

# Quasi-Stationary Distributions for the Voter and Invasion Dynamics on Complete Bipartite Graphs

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## Quasistationary Distributions

### Assumptions

$\mathbf{Y} = (Y_t : t \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$  A discrete-time MC on a finite state space  $\Omega \cup \Delta$  with TF  $p$  and

- ▶  $\Delta$  is **absorbing**:  $P_\delta(Y_1 \in \Delta) = 1$ ,  $\delta \in \Delta$ ;
- ▶  $\Delta$  accessible from  $\Omega$ .
- ▶ The restriction of  $p$  to  $\Omega \times \Omega$ ,  $p|_\Omega$ , is irreducible.

Define the **absorption time**

$$\tau = \inf\{t \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : Y_t \in \Delta\}.$$

From assumptions,  $\tau$  has geometric tails.

All Stationary distributions supported on  $\Delta$ , so the next best thing may be

### Definition 1 (QSD)

A probability distribution  $\nu$  on  $\Omega$  is a **quasistationary distribution (QSD)** if

$$P_\nu(Y_t \in \cdot \mid \tau > t) = \nu, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}_+.$$

### Note

- ▶ Everything has to end. How would it look if it lasted very long?

## General Results

### Proposition 1 (QSD Characterization)

A probability vector  $\nu$  on  $\Omega$  is a QSD if and only if it is a left **Perron Eigenvector** for  $p|_{\Omega}$ . That is,

$$\nu p|_{\Omega} = \lambda \nu \quad (1)$$

for some (any)  $\lambda$ . In this case  $\lambda$  is the Perron eigenvalue/spectral radius for  $p|_{\Omega}$

### Note

When  $\Omega$  is infinite (still irreducible): Existence and Uniqueness are not guaranteed (all possibilities can be realized through B&D on  $\mathbb{Z}_+$ ).

### Probability notation

For every initial distribution  $\mu$  on  $\Omega$  and  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,

$$P_{\mu}(Y_t = \cdot, \tau > t) = \mu p|_{\Omega}^t(\cdot)$$

Thus with  $\nu$  the QSD

$$P_{\nu}(\tau > t) = \nu(p|_{\Omega})^t \mathbf{1}_{\Omega} = \lambda^t.$$

We have

### Corollary 1

1. The distribution of  $\tau$  under  $P_{\nu}$  is  $\text{Geom}(1 - \lambda)$ .
2.  $\lambda = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P_x(\tau > t))^{1/t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\max_x P_x(\tau > t))^{1/t} = \max_x (\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_x(\tau > t))^{1/t}$ .

## Convergence Theorem

In analogy to stationary distributions we have:

### Theorem 1 (Convergence to QSD)

If, in addition,  $p|_{\Omega}$  is aperiodic, then for any initial distribution  $\mu$  on  $\Omega$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_{\mu}(Y_t \in \cdot | \tau > t) = \nu.$$

### Note

- ▶ From linear algebra,

$$\|P_{\mu}(Y_t \in \cdot | \tau > t) - \nu\|_{TV} = O\left(\left(\frac{|\lambda_2|}{\lambda}\right)^t\right),$$

where  $\lambda_2$  is a subdominant eigenvalue for  $p|_{\Omega}$ . This may decay faster than  $P(\tau > t)$ , and so QSD may be observed early in the evolution.

- ▶ Nevertheless, in principle sampling QSDs through simulations is a challenge as they emerge as limits under geometrically vanishing events.

## Example: RW on the Cycle

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## Observations

- ▶ Density higher away from absorbing state.
- ▶ Continuum limit of model and respective QSD: BM on  $[0, 1]$  absorbed at endpoints.

## Discrete-time Voter and Invasion

Models describing evolution of “opinions” on a graph in different “cultures”.

### Setup

- ▶  $G = (V, E)$  finite, connected graph.
- ▶ State space: **assignments of opinions**, functions  $\eta : V \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ , where  $\mathcal{O}$  is the set of “opinions”. We often take either  $\mathcal{O} = \{0 = \text{“no”}, 1 = \text{“yes”}\}$  or  $\mathcal{O} = V$ . For a state  $\eta$ ,  $\eta(v)$  is the opinion of  $v$ .

