

1. Show that $R = QP$ is stochastic if Q and P are both stochastic.

Each element of R is $r_{ij} = \sum_k q_{ik} p_{kj}$

Since $q_{ik} \geq 0$ and $p_{kj} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{r_{ij} \geq 0}$

Also, sum over row i of R is:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j r_{ij} &= \sum_j \sum_k q_{ik} p_{kj} = \sum_k q_{ik} \sum_j p_{kj} \\ &= \sum_k q_{ik} (1) = \boxed{1 = \sum_j r_{ij}} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_j p_{kj} = 1$ and $\sum_k q_{ik} = 1$ (Rows sum to 1).

Conclude: R is stochastic.

Now for P stochastic $\Rightarrow P^n$ stochastic. $n \geq 1$

True for $n=1$ by assumption.

Induction proof for $n \geq 2$:

Initial step ($n=2$):

$P^2 = P \cdot P$, so apply previous with $Q = P$.

Induction ($n \geq 3$):

Assume P^n stochastic, show P^{n+1} stochastic.

$P^{n+1} = P^n \cdot P$ apply above with $Q = P^n$
 $\Rightarrow P^{n+1}$ stochastic

Conclude: P stochastic $\Rightarrow P^n$ stochastic
 for $n \geq 1$.

$$2. \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \pi(0) = [0.1 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.4]$$

$$e = [0.2 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.8]$$

$$\pi(n) = \pi(n-1)P \quad \text{Pr}[\text{emission at time } n] = \pi(n)e^T$$

Use Matlab.

$$\pi(1) = \pi(0)P = [0.25 \quad 0.14 \quad 0.61]$$

$$\text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = \pi(1)e^T = 0.608$$

$$\pi(2) = \pi(1)P = \pi(0)P^2 = [0.319 \quad 0.128 \quad 0.553]$$

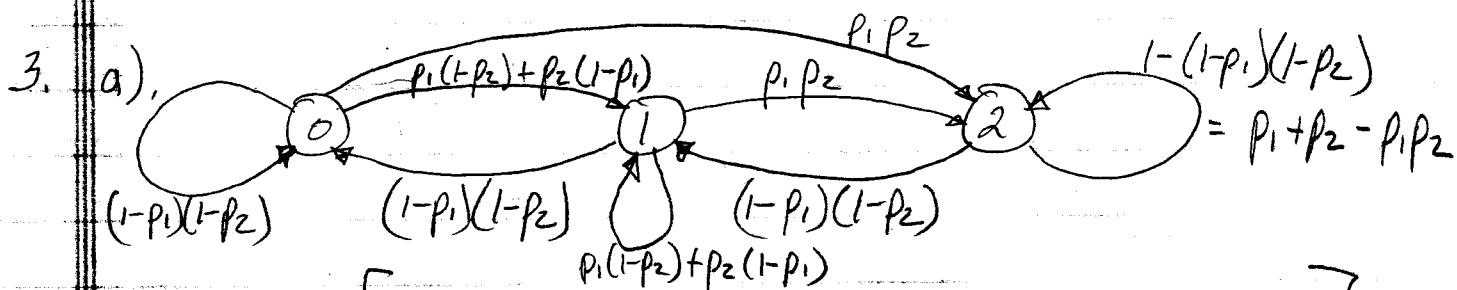
$$\text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = \pi(2)e^T = 0.5702$$

$$\pi(3) = [0.2893 \quad 0.1532 \quad 0.5575] \quad \text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = 0.5805$$

$$\pi(4) = [0.2941 \quad 0.1464 \quad 0.5596] \quad \text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = 0.5797$$

$$\pi(5) = [0.2944 \quad 0.1469 \quad 0.5587] \quad \text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = 0.5793$$

$$\pi(100) = [0.2941 \quad 0.1471 \quad 0.5588] \quad \text{Pr}[\text{emit}] = 0.5794$$



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} (1-p_1)(1-p_2) & p_1(1-p_2) + p_2(1-p_1) & p_1 p_2 \\ (1-p_1)(1-p_2) & p_1(1-p_2) + p_2(1-p_1) & p_1 p_2 \\ 0 & (1-p_1)(1-p_2) & 1 - (1-p_1)(1-p_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

b). 2 at time t , less 1 departure leaves 1 in buffer. So there would have to be 2 arrivals.

