

# Part 2 Abstract theory

Probability

Entropy

Stochastic matrix and basic convergence theorem

Markov jump process

# <probability>

## § basic concepts in probability theory

- a physical system with discrete microscopic states  $j=1, 2, \dots, \Omega$

elementary events

see part 1-p36

particle configurations,  
spin configurations, ...

- events  $A, B, \dots$   $A$  is either true or false for each state  $j=1, \dots, \Omega$

random variables

- state quantities  $\hat{f}, \hat{g}, \dots$   $\hat{f}$  takes value  $f_j$  in state  $j=1, \dots, \Omega$

(may not be a standard terminology)

- probability distribution (1)  $P = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ \vdots \\ P_\Omega \end{pmatrix} = (P_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$

$P_j$ : the probability of state  $j$  (2)  $P_j \geq 0$ , (3)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j = 1$

- probability of an event A

$$(1) \text{Prob}_{\mathbb{P}}[A] := \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j \chi_j[A]$$

$$(2) \chi_j[A] := \begin{cases} 1 & A \text{ is true in } j \\ 0 & A \text{ is false in } j \end{cases}$$

- expectation value of a state quantity  $\hat{f}$

$$(3) \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} := \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j f_j$$

- fluctuation (standard deviation) of  $\hat{f}$

$$(4) \sigma_{\mathbb{P}}[\hat{f}] := \sqrt{\langle \hat{f}^2 \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} - (\langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}})^2} = \sqrt{\langle (\hat{f} - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}})^2 \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}}$$

- uniform distribution

$$(5) \mathbb{P}_u = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\Omega \\ \vdots \\ 1/\Omega \end{pmatrix}$$

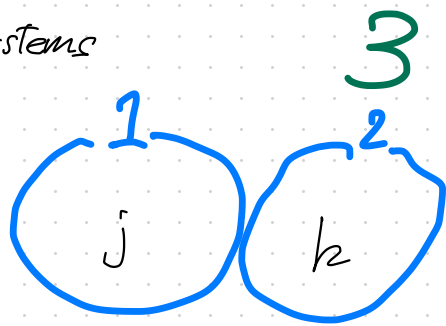
## § Combined system

generalization to  $N$  subsystems  
is trivial

a system consisting of two subsystems

subsystem 1 : states  $j=1, 2, \dots, \Omega_1$

subsystem 2 : states  $k=1, 2, \dots, \Omega_2$



states of the whole system  $(j, k)$   $j=1, \dots, \Omega_1, k=1, \dots, \Omega_2$

probability distribution of the whole system  $P = (P_{j,k})_{\substack{j=1, \dots, \Omega_1 \\ k=1, \dots, \Omega_2}}$

marginal distributions (1)  $P_j^{(1)} := \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega_2} P_{j,k}$

(2)  $P_k^{(2)} := \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega_1} P_{j,k}$

$P^{(1)}, P^{(2)}$  probability distributions

two subsystems are independent if  $P_{j,k} = P_j^{(1)} P_k^{(2)}$  (3)



## § Jensen's inequality

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$\varphi(x)$  a convex function of  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

( $\varphi''(x) \geq 0$  if twice differentiable)

for any  $\mathbb{P}$  and  $\hat{f}$

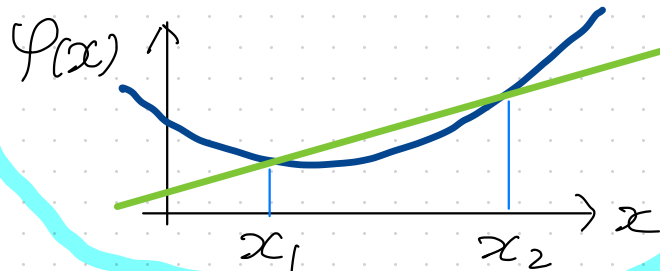
$$(2) \quad \varphi(\langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}) \leq \langle \varphi(\hat{f}) \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}$$

example (3)  $\varphi(x) = e^x$

$$(4) \quad \underline{e^{\langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}} \leq \langle e^{\hat{f}} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}}$$

$\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\varphi(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda \varphi(x_1) + (1-\lambda) \varphi(x_2) \quad (1)$$



$\varphi(\hat{f}_j)$  takes value  $\varphi(f_j)$  in state  $j$



## § canonical distribution

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a probability distribution that reproduces macroscopic properties of the equilibrium state of a physical system at temperature  $\beta^{-1}$

- a physical system with discrete microscopic states  $j=1, 2, \dots, \Omega$
- $E_j$  the energy of the system in the state  $j$

• canonical distribution

$\mathbb{P}^{(\text{can}, \beta)}$

$$(1) p_j^{(\text{can}, \beta)} = \frac{e^{-\beta E_j}}{Z(\beta)}$$

partition function (2)  $Z(\beta) = \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} e^{-\beta E_j}$

Helmholtz free energy (3)  $F(\beta) = -\frac{1}{\beta} \log Z(\beta)$

a system consisting of two subsystems

subsystem 1 : states  $j=1, 2, \dots, \Omega_1$

subsystem 2 : states  $k=1, 2, \dots, \Omega_2$

if energy of the whole system is (1)  $E_{j,k} = E_j^{(1)} + E_k^{(2)}$

no interaction energy

$$(2) \quad Z(\beta) = \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega_1} \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega_2} e^{-\beta E_{j,k}} = \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega_1} e^{-\beta E_j^{(1)}} \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega_2} e^{-\beta E_k^{(2)}} = Z_1(\beta) Z_2(\beta)$$

$$(3) \quad \underline{p_{j,k}^{(can, \beta)}} = \frac{e^{-\beta E_{j,k}}}{Z(\beta)} = \frac{e^{-\beta E_j^{(1)}}}{Z_1(\beta)} \frac{e^{-\beta E_k^{(2)}}}{Z_2(\beta)} = \underline{p_j^{(1, can, \beta)}} \underline{p_k^{(2, can, \beta)}}$$

two subsystems are independent

## § the physical meaning of probability

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Q. What does it mean that the probability of an event  $A$  is  $P$ , e.g.,  $P=0.3$ ?

After an experiment (trial),  $A$  may be true or false ...

Q. What does it mean that the expectation value of a physical quantity  $\hat{f}$  is  $\langle \hat{f} \rangle_P$ ?

After an experiment (trial),  $\hat{f}$  takes a value  $f_j$  for some  $j$  ...

(you never get 3.5 by rolling a fair dice!)

► an assumption necessary for relating the probability theory with the physical world

Cournot's principle

→ one of many versions

Pick an event  $A$  such that  $\text{Prob}_P[A] \ll 1$ , and make an experiment

Then the event  $A$  is never true in practice.

# Chebyshev's inequality

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for any probability distribution  $\mathbb{P}$ , state quantity  $\hat{f}$ , and  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$(1) \text{ Prob}_{\mathbb{P}} [ |\hat{f} - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}| \geq \varepsilon ] \leq \left( \frac{\sigma_{\mathbb{P}}[\hat{f}]}{\varepsilon} \right)^2$$

proof

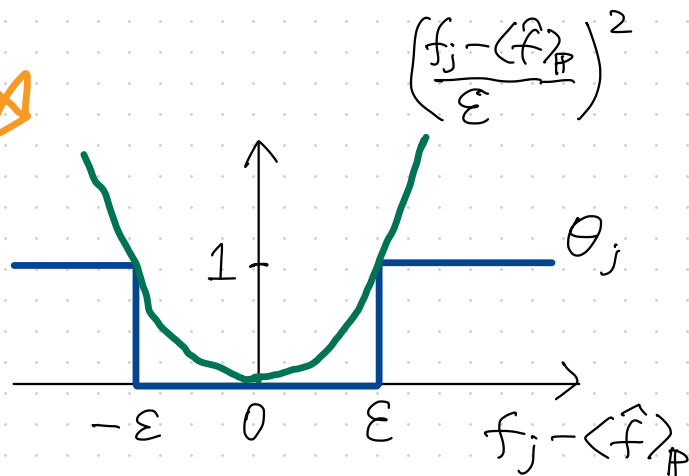
Define  $\hat{\Theta}$  by (2)  $\Theta_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |f_j - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}| \geq \varepsilon \\ 0 & \text{if } |f_j - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}| < \varepsilon \end{cases}$

then (3)  $\Theta_j \leq \left( \frac{f_j - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}}{\varepsilon} \right)^2$  for all  $j$

$$(4) \langle \hat{\Theta} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} \leq \frac{\langle (f - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}})^2 \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}}{\varepsilon^2} = \left( \frac{\sigma_{\mathbb{P}}[\hat{f}]}{\varepsilon} \right)^2$$

∵

$$\text{Prob}_{\mathbb{P}} [ |f - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}}| \geq \varepsilon ]$$



Suppose (1)  $\sigma_P[\hat{f}] \ll \epsilon$   $\rightarrow$  the precision for measuring  $\hat{f}$  10  
 // often true in macroscopic systems

Chebyshev's ineq. (2)  $\text{Prob}_P [ |\hat{f} - \langle \hat{f} \rangle_P | \geq \epsilon ] \leq \left( \frac{\sigma_P[\hat{f}]}{\epsilon} \right)^2 \ll 1$

Cournot's principle  $\Rightarrow$  the measurement result of  $\hat{f}$  is always equal to  $\langle \hat{f} \rangle_P$  within the precision!

