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Understanding Markov Chains 2018-08-03 this book provides an undergraduate level introduction to discrete and continuous time markov chains and their applications with a particular focus on the first step analysis technique and its applications to average hitting times and ruin probabilities it also discusses classical topics such as recurrence and transience stationary and limiting distributions as well as branching processes it first examines in detail two important examples gambling processes and random walks before presenting the general theory itself in the subsequent chapters it also provides an introduction to discrete time martingales and their relation to ruin probabilities and mean exit times together with a chapter on spatial poisson processes the concepts presented are illustrated by examples 138 exercises and 9 problems with their solutions

Discrete-Time Markov Chains 2005 focusing on discrete time scale markov chains the contents of this book are an outgrowth of some of the authors recent research the motivation stems from existing and emerging applications in optimization and control of complex hybrid markovian systems in manufacturing wireless communication and financial engineering much effort in this book is devoted to designing system models arising from these applications analyzing them via analytic and probabilistic techniques and developing feasible computational algorithms so as to reduce the inherent complexity this book presents results including asymptotic expansions of probability vectors structural properties of occupation measures exponential bounds aggregation and decomposition and associated limit processes and interface of discrete time and continuous time systems one of the salient features is that it contains a diverse range of applications on filtering estimation control optimization and markov decision processes and financial engineering this book will be an important reference for researchers in the areas of applied probability control theory operations research as well as for practitioners who use optimization techniques part of the book can also be used in a graduate course of applied probability stochastic processes and applications Markov Chains with Stationary Transition Probabilities 2013-03-08 the theory of markov chains although a special case of markov processes is here developed for its own sake and presented on its own merits in general the hypothesis of a denumerable state space which is the defining hypothesis of what we call a chain here generates more clear cut guestions and demands more precise and definitive an swers for example the principal limit theorem 1 6 ii 10 still the object of research for general markov processes is here in its neat final form and the strong markov property 11 9 is here always applicable while probability theory has advanced far enough that a degree of sophistication is needed even in the limited context of this book it is still possible here to keep the proportion of definitions to theorems relatively low from the standpoint of the general theory of stochastic processes a continuous parameter markov chain appears to be the first essentially discontinuous process that has been studied in some detail it is common that the sample functions of such a chain have discontinuities worse than jumps and these baser discontinuities play a central role in the theory of which the mystery remains to be completely unraveled in this connection the basic concepts of separability and measurability which are usually applied only at an early stage of the discussion to establish a certain smoothness of the sample functions are here applied constantly as indispensable tools An Introduction to Markov Processes 2005-03-30 provides a more accessible introduction than other books on markov processes by emphasizing the structure of the subject and avoiding sophisticated measure theory leads the reader to a rigorous understanding of basic theory Continuous-Time Markov Chains 2012-12-06 continuous time parameter markov chains have been useful for modeling various random phenomena

occurring in queueing theory genetics demography epidemiology and competing populations this is the first book about those aspects of the theory of continuous time markov chains which are useful in applications to such areas it studies continuous time markov chains through the transition function and corresponding q matrix rather than sample paths an extensive discussion of birth and death processes including the stieltjes moment problem and the karlin mcgregor method of solution of the birth and death processes and multidimensional population processes is included and there is an extensive bibliography virtually all of this material is appearing in book form for the first time **Markov Chains** 2013-03-09 primarily an introduction to the theory of stochastic processes at the undergraduate or beginning graduate level the primary objective of this book is to initiate students in the art of stochastic modelling however it is motivated by significant applications and progressively brings the student to the borders of contemporary research examples are from a wide range of domains including operations research and electrical engineering researchers and students in these areas as well as in physics biology and the social sciences will find this book of interest

