

MarkovChain-HW

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[12]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Problem1 Consider the Markov kernel for the five families living in an island, where the numbers are changed,

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[4]: K = np.array([[0.3, 0.6, 0.1, 0.0, 0.0], [0.2, 0.0, 0.7, 0.0, 0.1], [0.0, 0.5, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], [0.0, 0.0, 0.4, 0.1, 0.5], [0.4, 0.1, 0.0, 0.4, 0.1]])
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1. Calculate the five eigenvalues, and their corresponding left and right eigenvectors

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[23]: w,v= np.linalg.eig(K)
np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
print("eigenvalues:")
w
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eigenvalues:

```
[23]: array([ 1. +0.j      ,  0.334 +0.2395j,  0.334 -0.2395j, -0.3847+0.j      ,
          -0.7833+0.j      ])
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[24]: print("right eigenvectors:")
v
```

right eigenvectors:

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[24]: array([[ 0.4472+0.j      ,  0.6731+0.j      ,  0.6731-0.j      ,
          0.4473+0.j      ,  0.2978+0.j      ],
          [ 0.4472+0.j      ,  0.0807+0.2351j,  0.0807-0.2351j,
          -0.5528+0.j      , -0.6409+0.j      ],
          [ 0.4472+0.j      , -0.2554+0.2015j, -0.2554-0.2015j,
          0.2545+0.j      ,  0.6197+0.j      ],
          [ 0.4472+0.j      , -0.3479-0.2228j, -0.3479+0.2228j,
          0.357 +0.j      , -0.3299+0.j      ],
          [ 0.4472+0.j      ,  0.1482-0.4321j,  0.1482+0.4321j,
          -0.5497+0.j      ,  0.0871+0.j      ]])
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[25]: w,vl= np.linalg.eig(K.T)
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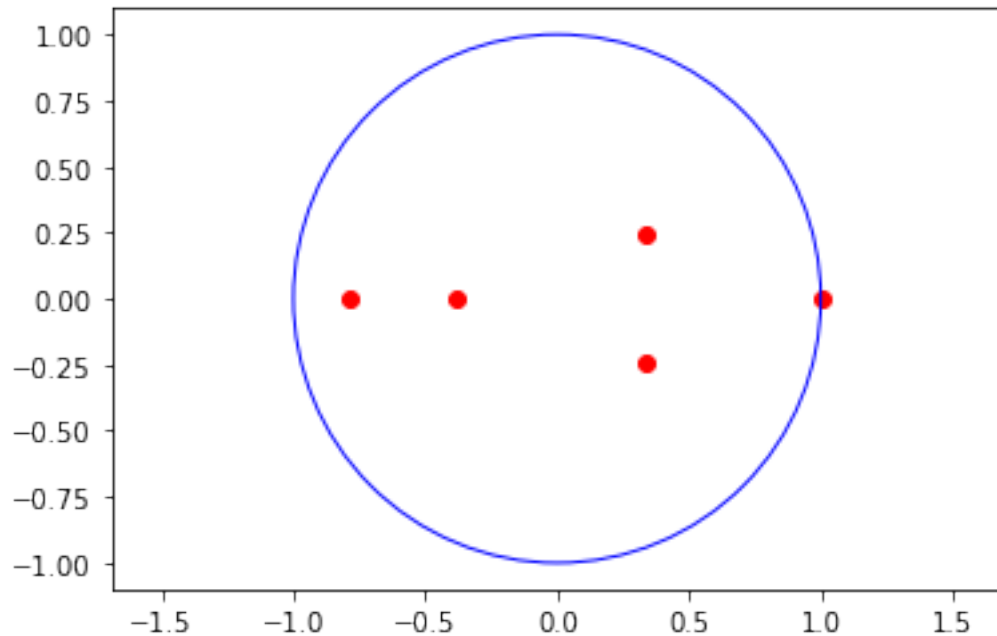
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[26]: print("left eigenvectors:")  
      vl
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left eigenvectors:

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[26]: array([[ 0.3236+0.j      ,  0.0009-0.4421j,  0.0009+0.4421j,  
              0.0495+0.j      , -0.4251+0.j      ],  
            [ 0.5118+0.j      , -0.4449-0.0741j, -0.4449+0.0741j,  
              0.4221+0.j      ,  0.3314+0.j      ],  
            [ 0.5732+0.j      , -0.3603+0.268j , -0.3603-0.268j ,  
            -0.6516+0.j      ,  0.1427+0.j      ],  
            [ 0.4564+0.j      ,  0.317 +0.2482j,  0.317 -0.2482j,  
              0.5251+0.j      , -0.611 +0.j      ],  
            [ 0.3104+0.j      ,  0.4872+0.j      ,  0.4872-0.j      ,  
            -0.345 +0.j      ,  0.5619+0.j      ]])
```

Plot the 5 eigenvalues (complex numbers) in a 2D plane, i.e. show them as dots in a unit circle (draw the unit circle for reference).

