



Lecture 15

Multi-state models

WILD6900 (Spring 2020)

Readings

| Kéry & Schaub 264-313

What is a "state"

Alive/dead

- CJS model

Occupied/unoccupied

- Occupancy model

Geographic location (location 1, 2, \dots , S)

Un-infected/infected/dead

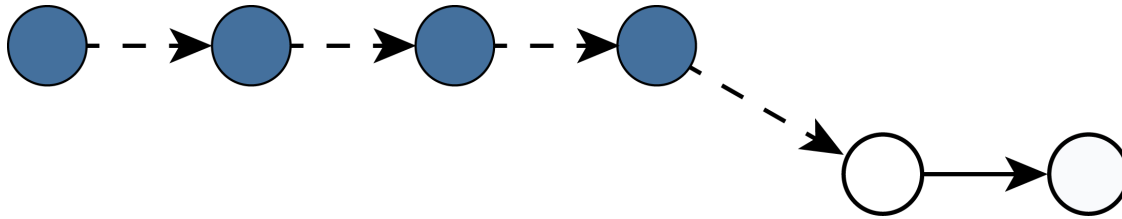
Age class

Any combination of above states*

*At least in theory

Two states

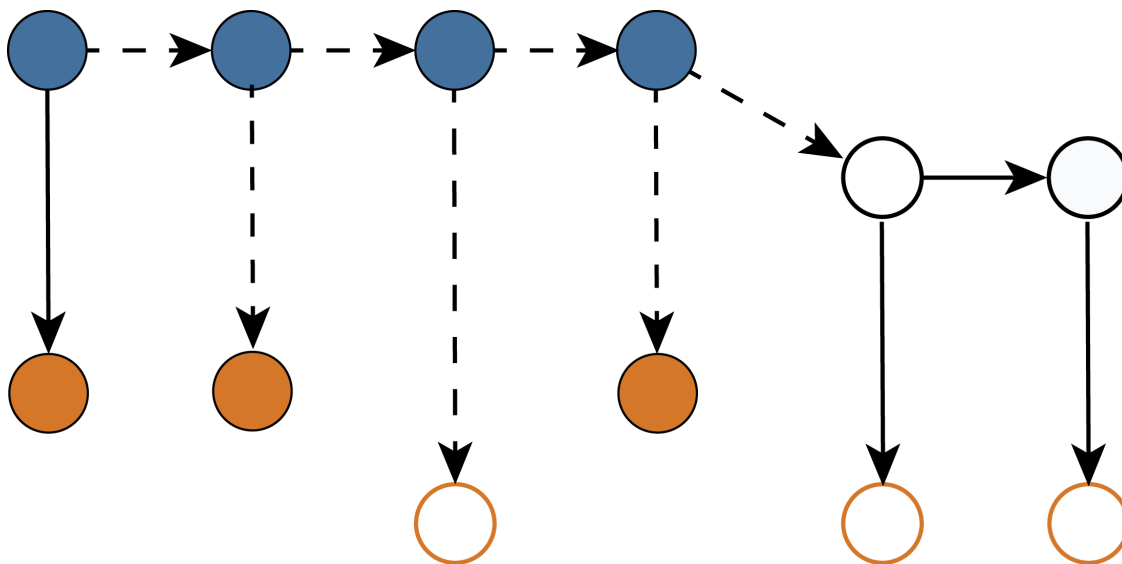
State model



$$z_{i,t} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(z_{i,t-1}\phi)$$

Two states

Observation model



$$y_{i,t} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(z_{i,t}p)$$

