



GENERAL MATHEMATICS 2024

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Unit 4

Key Topic Test 4 – Leslie Matrices

Recommended writing time*: 45 minutes

Total number of marks available: 25 marks

SOLUTIONS

SECTION A – Multiple Choice (1 mark per question)

Question 1

Answer: D

$$L_{32} = 0.6$$

Question 2

Answer: A

$$L^2 \times S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 172 \\ 72 \\ 48 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$$

Question 3

Answer: D

$$a = \text{birth rate } 1 - 2 = 0.3$$

$$b = \text{birth rate } 2 - 3 = 0.1$$

$$c = \text{survival rate } 0 - 1 = 0.5$$

$$d = \text{survival rate } 1 - 2 = 0.8$$

Question 4

Answer: E

$$L^3 \times S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 68.8 \\ 41.5 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 0 - 1 \\ 1 - 2 \\ 2 - 3 \end{matrix}$$

Question 5

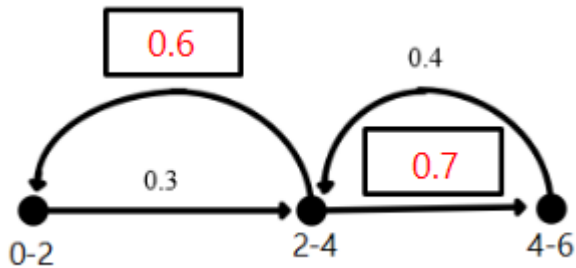
Answer: C

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &= L^{-1} \times S_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ 20 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

SECTION B – Short Answer

Question 1

a.



2 marks

b. $S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ 220 \\ 30 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 0-2 \\ 2-4 \\ 4-6 \end{matrix}$

1 mark

c. $S_3 = L^3 \times S_0$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 30.12 \\ 21.18 \\ 30.24 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 0-2 \\ 2-4 \\ 4-6 \end{matrix}$$

Number aged 2-4 = $21.18 \approx 21$ birds

2 marks

d. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 30.12 \\ 21.18 \\ 30.24 \end{bmatrix} = [81.54]$
 $\frac{30.12}{81.54} \times 100 \approx 37\%$

2 marks

e. $S_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 0.40 \\ 0.46 \end{bmatrix}$

$S_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.43 \\ 0.22 \\ 0.28 \end{bmatrix}$ This rounds to 0 population

$S_{11} = 22$ years

2 marks

Question 2

a. $L_{12} = 0.5$

1 mark

b. $L_{21} = 0.8$

1 mark

c. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 250 \\ 208 \\ 110 \end{bmatrix} = [568]$

Initial population = 568

1 mark

d. $S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 148 \\ 200 \\ 124.8 \end{bmatrix}$

Total $S_1 = 472.8$

$$568 - 472.8 = 95.2$$

$$\frac{95.2}{568} \times 100 \approx 17\%$$

2 marks

e. $S_5 = L^5 \times S_0$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 71.66 \\ 70.71 \\ 51.46 \end{bmatrix}$$

Population age group 2 ≈ 71

2 marks

Question 3

a. $S_{54} = \begin{bmatrix} 475834799 \\ 144083187 \\ 65442769 \end{bmatrix}, \quad S_{55} = \begin{bmatrix} 628577869 \\ 190333920 \\ 86449912 \end{bmatrix}$

2 marks

b. $\frac{628577869}{475834799} = \frac{190333920}{144083187} = \frac{86449912}{65442769} \approx 1.3$

1 mark

c. After 54 cycles, the population growth has steadied to a rate of 1.3 (increase of 30% each cycle).

1 mark

END OF KEY TOPIC TEST SOLUTIONS