```
[16]: X = [x.real for x in w]  
      Y = [x.imag for x in w]  
  
      fig = plt.figure()  
      ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)  
      circ = plt.Circle((0, 0), radius=1, edgecolor='b', facecolor='None')  
      ax.add_patch(circ)  
      plt.scatter(X,Y, color='red')  
      ax.set_aspect('equal', 'datalim')  
  
      plt.show()
```



What is its invariant probability π ?

```
[101]: pi = vl[:, 0] / np.linalg.norm(vl[:, 0], ord=1)
pi = np.matrix(pi).getH().real # - or not?
print('pi:\n', pi)
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pi:
[[0.1488]
 [0.2353]
 [0.2635]
 [0.2098]
 [0.1427]]
```

What is the value of λ_{slem} ?

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[35]: descend_abs_evals = sorted(w, key=abs, reverse=True)
lambda_slem = abs(descend_abs_evals[1].real)
#print('evals:\n', descend_abs_evals)
print('_slem:\n', lambda_slem)
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_slem:
0.7833305170331075
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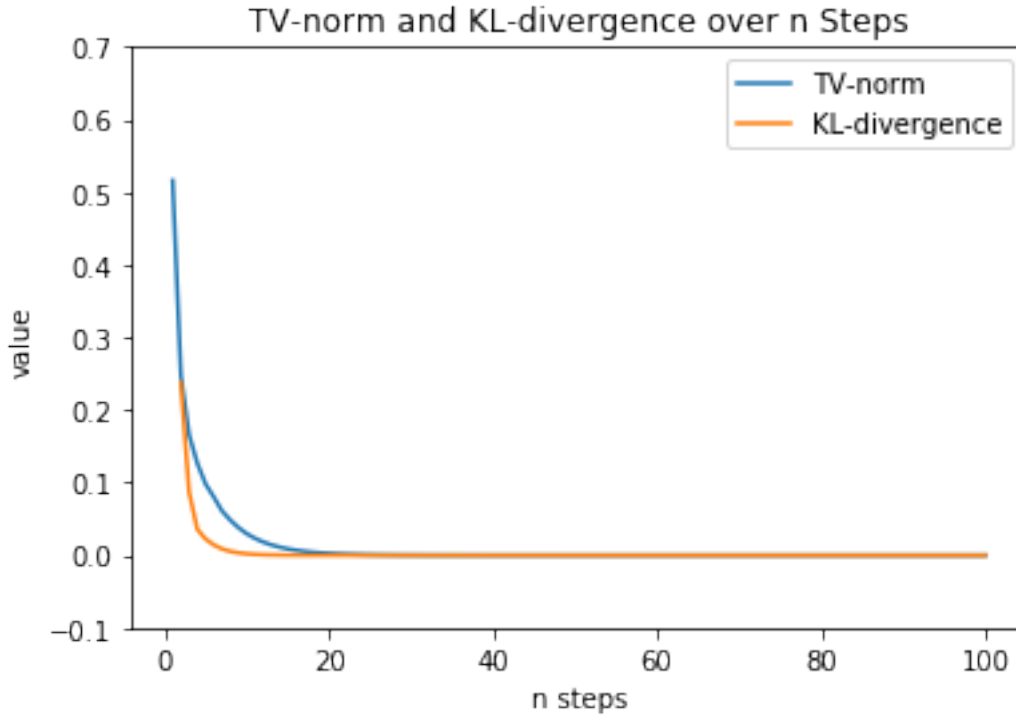
The absolute value of the second largest eigenvalue is 0.7833. λ_{slem} is 0.7833

Plot $dTV(n)$ and $dKL(n)$ for the first 1000 steps.

```
[91]: v= np.array([1,0,0,0,0])
mu =v
dTV=[]
dKL=[]

