

## Answer on Question #57338 – Math – Statistics and Probability

### Question

Suppose a gene in a chromosome is of type A or type B. Assume that the probability that a gene of type A will mutate of type B in one generation is  $10^{-4}$  and that a gene of type B will mutate to type A is  $10^{-6}$ .

**(A)** What is the transition matrix?

**(B)** After many generations, what is the probability that the gene will be of type A? or type B? (Find the stationary matrix.)

### Solution

$$\text{(A)} \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 10^{-4} & 10^{-4} \\ 10^{-6} & 1 - 10^{-6} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9999 & 0.0001 \\ 0.000001 & 0.999999 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{(B)} \quad (a, b)T = (a, b) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0.9999a + 0.000001b = a \\ 0.0001a + 0.999999b = b \end{cases} \text{ and } a + b = 1 \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} 0.0001a - 0.000001b = 0 \\ a + b = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow b = 100a \rightarrow 101a = 1 \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow a = \frac{1}{101} \approx 0.00990099, \quad b = 1 - a = \frac{100}{101} \approx 0.99009901.$$

$$\text{Stationary matrix } S = \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ b & b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{101} & \frac{1}{101} \\ \frac{100}{101} & \frac{100}{101} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.00990099 & 0.00990099 \\ 0.99009901 & 0.99009901 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Answer: (A)} \begin{pmatrix} 0.9999 & 0.0001 \\ 0.000001 & 0.999999 \end{pmatrix}; \text{(B)} \begin{pmatrix} 0.00990099 & 0.00990099 \\ 0.99009901 & 0.99009901 \end{pmatrix}.$$