$$\text{Prob} = p_1 p_2$$

c) 3 possible paths: $0 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2$ or $0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 2$ or $0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob} &= p_1 p_2 [1 - (1-p_1)(1-p_2)] + [(1-p_1)(1-p_2)] p_1 p_2 + [p_1(1-p_2) + p_2(1-p_1)] p_1 p_2 \\ &= p_1 p_2 [1 + p_1(1-p_2) + p_2(1-p_1)] = p_1 p_2 [1 + p_1 + p_2 - 2p_1 p_2] \end{aligned}$$

$$4. \Pr[X(n)=i, X(n+m+l)=j] \\ = \sum_k \Pr[X(n)=i, X(n+m)=k, X(n+m+l)=j].$$

$$\text{LHS} = \Pr[X(n)=i] \cdot \Pr[X(n+m+l)=j \mid X(n)=i] \\ = \pi_i(n) p_{ij}(m+l).$$

From conditional prob chain rule,

$$\text{RHS} = \sum_k \Pr[X(n)=i] \cdot \Pr[X(n+m)=k \mid X(n)=i] \cdot \Pr[X(n+m+l)=j \mid X(n+m)=k, X(n)=i].$$

By Markov property, last prob. is equal to $\Pr[X(n+m+l)=j \mid X(n+m)=k]$.

so,

$$\text{RHS} = \sum_k \pi_i(n) \cdot p_{ik}(m) \cdot p_{kj}(l).$$

$$\text{So, } \pi_i(n) p_{ij}(m+l) = \sum_k \pi_i(n) p_{ik}(m) p_{kj}(l).$$

$$\text{or } p_{ij}(m+l) = \sum_k p_{ik}(m) p_{kj}(l).$$

5. Let π be sol'n to $\pi = \pi P$ and let $\pi(0) = \pi$

$$\text{Then } \pi(1) = \pi(0)P = \pi(0) = \pi$$

$$\pi(2) = \pi(1)P = \pi(0)P = \pi(0) = \pi$$

$\vdots$

so $\pi(n) = \pi \quad \forall n \Rightarrow$ marginal pmf is constant.

From previous C-K derivation (previous problem)

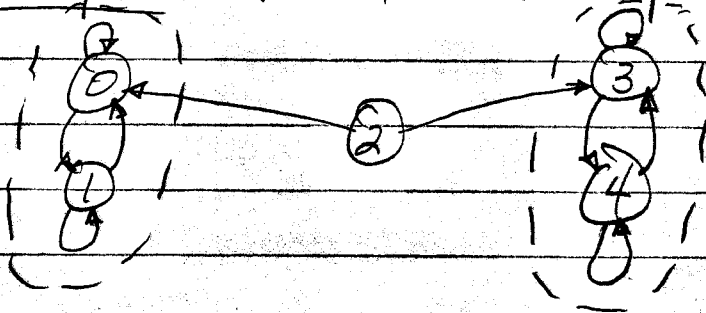
$$\Pr[X(n)=i, X(n+m)=k, X(n+m+l)=j]$$

$$= \pi_i(n) p_{ik}(m) p_{kj}(l) = \pi_i \cdot p_{ik}(m) p_{kj}(l)$$

which depends only on time differences m & l .

6. In terms of state diagrams, if you can draw the state diagram in such a way that some subset of states can be encircled with no transitions leaving this subset, then the subset is absorbing and the DTMC is not irreducible.

Example: (all transition probs are 0.5).



Two sets of absorbing states.

7. Assume $p_{ii} > 0$ for some i .

Then, regardless of the partition, state i must be in one of the subsets - call the subset containing state i S_j . Since state i is reachable, $\Pr[X(n+1) \in S_j \mid X(n) \in S_j] > 0$ and so the prob. of transitioning from S_j to any other subset must be strictly < 1.0 and the chain cannot be periodic.

5. To show that a finite-state, irreducible DTMC is recurrent, consider arbitrary state i and consider the partition $S_0 = \{i\}$ and $S_1 = \{\text{all other states}\}$. Then $\Pr[\text{never return to } i] = \Pr[\text{transition to } S_1 \text{ at first step}] \cdot \Pr[\text{stay in } S_1 \text{ forever}]$. But $\Pr[\text{stay in } S_1 \text{ forever}] = 0$ because (from irreducible) the prob. of transitioning from every state in S_1 to state i must be non-zero in some finite number of steps. Finite size of S_1 ensures $\mu_i < \infty$ (proof not given).