for i in range(1000):
    mu = mu @ K
    dTV.append( sum(abs(mu-pi))/2 )
    dKL.append( sum (pi*np.log(pi/mu)) )
# Plot dTV(n) and dKL(n) for the first 1000 steps.
steps=range(1, 1001)
fig = plt.figure()
plt.plot(steps[:100],dTV[:100])
plt.plot(steps[:100],dKL[:100])
plt.ylim(-0.1,0.7)
plt.xlabel('n steps')
plt.ylabel('value')
plt.title('TV-norm and KL-divergence over n Steps')
plt.legend(['TV-norm', 'KL-divergence'])
fig.savefig('TV-norm-KL-divergence.png', dpi=300)
plt.show()
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/Users/AppleMoony/anaconda2/envs/p36workshop/lib/python3.6/site-
packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:9: RuntimeWarning: divide by zero encountered in
true_divide
    if __name__ == '__main__':
/Users/AppleMoony/anaconda2/envs/p36workshop/lib/python3.6/site-
packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:9: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in
true_divide
    if __name__ == '__main__':
/Users/AppleMoony/anaconda2/envs/p36workshop/lib/python3.6/site-
packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:9: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in
multiply
    if __name__ == '__main__':
/Users/AppleMoony/anaconda2/envs/p36workshop/lib/python3.6/site-
packages/numpy/core/_asarray.py:85: ComplexWarning: Casting complex values to
real discards the imaginary part
    return array(a, dtype, copy=False, order=order)
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3. Calculate the contraction coefficient for K.

$$A(n) = \|v_1 K^n - v_2 K^n\|_{TV} \leq C^n(K)$$

```
[92]: KTV=[]
      for i in range(5):
          for j in range(i, 5):
              KTV.append( sum(abs(K[i, ]- K[j, ]))/2 )

      print("The contraction coefficient for K is : " +str(max(KTV)))
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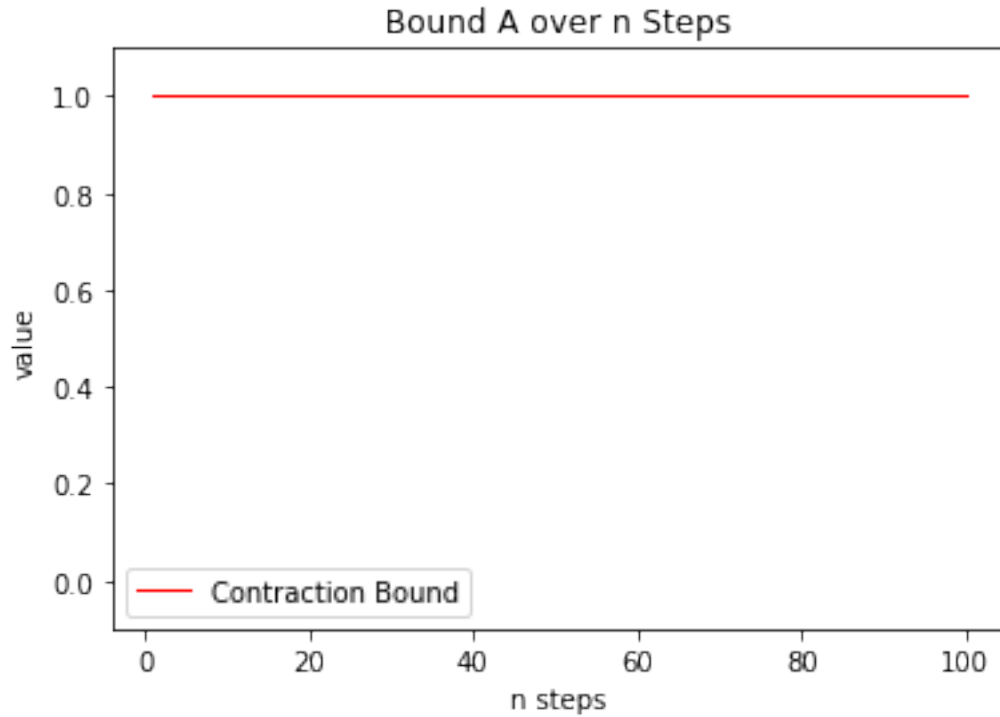
The contraction coefficient for K is : 1.0

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[94]: np.linalg.matrix_power(K, 200)
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[94]: array([[0.1488, 0.2353, 0.2635, 0.2098, 0.1427],
            [0.1488, 0.2353, 0.2635, 0.2098, 0.1427],
            [0.1488, 0.2353, 0.2635, 0.2098, 0.1427],
            [0.1488, 0.2353, 0.2635, 0.2098, 0.1427],
            [0.1488, 0.2353, 0.2635, 0.2098, 0.1427]])
```

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[89]: fig = plt.figure()
      plt.plot(steps[:100], C_out[:100], color='red', linewidth=1)
      plt.ylim(-0.1,1.1)
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plt.xlabel('n steps')
plt.ylabel('value')
plt.title('Bound A over n Steps')
plt.legend(['Contraction Bound'])
fig.savefig('contraction_over_n_steps.png', dpi=300)
plt.show()
```



4. There is another bound – the Diaconis-Hanlon bound below,

$$B(n) = \|\pi - vK^n\|_{TV} \leq \sqrt{\frac{1 - \pi(x_0)}{4\pi(x_0)}} \lambda_{slem}^n$$

Plot the real convergence rate dTV(n) in comparison with A(n) and B(n).