### Time Evolution

At time  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , opinions are  $\eta_t$ . We sample

- ▶ Uniformly a vertex  $u$  and a uniformly a neighbor  $v$  independently of the past;
- ▶ Assign opinions as follows:

$$\eta_{t+1}(x) = \begin{cases} \eta_t(v) & x = u \\ \eta_t(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{Voter} \qquad \eta_{t+1}(x) = \begin{cases} \eta_t(u) & x = v \\ \eta_t(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{Invasion}$$

### Note

- ▶ The constant assignments (e.g. all “no”), also known as **consensus** states. are the absorbing set  $\Delta$ .
- ▶ Representing two extreme “cultures”: Voter dominated by obedience (?), and Invasion dominated by, well, desire to dominate (?).

## (Slightly) More general evolution

In both models, the dynamics is determined only through IID sampling of ordered edges that easily generalizes to

### Definition 2 (General Evolution)

Let  $\rho$  be a probability measure on the set of order pairs  $\{(v, u) : \{v, u\} \in E, u \neq v\}$ , with full support. Define an evolution on assignments of opinions as follows:

- ▶ At time  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  sample  $(v, u)$  according to  $\rho$ , independently of the past.
- ▶ At time  $t + 1$  assign the opinion of  $v$  to  $u$  and keep all other opinions unchanged:

$$\eta_{t+1}(x) = \begin{cases} \eta_t(v) & x = u \\ \eta_t(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Example 3

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Voter} & & \text{Invasion} \\ \rho(v, u) = & \frac{1}{|V|} \frac{\mathbf{1}_{\{u,v\} \in E}}{\deg(u)} & = \rho(u, v) \end{array}$$

Voter and Invasion dynamics identical iff constant degree graph.

## Reverse Chains

How did I get my opinion?

### Reverse Chains

- ▶ Whose opinion at the previous time step  $u$  has now?
  - ▶ It is  $v$ 's opinion if  $(v, u)$  was sampled.
  - ▶ It is  $u$ 's opinion if  $(\cdot, u)$  was not sampled.
- ▶ This gives a MC on  $V$  which is tracing the opinions back in time. It has a transition function  $q$ , given by

$$q(u, v) = \begin{cases} \rho(v, u) = \rho(v|u)\rho_2(u) & v \neq u \\ 1 - \rho_2(u) & v = u, \end{cases}$$

where  $\rho_2(u) = \sum_v \rho(v, u)$  is the second marginal of  $\rho$ .

### Example 4 (Reverse Chains)

#### Voter

RW on  $V$ :

- ▶  $\rho_2$  is uniform on  $V$ ; and
- ▶  $\rho(\cdot|u)$  uniform on neighbors of  $u$ .

#### Invasion

Conditioned on a transition, probability is reciprocal to degree of target vertex:

- ▶  $\rho_2(u) = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{\{u', u\} \in E} \frac{1}{\deg(u')}$ ; and
- ▶  $\rho(\cdot|u) = \frac{\frac{1}{\deg(\cdot)}}{\sum_{\{u', u\} \in E} \frac{1}{\deg(u')}}.$



## Duality with Reverse Opinion Flow

Initial opinion distribution and the flow of opinions back in time determine the distribution of the process. This flow is a family  $\mathbf{Z}$  of coalescing chains:

### Definition 3 (Reverse Flow/Coalescing Reverse Chains)

Let  $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_t(u) : u \in V, t \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$  be the process

- ▶ For  $u \in V$ , set  $Z_0(u) = u$ .
- ▶ At  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , sample  $(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U})$  according to  $\rho$ .
- ▶ At time  $t + 1$ , set all chains currently in  $\mathcal{U}$  at time  $t$  to  $\mathcal{V}$  and keep all others where they are.

$$Z_{t+1}(u) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{V} & \text{if } Z_t(u) = \mathcal{U} \\ Z_t(u) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Interpretation

- ▶ For  $u \in V$ ,  $(Z_t(u) : t \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$  is a MC with TF  $q$  starting from  $u$ , and which represents (in distribution) the vertex whose opinion  $t$  units back in time  $u$  currently holds.
- ▶ The same holds jointly over  $u \in V$  and  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ .
- ▶ When  $Z_t(u)$  and  $Z_t(u')$  meet, they **coalesce**. In terms of opinion flow: the opinion lineage for  $u$  and  $u'$  from that point backward in time is the same.