<u>Markov Chains</u> 2012-12-06 a long time ago i started writing a book about markov chains brownian motion and diffusion i soon had two hundred pages of manuscript and my publisher was enthusiastic some years and several drafts later i had a thousand pages of manuscript and my publisher was less enthusiastic so we made it a trilogy markov chains brownian motion and diffusion approximating countable markov chains familiarly mc b d and acm i wrote the first two books for beginning graduate students with some knowledge of probability if you can follow sections 10 4 to 10 9 of markov chains you re in the first two books are quite independent of one another and completely independent of the third this last book is a monograph which explains one way to think about chains with instantaneous states the results in it are supposed to be new except where there are specific disclaim ers it s written in the framework of markov chains most of the proofs in the trilogy are new and i tried hard to make them explicit the old ones were often elegant but i seldom saw what made them go with my own i can sometimes show you why things work and as i will vb1 preface argue in a minute my demonstrations are easier technically if i wrote them down well enough you may come to agree

Continuous-Time Markov Chains and Applications 2012-11-14 this book gives a systematic treatment of singularly perturbed systems that naturally arise in control and optimization queueing networks manufacturing systems and financial engineering it presents results on asymptotic expansions of solutions of komogorov forward and backward equations properties of functional occupation measures exponential upper bounds and functional limit results for markov chains with weak and strong interactions to bridge the gap between theory and applications a large portion of the book is devoted to applications in controlled dynamic systems production planning and numerical methods for controlled markovian systems with large scale and complex structures in the real world problems this second edition has been updated throughout and includes two new chapters on asymptotic expansions of solutions for backward equations and hybrid log problems the chapters on analytic and probabilistic properties of two time scale markov chains have been almost completely rewritten and the notation has been streamlined and simplified this book is written for applied mathematicians engineers operations researchers and applied scientists selected material from the book can also be used for a one semester advanced graduate level course in applied probability and stochastic processes Markov Chains and Stochastic Stability 2009-04-02 new up to date edition of this influential classic on markov chains in general state spaces proofs are rigorous and concise the range of applications is broad and knowledgeable and key ideas are accessible to practitioners with limited mathematical background new commentary by sean meyn including updated references reflects developments since 1996 Markov Chains 2020-05-23 primarily an introduction to the theory of stochastic processes at the undergraduate or beginning graduate level the primary objective of this book is to initiate students in the art of stochastic modelling however it is motivated by significant applications and progressively brings the student to the borders of contemporary research examples are from a wide range of domains including operations research and electrical engineering researchers and students in these areas as well as in physics biology and the social sciences will find this book of interest

Introduction to Markov Chains 2014-07-08 besides the investigation of general chains the book contains chapters which are concerned with eigenvalue techniques conductance stopping times the strong markov property couplings strong uniform times markov chains on arbitrary finite groups including a crash course in harmonic analysis random generation and counting markov random fields gibbs fields the metropolis sampler and simulated annealing with 170 exercises

Semi-Markov Chains and Hidden Semi-Markov Models toward Applications 2009-01-07 here is a work that adds much to the sum of our knowledge in a key area of science today it is concerned with the estimation of discrete time semi markov and hidden semi markov processes a unique feature of the book is the use of discrete time especially useful in some specific applications where the time scale is intrinsically discrete the models presented in the book are specifically adapted to reliability studies and dna analysis the book is mainly intended for applied probabilists and statisticians interested in semi markov chains theory reliability and dna analysis and for theoretical oriented reliability and bioinformatics engineers

Markov Chains: Models, Algorithms and Applications 2006-06-05 markov chains are a particularly powerful and widely used tool for analyzing a variety of stochastic probabilistic systems over time this monograph will present a series of markov models starting from the basic models and then building up to higher order models included in the higher order discussions are multivariate models higher order multivariate models and higher order hidden models in each case the focus is on the important kinds of applications that can be made with the class of models being considered in the current chapter special attention is given to numerical algorithms that can efficiently solve the models therefore markov chains models algorithms and applications outlines recent developments of markov chain models for modeling queueing sequences internet re manufacturing systems reverse logistics inventory systems bio informatics dna sequences genetic networks data mining and many other practical systems