```
[107]: dh_out=[]
x0=1

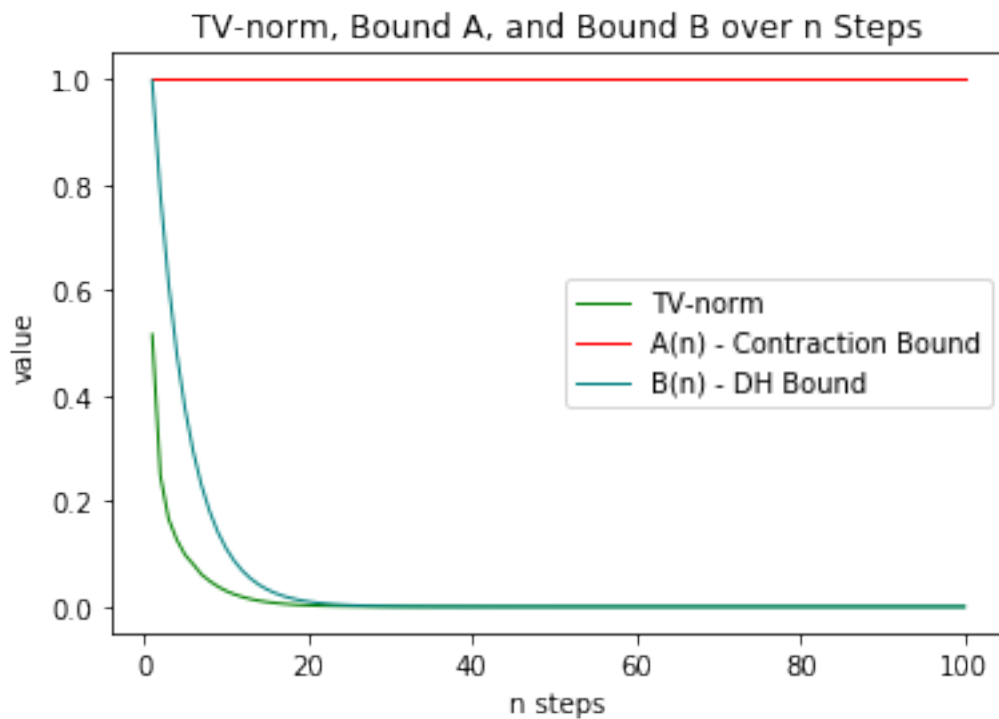
for i in range(1000):
    frac = 1 - pi[x0-1] / 4 * pi[x0-1]
    dh_out.append( float(np.sqrt(frac) * lambda_slem**i) )
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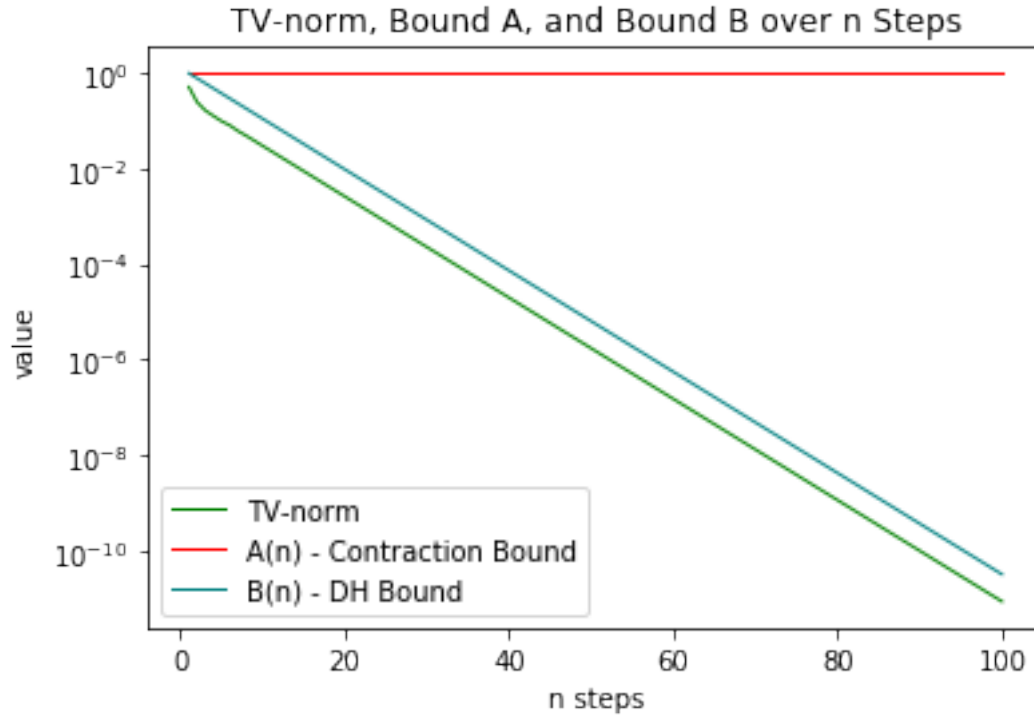
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[111]: fig = plt.figure()
plt.plot(steps[:100], dTV[:100], color='green', linewidth=1)
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plt.plot(steps[:100], C_out[:100], color='red', linewidth=1)
plt.plot(steps[:100], dh_out[:100], color='teal', linewidth=1)
plt.xlabel('n steps')
plt.ylabel('value')
plt.title('TV-norm, Bound A, and Bound B over n Steps')
plt.legend(['TV-norm', 'A(n) - Contraction Bound', 'B(n) - DH Bound'])
fig.savefig('TV-norm-A-B-bounds.png', dpi=300)
plt.show()
fig = plt.figure()
plt.plot(steps[:100], dTV[:100], color='green', linewidth=1)
plt.plot(steps[:100], C_out[:100], color='red', linewidth=1)
plt.plot(steps[:100], dh_out[:100], color='teal', linewidth=1)
plt.yscale('log')
plt.xlabel('n steps')
plt.ylabel('value')
plt.title('TV-norm, Bound A, and Bound B over n Steps')
plt.legend(['TV-norm', 'A(n) - Contraction Bound', 'B(n) - DH Bound'])
fig.savefig('TV-norm-A-B-bounds.png', dpi=300)
plt.show()

