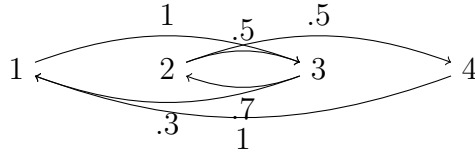


Homework 4

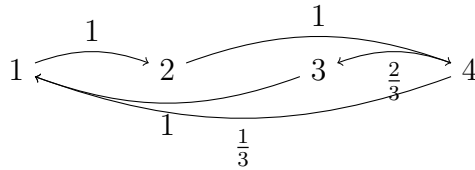
• **Exercise 1.14.**

(a)



From the graph, we can know $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is an irreducible set, state 2 is periodic with period 2, by Lemma 68, we can know all states are periodic, thus, the chain **cannot** converge to equilibrium.

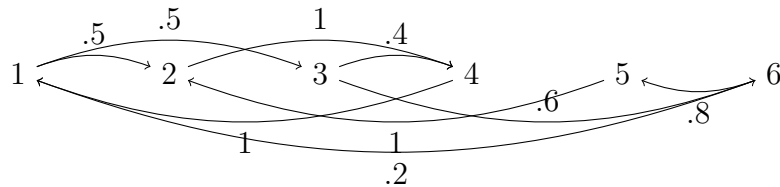
(b)



From the graph, we can know $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is an irreducible set, state 2 will come back in 3 or 4 steps, gcd is 1, it is aperiodic, by Lemma 68, we can know all states are aperiodic as well, and by Theorem 66, we know the chain **can** converge to equilibrium. Use Matlab to calculate the left eigenvector and normalize, and $\pi P = \pi$ we can have

$$\pi(1) = .2727, \quad \pi(2) = .2727, \quad \pi(3) = .1818, \quad \pi(4) = .2727.$$

(c)



From the graph, we can know $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ is an irreducible set, state 2 is periodic, by Lemma 68, we can know all states are periodic with period 3, thus, the chain **cannot** converge to equilibrium.

• **Exercise 1.17.**

Probability transition matrix, $S = \{0, 1\}$, 0 =without cable, 1 =with cable:

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.74 & 0.26 \\ 1 & 0.08 & 0.92 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can use P to predict the percentage in 1995,

$$(0.436, 0.564)P = (0.436, 0.564) \begin{pmatrix} 0.74 & 0.26 \\ 0.08 & 0.92 \end{pmatrix} = (0.3678, 0.6322)$$

which is closed to the actual value 63.4%.

The percentage in 2000,

$$(0.436, 0.564)P^2 = (0.436, 0.564) \begin{pmatrix} 0.74 & 0.26 \\ 0.08 & 0.92 \end{pmatrix}^2 = (0.3227, 0.6773)$$

$$(0.366, 0.634)P = (0.436, 0.564) \begin{pmatrix} 0.74 & 0.26 \\ 0.08 & 0.92 \end{pmatrix} = (0.3216, 0.6784)$$

Both of these predictions are closed to actual percentage 68%. Since the chain is irreducible and aperiodic, we have limit distribution $(0.436, 0.564) P^n, \pi = \pi P$, use the formula of 2-state MC

$$\pi = \left(\frac{0.08}{0.08 + 0.26}, \frac{0.26}{0.08 + 0.26} \right) = \left(\frac{4}{17}, \frac{13}{17} \right)$$

The long run proportion of people with cable is $\frac{13}{17}$.

1. Exercise 1.8(c).

We know irreducible sets are $\{2, 4\}$ and $\{1, 5\}$, we can have transition matrix and stationary distribution as below

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0.2 & 0.8 \\ 4 & 0.6 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

use 2-state MC formula

$$\left(\frac{0.6}{0.6 + 0.8}, \frac{0.8}{0.6 + 0.8} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{7} \right)$$

$$\pi_1 = \left(0, \frac{3}{7}, 0, \frac{4}{7}, 0 \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{0.3}{0.3 + 1}, \frac{1}{0.3 + 1} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{13}, \frac{10}{13} \right)$$

$$\pi_2 = \left(\frac{3}{13}, 0, 0, 0, \frac{10}{13} \right)$$

since $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$, $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 > 0$

$$\pi = \left(\frac{3}{13}\alpha_2, \frac{3}{7}\alpha_1, 0, \frac{4}{7}\alpha_1, \frac{10}{13}\alpha_2 \right).$$

2. Since there exists $n \geq 1$ such that every entry of the n -step transition matrix P^n is strictly positive (i.e. $p^n(x, y) > 0$ for all x, y), we can have

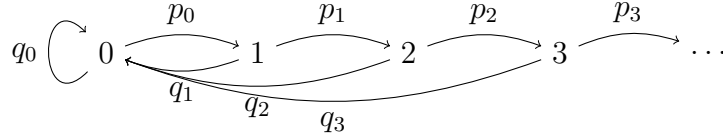
$$p^{n+1}(x, y) = \sum_{z \in S} p^n(x, z)p(z, y) > p^n(x, z)p(z, y) > 0$$

now, we can have $p^{n+1}(x, x) > 0$ and $p^n(x, x) > 0$, the period of x must divide n and $n+1$, only 1 meet this requirement, by Lemma 67, we can say x is aperiodic. Also, $p^n(x, y) > 0$ is equivalent to

$$\rho_{xy} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{yx} > 0$$

then DTMC is irreducible, all states communicate with each other, thus, by Lemma 68, all states are aperiodic.

3. Draw a transition graph as below



We can see all states communicate with each other, if state i is recurrent, then all states are recurrent, assume state 0 is recurrent

$$P_0(T_0 = \infty) = 0$$

$P_0(T_0 = \infty) = p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots$ holds, since

$$\begin{aligned} & p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots p_n \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_0(T_0 > n) \end{aligned}$$

by continuity of probability measures with intersections

$$\begin{aligned} &= P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{T_0 > n\}\right) \\ &= P_0(T_0 = \infty) \end{aligned}$$

then, we need to prove $p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots p_n \\ &= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 1}{2^n + 2} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

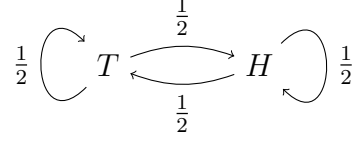
$$P_0(T_0 < \infty) = 1 - P_0(T_0 = \infty) = 1$$

thus, all states are recurrent.

4. (a) We can have

$$P(Y < \infty) = P(6^N < \infty) = P(N < \infty)$$

for proving $P(N < \infty) = 1$, which means after finite time N , we will toss Head, we can draw a transition graph



we can know $\{T, H\}$ is irreducible, state H and T are recurrent. Then, assume we start from head

$$P_H(T_H < \infty) = 1$$

$$\{N < \infty\} = \{T_H < \infty\}$$

Thus, $P(Y < \infty) = 1$ holds.

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[Y] &= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} yP(Y = y) \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6^n P(N = n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6^n \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3^n \rightarrow \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

$E[Y] = \infty$ holds.

(b) Running those codes in Matlab, result as below

$N = 3, Y = 216$

(c)(d) Running those codes in Matlab, plots showed **in the last page**.

$A(m)$ will **not** converge for m going to infinity. From plots, we can see $A(m)$ fluctuates, after merging to a higher point, it will go down. Given $A(m) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m Y(i)$, we know the merge happen resulting from the value of $Y(i)$ is large based on running above codes, the decrease come with m increase, thus, $A(m)$ will not converge.

