

Multiplication Rule:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B | A) \quad \text{since} \quad P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

Similarly,

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times P(B | A) \times P(C | A \cap B)$$

$$\text{since} \quad P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \times \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(A \cap B)}$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C \cap D) = P(A) \times P(B | A) \times P(C | A \cap B) \times P(D | A \cap B \cap C)$$

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Furthermore,

$$P(A \cap B | C) = P(A | C) \times P(B | A \cap C)$$

$$\text{since} \quad \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(C)} = \frac{P(A \cap C)}{P(C)} \times \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(A \cap C)}$$

Law of Total Probability:

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B') = P(B) \times P(A | B) + P(B') \times P(A | B')$$

If  $B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_m = S$  and  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ ,

$$P(A) = P(B_1) \times P(A | B_1) + P(B_2) \times P(A | B_2) + \dots + P(B_m) \times P(A | B_m)$$

Similarly,

$$P(A | C) = P(B | C) \times P(A | B \cap C) + P(B' | C) \times P(A | B' \cap C)$$

If  $B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_m = S$  and  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ ,

$$P(A | C) = P(B_1 | C) \times P(A | B_1 \cap C) + P(B_2 | C) \times P(A | B_2 \cap C)$$

$$+ \dots + P(B_m | C) \times P(A | B_m \cap C)$$

**Markov Chain:**

$$X_0, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, X_n, X_{n+1}, \dots$$

$$P(X_{n+1}=x_{n+1} \mid X_n=x_n, X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, \dots, X_0=x_0) = P(X_{n+1}=x_{n+1} \mid X_n=x_n)$$

$$x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1} \in S - \text{state space}$$

$$P(X_{n+1}=x_{n+1} \mid X_n=x_n) - \text{transition probabilities}$$

stationary transition probabilities –  $P(X_{n+1}=x_{n+1} \mid X_n=x_n)$  does not depend on  $n$

$$P(x, y) = P^1(x, y) = P(X_1=y \mid X_0=x) = P(X_{n+1}=y \mid X_n=x)$$

$$\forall x \in S \quad \sum_{y \in S} P(x, y) = 1$$

$$P^n(x, y) = P(X_n=y \mid X_0=x) = P(X_{n+m}=y \mid X_m=x)$$

$$P^0(x, y) = P(X_0=y \mid X_0=x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x=y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

initial distribution

$$\pi_0(x) = P(X_0=x) \quad x \in S \quad \sum_{x \in S} \pi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\pi_n(x) = P(X_n=x) \quad x \in S \quad \sum_{x \in S} \pi_n(x) = 1$$

$$P(X_0=x_0, X_1=x_1) = \pi_0(x_0) \times P(x_0, x_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_0=x_0, X_1=x_1, \dots, X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, X_n=x_n) \\ = \pi_0(x_0) \times P(x_0, x_1) \times \dots \times P(x_{n-1}, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{n+m}=x_{n+m}, \dots, X_{n+1}=x_{n+1} \mid X_n=x_n, X_{n-1}=x_{n-1}, \dots, X_0=x_0) \\ = P(x_n, x_{n+1}) \times \dots \times P(x_{n+m-1}, x_{n+m}) \end{aligned}$$

Fact:  $P^2(x, y) = P(X_2 = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z \in S} P(x, z) \times P(z, y)$

Proof: Since  $\{X_2 = y\} = \bigcup_{z \in S} \{X_1 = z, X_2 = y\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P^2(x, y) &= P(X_2 = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z \in S} P(X_1 = z, X_2 = y \mid X_0 = x) \\ &= \sum_{z \in S} P(X_1 = z \mid X_0 = x) \times P(X_2 = y \mid X_1 = z, X_0 = x) \\ &= \sum_{z \in S} P(X_1 = z \mid X_0 = x) \times P(X_2 = y \mid X_1 = z) = \sum_{z \in S} P(x, z) \times P(z, y). \end{aligned}$$

$$P^{n+1}(x, y) = P(X_{n+1} = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z \in S} P(x, z) \times P^n(z, y)$$

$$P^{n+1}(x, y) = P(X_{n+1} = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z \in S} P^n(x, z) \times P(z, y)$$

$$P^{n+m}(x, y) = P(X_{n+m} = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z \in S} P^n(x, z) \times P^m(z, y)$$

$$P^3(x, y) = P(X_3 = y \mid X_0 = x) = \sum_{z_1 \in S} \sum_{z_2 \in S} P(x, z_1) \times P(z_1, z_2) \times P(z_2, y)$$

$$\pi_n(x) = P(X_n = x) = \sum_{y \in S} \pi_0(y) \times P^n(y, x)$$

$$\pi_{n+1}(x) = P(X_{n+1} = x) = \sum_{y \in S} \pi_n(y) \times P(y, x)$$

1. The winter weather in Central Illinois is not kind – there are never two nice days in a row. If there is a nice day, the next day would either have rain or snow with equal chance. If it rains on a given day, there is a 50% chance it would rain again the next day, a 25% chance it would snow, and a 25% chance the next day would be nice. If it snows on a given day, there is equal chance that it would rain, it would snow, or the day would be nice.

