

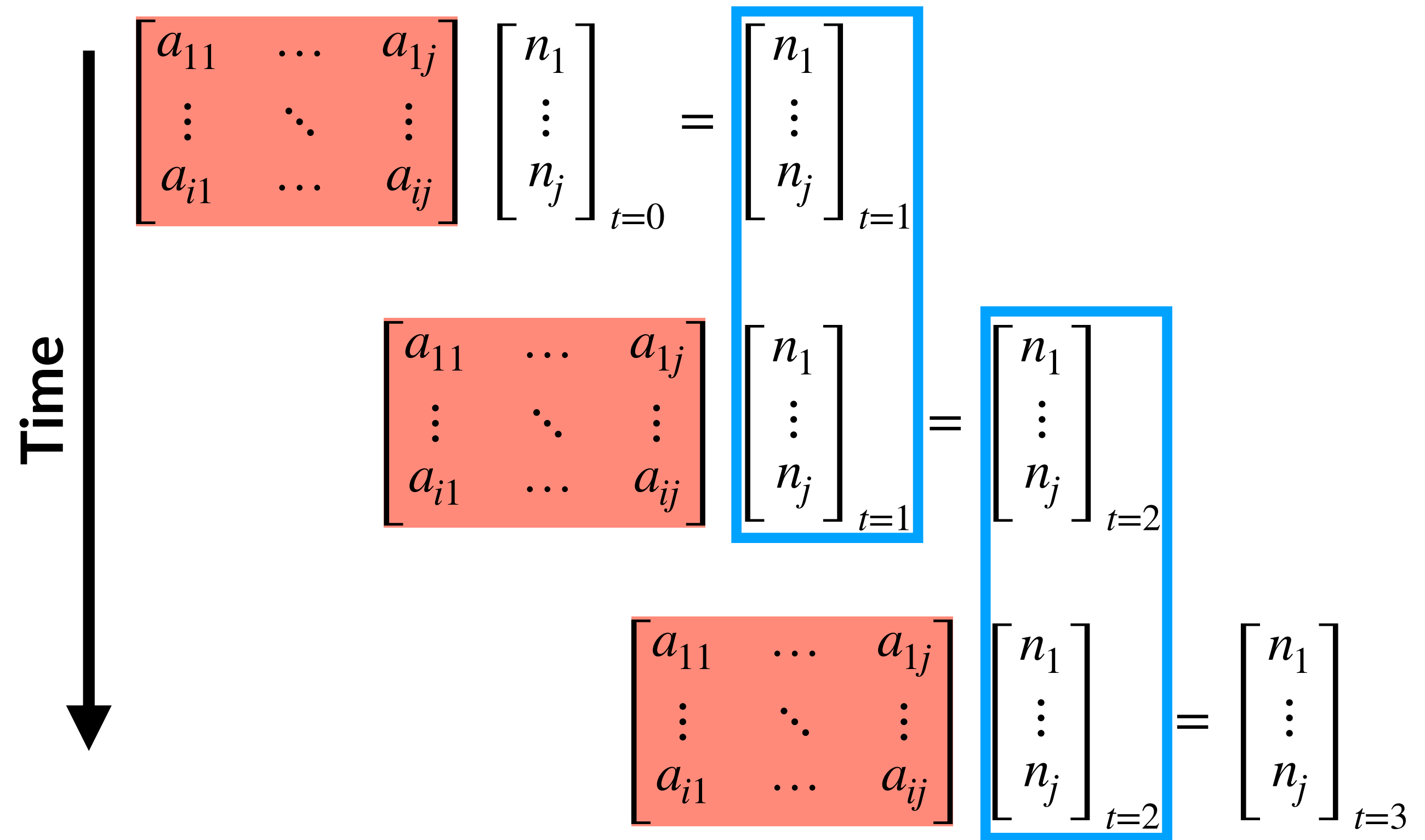
**Materials for today:**  
**<https://bit.ly/2Ti9gUM>**

