

## Stochastic Process: (S.P.)

→ A S.P. is a family of r.v.s  $\{X(t), t \in T\}$ , defined on a given probability space, indexed by the parameter  $t$ , where  $t \in T$ .

→ The values assumed by the r.v.  $X(t)$  are called states and set of all possible values form the state space ( $S$ ) of the process.

types (1) discrete state, discrete parameter/time SP

(2) " " , continuous " / " SP

(3) continuous state, " " / " SP

(4) " " , discrete " / " SP.

Example: Consider a queuing system with jobs arriving at random point in time, queuing for service and departing from the system after service completion.

(a)  $X(t)$  # of jobs in the system at time  $t$ .

$S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  ,  $T = \{t; t \geq 0\}$

( $X(t)$ ) discrete state, continuous parameter SP.

- (b)  $W_k$  time that the  $k^{\text{th}}$  customer has to wait in the system before receiving service.

$$S = \{x, x \geq 0\}, T = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$(W_k, k \in T)$  continuous state, discrete parameter SP.

- (c)  $Y(t)$  cumulative service requirement (exposure) of all jobs in the system at time  $t$ .

$$S = [0, \infty), T = [0, \infty)$$

$\{Y(t)\}$  cont. state, cont. parameter SP.

- (d) Let  $N_k$  # of jobs in the system at the time of the departure of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  customer (after service completion).

$$S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, T = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$\{N_k, k \in T\}$  discrete state, discrete parameter S.P.

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### Discrete Time Markov Chain (DTMC):

discrete state, discrete parameter/time SP

SP  $\{X_n, n=0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  that takes on a finite or

countable number of possible values.

$X_n = i$   $\equiv$  process is in state  $i$  at time/step/transition  $n$

$\{X_n\}$  DTMC  
if

$\{i, j, i_0, i_1, \dots\} \in S$   
State space

$$P(X_{n+1}=j | X_0=i_0, X_1=i_1, \dots, X_n=i)$$

$$= P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i)$$

$$= p_{ij}^{(1)} \rightarrow \text{transition probability}$$

$$= p_{ij}^{(1)} \rightarrow \text{stationary transition probability (Homogeneous M.C.)}$$

$$= p_{ij}$$

$$(= P(X_{m+1}=j | X_m=i) = P(X_1=j | X_0=i))$$

$$S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$p_{ij}^{(1)} = p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i) \quad \text{for } i, j \in S$$

$$P = P^{(1)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} j \rightarrow \\ 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad \dots \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} i \downarrow \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \end{matrix} & \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} p_{00} & p_{01} & p_{02} & \dots \\ p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} & \dots \\ p_{20} & p_{21} & p_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

final state

initial state

$$0 \leq p_{ij} \leq 1, \forall i, \forall j$$

for fixed i

$$\sum_j p_{ij} = 1$$

$$p_{ij} = p_{ij}^{(1)}$$

Transition Probability Matrix  
(TPM)

Example (1) Consider a game of ladder climbing. There are 5 levels in the game, level 1 is lowest (bottom) and level 5 is the highest (top). A player starts at the bottom. Each time, a fair coin is tossed.

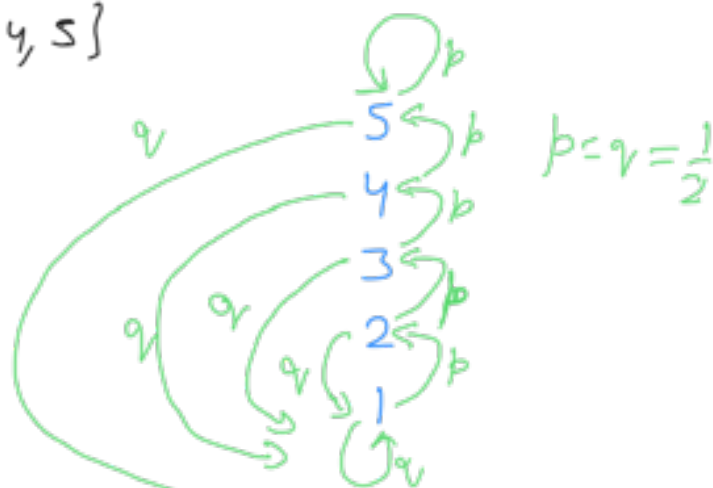
If it turns up heads, the player moves up one rung.  
 If tails, the player moves down to the very bottom.  
 Once at the top level, the player moves to the  
 very bottom if tails turns up and stays at the  
 top if head turns up.

Let  $X_n$  be the level of the game in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  step  
 Find  $S$ , TPM / transition.

Sol statespace  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$\{X_n\}$  DTMC

$$p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i)$$



$$p = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

(2) Let  $\{X_n\}_{n=0,1,2,\dots}$  be a sequence of i.i.d. discrete

r.v. with  $P(X_1 = j) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j+1} \quad \forall j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Determine whether each of the following chain is

Markovian or not. If so find its corresponding state space ( $S$ ) and t.p.m.

(i)  $\{S_n\}_{n=0,1,2,\dots}$  where  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

(ii)  $\{M_n\}_{n=0,1,2,\dots}$  where  $M_n = \max\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$

Sol (i)  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$\{S_n\}$  DTMC with  $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$t.p.m.$   $p_{ij} = P(S_{n+1} = j | S_n = i)$

		$j \rightarrow$					
		0	1	2	3	$\dots$	
$P =$	$i \downarrow$	0	$1/2$	$1/4$	$1/8$	$1/16$	$\dots$
	1	0	$1/2$	$1/4$	$1/8$	$\dots$	
	2	0	0	$1/2$	$1/4$	$\dots$	
	3	0	0	0	$1/2$	$\dots$	
	$\vdots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	

(ii) Ans  $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/4 & 1/8 & 1/16 & \dots \\ 0 & 3/4 & 1/8 & 1/16 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 7/8 & 1/16 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (transformation of a process into M.C.)

Suppose that whether or not it rains today depends on previous weather conditions through the last two days. Suppose that if it has rained for the past two days, then it will rain tomorrow with prob. 0.7; if it has rained today but not yesterday, then it will rain tomorrow with prob. 0.5; if it has rained yesterday but not today, then it will rain tomorrow with prob. 0.4; if it has not rained in the past two days, then it will rain tomorrow with prob. 0.2.

Let  $Y_n$ : weather condition on  $n^{\text{th}}$  day.  
 $\underline{Y_n} \mid \underline{Y_{n-1}}, \underline{Y_{n-2}}, \cancel{X_n}$  not M.C

Let  $X_n$ : state at any time is determined by the weather condition during both that day and the previous day

$\begin{matrix} \swarrow \text{today, today} & \swarrow \text{today, yesterday} \\ X_{n+1} & X_n, X_{n-1} \end{matrix}$   
 $X_n$  DTMC

State $X_n$	Rained yesterday	Rained today
0	✓	✓
1	X	✓
2		

$$p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1}=j \mid X_n=i)$$

$\begin{matrix} \leftarrow & & \checkmark & & \times \end{matrix}$	$i, j \in S = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$			
$\begin{matrix} 3 & & \times & & \times \end{matrix}$	$X_{n+1} = j$			

transition ( $X_n$ )