$$S = \{N, R, S\}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} P(N, N) = 0 & P(N, R) = \frac{1}{2} & P(N, S) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(R, N) = \frac{1}{4} & P(R, R) = \frac{1}{2} & P(R, S) = \frac{1}{4} \\ P(S, N) = \frac{1}{3} & P(S, R) = \frac{1}{3} & P(S, S) = \frac{1}{3} \end{array}$$

The weather forecast for Monday claims that there is a 50% chance it would be nice, 20% or rain, and 30% of snow.

$$\pi_0(N) = 0.50 \quad \pi_0(R) = 0.20 \quad \pi_0(S) = 0.30$$

- a) Find the probability that Monday would be nice, and it would rain on Tuesday.

$$P(X_0=N, X_1=R) = P(X_0=N) \times P(X_1=R | X_0=N) = 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} = \mathbf{0.25}.$$

- b) Find the probability that it would rain on Monday, nice on Tuesday, snow on Wednesday, snow again on Thursday, and nice on Friday.

$$P(X_0=R, X_1=N, X_2=S, X_3=S, X_4=N) = 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\mathbf{360}}$$

- c) Find the probability that it would be nice on Tuesday.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1=N) &= \pi_0(N) \times P(N, N) + \pi_0(R) \times P(R, N) + \pi_0(S) \times P(S, N) \\ &= 0.50 \times 0 + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} = \mathbf{0.15}. \end{aligned}$$

d) Find the probability that it would rain on Tuesday.

$$P(X_1 = R) = 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} = \mathbf{0.45}.$$

d  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Find the probability that it would snow on Tuesday.

$$P(X_1 = S) = 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} = \mathbf{0.40}. \quad \text{OR} \quad 1 - 0.15 - 0.45 = \mathbf{0.40}.$$

e) Find the probability that it would rain on Wednesday.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_2 = R) &= 0.50 \times 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{104}}{\mathbf{240}} = \frac{13}{30}. \end{aligned}$$

e  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) Find the probability that it would be nice on Wednesday.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_2 = N) &= 0.50 \times 0 \times 0 + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times 0 + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times 0 + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{59}}{\mathbf{240}}. \end{aligned}$$

e  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Find the probability that it would snow on Wednesday.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_2 = S) &= 0.50 \times 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.50 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.20 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &\quad + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + 0.30 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{77}}{\mathbf{240}}. \end{aligned}$$

e<sup>3/4</sup>) Given that it is nice on Monday, what is the probability it would be nice on Wednesday?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_2 = N \mid X_0 = N) &= P(X_2 = N, X_1 = N \mid X_0 = N) + P(X_2 = N, X_1 = R \mid X_0 = N) \\
 &\quad + P(X_2 = N, X_1 = S \mid X_0 = N) \\
 &= P(X_1 = N \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = N, X_0 = N) \\
 &\quad + P(X_1 = R \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = R, X_0 = N) \\
 &\quad + P(X_1 = S \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = S, X_0 = N) \\
 &= P(X_1 = N \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = N) + P(X_1 = R \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = R) \\
 &\quad + P(X_1 = S \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = N \mid X_1 = S) \\
 &= P(N, N) \times P(N, N) + P(N, R) \times P(R, N) + P(N, S) \times P(S, N) \\
 &= 0 \times 0 + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{21}}{\mathbf{72}} = \frac{7}{24}.
 \end{aligned}$$

f) Given that it is nice on Monday, what is the probability it would snow on Wednesday?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_1 = N \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = S \mid X_1 = N) &+ P(X_1 = R \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = S \mid X_1 = R) \\
 &+ P(X_1 = S \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = S \mid X_1 = S) \\
 &= P(N, N) \times P(N, S) + P(N, R) \times P(R, S) + P(N, S) \times P(S, S) \\
 &= 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{21}}{\mathbf{72}} = \frac{7}{24}.
 \end{aligned}$$

f<sup>1/4</sup>) Given that it is nice on Monday, what is the probability it would rain on Wednesday?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_1 = N \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = R \mid X_1 = N) &+ P(X_1 = R \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = R \mid X_1 = R) \\
 &+ P(X_1 = S \mid X_0 = N) \times P(X_2 = R \mid X_1 = S) \\
 &= P(N, N) \times P(N, R) + P(N, R) \times P(R, R) + P(N, S) \times P(S, R) \\
 &= 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\mathbf{30}}{\mathbf{72}} = \frac{10}{24}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- g) Given that it rains on Monday, what is the probability it would be nice on Wednesday?

$$P(R, N) \times P(N, N) + P(R, R) \times P(R, N) + P(R, S) \times P(S, N) \\ = \frac{1}{4} \times 0 + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{15}{72} = \frac{5}{24}.$$

- g <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) Given that it rains on Monday, what is the probability it would rain on Wednesday?

$$P(R, N) \times P(N, R) + P(R, R) \times P(R, R) + P(R, S) \times P(S, R) \\ = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{33}{72} = \frac{11}{24}.$$

- g <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) Given that it rains on Monday, what is the probability it would snow on Wednesday?

$$P(R, N) \times P(N, S) + P(R, R) \times P(R, S) + P(R, S) \times P(S, S) \\ = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{24}{72} = \frac{8}{24}.$$

- h) Given that it snows on Monday, what is the probability it would rain on Wednesday?

