

Title

Benevolent Tomato

1 Abstract

This paper presents some useful linear algebra tools when analyzing migration in terms of matrices. For simplicity, we assume the Leslie matrices of each population are either identical or a constant multiple of each other. Given a positive fertility rate, the leslie matrix is always invertible. All terms that show up in the difference equations are a memeber of the algebra formed by the leslie matrix, and they commute.

We first present a cyclic migration model, then present some lemmas that simplify the computation.

2 The N-Migration Model

We consider N populations of the same species, each denoted by p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N . Each population p_i has an influx from p_{i-1} and an outflux to p_{i+1} . For convinience, we denote $p_0 = p_N$. Each population grows by a Leslie growth, and there is a constant infulx of population M coming from some unknown source.

Definition 1. Define a square matrix J of order N as follows.

$$(J)_{ij} := \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ -1 & j - i = 1 \pmod n \end{cases}$$

For example, if the degree of the matrix is 4,

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The population obeys the following difference equation.

$$\vec{P}^{(t)} = k^t J^t \vec{P} + \frac{(kJ)^t - I}{kJ - I} \vec{M}$$

3 Linear Algebra Tools

Theorem 1 (Power of matrix J). Given $p < N$, we can explicitly compute each entry of J^p .

$$(J^p)_{ij} = (-1)^t \binom{p}{t}$$

The value t is defined as

$$t = j - i \pmod n$$

Theorem 2. *Inverse of $J - kI$ Each entry of $(J - kI)^{-1}$ can be computed as a fraction of binomial sums.*

$$(J - kI)_{ij}^{-1} = -\frac{\sum_{i=0}^t \binom{t}{i} (-k)^i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i} (-k)^i} = \frac{-(1-k)^t}{1 - (1-k)^n}$$