# Stage structure in variable environments

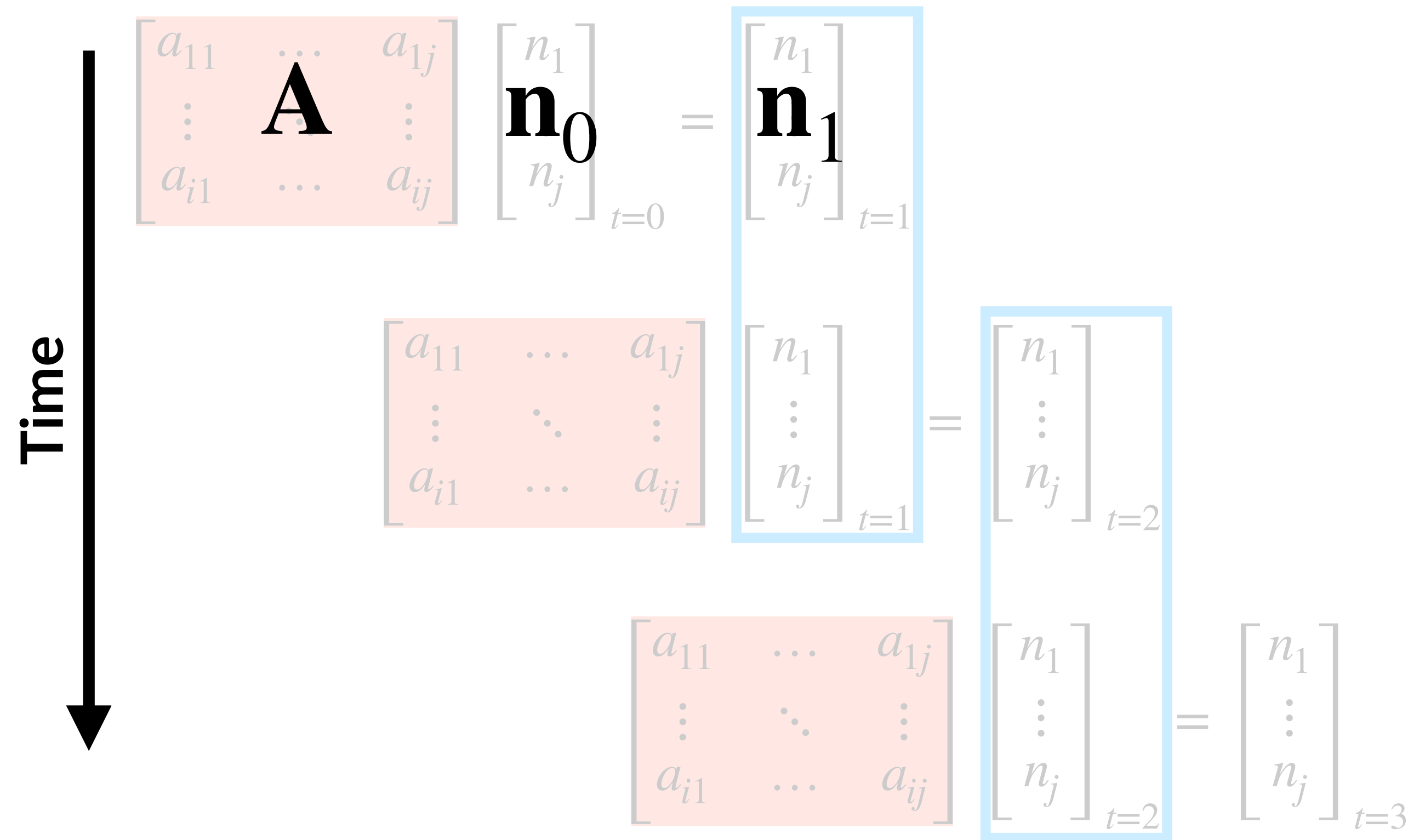
# Review: Projection in stable environments

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1j} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \dots & a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ \vdots \\ n_j \end{bmatrix}_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ \vdots \\ n_j \end{bmatrix}_{t=1}$$

# Review: Projection in stable environments



# Review: Projection in stable environments



# Review: Projection in stable environments

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_0$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_1$$

$$= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_t = \mathbf{A}\left(\dots(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{n}_0)\right)$$

**If you begin with certainties,  
you shall end in doubts,  
but if you will be content to begin with doubts,  
you shall end in certainties.**

—Francis Bacon  
(or Shakespeare?)

# Components of a stochastic population model

- **Demographic model:** Demographic rates under different environmental conditions
- **Environmental model:** A way of generating the sequence of environmental conditions through time



# A simple demographic model

Environment  $h$

$$\mathbf{A}_h = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 1.0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1.0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{high}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{low}}$$

Environment  $t$

$$\mathbf{A}_t = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 3.0 \\ 0.2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{low}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 3.0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{high}}$$

# A simple environmental model



**tails**



**heads**

**Let's generate a sequence...**

# Projection in stochastic environments

$$\mathbf{n}_1 = \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{n}_0$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2 = \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{n}_1$$

$$= \mathbf{A}_1 (\mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{n}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_t = \mathbf{A}_t \left( \dots (\mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{n}_0) \right)$$

# A simple environmental model



# A simple environmental model



Environment  $t+1$

Tails

Heads

Environment  $t$

Tails

Heads

Environment $t$	
Tails	Heads
Tails	
Heads	

# A simple environmental model



Environment  $t+1$

		Environment $t$	
		Tails	Heads
Tails		$1/2$	$1/2$
Heads		$1/2$	$1/2$

# Stochastic population growth, $\lambda_s$

Environment:



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Demography:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 3.0 \\ 0.2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 1.0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 0.83$$

$$\lambda = 0.56$$

[stochastic.R](#)





Extreme ice  
Ice  
Normal

## Assignment:

- Uploaded to EDOZ & GitHub by 17:00 today
- Due 20 March 2019 by 23:59
- Email to [william.petry@usys.ethz.ch](mailto:william.petry@usys.ethz.ch)

