

Assignment 3

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1 PROBLEM (GATE 2008 (CS), Q.27)

Aishwarya studies either computer science or mathematics everyday. If she studies computer science on a day, then the probability she studies mathematics the next day is 0.6. If she studies mathematics on a day, then the probability she studies computer science the next day is 0.4. Given that Aishwarya studies computer science on Monday, what is the probability she studies computer science on Wednesday?

- (A) 0.24 (C) 0.4
(B) 0.36 (D) 0.6

2 SOLUTION (GATE 2008 (CS), Q.27)

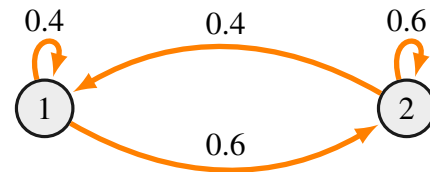
Consider the following parameters

Parameter	Definition	Value
S	State space (i.e possible states she can be in.)	$S = \{1, 2\}$, where 1 and 2 represents her studying CS or maths respectively on that day.
$\{X_0, X_1, \dots\}$	Random variables(which form a markov chain) where $X_i \in S$ represents her studying CS or maths on the i th day($i=0$ for Monday)	
P	The one step state transition matrix (The elements $p_{ij} = \Pr(X_{n+1} = j X_n = i)$)	$P = \begin{matrix} & \overbrace{\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \end{matrix}}^{X_{n+1}} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} x & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & y \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$ $(2.0.1)$

As $X_n = 0$ and $X_n = 1$ are mutually exclusive, we can easily calculate x and y .

$$x = \Pr(X_{n+1} = 0 | X_n = 0) = 1 - \Pr(X_{n+1} = 1 | X_n = 0) = 0.4 \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$y = \Pr(X_{n+1} = 1 | X_n = 1) = 1 - \Pr(X_{n+1} = 0 | X_n = 1) = 0.6 \quad (2.0.3)$$



Markov Diagram

Given that her initial state is $X_0 = 1$ (\because she studies CS on Monday($n=0$)).

The $\Pr(X_{n+t} = j | X_n = i)$ is given by the (i, j) th position of P^t . Therefore $\Pr(X_2 = 1 | X_0 = 1)$ ($\because n=2$ for Wednesday) is the $(1, 1)$ th position of P^2 .

$$P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.0.4)$$

\therefore The probability she studies computer science on Wednesday is $P_{11}^2 = 0.4$.

(Ans: Option (C))