

ECE 341 - Homework #11

Markov Chains. Due Monday, June 7th

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Problem 1 & 2) Two teams, A and B, are playing a match made up of N games. For each game

- Team A has a 50% chance of winning
- There is a 10% chance of a tie, and
- Team B has a 40% chance of winning

In order to win the match, a team must be up by 2 games.

1) Determine the probability that team A wins the match after k games for $k = \{0 \dots 10\}$ using matrix multiplication.

Let

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \text{A is +2 (A wins)} \\ \text{A is +1} \\ \text{even} \\ \text{A is -1} \\ \text{A is -2 (B wins)} \end{bmatrix}$$

The state transition matrix is then

$$X(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4 & 0.1 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X$$

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>> A = [1,0.5,0,0,0 ; 0,0.1,0.5,0,0 ; 0,0.4,0.1,0.5,0 ; 0,0,0.4,0.1,0 ;  
0,0,0,0.4,1]
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1.0000    0.5000    0    0    0  
0    0.1000    0.5000    0    0  
0    0.4000    0.1000    0.5000    0  
0    0    0.4000    0.1000    0  
0    0    0    0.4000    1.0000
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>> A^10
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1.0000    0.8056    0.5772    0.3126    0  
0    0.0116    0.0168    0.0145    0  
0    0.0135    0.0231    0.0168    0  
0    0.0093    0.0135    0.0116    0  
0    0.1601    0.3694    0.6445    1.0000
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>> X0 = [0;0;1;0;0]
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0  
0  
1  
0  
0
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>> A^10 * X0
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0.5772    A wins after 10 games  
0.0168  
0.0231  
0.0135  
0.3694    B wins after 10 games
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2) Determine the z-transform for the probability that A wins the match after k games

- From the z transforms, determine the explicit function for p(A) wins after game k.

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>> C = [1, 0, 0, 0, 0]
C =      1      0      0      0      0
>> G = ss(A, X0, C, 0, 1);
>> tf(G)

          0.25 z - 0.025
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z^4 - 1.3 z^3 - 0.07 z^2 + 0.409 z - 0.039
Sampling time (seconds): 1

>> zpk(G)

          0.25 (z-0.1)
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(z-1) (z-0.7325) (z+0.5325) (z-0.1)
Sampling time (seconds): 1
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meaning

$$Y = \left(\frac{0.25(z-0.1)}{(z-1)(z-0.7325)(z+0.5325)(z-0.1)} \right) z$$

Using partial fractions

$$Y = \left(\left(\frac{0.60984}{z-1} \right) + \left(\frac{-0.7388}{z-0.7325} \right) + \left(\frac{-0.66553}{z+0.5325} \right) + \left(\frac{0}{z-0.1} \right) \right) z$$

Converting back to time

$$y(k) = \left(0.60984 - 0.7388(0.7325)^k - 0.66553(-0.5325)^k \right) u(k)$$

- 3) Two players are playing a game of tennis. To win a game, a player must win 4 points *and* be up by 2 points.
- If player A reaches 4 points and player B has less than 3 points, the game is over and player A wins.
 - If player A reaches 4 points and player B has 3 points, then the game reverts to 'win by 2' rules. Both players keep playing until one of them is up by 2 games.

Suppose:

- Player A has a 70% chance of winning any given point
- Player B has a 30% chance of winning any given point.

What is the probability that player A wins the game (first to 4 games, win by 2)?

- Note: This is a combination of a binomial distribution (A has 4 points while B has 0, 1, or 2 points) along with a Markov chain (A and B both have 3 points, at which point it becomes a win-by-2 series)

A wins in 4 games: 4-0

$$p = \binom{4}{4} (0.7)^4 (0.3)^0 = 0.2401$$

A wins in 5 games: 4-1

- A wins game 5
- A wins 3 of 4 previous games

$$p = (0.7) \binom{4}{3} (0.7)^3 (0.3)^1 = 0.28812$$

A wins in 6 games: 4-2

- A wins game 6
- A wins 3 of 5 previous games

$$p = (0.7) \binom{5}{3} (0.7)^3 (0.3)^2 = 0.21609$$

A wins after being 3-3 (and you enter a Markov chain).

The probability of being 3-3 is

$$p = \binom{6}{3} (0.7)^3 (0.3)^3 = 0.18522$$

The probability of A winning once you at 3-3 is a Markov chain like problem #1

$$X(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X$$

Inputting this into Matlab and taking A^100 results in

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>> A = [1,0,0,0,0 ; 0.7,0,0.3,0,0 ; 0,0.7,0,0.3,0 ; 0,0,0.7,0,0.3;0,0,0,0,1]'
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A =

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1.0000    0.7000         0         0         0
         0         0    0.7000         0         0
         0    0.3000         0    0.7000         0
         0         0    0.3000         0         0
         0         0         0    0.3000    1.0000
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>> A^100
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ans =

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1.0000    0.9534    0.8448    0.5914         0
         0    0.0000         0    0.0000         0
         0         0    0.0000         0         0
         0    0.0000         0    0.0000         0
         0    0.0466    0.1552    0.4086    1.0000
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A has an 84.48% chance of winning given that the game is at 3-3 (love).

The total probability is then

$$p(A) = p(4-0) + p(4-1) + p(4-2) + p(A \text{ wins} | 3-3) * p(3-3)$$

$$p(A) = 0.2401 + 0.2881 + 0.2161 + (0.8448)(0.1852)$$

$$p(A \text{ wins}) = \mathbf{0.9008}$$

Or use a Monte Carlo simulation

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% Tennis
p = 0.7;
Awins = 0;

for n=1:1e5

    A = 0;
    B = 0;
    Winner = 0;
    games = 0;
    while( Winner == 0)
        games = games + 1;
        if(rand < p)
            A = A + 1;
        else
            B = B + 1;
        end
        if( (A>=4) * (A >= B+2))
            Winner = 1;
            Awins = Awins + 1;
        end
        if( (B>=4) * (B >= A+2))
            Winner = 2;
        end
    end
    % disp([Winner, games])
end

Awins / 1e5

ans =    0.9003
ans =    0.9015
ans =    0.9003

Elapsed time is 4.143197 seconds.

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A wins about 90.0% of the matches