

# Stochastic Modeling: Exercise Class 6.

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**Exercise 1.** Describe the communication diagram, discuss the irreducibility, periodicity of the states, atoms and their accessibility, and invariant distribution(s) of the discrete Markov chains with transition matrix

- $K = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix},$

- $K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$

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Compute also  $\mathbb{P}_1(\tau_1 = k)$  for  $k = 1, 2, 3$ .

**Exercise 2.** Consider the AR(1) model  $X_{t+1} = \theta X_t + Z_{t+1}$  where  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots$  is an iid sample from the density  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  from  $X_0 = x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $|\theta| < 1$ .

- Show that the sequence  $(X_t)$  constitutes a Markov chain.
- Describe its kernel.
- Show that  $(X_t)$  is Lebesgue-irreducible.
- Show that  $(X_t)$  is atomless.
- Show that  $(X_t)$  satisfies the minorization condition.
- Describe its stationary distribution.