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EK381 Homework #11

Problem 11.1

$$(a) p = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) p(2) = p^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/9 & 2/9 & 1/3 \\ 7/24 & 11/24 & 1/4 \\ 1/3 & 7/24 & 3/8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 2/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_1 = p^T p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 11/30 \\ 7/30 \\ 2/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_2 = p^T p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 61/180 \\ 31/90 \\ 19/60 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) P[X_0=1, X_1=2, X_2=2]$$

$$= P[X_0=1] P[X_1=2 | X_0=1] P[X_2=2 | X_1=2, X_0=1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 0 = 0$$

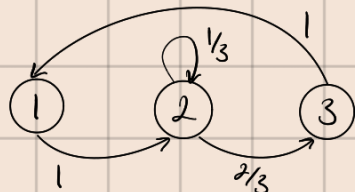
$$P[X_0=3, X_1=1, X_2=2]$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{4}{60} = \frac{1}{15}$$

Problem 11.2

(a)



(b) Period of State 1 = 3

$$(c) P[X_0=2, X_1=2, X_2=3]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{27}$$

(d) An unique limiting state probability vector $\underline{\pi}$ does exist because the Markov chain is aperiodic

$$p^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p^T \underline{\pi} = \underline{\pi} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3 &= \pi_1 \\ \pi_1 + \frac{1}{3}\pi_2 &= \pi_2 \\ \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 &= \pi_3 = \pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 &= 1 \\ \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \pi_2 + \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 &= 1 \\ \frac{7}{3}\pi_2 &= 1 \rightarrow \pi_2 = \frac{3}{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_1 = \pi_3 = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{3}{7} \right) = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\underline{\pi} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/7 \\ 3/7 \\ 2/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 11.3

(a) $C_1 = \{1, 2\}$, $C_2 = \{3, 4, 5\}$

(b) Period of $C_1 = 1$, Recurrent

Period of $C_2 = 2$, Transient

(c) $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(d) An unique limiting state probability vector $\underline{\pi}$ **does exist** because the Markov chain has one recurrent communicating class and is aperiodic

$$\underline{\pi} = \underline{\pi}^T P$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 & \pi_2 & \pi_3 & \pi_4 & \pi_5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}\pi_2 = \pi_1, & \frac{1}{2}\pi_2 + \pi_3 = 1, & \pi_2 = \frac{2}{3} \\ \pi_1 + \frac{1}{2}\pi_2 = 1, & \pi_1 = \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{\pi} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

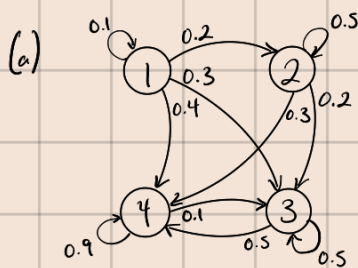
Problem 11.4

(a) $C_1 = \{1, 2\}$, $C_2 = \{3, 4\}$, $C_3 = \{5, 6, 7, 8\}$

(b) Period of $C_1 = 2$, Period of $C_2 = 1$, Period of $C_3 = 3$

(c) C_1 is Recurrent, C_2 is Transient, C_3 is Recurrent

Problem 11.5



(b) Transient States: 1 and 2; Recurrent States: 3 and 4

(c) The Markov chain is **NOT irreducible** because there are 3 communicating classes

(d) The Markov chain is **aperiodic** because all the states are aperiodic

(e) $\underline{\pi} = \underline{\pi}^T P$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \\ \pi_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} 0.5\pi_3 + 0.1\pi_4 = \pi_1 \\ 0.5\pi_3 + 0.9\pi_4 = \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 + \pi_4 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$0.8\pi_4 = \pi_1 - \pi_3$$

$$\pi_3 = 0.2\pi_4$$

$$0.2\pi_4 + \pi_4 = 1$$

$$1.2\pi_4 = 1$$

$$\pi_4 = 1/1.2 = 0.83$$

$$\pi_3 = 0.17$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1/6 \\ 5/6 \end{bmatrix}$$