

## Question 5

5a.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{3}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

We can use  $\pi_j = \sum_{i \in S} \pi_{ij} p_{ij}$  to find the stationary distribution.

$$\pi_0 = \frac{1}{4}\pi_0 + \frac{2}{5}\pi_1 \rightarrow \pi_0 = \frac{8}{15}\pi_1$$

Then using the fact that  $\pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1$  we can write  $\pi_0 = \frac{8}{15}(1 - \pi_0)$

$$\rightarrow \frac{23}{15}\pi_0 = \frac{8}{15} \rightarrow \pi_0 = \frac{8}{23}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \pi_0 = \frac{8}{15} \text{ and } \pi_1 = 1 - \frac{8}{15} = \frac{15}{23}$$

5b.

```
sim <- function(nrep, start){
  x <- rep(NA, nrep)
  ran <- runif(nrep)
  x[1] <- start

  for (i in 2:nrep){
    if ((x[i-1] == 0 & ran[i] <= 1/4) | (x[i-1] == 1 & ran[i] <= 2/5)){
      val <- 0
    }
    else{
      val <- 1
    }
    x[i] <- val
  }
  return(x)
}
```

Here I define the function to simulate many paths of the chain. The input parameters are the number of repetitions and the starting point of the chain.

```
n <- 1000000
start <- 0
x <- sim(n, start)
print(paste(c("The proportion of time ending in state 0 is "),
            round(1 - mean(x), 3), " and 1 is ", round(mean(x), 3), sep = ""))
```

```
## [1] "The proportion of time ending in state 0 is 0.348 and 1 is 0.652"
```

These proportions match the values of  $\pi_0 = \frac{8}{23}$  and  $\pi_1 = \frac{15}{23}$  found in part (a).

5c.

```
n <- 100000
z <- rep(NA, n)

for (i in 1:n){
  start <- rbinom(1, 1, 15/23)
```

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    y <- sim(2, start)
    z[i] <- y[2]
  }

  print(paste(c("The proportion of time ending in state 0 is "),
              round(1 - mean(z), 3), " and 1 is ", round(mean(z), 3), sep = ""))

```

```
## [1] "The proportion of time ending in state 0 is 0.347 and 1 is 0.653"
```

Here start is randomly chosen as 0 or 1 with the proportions found in part (b) and run for one time step. After running this many times we see that the proportions match the distributions in part (a).