

Welcome to the Advanced Statistics!

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Course structure

Course Plan

- Stochastic Processes
- Time Series
- Advanced Statistics UoL



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Module	Time period	Control	Weight
I		Fall Exam	%
II		Winter Midterm	%
III		Spring Mmidterm	%
IV			%
		Final Exam	%

Formula for final grade

$$\text{Fall} = 0.30 * \text{HomeWork} + 0.70 * \text{FallExam}$$

$$\text{Spring} = 0.2 * \text{Fall} + 0.25 * \text{HomeWork} + 0.15 * \text{WinterMidterm} + 0.25 * \text{SpringMidterm} + 0.15 * \text{Final exam}$$

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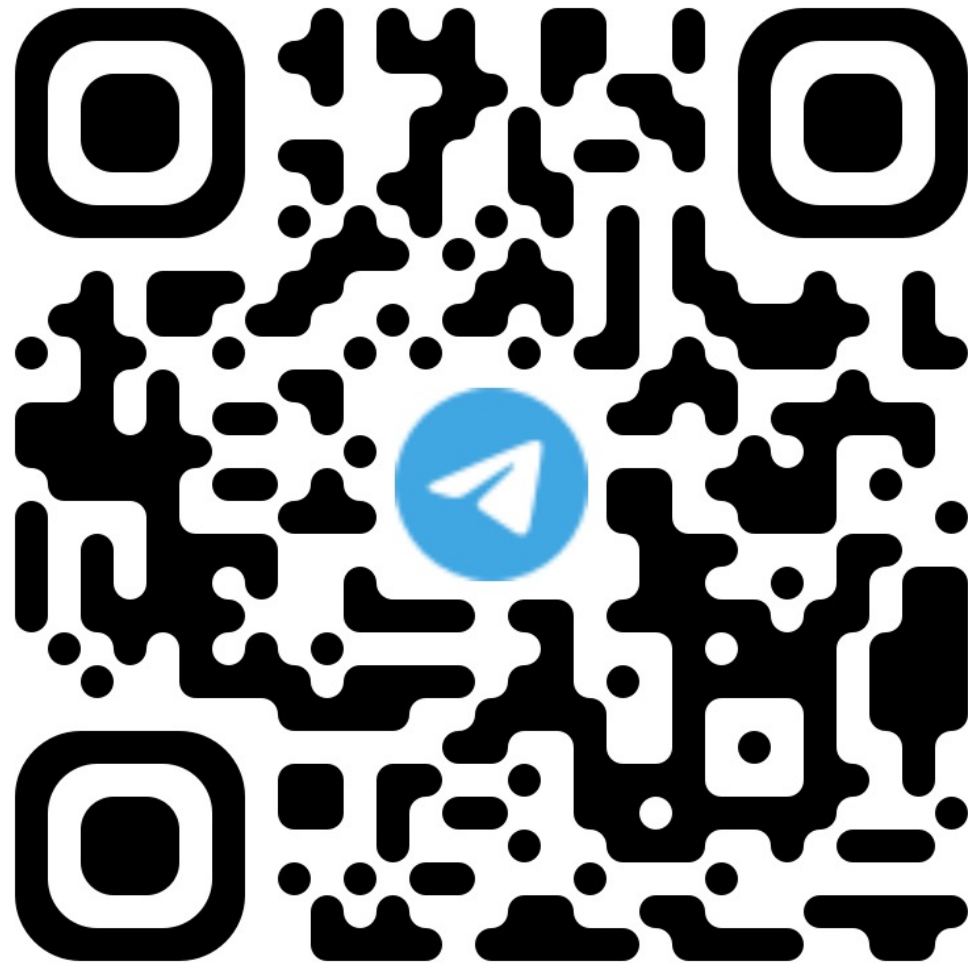
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Syllabus

Module	1
Class	1 Intro + Statistics + Markov chain 2 Markov Chain + Convergency 3 Convergency + MGF 4 Markov Chain 5 Conditional Expectation 6 Sigma Algebra 7 Basics of Stochastics
Module	2
Class	1 Martingales 2 Martingales 3 Brownian Motion 4 Ito Lemma 5 Black Scholes Model 6 Black Scholes Model 7 BS Model + Coding 8 BS Model + Coding
Module	3
Class	1 Course Overview and Recall all we did 2 Stationary Time Series 3 ETS 4 ETS 5 ARMA 6 ARIMA + test 7 Arch-Garch 8 Point Estimators 9 Fisher Information 10 LR LM WALD 11 Sufficient Estimator
Module	4
Class	1 UoL 2 UoL 3 UoL 4 UoL

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Stochastic Processes: Basic Definitions

