

Assignment 8:

Installation

1. Open a command prompt in the folder, and type 'pip install -r requirements.txt' to make sure that all the dependencies are installed
2. To run the file, on a command prompt type 'python light_switches.py'

Explanation

1. What is the state space?

The Statespace is $I = \{000, 001, 010, 011, 101, 110, 111\}$

where eg 110 means switches one and two are on, and three is off.

Equations that display probabilities

$$x_{001} = x_{010} = x_{100},$$

$$x_{011} = x_{101} = x_{110}.$$

$$x_{000} = 1 + (1/3)x_{001} + (1/3)x_{010} + (1/3)x_{100} = 1 + x_{001},$$

$$x_{001} = 1 + (1/3)x_{000} + (1/3)x_{011} + (1/3)x_{101} = 1 + (1/3)x_{000} + (2/3)x_{011},$$

$$x_{011} = 1 + (1/3)x_{001} + (1/3)x_{010} = 1 + (2/3)x_{001}$$

it takes on average 10 passes to hit state 111 from 000

2. Give a graphical representation of the Markov chain describing this process

The attached program generates the graphical representation of the Markov Chain describing the process.