Applied Semi-Markov Processes 2006-02-08 aims to give to the reader the tools necessary to apply semi markov processes in real life problems the book is self contained and starting from a low level of probability concepts gradually brings the reader to a deep knowledge of semi markov processes presents homogeneous and non homogeneous semi markov processes as well as markov and semi markov rewards processes the concepts are fundamental for many applications but they are not as thoroughly presented in other books on the subject as they are here *Interactive Markov Chains* 2003-08-02 markov chains are widely used as stochastic models to study a broad spectrum of system performance and dependability characteristics this monograph is devoted to compositional specification and analysis of markov chains based on principles known from process algebra the author systematically develops an algebra of interactive markov chains by presenting a number of distinguishing results of both theoretical and practical nature the author substantiates the claim that interactive markov chains are more than just another formalism among other an algebraic theory of interactive markov chains is developed devise algorithms to mechanize compositional aggregation are presented and state spaces of several million states resulting from the study of an ordinary telefone system are analyzed

Non-negative Matrices and Markov Chains 2006-07-02 since its inception by perron and frobenius the theory of non negative matrices has developed enormously and is now being used and extended in applied fields of study as diverse as probability theory numerical analysis demography mathematical economics and dynamic programming while its development is still proceeding rapidly as a branch of pure mathematics in its own right while there are books which cover this or that aspect of the theory it is nevertheless not uncommon for workers in one or another branch of its development to be unaware of what is known in other branches even though there is often formal overlap one of the purposes of this book is to relate several aspects of the theory insofar as this is possible the author hopes that the book will be useful to mathematical requisites for reading it are some knowledge of real variable theory and matrix theory and a little knowledge of complex variable the emphasis is on real variable methods there is only one part of the book the second part of 55 5 which is of rather specialist interest and requires deeper knowledge appendices provide brief expositions of those areas of mathematics needed which may be less g erally known to the average reader

<u>Markov Chains and Invariant Probabilities</u> 2012-12-06 this book is about discrete time time homogeneous markov chains mes and their ergodic behavior to this end most of the material is in fact about stable mes by which we mean mes that admit an invariant probability measure to state this more precisely and give an overview of the questions we shall be dealing with we will first introduce some notation and terminology let x b be a measurable space and consider a x valued markov chain k k 0 1 with transition probability function t pj p x b i e p x b prob k 1 e b i k x for each x e x b e b and k 0 1 the me is said to be stable if there exists a probability measure p m l on b such that vb eb l b ix l dx p x b if holds then l is called an invariant p m for the me or the t p f p Finite Markov Chains 1983-12-01 continuous time markov decision processes mdps also known as controlled markov chains are used for modeling decision making problems that arise in operations research for instance inventory manufacturing and queueing systems computer science communications engineering control of populations such as fisheries and epidemics and management science among many other fields this volume provides a unified systematic self contained presentation of recent developments on the theory and applications of continuous time mdps the mdps in this volume include most of the cases that arise in applications because they allow unbounded transition and reward cost rates much of the material appears for the first time in book form

Continuous-Time Markov Decision Processes 2009-09-18 this research monograph summarizes a line of research that maps certain classical problems of discrete mathematics and operations research such as the hamiltonian cycle and the travelling salesman problems into convex domains where continuum analysis can be carried out arguably the inherent difficulty of these now classical problems stems precisely from the discrete nature of domains in which these problems are posed the convexification of domains underpinning these results is achieved by assigning probabilistic interpretation to key elements of the original deterministic problems in particular the approaches summarized here build on a technique that embeds hamiltonian cycle and travelling salesman problems in a structured singularly perturbed markoy decision process the unifying idea is to interpret subgraphs traced out by deterministic policies including hamiltonian cycles if any as extreme points of a convex polyhedron in a space filled with randomized policies the above innovative approach has now evolved to the point where there are many both theoretical and algorithmic results that exploit the nexus between graph theoretic structures and both probabilistic and algebraic entities of related markov chains the latter include moments of first return times limiting frequencies of visits to nodes or the spectra of certain matrices traditionally associated with the analysis of markov chains however these results and algorithms are dispersed over many research papers appearing in journals catering to disparate audiences as a result the published manuscripts are often written in a very terse manner and use disparate notation thereby making it difficult for new researchers to make use of the many reported advances hence the main purpose of this book is to present a concise and yet easily accessible synthesis of the majority of the theoretical and algorithmic results obtained so far in addition the book discusses numerous open questions and problems that arise from this body of work and which are yet to be fully solved the approach casts the hamiltonian cycle problem in a mathematical framework that permits analytical concepts and techniques not used hitherto in this context to be brought to bear to further clarify both the underlying difficulty of np completeness of this problem and the relative exceptionality of truly difficult instances finally the material is arranged in such a manner that the introductory chapters require very little mathematical background and discuss instances of graphs with interesting structures that motivated a lot of the research in this topic more difficult results are introduced later and are illustrated with numerous examples

