

ASSIGNMENT 6

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1.(a) looking for $f(x)$ such that $P_{t+1} = f(P_t)$ thus $f(x) = 4.6 - 2x$

(b) $f(x) = 2x^2 - 1.44$ (c) $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x+2}$

(d) $f(x) = \frac{3.2}{x^3}$

2.(a) solve for P_t : $P_t = \frac{P_{t+1} - 4.6}{-2} = -\frac{1}{2} P_{t+1} + 2.3$

(b) $2k_t^2 = k_{t+1} + 1.44$, $k_t^2 = \frac{1}{2} k_{t+1} + 0.72$

$$k_t = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} k_{t+1} + 0.72}$$

(c) $N_{t+1}(N_t + 2) = N_t \rightarrow N_t N_{t+1} + 2N_{t+1} = N_t$

so $N_t(1 - N_{t+1}) = 2N_{t+1}$

$$N_t = \frac{2N_{t+1}}{1 - N_{t+1}}$$

(d) $P_{t+1} P_t^3 = 3.2 \rightarrow P_t^3 = \frac{3.2}{P_{t+1}} \rightarrow P_t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3.2}{P_{t+1}}}$

3.(a) $P_{t+1} = 0.4 P_t$

$$P_0 = 1000, P_1 = 0.4 \cdot P_0 = 400$$

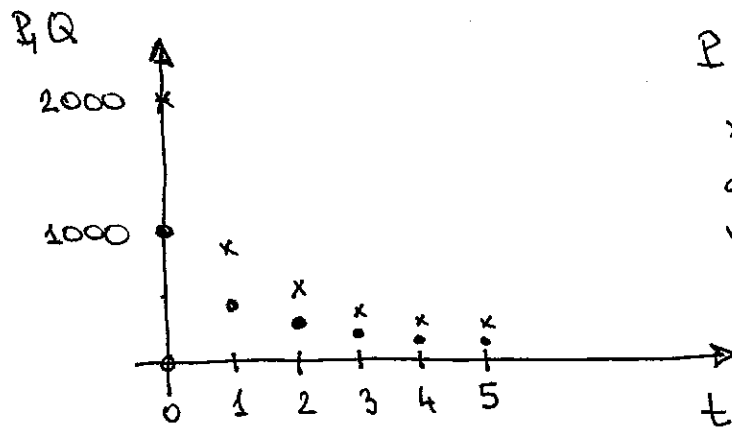
$$P_2 = 0.4 \cdot P_1 = 0.4 \cdot 400 = 160$$

$$P_3 = 0.4 \cdot 160 = 64, \quad P_4 = 25.6, \quad P_5 = 10.24$$

$$Q_{t+1} = 0.4 Q_t, \quad Q_0 = 2000$$

$$Q_1 = 0.4 \cdot 2000 = 800$$

$$Q_2 = 320, \quad Q_3 = 128, \quad Q_4 = 51.2, \quad Q_5 = 20.48$$



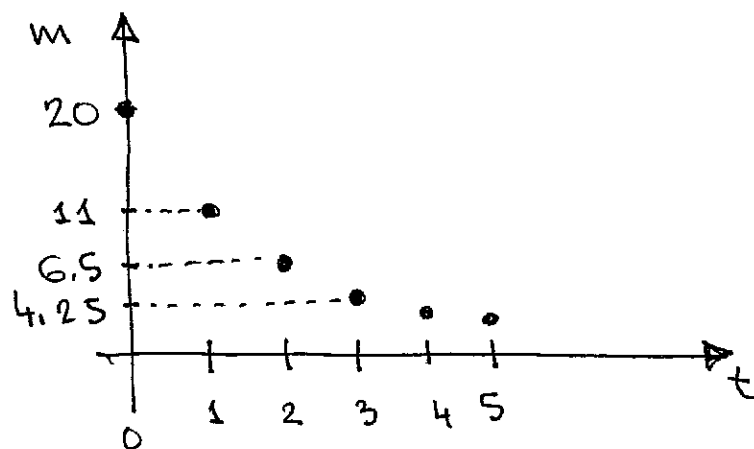
$P \dots \bullet, Q \dots \times$
 \times values are
double of \bullet
values