$P =$

$X_n = i$

$\begin{matrix} \text{yes} & \text{today} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \checkmark & \checkmark \end{matrix}$	$0$	$\begin{matrix} \text{today} & \checkmark \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 0 & \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} \text{tomorrow} & \checkmark \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 1 & \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} \text{today} & \checkmark \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 2 & \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} \text{tomorrow} & \checkmark \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 3 & \end{matrix}$
$\begin{matrix} \times & \checkmark \end{matrix}$	$1$	$0.7$	$0$	$0.3$	$0$
$\begin{matrix} \times & \checkmark \end{matrix}$	$2$	$0.5$	$0$	$0.5$	$0$
$\begin{matrix} \checkmark & \times \end{matrix}$	$3$	$0$	$0.4$	$0$	$0.6$
$\begin{matrix} \times & \times \end{matrix}$	$3$	$0$	$0.2$	$0$	$0.8$

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n-step transition probability

$$p_{ij}^{(n)} = P(X_{m+n} = j | X_m = i) = P(X_n = j | X_0 = i)$$

$$0 \leq p_{ij}^{(n)} \leq 1, \quad \forall i, \forall j \quad (X_n) \text{ DTMC}$$

for fixed  $i$

$$S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

State space

$$\sum_j p_{ij}^{(n)} = 1$$

$$P^{(n)} = (p_{ij}^{(n)}) = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} j \rightarrow \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} i \downarrow \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ i \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} p_{00}^{(n)} & p_{01}^{(n)} & p_{02}^{(n)} & \dots \\ p_{10}^{(n)} & p_{11}^{(n)} & p_{12}^{(n)} & \dots \\ p_{20}^{(n)} & p_{21}^{(n)} & p_{22}^{(n)} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Chapman Kolmogorov equations:

$$h_{ij}^{(m+n)} = \sum_k h_{ik}^{(m)} h_{kj}^{(n)} = \sum_k h_{ik}^{(n)} h_{kj}^{(m)}$$

$$P_{ij} = \sum_k P_{ik} P_{kj} = \sum_k P_{ik} P_{kj}$$

Sol!  $(i, j)^{th}$  element of  $P^{(m+n)}$   $i, j, k \in S$

$$P_{ij}^{(m+n)} = P(X_{m+n}=j | X_0=i)$$

$$= \sum_k P(X_{m+n}=j, X_n=k | X_0=i) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{thm of total} \\ \text{prob.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \sum_k \underbrace{P(X_{m+n}=j | X_n=k, X_0=i)}_{P(X_n=k | X_0=i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A|C) &= \frac{P(A \cap C)}{P(C)} \times \frac{P(C)}{P(B \cap C)} \\ &= P(A|B \cap C) P(B|C) \\ &= P(A|B) P(B|C) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_k P(X_{m+n}=j | X_n=k) P(X_n=k | X_0=i) \quad \leftarrow (X_n) \text{ DTMC}$$

$$= \sum_k P_{kj}^{(m)} P_{ik}^{(n)} = \sum_k P_{ik}^{(n)} P_{kj}^{(m)}$$

$$P_{ij}^{(m+n)} = \sum_k P_{ik}^{(n)} P_{kj}^{(m)}$$

$$P^{(m+n)} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\overline{P_{i0}^{(n)}}} & \overline{\overline{P_{i1}^{(n)}}} & \dots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\overline{P_{0j}^{(m)}}} \\ \overline{\overline{P_{1j}^{(m)}}} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P^{(m+n)} = P^{(n)} P^{(m)}$$

$$P^{(1)} = P$$

$$P^{(2)} = P^{(1)} P^{(1)} = P \cdot P = P^2$$



$$P^{(n)} = P^n$$

Example Suppose that the chance of rain tomorrow depends on previous weather conditions only through whether or not it is raining today and not on past weather condition. Suppose also that if it rains today, then it will rain tomorrow with probability  $\alpha$ ; and if it does not rain today, then it will rain tomorrow with prob.  $\beta$ .

$X_n$ : weather condition on  $n^{\text{th}}$  day DTMC

$X_n \in \{0, 1\}$  0: rain, 1: not raining

$S = \{0, 1\}$

$$p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i) \quad i, j \in S$$

tpm

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1-\alpha \\ \beta & 1-\beta \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Let  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\beta = 0.3$ . Calculate the prob. that it will rain 2 days from today given that it is raining today.

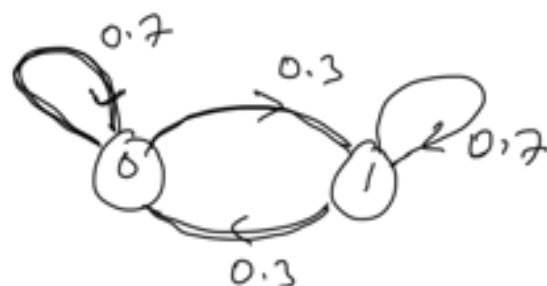
$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \underline{0.7} & \underline{0.3} \\ \underline{0.3} & \underline{0.7} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} = \left( (P_{ij}^{(n)}) \right)$$

$$P_{00}^{(2)} = P(X_{n+2} = 0 | X_n = 0) = ?$$

$$P^{(2)} = P^2 = P \cdot P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.58 & 0.42 \\ 0.42 & 0.58 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{00}^{(2)} = 0.58$$



$$p_{00}^{(2)} = 0.7 \times 0.7 + 0.3 \times 0.3 = 0.58$$

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PMF of step  $X_n$ :  $\{X_n\}$  DTMC

state space  $S = \{0, 1, \dots\}$

$$p_i^{(n)} = P(X_n = i) \quad , i \in S$$

pmf of  $X_n$  is

$$\tilde{p}^{(n)} = (p_0^{(n)}, p_1^{(n)}, \dots, p_i^{(n)}, \dots) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{st. } \sum_i p_i^{(n)} = 1$$

initial state pmf of  $X_0$  is

$$\tilde{p}^{(0)} = (p_0^{(0)}, p_1^{(0)}, \dots) \quad \text{st. } \sum_i p_i^{(0)} = 1$$

T.S.

$$\boxed{\tilde{p}^{(n)} = \tilde{p}^{(n-1)} P}$$

$$P \leftarrow \text{tpm}$$

$$(p_0^{(n)}, p_1^{(n)}, \dots, \boxed{p_i^{(n)}}, \dots) = \underbrace{(p_0^{(n-1)}, p_1^{(n-1)}, \dots, p_i^{(n-1)}, \dots)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ p_{00} p_{01} \dots p_{0i} \dots \\ p_{10} p_{11} \dots p_{1i} \dots}}$$



$$= P(X_3=2, X_2=3, X_1=3, X_0=2)$$

$$= P(X_3=2 | X_2=3, X_1=3, X_0=2) \cdot P(X_2=3 | X_1=3, X_0=2)$$

$$\cdot P(X_1=3 | X_0=2) \cdot P(X_0=2) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} P(A|B|C) = \frac{P(A|B|C) P(B|C)}{P(C) P(D)} \\ (X_3) \text{ DTM} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= P(X_3=2 | X_2=3) \cdot P(X_2=3 | X_1=3) \cdot P(X_1=3 | X_0=2) \times 0.2$$

$$= p_{32} p_{33} p_{23} \times 0.2$$

$$= 0.4 \times 0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.2 = 0.0048$$

$$(ii) P(X_2=3, X_1=3 | X_0=2)$$

$$= P(X_2=3 | X_1=3, X_0=2)$$

$$\cdot P(X_1=3 | X_0=2)$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} P(A|B|C) = \frac{P(A|B|C) P(B|C)}{P(C) P(D)} \\ = P(A|B|C) \cdot P(B|C) \end{array} \right.$$

$$(X_3) \text{ DTM}$$

$$= P(X_2=3 | X_1=3) \cdot P(X_1=3 | X_0=2)$$

$$= p_{33} p_{23} = 0.3 \times 0.2 = 0.06$$

$$(iii) P(X_2=3)$$

$$X_2 \quad \tilde{P}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1^{(2)} & p_2^{(2)} & p_3^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{P}^{(n)} = \tilde{P}^{(n-1)} P$$

$$P \leftarrow \text{tpm}$$

$$\uparrow \\ P(X_2=3)$$

$X_1$

$$\tilde{P}^{(n)} = \tilde{P}^{(0)} P = (0.7, 0.2, 0.1) \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0.5 & 0.4 \\ 0.6 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (0.22, 0.43, 0.35)$$

$$X_2 \quad \tilde{P}^{(2)} = \tilde{P}^{(1)} P = (0.22, 0.43, 0.35) \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0.5 & 0.4 \\ 0.6 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.9 & 0.3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (0.385, 0.336, \boxed{0.279})$$

$$P(X_2=3) = p_3^{(2)} = 0.279$$

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Classification of states:  $\{X_n\}$  DTMC