Hamiltonian Cycle Problem and Markov Chains 2012-04-23 hidden markov models hmms although known for decades have made a big career nowadays and are still in state of development this book presents theoretical issues and a variety of hmms applications in speech recognition and synthesis medicine neurosciences computational biology bioinformatics seismology environment protection and engineering i hope that the reader will find this book useful and helpful for their own research

Hidden Markov Models 2011-04-19 this book is concerned with a set of related problems in probability theory that are considered in the context of markov processes some of these are natural to consider especially for markov processes other problems have a broader range of validity but are convenient to pose for markov processes the book can be used as the basis for an interesting course on markov processes or stationary processes for the most part these questions are considered for discrete parameter processes although they are also of obvious interest for continuous time parameter processes this allows one to avoid the delicate measure theoretic questions that might arise in the continuous parameter case there is an attempt to motivate the material in terms of applications many of the topics concern general questions of structure and representation of processes that have not previously been presented in book form a set of notes comment on the many problems that are still left open and related material in the literature it is also hoped that the book will be useful as a reference to the reader who would like an introduction to these topics as well as to the reader interested in extending and completing results of this type

Markov Processes, Structure and Asymptotic Behavior 2012-12-06 the ultimate objective of this book is to present a panoramic view of the

main stochastic processes which have an impact on applications with complete proofs and exercises random processes play a central role in the applied sciences including operations research insurance finance biology physics computer and communications networks and signal processing in order to help the reader to reach a level of technical autonomy sufficient to understand the presented models this book includes a reasonable dose of probability theory on the other hand the study of stochastic processes gives an opportunity to apply the main theoretical results of probability theory beyond classroom examples and in a non trivial manner that makes this discipline look more attractive to the applications oriented student one can distinguish three parts of this book the first four chapters are about probability theory chapters 5 to 8 concern random sequences or discrete time stochastic processes and the rest of the book focuses on stochastic processes and point processes there is sufficient modularity for the instructor or the self teaching reader to design a course or a study program adapted to her his specific needs this book is in a large measure self contained

Probability Theory and Stochastic Processes 2020-04-07 eugene a feinberg adam shwartz this volume deals with the theory of markov decision processes mdps and their applications each chapter was written by a leading expert in the re spective area the papers cover major research areas and methodologies and discuss open questions and future research directions the papers can be read independently with the basic notation and concepts ofsection 1 2 most chap ters should be accessible by graduate or advanced undergraduate students in fields of operations research electrical engineering and computer science 1 1 an overview of markov decision processes the theory of markov decision processes also known under several other names including sequential stochastic optimization discrete time stochastic control and stochastic dynamic programming studiessequential optimization ofdiscrete time stochastic systems the basic object is a discrete time stochas tic system whose transition mechanism can be controlled over time each control policy defines the stochastic process and values of objective functions associated with this process the goal is to select a good control policy in real life decisions that humans and computers make on all levels usually have two types of impacts i they cost orsavetime money or other resources or they bring revenues as well as ii they have an impact on the future by influencing the dynamics in many situations decisions with the largest immediate profit may not be good in view offuture events mdps model this paradigm and provide results on the structure and existence of good policies and on methods for their calculation