Three states

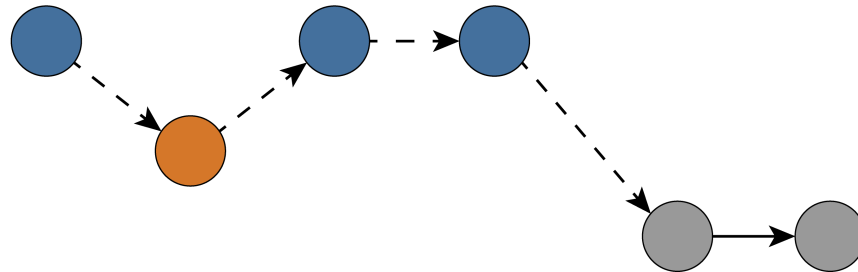
State model

State process

State 1

State 2

Dead



Three states

State model

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State 1

State 2

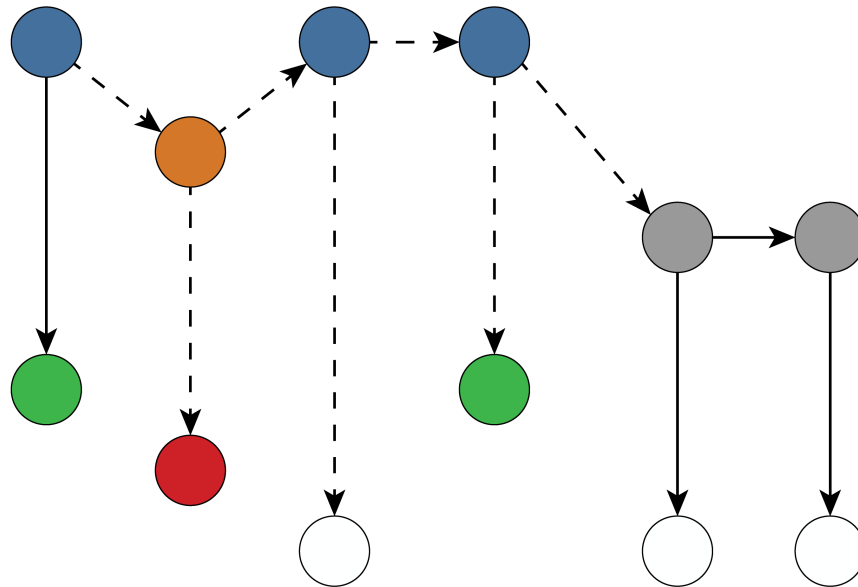
Dead

Observation

Seen 1

Seen 2

Not seen

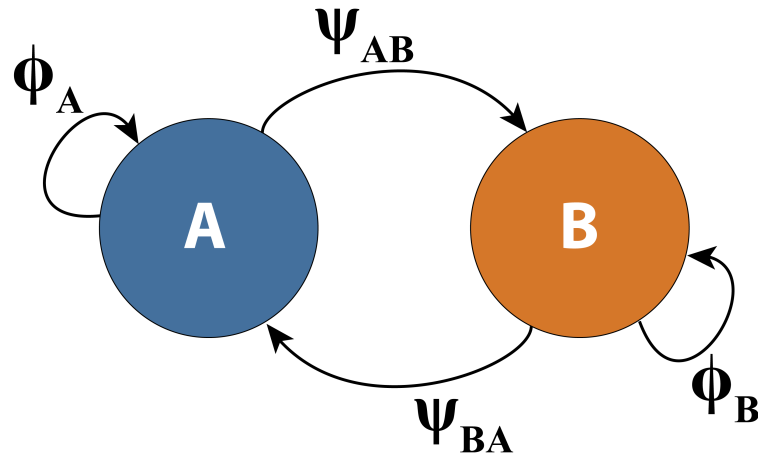


Three states - example

Movement between two sites

Three states - example

Movement between two sites



- ϕ_A : Probability alive at site A
- ϕ_B : Probability alive at site B
- ψ_{AB} : Probability of moving from site A to site B
- ψ_{BA} : Probability of moving from site B to site A

