



$$P(x_m = i) = \underbrace{P(x_m = i | x_0 = 1)P(x_0 = 1) + P(x_m = i | x_0 = 2)P(x_0 = 2) + \dots + P(x_m = i | x_0 = k)P(x_0 = k)}_{\pi_i(m)}$$

$$= \sum_{k \in S} \underbrace{P(x_m = i | x_0 = k)}_{P^m} \underbrace{P(x_0 = k)}_{\pi_k(0)}$$

Transition
matrix

Initial
distribution

Which matrix notation:

$$\underbrace{[* \ * \ * \ \dots \ *]}_{\pi(0)} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \\ \vdots \\ * \end{bmatrix}}_{P^m} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \\ \vdots \\ * \end{bmatrix}}_{\pi(m)}$$

$$\pi(m) = \pi(0) P^m$$