

# Stochastic Model

# Markov process and Markov chain

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# Markov Process

**Question:** Consider a survey that is made on two brands of cotton fabric, let's say Gul Ahmed and Alkaram. Every time a customer (he/she) buys the same brand or switch to another brand. The transition probabilities are given below:

Transition probability matrix

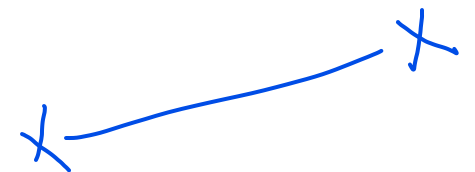
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2x2

From	To	Gul Ahmed	Alkaram
Gul Ahmed		0.7	0.3
Alkaram		0.6	0.4

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✓ Consider first row, we can say if a customer purchased gulahmed brand in the last visit, the probability of switching from gul ahmed to Alkaram brand is 30% in his next visit.



# Cola example (COKE VS PEPSI)

- Given that a person last cola purchase was coke, there is a 90% chance that is next cola purchase will also be coke. If a person last cola purchase was Pepsi, there is a 80% chance that is next cola purchase will also be Pepsi. Construct the TPM.
- Note: since there are two states coke and pepsi , so the TPM is gonna be of 2\*2 matrix

	coke	Pepsi
Coke	0.9	0.1
Pepsi	0.2	0.8



**Question:** Three players Kamran, Ali and Salman, are throwing a plastic ring to each other. Kamran always throws the ring to Ali and Ali always throws the ring to Salman, but Salman is as likely to throw the ball to Ali and Kamran. Find the transition matrix.



Since there are three states: so the transition matrix will be of  $3 \times 3$  matrix

From	To	Kamran	Ali	Salman
Kamran				
Ali				
Salman				

**Kamran Always throws to Ali**

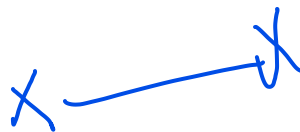
From	To	Kamran	Ali	Salman
Kamran		0	1	0
Ali				
Salman				

**Ali Always throws to Salman**

From	To	Kamran	Ali	Salman
Kamran		0	1	0
Ali		0	0	1
Salman				

**Salman is as likely to throw the ring to Kamran and Ali**

From	To	Kamran	Ali	Salman
Kamran		0	1	0
Ali		0	0	1
Salman		0.5	0.5	0



Question: Brand Khadi has 40% market share in the local markets for its clothing product, while the other two branded companies, Sapphire and J. have equal share each on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. A study by the market research company has disclosed the following data for every year.

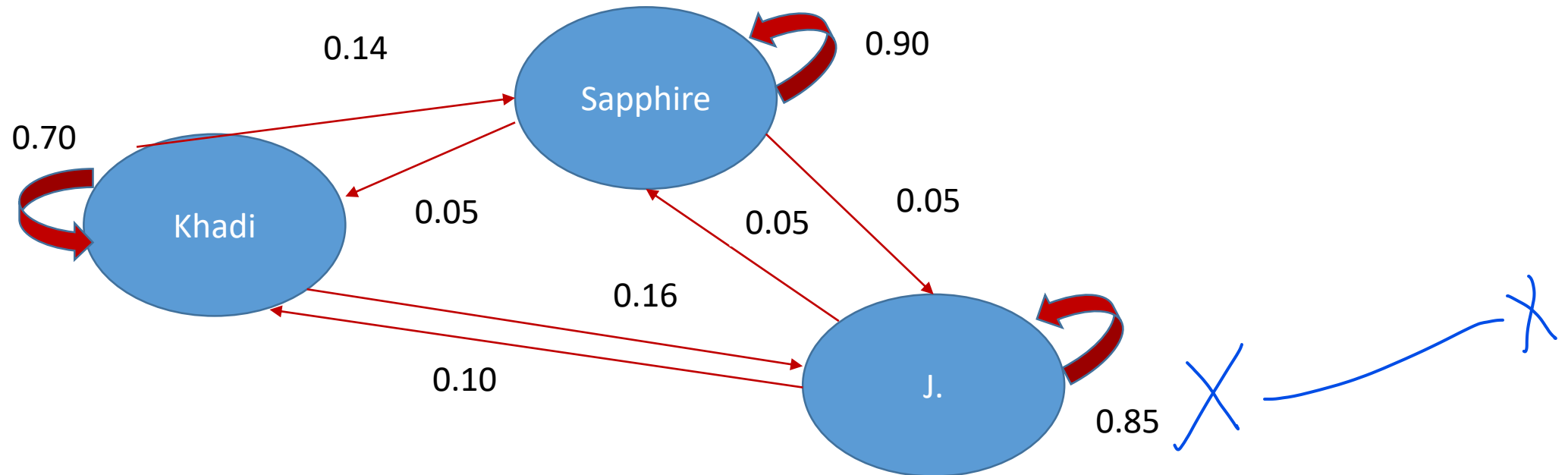
- Brand khadi retains 70% of its customers and gains 5% from Sapphire brand and 10% from J. brand.   
khaadi -> 70% C  
5% --> sapphire, 10% --> J.
- Sapphire retains 90% of its customers and gains 14% from Khadi and 5% from J.   
sapphire -> 90% C  
14% --> khaadi. 5%--> J.
- J. retains 85% of its customers and gains 16% from Khadi and 5% from Sapphire.   
j. -> 85% C  
16%--> khaadi, 5%--> sapphire

