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SIE321 HW8

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1. Gambler's ruin problem

$$p(\text{winning}) = p$$

$$p(\text{losing}) = q = 1 - p$$

$$X_{n+1} = \begin{cases} X_n + 1 & \text{w/prob } p \quad 0 < X_n < T \\ X_n - 1 & \text{w/prob } 1 - p \end{cases}$$

$$X_{n+1} = X_n \text{ for } X_n = 0 \text{ or } X_n = T$$

a) Construct (one-step) transition matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1-p & 0 & p & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-p & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & p \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c)  $T = 3; p = 0.4$

$$\text{Reg. prob} = \left( \frac{0.4}{0.7} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{16}{49}$$

b)  $T = 3; p = 0.6$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Reg. prob} = 1 - \left( \frac{1-p}{p} \right)^2$$

$$= 1 - \left( \frac{0.3}{0.7} \right)^2$$

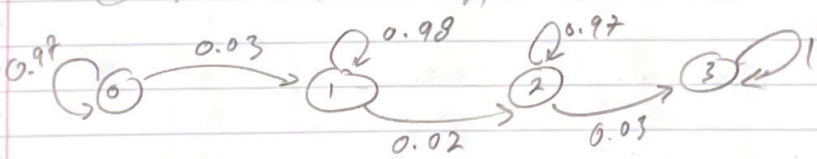
$$= \frac{40}{49}$$

2. Video Cassette recorder manufacturer problem

$$P(\text{fails during yr 1}) = 0.03$$

$$P(\text{fails during yr 2} | \text{survived yr 1}) = 0.02$$

a) Formulate Markov chain - 2 absorption states.  
Construct (one-step) transition matrix

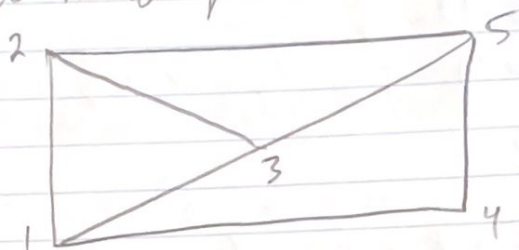


$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0.97 & 0.03 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0.98 & 0.02 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0.97 & 0.03 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) P(\text{honoring warranty}) = P[1,3] + P[1,4] = 0.03 + 0 = 0.03$$

$$P(\text{honoring warranty}) = 3\%$$

3. Mouse Maze problem



a) Formulate one-step transition matrix.

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$b) P(1 \text{ to } 5 \text{ in } 3 \text{ runs}) = 0$$

c)  $X_i = \# \text{ of intersections from } i$

$$X_1 = \frac{1}{3}(1+X_2) + \frac{1}{3}(1+X_3) + \frac{1}{3}(1+X_4)$$

$$3X_1 = (1+X_2) + (1+X_3) + (1+X_4)$$

$$X_2 = \frac{1}{3}(1+X_1) + \frac{1}{3}(1+X_3) + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3X_2 = (1+X_1) + (1+X_3) + 1$$

$$X_3 = \frac{1}{3}(1+X_1) + \frac{1}{3}(1+X_2) + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3X_3 = (1+X_1) + (1+X_2) + 1$$

$$3X_3 = 1 + X_1 + X_2$$



$$\boxed{X_2 = X_1} = k$$

$$3k = 1 + X_1 + k \quad X_1 = 3k - 1 - k$$

$$\boxed{X_1 = 2k - 1}$$

$$X_4 = \frac{1}{2}(X_1 + 1) + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2X_4 = (X_1 + 1) + 1, \quad X_4 = X_1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{X_1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$X_4 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{X_1}{2}$$

$$3X_1 = 3 + k + k + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{X_1}{2}$$

$$= 3X_1 - \frac{X_1}{2}$$

$$= 3 + k + k + \frac{1}{2}$$

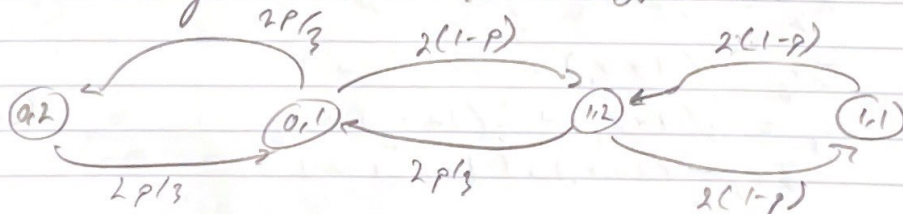
$$= 2.5X_1 = 2k + 3.5$$

$$1.5X_1 = 4.5; \quad \boxed{X_1 = 3}$$

The expected number of runs needed for the mouse to reach intersection 5 from intersection 1 is 3.

7. Shop machines problem

a) Rate diagram for this Markov Chain



b) down time-dependent diff. eqs.

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = 3p + \frac{2}{3}(1-p)$$

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = 3p - 2q - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)q$$

c) construct steady-state equations:

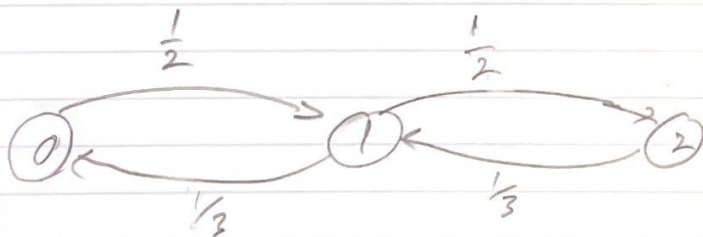
$$\begin{cases} -3p + \frac{2}{3}(1-p) = 0 \\ 3p - 2q - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)q = 0 \\ p + q + r = 1 \end{cases}$$

d) determine the steady-state probabilities.

$$\begin{cases} p = \frac{2}{11} \\ q = \frac{3}{11} \\ r = \frac{6}{11} \end{cases}$$

5. Work Center problem

a) develop rate diagram for this Markov chain





b) time-dependent ODEs for the Markov Chain

$$\frac{d}{dt} x_0(t) = -0.5x_0(t) + \frac{1}{3}x_1(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} x_1(t) = 0.5x_0(t) - \frac{1}{3}x_1(t) + \frac{1}{3}x_2(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} x_2(t) = -\frac{1}{3}x_2(t)$$

c) steady-state equations

$$-0.5x_0 + \frac{1}{3}x_1 = 0$$

$$0.5x_0 - \frac{1}{3}x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 = 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{3}x_2 = 0$$

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{4}x_1$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_2$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x_1 + x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_1 = 1$$

d) determine the steady-state probabilities

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{4}{7} \\ x_0 = \frac{1}{7} \\ x_2 = \frac{2}{7} \end{cases}$$