

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 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)

* First, we find value for a_{n-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow a_n &= -2^{n+1} \\ \rightarrow a_{n-1} &= -2^{(n-1)+1} \\ \rightarrow a_{n-1} &= -2^n \end{aligned}$$

* Then, we insert a_{n-1} inside of nonhomogeneous linear recurrence relation.

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow a_n &= 3a_{n-1} + 2^n \\ \rightarrow a_n &= 3(-2^n) + 2^n \\ \rightarrow a_n &= 2^n(-3 + 1) \\ \rightarrow a_n &= 2^n(-2) \\ \rightarrow a_n &= -2^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

* Answer is yes. we find same answer with a_{n-1} . The solution of the given recurrence relation is $a_n = -2^{n+1}$.

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

(Solution)

* First, we will try to find homogeneous part

$$\rightarrow a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 2^n \quad (a_n = a_n^h + a_n^p) \text{ h = homogeneous, p = particular}$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^h \Rightarrow a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^h \Rightarrow k^2 - 3k = 0 \text{ (finding characteristic roots)}$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^h \Rightarrow k(k-3) = 0 \quad (k_1 = 0, k_2 = 3) \quad (a_n^h = \alpha(k_1)^n + \beta(k_2)^n)$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^h = \alpha(3)^n + \beta(0)^n$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^h = \alpha(3)^n \text{ (we will hold this until } a_n^p \text{ is found)}$$

* Then, we find equation for particular part

$$\rightarrow a_n^p \Rightarrow a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 2^n \text{ (we'll use } Ar^n \text{ for this particular equation)}$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^p \Rightarrow A2^n - 3(A2^{n-1}) = 2^n$$

$$\rightarrow (\text{for } n=0) \Rightarrow A2^0 - 3(A2^{0-1}) = 2^0$$

$$\rightarrow (\text{for } n=0) \Rightarrow A - \frac{3}{2}A = 1$$

$$\rightarrow (\text{for } n=0) \Rightarrow A = -2$$

$$\rightarrow a_n^p = Ar^n = -2(2)^n = -2^{n+1}$$

* Finally, we sum these two equations

$$\rightarrow a_n = a_n^h + a_n^p$$

$$\rightarrow a_n = \alpha(3)^n - 2^{n+1}$$

$$\rightarrow a_0 = \alpha(3)^0 - 2^{0+1}$$

$$\rightarrow 1 = \alpha - 2, \quad \alpha = 3, \quad \text{hence } a_n^h = 3(3)^n = 3^{n+1}$$

$$\rightarrow a_n = a_n^h + a_n^p$$

$$\rightarrow \text{answer : } a_n = 3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$$

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)

* First, we find homogeneous part equation

* Then, we find equation for particular part

$$\rightarrow a_n = a_n^h + a_n^p$$

for a_n^h

$$\rightarrow f(n) - 4f(n-1) + 4f(n-2) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow k^2 - 4k + 4 = 0 \text{ (finding characteristic roots)}$$

$$\rightarrow (k-2)^2 = 0 \text{ (we will multiply } \beta \text{ by } n \text{ since we have two same roots)}$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha(2)^n + \beta n(2)^n \quad \text{we get this from } a_n^h = \alpha(k_1)^n + \beta n(k_2)^n$$

for a_n^p

$$\rightarrow f(n) - 4f(n-1) + 4f(n-2) = n^2 \text{ (since it equals to } n^2 \text{ we use } f(n) = A_2n^2 + A_1n + A_0)$$

$$\rightarrow [(A_2n^2 + A_1n + A_0) - 4(A_2(n-1)^2 + A_1(n-1) + A_0) + 4(A_2(n-2)^2 + A_1(n-2) + A_0)] = n^2$$

$$\rightarrow A_0 + A_1(n-4) + A_2(n^2 - 8n + 12) = n^2$$

$$(for \ n = 0) \rightarrow A_0 - 4A_1 + 12A_2 = 0$$

$$(for \ n = 1) \rightarrow A_0 - 3A_1 + 5A_2 = 1$$

$$(for \ n = 2) \rightarrow A_0 - 2A_1 + 0A_2 = 4$$

$$(for \ n = 3) \rightarrow A_0 - 1A_1 - 3A_2 = 9$$

$$\rightarrow A_0 = 20, A_1 = 8, A_2 = 1$$

now $a_n^p + a_n^h$

$$\rightarrow f(n) = \alpha(2)^n + \beta n(2)^n + n^2 + 8n + 20$$

$$\rightarrow f(0) = \alpha(2)^0 + \beta 0(2)^0 + 0^2 + 8 \cdot 0 + 20 = 2$$

$$\rightarrow f(0) = \alpha + 20 = 2, \text{ hence } \alpha = -18$$

$$\rightarrow f(1) = -18(2)^1 + \beta 1(2)^1 + 1^2 + 8 \cdot 1 + 20 = 5$$

$$\rightarrow f(1) = -36 + 2\beta + 1 + 8 + 20 = 5$$

$$\rightarrow f(1) = 2\beta = 12, \text{ hence } \beta = 6$$

$$\text{answer: } f(n) = -18(2)^n + 6n(2)^n + n^2 + 8n + 20$$

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)

* First we find determinant of the recurrence relation

$$\rightarrow a_n - 2a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow k^2 - 2k + 2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta = (-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta = 4 - 8$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta = -4$$

* Then, we find roots (imaginary)

$$\rightarrow r_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}$$

$$\rightarrow r_1 = \frac{-(-2) + \sqrt{-4}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{2+2i}{2} = 1+i$$

$$\rightarrow r_2 = \frac{-(-2) - \sqrt{-4}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{2-2i}{2} = 1-i$$

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

(Solution)

* At last, we use $\alpha(r_1)^n + \beta(r_2)^n$ to find solution

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

$$\rightarrow a_0 = \alpha(1+i)^0 + \beta(1-i)^0 = 1$$

$$\rightarrow a_0 = \alpha + \beta = 1$$

$$\rightarrow a_1 = \alpha(1+i)^1 + \beta(1-i)^1 = 2$$

we calculate $a_1 - a_0(1-i)$

$$\rightarrow \alpha(1+i) + \beta(1-i) - \alpha(1-i) - \beta(1-i) = 1+i$$

$$\rightarrow 2\alpha i = 1+i$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1+i}{2i}$$

$$\rightarrow \beta = \frac{1-i}{2i}$$

Finally, we insert α and β into a_n

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