

## Homework #4

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**Course Policy:** Read all the instructions below carefully before you start working on the assignment, and before you make a submission.

- It is not a group homework. Do not share your answers to anyone in any circumstance. Any cheating means at least -100 for both sides.
- Do not take any information from Internet.
- No late homework will be accepted.
- For any questions about the homework, send an email to gizemsungu@gtu.edu.tr
- The homeworks (both latex and pdf files in a zip file) will be submitted into the course page of Moodle.
- The latex, pdf and zip files of the homeworks should be saved as "Name\_Surname\_StudentId".{tex, pdf, zip}.
- If the answers of the homeworks have only calculations without any formula or any explanation -when needed- will get zero.
- Writing the homeworks on Latex is strongly suggested. However, hand-written paper is still accepted **IFF** hand writing of the student is clear and understandable to read, and the paper is well-organized. Otherwise, the assistant cannot grade the student's homework.

**Problem 1**

(15+15=30 points)

Consider the nonhomogeneous linear recurrence relation  $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n$ .

(a) Show that whether  $a_n = -2^{n+1}$  is a solution of the given recurrence relation or not. Show your work step by step.

**(Solution)**

if  $a_n = -2^{n+1}$ , then what is  $a_{n-1}$ ?

$$a_{n-1} = -2^{n-1+1} = -2^n$$

if we plug the  $a_{n-1}$  into  $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n$ ;

$$a_n = 3 \times -2^n + 2^n$$

$$a_n = 2^n (-3 + 1) = 2^n \times (-2)$$

$$a_n = -2^{n+1}$$

(b) Find the solution with  $a_0 = 1$ .

**(Solution)**

$$a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n \text{ and } a_0 = 1.$$

non-homogeneous linear recurrences have two parts. One of these homo part, other is particular part. And this is represented as  $a_n = a_n^h + a_n^p$

particular solution is same as in part a. That is  $a_n^p = -2^{n+1}$

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

if we divide by  $a_{n-1}$ , then the characteristic equation is found. That is ;

$$r - 3 = 0, r = 3.$$

$$a_n^h = A \times 3^n$$

$$a_n = A \times 3^n + -2^{n+1}$$

$$\text{for } a_0 = 1$$

$$A \times 3^0 - 2^{0+1}$$

$$A - 2 = 1, A = 3$$

$$\text{The equation is : } 3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$$

### Problem 2

(35 points)

Solve the recurrence relation  $f(n) = 4f(n-1) - 4f(n-2) + n^2$  for  $f(0) = 2$  and  $f(1) = 5$ .

**(Solution)**

non-homogenous recurrence relation has two parts: homogenous part and particular part.

homogeneous part is written on one side and particular part on the other side of the equality.

$$f(n) - 4f(n-1) + 4f(n-2) = n^2$$

$$f(n)^{(g)} = f(n)^{(h)} + f(n)^{(p)}$$

finding characteristic equation with homogenous part :

$$f(n)^{(h)} = f(n) - 4f(n-1) + 4f(n-2)$$

if we divide each term by  $f(n-2)$  ;

characteristic equation ;

$$r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$$

$$= (r - 2)(r - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow r = 2$$

$$f(n)^{(h)} = p \cdot 2^n + q \cdot n \cdot 2^n$$

solving particular part :

$$f(n)^{(p)} = A \cdot n^2 + B \cdot n + C$$

Putting  $f(n)$  into the original equation ;

$$A \cdot n^2 + B \cdot n + C = 4[A \cdot (n-1)^2 + B \cdot (n-1) + C] - 4[A \cdot (n-2)^2 + B \cdot (n-2) + C] + n^2$$

$$A \cdot n^2 + B \cdot n + C = 4[A \cdot (n^2 - 2 \cdot n + 1) + B \cdot n - B + C] - 4[A \cdot (n^2 - 4 \cdot n + 4) + B \cdot n - 2 \cdot B + C] + n^2$$

$$A \cdot n^2 + B \cdot n + C = 4An^2 - 8An + 4A + 4Bn - 4B + 4C - 4An^2 + 16An - 16A - 4Bn + 8B - 4C + n^2$$

$$An^2 + B \cdot n + C = n^2 + 8An - 12A + 4B$$

variables of the same degree must be equal to the same coefficient

$$A = 1, B = 8, C = -12 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 8 = 20$$

$$f(n)^{(p)} = n^2 + 8n + 20$$

$$f(n) = p \cdot 2^n + q \cdot n \cdot 2^n + n^2 + 8n + 20$$

$$f(0) = 2, f(1) = 5$$

$$f(0) = p + 20 = 2$$

$$p = -18$$

$$f(1) = 2 \cdot (-18) + 2 \cdot q + 1 + 8 + 20 = 5$$

$$q = 6$$

$$f(n) = -18 \cdot 2^n + 6 \cdot n \cdot 2^n + n^2 + 8n + 20$$

**Problem 3**

(20+15 = 35 points)

Consider the linear homogeneous recurrence relation  $a_n = 2a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$ .

(a) Find the characteristic roots of the recurrence relation.

**(Solution)**

$$a_n - 2a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} = 0$$

characteristic equation :

$$r^2 - 2r + 2 = 0$$

$$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac = (-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 = -4$$

$$\text{first root} = (-b + \sqrt{\Delta}) / (2 \cdot a) = (-(-2) + 2i) / 2 = 1 + i$$

$$\text{second root} = (-b - \sqrt{\Delta}) / (2 \cdot a) = (-(-2) - 2i) / 2 = 1 - i$$

(b) Find the solution of the recurrence relation with  $a_0 = 1$  and  $a_1 = 2$ .

**(Solution)**

$$a_n = A(1+i)^n + B(1-i)^n$$

$$a_0 = 1 = A + B \text{ (first equation)}$$

$$a_1 = 2 = A \cdot (1+i) + B \cdot (1-i)$$

$$A \cdot i - B \cdot i = 1$$

$$A - B = 1/i \text{ (second equation)}$$

if we find A and B by using first and second equation,

$$A = (i+1) / 2i$$

$$B = (i-1) / 2i$$

$$a_n = ((i+1) / 2i) \cdot (1+i)^n + ((i-1) / 2i) \cdot (1-i)^n$$