

Discrete Math 2 HW 3

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Problem 8.2.2 a-g.

- a. Degree 2
- b. No, there is no a_n term
- c. No, cannot square a_{n-1}
- d. Degree 3
- e. No, cannot have non-constant coefficient
- f. No, cannot have an n term
- g. Degree 7

Problem 8.2.4 f,g.

f.

$$r^2 + 6r + 9$$

$$(r + 3)(r + 3)$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1(-3)^n + \alpha_2(-3)^n n$$

$$3 = \alpha_1$$

$$-3 = \alpha_1(-3) + \alpha_2(-3)$$

$$\alpha_1 = 3$$

$$\alpha_2 = -2$$

$$a_n = 3(-3)^n - 2(-3)^n n$$

g.

$$r^2 - \frac{4}{5}r - \frac{1}{5} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{5}(r - 1)(5r + 1)$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n + \alpha_2$$

$$2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

$$8 = \frac{-\alpha_1}{5} + \alpha_2$$

$$-5 = \alpha_1$$

$$7 = \alpha_2$$

$$a_n = -5\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n + 7$$

Problem 8.2.22.

$$\alpha_1(-1)^n + \alpha_2(-1)^n n + \alpha_3(-1)^n n^2 + \alpha_4(2)^n + \alpha_5(2)^n n + \alpha_6(5)^n + \alpha_7(5)^n n + \alpha_8(7)^n$$

Problem 8.supp.4 a,b,c.

a. $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}$

$3a_{n-1}$ stands for the 2 new bacteria in the colony for each bacteria present the previous hour

$-a_{n-2}$ stands for the bacteria dieing after 2 hours

b. $(50 - 30\sqrt{5})(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2})^n + (50 + 30\sqrt{5})(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2})^n$

c. 10 hours

Problem 8.supp.6.

Problem 8.supp.12.

$$r^3 - 3r^2 + 3r - 1$$

$$(r - 1)^3$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 n + \alpha_3 n^2$$

$$\alpha_1 = 2$$

$$\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$$

$$2\alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 = 2$$

$$\alpha_2 = -1$$

$$\alpha_3 = 1$$

$$a_n = n^2 - n + 2$$

Problem az strings.

$$25a_{n-1} + 25^{n-1}$$

25^{n-1} stands for the number of valid strings that start with a z

$25a_{n-1}$ stands for the number of valid strings that don't start with a z

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 26$$

$$a_n = 25^n + \frac{1}{25}n25^n$$

$$a_5 = 11718750$$