

$$P_{nm}(t) = [e^{\Omega t}]_{nm} \quad \text{prob. to end up at } n \text{ at time } t, \text{ given start at } m \text{ at time } 0$$

$$= P_{nm}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \Omega P \quad \frac{dP_{nm}}{dt} = \sum_{m'} \Omega_{nm'} P_{m'm} = \sum_{m'} [W_{nm'} P_{m'm} - W_{m'n} P_{nm}]$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P \Omega \quad \frac{dP_{nm}}{dt} = \sum_{m'} P_{nm'} \Omega_{m'm}$$

$$= \sum_{m' \neq m} P_{nm'} \Omega_{m'm} + P_{nm} \Omega_{mm}$$

$$= \sum_{m' \neq m} P_{nm'} W_{m'm} - P_{nm} \sum_{m' \neq m} W_{m'm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dP_{nm}}{dt} = \sum_{m'} (P_{nm'} - P_{nm}) W_{m'm}} \quad \text{adjoint ME}$$

Survival probabilities + first passage times

Imagine network w/ sink (never leave that state), or equivalently you are interested in chance that you first visit a state. Call that state s . ("sink")

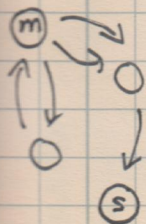
$$U_{sm}(t) = \text{prob. that you haven't} = \sum_{n \neq s} P_{nm}(t)$$

$$U_{ss}(t) = 0$$

by definition

visited s by time t , given you started at m at $t=0$

survival probability



~~take sum $\sum_{n \neq s}$ of both sides of adjoint ME:~~

$$\frac{dU_{sm}}{dt} = \sum_{m'} [U_{sm'} - U_{sm}] W_{m'm}$$

$$= \sum_{m'} U_{sm'} W_{m'm} + U_{sm} \left[\sum_{m'} W_{m'm} \right]$$

Take $\sum_{n \neq s}$ of both sides of adjoint ME:

$$\sum_{n \neq s} \frac{d p_{nm}}{dt} = \sum_{n \neq s} \sum_{m'} p_{nm'} \Omega_{m'm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d U_{sm}}{dt} = \sum_{m'} U_{sm'} \Omega_{m'm}$$

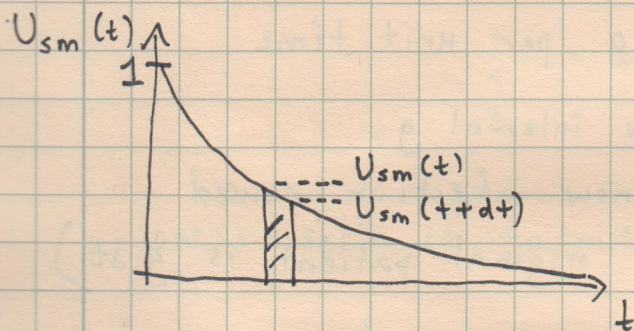
$$(*) = \sum_{m' \neq s} U_{sm'} \Omega_{m'm} \quad \text{b/c} \quad U_{ss} = 0$$

Note: if $m \neq s$ (don't start at sink)

$$U_{sm}(0) = 1$$

+ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ if you have one sink + network otherwise strongly connected

$$U_{sm}(t \rightarrow \infty) = 0$$



$$U_{sm}(t) - U_{sm}(t+dt) = - \frac{d U_{sm}}{dt} dt$$

= fraction of trajectories that reach s between t + $t+dt$

$$\equiv dt f_{sm}(t)$$

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distribution of first passage times (first arrival at s)

mean first passage time (MFPT):

$$\tau_{sm} = \int_0^{\infty} dt f_{sm}(t) t$$

$$= - \int_0^{\infty} dt \frac{d U_{sm}}{dt} t = - U_{sm} t \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} dt U_{sm}$$

cool result: $\tau_{sm} = \int_0^{\infty} dt U_{sm} \quad \tau_{ss} = 0$

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MFPT from
m to s

Integrate both sides from 0 to ∞ of Eq. * for $m \neq s$:

$$U_{sm}(\infty) - U_{sm}(0) = \sum_{m' \neq s} \tau_{sm'} \Omega_{m'm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{aligned} -1 &= \sum_{m' \neq s} \tau_{sm'} \Omega_{m'm} \quad (m \neq s) \\ \tau_{ss} &= 0 \end{aligned}}$$

system of
equations
to calc.
 τ_{sm}

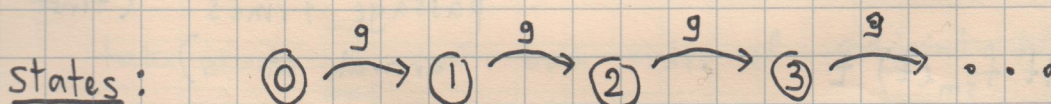
for all m

shortened notation: τ_m instead of τ_{sm}
(s implicit)

Example: a model for disease spreading

I) very simple: one infected individual, A
spreads disease to new person
w/ probability g per unit time
(during every time interval g ,
the prob. of a new infection caused
directly by our original patient is $g \delta t$)

At time t , what is the prob. that the
orig. individual has infected n others?
(ignore secondary infections)



of infections
caused by
indiv.

