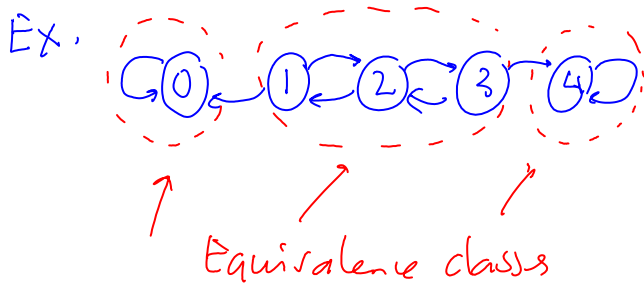
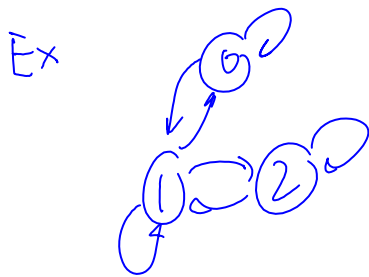


Make-up class on Dec. 9? ( $12^{30} - 3^{30}$ )



$$\begin{matrix}
 & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\
 \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ x & & x & & \\ & x & & x & \\ & & x & & x \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{matrix}$$

Def. If a MC has all its states belonging to one equivalence class (Good Property) it is said to be irreducible; i.e., if all states communicate



Irreducible

Ex.  $(S, S)$  Inv.  
1, 3

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} x & x & x & x \\ x & x & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & x & 0 \\ x & x & x & x \end{pmatrix}
 \end{matrix}$$

Maple worksheet

<http://profs.degroote.mcmaster.ca/ads/parlar/courses/Q771/ChapterComments/documents/Irreducibility-Algorithm.pdf>

<http://profs.degroote.mcmaster.ca/ads/parlar/courses/Q771/ChapterComments/Reducible-MC-Simpler-N10.mw>

## (i) Periodicity

Def. The period of a state  $i$ ,  $d(i)$ , is g.c.d.



$$d(3) = 2$$

Theorem Periodicity is a class property, i.e., if state  $i$  has period  $d(i)$  and  $i \leftrightarrow j$ , then  $d(i) = d(j)$ .

### (ii) Recurrence

let  $T_{ij} = \min \{n : X_n = j \mid X_0 = i\}$  FPT

$$f_{ii}^{(n)} = \Pr \{ \text{first transition into } i \text{ at } n \mid \text{start in } i \}$$

$$f_{ii}^{(0)} = 0$$

$$f_{ii}^{(1)} = P_{ii}$$

$$f_{ii}^{(n)} = \Pr \{ X_n = i, X_k \neq i, k=1, 2, \dots, n-1 \mid X_0 = i \}, n \geq 2$$

[Kao, p.169.  $f_{ij}^{(n)} = \sum_{k \neq j} P_{ik} f_{kj}^{(n-1)}, n \geq 2$ ]

Def'n  $f_{ii} = \sum_{h=1}^{\infty} f_{ii}^{(h)} : \Pr \{ \text{ever going to } i \mid \text{start in } i \}$   
 $= f_{ii}^{(1)} + f_{ii}^{(2)} + f_{ii}^{(3)} + \dots$

Def State  $i$  is recurrent (persistent)

if  $f_{ii} = 1$ ; i.e., ultimate return to  $i$  is certain; transient if  $f_{ii} < 1$

Note: Usually difficult to test  $f_{ii}$ . More useful result ↓

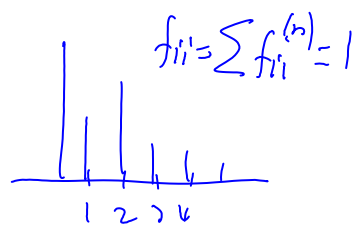
Theorem State  $i$  is recurrent  $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_{ii}^{(n)} = \infty$

i.e.,  $f_{ii} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum P_{ii}^{(n)} = \infty$  recurrent

$f_{ii} < 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum P_{ii}^{(n)} < \infty$  transient

