Construct a transition matrix for a population with an equilibrium state.

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Learning target: Construct a transition matrix for a population with an equilibrium state.

Fix the state order and choose a column-state convention before constructing a transition matrix. Each column describes where members of one origin state go next, so its entries sum to one in a closed population. Iteration applies the same rule repeatedly. An equilibrium state reproduces itself after one transition and must match the population total.

Try the mathematics

Task 1. Each month 75% of bus users stay with bus and 25% switch to train; 25% of train users switch to bus. Use order bus,train and S0=[[160],[40]]. Build T, calculate S1 and S2, and draw the corresponding labelled transition arrows.

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Study-design reference

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