## **Quiz 3 – 11 September 2019**

**Instructions.** You have 15 minutes to complete this quiz. You may use your calculator. You may <u>not</u> use any other materials (e.g., notes, homework, books).

Problem	Weight	Score
1	1	
2	1	
3	2	
4	2	
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For Problems 1 and 2, consider the discrete market model

$$D_t = S_t$$

$$D_t = 22 - 3P_t$$

$$S_t = -2 + P_{t-1}$$

where at time t,  $D_t$  is the demand,  $S_t$  is the supply, and  $P_t$  is the price. In addition, suppose  $P_0 = 8$ . Using methods similar to those we used in class, we can rewrite this model as the following DS:

$$P_{t+1} = -\frac{1}{3}P_t + 8$$
  $t = 0, 1, 2, ...$ 

The particular solution is

$$P_t = 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^t + 6.$$

**Problem 1.** Find the fixed point of the DS.

Problem 2. Is the fixed point attracting, repelling, or neither? Briefly explain.

For Problems 3 and 4, consider the DS

$$A_{n+2} = 5A_{n+1} - 6A_n + 8$$
  $n = 0, 1, 2, ...$ 

**Problem 3.** Find the general solution.

**Problem 4.** Find the particular solution satisfying the IC  $A_0$  = 1,  $A_1$  = 2.

**Second order linear DS**:  $A_{n+2} = aA_{n+1} + bA_n + c$ , n = 0, 1, 2, ...

- Characteristic equation:  $x^2 = ax + b$  with roots r, s
- General solution:

$$\circ \text{ If } a + b \neq 1: \qquad A_n = \begin{cases} c_1 r^n + c_2 s^n + \frac{c}{1 - a - b} & \text{if } r \neq s \\ (c_1 + c_2 n) r^n + \frac{c}{1 - a - b} & \text{if } r = s \end{cases}$$
 for any values of  $c_1, c_2$  
$$\circ \text{ If } a + b = 1: \qquad A_n = \begin{cases} c_1 (a - 1)^n + c_2 + \left(\frac{c}{2 - a}\right) n & \text{if } a + b = 1, a \neq 2 \\ c_1 + c_2 n + \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) n^2 & \text{if } a = 2, b = -1 \end{cases}$$
 for any

• If 
$$a + b = 1$$
:  $A_n = \begin{cases} c_1(a-1)^n + c_2 + \left(\frac{c}{2-a}\right)n & \text{if } a+b=1, a \neq 2\\ c_1 + c_2n + \left(\frac{c}{2}\right)n^2 & \text{if } a=2, b=-1 \end{cases}$  for any values of  $c_1, c_2$