When  $\sigma_P[\hat{f}]$  is not small

$N$  identical independent copies of the system (3)  $\hat{f}_{\text{av}} := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{f}^{(n)}$   $\hat{f}$  for the  $n$ -th copy

(4)  $\langle \hat{f}_{\text{av}} \rangle_{P^{\otimes N}} = \langle \hat{f} \rangle_P$  (5)  $\sigma_{P^{\otimes N}}[\hat{f}_{\text{av}}] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sigma_P[\hat{f}] \ll \epsilon$   
 if  $N$  is large

the measurement result of  $\hat{f}_{\text{av}}$  is always equal to  $\langle \hat{f} \rangle_P$

<entropy>  $\rightarrow$  information theoretic entropy

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## § Shannon entropy

system with discrete states  $j=1, \dots, \Omega$

Shannon entropy of a probability distribution  $\mathbb{P} = (P_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$

$$(1) \quad S(\mathbb{P}) := - \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j \log P_j$$

we use the convention  $0 \log 0 = 0$

uniform distribution  $\mathbb{P}_u = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\Omega \\ \vdots \\ 1/\Omega \end{pmatrix}$

$$(2) \quad S(\mathbb{P}_u) = \log \Omega$$

in general (3)  $0 \leq S(\mathbb{P}) \leq \log \Omega$

$\uparrow$   
trivial

$\uparrow$   
see P(5)-(5)



interpretation (1)  $I_j = \log \frac{1}{p_j}$  information content = "amount of surprise" when the state  $j$  is observed

$(p_j = 1 \rightarrow \log \frac{1}{p_j} = 0)$

you know that  $j$  happens  
no surprise

$(p_j = 10^{-6} \rightarrow \log \frac{1}{p_j} = 6 \log 10)$

a rare event!  
BIG surprise!!

$S(P)$  is the average of  $I_j$

additivity system which is a combination of two subsystems

if  $p_{j,k} = p_j^{(1)} p_k^{(2)}$  ← independent

(3)  $S(P) = - \sum_{j,k} p_{j,k} \log p_{j,k} = - \sum_j \sum_k p_{j,k} \log p_j^{(1)} - \sum_k \sum_j p_{j,k} \log p_k^{(2)}$

$= - \sum_j p_j^{(1)} \log p_j^{(1)} - \sum_k p_k^{(2)} \log p_k^{(2)} = S(P^{(1)}) + S(P^{(2)})$

example: binary entropy

$$\Omega = 2 \quad (1) \quad P = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 1-p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2) \quad S_2(p) := S(P) = -p \log p - (1-p) \log(1-p)$$

$$(3) \quad S_2'(p) = \log \frac{1-p}{p}$$

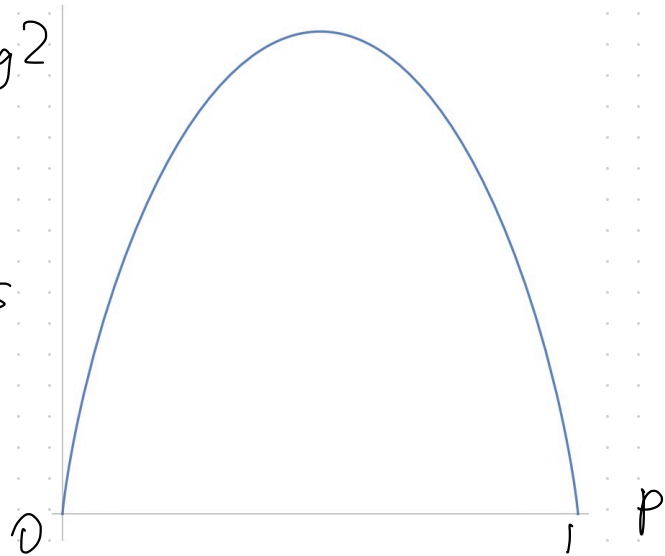
 $S_2(p)$ 

$$(4) \quad S_2''(p) = -\frac{1}{p(1-p)} < 0$$

 $\log 2$ 

entropy = information = amount of surprise is

maximum when  $p = \frac{1}{2}$   
 zero when  $p = 0$  or  $1$



# § relative entropy a.k.a. KL divergence

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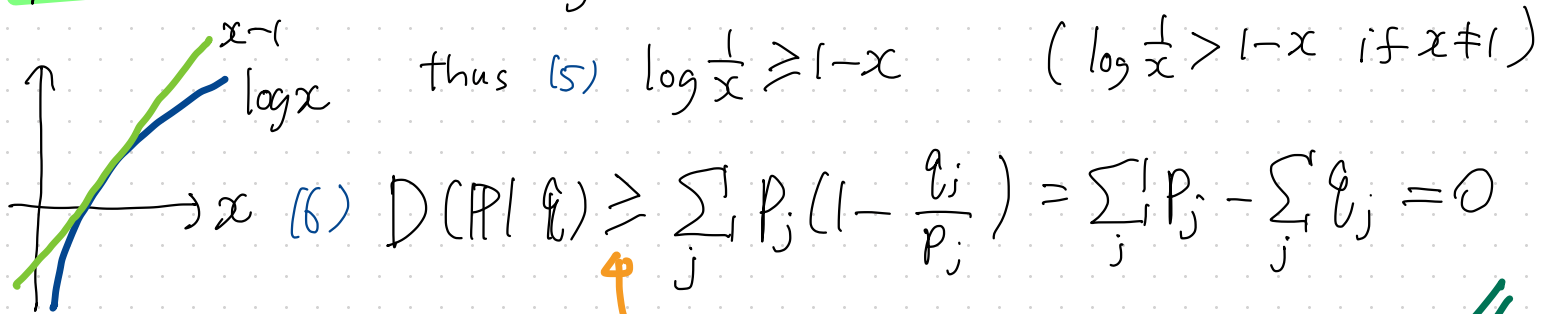
$P, Q$  probability distributions

relative entropy or Kullback-Leibler divergence

$$(1) \quad D(P|Q) := \sum_{j=1}^n P_j \log \frac{P_j}{Q_j} \quad \rightarrow \left( D(P|Q) = \infty \text{ if } P_j \neq 0 \text{ and } Q_j = 0 \text{ for some } j \right)$$

basic property (2)  $D(P|Q) \geq 0$  (3)  $D(P|Q) = 0 \iff P = Q$

proof recall that (4)  $\log x \leq x - 1$  for  $x > 0$



$$(6) \quad D(P|Q) \geq \sum_j P_j \left( 1 - \frac{Q_j}{P_j} \right) = \sum_j P_j - \sum_j Q_j = 0$$

$>$  for at least one  $j$  if  $P \neq Q$

$$(1) D(P|Q) := \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j \log \frac{P_j}{Q_j}$$

$$(2) D(P|Q) \geq 0 \quad (3) D(P|Q) = 0 \iff P = Q$$

$D(P|Q)$  is an asymmetric distance between  $P$  and  $Q$

uniform distribution  $P_u = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\Omega \\ \vdots \\ 1/\Omega \end{pmatrix}$

$$(4) \underline{D(P|P_u)} = \sum_j P_j (\log P_j + \log \Omega) \\ = \underline{\log \Omega - S(P)}$$

$$(5) D(P|P_u) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\log \Omega \geq S(P)} \quad p11-(3)$$

when  $P$  and  $Q$  are close

$$(6) D(P|Q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} \frac{(P_j - Q_j)^2}{Q_j} + O(|P - Q|^3)$$

