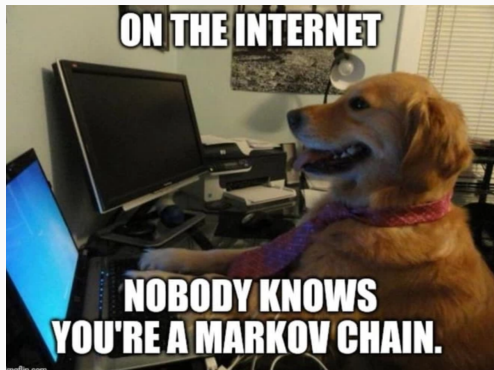
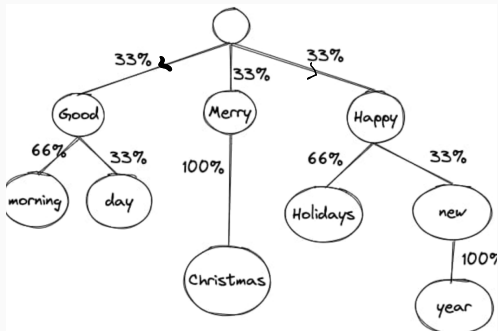


Games, graphs, and machines



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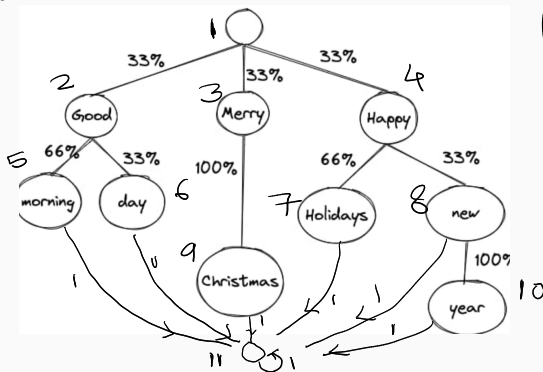
A text generator



A text generator

$$A^4 = A^5 = A^6 = \dots$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Let A be the corresponding transition matrix. The powers of A stabilise. When do they stabilise? What is the first row of A^{100} ?

The Perron-Frobenius theorem

Theorem

Let A be the transition matrix of a Markov chain. Suppose there exists an n such that for every i and j , there is a path of length n from state i to state j . Then

$$A^{*n} = \text{all 1's.}$$

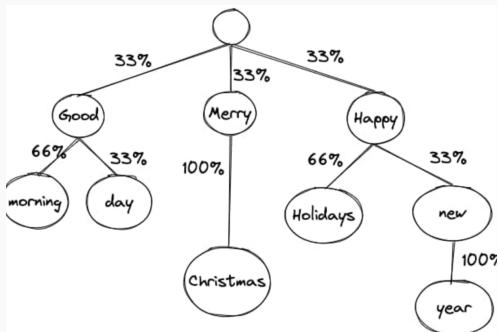
1. $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k$ exists.
2. The limiting matrix has identical rows, with non-negative entries summing to 1.
3. The limiting row vector v is the unique vector whose entries sum to 1 and which satisfies the equation

$$vA = v.$$

Does it apply?

To the text generator?

NO.



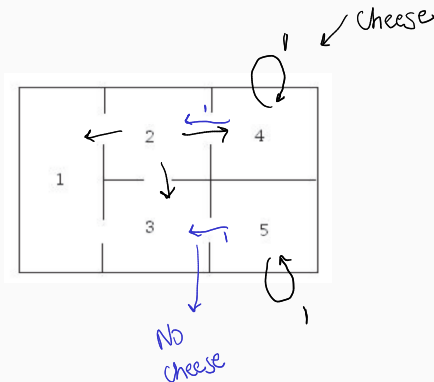
Does it apply?

To the random walk of the rats?

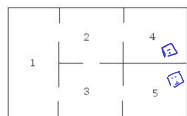
- with cheese/traps in rooms 4/5? *No.*

- without? *yes*

$n=5$



With cheese/traps

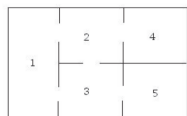


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A = matrix([[0, 1/2, 1/2, 0, 0],  
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            [0, 0, 0, 1, 0],  
            [0, 0, 0, 0, 1]])
```

```
(A^(100)).n(10)
```

```
[[1.2e-12 1.4e-12 1.4e-12 0.50 0.50]  
 [9.0e-13 1.0e-12 1.0e-12 0.62 0.38]  
 [9.0e-13 1.0e-12 1.0e-12 0.38 0.62]  
 [ 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.0 0.00]  
 [ 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.0]
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Without cheese/traps

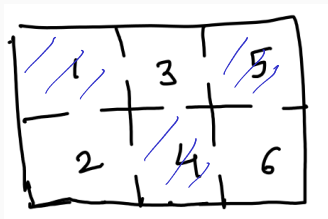






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A = matrix([[0, 1/2, 1/2, 0, 0],  
            [1/3, 0, 1/3, 1/3, 0],  
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            [0, 1, 0, 0, 0],  
            [0, 0, 1, 0, 0]])  
  
(A^(100)).n(10)
```

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[0.20 0.30 0.30 0.10 0.10]  
[0.20 0.30 0.30 0.10 0.10]  
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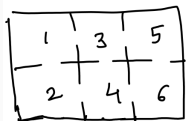

A slightly different maze

No n is
both even
& odd!



odd
 \rightarrow 
 \rightarrow 
even.

A slightly different maze

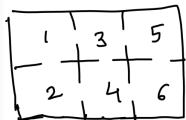


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            [0,1/3,1/3,0,0,1/3],  
            [0,0,1/2,0,0,1/2],  
            [0,0,0,1/2,1/2,0]])
```

```
(A^(100)).n(10)
```

```
[0.29 0.00 0.00 0.43 0.29 0.00]  
[0.00 0.29 0.43 0.00 0.00 0.29]  
[0.00 0.29 0.43 0.00 0.00 0.29]  
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[0.29 0.00 0.00 0.43 0.29 0.00]  
[0.00 0.29 0.43 0.00 0.00 0.29]
```

A slightly different maze



$\lim A^k$
does not
exist!

$(A^{(101)}) \cdot n(10)$

[0.00 0.29 0.43 0.00 0.00 0.29]

[0.29 0.00 0.00 0.43 0.29 0.00]

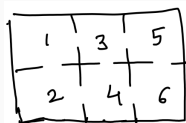
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A slightly different maze



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(A^(101)).n(10)
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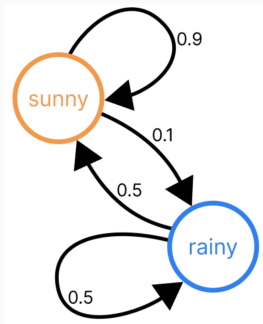
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[0.00 0.29 0.43 0.00 0.00 0.29]  
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```

```
A.eigenvalues()
```

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[1, 1/2, 1/6, -1/6, -1/2, -1]
```

Does it apply?

To the weather forecaster?



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} = (x \ y)$$

$$\text{and } x + y = 1$$

$$0.9x + 0.5y = x$$

$$0.1x + 0.5y = y$$

$$(0.9x + 0.5(1-x)) = x$$

$$0.4x = 0.5 \\ x = \frac{5}{6}$$

Why does Perron-Frobenius hold?

Key idea:

- only one eigenvalue is 1
- all the others have absolute value < 1