Stochastic process

The value of a variable changes in an uncertain way

Discrete vs. continuous time

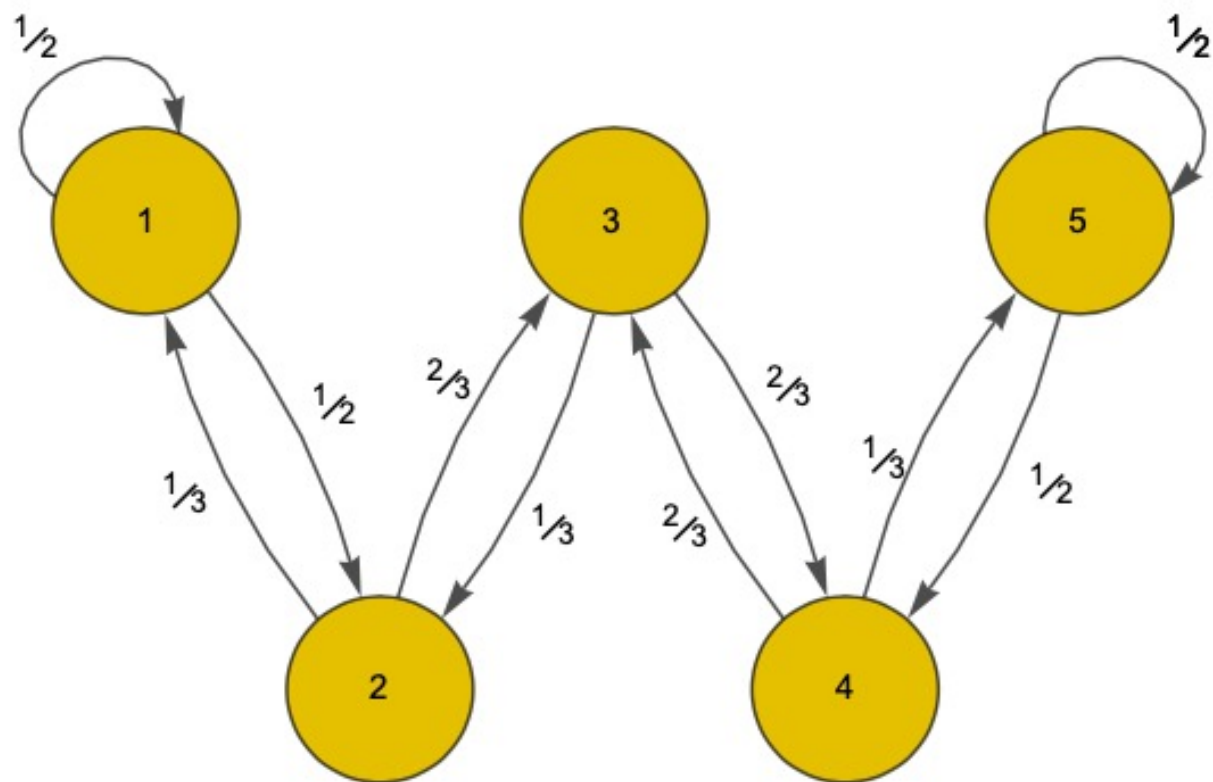
When can a variable change?
What values can a variable take?

Markov property

Only the current value of a variable is relevant for future predictions
No information from past prices or path