$$(b) \quad m_{t+1} = 0.5m_t + 1 \quad m_0 = 20$$

$$m_1 = 0.5m_0 + 1 = 0.5 \cdot 20 + 1 = 11$$

$$m_2 = 0.5 \cdot 11 + 1 = 6.5$$

$$m_3 = 4.25, \quad m_4 = 3.125, \quad m_5 = 2.5625$$



4. (a) $Q_0 = 2000$

$$Q_1 = 0.4 Q_0 = 0.4 \cdot 2000$$

$$Q_2 = 0.4 Q_1 = 0.4 (0.4 \cdot 2000) = 0.4^2 \cdot 2000$$

$$Q_3 = 0.4 \cdot Q_2 = 0.4 (0.4^2 \cdot 2000) = 0.4^3 \cdot 2000$$

\vdots

$$\text{so } Q_t = 0.4^t \cdot 2000$$

(b) $Q_5 = 0.4^5 \cdot 2000 = 0.01024 \cdot 2000 = 20.48$

(c) $Q_{14} = 0.4^{14} \cdot 2000 \approx 0.00537$

5. (a) $f_{t+1} = 10\% \text{ increase over } f_t$
 $= f_t + 0.1 f_t = 1.1 f_t$

(b) $f_0 \rightarrow f_1 = 1.1 f_0 \rightarrow f_2 = 1.1 f_1 = 1.1 (1.1 f_0) = 1.1^2 f_0$

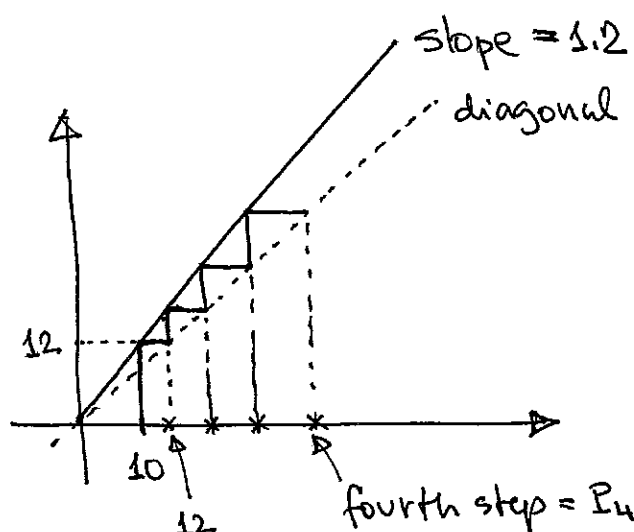
$$\dots f_t = 1.1^t \cdot f_0 = f_0 \cdot 1.1^t$$

if $f_0 = 0.0001$ then $f_t = 0.0001 \cdot 1.1^t$
~~0.0001~~

(c) f_t is exponential function, so as $t \rightarrow \infty$
 it approaches ∞ as well \rightarrow will reach 1.0

NOTE: but there might not be integer t so that $f_t = 1.0$
 no values > 1.0 make sense for f_t since
 f_t is a fraction of population (and
 cannot be > 1 , i.e. $> 100\%$)

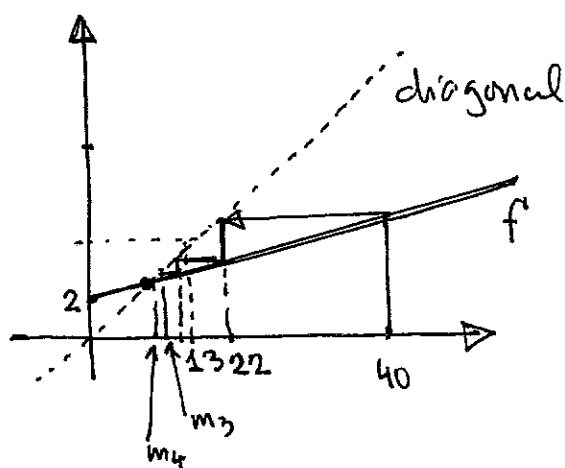
6. (a)



$$P_{t+1} = 1.2 P_t \rightarrow P_t = P_0 \cdot 1.2^t = 10 \cdot 1.2^t$$

$$\text{so } P_1 = 12, P_2 = 14.4, P_3 = 17.28, P_4 = 20.736$$

(b)



