

1. For each discrete dynamical system do the following.

- Quickly decide if the system represents a linear, exponential, or shifted exponential function.
- Quickly decide if the system has a stable equilibrium value, an unstable equilibrium value, or no equilibrium value.
- Find an explicit formula for the system.
- For each system that has an equilibrium value, determine as a percentage how much closer to or further away from the equilibrium value the function moves each time period.

(a)  $P(t + 1) = P(t) - 20$  and  $P(0) = 350$

(b)  $v(n + 1) = \frac{v(n)}{4}$  and  $v(0) = 1600$

(c)  $q(t) = q(t - 1) + 2.5$  and  $q(0) = 40$

(d)  $h(s) = \frac{3}{2}h(s - 1)$  and  $h(0) = 45$

(e)  $Q(t + 1) = 1.25Q(t) - 22.5$  and  $Q(0) = 150$

(f)  $B(n) = 0.9B(n - 1) + 30$  and  $B(0) = 750$

(g)  $d(n) = 1.3d(n - 1) - 63$  and  $d(0) = 250$

(h)  $w(t) = 0.85w(t - 1) + 90$  and  $w(0) = 200$

(i)  $p(n) = \frac{p(n - 1) - 2500}{5}$  and  $p(0) = 50$

2. The dynamical system shown has a stable equilibrium point at  $(p^*, q^*) = (280, 300)$ . Given that  $p(0) = 50$  and  $q(0) = 23$ , determine the eventual rate at which  $q$  approaches equilibrium. Show all calculations you made to find the rate.

$$\begin{aligned}p(t) &= 0.5p(t-1) + 0.3q(t-1) + 50 \\q(t) &= 0.4p(t-1) + 0.55q(t-1) + 23\end{aligned}$$

3. The dynamical system shown has a stable equilibrium point at  $(u^*, v^*) = (20, 32)$ . Given that  $u(0) = 10$  and  $v(0) = 20$ , determine the eventual rate at which  $u$  approaches equilibrium and the rate at which  $v$  approaches equilibrium. Show all calculations you made to find the rate.

$$\begin{aligned}u(n) &= 0.3u(n-1) - 0.5v(n-1) + 30 \\v(n) &= 0.2u(n-1) + v(n-1) - 4\end{aligned}$$

4. For the following dynamical system, there is no equilibrium point, but the values for  $u(n)$  eventually change by approximately the same amount.

$$\begin{aligned}u(n) &= 0.9u(n-1) + 0.2v(n-1) + 600 \\v(n) &= 0.1u(n-1) + 0.8v(n-1) + 400\end{aligned}$$

(a) What is that approximate amount by which  $u(n)$  eventually changes?

(b) Does  $u(n)$  appear to be more linear or exponential for large  $n$ ?

5. For the following dynamical system, there is no equilibrium point, but the values for  $p(t)$  eventually change by approximately the same amount.

$$\begin{aligned}p(t) &= 1.2p(t-1) + 0.6q(t-1) + 10 \\q(t) &= -0.2p(t-1) + 0.4q(t-1) + 20\end{aligned}$$

(a) What is that approximate amount by which  $p(t)$  eventually changes?

(b) Does  $p(t)$  appear to be more linear or exponential for large  $t$ ?

(c) Answer questions (a) and (b) for the function  $q(t)$ .