

## Homework 1

Sections 2.1 and 2.2

1. Consider the Annuity Saving Model

$$P_{n+1} = 1.004P_n + 500.$$

The interest is compounded monthly.

3 POINTS

(a) Find the annual interest rate.

$$\begin{array}{l} i = \text{MONTHLY INTEREST RATE} \\ r = \text{ANNUAL INTEREST RATE} \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} i \\ r \end{array}} \right\} i = \frac{r}{12} \Rightarrow r = 12i = 12(0.004)$$

$$r = .048 \text{ or } 4.8\%$$

$$P_n = (1+i)P_{n-1} + d$$

3 POINTS

(b) Suppose that  $P_{20} = \$70,000$ . Find  $P_{21}$  and  $P_{22}$ .

$$P_{21} = (1.004)(70,000) + 500 = \$70,780$$

$$P_{22} = (1.004)(70,780) + 500 = \$71,563.12$$

4 POINTS

(c) If  $P_{10} = \$36,000$ , what is  $P_9$ ?

$$36,000 = (1.004)P_9 + 500$$

$$P_9 = \frac{36,000 - 500}{1.004} \approx \$35,358.57$$

2. Construct the Linear Population Model that satisfies:

4 POINTS

- (a) The initial population is 3500 and the ratio of the next population to the present one is  $6/5$ .

$$P_{n+1} = \frac{6}{5} P_n, \quad P_0 = 3500$$

8 POINTS

- (b) The initial population is 3500 and the population doubles every 3 generations.

$$P_0 = 3500$$

$$P_3 = r P_2 = r^2 P_1 = r^3 P_0 = \underbrace{r^3 P_0}_{= 2 P_0} \quad (\text{DOUBLE})$$

$$r = \sqrt[3]{2}$$

$$P_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{2} P_n, \quad P_0 = 3500$$

3. Suppose that a contaminated body of water is being cleaned by a filtering process. Each week this process is capable of filtering out a certain fraction  $a$  of all the pollutants present at that time, but another  $b$  tons of pollutants seep in. Here,  $a$  and  $b$  are constants that satisfy  $0 < a < 1$  and  $b > 0$ .

8 POINTS

- (a) If  $T_0$  tons of pollutants are initially in that body of water, write a general iterative equation for  $T_n$ , the amount of pollutants present  $n$  weeks later.

$$T_{n+1} = (1-a)T_n + b$$

4 POINTS

- (b) If each week 10% of all pollutants present can be removed but another 2 tons seep in, find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  and write the iterative equation for this process.

$$a = .1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$T_{n+1} = .9T_n + 2$$

4. Newton's *Law of Cooling* states that the rate of change of the temperature of an object is proportional to the difference of the temperature of the object and its surrounding. For instance, if  $T_n$  is the temperature of a warm object in a cool room with constant temperature  $R$  in  $n$ -th hour, then the change of the temperature  $T_{n+1} - T_n$  is given by

$$T_{n+1} - T_n = k(T_n - R)$$

for some constant  $k$ . So we have a recursive formula

$$T_{n+1} = (1 + k)T_n - kR.$$

6 POINTS

- (a) Is  $k$  positive or negative? Explain your answer.

IF  $T_n - R > 0$  THEN WE EXPECT THE OBJECT'S TEMPERATURE TO DECREASE :  $T_{n+1} < T_n$  , i.e.  $T_{n+1} - T_n < 0$ .

THUS  $\frac{T_{n+1} - T_n}{T_n - R} < 0 \Rightarrow k < 0$ .

10 POINTS

- (b) A murder victim is discovered in an office building that is maintained at  $68^\circ F$ . The average living human body temperature is  $98.6^\circ F$ . Given the medical examiner found the body temperature to be  $88^\circ F$  at 8 am and that one hour later the body temperature was  $86^\circ F$ , approximately at what time was the crime committed? (You don't need to find the precise time.)

$$T_{n+1} = (1+k)T_n - kR$$

$$86 = (1+k)88 - k(68) \Rightarrow k = \frac{-2}{20} = -.1$$

$$T_n = \frac{T_{n+1} + kR}{1+k}$$

WORKING BACKWARDS, WE HAVE :

$$T_{7AM} = \frac{T_{8AM} + (-.1)(68)}{1 + (-.1)} = \frac{88 - 6.8}{.9} \approx 90.2$$

$$T_{6AM} = \frac{90.2 - 6.8}{.9} \approx 92.7$$

$$T_{5AM} = \frac{92.7 - 6.8}{.9} \approx 95.4$$

$$T_{4AM} = \frac{95.4 - 6.8}{.9} \approx 98.4 \text{ (close to } 98.6)$$

5. Write each in the form  $x_{n+1} = a_n x_n + b_n$ .

10 points

$$(a) x_1 = 1 - \frac{x_0}{2}, x_2 = 1 + \frac{x_1}{2}, x_3 = 1 - \frac{x_2}{2}, x_4 = 1 + \frac{x_3}{2}, \dots$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} x_n + 1$$

10 points

$$(b) x_1 = x_0 + 3, x_2 = \sqrt{2}x_1 + 5, x_3 = \sqrt{3}x_2 + 7, x_4 = \sqrt{4}x_3 + 9, \dots$$

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{n+1} x_n + 2n + 3$$

10 points

6. Evaluate

$$\prod_{n=2}^{10000} \sqrt{\frac{n}{n-1}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{1}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \dots \cdot \sqrt{\frac{10,000}{9,999}} = \sqrt{\frac{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \dots \cdot 10,000}{\cancel{1} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \dots \cdot 9,999}}$$

$$= \sqrt{10,000} = 100$$

10 points

7. Find the sum

$$\sum_{n=1}^k n(n+1).$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^k (n^2 + n) = \sum_{n=1}^k n^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k n$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + \frac{k(k+1)}{2} = \frac{k(k+1)[(2k+1) + 3]}{6}$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+4)}{6} = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3}$$

10 points

8. Evaluate

$$\sum_{n=1}^k n^3.$$

(Hint: Use the fact that  $(n+1)^4 = n^4 + 4n^3 + 6n^2 + 4n + 1$ .)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1^4 = 0^4 + 4 \cdot 0^3 + 6 \cdot 0^2 + 4 \cdot 0 + 1 \\
 2^4 = 1^4 + 4 \cdot 1^3 + 6 \cdot 1^2 + 4 \cdot 1 + 1 \\
 3^4 = 2^4 + 4 \cdot 2^3 + 6 \cdot 2^2 + 4 \cdot 2 + 1 \\
 4^4 = 3^4 + 4 \cdot 3^3 + 6 \cdot 3^2 + 4 \cdot 3 + 1 \\
 \vdots \\
 (k+1)^4 = 1^4 + 4 \cdot k^3 + 6 \cdot k^2 + 4 \cdot k + 1
 \end{array}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{k+1} n^4 = \sum_{n=1}^k n^4 + 4 \sum_{n=1}^k n^3 + 6 \sum_{n=1}^k n^2 + 4 \sum_{n=1}^k n + (k+1)$$

$$(k+1)^4 = 4 \sum_{n=1}^k n^3 + 6 \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + 4 \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^k n^3 = \frac{1}{4} \left[ (k+1)^4 - k(k+1)(2k+1) - 2k(k+1) - (k+1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{4} \left[ (k+1)^3 - k(2k+3) - 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{4} \left[ k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 - 2k^2 - 3k - 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{4} \left[ k^3 + k^2 \right]$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^k n^3 = \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4} = \left( \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\left( \text{Note: } \sum_{n=1}^k n^3 = \left( \sum_{n=1}^k n \right)^2, \text{ Wow!!} \right)$$