Handbook of Markov Decision Processes 2012-12-06 this book is a comprehensive treatment of inference for hidden markov models including both algorithms and statistical theory topics range from filtering and smoothing of the hidden markov chain to parameter estimation bayesian methods and estimation of the number of states in a unified way the book covers both models with finite state spaces and models with continuous state spaces also called state space models requiring approximate simulation based algorithms that are also described in detail many examples illustrate the algorithms and theory this book builds on recent developments to present a self contained view Inference in Hidden Markov Models 2006-04-12 this primer is a comprehensive collection of analytical and numerical techniques that can be used to extract the non perturbative physics of quantum field theories the intriguing connection between euclidean quantum field theories qfts and statistical mechanics can be used to apply markov chain monte carlo mcmc methods to investigate strongly coupled qfts the overwhelming amount of reliable results coming from the field of lattice quantum chromodynamics stands out as an excellent example of mcmc methods in qfts in action mcmc methods have revealed the non perturbative phase structures symmetry breaking and bound states of particles in qfts the applications also resulted in new outcomes due to cross fertilization with research areas such as ads cft correspondence in string theory and condensed matter physics the book is aimed at advanced undergraduate students and graduate students in physics and applied mathematics and researchers in mcmc simulations and qfts at the end of this book the reader will be able to apply the techniques learned to produce more independent and novel research in the field

Markov Chain Monte Carlo Methods in Quantum Field Theories 2020-04-16 from the reviews of the first edition this excellent book is based on several sets of lecture notes written over a decade and has its origin in a one semester course given by the author at the eth zürich in the spring of 1970 the author s aim was to present some of the best features of markov processes and in particular of brownian motion with a minimum of prerequisites and technicalities the reader who becomes acquainted with the volume cannot but agree with the reviewer that the author was very successful in accomplishing this goal the volume is very useful for people who wish to learn markov processes but it seems to the reviewer that it is also of great interest to specialists in this area who could derive much stimulus from it one can be convinced

that it will receive wide circulation mathematical reviews this new edition contains 9 new chapters which include new exercises references and multiple corrections throughout the original text

Markov Processes, Brownian Motion, and Time Symmetry 2006-01-18 a long time ago i started writing a book about markov chains brownian motion and diffusion i soon had two hundred pages of manuscript and my publisher was enthusiastic some years and several drafts later i had a thousand pages of manuscript and my publisher was less enthusiastic so we made it a trilogy markov chains brownian motion and diffusion approximating countable markov chains familiarly mc b d and acm i wrote the first two books for beginning graduate students with some knowledge of probability if you can follow sections 10 4 to 10 9 of markov chains you re in the first two books are quite independent of one another and completely independent of this one which is a monograph explaining one way to think about chains with instantaneous states the results here are supposed to be new except when there are specific disclaimers it s written in the framework of markov chains we wanted to reprint in this volume the mc chapters needed for reference but this proved impossible most of the proofs in the trilogy are new and i tried hard to make them explicit the old ones were often elegant but i seldom saw what made them go with my own i can sometimes show you why things work and as i will argue in a minute my demonstrations are easier technically if i wrote them down well enough you may come to agree

Approximating Countable Markov Chains 2012-12-06 markov processes are processes that have limited memory in particular their dependence on the past is only through the previous state they are used to model the behavior of many systems including communications systems transportation networks image segmentation and analysis biological systems and dna sequence analysis random atomic motion and diffusion in physics social mobility population studies epidemiology animal and insect migration queueing systems resource management dams financial engineering actuarial science and decision systems covering a wide range of areas of application of markov processes the author spent over 16 years in the industry before returning to academia and he has applied many of the principles covered in this book in multiple research projects therefore this is an applications oriented book that also includes enough theory to provide a solid ground in the subject for the reader presents both the theory and applications of the different aspects of markov processes includes numerous solved examples as well as detailed diagrams that make it easier to understand the principle being presented discusses different applications of hidden markov models such as dna sequence analysis and speech analysis

