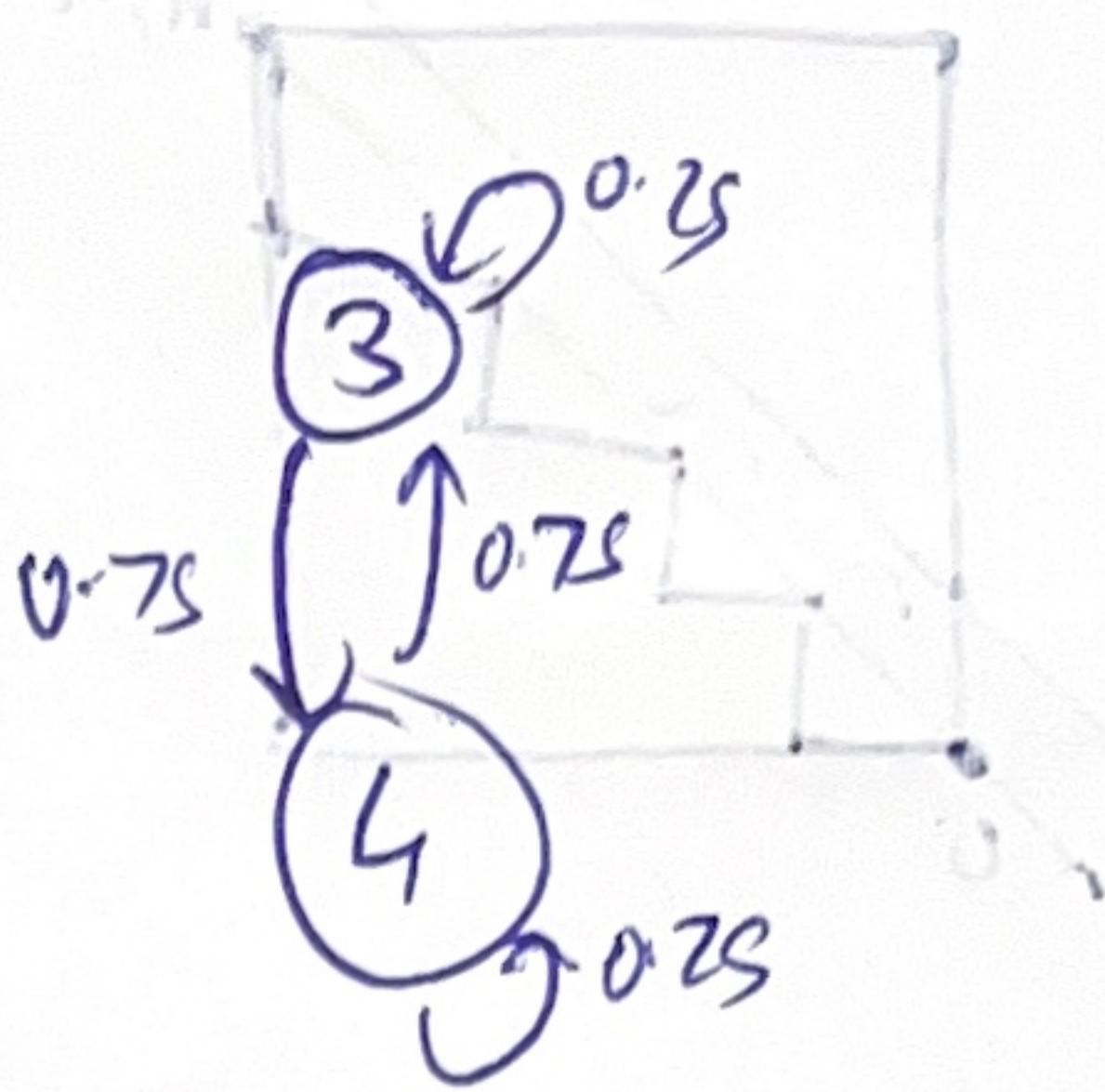