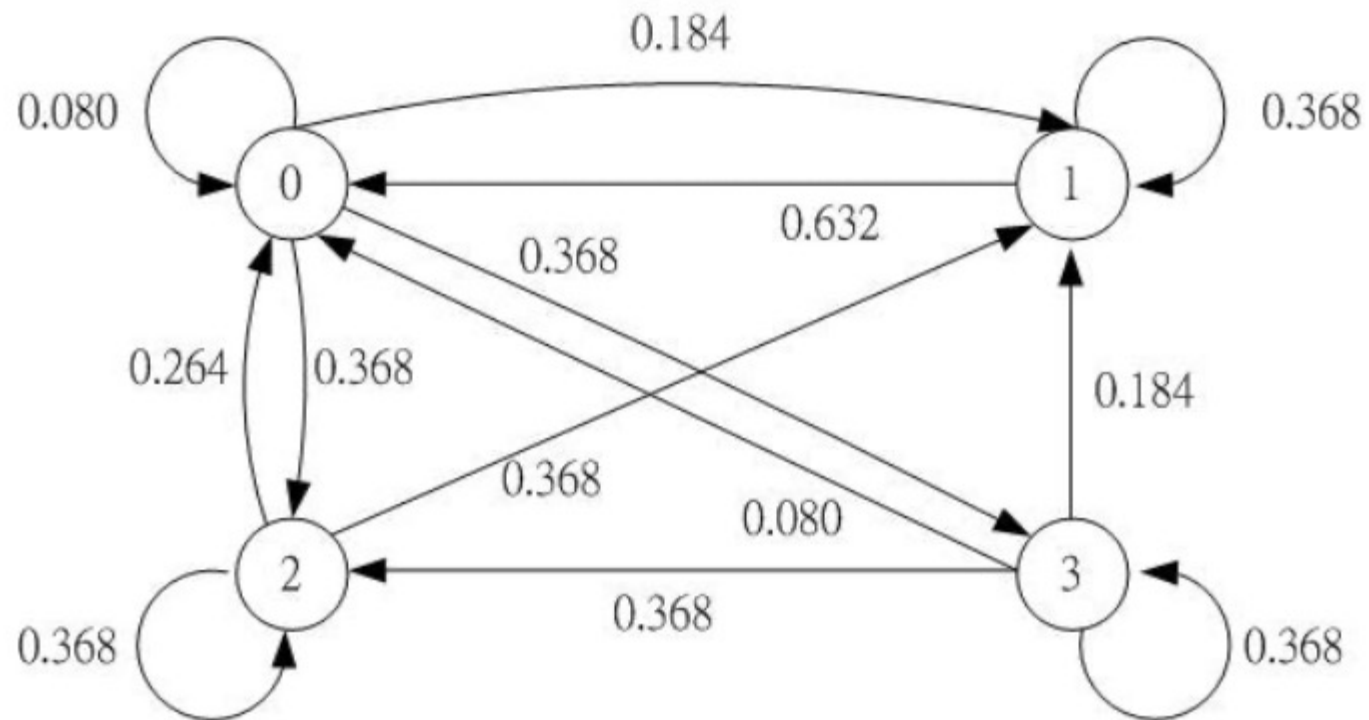


A Chain



Markov Chain

- The state transition diagram:



Markov Chain

- ▶ Consider time index $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ & time dependent random state X_n
- ▶ State X_n takes values on a countable number of states
 - ▶ In general denotes states as $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
 - ▶ Might change with problem
- ▶ Denote the history of the process $\mathbf{X}_n = [X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_0]^T$
- ▶ Denote stochastic process as $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{N}}$
- ▶ The stochastic process $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{N}}$ is a Markov chain (MC) if

$$P[X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i, \mathbf{X}_{n-1}] = P[X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i] = P_{ij}$$

- ▶ Future depends only on current state X_n

Observations

- ▶ Process's history \mathbf{X}_{n-1} irrelevant for future evolution of the process
- ▶ Probabilities P_{ij} are constant for all times (time invariant)
- ▶ From the definition we have that for arbitrary m

$$P[X_{n+m} \mid X_n, \mathbf{X}_{n-1}] = P[X_{n+m} \mid X_n]$$

- ▶ X_{n+m} depends only on X_{n+m-1} , which depends only on X_{n+m-2} ,
... which depends only on X_n
- ▶ Since P_{ij} 's are probabilities they're positive and sum up to 1

$$P_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P_{ij} = 1$$

Matrix Representation

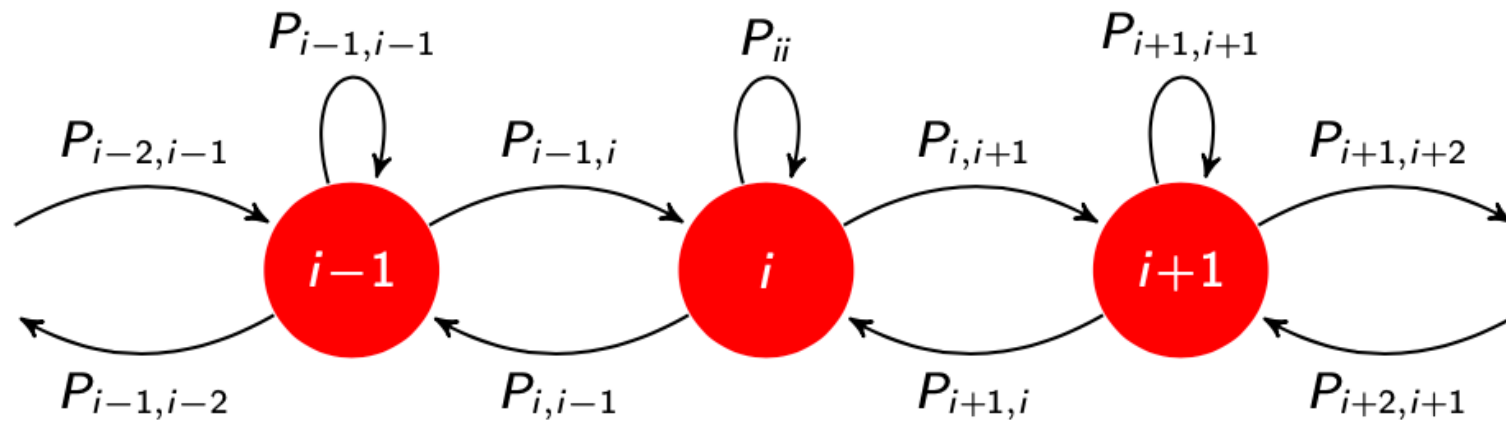
- ▶ Group transition probabilities P_{ij} in a “matrix” \mathbf{P}

$$\mathbf{P} := \begin{pmatrix} P_{00} & P_{01} & P_{02} & \dots \\ P_{10} & P_{11} & P_{12} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ P_{i0} & P_{i1} & P_{i2} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Not really a matrix if number of states is infinite