updating function:
 $f(x) = 0.5x + 2$

$$f(x) = x \rightarrow 0.5x + 2 = x$$

$$0.5x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{0.5} = 4$$

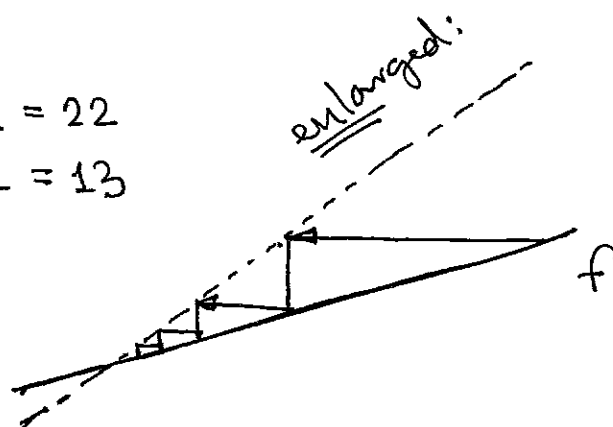
$$m_{t+1} = 0.5m_t + 2$$

$$m_0 = 40 \dots m_1 = 0.5 \cdot 40 + 2 = 22$$

$$m_2 = 0.5 \cdot 22 + 2 = 13$$

$$m_3 = 8.5$$

$$m_4 = 6.25$$



[difficult to do without graph paper]

7. (a) $f(x) = 0.4x + 3$

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equilibrium $0.4x + 3 = x$

$$\rightarrow 0.6x = 3, \underline{x = 5}$$

start at $N_0 = 2 \rightarrow$ see next page for
cobwebbing (on graph paper)

can calculate, to check cobwebbing

$$N_{t+1} = 0.4N_t + 3$$

$$N_0 = 2 \rightarrow N_1 = 0.4(2) + 3 = 3.8$$

$$N_2 = 0.4(3.8) + 3 = 4.52$$

(b) $m_{t+1} = -0.5m_t + 2 \rightsquigarrow f(x) = -0.5x + 2$

equilibrium $-0.5x + 2 = x$

$$1.5x = 2, x = 2/1.5 \approx 1.33$$

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again, if needed, we check by algebraic
calculations

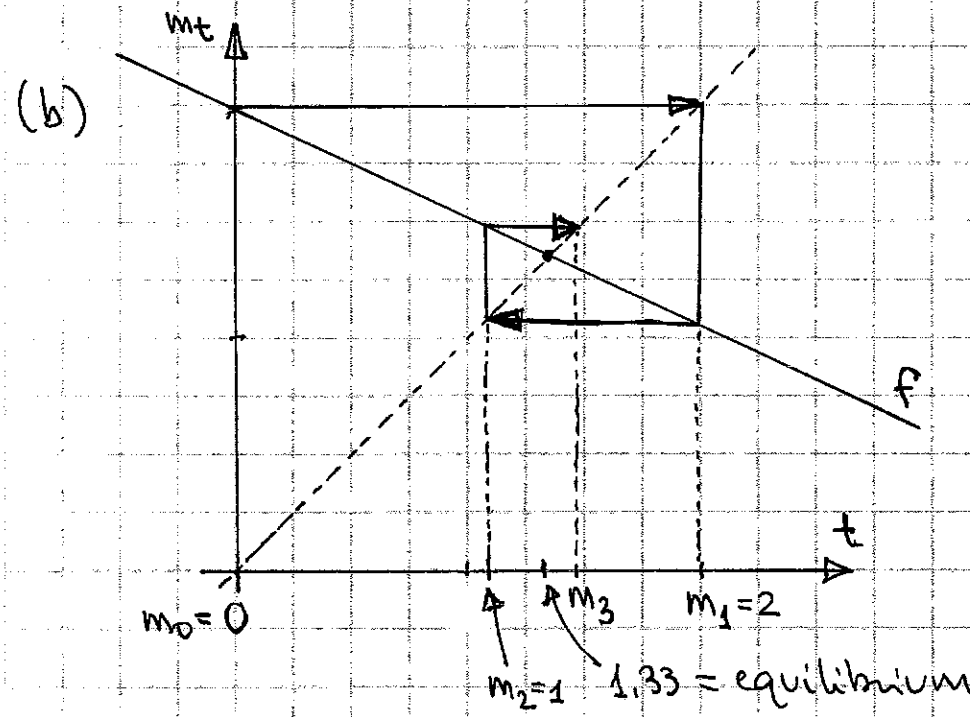
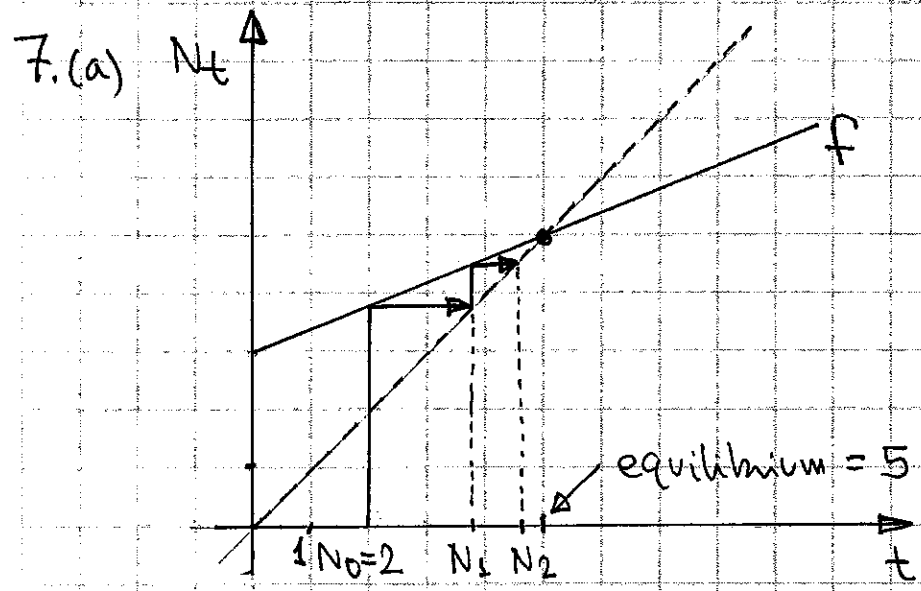
(c) $m_{t+1} = -m_t^2 + 2 \rightarrow f(x) = -x^2 + 2$