↑  
Shannon entropy is essentially the KL-divergence with respect to  $P_u$

# § relations to statistical mechanics

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## ▷ Shannon entropy and statistical mechanical entropy

fix  $E_j$  ( $j=1, \dots, \Omega$ )

canonical distribution (1) 
$$P_j^{(\text{can}, \beta)} = \frac{e^{-\beta E_j}}{Z(\beta)}$$

$$(2) S(P^{(\text{can}, \beta)}) = - \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j^{(\text{can}, \beta)} \log \frac{e^{-\beta E_j}}{Z(\beta)}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j^{(\text{can}, \beta)} \{ \beta E_j + \log Z(\beta) \}$$

$$= \beta \langle \hat{E} \rangle_{\beta}^{\text{can}} + \log Z(\beta) = \beta \{ \langle \hat{E} \rangle_{\beta}^{\text{can}} - F(\beta) \}$$

$$= \frac{1}{T} \{ \langle \hat{E} \rangle_{\beta}^{\text{can}} - F(\beta) \} = S(\beta) \leftarrow \text{statistical mechanical entropy}$$

$$\langle \hat{f} \rangle_{\beta}^{\text{can}} = \langle \hat{f} \rangle_{P^{(\text{can}, \beta)}}$$

# Variational characterization of the canonical distribution

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for any probability distribution  $\mathbb{P}$

$$(1) D(\mathbb{P} | \mathbb{P}^{(can, \beta)}) = \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j \log \left( P_j \frac{Z(\beta)}{e^{-\beta E_j}} \right) - \beta F(\beta)$$

$$= \sum_j P_j \log P_j + \beta \sum_j P_j E_j + \log Z(\beta)$$

$$= -S(\mathbb{P}) + \beta \langle \hat{E} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} - \beta F(\beta) \geq 0$$

define  $\rightarrow \beta F(\mathbb{P})$

= only when  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}^{(can, \beta)}$

$$(2) F(\mathbb{P}) \geq F(\beta)$$

$\mathbb{P}^{(can, \beta)}$  is the unique probability distribution that minimizes

$$(3) F(\mathbb{P}) = \langle \hat{E} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} - \frac{1}{\beta} S(\mathbb{P})$$

"Helmholtz free energy" for general  $\mathbb{P}$

# <stochastic matrix and basic convergence theorem>

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## § stochastic matrix

$\Omega \times \Omega$  matrix (1)  $T = (T_{j,k})_{j,k=1,\dots,\Omega}$

such that (2)  $T_{j,k} \geq 0$  and (3)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} T_{j,k} = 1$  for all  $k$

if  $P$  is a probability distribution

then (4)  $P' = TP$  is also a probability distribution

proof (5)  $P'_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} T_{j,k} P_k \Rightarrow$  (6)  $P'_j \geq 0$

$$(7) \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P'_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} T_{j,k} \right) P_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} P_k = 1 //$$

## § monotonicity of the KL-divergence

$P, Q$  arbitrary probability distributions,  $T$  arbitrary stochastic matrix

$$(1) D(P|Q) \geq D(TP|TQ)$$

proof (2)  $P'_j = \sum_k T_{jk} P_k$ ,  $Q'_j = \sum_k T_{jk} Q_k$  then (4)  $\sum_j \tilde{P}_j^{(k)} = \frac{P_k}{P'_k} = 1$   
define (3)  $\tilde{P}_j^{(k)} = \frac{T_{kj} P_j}{P'_k}$ ,  $\tilde{Q}_j^{(k)} = \frac{T_{kj} Q_j}{Q'_k}$   $\tilde{P}^{(k)}, \tilde{Q}^{(k)}$  are probability distributions

(4)

$$\begin{aligned} D(P|Q) - D(P'|Q') &= \sum_j P_j \log \frac{P_j}{Q_j} - \sum_j P'_j \log \frac{P'_j}{Q'_j} \\ &= \sum_{k,j} T_{kj} P_j \log \frac{T_{kj} P_j}{T_{kj} Q_j} - \sum_j P'_j \log \frac{P'_j}{Q'_j} \end{aligned}$$

$\left. \begin{aligned} T_{kj} P_j &= \tilde{P}_j^{(k)} P'_k \\ T_{kj} Q_j &= \tilde{Q}_j^{(k)} Q'_k \end{aligned} \right\}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k,j} P'_k \tilde{P}_j^{(k)} \log \frac{\tilde{P}_j^{(k)}}{\tilde{Q}_j^{(k)}} + \sum_{k,j} P'_k \tilde{P}_j^{(k)} \log \frac{P'_k}{Q'_k} - \sum_j P'_j \log \frac{P'_j}{Q'_j} \\ &= \sum_k P'_k D(\tilde{P}^{(k)} | \tilde{Q}^{(k)}) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$= 0$  //



## § Convergence theorem

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$T$  stochastic matrix,  $P^{(0)}$  arbitrary probability distribution

how does the prob. dist.  $T^n P^{(0)}$  behave for large  $n$ ?

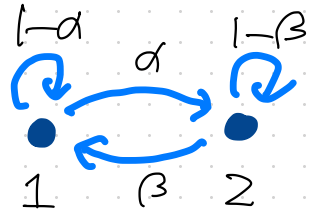
→ (Markov process with discrete time  $n=1, 2, \dots$ )

▷ example with  $\Omega=2$

$$(1) T = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & 1-\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 < \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta < 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} T_{11} = 1-\alpha & T_{12} = \beta \\ T_{21} = \alpha & T_{22} = 1-\beta \end{matrix}$$



$$(2) P^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 1-p \end{pmatrix} \quad (0 \leq p \leq 1) \quad (3) T P^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-\alpha-\beta)p + \beta \\ (\alpha+\beta-1)p + (1-\beta) \end{pmatrix}, \dots$$

one can compute  $T^n P^{(0)}$  for general  $n$  by diagonalizing  $T$

$$(4) \det(T - \lambda I) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha-\lambda & \beta \\ \alpha & 1-\beta-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda^2 + (\alpha+\beta-2)\lambda + (1-(\alpha+\beta)) \\ = (\lambda-1)(\lambda-(1-(\alpha+\beta)))$$

(1)  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & 1-\beta \end{pmatrix}$  eigenvalues (2)  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -( \alpha + \beta )$   
 eigenvectors (3)  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} \\ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

normalized as a probability distribution

then (4)  $P^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 1-p \end{pmatrix} = v_1 + (p - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}) v_2$

and (5)  $T^n P^{(0)} = T^n v_1 + (p - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}) T^n v_2$   
 $= v_1 + (p - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}) (1 - (\alpha + \beta))^n v_2$

since  $|1 - (\alpha + \beta)| < 1$

(6)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n P^{(0)} = v_1$  for any probability distribution  $P^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 1-p \end{pmatrix}$

converges to a unique probability distribution

## Convergence theorem

Definition: a stochastic matrix  $T$  is said to be primitive (or irreducible + aperiodic) if there is an integer  $\nu \geq 1$  such that (1)  $(T^\nu)_{j,k} > 0$  for any  $j, k$ .

Theorem: assume that  $T$  is primitive. then

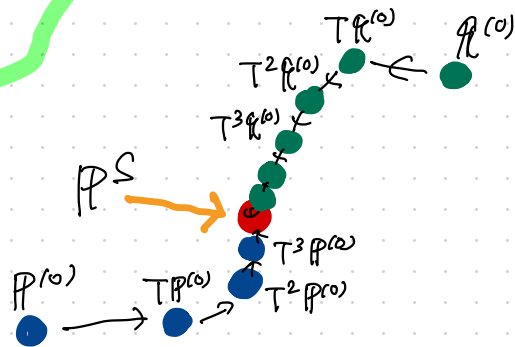
▸ there is a unique probability distribution  $\mathbb{P}^S = (p_j^S)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  that satisfies (2)  $T \mathbb{P}^S = \mathbb{P}^S$

▸ it holds that  $p_j^S > 0$  for any  $j$

▸ for any prob. distribution  $\mathbb{P}^{(0)}$ , we have

$$(3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n \mathbb{P}^{(0)} = \mathbb{P}^S$$

stationary distribution



Convergence to a unique stationary distribution is a universal phenomenon!

