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Pagerank - basis for Google's initial search engine


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## Logic, Probability, Statistics, Ontology over time



From: Google Books Ngram Viewer
(https://books.google.com/ngrams)

## Topic Model



## Google's rephil



900,000 topics

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## Predictive Typing and Error Correction


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## Example: localization

- Suppose a robot wants to determine its location based on its actions and its sensor readings: Localization
- This can be represented by the augmented HMM:



## Example localization domain

- Circular corridor, with 16 locations:

- Doors at positions: 2, 4, 7, 11 .
- Noisy Sensors
- Stochastic Dynamics
- Robot starts at an unknown location and must determine where it is.


## Example Sensor Model

- $P($ Observe Door | At Door $)=0.8$
- $P($ Observe Door | Not At Door $)=0.1$


## Example Dynamics Model

- $P\left(\right.$ loc $_{t+1}=L \mid$ action $_{t}=$ goRight $\wedge$ loc $\left.c_{t}=L\right)=0.1$
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- All location arithmetic is modulo 16 .
- The action goLeft works the same but to the left.


## Combining sensor information

- Example: we can combine information from a light sensor and the door sensor Sensor Fusion

$S_{t}$ robot location at time $t$
$D_{t}$ door sensor value at time $t$
$L_{t}$ light sensor value at time $t$

