

COVID-19 Mobility Insights Dashboard

Using Markov Models, HMM, and Queuing Theory



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1. Detail of the Web-Based System

This web-based dashboard helps analyze mobility changes during the COVID-19 pandemic using real-world data. Users can:

- Select a country, year, and category to view **mobility trends**.
- Use **Markov Chains** to identify transition probabilities between mobility states.
- Apply **Hidden Markov Models** to infer unseen policy changes.
- Use **M/M/1 Queuing Theory** to simulate public congestion scenarios.
- Download **charts, CSVs, and PDF reports** for each module.
- View visualizations like pie charts, timelines, and Viterbi paths.
- Dataset: https://www.gstatic.com/covid19/mobility/Global_Mobility_Report.csv

Screenshots:

The screenshot shows the homepage of the COVID-19 Mobility Insights Dashboard. At the top, there's a green header bar with the title "COVID-19 Mobility Insights Dashboard". Below the header, a navigation bar includes links for "Home", "Mobility Trends", "Behavior Analysis", and "Crowd Simulator". The main content area has a dark blue background. It features a "Welcome!" section with a brief description of the dashboard's purpose. Below this, there are three sections: "Choose a Module" (with links to "Mobility Trends", "Behavior Analysis", and "Crowd Simulator"), "Why This Matters" (with a brief description), and "Data Source" (noting the data is based on Google COVID-19 Community Mobility Reports).

Mobility Trends Input Form:

The screenshot shows the "Mobility Trends" input form. It features a sidebar on the left with a list of countries under the heading "COUNTRIES". The list includes Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, and Croatia. Below this is a dropdown menu labeled "--Choose a country--". To the right of the sidebar are three input fields: "Select Year:" (set to 2020), "Select Mobility Category:" (set to "Retail & Recreation"), and a large green button at the bottom labeled "Analyze Mobility".

Results:

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Greece Mobility Analysis (2021)

Category: grocery_and_pharmacy_percent_change_from_baseline

Summary

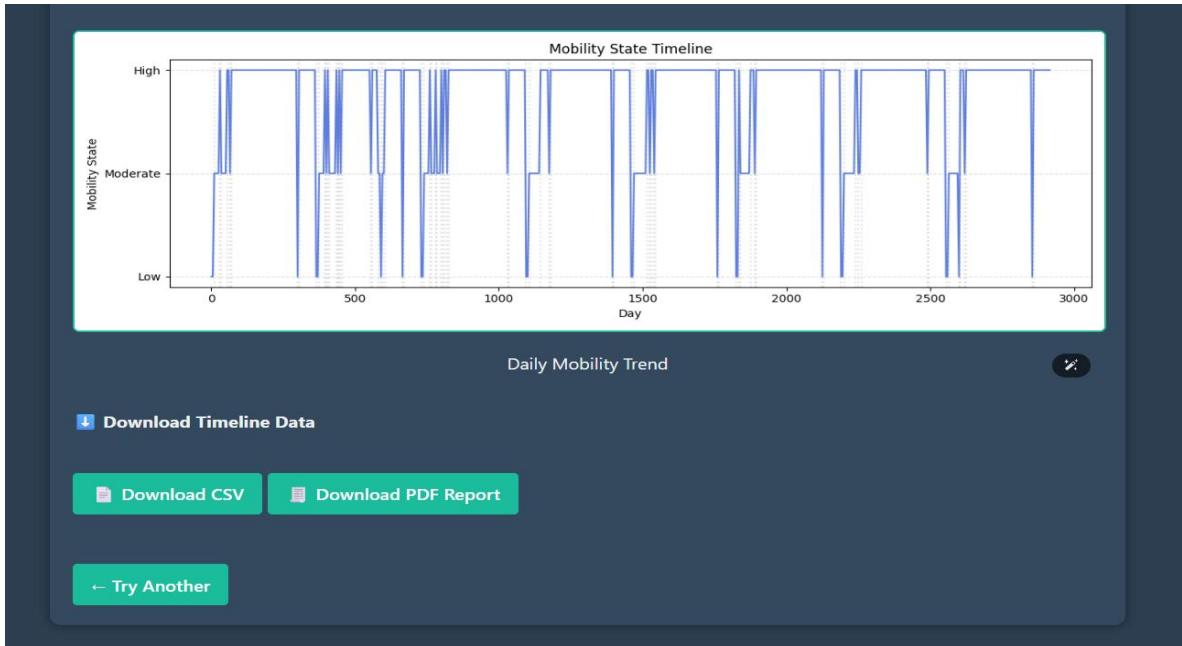
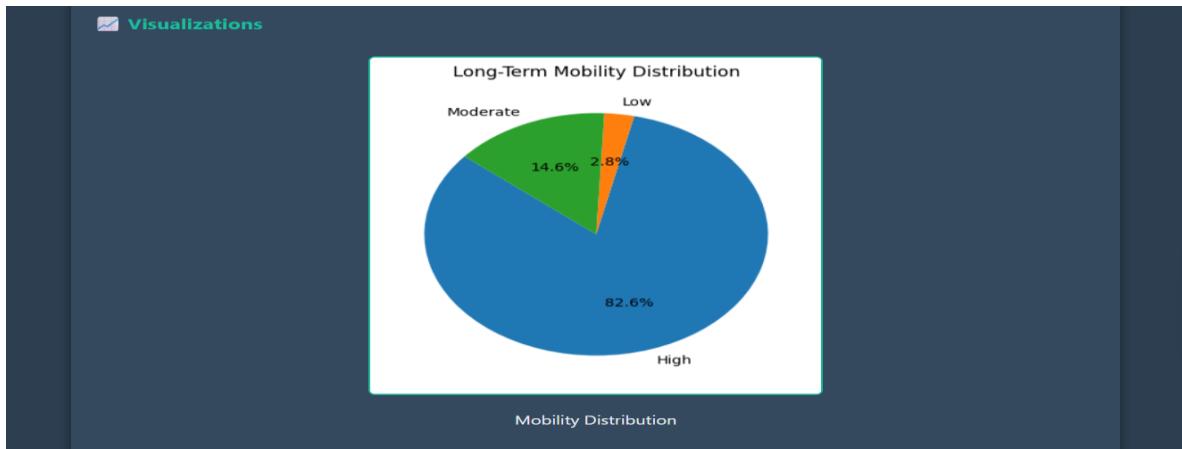
In 2021, the most stable mobility behavior in Greece was 'High'. This means people mostly showed 'high' activity in the category 'grocery_and_pharmacy_percent_change_from_baseline'.