Note. For a recurrent state  $i$

$f_{ii}^{(1)}, f_{ii}^{(2)}, f_{ii}^{(3)}, \dots$

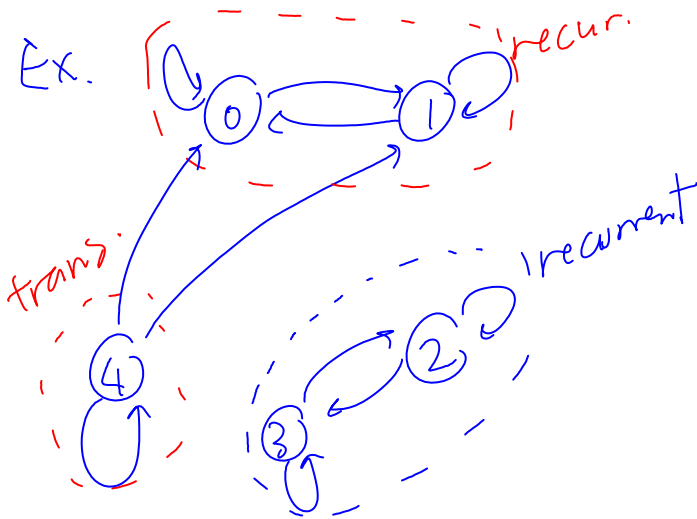
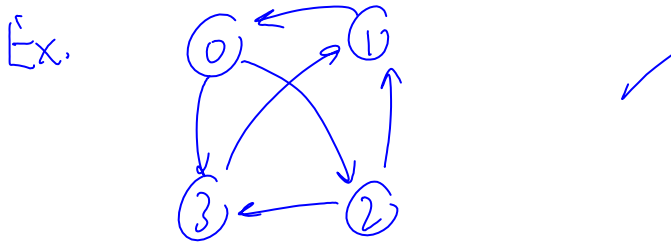


Corollary If  $i$  is transient, it will be visited a finite # times

Corollary In a finite MC, not all states can be transient ( $\pi_i \neq 0$ )

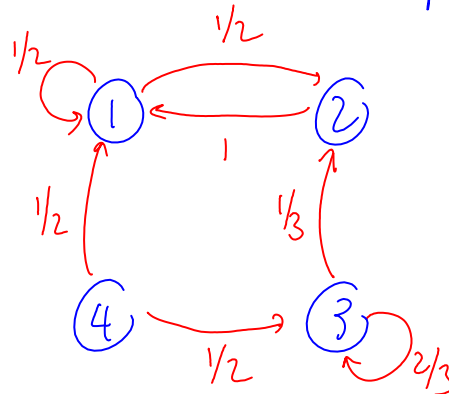
Theorem Recurrence is a class property, i.e., if

(GOOD Prop<sup>ty</sup>)  $i$  is recurrent and  $i \leftrightarrow j$ , then  $j$  is also recurrent



Ex. Transient & recurrent states (by direct computation)

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{4} \quad f_{44}^{(n)} = 0 < 1 \quad \forall n \\ \textcircled{3} \quad f_{33}^{(1)} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad f_{33}^{(n)} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} f_{44} < 1 \\ f_{33} < 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{transient}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f_{22}^{(1)} = 0, \quad f_{22}^{(2)} = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f_{22}^{(3)} = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \quad f_{22}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}, \quad n \geq 2$$

$$f_{22} = \sum_1^{\infty} f_{22}^{(n)} = 1 \quad \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} \quad \text{recurrent}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f_{11}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f_{11}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f_{11} = \sum_1^{\infty} f_{11}^{(n)} = 1$$

### d) Limit Theorems

Def Mean recurrence time <sup>(FPT)</sup>  $\mu_{jj}$  is the  $E(\# \text{ transitions needed to return to } j)$  for a recurrent state  $j$ , where

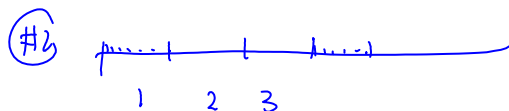
$$(f_{jj} = 1 \Rightarrow) \quad \mu_{jj} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_{jj}^{(n)} \begin{cases} < \infty : \text{positive-recurrent } j & \text{(good)} \\ = \infty : \text{null-} & \text{" (not good)} \end{cases}$$

Theorem Positive (or null) recurrence is class property.

Ex. Above problem (States 1 & 2)

$$\mu_{11} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_{11}^{(n)} = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} < \infty$$

$$\mu_{22} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_{22}^{(n)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} = 3 < \infty \quad \text{Calculus (or Maple)}$$

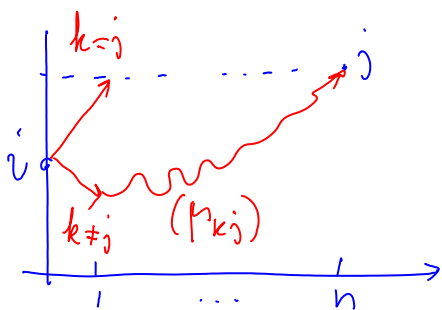


$$\mu_{22} = 3, \quad \pi_2 = \frac{1}{\mu_{22}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Simpler formula for  $\mu_{ij}$ ?

