

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 non-homogeneous 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)

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

$$\therefore a_{n-1} = -2^{(n-1)+1} = -2^n$$

$$\text{Now } 3a_{n-1} + 2^n = 3(-2^n) + 2^n = 2^n(-3 + 1)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 3a_{n-1} + 2^n = 2^n(-2) = -2^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a_{n-1} + 2^n = a_n$$

Thus, $a_n = -2^{n+1}$ satisfies the relation $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n$

$\therefore a_n = -2^{n+1}$ is a solution of given recurrence relation.

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

(Solution)

Now the equation can be written as

$$(i) \ a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 2^n$$

\therefore The characteristic equation of associated homogenous equation $a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$ is $r - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow r = 3$

Hence, non-homogenous part is 2^n , so let the general solution be

$$a_n = Ar^n + B2^n$$

i.e. (ii) $a_n = A3^n + B2^n$ where A, B are constants.

$$\text{Then } a_{n-1} = A3^{n-1} + B2^{n-1}$$

Now, from (i) we have

$$(A3^n + B2^n) - 3(A3^{n-1} + B2^{n-1}) = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow A3^n + B2^n - A3^n - \frac{3B}{2}2^n = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow (B - \frac{3B}{2})2^n = 2^n$$

comparing both sides we get

$$\frac{-B}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow B = -2$$

Now, using $a_0 = 1$ in (ii) we get

$$A+B = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1-B \Rightarrow A = 1-(-2) \Rightarrow A = 3$$

Thus, the required solution of given recurrence relation is

$$a_n = 3 \cdot 3^n - 2 \cdot 2^n \text{ from (ii)}$$

$$\text{i.e. } a_n = 3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$$

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)

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

Solution:

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

i.e. $n^2 = f(n) - 4f(n-1) + 4f(n-2)$ — (1)

If $f(n) = r^n$ be trial solution of corresponding homogeneous equation of (1), then the characteristic equation is $r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$

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

Therefore $\therefore f(n)^{(h)} = (c_1 + c_2 \cdot n) \cdot 2^n$

Particular solution is

$$f(n)^{(p)} = An^2 + Bn + C$$
 — (2)

Then $f(n-1)^{(p)} = A(n-1)^2 + B(n-1) + C$

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

from (1),

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

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

$$\Rightarrow A[n^2 - 8n + 12] + B[n - 4] + C = n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow An^2 + (-8A+B)n + (12A-4B+C) = n^2$$

Then, $A = 1$

$$-8A + B = 0$$

$$12A - 4B + C = 0$$

Solving; $A = 1, B = 8, C = 20$

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

Figure 1: Problem 2, Page 1

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$$f(n) = f^{(h)}(n) + f^{(p)}(n) \text{ gives}$$

$$f(n) = (c_1 + c_2 \cdot n) \cdot 2^n + n^2 + 8n + 20 \quad (1)$$

Given $f(0) = 2$, $f(1) = 5$ — (2)

Put $n=0$, $n=1$ in (1) then,

Using (1) we get

$$2 = c_1 + 20$$

$$5 = 2 \cdot (c_1 + c_2) + 1 + 8 + 20$$

Solving, $c_1 = -18$, $c_2 = 6$

Therefore (3) $\Rightarrow f(n) = (6n - 18) \cdot 2^n + n^2 + 8n + 20$

Figure 2: Problem 2, Page 2

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)

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

(Solution)

Problem 3: Consider the linear recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$

a-) Find the characteristic roots of recurrence relation.

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

Solution:

③ In general form $a_k = Aa_{k-1} + Ba_{k-2}$
for some real numbers A & B with $B \neq 0$ the characteristic equation
is $t^2 - At - B = 0$ and solution is $a_n = C(r_1)^n + D(r_2)^n$,
then $a_n = 2a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$
The characteristic equation $r^2 - 2r + 2 = 0$
 $r = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2} = 1 \pm i$ two distinct complex roots
 $r_1 = 1+i$ $r_2 = 1-i$

④ The solution of recurrence relation is:

$$a_n = C_1(r_1)^n + C_2(r_2)^n$$

$$a_n = C_1(1+i)^n + C_2(1-i)^n$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_0 = C_1(1+i)^0 + C_2(1-i)^0$$

$$1 = C_1 + C_2$$

$$C_2 = 1 - C_1$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

$$a_1 = C_1(1+i)^1 + C_2(1-i)^1$$

$$2 = C_1(1+i) + (1-C_1)(1-i)$$

$$2 = C_1 + C_1i + 1 - i - C_1 + iC_1$$

$$C_1(2i) = 2 - 1 + i$$

$$C_1 = \frac{1+i}{2i} \times \frac{i}{1} = \frac{i-i^2}{2i^2}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{1-i}{2}, \quad C_2 = \frac{1+i}{2}, \quad i^2 = -1$$

Thus, solution is

$$a_n = \left(\frac{1-i}{2}\right) \cdot (1+i)^n + \frac{1+i}{2} \cdot (1-i)^n$$

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

$$a_n = (1+i)^{n+1} + (1-i)^{n+1}, \quad n \geq 0$$

Figure 3: Problem 3