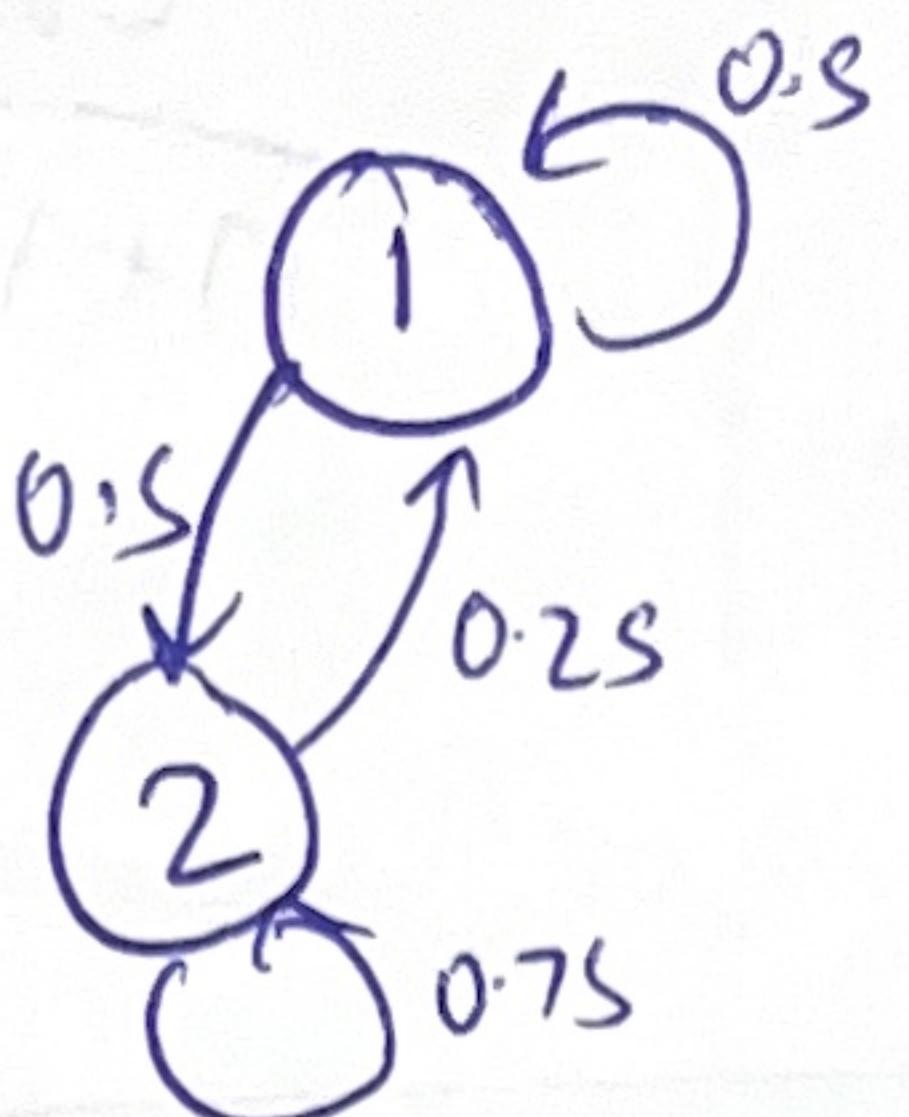


