

# **MATH-578B: Midterm**

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## Problem 1

### Problem 1: (a)

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & 1 - \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

Let the stationary state be given by  $\pi = (\pi_1, \pi_2)$ , then:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi.P &= \pi \\ \pi_1 + \pi_2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Solving which gives:

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \alpha)\pi_1 + \pi_2 &= 1 \\ \pi_1 + \pi_2 &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow (\pi_1, \pi_2) &= \left( \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}, \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} \right) \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 1: (b)

$w = 101$

$$\beta_{w,w}(0) = 1$$

$$\beta_{w,w}(1) = 0$$

$$\beta_{w,w}(2) = 1$$

$$P_u(0) = 1$$

$$P_u(1) = p_{w_2 w_3} = p_{01} = \alpha$$

$$P_U(2) = p_{w_1 w_2} p_{w_2 w_3} = p_{10} p_{01} = \beta\alpha$$

Now,

$$G_{w,w}(t) = \sum_{j=0}^2 t^j \beta_{w,w}(j) P_{w,w}(j)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} G_{w,w}(t) &= 1 \times 1 \times 1 + t \times 0 \times \alpha + t^2 \times 1 \times \beta\alpha \\ &= 1 + \alpha\beta t^2 \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 1: (c)

$X_n$  : Number of occurrences (overlaps allowed) in  $A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_n$  Using Theorem 12.1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} E(X_n) = \pi_w = \pi_1 \times p_{10} \times p_{01} = 1 \times \beta \times \alpha$$

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{n} = \alpha\beta$

**Problem 1: (d)**

Spectral decomposition of  $P$ :

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \alpha - \lambda & 1 - \alpha \\ 1 - \beta & \beta - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + (\alpha + \beta - 2)\lambda + (1 - \alpha - \beta) = 0$$

Thus,  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1 - \alpha - \beta$

Eigenvectors are given by:

$$v_1^T = (x_1 \ x_1) \ \forall x_1 \in R$$

$$\text{and for } \lambda_2, v_2 = (x_1 \ \frac{-\beta x_1}{\alpha})$$

Now using Markov property:  $P(X_n = 1 | X_0 = 0) = (P^n)_{01}$

Now,

$$P^n = V D^n V^{-1}$$

where:

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{-\beta}{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & (1 - \alpha - \beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V^{-1} = \frac{-1}{\frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 1} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\beta}{\alpha} & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$P^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{-\beta}{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & (1 - \alpha - \beta)^n \end{bmatrix} \times \frac{-1}{\frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 1} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\beta}{\alpha} & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^n = \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} \begin{bmatrix} \beta + \alpha(1 - \alpha - \beta)^n & \alpha - \alpha(1 - \alpha - \beta)^n \\ \beta - \beta(1 - \alpha - \beta)^n & \alpha + \beta(1 - \alpha - \beta)^n \end{bmatrix}$$

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We consider the following identity:  $P^{n+1} = P P^n$

then:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{00}^{n+1} & p_{01}^{n+1} \\ p_{10}^{n+1} & p_{11}^{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{00}^n & p_{01}^n \\ p_{10}^n & p_{11}^n \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & 1 - \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{11}^{n+1} &= p_{10}^n(\alpha) + p_{11}^n(1 - \beta) \\ &= (1 - p_{11}^n)(\alpha) + (p_{11}^n)(1 - \beta) \\ &= \alpha + (1 - \alpha - \beta)p_{11}^n \end{aligned} \tag{1d.1}$$

On similar lines:

$$p_{00}^{n+1} = (1 - \alpha - \beta)p_{00}^n + \beta \quad (1d.2)$$

In order to solve equations of type 1d.1 and 1d.2 we take the following strategy:

By substituting  $p_{00}^{n+1} = p_{00}^n$  (and thus obtaining the stationary solution at  $\frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta}$ ), 1d.2 can be reduced to the following form:

$$p_{00}^{n+1} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} = (1 - \alpha - \beta)(p_{00}^n - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta})$$

Let's call  $y^{(n)} = p_{00}^n - \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta}$

Then 1d.3 is similar to:

$$\begin{aligned} y^{(n+1)} &= (1 - \alpha - \beta)y^{(n)} \\ y^{(n+1)} &= (1 - \alpha - \beta)^n y^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

$$y^{(0)} = p_{00}^{(0)} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta}$$

$$\text{Assume } p_{00}^{(0)} = 1 \implies y^{(0)} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$$

Which gives:

$$p_{00}^n = (1 - \alpha - \beta)^n \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} \text{ if } \alpha + \beta > 0$$

Similarly,

$$p_{11}^n = (1 - \alpha - \beta)^n \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} \text{ if } \alpha + \beta > 0$$

**NOTE:** If  $\alpha + \beta = 0$ , we get:

$$P^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Problem 1: (e)

$$\pi_w = \pi_i p_{10} p_{01} = 1 \times \beta \alpha = \alpha \beta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}(X_n)}{n} &= 2\pi_w((\beta_{w,w}(0)P_w(0) - \pi_w) + (\beta_{w,w}(1)P_w(1) - \pi_w) + (\beta_{w,w}(2)P_w(2) - \pi_w)) \\ &\quad + 2\pi_w P_w(2) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \{p_{11}^{j+1} - \pi_1\} + \pi_w^2 - \pi_w \\ &= 2\alpha\beta(1 + \alpha\beta - 3\alpha\beta) + 2\alpha\beta \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \{\beta^{j+1} - 1\} - \alpha\beta + (\alpha\beta)^2 \\ &= \alpha\beta(2(1 - 2\alpha\beta) + 2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \{\beta^{j+1} - 1\} - 1 + \alpha\beta) \end{aligned}$$

: (f)

$Y_n$ : Number of occurrences of word  $w$  in all words, thus,  $Y_n \approx cX_n$

**NOTE:** I assume the problem should be to estimate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Y_n}{n}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}(Y_n)}{n}$ . In the problem it mentions  $X_n$  instead of  $Y_n$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Y_n}{n} &= c \times \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{n} \\ &= c\alpha\beta \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}(Y_n)}{n} &= c^2 \times \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}(X_n)}{n} \\ &= c^2 \times (\alpha\beta(2(1 - 2\alpha\beta) + 2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \{\beta^{j+1} - 1\} - 1 + \alpha\beta)) \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 2

Problem 2

**Problem 2: (a)**

Expected number of squares of side length  $t$  such that all  $X_v$  are 1 in the square: We simply choose a position on the positive lattice  $x$  axis and then construct a square around it  $[(x_0, y_0)(x_0 + t, y_0 + t)]$  so we have  $n - t$  choices for  $x_0$  and  $n - t$  choices for  $y_0$ , the constraint being that all points inside are all 1, there are approximately  $t^2$  integer points inside

$$E(\text{\#number of squares of side length } t \text{ such that all } X_v \text{ are 1 inside}) = (n - t) \times (n - t)p^{t^2} = (n - t)^2 p^{t^2}$$

**Problem 2: (b)**