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$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\text{\# of individuals to ever exist}] &= E\left[\sum_{n \geq 0} X_n\right] \\
 &= \sum_{n \geq 0} E[X_n] \quad (\text{Independence from generation to the next}) \\
 &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \mu^n = \frac{1}{1-\mu} \quad (|\mu| < 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E\left[\sum_{n \geq 0} X_n \mid X_0 = n\right] &= n E\left[\sum_{n \geq 0} X_n \mid X_0 = 1\right] \quad (\text{Indep.}) \\
 &= \frac{n}{1-\mu}
 \end{aligned}$$

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For $n=0$: $P(X_0=0 \mid X_0=1) = 0 \leq \pi$ ✓

Assume $P(X_{n-1}=0) \leq \pi$ where π is any sol. of $\pi = \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_n=0) &= \sum_{j \geq 0} P(X_n=0 \mid X_1=j) P(X_1=j) \\
 &= \sum_{j \geq 0} [P(X_{n-1}=0 \mid X_1=1)]^j P_j
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X_n=0) = \sum_{j \geq 0} P(X_{n-1}=0 \mid X_0=1)^j P_j \leq \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X_n=0) \leq \pi \quad \checkmark$$

Hence by the induction principle, for every n and π solving $\pi = \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j$
 $\pi \geq P(X_n=0)$.

But we know that $\pi_0 := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n=0)$, thus

$$\pi \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n=0) = \pi_0$$

and hence $\pi_0 \leq \pi$ for any solution π of $\pi = \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j$.

But this means that π_0 is the smallest solution of $\pi = \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j$.

Since π_0 also solves $\pi = \sum_{j \geq 0} \pi^j P_j$.

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$$a) \quad \mu := \sum_{j \geq 0} j P_j = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \quad \mu > 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_0 < 1$$

On the other hand, π_0 solves $\pi_0 = \sum (\pi_0)^j P_j$ and hence:

$$\pi_0 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \pi_0^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_0 = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \pi_0 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Thus $\pi_0 = \frac{1}{3}$

$$b) \quad \mu = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_0 = 1$$

$$c) \quad \mu > 1 \quad \& \quad \pi_0 = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{2} \pi_0 + \frac{1}{3} \pi_0^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \pi_0 < 1 \quad \& \quad \left(\pi_0 = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \pi_0 = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \pi_0 = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$