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# Irreducible case

## Theorem 46.

Let

- $X$  irreducible Markov chain with transition  $P$
- $S$  finite

Then:

$X$  is non-null persistent

# Perron-Frobenius theorem

## Theorem 47.

Let

- $X$  irreducible Markov chain with transition  $P$
- $S$  finite with  $|S| = N$ ,  $X$  has period  $d$

Then:

$$P\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}$$

- 1  $\lambda_1 = 1$  is an eigenvalue of  $P$
- 2 Let  $\omega = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}}$ . Then the following are eigenvalues of  $P$ :

$$\lambda_k = \omega^{k-1}, \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, d$$

- 3 Remaining eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_{d+1}, \dots, \lambda_N, \quad \text{with } |\lambda_j| < 1$$

# Large time behavior

## Theorem 48.

Let

- $X$  irreducible Markov chain with transition  $P$
- $S$  finite with  $|S| = N$
- $\Lambda = \text{Diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N)$  eigenvalue matrix
- Hyp: Eigenvalues  $\lambda_j$  all distinct
- $V = [v_1, \dots, v_n]$  eigenvector matrix

Then:

①  $P^n = V \Lambda^n V^{-1}$

② If  $X$  is aperiodic we have

$$\Lambda^n = \text{Diag}(\lambda_1^n, \dots, \lambda_N^n)$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$

due to the fact that  $\lambda_1^n = 1^n = 1$   
 $\lambda_j^n \rightarrow 0$  if  $|j| > 1$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n = V \text{Diag}(1, 0, \dots, 0) V^{-1}$$

# Inbreeding model (1)

## Model:

- Spinach population
- Genetic information contained in chromosomes
- 6+6 identical pairs of chromosomes
- Sites  $C_1, \dots, C_M$  for chromosomes
  - ↪ We just look at  $C_1$  for 1 chromosome
- $C_1 \in \{a, A\}$  for each pair
- Types: given by  $S = \{AA, aA, aa\}$
- $X_n \equiv$  Value of type at generation  $n$  for a typical spinach
- Self reproduction model with meiosis
  - ↪ shuffle of  $C_i$ 's between pairs → take 2 pairs and shuffle their  $a$   $A$

# Mechanism

$AA \times AA \longrightarrow AA$  always

$aA \times aA \longrightarrow \underbrace{aa}_{p=\frac{1}{4}} \quad \underbrace{aA}_{p=\frac{1}{2}} \quad \underbrace{AA}_{p=\frac{1}{4}}$

$aa \times aa \longrightarrow aa$  with  $p=1$

$X_n$  is a MC

Strategy:  $X_{n+1} = \varphi(X_n, Y_{n+1})$

Here

$= \varphi(X_n, Y_{n+1})$

$$X_{n+1} = \left[ (AA) \mathbb{1}_{(X_n=AA)} + (aa) \mathbb{1}_{(X_n=aa)} \right] + \left[ Y_{n+1} \mathbb{1}_{(X_n=aA)} \right]$$

where  $\{Y_n; n \geq 1\}$  iid with  $\begin{cases} P(Y_{n+1}=AA) = \frac{1}{4} \\ P(Y_{n+1}=aA) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(Y_{n+1}=aa) = \frac{1}{4} \end{cases}$

## Transition

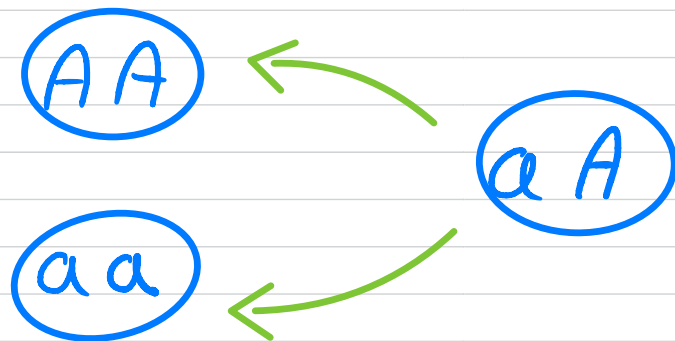
$$P_{ij} = P(\varphi(i, Y_1) = j)$$

We get, on  $S = \{AA, aA, aa\}$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$P \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

## Graph



Recurrent (absorbing)

classes:

$\{AA\}$ ,  $\{aa\}$

Transient element:

$aA$

Eigenvalues : roots of

$$\det(P - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2}-\lambda & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1-\lambda) \left(\frac{1}{2}-\lambda\right) (1-\lambda)$$

we get  $\lambda_1 = 1$  ,  $\lambda_2 = 1$  ,  $\lambda_3 = \frac{1}{2}$

Eigenvectors : solutions to  $(P - \lambda I)u = 0$ . we get

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$



## Inbreeding model (2)

**Transition rules:** If all shuffles are equally likely we get

- $AA \times AA \longrightarrow AA$ , with  $p = 1$
- $aA \times aA \longrightarrow aa$  with  $p = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $aA$  with  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $AA$  with  $p = \frac{1}{4}$
- $aa \times aa \longrightarrow aa$ , with  $p = 1$

**Transition matrix:** We get

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Inbreeding model (3)

**Classification of states:** With the graph we find

- aa and AA are persistent
- aA is transient

**Eigenvalues:** We find

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \quad \lambda_2 = 1, \quad \lambda_3 = \frac{1}{2}$$

**Eigenvectors:** We get

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Inbreeding model (4)

Large time behavior: We get

$$P^n = V \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\frac{1}{2})^n \end{pmatrix}}^{\wedge^n} V^{-1}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} - (\frac{1}{2})^{n+1} & (\frac{1}{2})^n & \frac{1}{2} - (\frac{1}{2})^{n+1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Limiting behavior: We have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Additional information:  
geometric  
convergence