Graph Representation

- ▶ A graph representation is also used

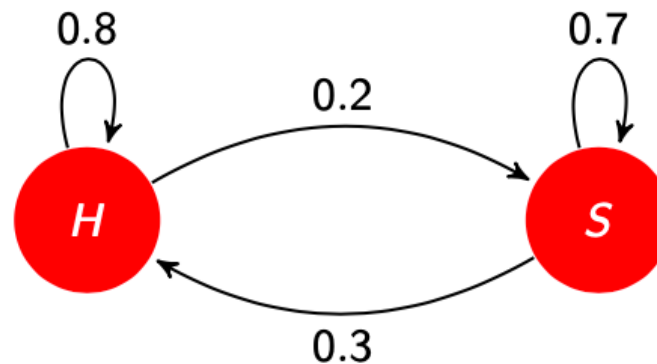


- ▶ Useful when number of states is infinite

Happy – Sad

- ▶ I can be happy ($X_n = 0$) or sad ($X_n = 1$).
- ▶ Happiness tomorrow affected by happiness today only
- ▶ Model as Markov chain with transition probabilities

$$\mathbf{P} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

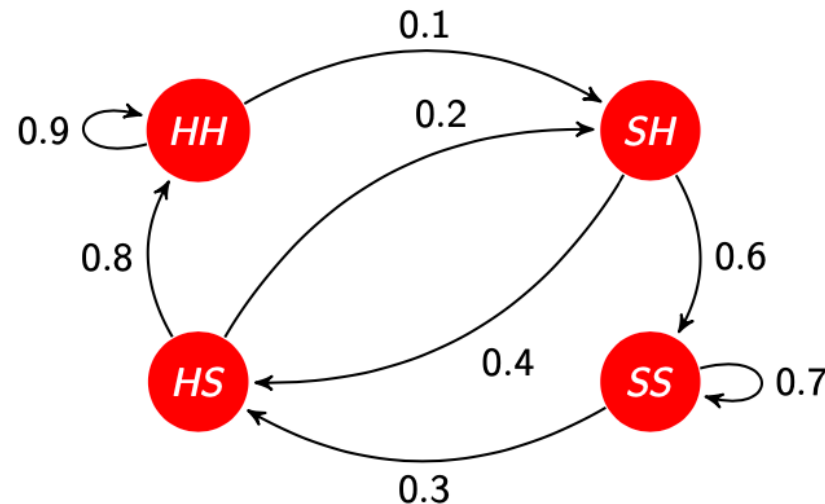


- ▶ Inertia \Rightarrow happy or sad today, likely to stay happy or sad tomorrow ($P_{00} = 0.8, P_{11} = 0.7$)
- ▶ But when sad, a little less likely so ($P_{00} > P_{11}$)

Happy – Sad 2

- ▶ Happiness tomorrow affected by today and yesterday
- ▶ Define double states HH (happy-happy), HS (happy-sad), SH, SS
- ▶ Only some transitions are possible
 - ▶ HH and SH can only become HH or HS
 - ▶ HS and SS can only become SH or SS

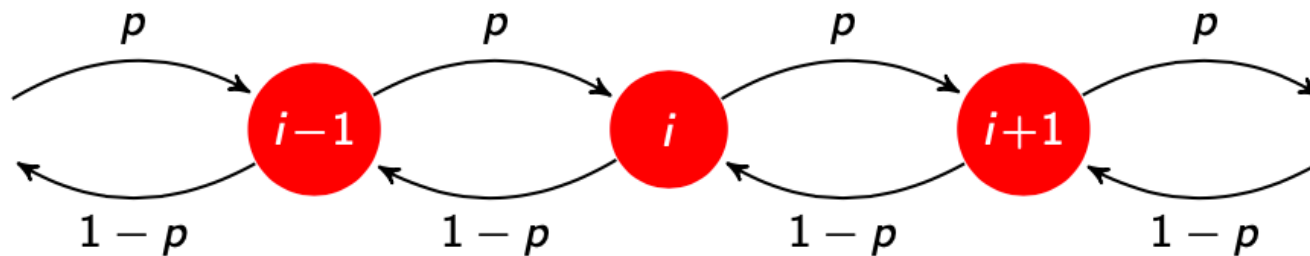
$$\mathbf{P} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.8 & 0.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$



