

3.2 The H is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix which is shown below:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\pi[k]^T = \pi[k-1]^T H$ , with  $\pi[0] = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0]^T$ ,

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$$\pi[1] = [0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0]^T$$

$$\pi[2] = [0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^T$$

$$\pi[3] = [\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}]^T$$

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Note that  $\pi[k]$  will loop between  $\pi[0]$  to  $\pi[3]$ .

Solving  $\pi^{*T} = \pi^{*T} H$  with  $\sum_i \pi_i^* = 1$ , we have  $\pi^* = [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}]$

3.3 The H matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The  $\hat{H}$  matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/5 & 1/5 & 1/5 & 1/5 & 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the excel file attached to compute the  $\pi^*$  until  $\pi^*$  does not change after one iteration. The result is calculated based on the G matrixes for different  $\theta$ , which were shown below

For  $\theta = 0.1$ , The G matrix is

0.18	0.28	0.18	0.18	0.18
0.28	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18
0.213333	0.18	0.213333	0.18	0.213333
0.18	0.18	0.23	0.18	0.23
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

$$\pi^* = [0.211171, 0.205114, 0.199859, 0.183997, 0.199859]$$

For  $\theta = 0.3$ , The G matrix is

0.14	0.44	0.14	0.14	0.14
0.44	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
0.24	0.14	0.24	0.14	0.24
0.14	0.14	0.29	0.14	0.29
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

$$\pi^* = [0.237897, 0.222994, 0.193742, 0.151625, 0.193742]$$

For  $\theta = 0.5$ , The G matrix is

0.1	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.266667	0.1	0.266667	0.1	0.266667
0.1	0.1	0.35	0.1	0.35
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

$$\pi^* = [0.27451, 0.254902, 0.176471, 0.117647, 0.176471]$$

For  $\theta = 0.85$ , The G matrix is

0.03	0.88	0.03	0.03	0.03
0.88	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
0.313333	0.03	0.313333	0.03	0.313333
0.03	0.03	0.455	0.03	0.455
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

$$\pi^* = [0.39413, 0.38033, 0.090111, 0.045319, 0.090111]$$

From the result, I observed that with different  $\theta$ , the  $\pi^*$  will be different. Besides, the larger the  $\theta$  is, the less different between G matrix and  $\hat{H}$ . Also note that  $\pi^*[3]$  and  $\pi^*[5]$  will always be the same no matter how the  $\theta$  changes, because the 3<sup>rd</sup> column and the 5<sup>th</sup> of the G matrix are always the same.