State Order:
['High', 'Low', 'Moderate']

Steady State:
High: 0.825533
Low: 0.028007
Moderate: 0.14646

Recurrence Time:
High: 1.2113
Low: 35.7054





The timeline spans {{N}} days, where each day represents a valid entry in the mobility dataset for the selected country, year, and category. Due to daily-level granularity and the inclusion of multiple regions per country, the number of "days" may appear higher (e.g., 2000–3000) as each region's daily entry is considered separately in the timeline sequence.

Behavioural Analysis Input Form:

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Hidden Behavior Analysis

Use intuitive controls to adjust policy behavior and mobility patterns for HMM-based analysis.

Select Number of Observed Days:

4

Day 1 Mobility:

High Mobility

Day 2 Mobility:

Moderate Mobility

Day 3 Mobility:

Moderate Mobility

Day 4 Mobility:

Low Mobility

Start Probabilities:

Strict Policy:

0.5

Moderate Policy:

0.3

Normal Mobility:

0.2

Transition Probabilities:

From \ To	Strict	Moderate	Normal
Strict Policy	0.3	0.4	0.3
Moderate Policy	0.5	0.4	0.1
Normal Mobility	0.3	0.5	0.2

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Moderate Policy	0.5	0.4	0.1
Normal Mobility	0.3	0.5	0.2

Emission Probabilities:

Policy \ Observed	Low	Moderate	High
Strict Policy	0.3	0.4	0.3
Moderate Policy	0.5	0.4	0.1
Normal Mobility	0.4	0.3	0.3

 Run Analysis

Forward Algorithm:

Likelihood of observed sequence: 0.016688

Most Likely Policy Sequence (Viterbi):

Strict Policy
Moderate Policy
Strict Policy
Moderate Policy

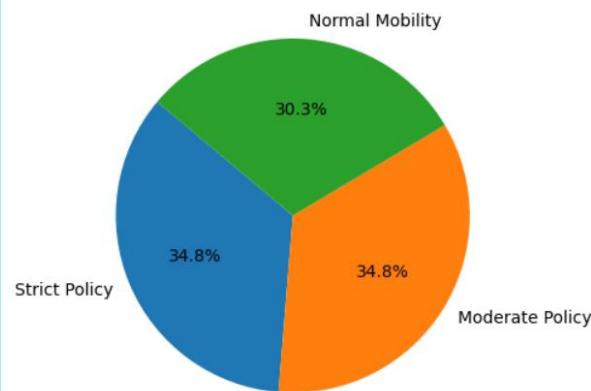
Steady-State Distribution:

Strict Policy: 0.34827836390539857
Moderate Policy: 0.34827836390539857
Normal Mobility: 0.3034432721892029

 Visualizations

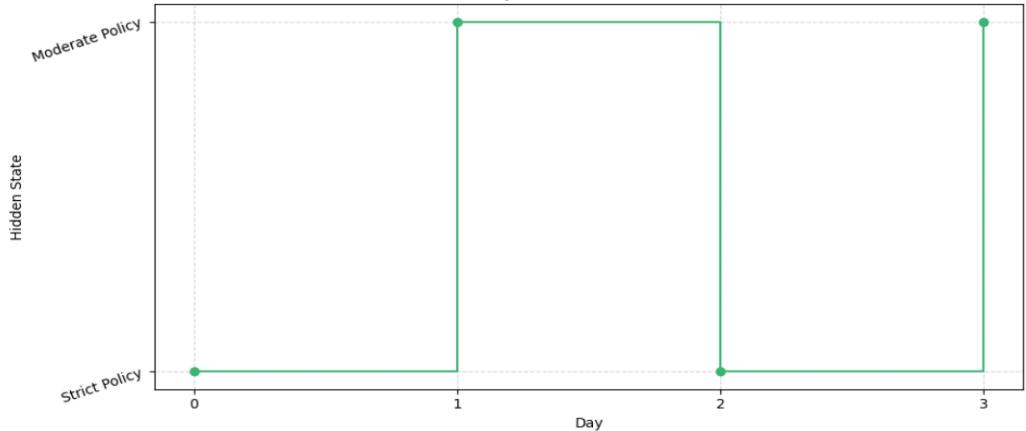
Visualizations

Steady-State Distribution (Hidden States)



Hidden State Distribution

Most Likely Hidden States (Viterbi Path)



Most Likely Policy Path

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Crowd Simulator:

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Crowd Congestion Simulator

Estimate waiting times and system load in public places (e.g., markets, parks) using M/M/1 queue theory.