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$$p_{ij}^{(n)} = P(X_n=j | X_0=i) \quad S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$i, j \in S$

Def<sup>n</sup>  $i \rightarrow j$  state  $j$  is accessible from state  $i$  if  $p_{ij}^{(n)} > 0$  for some  $n$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>  $i \leftrightarrow j$  state  $i$  and  $j$  communicate with each other if  $i \rightarrow j$  and  $j \rightarrow i$

Result  $i \leftrightarrow j, j \leftrightarrow k \Rightarrow i \leftrightarrow k \quad i, j, k \in S$

Let  
Given  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \exists n, m \text{ s.t. } i \rightarrow j, j \rightarrow k \\ p_{ij}^{(n)} > 0 \quad p_{jk}^{(m)} > 0 \end{array} \right.$

Now  $p_{ik}^{(m+n)} = \sum_x p_{ix}^{(n)} p_{xk}^{(m)} \geq p_{ij}^{(n)} p_{jk}^{(m)} > 0$

$\therefore i \rightarrow k$

Illy  $k \rightarrow i \quad \therefore i \leftrightarrow k$

Def<sup>n</sup>  $\{X_n\}$  DTMC is irreducible or connected if every state communicate with every other state,

otherwise it is reducible.

eg  $(X_n)$  DTMC tpm

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S = \{0, 1, 2\}$$



$(X_n)$  irreducible/connected

$$d(0) = \gcd\{1, 2, 3, \dots\} = 1$$

$$d(0) = d(1) = d(2) = 1$$

All state has period 1 or aperiodic

$$0 \leftrightarrow 1 \leftrightarrow 2$$

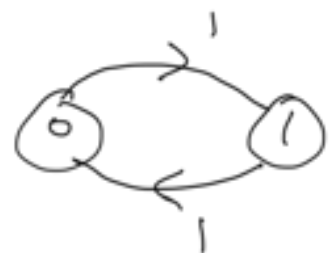
Def period of state  $i$ ;  $d(i)$ ;

$d(i)$  is gcd of  $I^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  n s.t.  $p_{ii}^{(n)} > 0$

(If  $p_{ii}^{(n)} = 0 \forall n \geq 1$ , define  $d(i) = 0$ )

eg  $(X_n)$  DTMC tpm

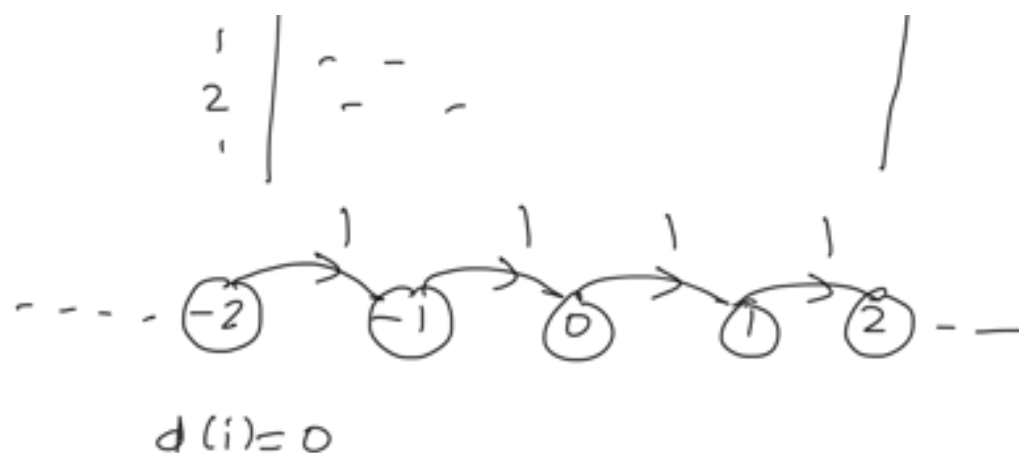
$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$d(0) = \gcd\{2, 4, 6, \dots\} = 2 = d(1)$$

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$$\begin{matrix} & \dots & -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots \\ \vdots & & & & & & & \\ -2 & & - & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - \\ -1 & & - & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & - \\ 0 & & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & - \end{matrix}$$



$\{X_n\}$  DTMC,  $i \in S$   $\xrightarrow{-x-}$

$f_i^{(n)}$  or  $f_{ii}^{(n)} = P(X_n=i, X_k \neq i, k=1, \dots, n-1 | X_0=i)$  : prob of first visit to state  $i$  in  $n$  transitions / steps starting from state  $i$   
 recurrence time prob

$$f_{ii}^{(0)} = 1$$

$$f_{ii} \text{ or } f_i = f_i^{(1)} + f_i^{(2)} + f_i^{(3)} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_i^{(n)}$$

↑  
prob. of ever visiting state  $i$

Def  $f_i = 1$ , return to state  $i$  is certain, starting from state  $i$   
 $i$  recurrent state

Def  $f_i < 1$ , return to state  $i$  is uncertain  
 $i$  transient state.

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Let 
$$I_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_n = i \\ 0 & \text{if } X_n \neq i \end{cases}$$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_n$  : # of times visited  $i$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{I}_n$  . If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{I}_n < \infty$  , The process is in state  $i$

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{I}_n \mid X_0 = i\right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E(\mathbb{I}_n \mid X_0 = i) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 \cdot P(X_n = i \mid X_0 = i) + 0 \cdot P(X_n \neq i \mid X_0 = i)] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X_n = i \mid X_0 = i) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_{ii}^{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

$$i \text{ recurrent} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_{ii}^{(n)} = \infty \Leftrightarrow f_i = 1$$

$$i \text{ transient} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_{ii}^{(n)} < \infty \Leftrightarrow f_i < 1$$

Def Let  $i$  recurrent

$$m_{ii} \text{ or } m_i = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_i^{(n)} : \text{mean recurrence time} \\ (\text{expected time the process return to state } i)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{If } m_i = \infty \quad i \text{ null recurrent}$$

