

Department of Mathematics
MTL 106 (Introduction to Probability and Stochastic Processes)
Tutorial Sheet No. 6
Answer for Selected Problems

1. $Cov(X(s), X(t)) = E[X(s), X(t)] - E[X(s)]E[X(t)]$

$$E[X(t)] = 0, \quad Cov(X(s), X(t)) = 1 + st + s^2t^2$$

2. Yes

3. Yes, since $E(Y(t)) = 0$, $E(Y(t)^2) = 0.5E(X(t)^2) < \infty$ and $cov(Y(t), Y(s)) = 0.5 \cos(2\pi w(t-s))cov(X(t), X(s))$

5. State Space = $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-p & p & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ q & 1-(p+q) & p & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & q & 1-(p+q) & p & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & q & 1-(p+q) & p & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & q & 1-(p+q) & p & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

7. $S = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} q_{0,0} & 1-q_{0,0} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_{0,1} & 1-q_{0,1} \\ q_{1,0} & 1-q_{1,0} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_{1,1} & 1-q_{1,1} \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) $q_{0,0}^2 + q_{0,1}(1-q_{0,0})$

8. (a) 0.212 (b) 0.0016

9. (a) $C_1 = \{0\}$, $C_2 = \{4\}$, $T = \{1, 2, 3\}$ (b) 1 (c) 0.75

$$10. X_{n+1} = \begin{cases} X_n, & \text{if } X_n = 0 \text{ or } X_n = N \\ X_n + 1, & \text{if } 0 < X_n < N \text{ and the coin turns up heads} \\ X_n - 1, & \text{if } 0 < X_n < N \text{ and the coin turns up tails} \end{cases}$$

Since the successive coin tosses are independent, we conclude that $\{X_n, n = 0, 1, \dots\}$ with state space $\{0, 1, \dots, N\}$ is a DTMC.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1-p & 0 & p & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-p & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1-p & 0 & p \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

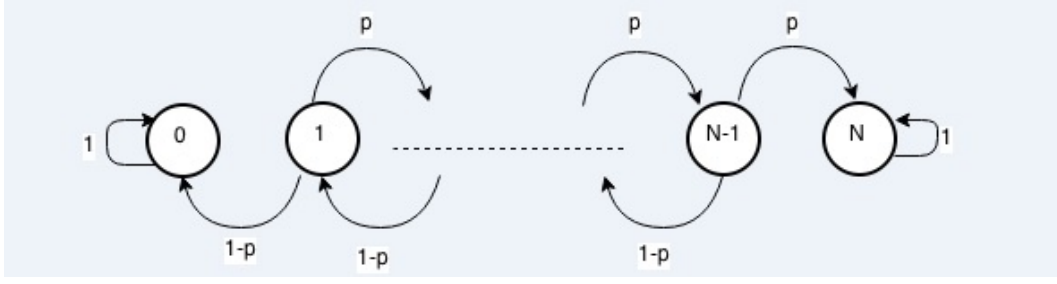


Figure 1: state transition diagram

$$11. \begin{pmatrix} 1-v_0 & 0 & v_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 1-v_1 & 0 & 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 1-v_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 & \cdots \\ 1-v_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v_3 & \cdots \\ 1-v_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 1-v_5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$\{0, 2, 4, \dots\}$ — Closed Communicating Class

When $\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} v_{2i} = 0$, $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \prod_{n=0}^i v_{2n} < \infty$ - positive recurrent states,
otherwise null recurrent states

When $\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} v_{2i} > 0$ - transient states
 $\{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ — transient states

$$13. f_{j0}^{(n)} = \begin{cases} {}^{n-1}C_{j-1} p^{n-j} q^j & \text{if } j \leq n \\ 0 & \text{if } j > n \end{cases}$$

$$14. S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$\{0\}$ — absorbing state

$\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ - transient states.

$$15. (b) v_i = p^i(1-p) \quad \forall i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$16. (a) \quad \pi_i = \frac{1}{|S|}, \quad i \in S \quad (b) \quad \pi_i = \frac{1}{K}, \quad i \in \{0, 1, \dots, K-1\}.$$