

①  $Z_n$  is a Galton-Watson branching process with  $Z_0 = 1$

and 1-step offspring distribution

$k$	0	1	2
$P(X=k)$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

which has generating function

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot z^0 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot z^1 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot z^2 = \frac{2+z+z^2}{4}$$

and expectation  $m = EX = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 = \frac{3}{4}$ .

a.)  $P(Z_3=0) = r_3$ , where the sequence  $r_n$  satisfies

$$r_0 = 0 \text{ and } r_{n+1} = g(r_n), \text{ so } r_1 = g(0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$r_2 = g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}}{4} = \frac{11}{16}$$

$$P(Z_3=0) = \frac{809}{1024} \approx 0.79$$

$\Leftarrow$

$$r_3 = g\left(\frac{11}{16}\right) = \frac{2 + \frac{11}{16} + \frac{121}{256}}{4} = \frac{809}{1024}$$

b.)  $E Z_6 = m^6 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6 \approx 0.178$

c.)  $m = \frac{3}{4} < 1$ , the process is subcritical  $\Rightarrow$

$$P(\text{proc. completes}) = P(\text{extinction}) = 1$$

d.)  ~~$m$~~   $m < 1$ , so  $E N = \frac{1}{1-m} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{4}} = 4$

② Sorry, there's a typo: ~~Cramer~~ → Hoeffding

Let  $X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if the } i\text{-th run gives a correct answer} \\ 0, & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$   
 $n=100$

So  $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$  is the # of correct answers, and the question is

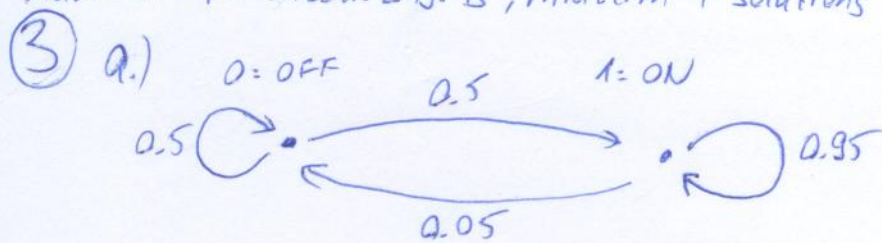
$$P(\text{wrong end-result}) = P(S_n \leq \frac{n}{2}) \leq ?$$

$X_i$  are i.i.d.  $\sim B(p)$  with  $p=0.9$ , so  $a_i \leq X_i \leq b_i$  with  $a_i=0, b_i=1$  for  $\forall i$ . So, to apply the Hoeffding inequality,  $E S_n = n E X_i = np = 90$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i)^2 = n \cdot (1-0)^2 = n = 100, \text{ so}$$

$$\boxed{P(S_n \leq \frac{n}{2}) = P(S_n \leq 50) \stackrel{t:=40}{=} P(S_n \leq E S_n - t) \leq}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Hoeffding}}{\leq} \exp\left(-\frac{2t^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i)^2}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{2 \cdot 40^2}{100}\right) = e^{-32}$$



b.)  $S = \{\text{OFF}, \text{ON}\} = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.05 & 0.95 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{20} & \frac{19}{20} \end{pmatrix}$

c.) We know that  $X_0 = 1$ , so

$$P(1110010) = P_{11} P_{11} P_{10} P_{00} P_{01} P_{10} = \frac{19}{20} \cdot \frac{19}{20} \cdot \frac{1}{20} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{20} = \frac{361}{640000}$$

$$\approx 0.000564$$

d.)  $P(X_4 = 1) \stackrel{\text{we know}}{\text{that } X_0 = 1} P(X_i = 1 | X_0 = 1) = (P^4)_{11}$ . To calculate this,

$$P^2 = P \cdot P = \frac{1}{20} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 10 \\ 1 & 19 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{20} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 10 \\ 1 & 19 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{400} \begin{pmatrix} 110 & 290 \\ 29 & 371 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow P^4 = P^2 \cdot P^2 = \frac{1}{400} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 110 & 290 \\ 29 & 371 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{400} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 110 & 290 \\ 29 & 371 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{160000} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \dots & \dots \\ \dots & 29 \cdot 290 + 371^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{400^2} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \dots & \dots \\ \dots & 29 \cdot 290 + 371^2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{29 \cdot 290 + 371^2}{400^2} \approx$$

e.)  $n = 100$  is a long time, and the Markov chain is irreducible and aperiodic, so the fundamental theorem of Markov chains says that  $P(X_n = 1) \approx \pi_1$  where  $\underline{\pi} = (\pi_0, \pi_1)$  is the only stationary distribution. To find  $\underline{\pi}$ , we solve

③ e.) continued

$$(\pi_0 \ \pi_1) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{20} & \frac{19}{20} \end{pmatrix} = (\pi_0 \ \pi_1), \text{ which means that}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \pi_0 + \frac{1}{20} \pi_1 = \pi_0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \pi_0 + \frac{19}{20} \pi_1 = \pi_1 \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2} \pi_0 + \frac{1}{20} \pi_1 = 0 \iff \pi_1 = 10 \pi_0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \pi_0 - \frac{1}{20} \pi_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

so  $\underline{\pi} \parallel (1 \ 10)$ , but  $\pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1$ , so  $\underline{\pi} = \left( \frac{1}{11} \ \frac{10}{11} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(X_{100} = 1) \approx \pi_1 = \frac{10}{11} \approx 0.909$$