Average Arrival Rate (people/min):
e.g., 4.5

Average Service Rate (people/min):
e.g., 6.0

Simulate

M/M/1 Results

Utilization (ρ): 0.5
Avg customers in system (L): 1.0
Avg customers in queue (L_q): 0.5
Avg time in system (W): 0.25
Avg waiting time (W_q): 0.125

Interpretation

The system utilization is 0.50 (server is busy 50.0% of the time). On average, 1.00 customers are in the system, 0.50 in queue. Expected time in system is 0.25, of which 0.12 is spent waiting.

Visual Summary

M/M/1 Queueing Summary

Metric	Value
Avg Customers (L)	1.0
Avg in Queue (L_q)	0.5
Avg Time in System (W)	0.25
Avg Wait Time (W_q)	0.125

2. Markov Models

Problem:

We aimed to understand how people's mobility behavior transitioned daily between states like Low, Moderate, and High mobility using actual country-level data.

Solution:

Using **Markov Chains**, we built a transition matrix from mobility states and computed:

- Steady state probabilities
- Recurrence times
- First passage and absorption times

These were visualized through charts and summarized in plain language to help non-technical users understand dominant behaviors.

3. Hidden Markov Models

Problem:

We wanted to infer hidden government policy behavior (like lockdowns or re-openings) from observed mobility data.

Solution:

We implemented the **Viterbi Algorithm** and **Forward Algorithm** from scratch to:

- Compute the most probable sequence of hidden policy states
- Calculate the likelihood of observed mobility sequences

- Derive steady-state distributions of hidden states

Users can adjust transition and emission probabilities and visualize the hidden behavior using pie and line charts.

4. Queuing Theory

Problem:

We simulated how crowds form at public places like hospitals or stores under changing arrival and service rates during the pandemic.

Solution:

We used the **M/M/1 Queuing Model** to compute:

- Utilization (ρ)
- Average people in system and queue (L, L_q)
- Time spent in system and queue (W, W_q)

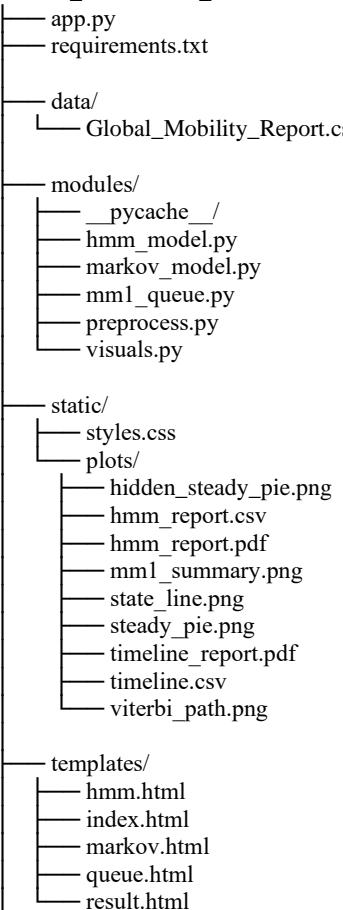
The module includes natural explanations and a visualization summarizing congestion metrics to help decision-makers plan better.

5. Code

Language: Python (Flask + HTML/CSS for frontend)

Folder Structure:

COVID_MOBILITY_SYSTEM/



Modules:

Markov_model.py:

```

from collections import defaultdict

# -----
# Build a normalized transition matrix from observed state sequence
# -----
def build_transition_matrix(states, state_order=None):
    """
    """

```

Constructs a transition probability matrix from a sequence of observed states.

Args:

states (list): List of observed states (e.g., ['Low', 'High', 'Low', ...])
state_order (list, optional): Specific order of unique states. If None, sorted set is used.

Returns:

matrix (list of lists): Transition matrix where `matrix[i][j] = P(j | i)`

state_order (list): Order of states corresponding to matrix indices

"""

if state_order is None:

state_order = sorted(set(states)) # Automatically determine state order

state_idx = {s: i for i, s in enumerate(state_order)} # Map state to index

n = len(state_order)

matrix = [[0 for _ in range(n)] for _ in range(n)] # Initialize zero matrix

Count transitions from state a → b

for a, b in zip(states[:-1], states[1:]):

i, j = state_idx[a], state_idx[b]

matrix[i][j] += 1

Normalize each row to convert to probabilities

for i in range(n):

row_sum = sum(matrix[i])

if row_sum == 0:

matrix[i][i] = 1 # Handle no transitions by self-loop

else:

matrix[i] = [v / row_sum for v in matrix[i]]

return matrix, state_order

Compute steady-state distribution using iterative method

def compute_steady_state(matrix, tol=1e-8, max_iter=1000):

"""

Calculates the steady-state distribution π such that $\pi P = \pi$.

Args:

matrix (list of lists): Transition matrix

tol (float): Convergence threshold

max_iter (int): Maximum number of iterations

Returns:

dict: Mapping index → steady-state probability

"""

n = len(matrix)

prob = [1/n] * n # Start with uniform distribution

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for _ in range(max_iter):
    new_prob = [0] * n
    for j in range(n):
        new_prob[j] = sum(prob[i] * matrix[i][j] for i in range(n))
    diff = sum(abs(new_prob[i] - prob[i]) for i in range(n))
    prob = new_prob
    if diff < tol:
        break # Converged

return {i: round(p, 6) for i, p in enumerate(prob)}

# -----
# Compute Mean First Recurrence Time for each state
# -----
def compute_recurrence_times(steady_probs, state_order):
    """
    Calculates average recurrence time for each state: R_i = 1 / π_i

    Args:
        steady_probs (dict): Mapping index → steady-state prob
        state_order (list): Mapping of indices to state names

    Returns:
        dict: Mapping state name → recurrence time
    """
    return {
        state_order[i]: round(1 / prob, 4)
        for i, prob in steady_probs.items()
    }

# -----
# Gaussian elimination solver for linear equations (Ax = b)
# -----
def solve_linear(A, b):
    """
    Solves Ax = b using Gaussian elimination without any external library.

