

Stochastic Models

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Assignment 3

Exercise 1. Consider 20 transmission sources, each transmits at a peak-rate of 10 Mb/s with probability $p_1 = 0.1$, or it is in idle mode. There are other 80 sources, each transmits at a peak-rate of 1 Mb/s with probability $p_2 = 0.05$ or it is in idle mode.

A service provider aims to allocate the minimal capacity C_{opt} such that no more than 0.0015 of the time, the demand of all these 100 sources exceeds the available capacity. Evaluate C_{opt} .

Exercise 2. Let us consider the following stochastic process: Roll a dice at time $\tau = 0$. Then, for each $\tau > 0$, if we get 2, 3, 4 or 5 at time τ , the dice is rolled again at time $\tau + 1$; if we get 1 or 6 the dice is left in the the previous position for the remaining time.

- Describe the stochastic process $\{X_\tau, \tau \in \mathbb{N}^+\}$ and derives the marginal probabilities $\pi_i(\tau)$, $\forall \tau$, and $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$
- Calculates the mean of this stochastic process, namely, $\mu_X(\tau) = E[X_\tau]$, $\forall \tau \geq 0$, then derives $\mu_X(\infty) = E[X_\tau]$
- Provides 3 possible realizations of this stochastic process for $\tau = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 9$
- Calculate the following Joint probabilities, resp., $\Pr(X_0 = 2, X_1 = 6, X_2 = 6)$ and $\Pr(X_0 = 1, X_1 = 6, X_1 = 6)$.
- Discuss if this process is, respectively, stationary, strictly stationary, ergodic, independent, markovian.

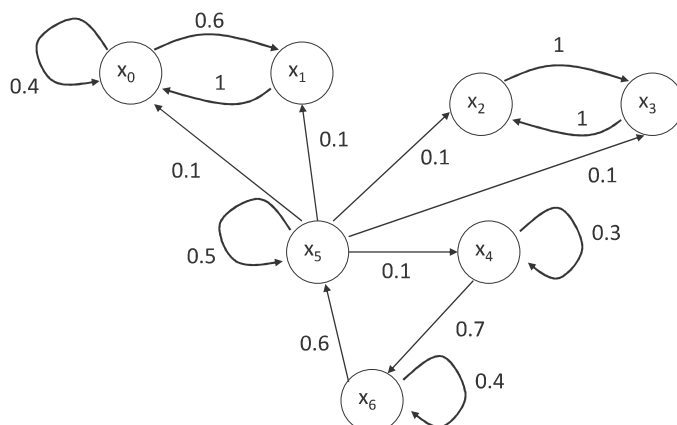
Exercise 3. Let Z_1, Z_2, \dots , be a family of independent and identically distributed random variables with probabilities $\Pr(Z_n = 1) = p$ e $\Pr(Z_n = -1) = 1 - p$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Let us further define the random process

$$\{X_n, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} : X_0 = 0, \quad X_n = \sum_{k=1}^n Z_k, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

The resulting stochastic process is also called *1-D random walk*.

- (a) Is $\{X_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ a counting process?
- (b) Is $\{X_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ a markovian process?
- (c) Provides a possible realization of $\{X_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ for the first 10 instants of time
- (d) Let $p = 0.5$, for the given the random walk, calculate $E[X_n]$ and $\text{Var}[X_n]$.

Exercise 4. Consider the Discrete-Time Markov Chain (DT-MC) depicted in the next figure.



- (a) Evaluate the strongly connected components. Which are ergodic and which transients?
- (b) Evaluate the periodicity of the ergodic components
- (c) Evaluate if the given DT-MC is ergodic and explain what this property implies
- (d) Evaluate if, by the change of the weights of some of the existing arc, the given analysis would change
- (e) In the case that the reply to previous question is negative, evaluates if it is possible make the given DT-MC ergodic by simply changing the orientation of a single arc.

Exercise 5. Let $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ be the vertex set associated to a given DT-MC which transition probability matrix is:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate:

- (a) the edge set $E \subset X \times X$ of the graph associated with the given DT-MC.
- (b) if the given DT-MC is ergodic, or not, through both the graphical and analytic criteria.
- (c) the stationary distribution of the given markov chain.

Exercise 6. In Exercise 6 of Assignment 2, it was provided a discussion, and the MatLab code, for generating an exponential random variable $Y \sim Exp(\lambda)$, by means of a uniform random variable $X \sim Uniform(0, 1)$, namely

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n=1e4;                % the length is arbitrary
lambda=40;           % Inter-even time of Poisson 40 arrivals/sec
x=rand(n,1);         % x~Uniform(0,1)
y = -lambda^-1*log(1-x); % y~Exp(lambda)
mu_y=(1/n)*sum(y);   % Sampled mean of X (approx. E[X]=1/lambda)
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- (a) Reminding the meaning of the Erlang distribution, from y generate on MatLab a vector of occurrences $yE2$ that is $Erlang(2, \lambda)$ distributed, where $\lambda = 40$.
- (b) Reminding that for a Poisson process $\{Z_t, t \in T\}$, the inter-event time is $Y \sim Exp(\lambda)$. By means of y and the command `poissrnd` (see `help poissrnd`), generates on MatLab, a Poisson process which mean event rate is of 40arrivals/sec, and where the arrivals are scheduled by the inter-event random variable Y . Then verify if its sampled mean is equivalent to its expected value $E[Z_t] = \lambda = 40arrivals/sec$.