Central Questions to Ask about a LM: "ADMI"

Application: Why do you need a LM? For what purpose?

Evaluation metric for a LM

Topic mining and analysis Sequential structure discovery

• Data: What kind of data do you want to model?

Data set for estimation & evaluation

Sequence of words

• **Model:** How do you define the model?

Assumptions to be made

Latent state, Markov assumption

• Inference: How do you infer/estimate the parameters?

Viterbi, Baum-Welch

Inference/Estimation algorithm