    Args:
        A (list of lists): Coefficient matrix
        b (list): Constant vector

    Returns:
        list: Solution vector x
    """
    n = len(A)
    for i in range(n):
        # Pivot if diagonal element is zero
        if A[i][i] == 0:
            for j in range(i+1, n):
                if A[j][i] != 0:
                    A[i], A[j] = A[j], A[i]
                    b[i], b[j] = b[j], b[i]
                    break

    # Normalize pivot row

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factor = A[i][i]
A[i] = [a / factor for a in A[i]]
b[i] /= factor

# Eliminate below
for j in range(i+1, n):
    factor = A[j][i]
    A[j] = [a - factor * A[i][k] for k, a in enumerate(A[j])]
    b[j] -= factor * b[i]

# Back-substitution
x = [0] * n
for i in reversed(range(n)):
    x[i] = b[i] - sum(A[i][j] * x[j] for j in range(i+1, n))

return x

# -----
# Compute First Passage Time between states
# -----
def compute_first_passage(matrix, state_order):
    """
    Computes expected steps from state i to j (i ≠ j) using linear equations.

    Args:
        matrix (list of lists): Transition matrix
        state_order (list): Mapping of indices to state names

    Returns:
        dict: Nested dictionary mapping state_i → state_j → E[steps]
    """
    n = len(state_order)
    passage = {}

    for j in range(n): # Target state
        for i in range(n): # Start state
            if i == j:
                continue

            A, b = [], []
            for k in range(n):
                row = []
                if k == j:
                    # Set equation: x_j = 0
                    row = [0] * n
                    row[k] = 1
                    b.append(0)
                else:
                    for l in range(n):
                        if k == l:
                            row.append(1)
                        elif l == j:
                            row.append(0)
                        else:
                            row.append(-matrix[k][l])
                    b.append(1)

                A.append(row)

            x = solve(A, b)
            passage[(i, j)] = x[j]

    return passage

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        A.append(row)

        x = solve_linear([r[:] for r in A], b[:])
        if state_order[i] not in passage:
            passage[state_order[i]] = {}
        passage[state_order[i]][state_order[j]] = round(x[i], 4)

    return passage

# -----
# Compute Absorption Times for transient → absorbing states
# -----
def compute_absorption(matrix, state_order):
    """
    Computes expected absorption time for transient states into absorbing ones.
    Assumes absorbing states have P[i][i] = 1 and no outgoing transitions.

    Args:
        matrix (list of lists): Transition matrix
        state_order (list): State labels

    Returns:
        dict: State → expected absorption time (if any absorbing states exist)
    """
    n = len(state_order)
    absorbing = [i for i in range(n) if matrix[i][i] == 1.0]
    transient = [i for i in range(n) if i not in absorbing]

    if not absorbing or not transient:
        return None # No absorbing states present

    # Build Q matrix (transient-to-transient)
    Q = [[matrix[i][j] for j in transient] for i in transient]

    # Compute I - Q
    I_minus_Q = [
        [(1 if i == j else 0) - Q[i][j] for j in range(len(Q))]
        for i in range(len(Q))
    ]

    b = [1] * len(Q) # RHS for time equations
    t_vals = solve_linear(I_minus_Q, b)

    return {
        state_order[transient[i]]: round(t_vals[i], 4)
        for i in range(len(t_vals))
    }

Hmm_model.py
# -----
# Forward Algorithm
# -----
def forward_algorithm(obs_seq, states, start_prob, trans_prob, emit_prob):
    """

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    Computes the probability of the observation sequence given the model ( $P(O | \lambda)$ ) using the Forward Algorithm.

| Args:
|     obs_seq (list): Sequence of observed emissions (e.g., ['High', 'Moderate', 'Low'])
|     states (list): List of hidden states
|     start_prob (dict): Initial probabilities for each state
|     trans_prob (dict of dict): Transition probability from state i to
|       state j
|     emit_prob (dict of dict): Emission probability of observation o from
|       state s

| Returns:
|     float: Total probability of the observation sequence
| """
| T = len(obs_seq)
| N = len(states)
|
| # fwd[t][i] = P(O1...Ot, Qt=state_i)
| fwd = [[0.0 for _ in range(N)] for _ in range(T)]
|
| # Initialization step (t = 0)
| for i in range(N):
|     fwd[0][i] = start_prob[states[i]] *
| emit_prob[states[i]].get(obs_seq[0], 1e-6) # Use small default if missing
|
| # Recursion step
| for t in range(1, T):
|     for j in range(N):
|         total = 0.0
|         for i in range(N):
|             total += fwd[t - 1][i] * trans_prob[states[i]][states[j]]
|         fwd[t][j] = total * emit_prob[states[j]].get(obs_seq[t], 1e-6)
|
| # Termination step: sum of final step probabilities
| return round(sum(fwd[T - 1]), 6)

# -----
# Viterbi Algorithm
# -----
def viterbi_algorithm(obs_seq, states, start_prob, trans_prob, emit_prob):
    """
        Finds the most likely sequence of hidden states given observations using
        the Viterbi algorithm.