- Construct the **TPM**.

From	To	Khadi	Sapphire	J.
Khadi		0.70	0.14	0.16
Sapphire		0.05	0.90	0.05
J.		0.10	0.05	0.85

# Make a transition diagram from the TPM

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# MARKOV CHAIN

- How to calculate the probability of the states.

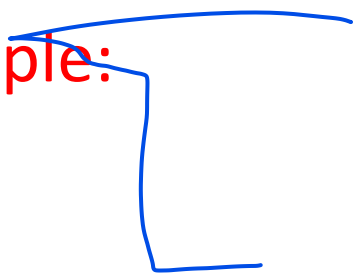
**Example:**  $P(X_3 = 4); \quad P(X_2 = 5) \quad etc$

- How to calculate the probability after n-steps.

**Example:**  $p_{ij}^{(2)}, p_{23}^{(3)}, P(X_3 = 4 | X_1 = 2) \quad etc$

- How to find the probability of the chain.

**Example:**  $P(X_3 = 4, X_1 = 2),$


$$P(X_3 = 2, X_2 = 3, X_1 = 1, X_0 = 4)$$

- 1- step transition probability:

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

- n-step transition probability:

$$p_{ij}^{(n)} = P(X_{n+1} = j | X_1 = i)$$

Remember (n) = time , i = from, j = to



## Transition probabilities

Probabilities **FROM** state  $i$  **TO** state  $j$  after 1 step time period, denoted by  $p_{ij}$  is defined as,



$$p_{ij} = P\{X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i\}$$

Examples:

$$P(X_2 = 3 | X_1 = 2) = p_{23}^{(1)}$$

$$P(X_2 = 2 | X_1 = 0) = p_{02}$$

...

1-day

## n-step probabilities

Probabilities **FROM** state  $i$  **TO** state  $j$  after n-step time period, denoted by  $p_{ij}(n)$  or  $p_{ij}^{(n)}$  is defined as,

$$p_{ij}^{(n)} = P\{X_{n+1} = j | X_1 = i\}$$

Example:

$$P(X_2 = 3 | X_0 = 2) = p_{23}^{(2)}$$

$$P(X_3 = 2 | X_1 = 1) = p_{12}^{(2)}$$

## Notations:

$q_0$	<u>Initial probability of the states.</u>
$q_1$	<u>Probabilities of the states after the 1 time period.</u>
$q_2$	<u>Probabilities of the states after the 2 time period.</u>
...	
$q_n$	<u>Probabilities of the states after the n-time period.</u>
$P$	<u>TPM after 1 time period.</u>
$P^2$	<u>TPM after 2 time period.</u>
...	
$P^n$	<u>TPM after n- time period.</u>

# Calculating probability of the states

$$X_n = i$$

Where  $n$  = time  $i$  = state

$$P(X_n = a) = q_n(a)$$

We have formula for calculating probability of states:

$$q_n = q_0 P^n$$

OR

$$q_{n+1} = q_n P$$

Ali uses his pointer or , ball point or marker to write notes well each day. The tpm of the markov chain with these three states 1(pointer) , 2(ball point) , 3(marker) is

•  $P =$

	P	B	M
P	0.1	0.5	0.4
B	0.6	0.2	0.2
M	0.3	0.4	0.3

And the initial probability is  $q_0 = (0.7, 0.2, 0.1)$ . Calculate  $P(X_2 = 3)$

$P(X_2 = 3) = q_2 = 3$ , it means *m trying find the probability after 2 time period,*  
 $q_2 = q_0 P^2$

0.1	0.5	0.4
0.6	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.4	0.3

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0.1	0.5	0.4
0.6	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.4	0.3

$P^2 =$

0.43	0.31	0.26
0.24	0.42	0.34
0.3	0.35	0.29

$$(0.7, 0.2, 0.1) \cdot P^2 = [0.385 \ 0.336 \ 0.279]$$

$$P(X_2 = 3) = 0.279 \text{ (ans)}$$