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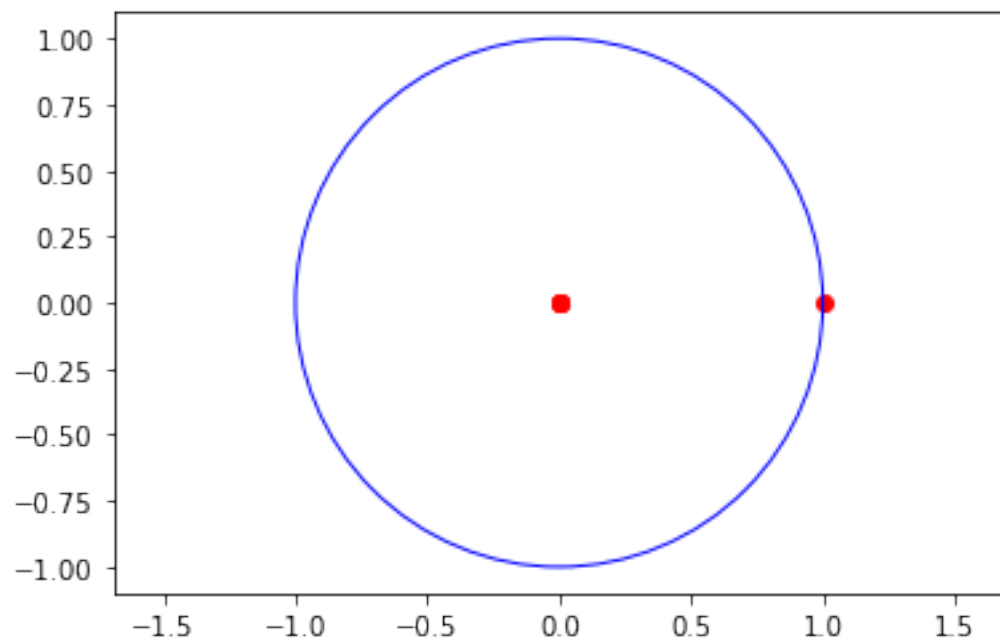
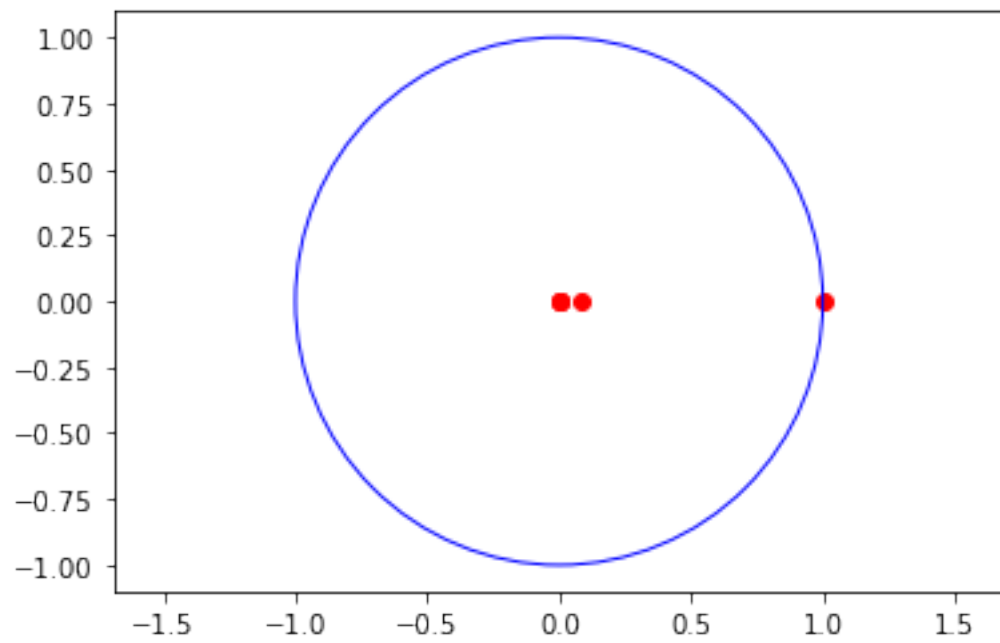
5. We define a new Markov chain with transition kernel $P = K^n$. Then draw the 5 eigenvalues of P on a 2D complex plane as you did in (1). Show how these eigenvalues move on the plane at three stages: $n = 10, 100, 1000$. You'd better draw the traces of the 5 dots (link the movements of the 5 dots to show their trajectories).