equilibrium: $-x^2 + 2 = x \rightarrow x^2 + x - 2 = 0$

$$(x+2)(x-1) = 0$$

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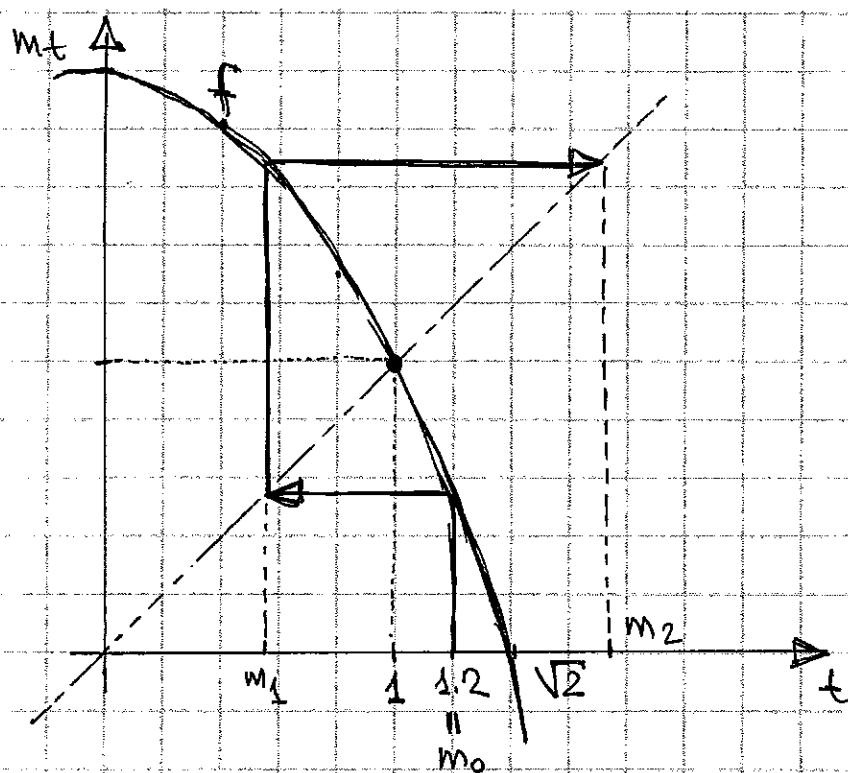
$$x = -2, 1$$



$$m_{t+1} = -0.5m_t + 2$$

$$m_0 = 0 \rightarrow m_1 = 2 \rightarrow m_2 = 1 \rightarrow m_3 = 1.5$$

(C)



$$m_{t+1} = -m_t^2 + 2$$

$$m_0 = 1.2 \rightarrow m_1 = -1.2^2 + 2 = 0.56$$

$$m_2 = -0.56^2 + 2 \approx 1.69$$

$$8.(a) \quad f(x) = 3x - 1 = x \rightarrow 2x = 1, \quad x = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$(b) \quad f(x) = -0.5x + 2 = x \rightarrow 1.5x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{1.5} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$(c) \quad f(x) = \frac{0.5x}{x+1} = x \rightarrow x - \frac{0.5x}{x+1} = 0$$

$$x \left(1 - \frac{0.5}{x+1} \right) = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x=0}}$$

$$\frac{0.5}{x+1} = 1$$

$$x+1 = 0.5$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -0.5}}$$