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SUBJECTCODE: 23MT2005
PROBABILITY STATISTICS AND QUEUING THEORY

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Tutorial 12:

- Understand Discrete-time and Continuous-time Markov chain
- Understand Birth-death processes, Poisson process

1. Consider a simple weather model with three states: Sunny, Cloudy, and Rainy. The transition probabilities between these states are as follows:

On a Sunny day, there is a 30% chance of transitioning to a Cloudy day and a 10% chance of Rain.
On a Cloudy day, there is a 40% chance of remaining Cloudy, a 30% chance of becoming Sunny, and a 30% chance of Rain.

On a Rainy day, there is a 20% chance of transitioning to Sunny, a 40% chance of becoming Cloudy, and a 40% chance of remaining Rainy.

Simulate the weather for a period of 7 days using a discrete-time Markov chain.

Solution:

	Sunny	cloudy	rainy
Sunny	0.6	0.3	0.1
cloudy	0.3	0.4	0.3
rainy	0.2	0.4	0.4

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2. Assume that a computer system is one of three states: busy, idle, or undergoing repair, respectively, denoted by states 0, 1, and 2. Observing its state at 2 P. M. each day, we believe that the system approximately behaves like a homogeneous Markov chain with the transition probability matrix:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.8 & 0.1 \\ 0.6 & 0.0 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Prove that the chain is irreducible
- Determine the steady-state probabilities

Solution:

i) Step 1:- Direct

$$P(0 \rightarrow 0) = 0.6$$

$$P(0 \rightarrow 1) = 0.2$$

$$P(0 \rightarrow 2) = 0.2$$

$$P(1 \rightarrow 0) = 0.1$$

$$P(1 \rightarrow 1) = 0.8$$

$$P(1 \rightarrow 2) = 0.1$$

$$P(2 \rightarrow 0) = 0.6$$

$$P(2 \rightarrow 1) = 0.0$$

$$P(2 \rightarrow 2) = 0.4$$

Step-ii) indirect

$$P(0 \rightarrow 0) \times P(0 \rightarrow 1) = 0.12$$

$$P(0 \rightarrow 2) = 0.2$$

$$P(1 \rightarrow 0) = 0.1$$

$$P(1 \rightarrow 2) = 0.1$$

$$P(2 \rightarrow 0) = 0.6$$

$$P(2 \rightarrow 0) \times P(0 \rightarrow 1) = 0.12$$

\therefore chain is irreducible

ii)

$$\pi_0 = 0.6\pi_0 + 0.1\pi_1 + 0.6\pi_2$$

$$\pi_1 = 0.2\pi_0 + 0.8\pi_1 + 0.0\pi_2$$

$$\pi_2 = 0.2\pi_0 + 0.1\pi_1 + 0.4\pi_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_0 &= \frac{5}{12} \\ \pi_1 &= \frac{5}{12} \\ \pi_2 &= \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

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3. Classify the states of following Markov chains.

a) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution:

a.)

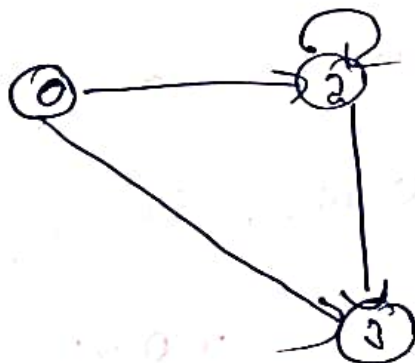


class-1: $\{0, 1\}$

class-2: $\{2\}$, recurrent periodic.

Transient.

b.)



state 2 is absorbing

state 3 is absorbing

state 1 is transient.

4. Customers tend to exhibit loyalty to product brands but may be persuaded through clever marketing advertising to switch brands. Consider the case of three brands: A, B and C. Customer "unyielding" loyalty to a given brand is estimated at 75%, giving the competitors only a 25% margin to realize a profit. Competitors launch their advertising campaigns once a year. For brand A customers, the probability of switching to brands B and C are 0.1 and 0.15 respectively. Customers of Brand B are likely to switch to brands A and C with probability of 0.2 and 0.05 respectively. Brand C customers can switch to brands A and B with equal probabilities.

- i) Express the situation as a Markov chain
 ii) In the long run, determine the market share for each brand?

Solution:

i)
$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0.75 & 0.1 & 0.15 \\ 0.2 & 0.75 & 0.05 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.75 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

ii)
$$\begin{aligned} \pi_0 &= 0.75\pi_0 + 0.2\pi_1 + 0.5\pi_2 \\ \pi_1 &= 0.1\pi_0 + 0.75\pi_1 + 0.5\pi_2 \\ \pi_2 &= 0.15\pi_0 + 0.05\pi_1 + 0.75\pi_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_0 = 0.5263, \quad \pi_1 = 0.3158, \quad \pi_2 = 0.1579$$

$$\therefore A = 52.63\% \quad B = 31.58\% \quad C = 15.79\%$$

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5. Research analyzing brand switching between different airlines, operating on the Delhi-Mumbai route by frequent fliers. On the basis of the data collected by her, the researcher has developed the following transition probability matrix.

		To airline
	AA	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & .03 & 0.07 \end{bmatrix}$
From airline	BB	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.15 & 0.80 & 0.05 \end{bmatrix}$
	CC	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.20 & 0.30 & 0.50 \end{bmatrix}$

It is found that currently the airlines AA, BB and CC have 20%, 50% and 30% of the market respectively.

- Obtain the market share for each airline in two months time, and
- Calculate the long run market share for each time.

Solution: Given

$$V_0 = 0.2, 0.5, 0.3$$

$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8379 & 0.0669 & 0.0952 \\ 0.1845 & 0.7389 & 0.0766 \\ 0.265 & 0.339 & 0.396 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V_2 = V_0 \cdot P^2 = [0.242, 0.489, 0.269]$$

$$AA = 24.2\%$$

$$BB = 48.9\%$$

$$CC = 26.9\%$$

$$(i) \quad \pi \cdot P = \pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 = 1$$

$$AA = 25.32\% \quad CC = 23.54\%$$

$$BB = 51.14\%$$

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6. A salesman territory consists of cities A, B and C. He never sells in the same city on successive days. If he sells in city A, then the next day he sells in city B. However, if he sells in either B or C, then the next day he is twice as likely to sell in city A as in other city. In the long run how often does he sell in each city.

Solution:

From given conditions:-

$$\begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2/3 & 0 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

long-run

$$\pi_p = \pi$$

$$\pi_A + \pi_B + \pi_C = 1$$

$$\pi_A = \frac{2}{3} \pi_B + \frac{2}{3} \pi_C$$

$$\pi_B = \pi_A + \frac{1}{3} \pi_C$$

$$\pi_C = \frac{1}{3} \pi_B + \frac{1}{3} \pi_C$$

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VIVA QUESTIONS

1. What is Discrete-time Markov chain?

It is a stochastic process that undergo transition from one state to another in discrete time steps.

2. How is the rate matrix used to describe a Continuous-time Markov chain?

The system evolves in continuous time and transition b/w states occur at time point.

3. Define Periodic and Aperiodic Markov chains with one suitable example.

Periodic if it exists a state in chain.

Aperiodic if GCD no. of steps return to state i is 1.

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