

# MATH 4740 HW3 Solution

Textbook Exercise:

1.13 (a)

$$P^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.44 & 0.56 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.64 & 0.36 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b).  $P$  is irreducible, so we have a unique  $\pi$  to it:

$$\pi \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0.1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0.6 & 1 \\ 0.8 & 0.2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi = \left[ \frac{4}{15} \ \frac{7}{30} \ \frac{1}{6} \ \frac{2}{3} \right].$$

$P^2$  is not irreducible:  $\{1, 2\}$   $\{3, 4\}$  are two communicating classes with a stationary distribution each:

$$P^2 = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \pi_1 P_1 = \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 P_2 = \pi_2 \end{array}$$

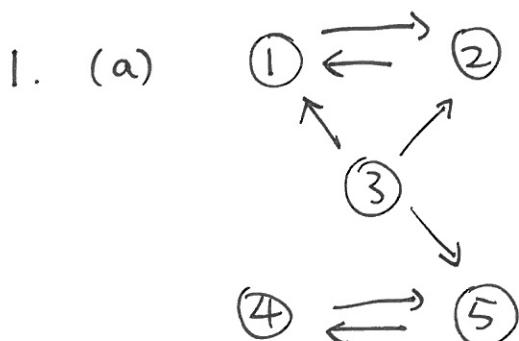
$$\text{where } \pi_1 = \left[ \frac{b}{a+b} \ \frac{a}{a+b} \right] = \left[ \frac{8}{15} \ \frac{7}{15} \right]$$

$$\pi_2 = \left[ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{2}{3} \right]$$

$$\text{Hence } \pi = \alpha \left[ \frac{8}{15} \ \frac{7}{15} \ 0 \ 0 \right] + (1-\alpha) \left[ 0 \ 0 \ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{2}{3} \right], (\alpha \in [0, 1])$$

$$(C) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^{2n}(x, x) = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{15} & x=1 \\ \frac{7}{15} & x=2 \\ \frac{1}{3} & x=3 \\ \frac{2}{3} & x=4 \end{cases} \quad \text{by Main Convergence Thm}$$

Additional Problems :



two communicating classes:

$$\{1, 2\} \quad \{4, 5\}$$

are recurrent sets.

$$\text{so let } P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \pi_1 = \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0 0 0 \right)$$

$$P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \pi_2 = \left( 0 0 0 \frac{1}{3} \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$(b). \left\{ \alpha \pi_1 + (1-\alpha) \pi_2 \right\}. \quad (\alpha \in [0, 1]).$$

$$(c). \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu P^n = \left( \frac{a+b+0.4c}{2} \quad \frac{a+b+0.4c}{2} \quad 0 \quad \frac{0.6c+d+e}{3} \quad \frac{2(0.6c+d+e)}{3} \right)$$

with  $p_{a+b} \rightarrow$  If starting from state 1 or 2, it will converge to  $\pi_1$ ,

with  $p_{e+d} \rightarrow$  If starting from state 4 or 5, it will converge to  $\pi_2$ .

with  $p_c \rightarrow$  If starting from state 3, it has  $\frac{0.4}{0.3+0.1+0.6}$  chance that

it will end up in  $\{1, 2\}$ , and  $\frac{0.6}{1}$  chance to  $\{4, 5\}$

(d) State 3 is still transient (0.1 will vanish).

So communicating classes of recurrent states ~~are~~ remain the same.

If starting from state 3, it will end up in  $\{1, 2\}$

$$\text{w.p. } \frac{0.3}{0.3+0.6} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and in } \{4, 5\} \text{ w.p. } \frac{0.6}{0.3+0.6} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

So now the stationary limit is given by:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi P^n = \left( \frac{ab + \frac{1}{3}c}{2} \quad \frac{ab + \frac{1}{3}c}{2} \quad 0 \quad \frac{d+e + \frac{2}{3}c}{3} \quad \frac{2(d+e + \frac{2}{3}c)}{3} \right)$$

## 2. Proof.

Notice that  $P^\infty p = p^\infty$ . ( $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^{n+1} p = p^\infty$ )

Consider  $p^\infty = \begin{pmatrix} -p_1 - \\ -p_2 - \\ \vdots \\ -p_n - \end{pmatrix}$  as a vector of rows,

then  $p_i p = p_i \quad \forall i$  implying that  $p_i = \pi_i \quad \forall i$

by definition of stationary distribution.