

**Discrete Mathematics and Algorithms (CSE 611)**  
**Monsoon 2018**  
**Assignment Set 3**  
**Total Marks: 100**

Deadline: September 18, 2018, 1:00 PM (Class Room)  
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**Numeric Functions, Generating Functions and Recurrence Relations**

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1. Consider an air traffic-control system in which the desired altitude of an aircraft,  $a_r$ , is computed by a computer every second and is compared with the actual altitude of the aircraft,  $b_{r-1}$ , determined by a tracking radar 1 second earlier. Depending on whether  $a_r$  is larger or smaller than  $b_{r-1}$ , the altitude of the aircraft will be changed accordingly. Specifically, the change in altitude at the  $r$ -th second,  $b_r - b_{r-1}$ , is proportional to the difference  $a_r - b_{r-1}$ . That is,

$$b_r - b_{r-1} = K(a_r - b_{r-1})$$

where  $K$  is a proportional constant.

(a) Determine  $b_r$ , given that  $a_r = 1000(\frac{3}{2})^r$ ,  $K = 3$ , and  $b_0 = 0$ .

(b) Determine  $b_r$ , given that

$$a_r = \begin{cases} 1000(\frac{3}{2})^r, & 0 \leq r \leq 9 \\ 1000(\frac{3}{2})^{10}, & r \geq 10 \end{cases}$$

$K = 3$ , and  $b_0 = 0$ .

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2. Using the generating function, show that solution of the following recurrence relation

$$a_k - 7a_{k-1} + 10a_{k-2} = 3^k$$

with initial conditions  $a_0 = 0$  and  $a_1 = 1$ , is

$$a_k = \frac{8}{3}2^k - \frac{9}{2}3^k + \frac{11}{6}5^r$$

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3. Consider the multiplication of bacteria in a controlled environment. Let  $a_r$  denote the number of bacteria there are on the  $r$ -th day. We define the rate of growth on the  $r$ -th day to be  $a_r - 5.a_{r-1}$ . It is known that the rate of growth at  $r$ -th day is three times the growth of the  $(r - 1)$ -th day. Determine  $a_r$ , given that  $a_0 = 1$ .

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4. Interest for money deposited in a savings account is paid at a rate of 0.5 percent per month, with interest compounded monthly. Suppose \$50 is deposited into a savings account each month for a period of five years. What is the total amount in the account four years after the first deposit? Twenty years after the first deposit?

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5. Let

$$a_r = \begin{cases} 1, r = 0 \\ 3, r = 1 \\ 2, r = 2 \\ 0, r \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$c_r = 5^r \text{ for all } r$$

Given that  $c = a * b$ , that is  $c$  is the convolution of numeric functions  $a$  and  $b$ . Show that  $b_r = \frac{25}{42}5^r - \frac{1}{6}(-1)^r + \frac{4}{7}(-1)^r 2^r, r \geq 0$ .

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