

Stochastic Simulation WiSe - 2022-23 Date–October 18, 2022 **Universität Ulm** Dr. Vitalii Makogin Abhinav Das

Exercise Sheet - 1 Submission Deadline : 27.10.2022, 12:00 hrs

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Exercise-1[1+1+1]. Find the corresponding transition matrix of the following graphs of Markov chains.



Exercise-2[1+1]. A certain calculating machine uses only the digits 0 and 1. It is supposed to transmit one of these digits through several steps. However, at every step, there is a probability p that the digit that enters this step will be changed when it leaves and a probability q = 1 - p that it won't change. Form a Markov chain to represent the process of transmission by taking 0 and 1 as its state space. What is the matrix of transition probabilities?

Exercise-3[1+1]. Find the condition (if any) such that the following matrices are the transition matrices of a Markov chain.

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} (1-p_1) & p_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ (1-p_2) & 0 & p_2 & 0 & \dots \\ (1-p_3) & 0 & 0 & p_3 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$
 (b) $\begin{pmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & \dots & p_n \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Exercise-4[2+2]. Show that the Markov property is equivalent to each of the following condition:

1. $\forall n, m \geq 1$ and all $s, x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$

$$P(X_{n+m} = s | X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = P(X_{n+m} = s | X_n = x_n)$$
(1)

2. $\forall 0 \leq n_1 < \cdots < n_k \leq n$, and all $m > 1, s, x_1, \ldots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$

$$P(X_{n+m} = s | X_{n_1} = x_1, \dots, X_{n_k} = x_k) = P(X_{n+m} = s | X_{n_k} = x_k)$$
(2)

Exercise-5[1.5+1.5]. Consider a phone which can be in two states: "free" = 0 and "busy" = 1. The set of the states of the phone is $E = \{0, 1\}$. We assume that the phone can randomly change its state in time (which is assumed to be discrete) according to the following rules.

- 1. If at some time n the phone is free, then at time n + 1 it becomes busy with probability p or it stays free with probability 1 p.
- 2. If at some time n the phone is busy, then at time n + 1 it becomes free with probability q or it stays busy with probability 1 q.

Suppose that at time 0 the phone was free. What is the probability that the phone will be free at times 1,2 and then becomes busy at time 3?

Exercise-6[1+1+1]. Suppose that coin 1 has probability 0.6 of coming head whereas coin 2 has probability 0.7 of coming up head. We toss coin 2 and do the following

- 1. If coin flipped at the time n comes heads, then we select coin 1 to flip at the time n + 1.
- 2. If coin flipped at the time n comes up tail, then we select coin 2 to flip at the time n + 1.

Let $\{X_n, n \ge 0\}$ be a process where X_n represent the numbers of the coins we select at the time n.

- 1. Is $\{X_n, n \ge 0\}$ a Markov chain?
- 2. Find the transition matrix of this process.
- 3. Find the random mapping representation of this process.