### Note

This duality is well-known and documented for continuous-time Voter model: see Durrett (1988); Aldous and Fill (2002); Oliveira (2012) and references therein.

## Coincidence of Tail Behavior

### Why reverse flow?

- ▶ Past: key tool for analysis of Voter model (mostly on infinite state spaces like  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ ) for getting probability of consensus, distribution of time for absorption, joint distribution of opinions at pairs or more vertices, etc.
- ▶ Our work: Access to  $\lambda$  by reducing the eigenvalue problem to tails of coalescence time of two reverse chains.

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{u,u'} &= \inf\{t \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : Z_t(u) = Z_t(u')\} && \text{(coalescence time of } u, u') \\ \sigma &= \max_{u,u'} \sigma_{u,u'} && \text{(coalescence time of } \mathbf{Z}) \\ \lambda_{CMC} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P(\sigma > t))^{1/t} && \text{(geometric tail of } \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Before we continue, we recall (Proposition 2) that the QSD  $\nu$  is a left eigenvector for  $p|_{\Omega}$  corresponding to the Perron eigenvalue  $\lambda$ :

$$\nu p|_{\Omega} = \lambda \nu$$

### Theorem 5

*Under General Evolution, Definition 2:*

1.  $\lambda_{CMC} = \max_{u,u'} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P(\sigma_{u,u'} > t))^{1/t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\max_{u,u'} P(\sigma_{u,u'} > t))^{1/t}$ .
2.  $\lambda = \lambda_{CMC}$ .

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- ▶ Thus, the sum of the “ $j$ ”-th column of  $p|_{\Omega}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(j-1)(n+1)}{n(n-1)} + \frac{(n-j-1)(n+1)}{n(n-1)} = \frac{(n-2)(n+1)}{n(n-1)} \\ & = \frac{(n-1)n - n + (n-2)}{n(n-1)} = 1 - \frac{2}{n(n-1)} = \lambda. \end{aligned}$$



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- ▶ Concluding: the column-sum is independent of “ $j$ ”, which implies that  $\nu$ , the left eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$  is constant, or:

$$\nu(“j”) = \frac{1}{n-1}.$$

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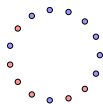


Figure: Initial opinion assignment

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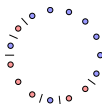


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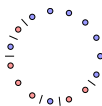


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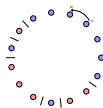


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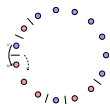


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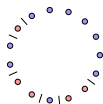


Figure: An interface move, completed

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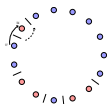


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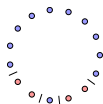


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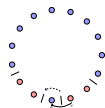


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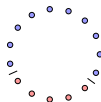


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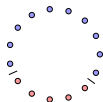


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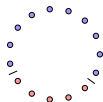


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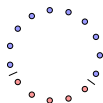


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- ▶ A comeback! The QSD is the same as for the RW from Example 2.

## Example: Cycle, continued

Recall the QSD from Example 2:

$$\nu(x) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2N}\right) \sin\left(\frac{x\pi}{N}\right), \quad x = 1, \dots, N-1.$$

What we actually proved is

### Proposition 2

*The QSD for the Voter model on  $\mathbb{Z}_N$  is a rotationally invariant distribution on “yes” and “no” opinions with a single contingent cluster of “yes” opinions distributed according to  $\nu$ .*

### Questions

- ▶ What about QSD for system conditioned to have more than two contingent clusters?
- ▶  $\mathbb{Z}_N \times \mathbb{Z}_N$ ?

