

$$f_{11}(n) = \begin{cases} P_{11} = \frac{1}{2} & n \geq 1 \\ P_{12} P_{22}^{n-2} P_{21} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{n-2} \frac{1}{4} & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_1 = \sum n f_{11}(n) = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n \geq 2} n \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{n-2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 3$$

$$\mu_2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

Stationary distribution & limit theorem

X_n as $n \rightarrow \infty$

The vector π is called the stationary dist of the chain if the entries of π satisfy the following properties

a) $\pi_j \geq 0$ & $\sum_j \pi_j = 1$

b) $\pi = \pi \cdot P$ or in other words $\pi_j = \sum_i \pi_i \cdot P_{ij}$

$$\pi = \pi \cdot P$$

$$\pi \cdot P^2 = (\underbrace{\pi \cdot P}) \cdot P = \pi \cdot P = \pi$$

$$\pi \cdot P^n = \pi$$

* If X_0 has distribution $\pi \Rightarrow X_n$ has distribution π

Theorem: An irreducible chain has a stationary dist.

iff all the states are positive recurrent. In that case, π is unique & is given by $\pi_i = \frac{1}{\mu_i}$ where μ_i is mean recurrent time of state i .

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\pi = \pi \cdot P$$

$$(\pi_1, \pi_2) = (\pi_1, \pi_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

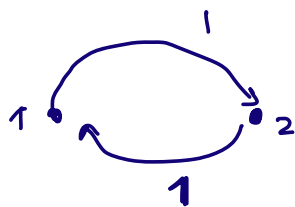
$$\rightarrow \pi_1 = \frac{1}{2} \pi_1 + \frac{1}{4} \pi_2$$

$$\pi_2 = \frac{1}{2} \pi_1 + \frac{3}{4} \pi_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

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 $\frac{1}{\mu_1}$

$$\rightarrow \pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$$



$$P_{11}(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ is odd} \\ 1 & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\pi = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Even though π exists, $P_{11}(n)$ does not converge as $n \rightarrow \infty$

MC limit theorem: For an irreducible aperiodic chain, we have

$$P_{ij}(n) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{\mu_j} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

① for both transient and null-recurrent states $\mu_j = \infty$

$$\text{So, } P_{ij}(n) \rightarrow 0$$

② $P_{ij}(n)$ does not depend on the starting point $X_0 = i$

③ If the chain is positive recurrent then

$$P_{ij}(n) \longrightarrow \pi_j = \frac{1}{\mu_j}$$

④ If $X = \{X_n\}$ is an irreducible MC with period d , then

$Y = \{Y_n = X_{nd} : n \geq 0\}$ is aperiodic

$$P_{ij}(nd) = P_j(Y_n = j) \longrightarrow \frac{d}{\mu_j}$$

Let's try to see what happens when MC is irreducible, finite, & aperiodic.

$$\pi = \pi \cdot P$$

Theorem: Let P be the transition matrix of the chain

- $\lambda_1 = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ corresponding eigenvector π
- $|\lambda_r| < 1$

Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N$ ($N = |S|$) be all distinct eigenvalues

with the corresponding eigen vectors π_r

$$P = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \pi_1 & \dots & \pi_N \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}}_{B^{-1}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_N \end{pmatrix}}_{\Lambda} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} - & \pi_1 & - \\ - & \pi_2 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \pi_N & - \end{pmatrix}}_B$$

$$P^n = B^{-1} \Lambda^n B = B^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^n & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_N^n \end{pmatrix} B$$

$$P^n \rightarrow B^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} B$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} - & \pi & - \\ - & \pi & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \pi & - \end{pmatrix}$$

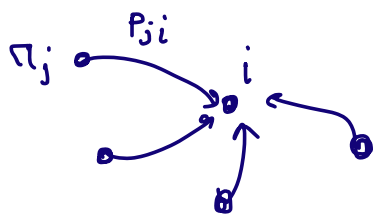
$$P_{ij}(n) \rightarrow \pi_j \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$P_{ij}(n) = (P^n)_{ij}$$

Let's assume that π is the stationary distribution
For any state i of the chain

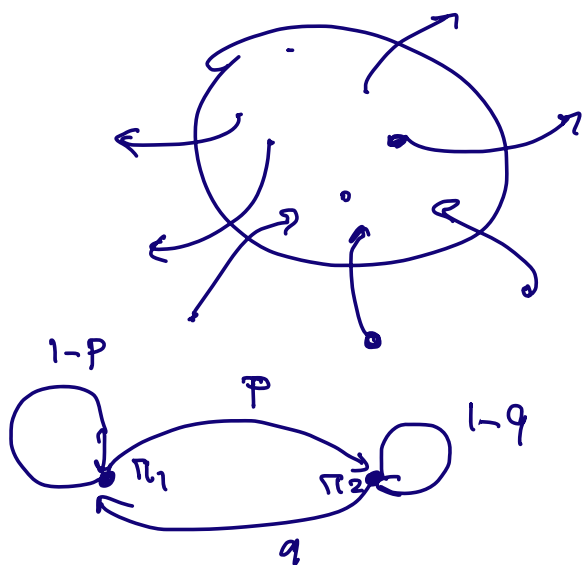
$$\sum_j \pi_j P_{ji} = \pi_i = \pi_i \sum_j P_{ij}$$

or



$$\sum_{j \neq i} \pi_j P_{j,i} = \sum_{j \neq i} \pi_i P_{i,j}$$

Let S' be a set of states of a finite, irreducible aperiodic MC. In the stationary distribution, the prob that the chain leaves the set S' is equal to the probability to enter S'



$$\pi_1 \cdot p = \pi_2 \cdot q \quad (+) \quad \pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$$

$$\pi_1 = \frac{q}{p+q} \quad \& \quad \pi_2 = \frac{p}{p+q}$$