Markov Processes for Stochastic Modeling 2013-05-22 let xti t o be a markov process in rl and break up the path x t into random component pieces consisting of the zero set tlx o and t the excursions away from 0 that is pieces of path x t 5 s 5 t with xr x 0 but x 1 0 for t <u>Excursions of Markov Processes</u> 2012-12-06 the past decade has seen powerful new computational tools for modeling which combine a bayesian approach with recent monte simulation techniques based on markov chains this book is the first to offer a systematic presentation of the bayesian perspective of finite mixture modelling the book is designed to show finite mixture and markov switching models are formulated what structures they imply on the data their potential uses and how they are estimated presenting its concepts informally without sacrificing mathematical correctness it will serve a wide readership including statisticians as well as biologists economists engineers financial and market researchers

Finite Mixture and Markov Switching Models 2006-11-24 the emphasis in this book is placed on general models markov chains random fields random graphs universal methods the probabilistic method the coupling method the stein chen method martingale methods the method of types and versatile tools chernoff s bound hoeffding s inequality holley s inequality whose domain of application extends far beyond the present text although the examples treated in the book relate to the possible applications in the communication and computing sciences in operations research and in physics this book is in the first instance concerned with theory the level of the book is that of a beginning graduate course it is self contained the prerequisites consisting merely of basic calculus series and basic linear algebra matrices the reader is not assumed to be trained in probability since the first chapters give in considerable detail the background necessary to understand the rest of the book

<u>Discrete Probability Models and Methods</u> 2017-01-31 the modem theory of markov processes has its origins in the studies of a a markov 1906 1907 on sequences of experiments connected in a chain and in the attempts to describe mathematically the physical phenomenon known as

brownian motion l bacheller 1900 a ein stein 1905 the first correct mathematical construction of a markov process with continuous trajectories was given by n wiener in 1923 this process is often called the wiener process the general theory of markov processes was developed in the 1930 s and 1940 s by a n kol mogorov w feller w doeblin p levy j l doob and others during the past ten years the theory of markov processes has entered a new period of intensive development the methods of the theory of semigroups of linear operators made possible further progress in the classification of markov processes by their infinitesimal characteristics the broad classes of markov processes with continuous trajectories be came the main object of study the connections between markov pro cesses and classical analysis were further developed it has become possible not only to apply the results and methods of analysis to the problems of probability theory but also to investigate analytic problems using probabilistic methods remarkable new connections between markov processes and potential theory were revealed the foundations of the theory were reviewed critically the new concept of strong markov process acquired for the whole theory of markov processes great importance

Markov Processes 2012-08-01 kronecker products are used to define the underlying markov chain mc in various modeling formalisms including compositional markovian models hierarchical markovian models and stochastic process algebras the motivation behind using a kronecker structured representation rather than a flat one is to alleviate the storage requirements associated with the mc with this approach systems that are an order of magnitude larger can be analyzed on the same platform the developments in the solution of such mcs are reviewed from an algebraic point of view and possible areas for further research are indicated with an emphasis on preprocessing using reordering grouping and lumping and numerical analysis using block iterative preconditioned projection multilevel decompositional and matrix analytic methods case studies from closed queueing networks and stochastic chemical kinetics are provided to motivate decompositional and matrix analytic methods respectively

Analyzing Markov Chains using Kronecker Products 2012-07-25 building upon the previous editions this textbook is a first course in stochastic processes taken by undergraduate and graduate students ms and phd students from math statistics economics computer science engineering and finance departments who have had a course in probability theory it covers markov chains in discrete and continuous time poisson processes renewal processes martingales and option pricing one can only learn a subject by seeing it in action so there are a large number of examples and more than 300 carefully chosen exercises to deepen the reader s understanding drawing from teaching experience and student feedback there are many new examples and problems with solutions that use ti 83 to eliminate the tedious details of solving linear equations by hand and the collection of exercises is much improved with many more biological examples originally included in previous editions material too advanced for this first course in stochastic processes has been eliminated while treatment of other topics useful for applications has been expanded in addition the ordering of topics has been improved for example the difficult subject of martingales is delayed until its usefulness can be applied in the treatment of mathematical finance