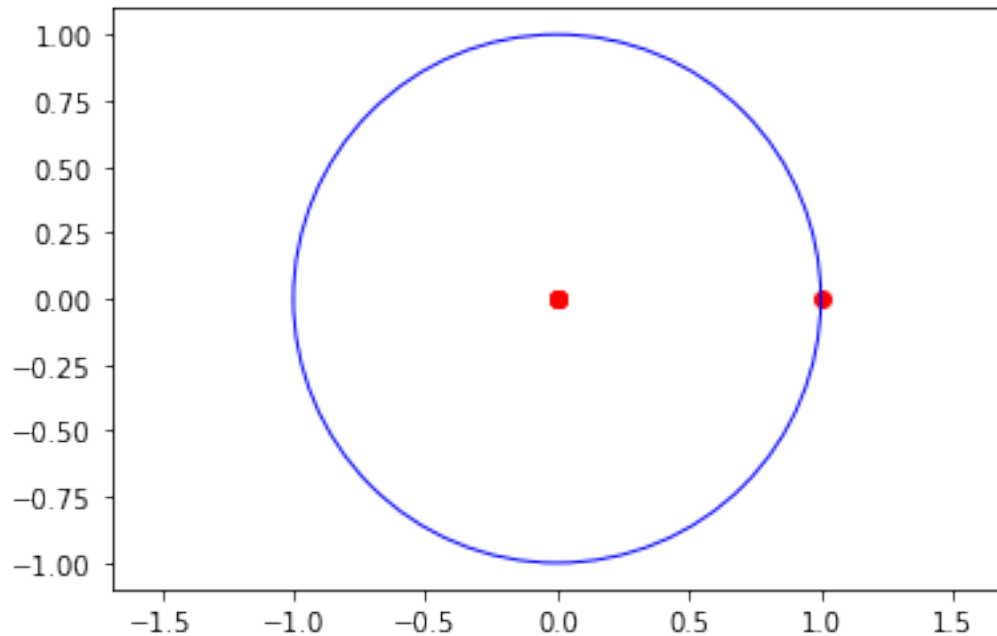
```
[133]: n_list=[10, 100, 1000]
X_list=[]
Y_list=[]

for n in n_list:
    P=np.linalg.matrix_power(K, n)
    P_1000=P
    w,v=np.linalg.eig(P)
    X = [x.real for x in w]
    Y = [x.imag for x in w]
    X_list.append(X)
    Y_list.append(Y)
    fig = plt.figure()
    ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
    circ = plt.Circle((0, 0), radius=1, edgecolor='b', facecolor='None')
    ax.add_patch(circ)
    plt.scatter(X, Y, color='red')
    ax.set_aspect('equal', 'datalim')
```



```
plt.show()
```





Printout the matrix P for $n = 1000$ and see whether it becomes the “ideal” transition kernel.

```
[134]: print(P_1000)
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[[0.1488 0.2353 0.2635 0.2098 0.1427]
 [0.1488 0.2353 0.2635 0.2098 0.1427]
 [0.1488 0.2353 0.2635 0.2098 0.1427]
 [0.1488 0.2353 0.2635 0.2098 0.1427]
 [0.1488 0.2353 0.2635 0.2098 0.1427]]
```

