

For a Markov chain, $P(X_{n+1}=j | \text{past})$ depends only on the state the process was in at time

$t=n$, not on $t < n$. So

$$P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i, X_{n-1}=i_{n-1}, X_{n-2}=i_{n-2}, \dots, X_1=i_1, X_0=i_0) \stackrel{\text{Markov Property}}{=} P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i) = P_{ij}$$

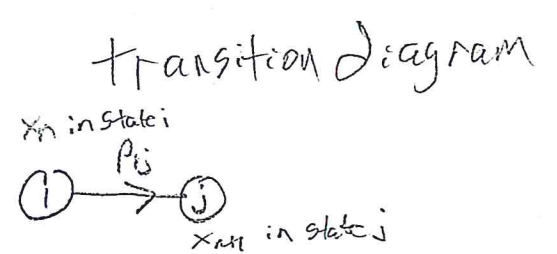
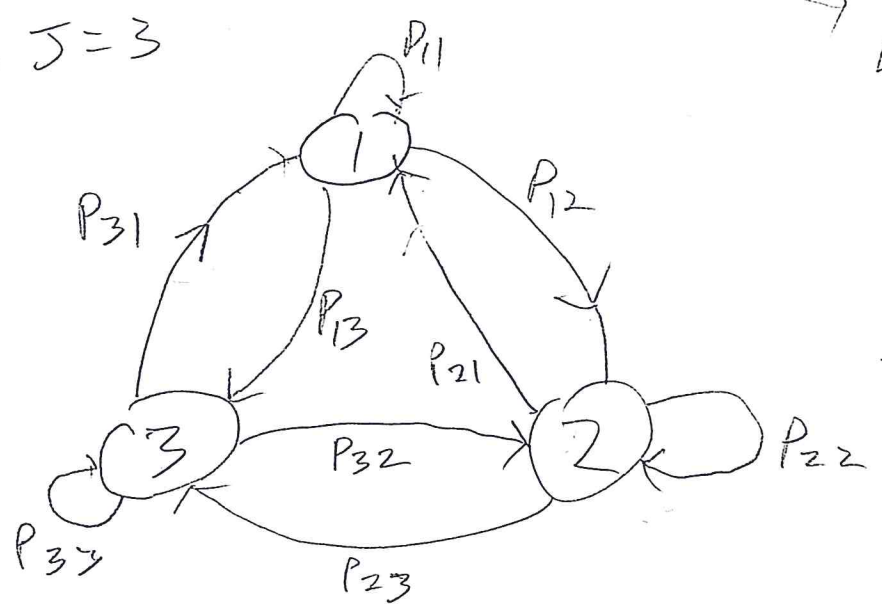
1) p183-184 The transition probability $P_{ij} = P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i)$

The transition probability matrix $IP = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & \dots & P_{1j} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & \dots & P_{2j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ P_{j1} & P_{j2} & \dots & P_{jj} \end{bmatrix}$

X_n in state i for i th row

X_{n+1} in state j for j th column

ex) $J=3$



2) p184 The sum of probs in any row of IP is

Interpretation!

$$\sum_{j=1}^J P_{ij} = 1 \text{ for row } i=1, \dots, J. \text{ Given } X_n=i,$$

then X_{n+1} will be in state $j \in \{1, \dots, J\}$ with prob 1,

$$P_{ij} = \frac{1}{n+1} \dots$$

Let $IP^n = \underbrace{IP \dots IP}_{\text{multiply } n \text{ times}}$. Then $IP^n = [P_{ij}^n]$ so P_{ij}^n is

the ij th entry of IP^n . $P_{ij}^n = \text{prob that a process in state } i \text{ will be in state } j \text{ after } n \text{ additional transitions.}$

$$IP^{n+m} = IP^n IP^m \quad \text{Chapman-Kolmogorov equation}$$

§4.3 14} p194 state j is accessible from state i

if $P_{ij}^n > 0$ for some $n \geq 0$. State j is accessible from state i , iff, starting in state i , it is possible that the process will ever enter state j in a finite # of steps.

15} p195 Two states i and j that are accessible to each other communicate, written $i \leftrightarrow j$.

16} $P_{ii}^0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P(X_0 = i \mid X_0 = i) = 1$
take $n=0$

