

# DATA 468 Homework 4

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Electric bikes on the campus move between stations A, B and C according to a Time homogeneous Markov chain with the following transition probability matrix P. Where  $S=\{A,B,C\}=\{1,2,3\}$  and initial probability distribution is  $\pi^{(0)}=[0.5 \ 0.25 \ 0.25]$

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.05 & 0.35 \\ 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Q1. Find the following probabilities

- a).  $P(X_1=A|X_0=C)$
- b).  $P(X_{73}=A|X_{72}=C)$
- c).  $P(X_{73}=A|X_{72}=C, X_{51}=B)$
- d).  $P(X_1=B)$
- e).  $P(X_2=B, X_1=A, X_0=A)$

$$a. \pi^{(0)} = [0.5, 0.25, 0.25]$$

$$S = \{A, B, C\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$P(X_1=A|X_0=C) = P_{31} = 0.7$$

$$b. P(X_{73}=A|X_{72}=C) = P_{31} = 0.7$$

$$c. P(X_{73}=A|X_{72}=C, X_{51}=B)$$

$$= P(X_{73}=A|X_{72}=C)$$

$$= P_{31} = 0.7$$

$$d. \pi(w) = [0.5 \ 0.25 \ 0.25]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(i) &= \pi(w) \cdot P \\ &= [0.5 \ 0.25 \ 0.25] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.05 & 0.35 \\ 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= [0.375, 0.2625, 0.3625]$$

$$P(X_1=B) = 0.2625$$

$$e. P(X_0=A) = 0.5$$

$$P(X_1=A | X_0=A) = P_{11} = 0.1$$

$$P(X_2=B | X_1=A) = P_{12} = 0.4$$

$$P(X_2=B, X_1=A, X_0=A)$$

$$= P(X_0=A) \cdot P(X_1=A | X_0=A) \cdot P(X_2=B | X_1=A)$$

$$= 0.5 \times 0.1 \times 0.4$$

$$= 0.02$$