Problem2 Now we consider two more transition matrices

```
[141]: K1 = np.matrix([[0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 0.0, 0.2], [0.5, 0.3, 0.2, 0.0, 0.0 ], [0.0, 0.
↪4, 0.5, 0.1, 0.0 ], [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5 ], [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.7, 0.3] ])
```

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[142]: K2 = np.matrix([[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.4, 0.6], [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5], [0.0, 0.
↪0, 0.0, 0.9, 0.1 ], [0.0, 0.2, 0.8, 0.0, 0.0], [0.3, 0.0, 0.7, 0.0, 0.0] ])
```

1. Are $K1$ and $K2$ irreducibly, aperiodic?

$K1$ and $K2$ are not irreducibly, aperiodic.

$K1$ is not irreducible since once we reach states 4 or 5, it's impossible to go from state 4 and state 5 to any other states. Hence, $K1$ is reducible.

K2 is not aperiodic since it has a period is 2. From any one of the state of this markov chain, it takes a multiple of 2 steps to return to itself.

2. Printout the 5 eigenvalues and 5 eigenvectors of the two matrices.

```
[150]: w1,v1= np.linalg.eig(K1.T)
np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
print("The eigenvalues of K1:")
w1
```

The eigenvalues of K1:

```
[150]: array([ 1.      ,  0.9152, -0.2    , -0.1977,  0.1824])
```

```
[151]: print("The left eigenvectors of K1:")
v1
```

The left eigenvectors of K1:

```
[151]: matrix([[ -2.4241e-16, -2.5991e-01,  1.4754e-14,  1.3002e-02, -6.3229e-01],
               [-8.1742e-16, -4.2377e-01, -8.4463e-15, -7.7402e-03, -1.0423e-01],
               [-1.1547e-15, -3.9189e-01, -3.3423e-15, -3.3721e-03,  6.6293e-01],
               [-8.1373e-01,  6.3996e-01,  7.0711e-01, -7.0797e-01,  3.0805e-01],
               [-5.8124e-01,  4.3560e-01, -7.0711e-01,  7.0608e-01, -2.3446e-01]])
```

```
[152]: w2,v2= np.linalg.eig(K2.T)
np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
print("The eigenvalues of K2:")
w2
```

The eigenvalues of K2:

```
[152]: array([ 1.0000e+00, -1.0000e+00, -2.6458e-01,  2.6458e-01,  1.0372e-16])
```

```
[153]: print("The left eigenvectors of K2:")
v2
```

The left eigenvectors of K2:

```
[153]: matrix([[ -5.0412e-02, -5.0412e-02,  5.6695e-01, -5.6695e-01,  6.1721e-01],
               [-1.4003e-01, -1.4003e-01, -3.7796e-01,  3.7796e-01, -7.7152e-01],
               [-6.7777e-01, -6.7777e-01, -1.8898e-01,  1.8898e-01,  1.5430e-01],
               [-7.0017e-01,  7.0017e-01,  5.0000e-01,  5.0000e-01, -1.1186e-16],
               [-1.6804e-01,  1.6804e-01, -5.0000e-01, -5.0000e-01,  2.4490e-16]])
```

3. How many and what are the invariant probabilities for each matrix?

```
[160]: pi_K1 = v1[:, 0] / np.linalg.norm(v1[:, 0], ord=1)
left0_K1 = np.matrix(pi_K1).getH()
print('left0_K1:', left0_K1*(-1))
```

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left0_K1: [[1.7377e-16  5.8598e-16  8.2777e-16  5.8333e-01  4.1667e-01]]
```

```
[161]: pi_K2 = v2[:, 0] / np.linalg.norm(v2[:, 0], ord=1)
left0_K2 = np.matrix(pi_K2).getH()
print('left0_K2:', left0_K2*(-1))
```

```
left0_K2: [[0.029  0.0806 0.3903 0.4032 0.0968]]
```

The invariant probabilities for each matrix is unique. K2 is irreducible but not aperiodic. When P is irreducible (but not necessarily aperiodic), then π still exists and is unique, but the Markov chain does not necessarily converge to π from every starting state. Notice K2 has eigenvalues of 1 and -1. So there is another eigenvalue of magnitude 1.

