

## Homework #4

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**Problem 1: Nonhomogeneous Linear Recurrence Relations**

(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)**

Step 1:  $a_n = a_n^{(h)} + a_n^{(p)}$

Step 2: Char eq:  $r - 3 = 0$ , so  $r = 3$

Step 3:  $a_n^{(h)} = \alpha 3^n$  ①

Step 4:  $a_n^{(p)} = C \cdot 2^n$ , substitute this to the recurrence relation.

Step 5:  $C \cdot 2^n = 3C \cdot 2^{n-1} + 2^n$ , divide both sides to  $2^{n-1}$

Step 6:  $2C = 3C + 2$ , so  $C = -2$

Step 7: Thus,  $a_n^{(p)} = -2 \cdot 2^n = -2^{n+1}$  ②

Step 8: If we combine ① and ②,  $a_n = \alpha 3^n - 2^{n+1}$

Step 9: So, just  $-2^{n+1}$  is not the solution.

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

**(Solution)**

Step 1:  $a_n = \alpha 3^n - 2^{n+1}$ , and  $a_0 = 1$ .

Step 2:  $a_0 = \alpha - 2 = 1$ , thus  $\alpha = 3$ .

Step 3:  $a_n = 3 \cdot 3^n - 2^{n+1} = 3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$

**Problem 2: Linear Recurrence Relations**

(35 points)

Find all solutions of the recurrence relation  $a_n = 7a_{n-1} - 16a_{n-2} + 12a_{n-3} + n4^n$  with  $a_0 = -2$ ,  $a_1 = 0$ , and  $a_2 = 5$ .

**(Solution)**

Step 1:  $a_n = a_n^{(h)} + a_n^{(p)}$

Step 2: Char eq:  $r^3 - 7r^2 + 16r - 12 = 0$

We can observe that 2 is one of the roots.

This means that the equation above can be divided by  $(r-2)$ .

$$r^3 - 7r^2 + 16r - 12 = (r-2)(r^2 - 5r + 6) = (r-2)^2(r-3)$$

$$r = 2, 2, 3$$

Step 3:  $a_n^{(h)} = \alpha_1 \cdot 2^n + \alpha_2 \cdot n \cdot 2^n + \alpha_3 \cdot 3^n$  ①

Step 4:  $a_n^{(p)} = C \cdot n4^n$ , substitute this to the recurrence relation.

$$C \cdot n4^n = 7C \cdot n4^{n-1} - 16C \cdot n4^{n-2} + 12C \cdot n4^{n-3} + n4^n, \text{ divide this equation to } n.$$

$$C4^n = 7C4^{n-1} - 16C4^{n-2} + 12C4^{n-3} + 4^n, \text{ divide this equation to } 4^{n-3}$$

$$64C = 112C - 64C + 12C + 64, \text{ so } C = 16$$

Step 5:  $a_n^{(p)} = 16n4^n = n4^{n+2}$  ②

Step 6: If we combine ① and ②,  $a_n = \alpha_1 \cdot 2^n + \alpha_2 \cdot n \cdot 2^n + \alpha_3 \cdot 3^n + n4^{n+2}$

Step 7:  $a_0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 = -2$

$$a_1 = 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 = -64$$

$$a_2 = 4\alpha_1 + 8\alpha_2 + 9\alpha_3 = -507$$

Step 8: Multiply  $a_1$  with  $-4$  and add to  $a_2$

$$4\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_3 = 251$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_3 = -2$$

$$\alpha_1 = 257, \alpha_3 = -259, \alpha_2 = \frac{199}{2}$$

Step 9:  $a_n = 257 \cdot 2^n + \frac{199}{2} \cdot n \cdot 2^n - 259 \cdot 3^n + n4^{n+2}$

**Problem 3: Linear Homogeneous Recurrence Relations**

(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)**

Step 1:  $r^n = 2r^{n-1} - 2r^{n-2}$

Step 2:  $r^2 - 2r + 2 = 0$

Step 3:  $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac = -4$

Step 4:  $X_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2}$

Step 5:  $X_{1,2} = 1 + i, 1 - i$

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

**(Solution)**

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

Step 2:  $a_0 = \alpha + \beta = 1$

Step 3:  $a_1 = \alpha(1+i) + \beta(1-i) = 2$

Step 4: Multiply  $a_0$  with  $i-1$  to get rid of  $\beta$

Step 5:  $a_0 = \alpha(i-1) + \beta(i-1) = i-1$

Step 6:  $a_0 + a_1 = \alpha(2i) = i+1$ , so  $\alpha = \frac{i+1}{2i}$

Step 7: Put  $\alpha$  value to the equation ②, so  $\beta = \frac{i-1}{2i}$

Step 8: So,  $a_n = (\frac{i+1}{2i})(1+i)^n + (\frac{i-1}{2i})(1-i)^n$