17} p195 i) state i communicates with state j , $i=1, \dots, J$

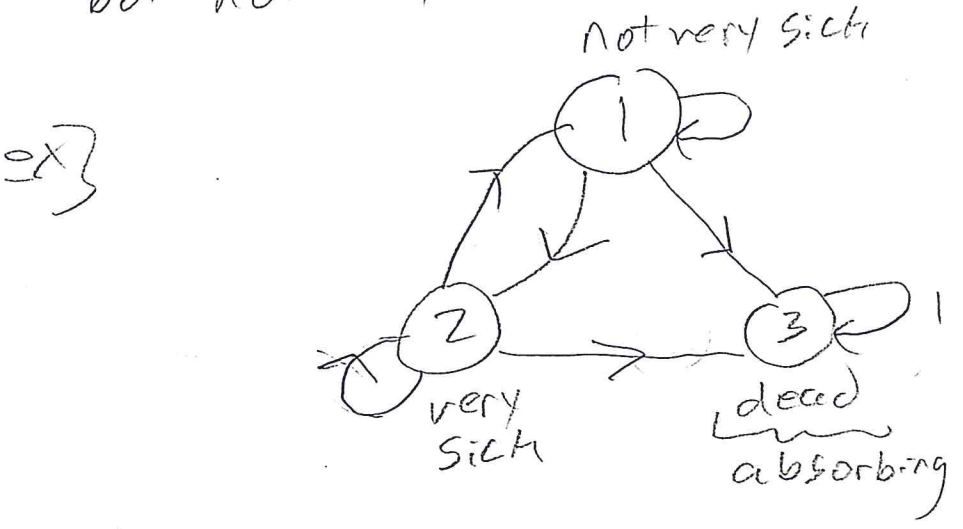
ii) If state i communicates with state j , then state j

ii) If state i and state j then state i

other form an equivalence class. A Markov Chain is irreducible if there is only one class, so all states communicate with each other.

19} p196 For state i , let r_i denote the prob, starting in state i , that the process will ever reenter state i .
 state i is recurrent if $r_i = 1$ and transient if $r_i < 1$. State i is absorbing if $P_{ii} = 1$. Once in an absorbing state, the Markov chain stays in that state for all subsequent time periods.

20} An absorbing state is recurrent with $r_i = 1$, but not all recurrent states are absorbing.



20} In IP, an absorbing state has $P_{ii} = 1$, and all other entries $P_{ij} = 0$ in the i th row.

21} p196 A recurrent state will be revisited

^{infinitely often as $n \rightarrow \infty$ if transient \Rightarrow it is not}
 Certain to be revisited and will be visited only (975)
 a finite # of times. Starting in a transient state
 i , the # of time periods N the process will be in
 state i , including the initial time, has a geometric
 dist with finite mean $E(N) = \frac{1}{1-r_i}$.

22} For an irreducible Markov chain with J states,
 all states are recurrent.

23} P(97) If state i is recurrent and $i \leftrightarrow j$, then state j is recurrent
 transient transient

24} state i is recurrent if $E(N) = \infty$
 transient $E(N) < \infty$.

ex}
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

state 3 is absorbing, $1 \leftrightarrow 2$, $1 \nleftrightarrow 3$, $2 \nleftrightarrow 3$

$\{1, 2\}$ and $\{3\}$ are 2 classes, so P is not
 irreducible.

ex}
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0.001 & 0.999 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is irreducible

with class $\{1, 2, 3\}$.

25) one recurrent state in order for the process to continue for an indefinite length of time.

4) Keep, part, and store

26) * Let $\underline{\pi}_n = (\pi_{1n}, \dots, \pi_{jn})$ represent the probabilities of being in states 1 to j at time n .

Let $\underline{\pi}_0 = (\pi_{10}, \dots, \pi_{j0})$ where $\pi_{i0} = P(X_0 = i) =$

$P(\text{process is in state } i \text{ at the start})$, Note $\pi_{in} = P(X_n = i)$ for $i=1, \dots, j$.

ex) $\underline{\pi}_0 = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ if process is certain

to be in state j at time $n=0$.

Then $\underline{\pi}_n$ is the state vector at time n , and

$$\underline{\pi}_n = \underline{\pi}_0 P^n = \underline{\pi}_1 P^{n-1} = \underline{\pi}_2 P^{n-2} = \dots = \underline{\pi}_{n-1} P.$$

$\underline{\pi}_{n+1} = \underline{\pi}_n P$. Note that the $\underline{\pi}_j$ are row vectors, $j \geq 0$.

$\underline{\pi}_0$ is the initial distribution of the Markov chain.

27) * For a nonhomogeneous Markov chain,

the matrix of transition probabilities $P^{(k)} = P_k$

depends on the k th step of the process. Then

$\underline{\pi}_n =$ state vector at time n satisfies

π_1 π_0 π π
 π_1 π_0 $P^{(1)}$ $P^{(2)}$ \dots $P^{(n)}$
 These need to be given.

(58.5)

Note that $P^n \neq P^{(n)}$

28) Typically the initial distr $\underline{\pi}_0 = (\pi_{10}, \dots, \pi_{j0})$

is given, OR you are told the chain is in state j so $\underline{\pi}_0 = (0, \dots, 0, \underset{j}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$.

ex) $P^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .4 \\ .7 & .3 \end{bmatrix}$, $P^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 \\ .8 & .2 \end{bmatrix}$.

If the process begins in state 2, what is the prob the process will be in state 1 after 2 steps.