# Complete Bipartite Graph

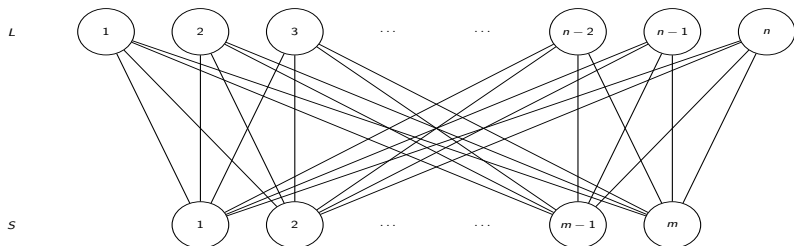
## Setup

$G$  is the **complete bipartite graph**  $K_{m,n}$ :

- ▶  $V$ : the disjoint union of **partitions**  $S$  and  $L$ ,  $|S| = m$ ,  $|L| = n$ ;
- ▶  $E$ : all sets of the form  $\{s, \ell\}$ ,  $s \in S, \ell \in L$ .

## Note

- ▶ Rudimentary network with a small number of highly connected agents, and a large number of agents with low connectivity.
- ▶ Extensive literature on Voter model and very little on QSD for model, so good place to start, I guess.
- ▶ In our work:  $m$  fixed while  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

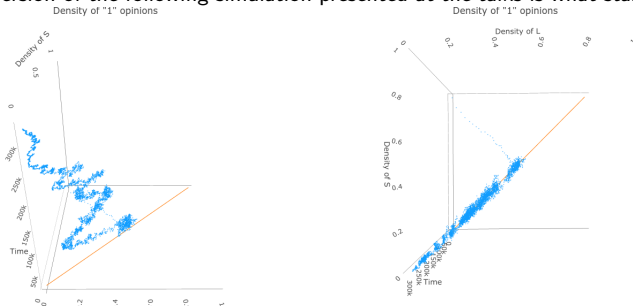




# Voter on Complete Bipartite

## Motivation and simulations

Our work was motivated by a series of lectures by **Sidney Redner** given in **NetSci2019**. The version of the following simulation presented at the talks is what started it for me.



Simulation of the Voter model on  $K_{200,1000}$ .

## Observation

Starting from all “yes” in  $S$ , “no” in  $L$ , the system rapidly enters a long period (“metastable”) where the proportions are roughly the same, where it performs a RW that is slowed down near consensus.

## Question

QSD?

## Voter on Complete Bipartite

MCREU '19 with Hugo Panzo and then undergrads Philip Speegle and Oliver Vandenberg

### Proposition 3

Consider the Voter model on  $K_{m,n}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{CMC} = \lambda_{n,m} &= 1 - \frac{2}{n+m} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2m}} \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{\gamma_{m,n}}{n+m}.\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

### Note

- ▶ Proof relies on the simple structure of the graph and the reverse chains, which reduces the calculation to a two-state Markov chain (states: walks are in same or different partition).



$$\gamma_m = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{m,n} = 2 \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2m}} \right) \underset{m \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \frac{1}{2m}.\tag{6}$$

- ▶ The exact form in (5) is crucial for studying the QSD as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  because the QSD eigenvector equation in Proposition 1 reduces to a triviality.

## Sibuya: Discrete Heavy Tailed Distributions

### Sibuya Distributions

The **Sibuya distribution** with parameter  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ . This is a probability distribution on  $\mathbb{N}$  with generating function  $\phi_\gamma$  and PMF  $p_\gamma(z)$  given by

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_\gamma(z) &= 1 - (1 - z)^\gamma \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{(k-1-\gamma)(k-2-\gamma)\cdots(1-\gamma)\gamma}{k!}}_{=p_\gamma(k)} z^k\end{aligned}$$

As a result,  $Sib(\gamma)$  is heavy-tailed with

$$p_\gamma(k) \sim c_\gamma \frac{1}{k^{\gamma+1}}, \quad c_\gamma = \frac{\sin(\gamma\pi)}{\pi} \Gamma(1 + \gamma).$$