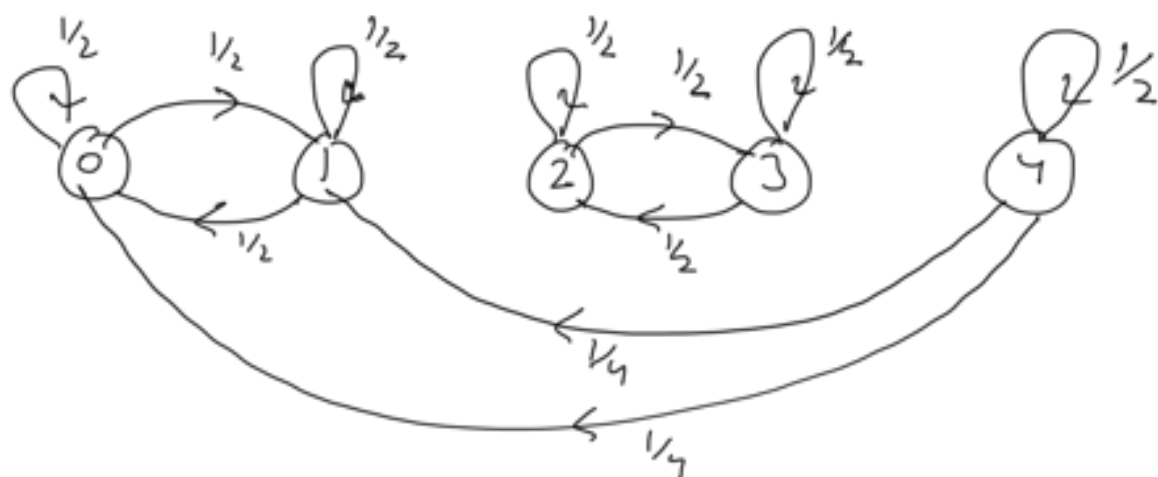
$$\rightarrow \text{If } m_i < \infty \quad i \text{ non-null recurrent / positive recurrent}$$

Example :  $\{X_n\}$  DTMC  $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$  t.p.m.

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$



Classes  $\{0, 1\}$   $\{2, 3\}$   $\{4\}$   $0 \leftrightarrow 1$   $2 \leftrightarrow 3$   $4$   
 $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$  Reducible M.C.  
 recurrent recurrent transient  
 aperiodic aperiodic

$$f_0 = f_0^{(1)} + f_0^{(2)} + f_0^{(3)} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \right] = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

State 0 recurrent  
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P1  $i \leftrightarrow j$ ,  $i$  recurrent  $\Rightarrow j$  recurrent

Given  $\exists h, m$   
 $p_{ij}^{(m)} > 0, p_{ji}^{(m)} > 0; \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} p_{ij}^{(v)} = \infty$

$$p_{jj}^{(m+n+v)} \geq p_{ji}^{(n)} p_{ii}^{(v)} p_{ij}^{(m)} \quad \text{using C.K. equation}$$

$$\sum_v p_{jj}^{(m+n+v)} \geq p_{ji}^{(n)} p_{ij}^{(m)} \left( \sum_v p_{ii}^{(v)} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_n p_{jj}^{(n)} = \infty$$

i.e.  $j$  recurrent state

P2  $i$  transient,  $i \leftrightarrow j \Rightarrow j$  transient

See On contrary suppose  $j$  recurrent, since  $i \leftrightarrow j$   
 $\Rightarrow i$  recurrent (Using P1)  
 # a contradiction

P3 In a finite state M.C. all states can not be transient

P4 In a finite state, irreducible M.C. all states are recurrent.

See using P3, P1

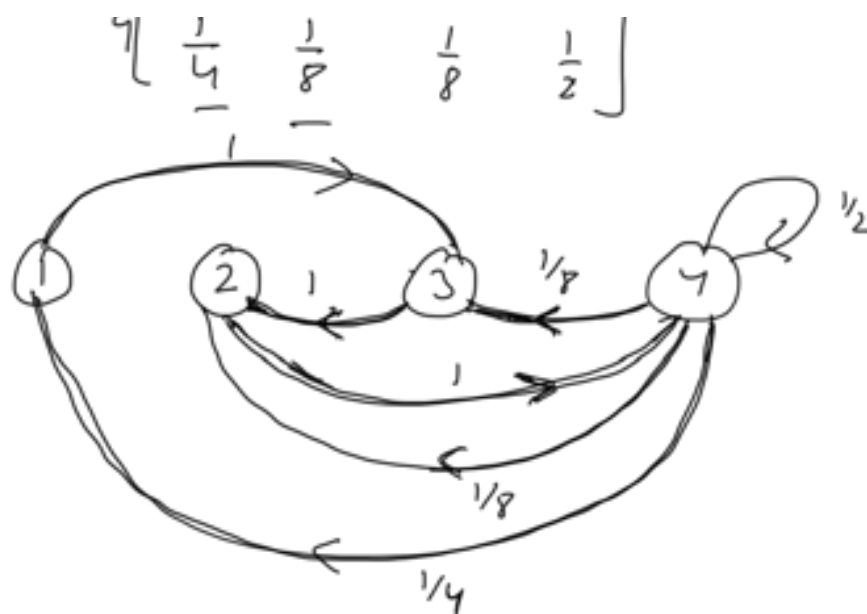
P5 In irreducible M.C., all states are recurrent or transient.

Example:  $\{X_n\}$  DTMC  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

tpm

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

classify the state



$1 \leftrightarrow 2 \leftrightarrow 3 \leftrightarrow 4$  Irreducible M.C.  
Class  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

Finite state, irreducible M.C. all states are positive recurrent. (using  $P_4$ )

mean recurrence time for state 4

$$m_4 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_4^{(n)}$$

$$= 1 \times \frac{1}{2} + 2 \times \frac{1}{8} + 3 \times \frac{1}{8} + 4 \times \frac{1}{4} + 0 + 0 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{17}{8} < \infty$$

State 4 positive recurrent  
non-null recurrent.

$$\begin{aligned} f_4^{(1)} &= \frac{1}{2}, f_4^{(2)} = \frac{1}{8} \times 1, \\ f_4^{(3)} &= \frac{1}{8} \times 1 \times 1 \\ f_4^{(4)} &= \frac{1}{4} \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 \\ f_4^{(5)} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Gambler's Ruin problem

$$i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$$

initial capital  $R_0$   $i$

Aim  $R_N$

$Z_i$  :  $i^{\text{th}}$  bet / step / transition / time

$Z_1, Z_2, \dots$  are independent

$$P(Z_i = 1) = p, \quad P(Z_i = -1) = 1-p = q$$

$$X_n = Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots + Z_n + i$$

: fortune of the gambler after  $n$  steps

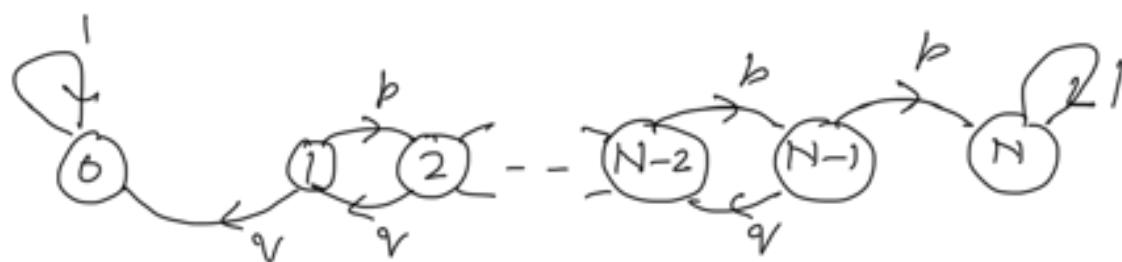
$$p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i) \quad ; \quad i, j \in S = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

$\{X_n\}_{n=1,2,\dots}$  DTMC

$$p_{0,0} = 1 = p_{N,N}$$

$$p_{i,i+1} = p, \quad p_{i,i-1} = q, \quad i = 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots & N \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ N \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ q & 0 & p & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & q & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$



Classes  $\{0\}$   $\{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$   $\{N\}$   
 recurrent recurrent/  
 /absorbing transient absorbing

$T_0$  = time he broke

$$= \inf \{n : X_n = 0\}$$

$T_N$  = time he has Rs N

$$= \inf \{ n: X_n = N \}$$

$P_i = P(T_N < T_0)$  : prob. that starting with  $P_i$ , the gambler's fortune will reach  $N$  before reaching 0 ?

