

## Markov matrices; Fourier series

### Markov matrices

Suppose we have a positive vector  $\underline{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 1-a \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Markov matrix, col.s add to 1})$$

If  $\underline{u}_1 = A \underline{u}_0$ ,  $\underline{u}_2 = A \underline{u}_1$  ...

Q: What happens if we keep doing this?

$\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \dots$  converges to  $\underline{u}_\infty$  (steady state)

$$\text{For } \underline{u}_\infty, \quad \underline{u}_\infty = A \underline{u}_\infty$$

(multiplied by A does NOT change  $\underline{u}_\infty$ )

( $\underline{u}_\infty$  is an eigenvector with  $\lambda = 1$ )

Def Markov matrix

A is a Markov matrix if:

1. Every entry of A is nonnegative

2. Every col. of A adds to 1

## Fact

1. For nonnegative  $\underline{u}_0$ ,  $\underline{u}_1 = A\underline{u}_0$  is also nonnegative
2. If components of  $\underline{u}_0$  add to 1, so do the components of  $\underline{u}_1 = A\underline{u}_0$ .

Reason:

1. Trivial since both  $A$  &  $\underline{u}_0$  are non-negative

2. Components of  $\underline{u}_0$  add to 1

$$\Rightarrow [1, \dots, 1] \underline{u}_0 = 1$$

$A$  is Markov  $\Rightarrow$  every col. of  $A$  adds to 1  $\Rightarrow [1, \dots, 1] A = [1, \dots, 1]$

$$\Rightarrow [1, \dots, 1] A \underline{u}_0 = [1, \dots, 1] \underline{u}_0 = 1 \\ (= \underline{u}_1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Components of  $\underline{u}_1$  add to 1

Note: same fact applies to

$$\underline{u}_2 = A \underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_3 = A \underline{u}_2, \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$  every  $\underline{u}_k = A^k \underline{u}_0$  is nonnegative with components adding to 1

( $\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \dots, \underline{u}_k, \dots$  are prob. vectors  
the limit  $\underline{u}_\infty$  is also a prob. vector  
but we have to show that such limit exists)

Note:  $A^k$  is also a Markov matrix

$$([1, \dots, 1] A^k = [1, \dots, 1] A A^{k-1} = [1, \dots, 1] A^{k-1} \\ = \dots = [1, \dots, 1] A = 1)$$

Ex 1 (p. 432)

Fraction of rental cars in Denver starts at 0.02 (outside is 0.98)

Every month: 80% of Denver cars stay in Denver (20% leave), 5% of outside cars comes in (95% stay outside)

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{\text{Denver}} \\ u_{\text{outside}} \end{bmatrix}_{t=k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.05 \\ 0.2 & 0.95 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{\text{Denver}} \\ u_{\text{outside}} \end{bmatrix}_{t=k}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{\text{Denver}} \\ u_{\text{outside}} \end{bmatrix}_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ 0.98 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{\text{Denver}} \\ u_{\text{outside}} \end{bmatrix}_{t=1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.05 \\ 0.2 & 0.95 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ 0.98 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} 0.065 \\ 0.935 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q: What happens in the long run?

We are studying eqns:  $\underline{u}_{k+1} = A \underline{u}_k$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u}_k = A^k \underline{u}_0 = c_1 \lambda_1^k \underline{x}_1 + \dots + c_n \lambda_n^k \underline{x}_n$$

Need eigenvalues & eigenvectors to diagonalize A

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 0.75$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - I) \underline{x}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{components add to 1})$$

$$(A - 0.75I) \underline{x}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix} = C_1 \underline{x}_1 + C_2 \underline{x}_2 = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix} + 0.18 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u}_k = 1(1)^k \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix} + 0.18(0.75)^k \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ) (steady state) (vanishing)

(eigenvector with  $\lambda = 1$  is the steady-state)

(other eigenvector  $\underline{x}_2$  disappears  $\because |\lambda| < 1$ )

(More steps we take, closer to

$$\underline{u}_\infty = (0.2, 0.8)$$

(True even when  $\underline{u}_0 = (0, 1)$ )

Fact If A is a positive Markov matrix, then

$\lambda_1 = 1$  is larger than any other eigenvalues. The eigenvector  $\underline{x}_1$  is the steady-state

$$\underline{u}_k = \underline{x}_1 + C_2(\lambda_2)^k \underline{x}_2 + \dots + C_n(\lambda_n)^k \underline{x}_n$$