## QSD Asymptotics for Voter

### Theorem 8

Let  $C \sim \text{Bern}(\frac{1}{2})$  and  $D \sim \text{Sib}(\gamma_m)$  be independent with

$$\gamma_m \stackrel{(6)}{=} 2 \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2m}} \right).$$

Then the QSD for the Voter model on  $K_{m,n}$  converges as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to:

1. All vertices of  $S$  take opinion  $C$ .
2. All but  $D$  vertices of  $L$  have opinion  $C$ .

### Note

- ▶ Exact formula for  $\lambda_{CMC}$  from Proposition 3 is key to analysis, and leads to showing that  $S$  reaches consensus. With this
- ▶ QSD equation essentially reduces to difference equation for dissenting opinions in  $L$ .

# QSD Asymptotics for Invasion

with MCREU '20 undergrads Van Hovenga and Edith Lee

This is where a hybrid system shows up!

## Two differences

- ▶ No nice closed-form expression for  $\lambda_{CMC}$ : the reverse chain reduces to a three state chain with nasty characteristic polynomial.
- ▶ And, *no consensus on either partitions*. While in Voter,  $S$  reaches consensus, here it keeps changing nearly all the time.

## Proposition 4

Consider the Invasion process on  $K_{m,n}$ . Then

$$\lambda_{CMC} = 1 - \frac{2m}{n^2(n+m)} + o(n^{-3}) \quad (7)$$

## Note

- ▶ The proof of the proposition is based on the Taylor expansion for the Perron eigenvalue, and the first nontrivial term is obtained from the Hessian.
- ▶ Absorption times under QSD are  $\text{Geom}(1 - \lambda)$ . Expectations:
  - ▶ Invasion:  $\sim \frac{n^3}{2m}$ .
  - ▶ Voter, (5),(6):  $\approx 2mn$  (when  $m$  is also large).

## QSD Asymptotics for Invasion

with MCREU '21 undergrads Clay Allard, Shrikant Chand and Julia Shapiro

Switch from *counting opinions* in  $L$  to *proportions of opinions*, leading to the introduction of  $\bar{\nu}$  on  $\{0, \dots, m\} \times [0, 1]$ :

$$\bar{\nu}(k, dx) = \nu(k, nx)\delta_{\{0, \dots, n\}}(nx) \quad (8)$$

We have the following:

### Theorem 9

Consider the Invasion model on  $K_{m,n}$ . Then as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\bar{\nu}(k, dx) \Rightarrow \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{m-k} dx. \quad (9)$$

In particular,

1. At the limit both marginals are uniform on  $\{0, \dots, m\}$  and  $[0, 1]$ , respectively.
2. The first marginal conditioned on the second equals  $x$ :  $\text{Bin}(m, x)$ .
3. The second marginal conditioned on the first equals  $k$ :  $\text{Beta}(k+1, m-k+1)$ .

## Observations

- ▶ In contrast to Voter, here QSD is very far from consensus.
- ▶ The second marginal corresponds to the QSD for the Wright-Fisher diffusion generator  $\frac{1}{2}x(1-x)\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  on  $[0, 1]$  absorbed on the boundary.
- ▶ A hybrid system emerges: first-order terms give the discrete part, and higher (smaller) order terms give the continuous part.

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The unique solution is

$$\bar{\nu}_\infty(k, dx) = \binom{m}{k} x^k (1-x)^{m-k} \bar{\nu}_{\infty,2}(dx)$$
(11)

equivalently  $\nu_\infty(dk|x) \sim \text{Bin}(m, x)$  under any subsequential limit.

## Derivation of QSD for Invasion, Continued

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More work: To access distribution of second component need to eliminate terms of higher order of magnitude.

- ▶ Use a smooth bounded test function  $f = f(x)$  in the representation (10) to eliminate integral WRT to  $\bar{S}$ .

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- Curse: remaining terms in (10) are  $O(n^{-3})$  so only conclusion is that first integral on RHS is equal to some  $c_n(f)$  which tends to 0.

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