

Lecture 18

Absorbing Markov chain

Case 1

Given states 0, 1 and 2 — absorbed
 absorbed / non-absorbed

as before.

$$\Rightarrow P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ P_{10} & P_{11} & P_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

* starting Markov process in state 1

① Let $T = \min \{ n \geq 0 : X_n = 0 \text{ or } X_n = 2 \}$

be the time of absorption of the process

② The prob. that Markov chain ends in state 0 given that the Markov process starting in state 1 is

$$u = \text{pr} \{ X_T = 0 \mid X_0 = 1 \}$$

$$u = P_{10} + P_{11} u$$

$T \rightarrow \text{terminate}$
 $u = u_{10}$

③ the mean time to absorption

المدة التي ننتهيها

is $v = E [T \mid X_0 = 1]$

$$v = 1 + P_{11} v$$

$$v = v_{10}$$

2 pb 3.4.2 p. 105

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \text{abs} \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{non-abs} \rightarrow 1 \\ \text{abs} \rightarrow 2 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0.6 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$u_{10}?$

$$a) u = \text{pr}\{X_T = 0 \mid X_0 = 1\}$$

$$u = P_{10} + P_{11} u$$

$$u = 0.1 + 0.6u$$

$$0.4u = 0.1 \Rightarrow \boxed{u = \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\therefore u = u_{10} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$b) v = E[T \mid X_0 = 1]$$

$$v = 1 + P_{11} v$$

$$v = 1 + 0.6v$$

$$0.4v = 1 \quad (\times 10)$$

$$\therefore v = \frac{10}{4} = 2.5 \text{ is the mean time of absorption}$$

3 Case 2:

* For more general case

$$u_i = \text{pr} \{ X_T = 0 \mid X_0 = i \}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1 = p_{10} + p_{11} u_1 + p_{12} u_2 \\ u_2 = p_{20} + p_{21} u_1 + p_{22} u_2 \end{cases}$$

where states 1 and 2 are non-absorbing

$$\begin{cases} u_1 = u_{10} \\ u_2 = u_{20} \end{cases}$$

Also,

$$v_i = E [T \mid X_0 = i], \quad i = 1, 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} v_1 = 1 + p_{11} v_1 + p_{12} v_2 \\ v_2 = 1 + p_{21} v_1 + p_{22} v_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} v_1 = v_{10} \\ v_2 = v_{20} \end{cases}$$

pb 3.4.6, Wieder p. 106

pb 3.4.3 p. 106

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0.6 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

a) $u_1 = u_{10}$??

$$u_i = \text{pr} \{ X_T = 0 \mid X_0 = i \}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

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$$\Rightarrow u_1 = P_{10} + P_{11} u_1 + P_{12} u_2$$

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 $X_0 = 1$

$$u_2 = P_{20} + P_{21} u_1 + P_{22} u_2$$

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 $X_0 = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1 = 0.1 + 0.6u_1 + 0.1u_2 \\ u_2 = 0.2 + 0.3u_1 + 0.4u_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0.4u_1 - 0.1u_2 = 0.1 & \times 10 \\ 0.6u_2 - 0.3u_1 = 0.2 \\ 0.3u_1 - 0.6u_2 = -0.2 & \times 10 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 4u_1 - u_2 = 1 & \textcircled{1} \\ 3u_1 - 6u_2 = -2 & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Solving $\textcircled{1}$ and $\textcircled{2}$

$$\textcircled{1} \times 6 - \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow 21u_1 = 8$$

$$\therefore u_1 = u_{10} = \frac{8}{21}$$

5/6) $\mu_i = E[T | X_0 = i]$, $i = 1, 2$
is the mean time to absorption

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mu_1 = 1 + p_{11}\mu_1 + p_{12}\mu_2 \\ \mu_2 = 1 + p_{21}\mu_1 + p_{22}\mu_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mu_1 = 1 + 0.6\mu_1 + 0.1\mu_2 \\ \mu_2 = 1 + 0.3\mu_1 + 0.4\mu_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.4\mu_1 - 0.1\mu_2 = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$0.3\mu_1 - 0.6\mu_2 = -1 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \times 6 - (2) \Rightarrow 2.1\mu_1 = 7$$

$$\therefore \mu_1 = \frac{7}{2.1} = \frac{70}{21} = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\therefore \mu_1 = \mu_0 = \frac{10}{3}$$

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$\mu_{10} ??$