$$P_i = P(T_N < T_0 | Z_1 = 1) P(Z_1 = 1) + P(T_N < T_0 | Z_1 = -1) P(Z_1 = -1)$$

$$P_i = P_{i+1} p + P_{i-1} q$$

$$p P_i + q P_i = P_{i+1} p + P_{i-1} q$$

$$\Rightarrow (P_{i+1} - P_i) p = q (P_i - P_{i-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{i+1} - P_i = \frac{q}{p} (P_i - P_{i-1})$$

$$i=1 \quad P_2 - P_1 = \frac{q}{p} (P_1 - P_0) = \frac{q}{p} P_1 \quad P_0 = 0, P_N = 1$$

$$i=2 \quad P_3 - P_2 = \frac{q}{p} (P_2 - P_1) = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^2 P_1$$

$$P_i - P_{i-1} = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{i-1} P_1$$

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$$P_i - P_1 = P_1 \left[ \frac{q}{p} + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{i-1} \right]$$

$$P_i = P_1 \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right) + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{i-1} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^i \right]$$

$$P_i = \begin{cases} \frac{(1-p) P_1}{1 - \frac{q}{p}} & , \quad \frac{q}{p} \neq 1 \\ i P_1 & , \quad \frac{q}{p} = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

If  $i = N$  in (1), we have  $P_N = 1$

$$P_1 = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \frac{q}{p}}{1 - (\frac{q}{p})^N} & , \quad \frac{q}{p} \neq 1 \\ \frac{1}{N} & , \quad \frac{q}{p} = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Using (2) in (1)

$$P_i = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - (\frac{q}{p})^i}{1 - (\frac{q}{p})^N} & , \quad \frac{q}{p} \neq 1 \Leftrightarrow p \neq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{i}{N} & , \quad \frac{q}{p} = 1 \Leftrightarrow p = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$


If  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$P_i = \begin{cases} 1 - (\frac{q}{p})^i & , \quad \frac{q}{p} < 1 \Leftrightarrow p > \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & , \quad \frac{q}{p} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow p \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

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Example  
(ans 1)

A rat is put into the linear maze as shown below

0	1	2	3	4	5
Start					Food

each step  $X_n \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 3/4 \\ \leftarrow 1/4 \end{matrix}$

Sol  $P(\text{rat finds the food before getting shocked})$   
 Gambler's ruin problem

$$i=2, N=5, p=\frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{q}{p} = \frac{1/4}{3/4} = \frac{1}{3} \neq 1$$

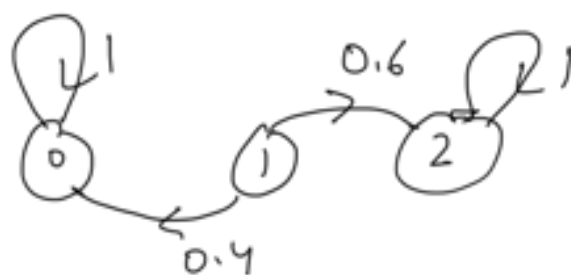
$$P_5 = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^i}{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^N} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5} = 0.892$$

$$1 - P_5 = P(\text{rat get shocked before getting food})$$

Example  
 (0.2 amp)

$(X_n)$	DTMC	tpm
	0	1 2
0	1	0 0
1	0.4 0	0.6
2	0 0	1

Starting with 1, determine the prob. that the M.C. ends in state 0.  
 Sol.



absorbing/recurrent  
 $\{0\} \{1\} \{2\}$   
 transient

$$\text{Revel. prob} = 1 - \frac{1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1}{1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{5/9} = 0.4$$

$$p=0.6, q=0.4$$

$$\frac{q}{p} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3} \neq 1$$

Q.

$x, y \in S$

$x \leftrightarrow y$  then  $d(x) = d(y)$

sol.  $d(x) = \gcd \{n \geq 1 : p_{xx}^{(n)} > 0\}$

Since  $x \leftrightarrow y$

$$p_{xx}^{(m)} > 0, \quad p_{y,x}^{(n)} > 0 \quad \text{for some } m, n$$

$$p_{y,y}^{(n+m)} \geq p_{y,x}^{(n)} p_{x,y}^{(m)} > 0$$

$$p_{yy}^{(n+s+m)} \geq p_{y,x}^{(n)} p_{xx}^{(s)} p_{xy}^{(m)} > 0$$

$d(y)$  divides both  $n+m$  and  $n+s+m$

$\therefore d(y)$  divides every  $s$  with  $p_{xx}^{(s)} > 0$

$\Rightarrow d(y)$  divides  $\gcd$  of such  $s$

$\Rightarrow d(y)$  divides  $d(x)$

Repeat by changing the roles

$x \leftrightarrow y \Rightarrow d(y)$  divides  $d(x)$

period  $d(x)$  and  $d(y)$  divides each other  $\Rightarrow$  they must be equal.

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## Limiting Probabilities

long run behaviour of M.C.s:

finite state space  $S = \{0, 1, \dots, N\}$

Regular TPM Given tpm  $P$  is regular if  $P^k$  has all its elt  $> 0$ .

such tpm or corresponding MC is called regular



The most important fact concerning a regular M.C.  
is the existence of a limiting prob. distn

$\underline{\pi} = (\pi_0, \dots, \pi_N)$  when  $\pi_j > 0 \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, N, \sum_j \pi_j = 1$   
and this dist is indep. of initial state.

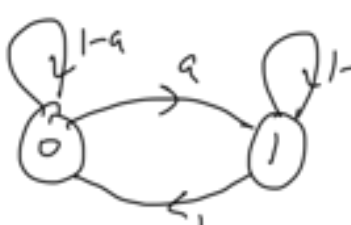
regular tpm  $P = ((p_{ij}))$ , we have the convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{ij}^{(n)} = \pi_j > 0 \quad \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

$$\text{i.e., } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n = j | X_0 = i) = \pi_j > 0 \quad \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

This convergence means that, in long run ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), the  
prob. of finding the M.C. in state  $j$  is  $\approx \pi_j$ ;  
no matter in which state the chain begins at time 0.

(A) Example tpm  $P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1-a & a \\ b & 1-b \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}, 0 \leq a, b \leq 1$



here  $|1-a-b| < 1$

irreducible, aperiodic, finite state M.C.

$P$  regular tpm

$P^n$  ?

$a=b=0$  or  $a=b=1$  note we see separately

$$p_{00} = 1-a, \quad p_{01} = a, \quad p_{10} = b, \quad p_{11} = 1-b$$

$$p_{01}^{(n-1)} = 1 - p_{00}^{(n-1)}$$

$$p_{00}^{(n)} = p_{00}^{(n-1)} p_{00} + p_{01}^{(n-1)} p_{10} = (1-a)p_{00}^{(n-1)} + b(1-p_{00}^{(n-1)})$$

$$= 1 - a p_{00}^{(n-1)} + b(1-p_{00}^{(n-1)})$$

$$= \frac{a + (1-a-b)p_{00}}{a+b}, \quad n > 1$$

$$= b + (1-a-b) [b + (1-a-b)p_{00}^{(n-2)}]$$

$$= b + b(1-a-b) + (1-a-b)^2 p_{00}^{(n-2)}$$

$$= b + b(1-a-b) + b(1-a-b)^2 + \dots + b(1-a-b)^{n-2}$$

$$+ \underbrace{p_{00}}_{(1-a)} (1-a-b)^{n-1}$$

$$= b \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (1-a-b)^k \right] + (1-a)(1-a-b)^{n-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1 - (1-a-b)^{n-1}}{1 - (1-a-b)}$$

$$= \frac{b}{a+b} + \frac{a(1-a-b)^n}{a+b}$$

$\therefore$  Similarly

$$p^n = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b + a(1-a-b)^n}{a+b} & \frac{a - a(1-a-b)^n}{a+b} \\ \frac{b - b(1-a-b)^n}{a+b} & \frac{a + b(1-a-b)^n}{a+b} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that  $|1-a-b| < 1$ ,  $0 < a, b < 1$

thus  $|1-a-b|^n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p^n = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b}{a+b} & \frac{a}{a+b} \\ \frac{b}{a+b} & \frac{a}{a+b} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$1 \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{1}{a+b} & \frac{a}{a+b} \end{array} \right|$$