Essentials of Stochastic Processes 2016-11-07 this new edition of markov chains models algorithms and applications has been completely reformatted as a text complete with end of chapter exercises a new focus on management science new applications of the models and new examples with applications in financial risk management and modeling of financial data this book consists of eight chapters chapter 1 gives a brief introduction to the classical theory on both discrete and continuous time markov chains the relationship between markov chains of finite states and matrix theory will also be highlighted some classical iterative methods for solving linear systems will be introduced for finding the stationary distribution of a markov chain the chapter then covers the basic theories and algorithms for hidden markov models hmms and markov chain for computing the pagerank the ranking of websites on the internet chapter 3 studies markovian models for manufacturing and re manufacturing systems and presents closed form solutions and fast numerical algorithms for estimating the model parameters an application of the hmm for customer classification is also presented chapter 5 discusses markov decision processes for customer lifetime values clv is an important concept and quantity in marketing management the authors present an approach based on markov decision processes for the calculation of clv using real data chapter 6 considers higher order markov chain models parameters based on linear

programming are presented contemporary research results on applications to demand predictions inventory control and financial risk measurement are also presented in chapter 7 a class of parsimonious multivariate markov models is introduced again efficient estimation methods based on linear programming are presented applications to demand predictions inventory control policy and modeling credit ratings data are discussed finally chapter 8 re visits hidden markov models and the authors present a new class of hidden markov models with efficient algorithms for estimating the model parameters applications to modeling interest rates credit ratings and default data are discussed this book is aimed at senior undergraduate students postgraduate students professionals practitioners and researchers in applied mathematics computational science operational research management science and finance who are interested in the formulation and computation of queueing networks markov chain models and related topics readers are expected to have some basic knowledge of probability theory markov processes and matrix theory

Markov Chains 2013-03-27 markov chains are central to the understanding of random processes this is not only because they pervade the applications of random processes but also because one can calculate explicitly many quantities of interest this textbook aimed at advanced undergraduate or msc students with some background in basic probability theory focuses on markov chains and quickly develops a coherent and rigorous theory whilst showing also how actually to apply it both discrete time and continuous time chains are studied a distinguishing feature is an introduction to more advanced topics such as martingales and potentials in the established context of markov chains there are applications to simulation economics optimal control genetics queues and many other topics and exercises and examples drawn both from theory and practice it will therefore be an ideal text either for elementary courses on random processes or those that are more oriented towards applications

Markov Chains 1998-07-28 stochastic control is a very active area of research this monograph written by two leading authorities in the field has been updated to reflect the latest developments it covers effective numerical methods for stochastic control problems in continuous time on two levels that of practice and that of mathematical development it is broadly accessible for graduate students and researchers

Numerical Methods for Stochastic Control Problems in Continuous Time 2013-11-27 this book is an introduction to quantum markov chains and explains how this concept is connected to the question of how well a lost quantum mechanical system can be recovered from a correlated subsystem to achieve this goal we strengthen the data processing inequality such that it reveals a statement about the reconstruction of lost information the main difficulty in order to understand the behavior of quantum markov chains arises from the fact that quantum mechanical operators do not commute in general as a result we start by explaining two techniques of how to deal with non commuting matrices the spectral pinching method and complex interpolation theory once the reader is familiar with these techniques a novel inequality is presented that extends the celebrated golden thompson inequality to arbitrarily many matrices this inequality is the key ingredient in understanding approximate quantum markov chains and it answers a question from matrix analysis that was open since 1973 i e if lieb s triple matrix inequality can be extended to more than three matrices finally we carefully discuss the properties of approximate quantum markov chains as well as more experienced scientists who want to enter this field mathematical majority is necessary but no prior knowledge of quantum mechanics is required

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