

Homework #4

Instructor: Dr. Zafeirakis Zafeirakopoulos
 Assistant: Gizem Süngü

Name: Yakup Talha Yolcu

Student Id: 1801042609
 1801042609

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 we replace $a_n = -2^{n+1}$ we will get :

$$-2^{n+1} = 3(-2^n) + 2^n$$

$-2^{n+1} = -2^{n+1}$ we can't have a solution by this equation

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

(Solution)

if we replace $a_n = x$

characteristic equation = $x-3$ roots is $x=3$

my particular guess is $A2^n$ if I replace $a_n = A2^n$

$$A2^n = 3A2^n - 1 + 2^n$$

We have $A=-2$

$$\text{so } a_n = \alpha 3^n - 22^n$$

If we try $a_0 = 1$ we will get:

$$1 = \alpha - 2 \text{ so } \alpha = 3$$

$$a_n = 3 \cdot 3^n - 2 \cdot 2^n$$

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)

$$a_n = 4a_{n-1} - 4a_{n-2} + n^2 \text{ for } a_0 = 2 \text{ and } a_1 = 5$$

$$\text{Characteristic equation: } x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$$

$$\text{Roots are 2 and 2 so homogenous } a_n = \alpha 2^n + \beta n 2^n$$

$$\text{Particular guess is : } a_n = A_2 n^2 + A_1 n + A_0$$

$$\text{So } n^2 = A_2 n^2 + A_1 n + A_0 - 4(A_2(n-1)^2 + A_1(n-1) + A_0) + 4(A_2(n-2)^2 + A_1(n-2) + A_0)$$

$$n^2 = A_2 n^2 + A_1 n + A_0 - 4A_2 n^2 + 8A_2 n - 4A_2 - 4A_1 n + 4A_1 - 4A_0 + 4A_2 n^2 - 16A_2 n + 16A_2 + 4A_1 n - 8A_1 + 4A_0$$

$$\text{If we compare the } n^2 \text{ 's coefficients } 1 = A_2 - 4A_2 + 4A_2 \text{ so } A_2 = 1$$

$$\text{If we compare } n \text{ 's coefficients } 0 = A_1 + 8A_2 - 4A_1 - 16A_2 + 4A_1$$

$$0 = A_1 + 8 - 4A_1 - 16 + 4A_1$$

$$8 = A_1$$

$$\text{If we compare the constants coefficients: } 0 = A_0 - 4A_2 - 4A_0 + 16A_2 - 8A_1 + 4A_0$$

$$0 = A_0 - 4 - 4A_0 + 16 - 64 + 4A_0 \quad 52 = A_0$$

$$\text{so our guess is become : } a_n = n^2 + 8n + 52$$

$$a_n = \alpha 2^n + \beta n 2^n + n^2 + 8n + 52$$

$$\alpha = -50 \text{ and } \beta = 22 \text{ so } a_n = (-50)2^n + 22n2^n + n^2 + 8n + 52$$

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) characteristic equation is: $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$

$$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac = -4 < 0$$

roots are : $1 - i$ and $1 + i$ so we will have :

$$a_n = \alpha(1 - i)^n + \beta(1 + i)^n$$

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

(Solution) $a_n = \alpha(1 - i)^n + \beta(1 + i)^n$

if we try for $a_0 = \alpha + \beta = 1$

if we try for $a_1 = \alpha(1 - i) + \beta(1 + i) = 2$

if we replace $\alpha = 1 - \beta$ $1 - \beta(1 - i) + \beta(1 + i) = 2$

$2\beta i = 1 + i$ multiply both sides with i

$$-2\beta = i - 1 \text{ so } \beta = (1 - i)/2$$

$$\alpha = 1 - (1 - i)/2 = (1 + i)/2$$

$$\text{so } a_n = \frac{1+i}{2}(1 - i)^n + \frac{1-i}{2}(1 + i)^n$$