

# Assn 7 Solution Key

Stochastic Probs:



(b) regular for  $k=1$

(c)  $\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -0.6 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0.6 & -0.8 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} -0.6 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$

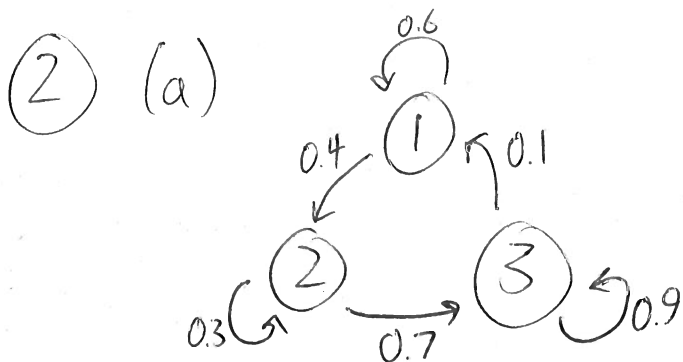
$$\Rightarrow 0.8x_2 = 0.6x_1 \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} x_1 = \frac{4}{3}x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{array}}$$

(d)  $x_1 + x_2 = 1$  for a prob. vector

$$\frac{4}{3}x_2 + x_2 = \frac{7}{3}x_2 = 1 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{3}{7} \text{ \& } x_1 = 1 - x_2 = \frac{4}{7}$$

steady state vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 4/7 \\ 3/7 \end{bmatrix}$   
unique as  $A$  regular

(also only prob. vector solution)  
to  $(A-I)x=0$



(b) regular for  $k=2$ , possible to go from any  $i$  to any  $j$  with a length 2 path (or just multiply out)

$$(c) \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.4 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.4 & -0.7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & -0.1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.4 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.7 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & -0.1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$0.1x_3 = 0.4x_1$$

$$0.1x_3 = 0.7x_2$$

$$\Leftarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.4 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.7 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{4}x_3$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{7}x_3$$

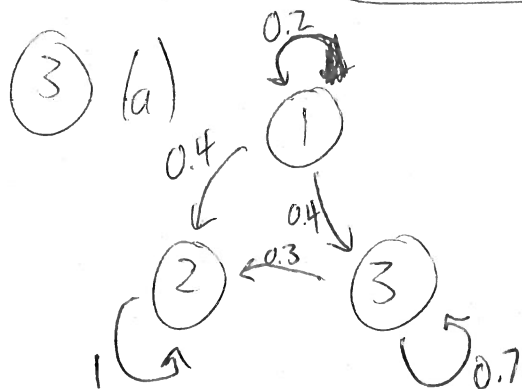
$x_3$  free

$$(d) x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}x_3 + \frac{1}{7}x_3 + x_3 = \frac{7}{28}x_3 + \frac{4}{28}x_3 + \frac{28}{28}x_3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = \frac{28}{39}$$

steady state is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{39} \\ \frac{4}{39} \\ \frac{28}{39} \end{bmatrix}$ , unique as  $A$  regular

(also only prob. vector sol'n to  $(A-I)x=0$ )



(b) Not regular, from state 2 you can never reach other states

$$(c) \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.4 & 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0.4 & 0 & -0.3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_3 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.3 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_3 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -0.8 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0.8x_1 = 0$$

$$0.3x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$x_2 \text{ free}$$

$$x_3 = 0$$

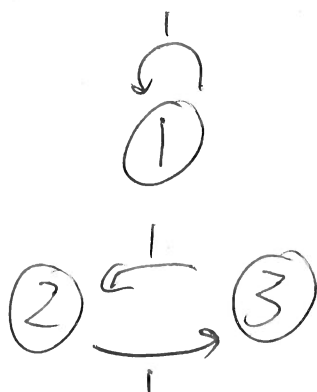
$$(d) x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow 0 + 0 + x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow$$

steady state vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

unique as only prob. vector sol'n to  $(A-I)x=0$

④

(a)



(b) Not regular as can't get to other states from state 1.

$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x_2 = x_3$$

$$x_1 \text{ free}$$

$$x_2 = x_3$$

$$x_3 \text{ free}$$

$$(d) x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow x_1 + x_3 + x_3 = x_1 + 2x_3 = 1$$

~~For one choice~~

$$x_1 = 1 - 2x_3$$

$$x_2 = x_3$$

$$x_3 \text{ free}$$

are all potential steady state vectors

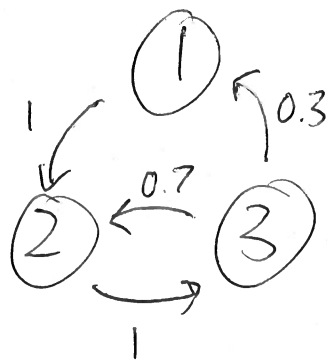
Letting  $x_3 = 0$  gives one result:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

not unique as other choices of  $x_3$  give other steady state vectors

(one example:  $x_3 = 0.5$  gives  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$ )

5 (a)



(b) •  $k$  needs to be at least 3 as you need 3 steps to return to state 1 from state 1.

•  $k \neq 3$  as no 3-step path from state 1 to state 3

•  $k \neq 4$  as no 4-step path from state 1 back to itself

•  $k = 5$  turns out to work, requires check or computer calculation

$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0.3 & | & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0.7 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0.3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_3 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3$$

$$\Leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0.3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X_1 = 0.3X_3 = \frac{3}{10}X_3$$

$$X_2 = X_3$$

$X_3$  free

$$(d) X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{10}X_3 + X_3 + X_3 = \frac{23}{10}X_3 = 1 \Rightarrow X_3 = \frac{10}{23}$$

$$\text{steady state vector: } \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{23} \\ \frac{10}{23} \\ \frac{10}{23} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ unique as regular}$$

T/F:

① True

② False,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has unique steady state vector  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  but vectors just oscillate & don't converge to it

③ False, see matrix 5 from previous section.

④ True

⑤ True

⑥ True

⑦ False,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  clearly not invertible as rows identical (& columns)

### Word Problem

~~ith result~~ ~~(i+1)th result~~ ~~win~~ Model as a Markov chain

<del>ith result</del> <del>(i+1)th result</del>	win	draw	loss
win	.7	.2	.2
draw	.15	.5	.7
loss	.15	.3	.1

||  
A

A regular, so will have a unique steady state vector that things converge to.

$$(A - I)x = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{aug}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.3 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0 \\ 0.15 & -0.5 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0.15 & 0.3 & -0.9 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_2$   
 $\checkmark R_3 \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1 + R_3$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.3 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.4 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4 & -0.8 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.3 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.4 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + \frac{1}{2}R_2}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -0.3 & 0.0 & 0.6 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.4 & 0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 0.3x_1 = 0.6x_3 \\ 0.4x_2 = 0.8x_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 2x_3 \\ x_2 = 2x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow 2x_3 + 2x_3 + x_3 = 5x_3 = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 = \frac{2}{5} \\ \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{2}{5} \\ x_3 = \frac{1}{5} \end{array}$$

The win/draw/loss percentages will ~~corresp~~ be 40%/40%/20% regardless of starting state. (~~Winning first game~~)

(Winning/losing their first game corresponds to starting states of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , respectively)