

AMATH 561: Final Examination

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1.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1-p & p \\ q & 1-q \end{bmatrix}$$
$$Y_n = X_{S_n}$$

But, S_n is a random variable. So, we need to incorporate its probability into the transition matrix. The probability of transitioning from state i to state j is given by

$$Q(i, j) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \text{prob}(S_n = k) P^k(i, j)$$

Notice that it is $P^k(i, j)$ and not $(P(i, j))^k$. So, we can write the transition matrix as

$$Q = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \text{prob}(S_n = k) P^k$$
$$= \mathbb{E}[P^{S_n}]$$
$$= G_{S_n}(P)$$

where G_{S_n} is the generating function for S_n .

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{p}{q} \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-p-q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{q}{p+q} & \frac{p}{p+q} \\ -\frac{q}{p+q} & \frac{q}{p+q} \end{bmatrix} = JAJ^{-1}$$

If a function has a power series representation which converges and a matrix P is diagonalisable to JAJ^{-1} ,

$$f(P) = J^{-1}f(A)J \text{ (From wikipedia)}$$

Since G_{S_n} is defined as a power series, we can use this property to find Q.

$$Q = G_{S_n}(P) = J^{-1}G_{S_n}(A)J$$

For geometric distribution,

$$G_{Geo} = \frac{sr}{1 - s(1-r)}$$

For S_n ,

$$G_{S_n} = G_{Geo}^n = \left(\frac{sr}{1 - s(1-r)} \right)^n$$

$$G_{S_n}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{r}{1-(1-r)}\right)^n & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{(1-p-q)r}{1-(1-p-q)(1-r)}\right)^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{(1-p-q)r}{1-(1-p-q)(1-r)}\right)^n \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) So,

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{p}{q} \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{(1-p-q)r}{1-(1-p-q)(1-r)}\right)^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{q}{p+q} & \frac{p}{p+q} \\ -\frac{q}{p+q} & \frac{q}{p+q} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Thankfully, the eigenvalue 1 remains the same under G_{S_n} . So, the invariant distribution of Y is the same as that of X and given by the first row of 'J'.

$$\pi_Y = \pi_X = \left[\frac{q}{p+q}, \frac{p}{p+q} \right]$$

2.

$$g(X_i) = \sum_j p(X_i, X_j) f(X_j) - f(X_i)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[f(X_{i+1})|X_i] - f(X_i)$$

$$M_n = f(X_n) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} g(X_i)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[M_n|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = \mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}[g(X_i)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] \quad (1)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - \mathbb{E}[g(X_{n-1})|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[g(X_i)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X_{n-1})|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|X_{n-1}|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - \mathbb{E}[f(X_{n-1})|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}]]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|X_{n-1}|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}]] \text{ (Since X is markov)} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] \text{ (Iterated Conditiong)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[f(X_{n-1})|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = f(X_{n-1})$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X_{n-1})|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = \mathbb{E}[f(X_n)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - f(X_{n-1})$$

Plugging this into (2),

$$\mathbb{E}[M_n|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = f(X_{n-1}) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[g(X_i)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}]$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[g(X_i)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[f(X_{i+1})|X_i|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}] - \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} f(X_i)|\mathcal{F}_{n-1}\right]\right]$$

Since $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1} \in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[g(X_i) | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}] &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \mathbb{E}[f(X_{i+1}) | X_i] - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} f(X_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} g(X_i) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[M_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}] &= f(X_{n-1}) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} g(X_i) \\ &= M_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can show

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[M_{n+m} | \mathcal{F}_n] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[M_{n+m} | \mathcal{F}_{n+m-1}] | \mathcal{F}_n] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[M_{n+m-1} | \mathcal{F}_n] \\ &= \dots \\ &= \mathbb{E}[M_{n+1} | \mathcal{F}_n] = M_n \end{aligned}$$

So, the process M_n is a martingale with respect to this filtration.

