

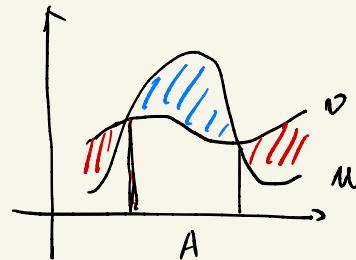
Lec 5. There exists a monotone coupling between $\{X_t\}$ and $\{Y_t\}$.

$\forall t \quad X_t \geq Y_t$. remaining left as exercise. Random walk.

More on Coupling

total variation distance between two distribution. μ, ν .

$$\|\mu - \nu\|_{TV} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x \in S^2} |\mu(x) - \nu(x)| = \max_{A \subseteq S^2} |\mu(A) - \nu(A)|.$$



Coupling Lemma

c a coupling of μ, ν .

$\Pr_{(X,Y) \sim c} [X \neq Y] \geq \|\mu - \nu\|_{TV}$. $\exists c^*$ achieves the equality.

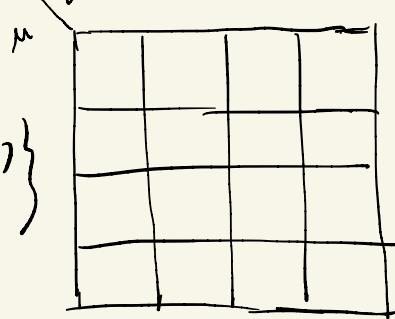
Pf. $\forall A \subseteq S^2. \quad C$

$$\mu(A) - \nu(A) = \Pr_{(X,Y) \sim C} [X \in A] - \Pr_{(X,Y) \sim C} [Y \in A]$$

$$= \Pr [X \in A \wedge Y \in A] + \Pr [X \in A \wedge Y \notin A] - \Pr [Y \in A]$$

$$\leq \Pr [X \in A \wedge Y \notin A] \leq \Pr [X \neq Y]$$

Or. $\Pr [X = Y] \leq \sum_{x \in S^2} \min \{\mu(x), \nu(x)\}$



$$\Pr [X \neq Y] \geq 1 - \sum_x \min \{\mu(x), \nu(x)\}$$

$$= \sum_x \mu(x) - \min \{\mu(x), \nu(x)\}$$

$$= \|\mu - \nu\|_{TV}.$$

Recall FTM C.

Irreducibility + Aperiodic + Positive Recurrence

\Rightarrow Unique stationary & Convergence.

Proof.

We already know (PR) + (I) \Rightarrow (U).

Only need to prove (C).

Consider two chains:

$$\{Y_t\}, \quad Y_0 \sim \pi, \quad X_0 \sim \mu_0.$$

Define a coupling: If $X_t = Y_t$ for some t , then let
 $X_{t'} = Y_{t'}$ for all $t' > t$.

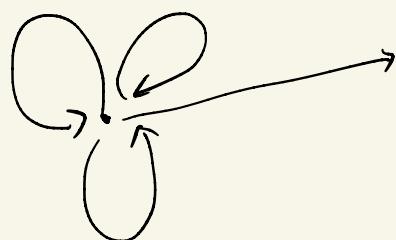
By coupling lemma.

$$\|\mu_t - \pi\|_{TV} \leq P[X_t \neq Y_t].$$

$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow \\ X_t & Y_t \end{matrix}$

lem. (I) $\Rightarrow \forall i, j. \exists n \quad p^n(i, j) > 0.$

(I) + (A) $\Rightarrow \exists n \quad \forall i, j \quad p^n(i, j) > 0.$



$$ax + by + cz = n.$$

$$\Pr[X_n = Y_n] \geq \Pr[X_n = Y_n = j] \geq \alpha > 0.$$

$$\Pr[X_n \neq Y_n] \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[X_{2n} \neq Y_{2n}] &= \Pr[X_{2n} \neq Y_{2n} \mid X_n \neq Y_n] \cdot \Pr[X_n \neq Y_n] \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Time Reversible.

$\pi(x) p(x, y) = \pi(y) p(y, x).$ Detailed balancing equation.

Metropolis Algorithm.

Random walk \rightarrow Any distribution.