SMFD Assignment 2.1

1. Two State Loop

{1 2 3 4}



$$a) Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.25 & 0.75 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.25 & 0.75 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.75 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) States 1 & 2 } Two independent
States 3 & 4. } closed communicating class.

recurrent state
↳ once entered;
 $P=1$ of returning to it.

Born (1, 2) & (3, 4)
are closed classes.
⇒ all 4 states
are recurrent

no transient states.
↳ cannot leave its class
& never return

c) Stationary distribution π satisfies $\pi Q = \pi$.

→ π (states 1 & 2) [3 & 4 set to 0]

let $\pi = [a, b, 0, 0]$ & $a+b=1$;

$$\begin{cases} a = 0.5a + 0.25b \\ b = 0.5a + 0.75b \end{cases} \begin{array}{l} 0.5a = 0.25b \\ 3a = 1 \end{array} \quad a = \frac{1}{3}; b = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\pi^{(1)} = \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 0, 0 \right]$$

→ π (states 3 & 4) [1 & 2 = 0]

$$\pi = [0, 0, c, d] \text{ & } c+d=1$$

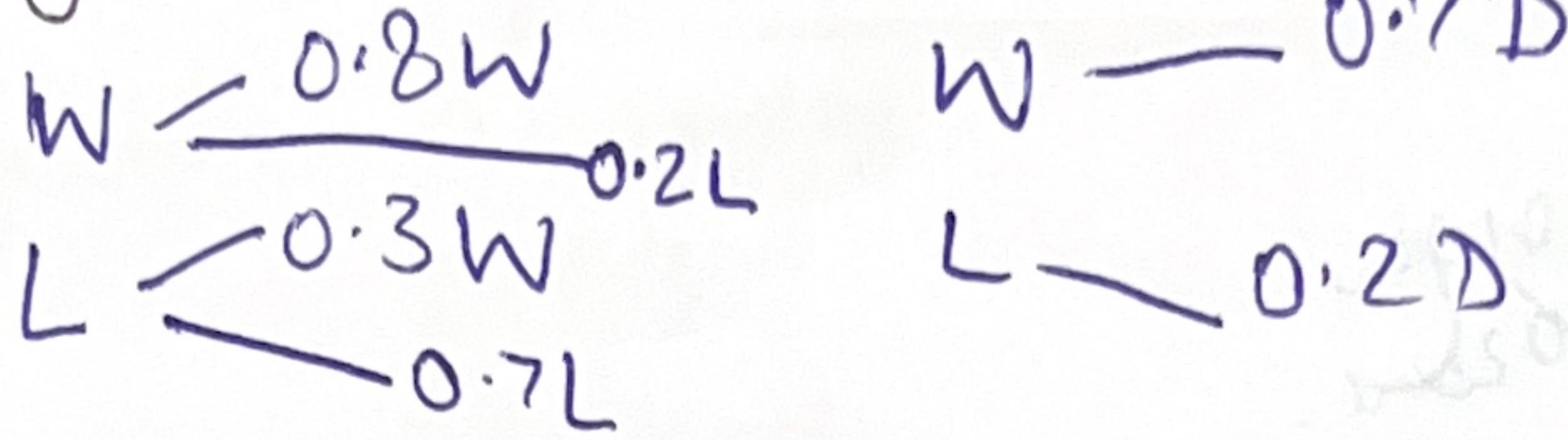
$$\begin{aligned} c &= 0.25c + 0.75d \\ d &= 0.75c + 0.25d \end{aligned} \quad c=d=0.5$$

$$\pi^{(2)} = \left[0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$(\alpha \pi^{(1)} + (1-\alpha) \pi^{(2)}, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1)$$

↳ the corner combination
also stationary

2. Winning Streak



a) $P(\text{win}) = \underline{(0.8) P(\text{win}) + (0.3)(1 - P(\text{win}))}$

$$n = 0.8n + 0.3 - 0.3n$$

$$0.5n = 0.3 \quad \rightarrow n =$$

$$\underline{P(\text{win}) = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6}$$

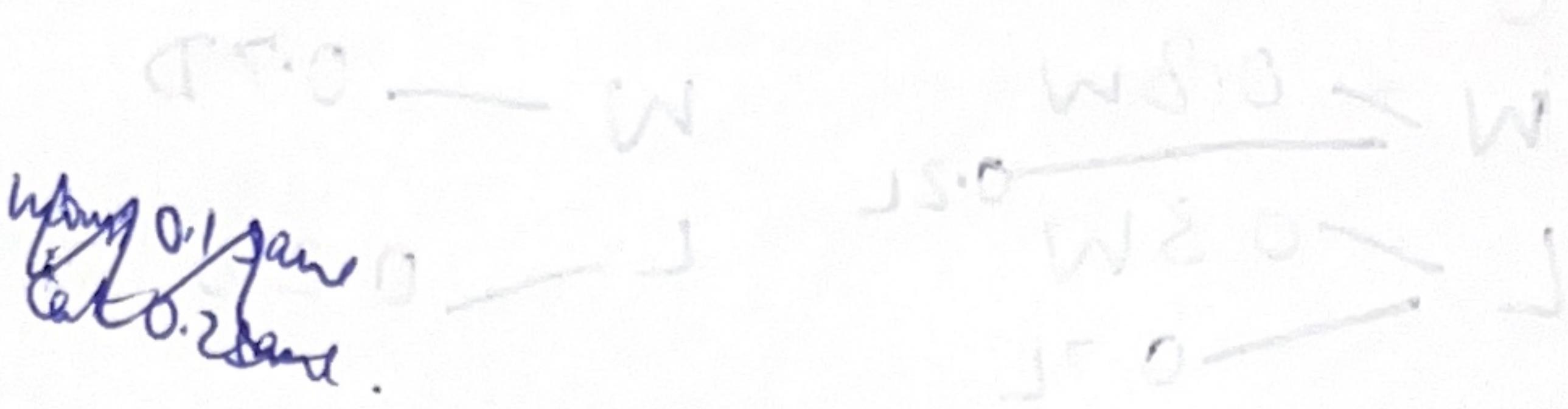
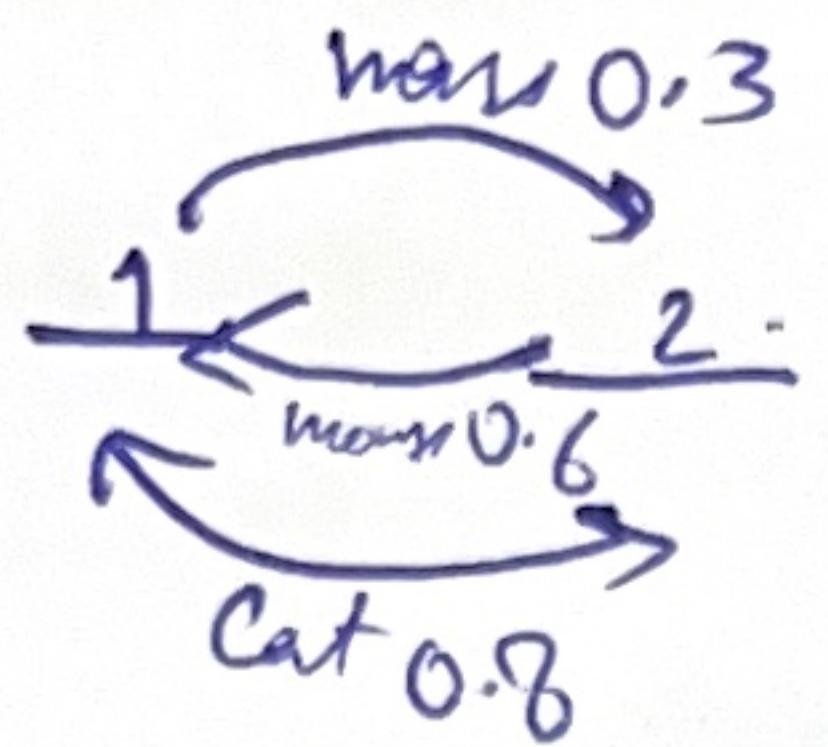
b) $P(\text{dinner}) = P(\text{dinner} | \text{lost}) P(\text{lost}) + P(\text{dinner} | \text{win}) P(\text{win})$

$$= \cancel{\left(\frac{0.2}{0.4} \right)} + \cancel{\frac{0.7}{0.6}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= (0.2)(0.4) + (0.7)(0.6) = 0.08 + 0.42 = \underline{\underline{0.5}}$$

c) # games = ?
 $P(\text{dinner}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{P(\text{dinner})} = 2 \text{ games}$

3. Cat & Mouse Game



a)

$$C = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 0.2 & 0.8 \\ \hline 2 & 0.8 & 0.2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Catch chain

$$\pi = [p_1, p_2]$$

$$\pi C = \pi$$

$$p_1 = 0.2p_1 + 0.8p_2$$

$$p_2 = 0.8p_1 + 0.2p_2$$

$$p_1 + p_2 = 1 \quad p_1 = p_2 = 0.5$$

$$\pi_C = [0.5, 0.5]$$

$$M = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 0.7 & 0.3 \\ \hline 2 & 0.6 & 0.4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Mouse chain

$$\pi = [q_1, q_2]$$

$$\pi M = \pi$$

$$q_1 = 0.7q_1 + 0.6q_2$$

$$q_2 = 0.3q_1 + 0.4q_2$$

$$q_1 + q_2 = 1 \quad 0.3q_1 = 0.6q_2$$

$$q_1 = \frac{2}{3} \quad q_2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\pi_M = \left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right] \quad \checkmark$$

b)

4 possible (M, C) states: $(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2)$

$Z_n \Rightarrow$ no of current state at time $n \Rightarrow 4$ states.

$\Rightarrow M, C$ move independently

$\Rightarrow (M, C)$ joint process is Markov chain

$P(\text{next state}) @ \text{current state}$

NOT @ ~~last~~.

4. Wandering King

Classification:
 4 corners: 8.
 24 edges: 24.
 36 inner: 36.

from	C	E	I	#moves
	3	5	8	$\times 4 \rightarrow 12$
				$\times 24 \rightarrow 120$
				$\times 36 \rightarrow 288$

