

1. (**Markov chains**) Suppose that each day, the weather is either *sun*, *rain*, or *hail*. The probability of *sun* is 0.7, of *rain* is 0.2, and of *hail* is 0.1. Suppose that the weather is a Markov process, so the weather today only depends on what the weather was yesterday. If it is *hail* today, it will always be *sun* tomorrow, and if it is *sun* today, it will never *hail* tomorrow. Assume that if it is *sun* today, then it is 4 times more likely to be *sun* tomorrow than *rain*.
  - (a) Draw a graphical model to represent this Markov chain.
  - (b) What is the period of each state? Is this Markov chain periodic?
  - (c) Is it irreducible? Why or why not?
  - (d) Find the matrix of transition probabilities.

2. (**Perfect phylogeny**) The table below shows a collection of 2-state full characters for  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ , one for each of 4 loci.

	1	2	3	4
<i>a</i>	0	0	1	0
<i>b</i>	0	0	1	0
<i>c</i>	0	1	1	1
<i>d</i>	1	0	1	1
<i>e</i>	1	1	0	0

Does a perfect phylogeny exist for this dataset? If yes, what is it? If no, why not?

3. (**Ross, Ch. 4, #32**) Each of two switches is either on or off during a day. On day  $n$ , each switch will independently be on with probability

$$[1 + \text{number of on switches during day } (n - 1)]/4$$

For instance, if both switches are on during day  $n - 1$ , then each will independently be on during day  $n$  with probability  $3/4$ . What fraction of days are both switches on? What fraction are both off?