Matlab Lab

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Simulating Continuous-time Markov Chains

- 1. Consider the CTMC SIR epidemic model with no births and deaths. Download the code from the course website.
 - (a) For $\beta = 0.5$, $\gamma = 0.25$, and N = 100 run the code to simulate three sample paths. What is \mathcal{R}_0 ? For each stochastic realization how long did the epidemic last?
 - (b) Modify the code to calculate the average duration of the epidemic over 1000 realizations.
 - (c) Estimate the average duration of the epidemic if $\beta = 0.75$ and $\mathcal{R}_0 = 7.5$.
 - (d) How does the duration of infection relate to various \mathcal{R}_0 ? For a fixed $\beta = 0.5$ investigate a range of $\gamma \in [0.01, 3]$. Plot \mathcal{R}_0 vs the estimated length of epidemic.
- 2. Consider the CTMC two species competition model (Section 7.7 in the book) with the following transition probabilities.

$$\operatorname{Prob}\{\Delta X(t) = i, \Delta Y(t) = j | (X(t), Y(t)) \} = \begin{cases} a_{10}X(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (1, 0) \\ a_{20}Y(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (0, 1) \\ X(t)[a_{11}X(t) + a_{12}Y(t)]\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (-1, 0) \\ Y(t)[a_{21}X(t) + a_{22}Y(t)]\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (0, -1) \\ 1 - X(t)[a_{11}X(t) + a_{12}Y(t)]\Delta t \\ -Y(t)[a_{21}X(t) + a_{22}Y(t)]\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (0, 0) \\ o(\Delta t), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Where parameters values are $a_{10} = 2, a_{11} = 0.03, a_{12} = 0.02, a_{20} = 1.5, a_{21} = 0.01, a_{22} = 0.04$ and $X(t_0) = 50, Y(t_0) = 25$ where $t_0 = 0$. Download the code from the course website.

- (a) Simulate sample paths for time from 0 to 5.
- (b) Simulate sample paths for time from 0 to 50.
- 3. Consider the CTMC two species predator-prey model (Section 7.8 in the book) with the following transition probabilities.

$$\operatorname{Prob}\{\Delta X(t) = i, \Delta Y(t) = j | (X(t), Y(t)) \} = \begin{cases} a_{10}X(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (1, 0) \\ a_{21}X(t)Y(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (0, 1) \\ a_{12}X(t)Y(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (-1, 0) \\ a_{20}Y(t)\Delta t + o(\Delta t), & (i, j) = (0, -1) \\ 1 - X(t)[a_{10} + a_{12}Y(t)]\Delta t & (i, j) = (0, 0) \\ o(\Delta t), & otherwise \end{cases}$$

where parameter values are $a_{10} = 1, a_{20} = 1, a_{12} = 0.02, a_{21} = 0.01$ and $X(t_0) = 120, Y(t_0) = 40$ where $t_0 = 0$

- (a) Write a Matlab program to simulate sample paths for the stochastic predator-prey model for time from 0 to 20.
- (b) Plot the sample paths for X(t) and Y(t) vs time on the same graph.
- (c) Plot the sample paths on a phase plane digram, X(t) vs. Y(t).
- (d) Describe the dynamics of the populations over time.