▷ proof

$$(1) V_0 := \{ \psi = (\psi_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^{\Omega} \mid \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} \psi_j = 0 \}$$

→  $(\psi_2 \text{ in p21 belongs to } V_0)$  23

Lemma: if  $T$  is primitive then (2)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n \psi = 0$  for any  $\psi \in V_0$

proof of Theorem given Lemma

$$(3) \left( T^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} (T^t)_{jk} = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} T_{kj} = 1 \Rightarrow (4) T^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda=1 \text{ is an eigenvalue of } T^t$$

$\lambda=1$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  → corresponding eigenvector  $u = (u_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  with  $u_j \in \mathbb{R}$

$$(5) T u = u \xrightarrow{\text{Lemma}} u \notin V_0 \iff (6) \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} u_j \neq 0$$

define  $P^S$  by (7)  $P_j^S = \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} u_k \right)^{-1} u_j$  then (8)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j^S = 1$

we still do not know whether  $P^S$  is a probability distribution or not

there is  $\mathbb{P}^S = (p_j^S)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  such that (1)  $T\mathbb{P}^S = \mathbb{P}^S$  (2)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} p_j^S = 1$

► for arbitrary probability distribution  $\mathbb{P}^{(0)}$

$$(3) T^n \mathbb{P}^{(0)} = T^n \mathbb{P}^S + T^n (\mathbb{P}^{(0)} - \mathbb{P}^S) \xrightarrow{n \gg \infty} \mathbb{P}^S$$

$\in V_0$      $\Downarrow$  Lemma

convergence is proved.

► since  $T^n \mathbb{P}^{(0)}$  is a probability distribution, so is  $\mathbb{P}^S$

$$(4) \mathbb{P}^S = T^2 \mathbb{P}^S \rightarrow (5) p_j^S = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} (T^2)_{jk} p_k^S > 0$$

$\uparrow$  positive     $\uparrow$  nonnegative

properties of  $\mathbb{P}^S$  are proved.

► assume  $T\mathbb{P}^A = \mathbb{P}^A$  for a prob. dist.  $\mathbb{P}^A \neq \mathbb{P}^S$   
 this contradicts with (3) if we set  $\mathbb{P}^{(0)} = \mathbb{P}^A$

uniqueness of the solution of  $T\mathbb{P}^S = \mathbb{P}^S$  is proved.

(remark  $\lambda=1$  and  $\mathbb{P}^{(0)}$  are the Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue and eigenvector of  $T$ . we avoided the use of the Perron-Frobenius theorem)

## Perron-Frobenius theorem

let  $A = (a_{jk})_{j,k=1,\dots,\Omega}$  be an  $\Omega \times \Omega$  matrix with

(i)  $a_{jk} \in \mathbb{R}$  for any  $j, k$

(ii)  $a_{jk} \geq 0$  for any  $j \neq k$

(iii)  $A$  is irreducible, i.e., for any  $j \neq k$ , there exist  $n > 0$  and  $i_0, i_1, \dots, i_n$  s.t.  $i_0 = j$ ,  $i_n = k$ , and  $a_{i_{l-1}, i_l} \neq 0$  for  $l = 1, \dots, n$

$j$  and  $k$  are "connected" via nonzero entries

then there exists a nondegenerate real eigenvalue  $\lambda^{\text{PF}}$  of  $A$ , and the corresponding eigenvector  $\mathcal{V}^{\text{PF}} = (\mathcal{V}_j^{\text{PF}})_{j=1,\dots,\Omega}$  can be chosen to satisfy  $\mathcal{V}_j^{\text{PF}} > 0$  for all  $j$ .

any other eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$  satisfies  $\text{Re } \lambda < \lambda^{\text{PF}}$

proof of Lemma

some definitions

$$(1) \mu = \min_{j,k} (T^{\nu})_{j,k} > 0$$

$M$ :  $\Omega \times \Omega$  matrix such that  $(M)_{j,k} = \mu$  for all  $j,k$

$$(2) S = T^{\nu} - M$$

then (3)  $(S)_{j,k} = (T^{\nu})_{j,k} - \mu \geq 0$  (4)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} (S)_{j,k} = 1 - \Omega \mu$

$$\rightarrow (0 \leq 1 - \Omega \mu < 1)$$

for any  $\psi \in V_0$

$$(5) \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} (T^{\nu} \psi)_j = \sum_{j,k} (T^{\nu})_{j,k} \psi_k = \sum_k \psi_k = 0 \rightarrow (6) T^{\nu} \psi \in V_0$$

$$(7) (M \psi)_j = \sum_k (M)_{j,k} \psi_k = \mu \sum_k \psi_k = 0$$

we thus have (8)  $M \psi = 0$  and hence (9)  $T^{\nu} \psi = S \psi$

$L^1$  norm of a vector  $W = (w_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^{\Omega}$  (1)  $\|W\|_1 := \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} |w_j|$

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for any  $v \in V_0$

p26-(9)

$$(2) \quad \underline{\|T^{\nu} v\|_1} = \sum_j |(T^{\nu} v)_j| \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \sum_j |(S v)_j| \leq \sum_{j,k} S_{jk} |v_k|$$
$$\stackrel{\text{p26-(4)}}{\downarrow} = (1 - \Omega \mu) \sum_k |v_k| = \underline{(1 - \Omega \mu) \|v\|_1}$$

since  $T^{\nu} v \in V_0$ , we can repeatedly use (2) to get

$$(3) \quad \|T^{\nu m} v\|_1 \leq (1 - \Omega \mu)^m \|v\|_1$$

thus

$$(4) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T^{\nu m} v\|_1 = 0 \Rightarrow (5) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} T^{\nu m} v = \mathbf{0}$$

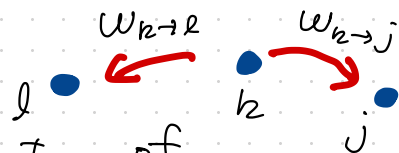


# < Markov jump process >

a Markov process with discrete states and continuous time  $t \geq 0$

## § definitions

▷ microscopic states  $j = 1, 2, \dots, \Omega$



▷ a Markov jump process is fully characterized by a collection of

transition rate  $\omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \geq 0$  for  $k, j = 1, \dots, \Omega$ ,  $k \neq j$ , and  $t \geq 0$

▷ the collection of transition rates at  $t$   $\omega(t) = (\omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t))_{\substack{k, j = 1, \dots, \Omega \\ (k \neq j)}}$

the collection of  $\omega(t)$  over whole  $t \geq 0$   $\tilde{\omega} = (\omega(t))_{t \geq 0}$

▷ if the system is in state  $k$  at time  $t$ , then it is in state  $j$  at time  $t + \Delta t$  with probability  $\Delta t \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) + O((\Delta t)^2)$  ( $\Delta t > 0$ )

▷ escape rate (1)  $\lambda_k(t) = \sum_{j(\neq k)} \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \geq 0$

if the system is in state  $k$  at time  $t$ , then the probability that it is no longer in  $k$  at time  $t + \Delta t$  is  $\Delta t \lambda_k(t) + O((\Delta t)^2)$

§ master equation

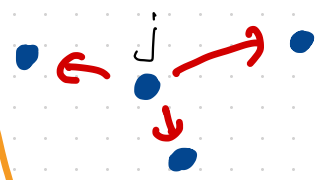
$P(t) = (P_j(t))_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  probability distribution at time  $t$

