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1. Classify the following matrices as
(A) regular transition matrix  (B) not regular transition matrix  (C) not a transition matrix
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\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0.4 \\
1 & 0.6
\end{bmatrix}
\quad \begin{bmatrix}
0.5 & 0.8 \\
0.5 & 0.6
\end{bmatrix}
\quad \begin{bmatrix}
0.75 & 0 \\
0.25 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\]

2. A study has shown that a family living in the state of Denial typically takes a vacation once per year. A family that takes an out-of-state vacation has a 35% chance of taking an out-of-state vacation the following year and a 65% chance of taking an in-state vacation. A family that has taken an in-state vacation has a 50% chance of taking an out-of-state vacation the next year and 50% chance of taking an in-state vacation.
(a) What is the transition matrix for the vacation decision?
(b) If the initial distribution of vacations is 25% in-state and 75% out-of-state and people, what is the probability that a family will take an out-of-state vacation in two years?
(c) What is the long term distribution of vacation locations?