- ▶ More time happy or sad increases likelihood of staying happy or sad
- ▶ **State augmentation** \Rightarrow **Capture longer time memory**

Random Walk

- ▶ Step to the right with probability p , to the left with prob. $(1-p)$



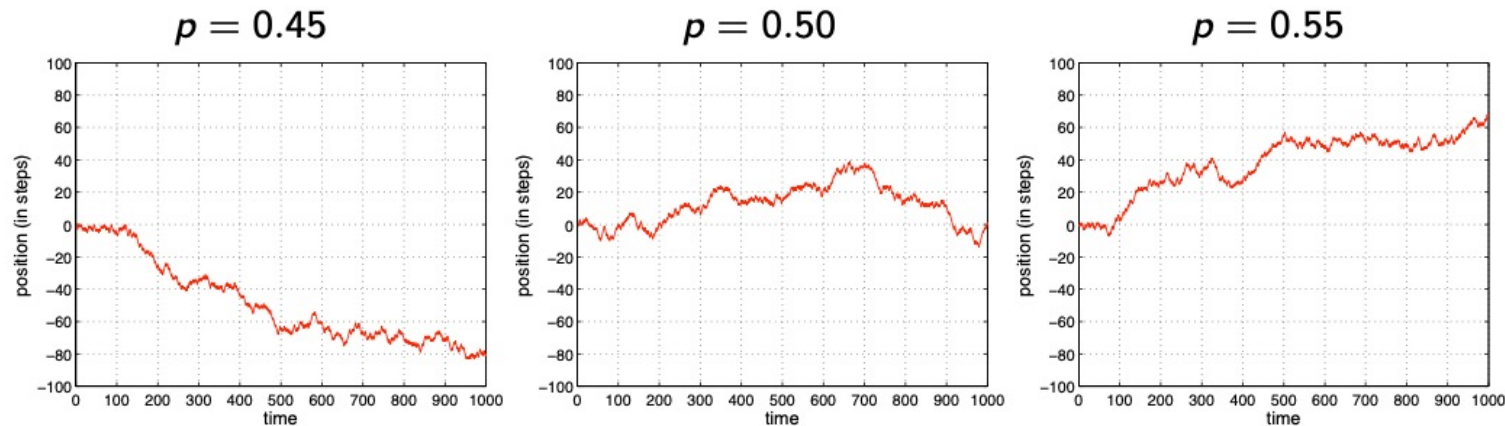
- ▶ States are $0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, number of states is infinite
- ▶ Transition probabilities are

$$P_{i,i+1} = p, \quad P_{i,i-1} = 1 - p,$$

- ▶ $P_{ij} = 0$ for all other transitions

Random Walk Continuous

- ▶ Random walks behave differently if $p < 1/2$, $p = 1/2$ or $p > 1/2$



- ▶ With $p > 1/2$ diverges to the right (grows unbounded almost surely)
- ▶ With $p < 1/2$ diverges to the left
- ▶ With $p = 1/2$ always come back to visit origin (almost surely)
- ▶ Because number of states is infinite we can have all states transient
 - ▶ They are not revisited after some time (more later)

2D Random Walk

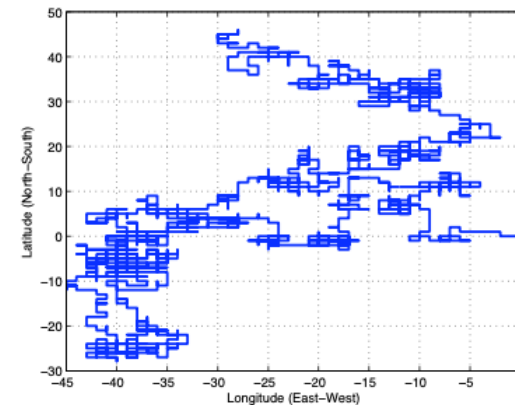
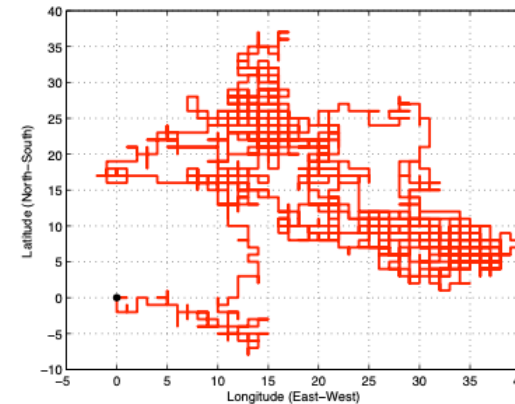
- ▶ Take a step in random direction East, West, South or North
⇒ E, W, S, N chosen with equal probability
- ▶ States are pairs of coordinates (x, y)
 - ▶ $x = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ and $y = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
- ▶ Transition probabilities are not zero only for points adjacent in the grid

$$P[x(t+1) = i+1, y(t+1) = j \mid x(t) = i, y(t) = j] = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P[x(t+1) = i-1, y(t+1) = j \mid x(t) = i, y(t) = j] = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P[x(t+1) = i, y(t+1) = j+1 \mid x(t) = i, y(t) = j] = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P[x(t+1) = i, y(t+1) = j-1 \mid x(t) = i, y(t) = j] = \frac{1}{4}$$