Recall:  $T_{ij} = \min \{n: X_n = j \mid X_0 = i\}$  : FPT  $i \rightarrow j$

$$\mu_{ij} = E(T_{ij}) = \sum E(T_{ij} \mid X_1 = k, X_0 = i) \cdot Pr\{X_1 = k \mid X_0 = i\}$$



$$E(T_{ij} \mid X_1 = k, X_0 = i) = \begin{cases} 1, & k=j \\ 1 + \mu_{kj}, & k \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \mu_{ij} = 1 \cdot p_{ij} + \sum_{k \neq j} p_{ik} (1 + \mu_{kj})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_{ij} = 1 + \sum_{k \neq j} p_{ik} \mu_{kj}, \quad \forall i, j \in \mathcal{I}$$

Ex. Rainfall

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .3 \\ .4 & .6 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \pi_0 = 4/7 \\ \pi_1 = 3/7 \end{matrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p_{00} &= 1 + p_{01}p_{10} \\ p_{01} &= 1 + p_{00}p_{01} \\ p_{10} &= 1 + p_{11}p_{10} \\ p_{11} &= 1 + p_{10}p_{01} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} p_{00} &= 7/4 = 1/\pi_0 \\ p_{01} &= 10/3 \\ p_{10} &= 5/2 \\ p_{11} &= 7/3 = 1/\pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

Ex. Our problem

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{recurrent } \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{11} &= 3/2 & p_{12} &= 2 \\ p_{21} &= 1 & p_{22} &= 3 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1/2} \textcircled{1} \xrightarrow{1/2} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{2} \xrightarrow{1} \textcircled{1} \end{array}$$

Ex. (s, s) w/ Maple

<http://profs.degroote.mcmaster.ca/ads/parlar/courses/Q771/ChapterComments/muij.mw>

{mu[1, 1] = 3.499253474, mu[1, 2] = 3.973665565, mu[1, 3] = 3.509359015, mu[1, 4] = 6.012172114,  
mu[2, 1] = 1.582028160, mu[2, 2] = 3.511754003, mu[2, 3] = 5.091387175, mu[2, 4] = 7.594200274,  
mu[3, 1] = 2.502813099, mu[3, 2] = 3.242908467, mu[3, 3] = 3.800293993, mu[3, 4] = 8.514985213,  
mu[4, 1] = 3.499253474, mu[4, 2] = 3.973665565, mu[4, 3] = 3.509359015, mu[4, 4] = 6.012172114}

Lemma (Discrete version of KRT)

Given  $\{f_n\}$  such that  $f_0 = 0$ ,  $f_n \geq 0$ ,  $\sum f_n = 1$ , and the gcd of those  $n$  for which  $f_n > 0$  is  $d$  ( $\geq 1$ ), a second sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is defined as

$$u_0 = 1, f_0 = 0, \dots$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} f_n = \Pr(\text{lifetime} = n) \\ \dots \end{array} \right)$$



$$U_0 = 1, f_0 = 0$$

$$U_n = f_n + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f_k U_{n-k} \quad (n \geq 1)$$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_{nd} = \begin{cases} d/\mu, & \text{if } \mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n f_n < \infty \\ 0 & \text{if } \mu = \infty \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_n &= \Pr(\text{lifetime} = n) \\ U_n &= \Pr(\text{a renewal in } n) \end{aligned}$$

$$m(t) = f(t)$$

$$+ \int_0^t f(x) m(t-x) dx$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu} \quad (\text{KRT})$$

$$U_3 = f_3 + f_2 U_1 + f_1 U_2$$



Theorems. Consider

(Prabhu, p.47)

Periodicity

	Aperiodic	Periodic: $d(j)=d$
Transient	$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$	
Recurrent	mult-rec	$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$
	Pos.-rec	$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{P_{jj}^{(d)}}$

Ex. Above problem

① & ② aperiodic

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{11}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{P_{11}^{(3/2)}} = \frac{1}{3/2} = \frac{2}{3} = \pi_1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{22}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{P_{22}^{(3)}} = \frac{1}{3} = \pi_2$$

Def An ① aperiodic, ② pos. recurrent state is called ergodic  
↖  
energy      nodes, path

Theorem . Consider an irreducible MC. This MC belongs to one of three classes below

		Periodicity	
		Aperiodic	Periodic
Transient Recurrent-null		$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$ & $\pi_j = 0$	
	↳ -Pos.	$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow \pi_j > 0$ unique from $\pi = \pi P, \pi e = 1$	$P_{ij}^{(n)} \rightarrow ?$ $\{\pi_j\}$ : long-run fraction