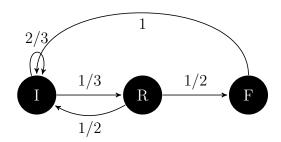
Stochastic Network Modeling Homework 8 - Solutions

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Problem 8.1

8.1.1



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} I & R & F \\ I & 2/3 & 1/3 & 0 \\ R & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ F & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

8.1.2

$$\begin{cases} \pi_I \frac{1}{3} & = \pi_R \frac{1}{2} \implies \pi_I \frac{2}{3} = \pi_R \\ \pi_I \frac{1}{3} & = \pi_F \\ \sum \pi_i = 1 \end{cases}$$
 (1a)

$$\pi_I = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{2} \tag{2a}$$

(2b)

Therefore $\pi_I = \frac{1}{2}, \pi_R = \frac{1}{3}, \pi_F = \frac{1}{6}$

8.1.3

$$S = p \times \pi_F = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{18}$$

8.1.4

 $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if it reaches to the end } \pi_F \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$E[T] = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \pi_F \tag{3a}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n} \frac{1}{6}$$

$$= \frac{n}{6}$$
(3b)

$$=\frac{n}{6} \tag{3c}$$

Problem 8.2

8.2.1

$$\begin{cases}
\pi_a &= \pi_b \alpha \\
\pi_b (1 - \alpha) &= \pi_c \\
\sum \pi_i = 1
\end{cases}$$
(4a)

$$\pi_b = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha + (1 - \alpha)} = \frac{1}{2}$$
(5a)

(5b)

Therefore $\pi_a = \frac{\alpha}{2}, \pi_b = \frac{1}{2}, \pi_c = \frac{1-\alpha}{2}$

8.2.2

8.2.3

$$S = \pi_a = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

8.2.4

$$E[T] = \frac{1}{\pi_a} = 2$$

Problem 8.3

Lets the probabilities according to the definition be:

- $p_{ab} = \frac{1}{3}$
- $p_{ac} = \frac{1}{3}$
- $p_{ad} = \frac{1}{3}$
- $\bullet \ p_{ba} = 1$
- $p_{db} = 1$
- $p_{ca} = \frac{1}{2}$
- $p_{cd} = \frac{1}{2}$

Solving by flux method

$$\begin{cases} \pi_{a} \frac{1}{3} & = \pi_{b} \\ \pi_{a} \frac{1}{3} & = \pi_{c} \frac{1}{2} \implies \pi_{a} \frac{2}{3} = \pi_{c} \\ \pi_{a} \frac{1}{3} & = \pi_{d} \\ \sum \pi_{i} = 1 \end{cases}$$
 (6a)

$$\pi_a = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} \tag{7a}$$

$$=\frac{3}{7}\tag{7b}$$

Therefore $\pi_a = \frac{3}{7}, \pi_b = \pi_d = \frac{1}{7}, \pi_c = \frac{2}{7}$