3. (a) Let A_j represent the number of accidents in the j th year

$$\mathbb{E}[A_2 | A_1 = n] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[A_2 | \text{type} = i] | A_1 = n] \quad (\text{Iterated Conditioning})$$

We know

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[A_2 | \text{type} = i]] = \sum_i \text{Prob}(\text{type} = i) \lambda_i$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[A_2 | \text{type} = i] | A_1 = n] = \sum_i \text{Prob}(\text{type} = i | A_1 = n) \lambda_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob}(\text{type} = i | A_1 = n) &= \frac{\text{Prob}(A_1 = n | \text{type} = i) \text{Prob}(\text{type} = i)}{\text{Prob}(A_1 = n)} \quad (\text{Bayes Rule}) \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda_i} \frac{\lambda_i^n}{n!} p_i}{\sum_{j=1}^k e^{-\lambda_j} \frac{\lambda_j^n}{n!} p_j} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[A_2 | A_1 = n] = \frac{\sum_i e^{-\lambda_i} \frac{\lambda_i^n}{n!} p_i \lambda_i}{\sum_{j=1}^k e^{-\lambda_j} \frac{\lambda_j^n}{n!} p_j}$$

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} p(A_2 = m | A_1 = n) &= \frac{p(A_2 = m \cap A_1 = n)}{p(A_1 = n)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_i p(A_2 = m \cap A_1 = n | \text{type} = i) p(\text{type} = i)}{\sum_i p(A_1 = n | \text{type} = i) p(\text{type} = i)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_i e^{-2\lambda_i} \frac{\lambda_i^{n+m}}{n!m!} p_i}{\sum_i e^{-\lambda_i} \frac{\lambda_i^n}{n!} p_i} \end{aligned}$$

4. The inter-arrival times of machines arriving from the serviceman is determined by an exponential distribution with parameter μ . Thus, the number of machines arriving is given by a Poisson distribution with parameter μ . The inter-'departure' times of a machine going to the serviceman is determined by an exponential distribution with mean $\frac{1}{\lambda}$. Thus, for n machines, the mean time would be (probability of 1 of n machines failing) * (expected failing time of one machine) = $\frac{1}{n\lambda}$. So, the number of machines leaving to the serviceman is given by a Poisson distribution with parameter $n\lambda$.

Then, we can construct the following generator for the number of machines running by thinking of it like a birth-death process.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\mu & \mu & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda & -(\mu + \lambda) & \mu & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & (M-1)\lambda & -(\mu + (M-1)\lambda) & \mu \\ 0 & 0 & M\lambda & -M\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Let π be

$$\begin{aligned} & [\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \dots] \\ & -\mu\pi_0 + \lambda\pi_1 = 0 \\ & \pi_1 = \frac{\mu}{\lambda}\pi_0 \\ & \mu\pi_0 - (\mu + \lambda)\pi_1 + n\lambda\pi_2 = 0 \\ & \pi_2 = \frac{\mu}{2\lambda}\pi_1 \\ & \vdots \\ & \pi_n = \frac{\mu}{n\lambda}\pi_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\pi_n = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^n \pi_0$$

To normalize,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^M \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^n \pi_0 = 1 \\ & \pi_0 \sum_{n=0}^M \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^n = 1 \\ & \pi_0 = \frac{1}{\sum_{n=0}^M \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^n} \end{aligned}$$

(a) Expected number of machines not in use =

$$\begin{aligned} & = \sum_{k=0}^M (M-k)\pi(k) \\ & = \sum_{k=0}^M M\pi(k) - \sum_{k=0}^M k\pi(k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= M \sum_{k=0}^M \pi(k) - \sum_{k=0}^M k \pi(k) \\
&= M - \sum_{k=0}^M \frac{k}{k!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^k \pi_0 \\
&= M - \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M \frac{k}{k!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^k}{\sum_{k=0}^M \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^k}
\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Probability that a given machine (M_x) is in use = (Probability of n machines in use
* Probability that M_x is one of them) for all n

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=0}^M \frac{n}{M} \pi(n) \\
&= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{n=0}^M n \pi(n) \\
&= \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M \frac{k}{k!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^k}{M \sum_{k=0}^M \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right)^k}
\end{aligned}$$