Let

$$P(X_0=0) = \frac{1}{3}, \quad P(X_0=1) = \frac{2}{3}$$

initial state prob

$$\tilde{p}^{(0)} = \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$\tilde{p}^{(n)} = \tilde{p}^{(n-1)} P = \tilde{p}^{(0)} P^n$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right) P^n$$

Take  $\tilde{p}^{(n)}$  from  $\otimes$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{p}^{(n)} = \left( \frac{b}{a+b}, \frac{a}{a+b} \right)$$

RLC: ① Finite state aperiodic irreducible M.C. is regular and recurrent.

② If a tpm  $P$  of  $N$  states is regular, the  $P^{N^2}$  will have no zero elts. Equivalently if  $P^{N^2}$  is not strictly +ve, then M.C. is not regular.

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$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ regular tpm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & + & 0 \\ + & 0 & + \\ + & 0 & + \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} + & + & 0 \\ + & 0 & + \\ + & 0 & + \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + \\ + & + & + \\ + & + & + \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm: Let  $P$  be a  $\overset{N \times (0,1 \rightarrow N)}{\text{regular tpm}}$  on states  $0, 1, \dots, N$ .

Then the limiting dist  $\underline{\pi} = (\pi_0, \pi_1, \dots, \pi_N)$  is the unique non-negative sol<sup>n</sup> of equation

$$\pi_j = \sum_{k=0}^N \pi_k p_{kj}, \quad j=0,1,\dots,N$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^N \pi_k = 1$$

$\underline{\pi} = \underline{\pi} P$   
 $\sum_{k=0}^N \pi_k = 1$

Sol  $\because P$  regular, we have limiting prob.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{ij}^{(n)} = \pi_j \quad \text{for which} \quad \sum_{k=0}^N \pi_k = 1$$

$$P^n = P^{n-1} P$$

$$p_{ij}^{(n)} = \sum_{k=0}^N p_{ik}^{(n-1)} p_{kj}, \quad j=0,1,\dots,N$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $p_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow \pi_j$ ,  $p_{ik}^{(n-1)} \rightarrow \pi_k$

$$\pi_j = \sum_{k=0}^N \pi_k p_{kj} \quad \text{as claimed}$$

T.S. sol<sup>n</sup> is unique. Suppose that  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N$  solve

$$x_j = \sum_{k=0}^N x_k p_{kj} \quad \text{for } j=0,1,\dots,N, \quad \sum_{k=0}^N x_k = 1 \quad \text{--- ①}$$

we wish to show  $x_j = \pi_j$

Now  $\sum_{j=0}^N x_j p_{j1} = \sum_{j=0}^N \sum_{k=0}^N x_k p_{kj} p_{j1} = \sum_{k=0}^N x_k \left( \sum_{j=0}^N p_{kj} p_{j1} \right)$

using ①  $\downarrow$

$$x_l = \sum_{k=0}^N x_k p_{kl}^{(2)}$$

$y^{(2)}$   
 $p_{kl}^{(2)}$

repeating the argument

$$x_l = \sum_{k=0}^N x_k p_{kl}^{(n)}, \quad l=0,1,\dots,N$$

$$n \rightarrow \infty, \quad p_{kl}^{(n)} \rightarrow \pi_l$$

$$\therefore x_l = \sum_{k=0}^N x_k \pi_l = \pi_l, \quad l=0,1,\dots,N$$

$\therefore x_l = \pi_l$  as claimed.

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Example An No claim discount (NCD) system has the discount classes  $E_0$  (no discount),  $E_1$  (20% discount) and  $E_2$  (40% discount). Movement in the system is determined by the rule whereby one step back one discount level (or stays in  $E_0$ ) with one claim in a year, and return to a level of no discount if more than one claim is made. A claim-free year results in a step up to a higher discount level (or one remains in class  $E_2$  if already there). NCD system

NCD class	$E_0$	$E_1$	$E_2$
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

% discount	0	20	70
annual premium	100	80	60

If we suppose that for anyone in this scheme the probability of one claim in a year is 0.2 while the prob. of two or more claims is 0.1.

(i) Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n$

$$P = \begin{matrix} & E_0 & E_1 & E_2 \\ \begin{matrix} E_0 \\ E_1 \\ E_2 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \text{regular}$$

(ii) In long run, what proportion of time in the process in each of these discount classes.

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & + & 0 \\ + & 0 & + \\ + & + & + \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} + & + & 0 \\ + & 0 & + \\ + & + & + \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + \\ + & + & + \\ + & + & + \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{regular}$$



irreducible, aperiodic, finite state M.C.  
 $\Rightarrow$  regular

$$\underline{\pi} = (\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2)$$

$$\underline{\pi} = \underline{\pi} P$$

$$\pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$$

$$(\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2) = (\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2) \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \pi_0 &= 0.3\pi_0 + 0.3\pi_1 + 0.1\pi_2 \\ \pi_1 &= 0.7\pi_0 + 0.2\pi_2 \\ \pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 &= 1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

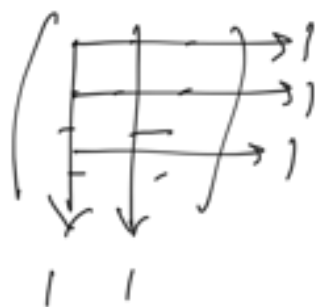
$$\pi_0 = 0.1860, \pi_1 = 0.2442, \pi_2 = 0.5698$$

(iii) Find the average annual premium paid

$$= 100 \times 0.1860 + 80 \times 0.2442 + 60 \times 0.5698$$

$$= 72.324$$

Doubly Stochastic Matrices: tpm doubly stochastic  $P = (p_{ij})$



Columns sum to one  
as well as rows

$$\sum_k p_{ik} = \sum_k p_{kj} = 1 \quad \forall i, j$$

Prop 1

$$S = \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$$

$P$  regular tpm, then the unique limiting and doubly stochastic dist is the uniform dist  $\underline{\pi} = (\frac{1}{N}, \frac{1}{N}, \dots, \frac{1}{N})$

Sol one self  
from last thm

$$\pi_j = \sum_k \pi_k p_{kj} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\sum \pi_k = 1$$

only need to check that  $\sum_j p_{kj} = 1$  in a set

$$\frac{1}{N} = \sum_k \frac{1}{N} p_{kj} = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_k p_{kj} \right) = \frac{1}{N}$$

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$\therefore$  doubly stochastic  
tpm

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Example: Let  $\gamma_n$  be the sum of  $n$  indep rolls of a fair die and consider the problem of determining with what prob.  $\gamma_n$  is a multiple of 7 in the long run.