$P_j(t)$  the probability that the system is in state  $j$  at time  $t$

(1)

$$P_j(t + \Delta t) - P_j(t) = \underbrace{-\{\Delta t \lambda_j(t) + O((\Delta t)^2)\}}_{\text{escape from } j} P_j(t) + \sum_{k(\neq j)} \underbrace{\{\Delta t W_{k \rightarrow j}(t) + O((\Delta t)^2)\}}_{\text{jump from } k \text{ to } j} P_k(t)$$

escape from  $j$



jump from  $k$  to  $j$



by letting  $\Delta t \downarrow 0$

(2)

$$\dot{P}_j(t) = \underbrace{-\lambda_j(t) P_j(t)}_{\text{escape from } j} + \sum_{k(\neq j)} \underbrace{W_{k \rightarrow j}(t) P_k(t)}_{\text{jump from } k \text{ to } j}$$

$$(1) \dot{P}_j(t) = -\lambda_j(t) P_j(t) + \sum_{k(\neq j)}^1 \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) P_k(t)$$

define transition rate matrix by (2)  $R(t) = (R_{jk}(t))_{j,k=1,\dots,\Omega}$

$$\begin{cases} (3) R_{jk}(t) = \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \geq 0 & (j \neq k) \\ (4) R_{kk}(t) = -\lambda_k(t) = -\sum_{j(\neq k)}^1 \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

any  $R(t)$  with  
 $R_{jk}(t) \geq 0$  for  $j \neq k$   
 and (5)  
 is a transition rate  
 matrix

we then have (5)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} R_{jk}(t) = 0$  for any  $k$

(1) is written as

$$(6) \dot{P}_j(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} R_{jk}(t) P_k(t)$$

or

$$(7) \dot{P}(t) = R(t) P(t)$$

determines  $P(t)$  for  $t \geq 0$ , given  $P(0)$

master equation

or

Kolmogorov's forward  
 equation

## monotonicity

suppose  $P(t)$  and  $Q(t)$  satisfy

$$(1) \dot{P}(t) = R(t)P(t) \quad \dot{Q}(t) = R(t)Q(t)$$

with common transition rate matrix  $R(t)$

then  $D(P(t)|Q(t))$  is non-increasing in  $t$

proof for  $t > 0$  and small  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$(2) P(t+\varepsilon) = P(t) + \varepsilon R(t)P(t) + O(\varepsilon^2) = T P(t) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

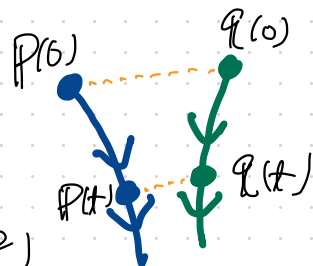
where (3)  $T = I + \varepsilon R(t)$  is a stochastic matrix

$$(4) Q(t+\varepsilon) = T Q(t) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

then

$$(5) D(P(t+\varepsilon)|Q(t+\varepsilon)) - D(P(t)|Q(t)) = D(TP(t)|TQ(t)) - D(P(t)|Q(t)) + O(\varepsilon^2) \stackrel{PI9-C1}{\leq} O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$(6) \frac{d}{dt} D(P(t)|Q(t)) \leq 0$$



▷ probability current  $\dot{J}_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$  for  $j \neq k$

$$(1) \dot{J}_{j \rightarrow k}(t) := \underbrace{R_{kj}(t) P_j(t)}_{j \text{ to } k} - \underbrace{R_{jk}(t) P_k(t)}_{k \text{ to } j}$$

↑ the net flow of probability from  $j$  to  $k$

$$(2) \dot{J}_{j \rightarrow k}(t) = - \dot{J}_{k \rightarrow j}(t) = - R_{jj}(t)$$

$$(3) \sum_{k(\neq j)} \dot{J}_{j \rightarrow k}(t) = \left[ \sum_{k(\neq j)} R_{kj}(t) \right] P_j(t) - \sum_{k(\neq j)} R_{jk}(t) P_k(t)$$

$$= - \sum_{k=1}^n R_{jk}(t) P_k(t) = - \dot{P}_j(t)$$

we thus have the continuity equation ↑ master equation

$$(4) \dot{P}_j(t) + \sum_{k(\neq j)} \dot{J}_{j \rightarrow k}(t) = 0$$

§ Convergence theorem for stationary process ( $W_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$  is independent of  $t$ )

time-independent transition rate matrix  $R = (R_{jk})_{j,k=1,\dots,\Omega}$

master equation (1)  $\dot{P}(t) = R P(t)$

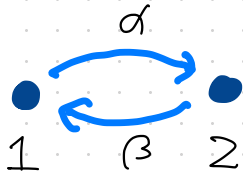
→ solution (2)  $P(t) = e^{tR} P(0)$

example with  $\Omega = 2$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R_{11} = -\alpha & R_{12} = \beta \\ R_{21} = \alpha & R_{22} = -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$



$$(5) \dot{P}_1(t) = -\alpha P_1(t) + \beta P_2(t)$$

$$(6) \dot{P}_2(t) = \alpha P_1(t) - \beta P_2(t)$$

solution

$$(7) P_1(t) = C e^{-(\alpha+\beta)t} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta}$$

$$(8) P_2(t) = -C e^{-(\alpha+\beta)t} + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$$

$$(3) e^A = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( I + \frac{A}{N} \right)^N$$

$$(4) \frac{d}{dt} e^{tR} = R e^{tR}$$

convergence to a stationary distribution!

thus

$$(9) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta} \\ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $\forall P(0)$

# Convergence theorem

Definition: a transition rate matrix  $R$  is said to be irreducible if, for any  $j \neq k$  there exist  $n > 0$  and  $i_0, i_1, \dots, i_n$  s.t.  $i_0 = j$ ,  $i_n = k$ , and  $R_{i_l, i_{l-1}} > 0$  for all  $l = 1, \dots, n$

↑ any  $j$  and  $k$  are "connected" via nonzero entries → p. 25

Theorem: assume that  $R$  is irreducible then

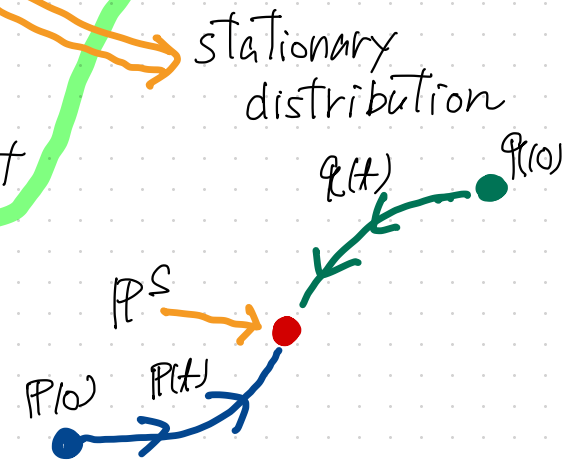
▶ there is a unique probability distribution  $P^S = (P_j^S)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  that satisfies (1)  $R P^S = 0$

▶ it holds that  $P_j^S > 0$  for any  $j$

▶ for any initial distribution  $P(0)$  it holds that

(2)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = P^S$

(  $P(t)$  solution of  $\dot{P}(t) = R P(t)$  )



# general "H-theorem" for Markov jump processes

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historical name, given by Boltzmann

Corollary: suppose that  $R$  is irreducible

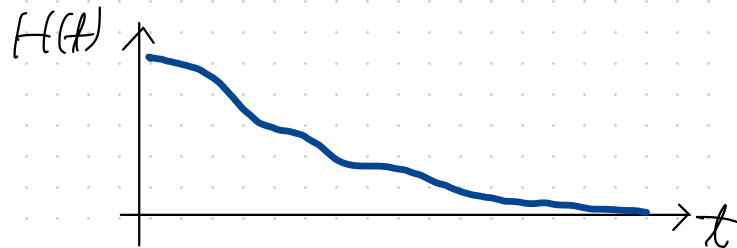
define (2)  $H(P) := D(P | P^S)$

then, for any  $P(0)$ ,  $H(P(t))$  is non-increasing in  $t \geq 0$  and

converges to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

(  $P(t)$  solution of  $\dot{P}(t) = R P(t)$  )

there is a function that knows the "arrow of time"





## proof of the theorem

Lemma: for any  $\tau > 0$ ,  $T = e^{\tau R}$  is a stochastic matrix, and satisfies:

$$(T)_{kj} > 0 \text{ for any } j, k$$

more or less trivial ...

