

HMM for Bioinformatics

1. Let $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ be a homogeneous Markov process:
 - (a) prove that the Markov property implies that X_{n+1} and X_{n-1} are conditionally independent given X_n ;
 - (b) show that the conditional probabilities

$$p_{ij}(n) = P(X_{m+n} = j | X_m = i), \quad n \geq 1$$

are independent of m ;

- (c) show that

$$P(X_{m+1} = j_{m+1}, \dots, X_{m+n} = j_{m+n} | X_0 = j_0, \dots, X_m = j_m) =$$

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2. Assume that there is a positive integer N such that

$$p_{ij}(N) > 0$$

for all i and j . Prove that if the vector π is a solution of

$$\pi_j = \sum_{k=1}^J \pi_k p_{kj}, \quad j = 1, \dots, J$$

then π is unique

3. Let Z_1, \dots, Z_n be a successive outcomes of rolling a die for any n . We consider Z_1, \dots, Z_n . Furthermore

$$S_n = Z_1 + \dots + Z_n$$

and

$$X_n = S_n \bmod(5)$$

which means that X_n is the remainder when S_n is divided by 5.

- (a) show that $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a Markov process;
 - (b) determine the probability transition matrix P for $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$;
 - (c) determine the invariant distribution π for P ;
4. The Markov process $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ with the state space $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$ has the transition matrix

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute P^{2n} and P^{2n-1} for all $n \geq 1$ and draw conclusions about the ergodicity of the chain.

5. Let

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1-p & p \\ q & 1-q \end{pmatrix}$$

be a transition matrix

(a) verify that

$$P^n = \frac{1}{p+q} \begin{pmatrix} 1-p & p \\ q & 1-q \end{pmatrix} + \frac{(1-p-q)^n}{p+q} \frac{1}{p+q} \begin{pmatrix} p & -p \\ -q & q \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n$.