MutiStep Model

- ▶ What can be said about multiple transitions ?
- ▶ Transition probabilities between two time slots

$$P_{ij}^2 := P [X_{m+2} = j \mid X_m = i]$$

- ▶ Probabilities of X_{m+n} given X_m \Rightarrow n -step transition probabilities

$$P_{ij}^n := P [X_{m+n} = j \mid X_m = i]$$

- ▶ Relation between n -step, m -step and $(m + n)$ -step transition probs.
 - ▶ Write P_{ij}^{m+n} in terms of P_{ij}^m and P_{ij}^n
- ▶ All questions answered by Chapman-Kolmogorov's equations

2nd Step probabilities

- ▶ Start considering transition probs. between two time slots

$$P_{ij}^2 = P[X_{n+2} = j \mid X_n = i]$$

- ▶ Using the theorem of total probability

$$P_{ij}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P[X_{n+2} = j \mid X_{n+1} = k, X_n = i] P[X_{n+1} = k \mid X_n = i]$$

- ▶ In the first probability, conditioning on $X_n = i$ is unnecessary. Thus

$$P_{ij}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P[X_{n+2} = j \mid X_{n+1} = k] P[X_{n+1} = k \mid X_n = i]$$

- ▶ Which by definition yields

$$P_{ij}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{kj} P_{ik}$$

N+M step

- Identical argument can be made (condition on X_0 to simplify notation, possible because of time invariance)

$$P_{ij}^{m+n} = P [X_{n+m} = j \mid X_0 = i]$$

- Use theorem of total probability, remove unnecessary conditioning and use definitions of n -step and m -step transition probabilities

$$P_{ij}^{m+n} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P [X_{m+n} = j \mid X_m = k, X_0 = i] P [X_m = k \mid X_0 = i]$$

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$$P_{ij}^{m+n} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{kj}^n P_{ik}^m$$

Equation

- ▶ Chapman Kolmogorov is intuitive. Recall

$$P_{ij}^{m+n} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{kj}^n P_{ik}^m$$

- ▶ Between times 0 and $m+n$ time m occurred
- ▶ At time m , the chain is in some state $X_m = k$
 - $\Rightarrow P_{ik}^m$ is the probability of going from $X_0 = i$ to $X_m = k$
 - $\Rightarrow P_{kj}^n$ is the probability of going from $X_m = k$ to $X_{m+n} = j$
 - \Rightarrow Product $P_{ik}^m P_{kj}^n$ is then the probability of going from $X_0 = i$ to $X_{m+n} = j$ passing through $X_m = k$ at time m
- ▶ Since any k might have occurred sum over all k

Matrix equation

- ▶ Define matrices $\mathbf{P}^{(m)}$ with elements P_{ij}^m , $\mathbf{P}^{(n)}$ with elements P_{ij}^n and $\mathbf{P}^{(m+n)}$ with elements P_{ij}^{m+n}
- ▶ $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{kj}^n P_{ik}^m$ is the (i, j) -th element of matrix product $\mathbf{P}^{(m)}\mathbf{P}^{(n)}$
- ▶ Chapman Kolmogorov in matrix form

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

- ▶ Matrix of $(n + m)$ -step transitions is product of n -step and m -step

N-th transition probabilities

- ▶ For $m = n = 1$ (2-step transition probabilities) matrix form is

$$\mathbf{P}^{(2)} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^2$$

- ▶ Proceed recursively backwards from n

$$\mathbf{P}^{(n)} = \mathbf{P}^{(n-1)}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{(n-2)}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P} = \dots = \mathbf{P}^n$$

- ▶ Have proved the following

Theorem

The matrix of n -step transition probabilities $\mathbf{P}^{(n)}$ is given by the n -th power of the transition probability matrix \mathbf{P} . i.e.,