    | Args:
    |     obs_seq (list): Observed emission sequence
    |     states (list): Possible hidden states
    |     start_prob (dict): Starting probability of each state
    |     trans_prob (dict of dict): State transition probabilities
    |     emit_prob (dict of dict): Emission probabilities for each observation
    | given a state

    | Returns:
    |     list: Most probable path of hidden states

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"""
T = len(obs_seq)
N = len(states)

# viterbi[t][i]: max probability of any path ending in state_i at time t
viterbi = [[0.0] * N for _ in range(T)]
backpointer = [[0] * N for _ in range(T)] # To trace back the path

# Initialization (t = 0)
for i in range(N):
    viterbi[0][i] = start_prob[states[i]] *
emit_prob[states[i]].get(obs_seq[0], 1e-6)

# Recursion
for t in range(1, T):
    for j in range(N):
        max_prob = 0.0
        max_index = 0
        for i in range(N):
            prob = viterbi[t - 1][i] * trans_prob[states[i]][states[j]]
            if prob > max_prob:
                max_prob = prob
                max_index = i
        viterbi[t][j] = max_prob * emit_prob[states[j]].get(obs_seq[t],
1e-6)
        backpointer[t][j] = max_index

# Backtrace: find last state with max prob
last_state = max(range(N), key=lambda i: viterbi[T - 1][i])
best_path = [last_state]

# Reconstruct the full path backward
for t in range(T - 1, 0, -1):
    best_path.insert(0, backpointer[t][best_path[0]])

return [states[i] for i in best_path]

# -----
# Compute Hidden-State Steady-State Distribution
# -----
def compute_hidden_steady_state(states, trans_prob, max_iter=1000, tol=1e-8):
    """
    Computes the steady-state distribution over hidden states using iterative
    convergence.

    Args:
        states (list): List of hidden states
        trans_prob (dict of dict): Transition probabilities between states
        max_iter (int): Maximum number of iterations to run
        tol (float): Convergence threshold

    Returns:
        dict: Mapping of state name → steady-state probability
    """
    num_states = len(states)
    pi = [1.0 / num_states] * num_states # Start with uniform distribution

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for _ in range(max_iter):
    new_pi = [0.0] * num_states
    for j in range(num_states):
        for i in range(num_states):
            new_pi[j] += pi[i] * trans_prob[states[i]][states[j]]

    # Normalize probabilities
    total = sum(new_pi)
    new_pi = [x / total for x in new_pi]

    # Check convergence
    if max(abs(new_pi[i] - pi[i])) for i in range(num_states)) < tol:
        break
    pi = new_pi

return {states[i]: pi[i] for i in range(num_states)}

```

MM1_queue.py

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def mm1_metrics(arrival_rate, service_rate):
    """
    Computes standard performance metrics for an M/M/1 queuing system.

    Args:
        arrival_rate (float):  $\lambda$ , the average arrival rate (e.g., customers per minute)
        service_rate (float):  $\mu$ , the average service rate (e.g., customers served per minute)

    Returns:
        dict: A dictionary containing key M/M/1 queue metrics:
            - utilization ( $\rho$ )
            - average number in system ( $L$ )
            - average number in queue ( $L_q$ )
            - average time in system ( $W$ )
            - average waiting time in queue ( $W_q$ )
            - probability system is empty ( $P_0$ )

    Raises:
        ValueError: If the system is unstable ( $arrival\_rate \geq service\_rate$ )
    """

    # ⚠️ Check system stability ( $\lambda$  must be less than  $\mu$ )
    if arrival_rate >= service_rate:
        raise ValueError("System unstable: arrival rate must be less than service rate ( $\lambda < \mu$ ).")

    #  $\rho$  (rho): Utilization factor – how busy the server is
    rho = arrival_rate / service_rate

    #  $L$ : Average number of customers in the system
    L = rho / (1 - rho)

    #  $L_q$ : Average number of customers in the queue (excluding the one being served)
    Lq = (rho ** 2) / (1 - rho)

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# W: Average time a customer spends in the system (waiting + service)
W = 1 / (service_rate - arrival_rate)

# Wq: Average time a customer spends waiting in the queue
Wq = rho / (service_rate - arrival_rate)

# P0: Probability that there are 0 customers in the system (idle state)
P0 = 1 - rho

return {
    'utilization': round(rho, 4), # Server utilization
    'L': round(L, 4), # Avg # in system
    'Lq': round(Lq, 4), # Avg # in queue
    'W': round(W, 4), # Avg time in system
    'Wq': round(Wq, 4), # Avg time in queue
    'P0': round(P0, 4) # Idle probability
}

