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- You must download this assignment from iCollege, complete all your work, and then upload it back to iCollege as your submission for this assignment.
- Your submission must consist of the completely filled out front page and your solutions
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- The assignment is due by **11:30 pm (Tuesday, September 10th)**. Late submissions will not be accepted for any reason whatsoever.

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HW #1 - Math Bio - Stell

1.) a.) $x_{n+1} = 3x_n(1-x_n)$ $x^* = 0$

$$f(x) = 3x(1-x)$$

$$f'(x) = 3(1-2x)$$

$$f'(x^*=0) = 3(1-2 \cdot 0) = 3$$

$$|f'(0)| > 1$$

unstable

$$x_n = x^* + y_n$$

$$x^* + y_{n+1} = f(x^* + y_n) \approx f(x^*) + f'(x^*)y_n$$

$$y_{n+1} = f'(x^*)y_n \text{ since } f(x^*) = x^*$$

$$\text{stable if } |f'(x^*)| < 1$$

$$\text{unstable if } |f'(x^*)| > 1$$

b.) $x_{n+1} = -x_n^2(1-x_n)$ $x^* = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$

$$f(x) = -x^2(1-x)$$

$$f'(x) = x(3x-2)$$

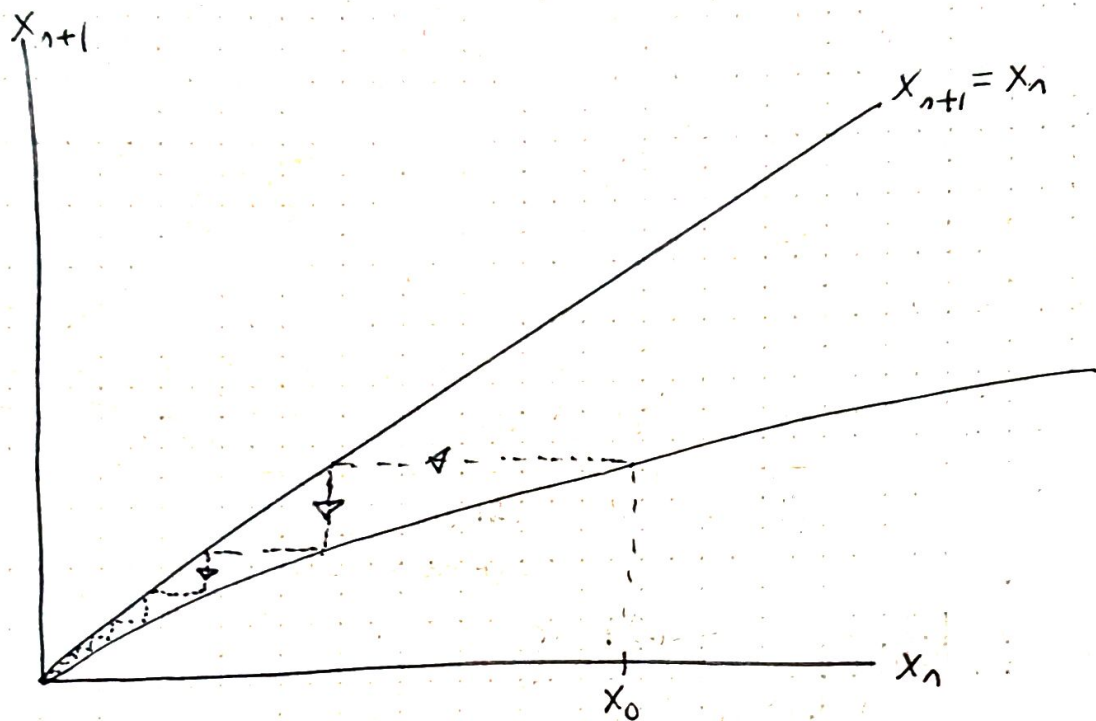
$$f'\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\left(3\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) - 2\right) \approx 4.6$$

$$|f'(x^*)| > 1$$

unstable

$$2.) \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n}{1+x_n} \quad x^* = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x} \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} \rightarrow f'(x^*) = 1 \quad \underline{\text{inconclusive}}$$



stable

$$3.) \quad x_{n+1} = 3x_n - x_n^3$$

$$a.) \quad x^* = 3x^* - x^{*3}$$

$$1 = 3 - x^{*2}$$

$$x^* = 0$$

$$x^* = \sqrt{2}$$

Note: $x^* = -\sqrt{2}$ has no bio significance

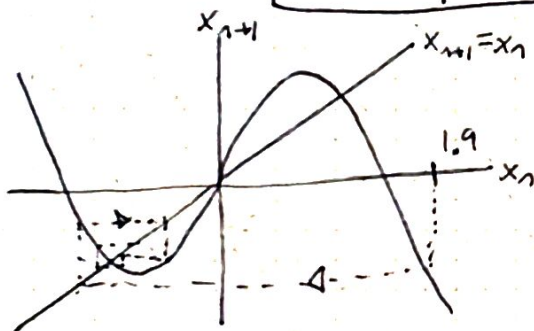
$$f(x) = 3x - x^3$$

$$f'(x) = 3 - 3x^2$$

$$f'(0) = 3 > 1 \quad \text{unstable}$$

$$f'(\sqrt{2}) = -3 > 1 \quad \text{unstable}$$

b.)



d.)

at $x_0 > 2$
it will spiral
to larger &
larger values.
at $x_0 < 2$, it
will stay bounded
below infinity.

c.)