Problem 3. A Markov chain returning time $\tau_{ret}(i)$ is the minimum steps that a Markov chain returns to state i after leaving i. Calculate the probability for returning to state 0 in finite step.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Prob(\tau_{ret}(0) < \infty) &= \sum_{\tau(0)=1}^{\infty} Prob(\tau(0)) \\
 &= (1 - \alpha) + \alpha(1 - \alpha) + \alpha^2(1 - \alpha) + \dots \\
 &= (1 - \alpha) \times \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

The markov chain is finite, irreducible and aperiodic. So it has a unique stationary distribution. Since from each state, the probability of going to the state 0 is $1 - \alpha$. We have the following relationship,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \pi(i)(1 - \alpha) = \pi(0)$$

Since $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \pi(i) = 1$, we get $\pi(0) = 1 - \alpha$

We find from π that the mean recurrence time (i.e. the expected time to return) for the state 0, $E[\tau_{ret}(0)]$, is $1/\pi(0) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$

Problem 4. Prove that $KL(\pi||v) \leq KL(\pi||\mu)$

First, show $KL_{X,Y}(\pi(X)P(X,Y)||\eta(X)P(X,Y)) = KL_X(\pi(X)||\eta(X))$ for any distribution η .

$$\begin{aligned}
KL_{X,Y}(\pi(X)P(X,Y)||\eta(X)P(X,Y)) &= \sum_X \sum_Y \pi(X)P(X,Y) \log \frac{\pi(X)P(X,Y)}{\eta(X)P(X,Y)} \\
&= \sum_X \pi(X) \log \frac{\pi(X)}{\eta(X)} \\
&= KL_X(\pi(X)||\eta(X))
\end{aligned}$$

Next, show that $KL(\pi||\mu) - KL(\pi||v) = E_Y \pi[KL_X(P(Y,X)||Q(Y,X))]$ where

$$Q(Y,X) = \frac{P(X,Y)\mu(X)}{v(Y)}$$

Using the above proved result, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
KL_Y(\pi(Y)||v(Y)) &= KL_{X,Y}(\pi(Y)P(Y,X)||v(Y)P(Y,X)) \\
KL_X(\pi(X)||\mu(X)) &= KL_{X,Y}(\pi(X)P(X,Y)||\mu(X)P(X,Y))
\end{aligned}$$

Subtracting the two equations, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&KL_X(\pi(X)||\mu(X)) - KL_Y(\pi(Y)||v(Y)) \\
&= KL_{X,Y}(\pi(X)P(X,Y)||\mu(X)P(X,Y)) - KL_{X,Y}(\pi(Y)P(Y,X)||v(Y)P(Y,X)) \\
&= \sum_X \sum_Y \pi(X)P(X,Y) \log \frac{\pi(X)P(X,Y)}{\mu(X)P(X,Y)} - \left(\sum_X \sum_Y \pi(Y)P(Y,X) \log \frac{\pi(Y)P(Y,X)}{v(Y)P(Y,X)} \right) \\
&= \sum_X \sum_Y \pi(Y)P(Y,X) \log \frac{\pi(Y)P(Y,X)}{\mu(X)P(X,Y)} - \left(\sum_X \sum_Y \pi(Y)P(Y,X) \log \frac{\pi(Y)P(Y,X)}{v(Y)P(Y,X)} \right) \\
&= \sum_X \sum_Y \pi(Y)P(Y,X) \log \frac{v(Y)P(Y,X)}{\mu(X)P(X,Y)} \\
&= \sum_Y \sum_X \pi(Y)P(Y,X) \log \frac{P(Y,X)}{Q(Y,X)} \\
&= E_{Y \sim \pi}[KL_X(P(Y,X)||Q(Y,X))]
\end{aligned}$$

Here we used the fact that $\pi(X)P(X,Y) = \pi(Y)P(Y,X)$ since P satisfies detailed balance. Also $Q(Y,X) = \frac{P(X,Y)\mu(X)}{v(Y)}$.

Now we will show, $KL_{X,Y}(P(Y,X)||Q(Y,X)) \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
-KL_{X,Y}(P(Y,X)||Q(Y,X)) &= - \sum_{X,Y} P(Y,X) \log \frac{P(Y,X)}{Q(Y,X)} \\
&= \sum_{X,Y} P(Y,X) \log \frac{Q(Y,X)}{P(Y,X)} \\
&\leq \log \sum_{X,Y} P(Y,X) \frac{Q(Y,X)}{P(Y,X)} \\
&\leq \log(1) \\
&\leq 0
\end{aligned}$$

We have used Jensen's inequality and the fact that \log is a concave function.

Since $KL_{X,Y}(P(Y, X)||Q(Y, X)) \geq 0$, the expected value $E_{Y \sim \pi}[KL_X(P(Y, X)||Q(Y, X))]$ ≥ 0

Thus, $KL_X(\pi(X)||\mu(X)) - KL_Y(\pi(Y)||v(Y)) = E_{Y \sim \pi}[KL_X(P(Y, X)||Q(Y, X))] \geq 0$

Hence, $KL(\pi||v) \leq KL(\pi||\mu)$

[]: