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1. (4 points) Answer:

One should note that for a finite Markov chain, non-closed communicating classes are transient, while closed ones are recurrent.

Part 1. (P_1)

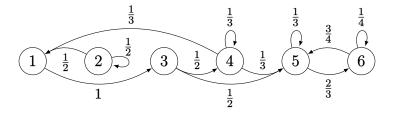


Figure 1: State transition diagram for P_1

From Figure 1, the communicating classes are

$C_1 = \{1, 3, 4\}$	which is transient
$\mathcal{C}_2 = \{2\}$	which is transient
$\mathcal{C}_3 = \{5,6\}$	which is recurrent

Part 2. (P_2)

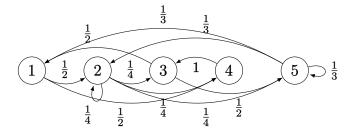


Figure 2: State transition diagram for P_2

From Figure 2, the single communicating class is

$C_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$	which is recurrent
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