$\underline{u}_\infty = \underline{x}_1$  for any initial  $\underline{u}_0$

Reason:

1.  $\lambda=1$  is an eigenvalue:

Every col. of  $A - I$  adds to  $1 - 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  rows of  $A - I$  add to the zero row

$\Rightarrow A - I$  is singular

$\Rightarrow |A - I| = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$

Alternative reason:

rows of  $A - I$  add to the zero row

$\Rightarrow [1, \dots, 1] (A - I) = [0, \dots, 0]$

$\Rightarrow (A^T - I) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^T$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$

( $|A - \lambda I| = |(A - \lambda I)^T| = |A^T - \lambda I|$ )

$\Rightarrow A$  &  $A^T$  have same eigenvalues)

2. No eigenvalue can have  $|\lambda| > 1$ :

If there is any eigenvalue  $|\lambda| > 1$

$\Rightarrow A^K$  will grow

But  $A^K$  is a Markov matrix

$\Rightarrow$  every col. of  $A^K$  adds to 1

$\Rightarrow$  no room to grow  $\Rightarrow$  contradiction!

$\exists c_i = 1$  if components of  $\underline{u}_0$  &  $\underline{x}_1$  add to 1;

$$[1 \dots 1] A \underline{x}_i = [1 \dots 1] \lambda_i \underline{x}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 \dots 1] \underline{x}_i = \lambda_i [1 \dots 1] \underline{x}_i$$

For  $\lambda_i, i \geq 2, \lambda_i \neq 1 \Rightarrow [1 \dots 1] \underline{x}_i = 0$

$$\underline{u}_0 = c_1 \underline{x}_1 + c_2 \underline{x}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{x}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 \dots 1] \underline{u}_0 = c_1 [1 \dots 1] \underline{x}_1$$

$\Rightarrow c_1 = 1$  if components of  $\underline{u}_0$  &  $\underline{x}_1$  add to 1

Note: In some applications, Markov matrices are defined differently: rows add up to 1 instead

(calculations are transpose of everything we've done here)

# Fourier series & projections

## Expansion with an orthonormal basis

If we have an orthonormal basis

$\underline{g}_1, \underline{g}_2, \dots, \underline{g}_n$ , we can write any vector as

$$\underline{v} = x_1 \underline{g}_1 + \dots + x_n \underline{g}_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } \underline{g}_i^T \underline{v} &= x_1 \underline{g}_i^T \underline{g}_1 + \dots + x_i + \dots + x_n \underline{g}_i^T \underline{g}_n \\ &= x_i \quad (\underline{g}_i^T \underline{g}_j = 0, i \neq j) \end{aligned}$$

In terms of matrix:

$$[\underline{g}_1, \dots, \underline{g}_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \underline{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q \underline{x} = \underline{v} \Rightarrow \underline{x} = Q^{-1} \underline{v} = Q^T \underline{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i = \underline{g}_i^T \underline{v}$$

(key idea: express  $\underline{v}$  = comb. of projection onto orthonormal basis vectors)

## Fourier series

Same idea on functions!

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= a_0 + a_1 \cos x + b_1 \sin x + a_2 \cos 2x \\ &\quad + b_2 \sin 2x + \dots \end{aligned}$$

(express  $f(x)$  as comb. of projection onto trigonometric funs)

(extend to infinite series)

vectors: functions

basis: 1,  $\cos x$ ,  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos 2x$ ,  $\sin 2x$ , ...

Q: What does orthogonal mean in this context?

Need to define inner product first

Vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\underline{v}^T \underline{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$$

For functions:

$$(f, g) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) g(x) dx$$

(integrate over  $[0, 2\pi]$  since Fourier series are periodic, i.e.,  $f(x) = f(x+2\pi)$ )

Chk orthogonality:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sin x \cos x dx = \frac{1}{2} (\sin x)^2 \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0$$

⋮ (inner product = 0)

Q: How to find Fourier coeff.  $a_0$ ,  $a_1, b_1, \dots$ ?

$a_0$ : average of  $f(x)$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx \right) = a_0 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} a_0 \cos x dx$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} b_1 \sin x dx \dots = a_0 )$$

$$a_1 : \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos x dx$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} (a_0 + a_1 \cos x + b_1 \sin x + \dots) \cos x dx$$

$$= 0 + \int_0^{2\pi} a_1 \cos^2 x dx + 0 + \dots$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} a_1 \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} dx = \pi a_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos x dx$$

Similarly,

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx$$

( read Ex 3, p. 449 )