

$$\text{Var}(W_n) = EW_n^2 - (EW_n)^2$$

$$EW_n^2 = E[E(W_n^2 | W_{n-1}^2)] \quad (\text{条件期望公式})$$

$$\therefore \begin{array}{c|c|c} W_n^2 | W_{n-1} & (W_{n-1}+1)^2 & W_{n-1}^2 \\ \hline p & \frac{a}{a+b} & \frac{b}{a+b} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E(W_n^2 | W_{n-1}) &= \frac{a}{a+b} (W_{n-1}+1)^2 + \frac{b}{a+b} W_{n-1}^2 \\ &= W_{n-1}^2 + \frac{2a}{a+b} W_{n-1} + \frac{a}{a+b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore EW_n^2 = E(W_{n-1}^2) + \frac{2a}{a+b} E(W_{n-1}) + \frac{a}{a+b}$$

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

$$\therefore EW_n^2 = EW_{n-1}^2 + 2(n-1) \cdot \left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2 + \frac{a}{a+b}$$

$$EW_{n-1}^2 = EW_{n-2}^2 + 2(n-2) \cdot \left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2 + \frac{a}{a+b}$$

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$$EW_2^2 = EW_1^2 + \frac{a}{a+b}$$

$$\therefore EW_1^2 = \frac{a}{a+b}$$

$$\therefore EW_n^2 = EW_1^2 + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{2a^2}{(a+b)^2} + \frac{(n-1)a}{a+b}$$

$$\therefore EW_n^2 = \frac{na}{a+b} + n(n-1) \cdot \left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{var}(W_n) = EW_n^2 - (EW_n)^2$$

$$= \frac{na}{a+b} + n(n-1) \cdot \left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{na}{a+b}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{var}(W_n) = \frac{na}{a+b} - \frac{na^2}{(a+b)^2}$$

$$\therefore \text{var}(W_n) = \frac{nab}{(a+b)^2}$$