



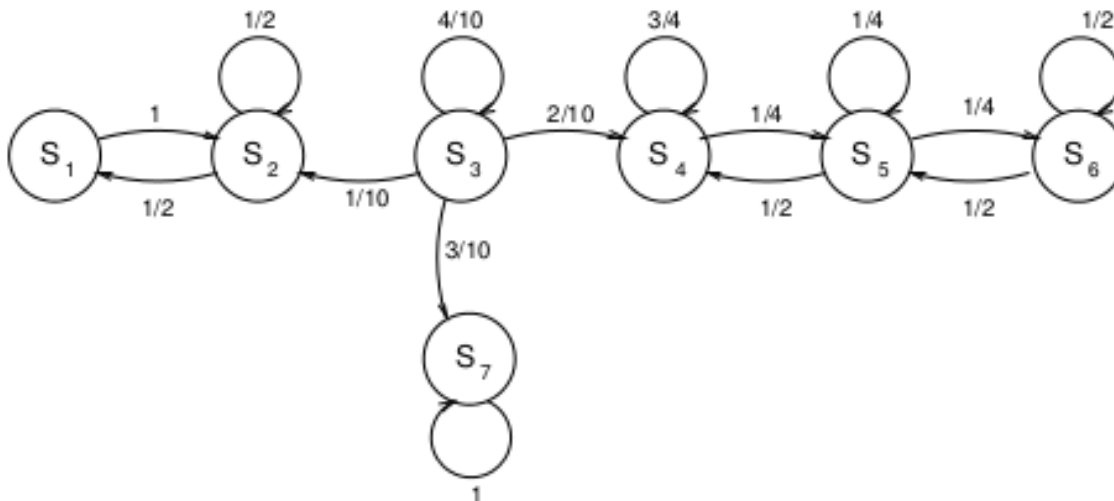
## 14. Exercise: Recurrent and transient states

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### Exercise: Recurrent and transient states

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Consider the following transition probability graph:



Decide whether each of the following statements is true or false.

1. State  $S_1$  is a transient state.

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Answer: False

2. State  $S_5$  is a recurrent state.

Select an option ▼

Answer: True

3. State  $S_3$  is a transient state.



Select an option ▼

Answer: True

4. There are two recurrent classes.

Select an option ▼

Answer: False

### Solution:

1. False. States  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  form a recurrent class.
2. True. States  $S_4$ ,  $S_5$ , and  $S_6$  form a recurrent class.
3. True. The chain will eventually exit state  $S_3$ , enter one of the recurrent classes, and never return to state  $S_3$ .
4. False, there are 3: the two identified in parts (1) and (2), plus a third recurrent class consisting of only the single state  $S_7$ .

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By the statement "There are two recurrent classes.", do you mean exactly 2? Because one could interpre...

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