Soln $\underline{\pi}_0 = (0, 1)$ and $\underline{\pi}_2 = (\pi_{12}, \pi_{22})$, want

π_{12} . Now $\underline{\pi}_2 = \underline{\pi}_0 P^{(1)} P^{(2)} =$

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .4 \\ .7 & .3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 \\ .8 & .2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 \\ .8 & .2 \end{bmatrix} =$

$\begin{bmatrix} .35 + .24 & .35 + .06 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .59 & .41 \end{bmatrix}$. So $\pi_{12} = \boxed{0.59}$.

for a multistate model with states Healthy (0), Disabled (1), and Dead (2), for $k=0,1$, transition prob matrix is

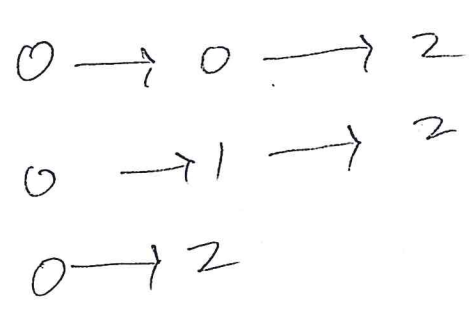
$P_{x+k}^{00} = 0.7$
 $P_{x+k}^{01} = 0.2$
 $P_{x+k}^{10} = 0.1$
 $P_{x+k}^{12} = 0.25$

OR

$$\begin{matrix} & & & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.65 & 0.25 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & & & &
 \end{matrix}$$

There are 100 lives at the start, all healthy. (for each life). The future states are independent. Calculate the variance of the number of the original 100 lives who die within the first 2 years.

Soln } ways to go from (0) to (2) in 2 years



prob.

$.7(.1) = .07$
 $.2(.25) = .05$
 $.1$

 0.22

\uparrow initial
 \uparrow year 1
 \uparrow year 2

Let $X = \#$ who die in 2 years.

$X \sim b.n (n=100, p=0.22)$

$V(X) = nP(1-P) = 100(0.22)(0.78) = 17.16$

You could also find $\pi_2 = \frac{10}{100} = 0.1$ to get 0.22, ex} A certain species of flower has 3 states!

sustainable, endangered, and extinct, Transitions between states are modeled as a nonhomogeneous Markov chain with transition probability matrices

$$P_0 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} & \text{endangered} & \text{extinct} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} \\ \text{endangered} \\ \text{extinct} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.85 & 0.15 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Start in endangered.
For 1st transition, can only go to endangered or extinct

$$P_1 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} & \text{endangered} & \text{extinct} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} \\ \text{endangered} \\ \text{extinct} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

For 2nd transition, if in endangered, can't get to extinct if state becomes sustainable, but can also go to extinct or endangered.

$$P_2 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} & \text{endangered} & \text{extinct} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} \\ \text{endangered} \\ \text{extinct} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.95 & 0.05 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0.7 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

For 3rd transition: if in endangered, can only get to extinct in 1 way,

$$P_n = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} & \text{endangered} & \text{extinct} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{sustainable} \\ \text{endangered} \\ \text{extinct} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.95 & 0.05 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}, n = 3, 4, 5, \dots$$

After 3rd transition, can't go extinct if sustainable or endangered.

Calculate the prob that a species endangered at time 0 will ever become extinct.

soln} The flower needs to go extinct in the 1st 3 transitions.

$$\pi_3 = \pi_0 \quad Q_0 \quad Q_1 \quad Q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.85 & .15 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & .3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_1 \quad Q_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.7 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x \\ 0.1 & 0.7 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_2 =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.07 & 0.49 & 0.44 \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ .7(.1) & .7(.7) & .7(.2) + .3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .05 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0.7 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} .07(.95) + .49(.2) & .07(.05) + .49(.7) & 0 + .49(.1) + .44 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.1645 & 0.3465 & 0.4890 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑
only need this

So 0.4890

OR look at paths to extinct starting in End at $n=0$ ^{angered}
Prob

Ext 0.3

End → Ext .7(.2) = 0.14

End → End → Ext .7(.7) .1 = 0.049

$n=0$
transition 1 2 3

0.489

21) For a homogeneous Markov chain, could have $IP^n \rightarrow IP^\infty$ or could have 60's

IP^n periodic so IP^n takes on $K \geq 2$ matrices and does not converge. For an irreducible Markov chain, $IP^n \rightarrow IP^\infty$.

30) Let $C = IP^\infty$. Then $CC = C^2 = C$:

C is idempotent.

31) p220 If the homogeneous irreducible Markov chain is not periodic, then it is aperiodic and the limiting probability that the chain will be in state j is $\pi_{j,\infty} =$ long run proportion of time the chain is in state j .

$\underline{\pi}_\infty = (\pi_{1,\infty} \quad \pi_{2,\infty} \quad \dots \quad \pi_{j,\infty})$. Also $\underline{\pi}_\infty$ does not depend on the initial state x_0 of the chain.

$$\pi_{i,\infty} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n = i) \quad i=1, \dots, J, \text{ and } \underline{\pi}_\infty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underline{\pi}_n.$$

Recall $\underline{\pi}_n = (\pi_{1n}, \dots, \pi_{Jn})$ where $\pi_{in} = P(X_n = i)$.