

## DISCRETE MATHEMATICS, EXERCISES SHEET 5

- (1) The purpose of this exercise is to show that the Perron-Frobenius theorem, as stated in the lectures for positive stochastic matrices, holds for positivizable stochastic matrices. So let  $M$  be a positivizable stochastic matrix. By definition  $M^r$  is a positive matrix for some  $r \geq 1$ .
- (a) Show that  $M^r$  is a stochastic matrix. (Thus we may assume that the Perron-Frobenius theorem holds for  $M^r$ , as proved in the lectures.)
  - (b) Show that an invariant measure of  $M$  is also an invariant measure of  $M^r$ . Hence deduce that  $M$  possess an unique invariant measure  $\pi$ , and that  $\pi$  has positive components.
  - (c) Show that the sequence  $v(0), v(0)M, v(0)M^2, \dots$  converges to  $\pi$ , for any initial probability distribution  $v(0)$ . (Hint: split the sequence into subsequences and use the known result for  $M^r$ .)
  - (d) Use the previous part to show that the sequence of matrices  $M, M^2, M^3, \dots$  converges to the matrix all of whose rows are  $\pi$ . Conclude that that 1 is the only eigenvalue of  $M$  of modulus 1, and that its multiplicity is 1.
- (2) Let

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Show that the spectral radius of  $M$  is 9.
- (b) Find a left eigenvector of  $M$  with eigenvalue 9.
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- (d) Use the Perron-Frobenius Theorem to show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{9} M \right)^n$$

exists and calculate its value.