithm

```
load lm # Same as tutorials 2
load tm # Similar to tutorial 5
          # Structure is tm[pron][word] = prob

for each line in file
  do forward step
  do backward step # Same as tutorial 5
  print results # Same as tutorial 5
```

Implementation: Forward Step

```

edge[0][“<s>”] = NULL, score[0][“<s>”] = 0
for end in 1 .. len(line)                                # For each ending point
  create map my_edges
  for begin in 0 .. end – 1                              # For each beginning point
    pron = substring of line from begin to end          # Find the hiragana
    my_tm = tm_probs[pron]                              # Find words/TM probs for pron
    if there are no candidates and len(pron) == 1
      my_tm = (pron, 0)                                  # Map hiragana as-is
    for curr_word, tm_prob in my_tm                     # For possible current words
      for prev_word, prev_score in score[begin]         # For all previous words/probs
        # Find the current score
        curr_score = prev_score + -log(tm_prob * PLM(curr_word | prev_word))
        if curr_score is better than score[end][curr_word]
          score[end][curr_word] = curr_score
          edge[end][curr_word] = (begin, prev_word)

```

Exercise

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- Write `kkc.py` and re-use `train-bigram.py`, `train-hmm.py`
- Test the program
 - `train-bigram.py test/06-word.txt > lm.txt`
 - `train-hmm.py test/06-pronword.txt > tm.txt`
 - `kkc.py lm.txt tm.txt test/06-pron.txt > output.txt`
 - **Answer:** `test/06-pronword.txt`

Exercise

- **Run the program**
 - `train-bigram.py data/wiki-ja-train.word > lm.txt`
 - `train-hmm.py data/wiki-ja-train.pronword > tm.txt`
 - `kkc.py lm.txt tm.txt data/wiki-ja-test.pron > output.txt`
- **Measure** the accuracy of your tagging with
`06-kkc/gradekkc.pl data/wiki-ja-test.word output.txt`
- **Report** the accuracy (F-meas)
- **Challenge:**
 - Find a larger corpus or dictionary, run KyTea to get the pronunciations, and train a better model

Thank You!