## proof of Theorem given Lemma

fix  $\tau > 0$  (we need Lemma only for a single value  $\tau > 0$ )

$T = e^{\tau R}$  is primitive  $\rightarrow$  convergence theorem for  $T^n P^{(0)}$   $\rightarrow$  P22

unique  $P^S$  s.t. (1)  $T P^S = P^S \iff$  (2)  $R P^S = 0$

write  $t = m\tau + s$  with  $0 \leq s < \tau$

$$P(t) = e^{(m\tau + s)R} P^{(0)} = e^{sR} \underbrace{T^m}_{\text{converges to } P^S} P^{(0)}$$

converges to  $P^S$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$

## proof of Lemma

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▷ proof of (1)  $\sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} (e^{\tau R})_{kj} = 1$

$$(2) \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} (e^{0R})_{kj} = 1$$

$$(3) \frac{d}{d\tau} \sum_{k=1}^{\Omega} (e^{\tau R})_{kj} = \sum_{k,\ell=1}^{\Omega} \operatorname{Re} \ell (e^{\tau R})_{\ell j} = 0$$

▷ proof of  $(e^{\tau R})_{kj} > 0$  for any  $\tau > 0$  and  $j, k = 1, \dots, \Omega$

• diagonal (4)  $(e^{sR})_{jj} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(R^n)_{jj}}{n!} s^n = f(s)$

$f(s)$  is continuous in  $s$  and  $f(0) = 0$

(5)  $(e^{sR})_{jj} > 0$  for sufficiently small  $s \geq 0$

Definition: a transition rate matrix  $R$  is said to be **irreducible** if, for any  $j \neq k$  there exist  $n > 0$  and  $i_0, i_1, \dots, i_n$  s.t.  $i_0 = j$ ,  $i_n = k$ , and  $R_{i_l, i_{l-1}} > 0$  for all  $l = 1, \dots, n$

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minimum  $n$   
with the above property

• **off-diagonal** for any  $j \neq k$  there is  $n_0 = 1, 2, \dots$  such that

$$(2) (R^{n_0})_{kj} > 0, \quad (R^n)_{kj} = 0 \text{ for } n < n_0 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \downarrow 0$$

$$(3) (e^{sR})_{kj} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(R^n)_{kj}}{n!} s^n = \left\{ \frac{(R^{n_0})_{kj}}{n_0!} + \sum_{n > n_0} \frac{(R^n)_{kj}}{n!} s^{n-n_0} \right\} s^{n_0}$$

$> 0$  for sufficiently small  $s > 0$

$\exists T_0 > 0$  s.t.  $(e^{sR})_{kj} > 0$  for any  $j, k$  if  $0 < s \leq T_0$

$$(4) e^{\tau R} = \left( e^{\frac{\tau}{N} R} \right)^N \Rightarrow (e^{\tau R})_{kj} > 0 \text{ for any } j, k \text{ and any } \tau > 0$$

## § description in terms of path

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- arbitrary Markov jump process with time-dependent transition rates  $W(t) = (W_{j \rightarrow k}(t))_{j, k=1, \dots, \Omega} \quad (j \neq k)$
- escape rate  $\lambda_j(t) = \sum_{k(\neq j)} W_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$
- the collection of transition rates  $\tilde{W} = (W(t))_{t \in [0, \tau]}$

staying probability  $\tilde{P}_j(t, t')$   $(t \leq t')$  ( $\tau > 0$  final time)

the probability that the system is always in state  $j$  in the time interval  $[t, t']$ , provided that it is in  $j$  at time  $t$

then (1)  $\tilde{P}_j(t, t) = 1$       (2)  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{P}_j(t, t') = -\lambda_j(t) \tilde{P}_j(t, t')$

(3)  $\tilde{P}_j(t, t') = \exp\left[-\int_t^{t'} ds \lambda_j(s)\right]$

▷ path  $\gamma$ : a path (or a history) in the time interval  $[0, \tau]$  that connects states  $\gamma_{init}$  and  $\gamma_{fin}$  (with  $n$  jumps)

(1)  $\gamma = (\hat{j}_0, \hat{j}_1, \dots, \hat{j}_n; t_1, \dots, t_n)$  with (2)  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n < \tau$

$\hat{j}_0$   $\hat{j}_1$   $\dots$   $\hat{j}_n$   $t_1$   $\dots$   $t_n$

$\hat{j}_{init}$   $\hat{j}_{fin}$   $m$ -th jump at  $t_m$  from state  $\hat{j}_{m-1}$  to  $\hat{j}_m$

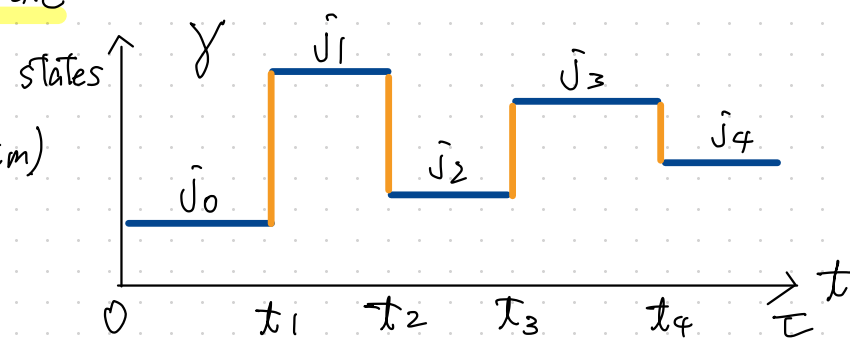
we write (3)  $\gamma(t) = \hat{j}_m$  for  $t \in (t_m, t_{m+1}]$  and  $\gamma(0) = \hat{j}_0$

▷ transition probability density of a path  $\gamma$

(4)  $\tilde{J}_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) := \underbrace{\tilde{p}_{\hat{j}_0}^{\tilde{\omega}}(0, t_1)}_{\text{staying probability}} \underbrace{\omega_{\hat{j}_0 \rightarrow \hat{j}_1}(t_1)}_{\text{transition rate}} \underbrace{\tilde{p}_{\hat{j}_1}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_1, t_2)}_{\text{staying probability}} \underbrace{\omega_{\hat{j}_1 \rightarrow \hat{j}_2}(t_2)}_{\text{transition rate}} \dots \underbrace{\omega_{\hat{j}_{n-1} \rightarrow \hat{j}_n}(t_n)}_{\text{transition rate}} \underbrace{\tilde{p}_{\hat{j}_n}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_n, \tau)}_{\text{staying probability}}$

$$= \prod_{m=0}^n \tilde{p}_{\hat{j}_m}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_m, t_{m+1}) \prod_{m=1}^n \omega_{\hat{j}_{m-1} \rightarrow \hat{j}_m}(t_m)$$

$t_0 = 0, t_{n+1} = \tau$



(1)  $P(0) = (P_j(0))_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  arbitrary initial probability distribution

probability density that a path  $\gamma$  is realized

$$(2) P_{j_{\text{init}}}(0) \int_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) = P_{j_0}(0) \underbrace{\tilde{P}_{j_0}^{\leftarrow}(0, t_1)}_{\text{initial staying distribution}} \underbrace{W_{j_0 \rightarrow j_1}(t_1)}_{\text{jump}} \dots \underbrace{W_{j_{n-1} \rightarrow j_n}(t_n)}_{\text{jump}} \underbrace{\tilde{P}_{j_n}^{\rightarrow}(t_n, \tau)}_{\text{staying}}$$

normalization (3)  $\int D\gamma P_{j_{\text{init}}}(0) \int_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) = 1$

where the "sum" over all possible paths is

$$(4) \int D\gamma(\dots) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum'_{j_0, j_1, \dots, j_n=1} \int_0^{\tau} dt_1 \int_{t_1}^{\tau} dt_2 \int_{t_2}^{\tau} dt_3 \dots \int_{t_{n-1}}^{\tau} dt_n(\dots)$$

$\sum'$  indicates the constraint  $j_{m-1} \neq j_m$  ( $m=1, \dots, n$ )

it holds that

$$(5) P_j(t) = \int D\gamma P_{j_{\text{init}}}(0) \int_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) \delta_{\gamma(t), j} \quad t \in [0, \tau]$$

Remark: key observation for the relations in p42

$\gamma$  any path for the interval  $[0, \tau]$   $\gamma(\tau) = j$

$\gamma'$  path on  $[0, \tau + \delta\tau]$  such that  $\gamma'(t) = \gamma(t)$  for  $t \in [0, \tau]$