```

preprocess.py

```

import pandas as pd

# -----
# Load the CSV and preprocess dates
# -----
def load_csv(csv_path):
    """
    Loads the Global Mobility CSV dataset and adds a 'year' column.

    Args:
        csv_path (str): Path to the CSV file.

    Returns:
        pd.DataFrame: Cleaned DataFrame with 'year' extracted from the 'date' column.
    """
    df = pd.read_csv(csv_path, low_memory=False)
    df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date'], errors='coerce') # Convert to datetime
    df['year'] = df['date'].dt.year # Extract year for filtering
    return df

# -----
# Categorize mobility values into states
# -----
def categorize_states(series):
    """
    Categorizes numeric mobility data into qualitative labels: Low, Moderate, High.

    Args:
        series (pd.Series): A numeric Pandas Series (e.g., % change in mobility)

    Returns:
        pd.Series: A categorical Series with values: 'Low', 'Moderate', 'High'
    """

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bins = [-float('inf'), -20, 5, float('inf')] # Mobility thresholds
labels = ['Low', 'Moderate', 'High'] # Category labels
return pd.cut(series, bins=bins, labels=labels)

# -----
# Filter by country/year and convert to mobility states
# -----
def get_mobility_states(df, country, year, category):
    """
    Extracts and categorizes mobility data into states for a specific country
    and year.

    Args:
        df (pd.DataFrame): The loaded mobility DataFrame.
        country (str): Country name to filter.
        year (int): Year to filter (e.g., 2021).
        category (str): Column name for mobility type (e.g.,
    'retail_and_recreation_percent_change_from_baseline').

    Returns:
        list: A list of states (Low/Moderate/High) representing daily mobility
    behavior.
    """
    filtered = df[(df['country_region'] == country) & (df['year'] == year)]
    filtered = filtered.dropna(subset=[category]) # Ensure no missing data
    states = categorize_states(filtered[category]).dropna().tolist()
    return states

# -----
# Load + extract states in one call (shortcut)
# -----
def get_state_sequence(csv_path, column, country='Pakistan', year=2021):
    """
    Loads data and returns categorized mobility states in one step.

    Args:
        csv_path (str): CSV file path
        column (str): Mobility category column name
        country (str): Default is 'Pakistan'
        year (int): Default is 2021

    Returns:
        list: State sequence (Low, Moderate, High)
    """
    df = load_csv(csv_path)
    return get_mobility_states(df, country, year, column)