Three states - example

State model

True state at
time t

True state at time $t + 1$

	Site A	Site B	Dead
Site A	$\phi_A(1 - \psi_{AB})$	$\phi_A\psi_{AB}$	$1 - \phi_A$
Site B	$\phi_B\psi_{BA}$	$\phi_B(1 - \psi_{BA})$	$1 - \phi_B$
Dead	0	0	1

Three states - example

Observation model

Observation at time t			
	Site A	Site B	Not Seen
Site A	p_A	0	$1 - p_A$
Site B	0	p_B	$1 - p_B$
Dead	0	0	1

Three states - example

The data

- 1 = Seen alive at site A
- 2 = Seen alive at site B
- 3 = Not seen

```
head(rCH)
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [1,]    1    1    3    1    1    1
## [2,]    1    1    1    1    1    1
## [3,]    1    3    1    2    3    3
## [4,]    1    3    3    3    3    3
## [5,]    1    1    2    3    3    3
## [6,]    1    3    3    2    3    1
```

Three states - example

The data

- f = First capture occasion

```
tail(rCH)
```

```
##           [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
## [795,]      3   3   3   3   2   3
## [796,]      3   3   3   3   2   3
## [797,]      3   3   3   3   2   3
## [798,]      3   3   3   3   2   3
## [799,]      3   3   3   3   2   1
## [800,]      3   3   3   3   2   3
```

```
tail(f)
```

```
## [1] 5 5 5 5 5 5
```

Three states - example

The likelihood

- The Bernoulli distribution describes the probability of one (of two) outcomes
- The categorical distribution describes the probability of one (of N) outcomes
 - Ω and Θ are matrices defining the state/observation probabilities

$$z_{i,t+1} | z_{i,t} \sim \text{categorical}(\Omega_{z_{i,t}, 1:S})$$

$$y_{i,t} | z_{i,t} \sim \text{categorical}(\Theta_{z_{i,t}, 1:S})$$

Analysis in JAGS

```
sink("ms.jags")
cat("
model {
  # Priors
  phiA ~ dunif(0, 1)
  phiB ~ dunif(0, 1)
  psiAB ~ dunif(0, 1)
  psiBA ~ dunif(0, 1)
  pA ~ dunif(0, 1)
  pB ~ dunif(0, 1)
```

Analysis in JAGS

```
# Define state-transition and observation matrices  
# Define probabilities of state S(t+1) given S(t)  
ps[1,1] <- phiA * (1-psiAB)  
ps[1,2] <- phiA * psiAB  
ps[1,3] <- 1-phiA  
ps[2,1] <- phiB * psiBA  
ps[2,2] <- phiB * (1-psiBA)  
ps[2,3] <- 1-phiB  
ps[3,1] <- 0  
ps[3,2] <- 0  
ps[3,3] <- 1
```


Analysis in JAGS

```
# Define probabilities of  $O(t)$  given  $S(t)$ 
```

```
po[1,1] <- pA
```

```
po[1,2] <- 0
```

```
po[1,3] <- 1-pA
```

```
po[2,1] <- 0
```

```
po[2,2] <- pB
```

```
po[2,3] <- 1-pB
```

```
po[3,1] <- 0
```

```
po[3,2] <- 0
```

```
po[3,3] <- 1
```

Analysis in JAGS

```
# Likelihood
for (i in 1:nInd){
  # Define latent state at first capture
  z[i,f[i]] <- y[i,f[i]]
  for (t in (f[i]+1):nOcc){
    # State process: draw S(t) given S(t-1)
    z[i,t] ~ dcat(ps[z[i,t-1],])
    # Observation process: draw O(t) given S(t)
    y[i,t] ~ dcat(po[z[i,t],])
  } #t
} #i
}
",fill = TRUE)
sink()
```

Multi-state models

Very flexible

- Most capture-recapture models can be formulated as multi-state models
- Can accommodate many states
- Can include covariates and individual/temporal variation

But complexity comes at a cost

- Data hungry
- Often not fully identifiable
- Computationally intensive