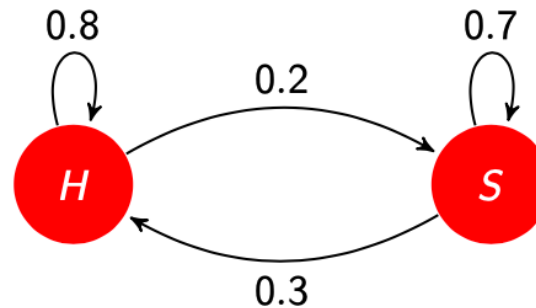
$$\mathbf{P}^{(n)} = \mathbf{P}^n$$

Henceforth we write \mathbf{P}^n

Happy Sad Game

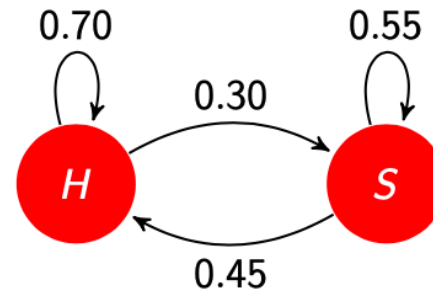
- ▶ Happiness transitions in one day (not the same as earlier example)

$$\mathbf{P} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$



- ▶ Transition probabilities between today and the day after tomorrow?

$$\mathbf{P}^2 := \begin{pmatrix} 0.70 & 0.30 \\ 0.45 & 0.55 \end{pmatrix}$$



A Chain

- ... After a week and after a month

$$\mathbf{P}^7 := \begin{pmatrix} 0.6031 & 0.3969 \\ 0.5953 & 0.4047 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P}^{30} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.6000 & 0.4000 \\ 0.6000 & 0.4000 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Matrices \mathbf{P}^7 and \mathbf{P}^{30} almost identical $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P}^n$ exists
 - Note that this is a regular limit
- After a month transition from H to H with prob. 0.6 and from S to H also 0.6
- State becomes independent of initial condition
- Rationale: 1-step memory \Rightarrow initial condition eventually forgotten

Unconditional probabilities

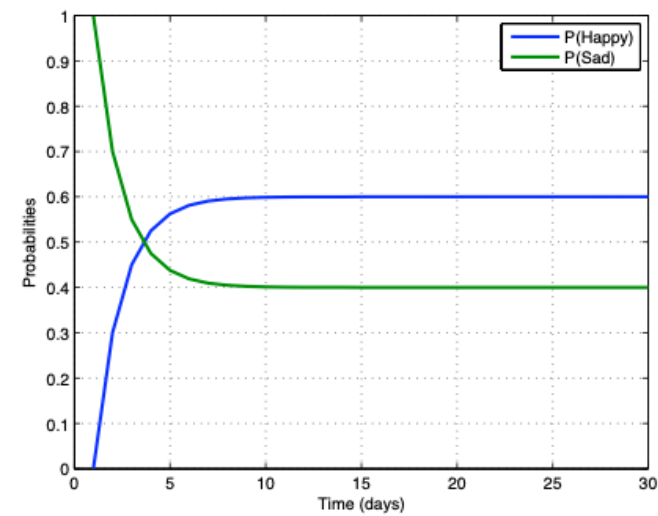
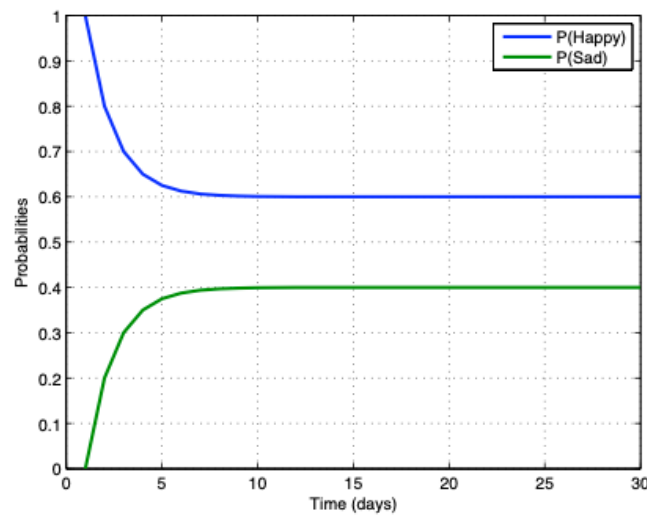
- ▶ All probabilities so far are conditional, i.e., $P[X_n = j \mid X_0 = i]$
- ▶ Want unconditional probabilities $p_j(n) := P[X_n = j]$
- ▶ Requires specification of initial conditions $p_i(0) := P[X_0 = i]$
- ▶ Using theorem of total probability and definitions of P_{ij}^n and $p_j(n)$

$$\begin{aligned} p_j(n) &:= P[X_n = j] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P[X_n = j \mid X_0 = i] P[X_0 = i] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P_{ij}^n p_i(0) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Or in matrix form (define vector $\mathbf{p}(n) := [p_1(n), p_2(n), \dots]^T$)

$$\mathbf{p}(n) = \mathbf{P}^{nT} \mathbf{p}(0)$$

- Transition probability matrix $\Rightarrow \mathbf{P} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\mathbf{p}(0) = [1, 0]$ $\mathbf{p}(0) = [0, 1]$



- For large n probabilities $\mathbf{p}(t)$ are independent of initial state $\mathbf{p}(0)$

- Stationary transition probability:
 - If ,for each i and j , $P\{ X_{t+1} = j \mid X_t = i \} = P\{ X_1 = j \mid X_0 = i \}$, for all t , then the transition probability are said to be stationary.

