The immigration between branching processes

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1. Introduction

Let $\{p_k; k=0, 1, 2, \cdots\}$ and $\{q_k; k=0, 1, 2, \cdots\}$ be probability functions; $p_k \ge 0, \sum p_k = 1$, $q_k \ge 0, \sum q_k = 1$. Let $\{X_n; n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots\}$ be a Galton Watson process based on $\{p_k\}$; i.e, a Markov chain with stationary transition probabilities given by

$$p_{ij} = P(X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i)$$
$$= \begin{cases} p_j^{*i} & \text{if } i \ge 1, j \ge 0\\ \delta_{0j} & \text{if } i = 0, j \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

where $\{p_k^{*i}\}$ is the i-fold convolution of $\{p_k\}$ and δ_{0_j} is the Kronecker delta.

Similarly we define Galton Watson process $\{Y_n; n=0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ based on $\{q_k\}$.

This setting may be comprehended that after one unit of time each particle splits independently of others into a random number of offspring according to the probability law $\{p_k\}$ in A-district and according to the probability law $\{q_k\}$ in B-district.

In some report we see that the birth-rate in the city is smaller than the birth-rate in the country, and that many persons immigrate from the country into the city.

In this paper we consider a simplified type of immigration from B into A, and study the extinction probability and the limit behavior of the number of particles.

2. Immigration from B into A

Now we assume that each particle in A-district and B-district splits as stated in 1, and assume that when every particle in the *n*-th generation in A-district has no offspring then instantly a particle in the (n+1)-th generation in B-district (if exist) immigrate into Adistrict. That is, let the number of particles in the *n*-th generation in A-district be \overline{X}_n , the number of their offsprings be \widetilde{X}_{n+1} , the number of particles in B-district be \overline{Y}_n and the number of their offsprings be \widetilde{Y}_{n+1} . Then

$$\overline{X_{n+1}}=1, \ \overline{Y_{n+1}}=\widetilde{Y_{n+1}}-1 \quad \text{if } \overline{X_{n+1}}=0, \ \widetilde{Y_{n+1}}>0,$$
$$\overline{X_{n+1}}=\widetilde{X_{n+1}}, \ \overline{Y_{n+1}}=\widetilde{Y_{n+1}} \quad \text{otherwise.}$$