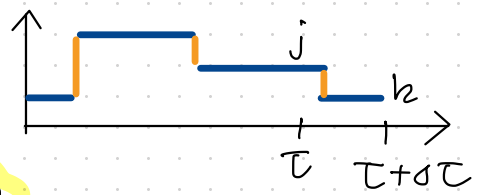
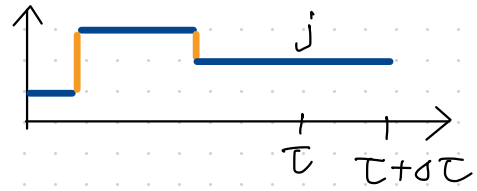
(probability density for  $\gamma'$ ) =  $P_{\gamma_{init}}(\omega) J_{\tilde{w}}(\gamma')$   $\left( \tilde{P}_j(t_n, \tau + \delta\tau) = \tilde{P}_j(t_n, \tau) \hat{P}_j(\tau, \tau + \delta\tau) \right)$

$= P_{\gamma_{init}}(\omega) J_{\tilde{w}}(\gamma)$   
 //  
 (probability density for  $\gamma$ )

**no jumps**  
 $\tilde{P}_j(\tau, \tau + \delta\tau) = 1 - \delta\tau \lambda_j(\tau) + O((\delta\tau)^2)$

**one jump**  
 $\tilde{P}_j(\tau, t_f) \omega_{j \rightarrow k}(t_f) \tilde{P}_k(t_f, \tau + \delta\tau)$   
 //  $\omega_{j \rightarrow k}(\tau) + O(\delta\tau)$   
 for some  $t_f \in (\tau, \tau + \delta\tau)$  and  $k \neq j$

**more than one jump**  
 higher orders in  $\delta\tau$



We recover the definition of the process  $\rightarrow$  proof of (3), (5)

## § expectation values and their relations

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▶ state quantity  $\hat{f}$  → takes value  $f_j$  in a (microscopic) state  $j=1, \dots, \Omega$   
probability distribution  $P = (P_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$

$$(1) \langle \hat{f} \rangle_P = \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} P_j f_j$$

▶ jump quantity  $\hat{g}$  → takes value  $g_{j \rightarrow k}$  when a jump  $j \rightarrow k$  takes place  
probability distribution  $P$ , transition rates  $\omega = (\omega_{j \rightarrow k})_{j, k=1, \dots, \Omega}$

$$(2) \langle \hat{g} \rangle_{P, \omega} = \sum_{\substack{j, k=1 \\ (j \neq k)}}^{\Omega} P_j \omega_{j \rightarrow k} g_{j \rightarrow k} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{(the expectation value} \\ \text{per unit time)} \end{array} \quad (j \neq k)$$

NOT a standard average!!

▶ path quantity  $\hat{F}$  → takes value  $F(\gamma)$  in a path  $\gamma$

$$(3) \langle \langle \hat{F} \rangle \rangle_{P(t_0), \tilde{\omega}} = \int D\gamma P_{\gamma_{\text{init}}}(t_0) \mathcal{J}_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) F(\gamma)$$



▷ time-dependent state quantity  $\hat{f}(t)$  → takes value  $f_j(t)$

corresponding path quantity  $\hat{\hat{f}}(t)$

takes value (1)  $f(t, \gamma) = f_{\gamma}(t) = \sum_{m=0}^n f_{j_m}(t) \chi[t \in (t_m, t_{m+1})]$

in path  $\gamma = (j_0, \dots, j_n; t_0, \dots, t_n)$   $t_0 = 0, t_{n+1} = \tau$

then (2)  $\langle\langle \hat{\hat{f}}(t) \rangle\rangle_{P(0), \tilde{\omega}} = \langle \hat{f}(t) \rangle_{P(t)}$   $\equiv \sum_{j=1}^2 P_j(t) f_j(t)$

↪ P46

integrated quantity (3)  $\hat{\hat{F}} = \int_0^{\tau} dt \hat{\hat{f}}(t)$

takes value (4)  $F(\gamma) = \int_0^{\tau} dt f(t, \gamma) = \sum_{m=0}^n \int_{t_m}^{t_{m+1}} dt f_{j_m}(t)$

thus (5)  $\langle\langle \hat{\hat{F}} \rangle\rangle_{P(0), \tilde{\omega}} = \int_0^{\tau} dt \langle \hat{\hat{f}}(t) \rangle_{P(t)}$

Time-dependent jump quantity  $\hat{g}(t) \rightarrow$  takes value  $g_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$

corresponding path quantity  $\hat{g}(t)$

takes value (1)  $g(t, \gamma) = \sum_{m=1}^n g_{j_{m-1} \rightarrow j_m}(t_m) \delta(t - t_m)$

in path  $\gamma = (j_0, \dots, j_n; t_1, \dots, t_n)$   $t_0 = 0, t_{n+1} = \tau$

then (2)  $\langle\langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle\rangle_{P(t_0), \tilde{\omega}} = \langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle_{P(t), \omega(t)}$   $\equiv \sum_{\substack{j, k=1 \\ (j \neq k)}}^2 P_j(t) W_{j \rightarrow k}(t) g_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$

integrated quantity (3)  $\hat{G} = \int_0^\tau dt \hat{g}(t)$   $\rightarrow$  P46

takes value (4)  $G(\gamma) = \int_0^\tau dt g(t, \gamma) = \sum_{m=1}^n g_{j_{m-1} \rightarrow j_m}(t_m)$

thus (5)  $\langle\langle \hat{G} \rangle\rangle_{P(t_0), \tilde{\omega}} = \int_0^\tau dt \langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle_{P(t), \omega(t)}$

# derivation of P44-(2) and P45-(2)

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$$f(t, \gamma) = f_{\gamma(t)} = \sum_{j=1}^m f_j(t) \delta_{\gamma(t), j}$$

$$\text{since } \langle\langle \delta_{\gamma(t), j} \rangle\rangle_{\mathbb{P}(0), \tilde{\omega}} = P_j(t) \leftarrow \text{p41-(5)}$$

$$\therefore \langle\langle \hat{f}(t) \rangle\rangle_{\mathbb{P}(0), \tilde{\omega}} = \langle \hat{f}(t) \rangle_{\mathbb{P}(j)}$$

$$\int_t^{t+\Delta t} ds \langle\langle \hat{g}(s) \rangle\rangle_{\mathbb{P}(0), \tilde{\omega}} = \sum_{\substack{j, k \\ (j \neq k)}} g_{j \rightarrow k}(t) \text{Prob}(\text{there is a jump } j \rightarrow k \text{ within } t \sim t+\Delta t) + O((\Delta t)^2)$$

$$= \sum_{j \neq k} \Delta t P_j(t) w_{j \rightarrow k}(t) g_{j \rightarrow k}(t) + O((\Delta t)^2)$$

$$= \Delta t \langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle_{\mathbb{P}(t), \omega(t)} + O((\Delta t)^2)$$

$$\therefore \langle\langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle\rangle_{\mathbb{P}(0), \tilde{\omega}} = \langle \hat{g}(t) \rangle_{\mathbb{P}(t), \omega(t)}$$

# § abstract fluctuation theorems for Markov jump processes

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a Markov jump process with  $\tilde{W} = (W_{k \rightarrow j}(t))_{k \neq j, t \in [0, \tau]}$

looks complicated  
BUT everything is formal  
and trivial

assume for any  $j \neq k$  and  $t \in [0, \tau]$  that (1)  $W_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \neq 0 \iff W_{j \rightarrow k}(t) \neq 0$

the only assumption!