Let  $X_n$  be the remainder when  $\gamma_n$  is divided by 7

$X_n \in \{0, 1, \dots, 6\}$   $X_n \sim \text{a M.C. } S = \{0, 1, \dots, 6\}$

tpm

$P =$

regular and doubly stochastic

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$
1	$1/6$	0	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$
2	$1/6$	$1/6$	0	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$
3	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	0	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$
4	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	0	$1/6$	$1/6$
5	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	0	$1/6$
6	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	0

$$\pi = \left( \frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{7}, \dots, \frac{1}{7} \right)$$

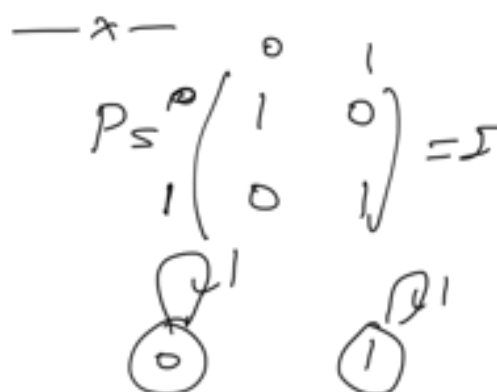


(7, 7, ..., 7)

$Y_n$  is a multiple of 7 iff  $X_n = 0$

$\therefore$  limiting prob. that  $Y_n$  is a multiple of 7 is  $\frac{1}{7}$ .

(A) Example (i)  $a=b=0$



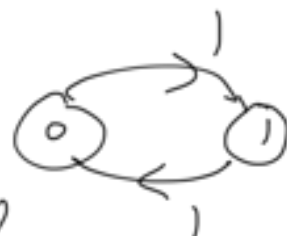
$$P^n = I$$

(ii)  $a=b=1$

periodic M.C. (with period 2)

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, P^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots$$

$$P^n = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$



$$d(0) = \gcd(2, 1, 1, \dots) = 2 = d(1)$$

Here limiting prob. DNE.

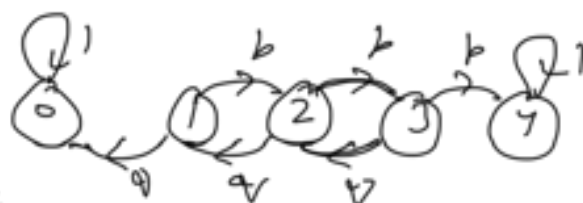
stationary prob. dist.  $\pi = (\pi_0, \pi_1)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi = \pi P \\ \pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \pi_0 = \pi_1 \\ \pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_0 = \pi_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\underline{T} = \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

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Example



$$f_{2,1} = q + bq^2 + b^2q^3 + b^3q^4 + \dots$$

$$= q + bq(q + bq^2 + \dots) = q + bq f_{2,1}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{2,1} = \frac{q}{1-bq}$$

$$\text{if } \underline{p=0.4}$$

$$f_{2,1} = \frac{0.4}{1-0.6 \times 0.4} = \frac{0.4}{1-0.24} = \frac{0.4}{0.76} = \underline{\underline{0.78}}$$

Gambler's ruin problem

$$f_{2,1} = P(\text{Start } 1 \text{ goes broke before reaching } 3)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1 - \left(\frac{0.6}{0.4}\right)^1}{1 - \left(\frac{0.6}{0.4}\right)^3} = 0.78$$

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Mean time spent in transient states:

finite state M.C

$T = \{1, 2, \dots, t\}$  set of transient states

$$P_T = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & \dots & p_{1t} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{t1} & p_{t2} & \dots & p_{tt} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Sum of rows} < 1$$

$$i, j \in T$$

$s_{ij}$  : expected number of time periods that the MC is in state  $j$ , given that it starts in state  $i$ .

Let  $\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$I_{n,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_n = j \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$s_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + E\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau_{n,j} | x_0 = i\right)$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E(I_{n,j} | x_0 = i)$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X_n=j | X_0=i)$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_{ij}^{(n)} \longrightarrow \text{---} \odot$$
  

$\swarrow$   
 $\left( \sum_k p_{ik} p_{kj}^{(n-1)} \right) | U_{\text{side}} (k=y')$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_k b_{ik} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{kj}^{(n-1)}$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_k p_{ik} \left[ \delta_{kj} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} p_{kj}^{(n)} \right]$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_k p_{ik} \left( \underbrace{\delta_{kj} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_{kn}^{(n)}}_{= \delta_{kj}} \right)$$

$$g_{kj} \quad \text{from } (*)$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_k p_{ik} \delta_{kj}$$

$$= \delta_{ij} + \sum_{k=1}^t p_{ik} \delta_{kj},$$

Since it is impossible to go from a recurrent to a transient state  $\Rightarrow \delta_{kj} = 0$ , where  $k$  is a recurrent state

$$\therefore \boxed{\delta_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + \sum_{k=1}^t p_{ik} \delta_{kj}} \quad i, j \in T$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{11} & \delta_{12} & \dots & \delta_{1t} \\ - & - & \dots & - \\ \delta_{t1} & \delta_{t2} & \dots & \delta_{tt} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{; } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = I + P_T S$$

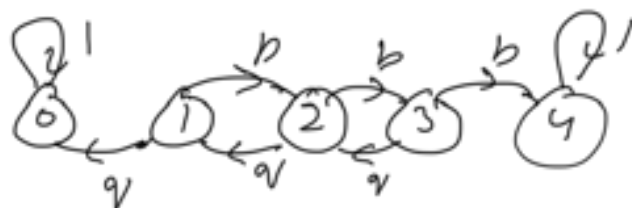
$$(I - P_T) S = I$$

$$\Rightarrow S = (I - P_T)^{-1}$$

Example : Consider the gamblers ruin problem with  $p=0.4$  and  $N=4$ . Starting with 2 units, determine

- the expected amt of time the gambler has 3 units.
- " " " " " " " 1 unit.

sol



Classes  $\{0\}$   $\{1, 2, 3\}$   $\{4\}$   
 absorbing transient absorbing

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.6 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.6 & 0 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$P_T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 0.6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I - P_T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -0.4 & 0 \\ -0.6 & 1 & -0.4 \\ 0 & -0.6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = (I - P_T)^{-1} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1.46 & 0.76 & 0.31 \\ 1.15 & 1.92 & 0.76 \\ 0.69 & 1.15 & 1.46 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$s_{2,3} = 0.76, \quad s_{2,1} = 1.15$$

(ii) example (contd) Starting with state 2, what is the prob. that the gambler ever has a fortune of 1?

$$f_{2,1} = 0.78$$

$f_{ij}$  = prob. that the M.C. ever makes a transition into state  $j$  given that it starts in state  $i$

$$s_{ij} = E(\text{time in } j \mid \text{start in } i)$$

$$= \underline{E(\text{time in } j \mid \text{start in } i, \text{ ever transition to } j)} \cdot f_{ij}$$

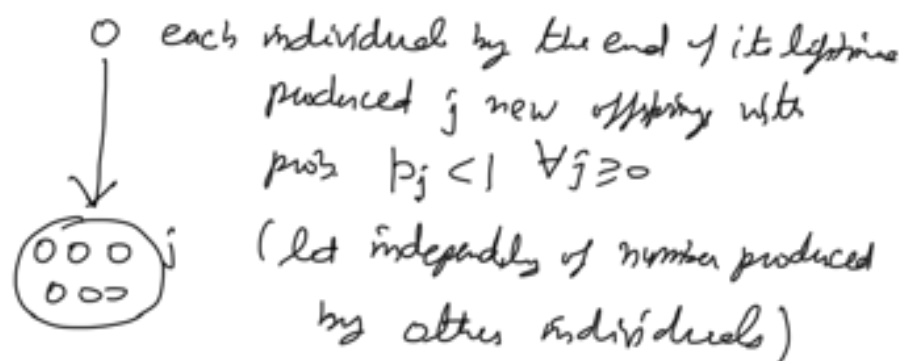
$$\begin{aligned}
 & + E(\text{time } t_{ij} | \text{start } i, \text{ never transit to } j) \cdot (1 - f_{ij}) \\
 & = \frac{(\delta_{ij} + \delta_{jj}) \cdot f_{ij} + \delta_{ij} (1 - f_{ij})}{f_{ij}} \\
 & = \delta_{ij} + f_{ij} \delta_{jj} \\
 & \Rightarrow \boxed{f_{ij} = \frac{\delta_{ij} - \delta_{jj}}{\delta_{jj}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

example (4)

$$f_{2,1} = \frac{\delta_{2,1} - \delta_{2,2}}{\delta_{2,2}} = \frac{1.15 - 0}{1.46} = 0.78$$

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Branching Process:



$X_0$  size of zeroth generation

$X_1$  : all offspring of zeroth generation or first generation

$X_n$  : size of  $n^{\text{th}}$  generation.