"Poisson process"

$$\Omega = \begin{matrix} & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc} -g & & & \\ g & -g & & \\ & g & -g & \\ & & g & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

master equation: $\frac{dp_n}{dt} = \sum_m \Omega_{nm} p_m$ or $\frac{dp_{n0}}{dt} = \sum_m \Omega_{nm} p_{m0}$
equivalent

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dp_0}{dt} = -g p_0 \Rightarrow p_0 = e^{-gt}$$

$$\frac{dp_1}{dt} = g p_0 - g p_1$$

$$\frac{dp_2}{dt} = g p_1 - g p_2$$

$$\vdots$$

Guess sol'n of form: $p_n(t) = c_n(t) e^{-gt}$ $c_0(t) = 1$

$$\frac{dp_n}{dt} = g p_{n-1} - g p_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{c}_n e^{-gt} - g c_n e^{-gt} = g c_{n-1} e^{-gt} - g c_n e^{-gt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{c}_n = g c_{n-1} \quad \text{w/} \quad c_0(t) = 1$$

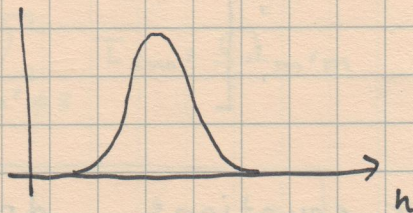
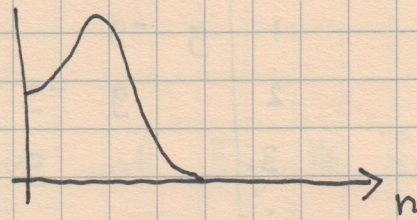
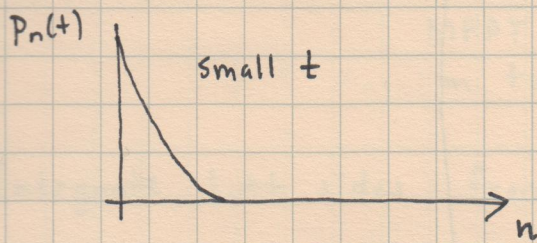
$$\dot{c}_1 = g \Rightarrow c_1 = gt$$

$$\dot{c}_2 = g^2 t \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{(gt)^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_n = \frac{(gt)^n}{n!}$$

$$P_n(t) = \frac{(gt)^n}{n!} e^{-gt}$$

Poisson distribution



peak moves to
right as t increases

mean n :

$$\langle n \rangle_t = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n p_n(t)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \frac{(gt)^n}{n!} e^{-gt}$$

b/c no term
at $n=0$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(gt)^n}{(n-1)!} e^{-gt}$$

$$= gt \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(gt)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-gt}$$

$$= gt \underbrace{\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(gt)^m}{m!} e^{-gt}}_{m=n-1}$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} p_m(t) = 1$$

$$= gt$$

mean increases
w/ t

II) Now imagine our infected individual returns to being susceptible ($I \rightarrow S$) w/ probability r per unit time. On average how many infections will this individual cause during the duration of the ~~inf~~ illness.

model for individual A: $\textcircled{I} \xrightarrow{r} \textcircled{S}$
 (ignore infections caused)

$$\Omega = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} I & S \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} I \\ S \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} -r & 0 \\ r & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$U_{SI}(t) = \text{"survival prob." of illness} \\ = \text{prob. the individual is still } \textcircled{I} \text{ not in } S \text{ at time } t$$

$$\frac{dU_{SI}}{dt} = \sum_{m' \neq S} U_{Sm'} \Omega_{m'm} = U_{SI} \Omega_{II} = -r U_{SI}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_{SI}(t) = e^{-rt} \quad \text{w/ } U_{SI}(0) = 1$$

first passage (to S) time distrib:

$$f_{SI}(t) = -\frac{dU_{SI}}{dt} = r e^{-rt}$$

$$\text{MFPT } \tau_{SI} : \quad -1 = \sum_{m' \neq S} \tau_{Sm'} \Omega_{m'I}$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = \tau_{SI} \Omega_{II} \Rightarrow -1 = \tau_{SI} (-r)$$

$$\tau_{SI} = \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{mean length of illness}$$