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{32}{72} = \frac{16}{36}.$$

- h <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) Given that it snows on Monday, what is the probability it would be nice on Wednesday?

$$\frac{1}{3} \times 0 + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{14}{72} = \frac{7}{36}.$$

- h <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) Given that it snows on Monday, what is the probability it would snow on Wednesday?

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{26}{72} = \frac{13}{36}.$$

Suppose  $S = \{ 0, 1, \dots, d \}$ .

The transition matrix

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \vdots \\ i \\ \vdots \\ d \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & j & \dots & d \\ P(0,0) & \dots & P(0,j) & \dots & P(0,d) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ P(i,0) & \dots & P(i,j) & \dots & P(i,d) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ P(d,0) & \dots & P(d,j) & \dots & P(d,d) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{ij} = P(i,j) = P^1(i,j) = P(X_1=j | X_0=i)$$

$$[\mathbf{P}^n]_{ij} = P^n(i,j) = P(X_n=j | X_0=i)$$

$$P^2(x,y) = P(X_2=y | X_0=x) = \sum_{z \in S} P(x,z) \times P(z,y)$$

$$P^{n+m}(x,y) = P(X_{n+m}=y | X_0=x) = \sum_{z \in S} P^n(x,z) \times P^m(z,y)$$

The initial distribution

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_0 = [ \pi_0(0) \dots \pi_0(i) \dots \pi_0(d) ] = [ P(X_0=0) \dots P(X_0=i) \dots P(X_0=d) ]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_n = [ \pi_n(0) \dots \pi_n(i) \dots \pi_n(d) ] = [ P(X_n=0) \dots P(X_n=i) \dots P(X_n=d) ]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_n = \boldsymbol{\pi}_0 \times \mathbf{P}^n \qquad \pi_n(x) = P(X_n=x) = \sum_{y \in S} \pi_0(y) \times P^n(y,x)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_{n+1} = \boldsymbol{\pi}_n \times \mathbf{P} \qquad \pi_{n+1}(x) = P(X_{n+1}=x) = \sum_{y \in S} \pi_n(y) \times P(y,x)$$



Consider the transition matrix

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 & \text{N} & \text{R} & \text{S} \\
 \text{N} & \begin{bmatrix} \text{P(N,N)} & \text{P(N,R)} & \text{P(N,S)} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{R} & \begin{bmatrix} \text{P(R,N)} & \text{P(R,R)} & \text{P(R,S)} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{S} & \begin{bmatrix} \text{P(S,N)} & \text{P(S,R)} & \text{P(S,S)} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\
 \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\
 \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3}
 \end{bmatrix}
 = \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{P}^2 = \mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{21}{72} & \frac{30}{72} & \frac{21}{72} \\ \frac{15}{72} & \frac{33}{72} & \frac{24}{72} \\ \frac{14}{72} & \frac{32}{72} & \frac{26}{72} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \boldsymbol{\pi}_0 &= [ \pi_0(\text{N}) \quad \pi_0(\text{R}) \quad \pi_0(\text{S}) ] = [ \text{P}(\text{X}_0=\text{N}) \quad \text{P}(\text{X}_0=\text{R}) \quad \text{P}(\text{X}_0=\text{S}) ] \\
 &= [ 0.50 \quad 0.20 \quad 0.30 ]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_n = [ \pi_n(\text{N}) \quad \pi_n(\text{R}) \quad \pi_n(\text{S}) ] = [ \text{P}(\text{X}_n=\text{N}) \quad \text{P}(\text{X}_n=\text{R}) \quad \text{P}(\text{X}_n=\text{S}) ]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_1 = \boldsymbol{\pi}_0 \times \mathbf{P} = [ 0.50 \quad 0.20 \quad 0.30 ] \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} = [ 0.15 \quad 0.45 \quad 0.40 ]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_2 = \boldsymbol{\pi}_0 \times \mathbf{P}^2 = [ 0.50 \quad 0.20 \quad 0.30 ] \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{21}{72} & \frac{30}{72} & \frac{21}{72} \\ \frac{15}{72} & \frac{33}{72} & \frac{24}{72} \\ \frac{14}{72} & \frac{32}{72} & \frac{26}{72} \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \frac{59}{240} \quad \frac{104}{240} \quad \frac{77}{240} \right]$$

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