$X_n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} = S \rightarrow$  State space

$(X_n)$  DTMC

$f_{00} = 1$  ○ recurrent

the pop<sup>n</sup> will either die out or its size will

Converge to  $\infty$ .

mean # of offspring of a single individual  $\mu = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j p_j$

var. of " , . . . ,  $\sigma^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\hat{j} - \mu)^2 p_j$

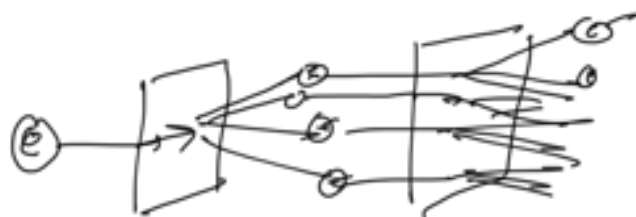
Let,  $X_0 = 1$

$$X_n = Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots + Z_{X_{n-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{X_{n-1}} Z_i$$

where  $Z_i$  # of offspring of  $i$ th individual of the  $(m-1)$ st

$$E(Z_i) = \mu, \quad \text{generativ} \quad \forall i \in Z_i) \leq \sigma^2$$

Applications (i) electron multiplier



$X_n$  # of electron emitted from  $n^{\text{th}}$  plate due to electron coming from  $(n-1)^{\text{th}}$  plate

(X<sub>n</sub>) Branching process

(ii) Nuclear chain reaction



(iii) Survival of family name

$$E(X_n) = E(E(X_n | X_{n-1}))$$

$$= E\left(E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{X_{n-1}} Z_i \mid X_{n-1}\right)\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underbrace{\quad}_{X_{n-1}, \mu} \\
 &= E(X_{n-1}, \mu) \\
 &= \mu E(X_{n-1})
 \end{aligned}
 \left| \begin{aligned}
 & E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{X_{n-1}} Z_i \mid X_{n-1} = x\right) \\
 &= E\left(\sum_{i=1}^x Z_i\right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^x \underbrace{E(Z_i)}_{\mu} = x\mu
 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$E(X_0) = 1, E(X_1) = \mu, E(X_2) = \mu^2, \dots$   
 $\dots, \boxed{E(X_n) = \mu^n} \checkmark$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(X_n) &= E\left(\underbrace{V(X_n \mid X_{n-1})}_{\sigma^2 X_{n-1}}\right) + V\left(\underbrace{E(X_n \mid X_{n-1})}_{\mu X_{n-1}}\right) \\
 &= \sigma^2 E(X_{n-1}) + \mu^2 V(X_{n-1}) \\
 &= \sigma^2 \mu^{n-1} + \mu^2 V(X_{n-1}) \quad \text{--- } \times \\
 &= \sigma^2 \mu^{n-1} + \mu^2 \left[ \sigma^2 \mu^{n-2} + \mu^2 V(X_{n-2}) \right] \quad \text{--- } \times \\
 &\quad \quad \quad | \text{ using } *
 \end{aligned}
 \left| \begin{aligned}
 & V\left(\sum_{i=1}^{X_{n-1}} Z_i \mid X_{n-1} = x\right) \\
 &= V\left(\sum_{i=1}^x Z_i\right) \\
 &\quad \quad \quad Z_i \text{ indep} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^x \underbrace{V(Z_i)}_{\sigma^2} = x\sigma^2
 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$= \sigma^2 [\mu^{n-1} + \mu^n] + \mu^4 V(X_{n-2})$$

$$= \sigma^2 (\mu^{n-1} + \mu^n) + \mu^4 (\sigma^2 \mu^{n-3} + \mu^2 V(X_{n-3}))$$

$$= \sigma^2 (\mu^{n-1} + \mu^n + \mu^{n+1}) + \mu^6 V(X_{n-3})$$

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$\dots, \mu^{n-1}, \mu^n$

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$\dots, \mu^{n-1}, \mu^n$



$$= \sigma^2 (\mu^{n-1} + \mu^{n-2} + \dots + \mu^0) + \mu^n (V(X_0)) \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \sigma^2 \mu^{n-1} (1 + \mu + \dots + \mu^{n-1})$$

$$\therefore V(X_n) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 \mu^{n-1} \left( \frac{1 - \mu^n}{1 - \mu} \right) & \text{if } \mu \neq 1 \\ n \sigma^2 & \text{if } \mu = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow u_{n+1} &= P(X_{n+1}=0) = \sum_j P(X_{n+1}=0 | X_n=j) p_j \\ &= \sum_j (P(X_n=0))^j p_j \\ &= \sum_j u_n^j p_j \\ \therefore \boxed{u_{n+1} &= \sum_j u_n^j p_j} \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow$  Prob of ultimate extinction ( $\pi_0$ )

$\pi_0$  : prob. that popl<sup>n</sup> will eventually die out (under the assumption that  $X_0=1$ )

$$\pi_0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n=0 | X_0=1)$$

$\rightarrow \pi_0 = 1$  if  $\mu < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^n = E(X_n) &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j P(X_n=j) \\ &\geq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 1 \cdot P(X_n=j) \end{aligned}$$

$$= P(X_n \geq 1)$$

Since  $\mu^n \rightarrow 0$  if  $\mu < 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$P(X_n \geq 1) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } P(X_n = 0) \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{i.e., } \pi_0 = 1$$

→ It can show that  $\pi_0 = 1$  even when  $\mu = 1$

→ When  $\mu > 1$  it turns out  $\pi_0 < 1$

$$\pi_0 = P(\text{popl}^n \text{ dies out})$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P(\text{popl}^n \text{ dies out} | X_1 = j) p_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_0^j p_j$$

$$\boxed{\pi_0 = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_0^j p_j} \longrightarrow \star$$

When  $\mu > 1$ , it can be shown that  $\pi_0$  is the smallest +ve number satisfying equation ( $\star$ ).

Example (i)  $X_0 = 1$ ,  $p_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $p_1 = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $p_2 = \frac{1}{4}$

$$\pi_0 = ?$$

$$\text{Sol } \mu = 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 \times \frac{1}{4} + 2 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \pi_0 = 1$$

(ii)  $X_0 = 1$ ;  $p_0 = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $p_1 = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $p_2 = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\pi_0 = ?$$

Sol

$$\mu = 0 \times \frac{1}{4} + 1 \times \frac{1}{4} + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{4} > 1$$

$$\pi_0 = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_0^j p_j \quad | \text{wig} \star$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_0 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\pi_0}{4} + \frac{\pi_0^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\pi_0^2 - 3\pi_0 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_0 = \overset{\times}{1}, \overset{\checkmark}{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\therefore \pi_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$