▷ "entropy production" → formal definition

(2)  $\Theta_{k \rightarrow j}^{\tilde{w}}(t) := \log \frac{W_{k \rightarrow j}(t)}{W_{j \rightarrow k}(t)}$  if  $W_{k \rightarrow j}(t) \neq 0$  (set  $\Theta_{k \rightarrow j}^{\tilde{w}}(t) = 0$  otherwise)

we thus have

(3)  $W_{k \rightarrow j}(t) e^{-\Theta_{k \rightarrow j}^{\tilde{w}}(t)} = W_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$  and (4)  $\Theta_{j \rightarrow k}^{\tilde{w}}(t) = -\Theta_{k \rightarrow j}^{\tilde{w}}(t)$

for a path  $\gamma = (j_0, \dots, j_n; t_1, \dots, t_n)$

(5)  $\hat{\Theta}^{\tilde{w}}(\gamma) := \sum_{m=1}^n \Theta_{j_{m-1} \rightarrow j_m}^{\tilde{w}}(t_m)$

path quantity  
(6)  $\hat{\Theta}^{\tilde{w}} = \int_0^\tau dt \hat{\Theta}^{\tilde{w}}(t)$

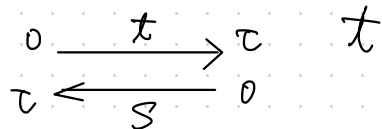
total entropy production along the path  $\gamma$

## ▷ time-reversed Markov jump process

transition rates  $\tilde{w}^\dagger = (w_{k \rightarrow j}^\dagger(s))_{k \neq j, s \in [0, \tau]}$  with (1)  $w_{k \rightarrow j}^\dagger(s) = w_{k \rightarrow j}(\tau - s)$

(reversed time (2)  $s = \tau - t$ )

escape rate (3)  $\lambda_k^\dagger(s) = \sum_{l (\neq k)} w_{k \rightarrow l}^\dagger(s) = \lambda_k(\tau - s)$



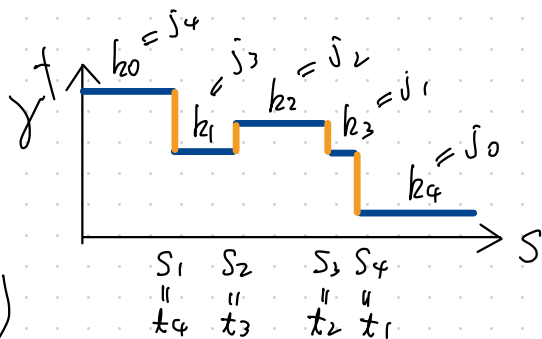
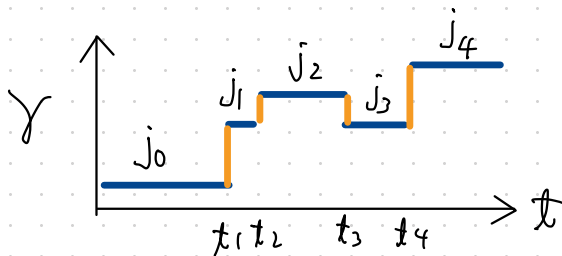
(4)  $\tilde{w} = \tilde{w}^\dagger$  if  $\tilde{w}$  is time-independent

## ▷ time-reversed path

(5)  $\gamma = (j_0, \dots, j_n; t_1, \dots, t_n)$

(6)  $\gamma^\dagger = (j_n, \dots, j_0; \tau - t_n, \dots, \tau - t_1)$   
 $= (k_0, \dots, k_n; s_1, \dots, s_n)$

(7)  $k_m = j_{n-m}$  (8)  $s_m = \tau - t_{n-m+1}$



p47-(4)  $\rightarrow$  (9)  $\textcircled{H}^{\tilde{w}}(\gamma) = -\textcircled{H}^{\tilde{w}^\dagger}(\gamma^\dagger)$

# detailed fluctuation theorem

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P47-(2), (5)

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad \tilde{J}_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) e^{-\Theta_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma)} &= \prod_{m=0}^n \tilde{p}_{j_m}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_m, t_{m+1}) \prod_{m=1}^n \omega_{j_{m-1} \rightarrow j_m}(t_m) \prod_{m=1}^n \frac{\omega_{j_m \rightarrow j_{m-1}}(t_m)}{\omega_{j_{m-1} \rightarrow j_m}(t_m)} \\
 &= \prod_{m=0}^n \tilde{p}_{j_m}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_m, t_{m+1}) \prod_{m=1}^n \omega_{j_m \rightarrow j_{m-1}}(t_m)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{p}_{j_m}^{\tilde{\omega}}(t_m, t_{m+1}) = \exp\left(-\int_{t_m}^{t_{m+1}} dt \lambda_{j_m}(t)\right) = \exp\left(-\int_{S_{n-m}}^{S_{n-m+1}} ds \lambda_{k_{n-m}}^{\dagger}(s)\right) = \tilde{p}_{k_{n-m}}^{\tilde{\omega}^{\dagger}}(S_{n-m}, S_{n-m+1})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad \omega_{j_m \rightarrow j_{m-1}}(t_m) &= \omega_{k_{n-m} \rightarrow k_{n-m+1}}^{\dagger}(S_{n-m+1}) \\
 &= \prod_{m=0}^n \tilde{p}_{k_{n-m}}^{\tilde{\omega}^{\dagger}}(S_{n-m}, S_{n-m+1}) \prod_{m=1}^n \omega_{k_{n-m} \rightarrow k_{n-m+1}}^{\dagger}(S_{n-m+1}) \\
 &= \prod_{m=0}^n \tilde{p}_{k_m}^{\tilde{\omega}^{\dagger}}(S_m, S_{m+1}) \prod_{m=1}^n \omega_{k_{m-1} \rightarrow k_m}^{\dagger}(S_m) = \tilde{J}_{\tilde{\omega}^{\dagger}}(\gamma^{\dagger})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad \tilde{J}_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) e^{-\Theta_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma)} = \tilde{J}_{\tilde{\omega}^{\dagger}}(\gamma^{\dagger})$$

$$(5) \quad \omega_{k \rightarrow j}(t) e^{-\Theta_{k \rightarrow j}(t)} = \omega_{j \rightarrow k}(t)$$

integrated fluctuation theorem

- $P(0)$  arbitrary initial probability distribution with  $P_j(0) \neq 0$  for  $\forall j$
- $Q = (Q_j)_{j=1, \dots, \Omega}$  arbitrary probability distribution with  $Q_j \neq 0$  for  $\forall j$

(1)  $\left\langle \exp \left[ -\widehat{H}^{\tilde{\omega}} - \log P_{x_{init}}(0) + \log Q_{x_{fin}} \right] \right\rangle_{P(0), \tilde{\omega}}$

$$= \int D\gamma P_{x_{init}}(0) J_{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma) e^{-\widehat{H}^{\tilde{\omega}}(\gamma)} \frac{1}{P_{x_{init}}(0)} Q_{x_{fin}}$$

$D\gamma = D\gamma^t$

the path probability in the process  $\tilde{\omega}^t$  with initial distribution  $Q$

$\downarrow$

$$= \int D\gamma^t Q_{x_{init}^t} J_{\tilde{\omega}^t}(\gamma^t) = \int D\gamma Q_{x_{init}} J_{\tilde{\omega}^t}(\gamma) = 1$$

(2)  $\left\langle \exp \left[ -\widehat{H}^{\tilde{\omega}} - \log P_{x_{init}}(0) + \log Q_{x_{fin}} \right] \right\rangle_{P(0), \tilde{\omega}} = 1$

# fluctuation theorem

a Markov jump process such that  $\tilde{w} = \tilde{w}^\dagger$  (e.g. time-independent process)  
 }  $P(0)$  arbitrary initial probability distribution with  $P_j(0) \neq 0$  for  $\forall j$

define (1)  $\underline{\Psi(x)} := \Theta(x) + \log P_{x_{init}}(0) - \log P_{x_{fin}}(0)$

(2)  $\underline{P(s)} := \langle\langle \delta(\hat{\Psi} - s) \rangle\rangle_{P(0), \tilde{w}}$  prob. density that  $\underline{\Psi(x)}$  is equal to  $s$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad P(s) e^{-s} &= \int D\gamma P_{\gamma_{init}}(0) J_{\tilde{w}}(\gamma) \delta(\Psi(\gamma) - s) e^{-\Psi(\gamma)} \\
 &= \int D\gamma P_{\gamma_{init}}(0) J_{\tilde{w}}(\gamma) e^{-\Theta(\gamma)} \frac{P_{\gamma_{fin}}(0)}{P_{\gamma_{init}}(0)} \delta(\Psi(\gamma) - s) \\
 &= \int D\gamma P_{\gamma_{fin}}(0) J_{\tilde{w}^\dagger}(\gamma^\dagger) \delta(\Psi(\gamma) - s) \quad \leftarrow (\Psi(\gamma^\dagger) = -\Psi(\gamma)) \\
 &= \int D\gamma^\dagger P_{\gamma^\dagger_{init}}(0) J_{\tilde{w}}(\gamma^\dagger) \delta(-\Psi(\gamma^\dagger) - s) = P(-s)
 \end{aligned}$$

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(4)  $P(s) = e^s P(-s)$



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