prob. to infect n
individuals given
during illness

$$P(n) = \int_0^{\infty} dt \underbrace{\frac{(gt)^n}{n!} e^{-gt}}_{\text{prob. to infect } n \text{ during time } t} \cdot \underbrace{r e^{-rt}}_{\text{prob. illness lasts time } t}$$

using identity: $\int_0^{\infty} t^n e^{-at} = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}} \Rightarrow P(n) = \frac{r g^n}{(r+g)^{n+1}}$
 $a > 0, \text{ integer } n \geq 0$
 $= \frac{\left(\frac{g}{r}\right)^n}{\left(1 + \frac{g}{r}\right)^{n+1}}$

mean # of cases caused by individual during illness:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n P(n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n r g^n}{(r+g)^{n+1}} = \frac{r}{r+g} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{g}{r+g}\right)^n$$

identity: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n x^n = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} \Rightarrow = \frac{r}{r+g} \frac{\frac{g}{r+g}}{\left(1 - \frac{g}{r+g}\right)^2} = \frac{g}{r}$
 $|x| < 1$

This mean # is called $R_0 = \frac{g}{r}$ basic reproduction number of disease

common cold: $R_0 \approx 6$

measles: $R_0 \approx 15$

Ebola: $R_0 \approx 2$

coronavirus: $R_0 \approx 2-3?$

salmonella: $R_0 < 1$

seasonal flu: $R_0 = 1.4$

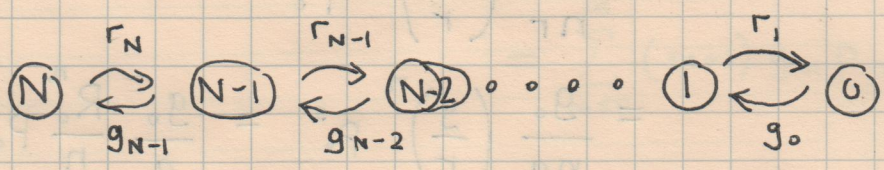
III) Finite population of N people
 state n represents n people currently ill.

transition rates: $n \rightarrow n-1$ w/ rate $r_n = nr$
 for $n \geq 1$

(any of n people can recover)

$n \rightarrow n+1$ w/ rate $g_n = ng$
 for $n \geq 1$

(any of n people can pass their illness to a new person)



g_0 = rate at which disease is reintroduced from "wild" in a healthy population (might be very small)

This network is ergodic, hence should have a unique stationary state p_n^s .
 $p_n(t) \rightarrow p_n^s$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

What is p_n^s ?

$$\Omega = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} g_0 & r_1 & & & \\ -g_0 & -r_1 & r_2 & & \\ & g_1 & -r_2 & r_3 & \\ & & g_2 & \ddots & \\ & & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{dp_n}{dt} = \sum_m \Omega_{nm} p_m = g_{n-1} p_{n-1} - (r_n + g_n) p_n + r_{n+1} p_{n+1}$$

for $p_n^s \Rightarrow \frac{dp_n}{dt} = 0$ $N > n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -g_0 p_0^s + r_1 p_1^s \\ 0 &= +g_0 p_0^s - (r_1 + g_1) p_1^s + r_2 p_2^s \\ 0 &= g_1 p_1^s - (r_2 + g_2) p_2^s + r_3 p_3^s \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow p_1^s = \frac{g_0}{r_1} p_0^s$$

plug into next equ: $p_2^s = \frac{g_1}{r_2} p_1^s = \frac{g_1 g_0}{r_2 r_1} p_0^s$

+ so on: $p_n^s = \frac{g_{n-1} \dots g_0}{r_n \dots r_1} p_0^s$ $g_i = i g$
 $r_i = i r$

$$= \frac{g_0}{n r} \left(\frac{g}{r}\right)^{n-1} p_0^s$$

$$= \frac{g_0}{n g} \left(\frac{g}{r}\right)^n p_0^s = \frac{g_0}{g} \frac{R_0^n}{n} p_0^s$$

normalize: $1 = p_0^s + \sum_{n=1}^N p_n^s = p_0^s \left[1 + \frac{g_0}{g} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{R_0^n}{n} \right]$

for $N \rightarrow \infty$: $\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{R_0^n}{n} \rightarrow -\ln(1 - R_0)$ if $R_0 < 1$

check by Taylor series

In this limit: $p_0^s = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{g_0}{g} \ln(1 - R_0)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } g_0 = 0 \\ \rightarrow 0 & \text{as } R_0 \rightarrow 1 \end{cases}$

prob. of
no one
sick

as $t \rightarrow \infty$

~~blows up like $\log(N) + \gamma$~~

for $R_0 \geq 1$: $\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{R_0^n}{n} \rightarrow \infty$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$: $p_0^s = 0$

Euler's
const
 ≈ 0.577

goal to ^{keep} prevent disease: get $R_0 < 1$
under control