Markov Chain

- Steady-State Equations :

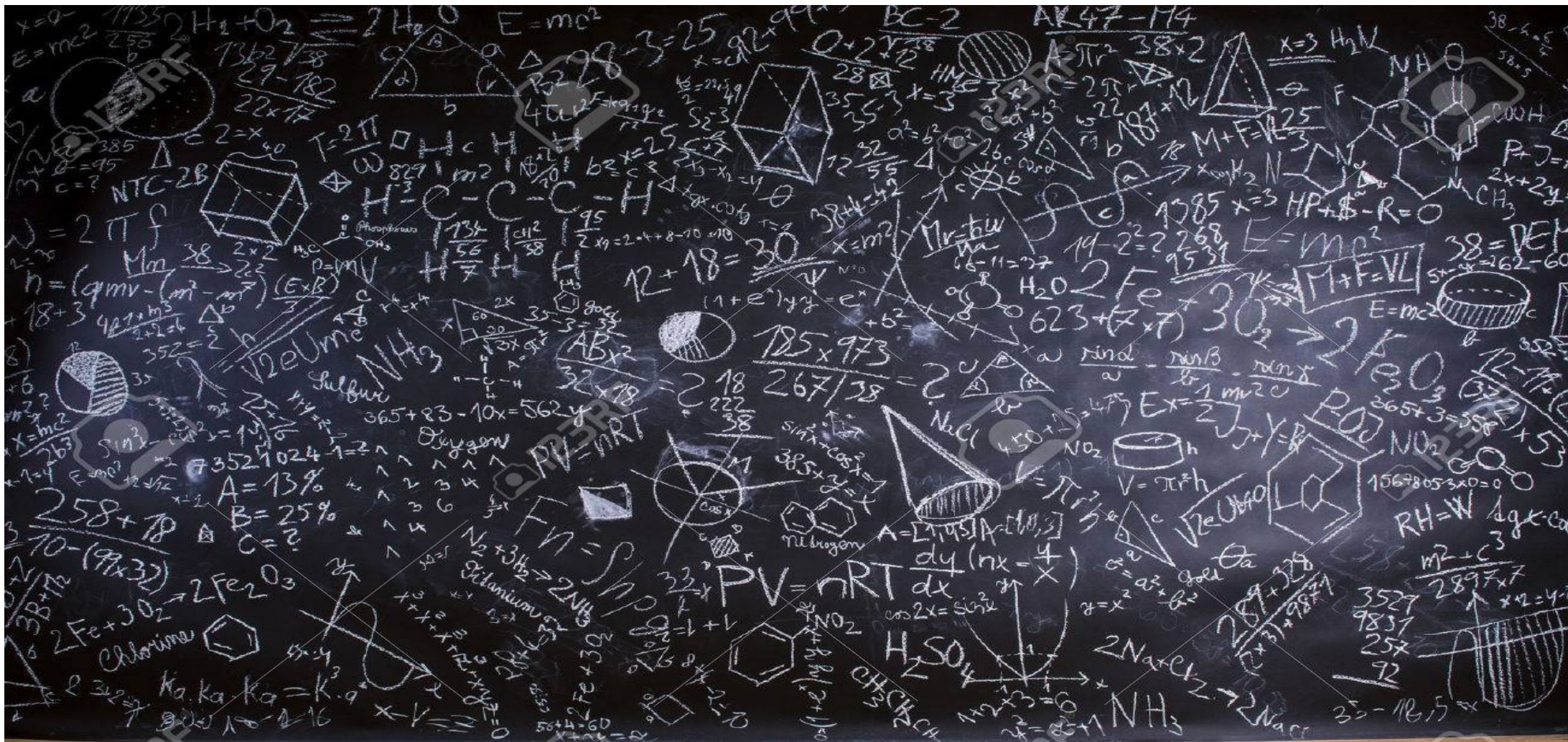
$$\pi_j = \sum_{i=0}^M \pi_i p_{ij} \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, M$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^M \pi_j = 1$$

- , which consists of M+2 equations in M+1 unknowns.

Markov Chain

- A stochastic process $\{X_t\}$ is a Markov chain if it has Markovian property.
- Markovian property:
 - $P\{X_{t+1} = j \mid X_0 = k_0, X_1 = k_1, \dots, X_{t-1} = k_{t-1}, X_t = i\}$
 $= P\{X_{t+1} = j \mid X_t = i\}$
- $P\{X_{t+1} = j \mid X_t = i\}$ is called the transition probability.



Thank you for your attention!
See next week!