$$\bar{\pi}_{\text{corner}} = \frac{3}{420} = \frac{1}{140} \times 4$$

$$\bar{\pi}_{\text{edge}} = \frac{5}{420} = \frac{1}{84} \times 24$$

$$\bar{\pi}_{\text{interior}} = \frac{8}{420} = \frac{2}{105} \times 36$$

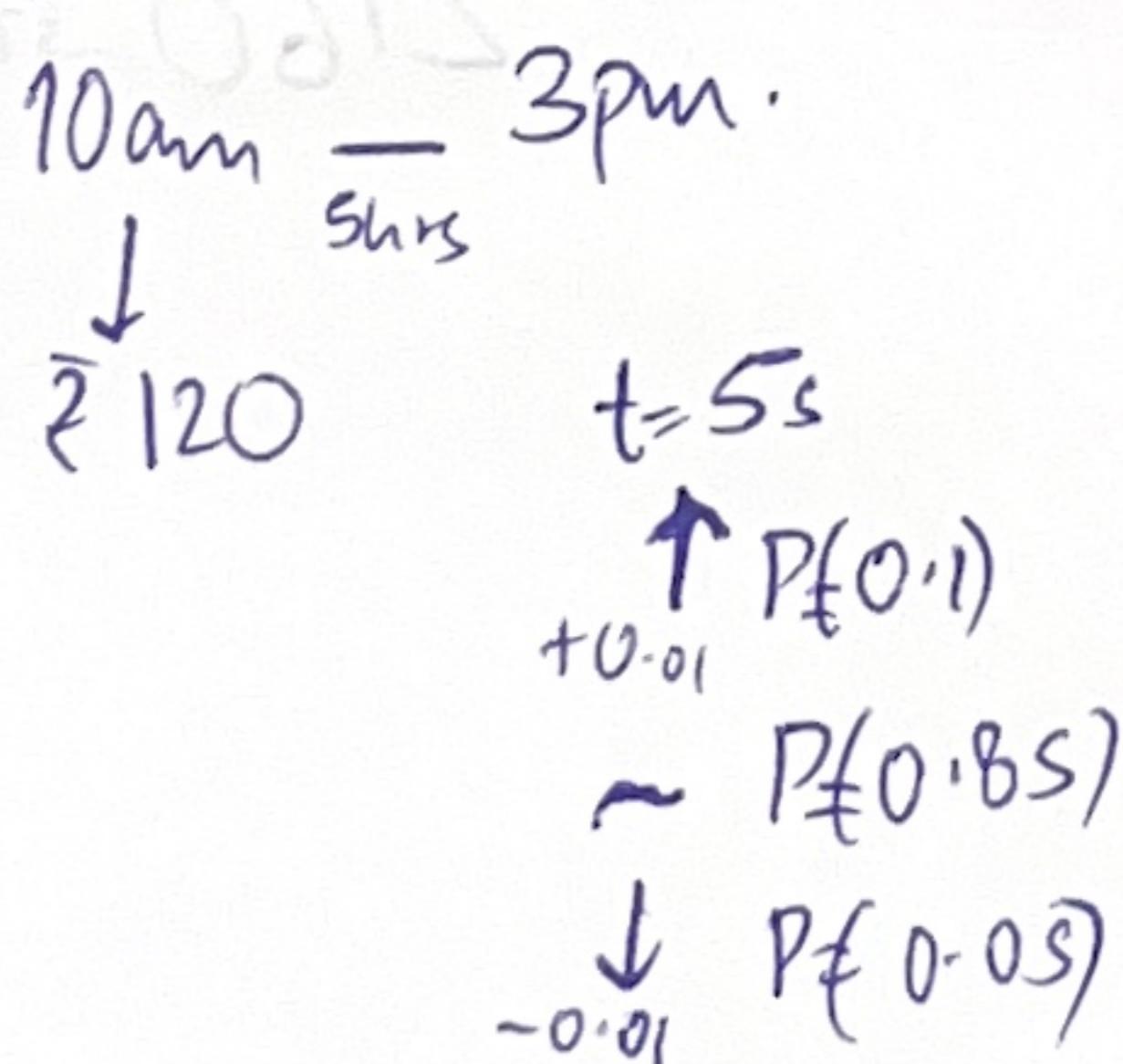
$$\sum \bar{\pi} = 1$$

- portfolio rebalancing
- credit risk modeling
- market regime analysis

- Detailed balancing possible;
- risk-neutral valuation for derivative pricing
- Monte Carlo simulations; option pricing models.
- equilibrium models in asset pricing theory.

5. Stock Price Model

ticks size Δ = RS 0.01 increments only.



a) $E(\text{change}) = 0.1(+1^{\text{tick}})$
 $+ 0.85(0)$
 $+ 0.05(-1)$
 $= 0.05 > 0$
 expected drift.

→ transient random walk

→ does not return to steady \Rightarrow not 100% recurrent.

→ growth stock
 (bull market)

5. a) No, the stock price is not stationary
 $P(\text{moving up}) = 0.1$
 $P(\text{moving down}) = 0.05$

$$0.1 > 0.05$$

So, chain has an upward drift.

Probability to return back at starting price decreases over time.

So, process is transient

b) No, a stationary distribution does not exist for this process.

c) Time window = 180 min = 20,800 ticks

$$\text{No. of steps} = \frac{20,800}{5} = 2160 \text{ steps}$$

$$P_{\text{up}} = 0.1 \quad P_{\text{stay}} = 0.85 \quad P_{\text{down}} = 0.05$$

To achieve 130 PM from PS 120
1000 ticks up within 2160 ticks

Expected change per step:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= 0.1 \times 0.01 + 0.85 \times 0 + 0.05 \times -0.01 \\ &= 0.0005 \text{ per step}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{expected total change} = 2160 \times 0.0005 = 1.08$$

$$\text{expected price at 1:00 pm} = 120.8$$

$$\text{Probability to achieve 130 PM} \approx 0$$