```

visuals.py

```

import matplotlib
matplotlib.use('Agg') # Use non-interactive backend for Flask/production use

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import os

def plot_steady_pie(steady, labels, out_path):
    """

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    Plots a pie chart showing steady-state probabilities of each mobility
state.

Args:
    steady (list of float): Steady-state probabilities.
    labels (list of str): Corresponding labels for states.
    out_path (str): Path to save the pie chart image.
"""
plt.figure(figsize=(5, 5))
plt.pie(steady, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)
plt.title("Long-Term Mobility Distribution")
plt.savefig(out_path, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.close()

def plot_state_timeline(sequence, save_path, csv_path=None):
    """
    Plots a timeline of observed mobility states and optionally exports as
CSV.

Args:
    sequence (list of str): Sequence of states ('Low', 'Moderate',
'High').
    save_path (str): Path to save timeline plot image.
    csv_path (str): Optional path to save CSV of timeline.
"""
    import csv

    state_map = {"Low": 0, "Moderate": 1, "High": 2}
    y_labels = ["Low", "Moderate", "High"]
    mapped_states = [state_map.get(s, -1) for s in sequence]
    x = list(range(len(mapped_states)))

    # Downsample if too long
    MAX_POINTS = 500
    if len(x) > MAX_POINTS:
        step = len(x) // MAX_POINTS
        x = x[::step]
        mapped_states = mapped_states[::step]

    # Save to CSV if requested
    if csv_path:
        with open(csv_path, 'w', newline='') as f:
            writer = csv.writer(f)
            writer.writerow(["Day", "State"])
            reverse_map = {v: k for k, v in state_map.items()}
            for i in range(len(x)):
                writer.writerow([x[i], reverse_map.get(mapped_states[i],
'Unknown')])

    # Plotting
    plt.figure(figsize=(12, 4))
    plt.plot(x, mapped_states, color='royalblue', linewidth=1.5, alpha=0.85)

    # Vertical lines at state changes
    for i in range(1, len(mapped_states)):
        if mapped_states[i] != mapped_states[i - 1]:

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        plt.axvline(x[i], color='gray', linestyle=':', alpha=0.2)

plt.yticks([0, 1, 2], y_labels)
plt.xlabel("Day")
plt.ylabel("Mobility State")
plt.title("▣ Mobility State Timeline")
plt.grid(True, axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.4)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig(save_path)
plt.close()

def plot_viterbi_path(states, out_path):
    """
    Plots the most likely hidden states using Viterbi algorithm.

    Args:
        states (list of str): Viterbi-decoded sequence of hidden states.
        out_path (str): Path to save the line chart.
    """
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
    plt.plot(range(len(states)), states, drawstyle='steps-post', marker='o',
color='mediumseagreen')
    plt.title("Most Likely Hidden States (Viterbi Path)")
    plt.xlabel("Day")
    plt.ylabel("Hidden State")
    plt.xticks(range(len(states)))
    plt.yticks(sorted(set(states)))
    plt.gca().set_yticklabels(sorted(set(states)), rotation=20)
    plt.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.5)
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.savefig(out_path)
    plt.close()

def plot_hidden_steady_pie(steady_dict, out_path):
    """
    Plots a pie chart of steady-state probabilities from hidden states.

    Args:
        steady_dict (dict): State → probability mapping.
        out_path (str): Path to save chart image.
    """
    labels = list(steady_dict.keys())
    sizes = list(steady_dict.values())

    plt.figure(figsize=(5, 5))
    plt.pie(sizes, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)
    plt.title("Steady-State Distribution (Hidden States)")
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.savefig(out_path)
    plt.close()

def plot_mm1_summary(metrics, out_path):
    """
    Plots bar chart for key M/M/1 Queueing metrics.

    Args:

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        metrics (dict): Dictionary with keys 'L', 'Lq', 'W', 'Wq'.
        out_path (str): Path to save image.
    """
    labels = ['Avg Customers (L)', 'Avg in Queue (Lq)', 'Avg Time in System
(W)', 'Avg Wait Time (Wq)']
    values = [metrics['L'], metrics['Lq'], metrics['W'], metrics['Wq']]

    plt.figure(figsize=(8, 4))
    plt.bar(labels, values, color='teal')
    plt.title('M/M/1 Queueing Summary')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.savefig(out_path)
    plt.close()

app.py
import os
from flask import Flask, render_template, request, render_template_string,
url_for, send_file
from modules.preprocess import load_csv, get_mobility_states
from modules.visuals import plot_steady_pie, plot_state_timeline,
plot_mm1_summary
from modules.markov_model import (
    build_transition_matrix,
    compute_steady_state,
    compute_recurrence_times,
    compute_first_passage,
    compute_absorption
)
from modules.hmm_model import forward_algorithm, viterbi_algorithm,
compute_hidden_steady_state
from modules.mm1_queue import mm1_metrics
import csv
from fpdf import FPDF

app = Flask(__name__)

# ◇ Load Global Data on Startup
DATA_PATH = 'data/Global_Mobility_Report.csv'
GLOBAL_DATA = load_csv(DATA_PATH)

# ◇ Home Route
@app.route('/')
def index():
    return render_template('index.html')

# ◇ Markov Model Route
@app.route('/markov', methods=['GET', 'POST'])
def markov():
    if request.method == 'POST':
        # Step 1: Get user input
        country = request.form['country']
        year = int(request.form['year'])
        category = request.form['category']

        try:

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        sequence = get_mobility_states(GLOBAL_DATA, country, year,
category)
    except Exception as e:
        return render_template('markov.html', error=str(e))

    # Step 2: Run Markov Model computations
    matrix, order = build_transition_matrix(sequence)
    steady_raw = compute_steady_state(matrix)
    steady = {order[i]: steady_raw[i] for i in range(len(order))}
    recurrence = compute_recurrence_times(steady_raw, order)
    passage = compute_first_passage(matrix, order)
    absorption = compute_absorption(matrix, order)

    # Step 3: Save charts & timeline
    img_dir = 'static/plots'
    os.makedirs(img_dir, exist_ok=True)
    pie_path = os.path.join(img_dir, 'steady_pie.png')
    line_path = os.path.join(img_dir, 'state_line.png')
    plot_steady_pie(list(steady.values()), list(steady.keys()), pie_path)

    # Step 4: Summary generation
    dominant_state = max(steady, key=steady.get)
    summary = f"In {year}, the most stable mobility behavior in {country} \
was '{dominant_state}'. \
        f"This means people mostly showed '{dominant_state.lower()}' \
activity in the category '{category}'."

    # Step 5: Save timeline chart + CSV + PDF
    timeline_csv = os.path.join(img_dir, 'timeline.csv')
    timeline_pdf = os.path.join(img_dir, 'timeline_report.pdf')
    plot_state_timeline(sequence, line_path, csv_path=timeline_csv)

    # Export timeline summary as PDF
    pdf = FPDF()
    pdf.add_page()
    pdf.set_font("Arial", size=12)
    pdf.cell(200, 10, txt="Mobility Timeline Report", ln=True, align='C')
    pdf.ln(10)
    pdf.multi_cell(0, 8, txt=summary)
    pdf.image(line_path, x=10, y=pdf.get_y() + 5, w=190)
    pdf.output(timeline_pdf)

    # Step 6: Render result
    html_block = render_template_string("""
        <h3>State Order:</h3>
        <p>{{ order }}</p>

        <h3>Steady State:</h3>
        <ul>{% for k, v in steady.items() %}<li>{{ k }}: {{ v }}</li>{%
        endfor %}</ul>

        <h3>Recurrence Time:</h3>
        <ul>{% for k, v in recurrence.items() %}<li>{{ k }}: {{ v }}</li>{%
        endfor %}</ul>

