

Quiz 15

Name: Key*You must show your work to get full credit.*1. Define N_t by

$$N_{t+1} = 10 - .8N_t, \quad N_0 = 12$$

Compute the following

$$N_1 = 10 - .8(12) = 0.4$$

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$$N_2 = 10 - .8(0.4) = 9.68$$

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$$N_3 = 10 - .8(9.68) = 2.256$$

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2. A lake is over fished so that its intrinsic growth rate of the bass in the lake is $r = -.3(\text{bass}/\text{year})/\text{bass}$.

(a) If the lake starts with a population of 6,000 bass, what is the formula for the number, $N(t)$ of bass in the lake after t years and how many are there after 10 years.

$$N(t) = \underline{6000 e^{-.3t}}$$

$$N(10) = \underline{298.7 \approx 299 \text{ bass}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N(t) &= N_0 e^{rt} \\ &= 6000 e^{-.3t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N(10) &= 6000 e^{-.3(10)} \\ &= 298.7 \end{aligned}$$

(b) At what rate should the lake be stocked to have a stable population of 30,000 bass. Let $S = \text{stocking rate}$

$$\text{Then } \frac{dN}{dt} = -.3N + S$$

Stocking rate is 9000 bass/year

We want $N = 30,000$ to be an equilibrium point

So

$$-.3(30,000) + S = 0$$

$$S = .3(30,000) = 9000$$