        <h3>First Passage Time:</h3>
    """)

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        <ul>
            {% for i, row in passage.items() %}
                <li><strong>{{ i }} ></strong>
                    <ul>
                        {% for j, val in row.items() %}
                            <li>{{ j }}: {{ val }}</li>
                        {% endfor %}
                    </ul>
                </li>
            {% endfor %}
        </ul>

        {% if absorption %}
            <h3>Absorption Times:</h3>
            <ul>
                {% for k, v in absorption.items() %}
                    <li>{{ k }}: {{ v }}</li>
                {% endfor %}
            </ul>
        {% endif %}

        """", order=order, steady=steady, recurrence=recurrence,
passage=passage, absorption=absorption)

        return render_template("result.html",
                               title=f"{country} Mobility Analysis ({year})",
                               subtitle=f"Category: {category}",
                               content=html_block,
                               back_url=url_for('markov'),
                               pie_chart_url='/'+ pie_path,
                               line_chart_url='/'+ line_path,
                               summary_text=summary)

    return render_template('markov.html')

# ◇ Hidden Markov Model Route
@app.route('/hmm', methods=['GET', 'POST'])
def hmm():
    default_states = ['Strict Policy', 'Moderate Policy', 'Normal Mobility']

    if request.method == 'POST':
        # Step 1: Parse inputs
        obs_str = request.form.get('obs_seq', '')
        obs_seq = [x.strip() for x in obs_str.split(',') if x.strip()]

        # Step 2: Extract start, transition, and emission probabilities
        start_prob = {
            'Strict Policy': float(request.form.get('start_prob[Strict Policy]', 0.5)),
            'Moderate Policy': float(request.form.get('start_prob[Moderate Policy]', 0.3)),
            'Normal Mobility': float(request.form.get('start_prob[Normal Mobility]', 0.2))
        }

        default_trans = {}

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        default_emit = {}
        for state in default_states:
            default_trans[state] = {}
            default_emit[state] = {}
            for to_state in default_states:
                default_trans[state][to_state] =
float(request.form.get(f'trans[{state}][{to_state}]', 0.33))
                for obs in ['Low Mobility', 'Moderate Mobility', 'High Mobility']:
                    default_emit[state][obs] =
float(request.form.get(f'emit[{state}][{obs}]', 0.33))

# Step 3: Run HMM algorithms
    forward_prob = forward_algorithm(obs_seq, default_states, start_prob,
default_trans, default_emit)
    viterbi_path = viterbi_algorithm(obs_seq, default_states, start_prob,
default_trans, default_emit)
    steady_hidden = compute_hidden_steady_state(default_states,
default_trans)

# Step 4: Save charts
    img_dir = 'static/plots'
    os.makedirs(img_dir, exist_ok=True)
    viterbi_path_img = os.path.join(img_dir, 'viterbi_path.png')
    steady_pie_img = os.path.join(img_dir, 'hidden_steady_pie.png')

    from modules.visuals import plot_viterbi_path, plot_hidden_steady_pie
    plot_viterbi_path(viterbi_path, viterbi_path_img)
    plot_hidden_steady_pie(steady_hidden, steady_pie_img)

# Store for download use
    app.config["last_viterbi_path"] = viterbi_path
    app.config["last_steady_hidden"] = steady_hidden

    return render_template('hmm.html',
                           forward_prob=round(forward_prob, 6),
                           viterbi_path=viterbi_path,
                           steady_hidden=steady_hidden,
                           selected_obs=obs_seq,
                           viterbi_chart_url='/' + viterbi_path_img,
                           steady_chart_url='/' + steady_pie_img)

return render_template('hmm.html',
                      forward_prob=None,
                      viterbi_path=[],
                      steady_hidden={},
                      selected_obs=[])

# ◊ HMM Report Downloads
@app.route('/hmm/download/pdf')
def download_hmm_pdf():
    pdf = FPDF()
    pdf.add_page()
    pdf.set_font("Arial", size=12)
    pdf.set_title("HMM Report")

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pdf.cell(200, 10, txt="COVID-19 Mobility - HMM Report", ln=True,
align='C')
pdf.ln(10)

pdf.cell(200, 10, txt="Most Likely Policy Path (Viterbi):", ln=True)
for i, state in enumerate(app.config.get("last_viterbi_path", []), start=1):
    pdf.cell(200, 10, txt=f"Day {i}: {state}", ln=True)

pdf.ln(5)
pdf.cell(200, 10, txt="Steady-State Distribution:", ln=True)
for state, prob in app.config.get("last_steady_hidden", {}).items():
    pdf.cell(200, 10, txt=f"{state}: {prob:.4f}", ln=True)

if os.path.exists("static/plots/viterbi_path.png"):
    pdf.image("static/plots/viterbi_path.png", x=10, y=pdf.get_y() + 10,
w=90)
    if os.path.exists("static/plots/hidden_steady_pie.png"):
        pdf.image("static/plots/hidden_steady_pie.png", x=110, y=pdf.get_y(),
w=90)

pdf.output("static/plots/hmm_report.pdf")
return send_file("static/plots/hmm_report.pdf", as_attachment=True)

@app.route('/hmm/download/csv')
def download_hmm_csv():
    filepath = "static/plots/hmm_report.csv"
    with open(filepath, mode='w', newline='') as file:
        writer = csv.writer(file)
        writer.writerow(["Day", "Viterbi State"])
        for i, state in enumerate(app.config.get("last_viterbi_path", []), start=1):
            writer.writerow([i, state])

        writer.writerow([])
        writer.writerow(["State", "Steady Probability"])
        for state, prob in app.config.get("last_steady_hidden", {}).items():
            writer.writerow([state, prob])

    return send_file(filepath, as_attachment=True)

# ◇ Queueing Theory Route (M/M/1)
@app.route('/queue', methods=['GET', 'POST'])
def queue():
    if request.method == 'POST':
        try:
            arrival = float(request.form['arrival'])
            service = float(request.form['service'])
            result = mm1_metrics(arrival, service)

            # Plot queue summary
            plot_path = 'static/plots/mm1_summary.png'
            os.makedirs(os.path.dirname(plot_path), exist_ok=True)
            plot_mm1_summary(result, plot_path)

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# Generate summary text
rho = result['utilization']
summary = (
    f"The system utilization is {rho:.2f} "
    f"(server is busy {rho*100:.1f}% of the time). "
    f"On average, {result['L']:.2f} customers are in the system, "
    f"{result['Lq']:.2f} in queue. "
    f"Expected time in system is {result['W']:.2f}, "
    f"of which {result['Wq']:.2f} is spent waiting."
)
return render_template('queue.html',
                      metrics=result,
                      summary=summary,
                      chart_url='/' + plot_path)
except Exception as e:
    return render_template('queue.html', error=str(e))

return render_template('queue.html')

# ◇ Run App
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug=True)

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static/styles.css and templates are the basic css and html codes.

6. Conclusion

This dashboard successfully translates real-world mobility data into actionable insights using Markov Chains, Hidden Markov Models, and Queuing Theory. Through Markov analysis, we identified dominant mobility behaviors and their long-term stability. The HMM module uncovered hidden policy patterns driving observed movement levels, while the M/M/1 queuing model quantified potential congestion levels at public places. Together, these models not only visualize how public mobility evolved during the COVID-19 pandemic but also provide predictive tools to support smarter, data-driven decisions for future health emergencies and urban planning.