

Q1) Define each of the following

- a) Orbit of x_0 under f
- b) Super attracting fixed point of a function f
- c) Non-hyperbolic fixed point
- d) Eventually fixed point
- e) Cobweb diagram

Q2) Find the fixed points (if exists), and find $f^{\circ 2}$ for the function $f(x) = |x - 3|$, and sketch the graph of $f^{\circ 2}$.

Q3) Find the fixed points (if exists) and all 2-cycle (Period-2) points for the function $f(x) = -x$, and sketch the graph of $f^{\circ 2}$.

Q4) Determine whether the logistic family has an attracting fixed point for $\mu \in (0, 3)$. Explain your answer.

Good luck

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Q) Definitions

Orbit of x_0 $O(x_0) = \{x_0, f(x_0), f^{o2}(x_0), \dots, f^{on}(x_0), \dots\}$

Super attracting fixed point $f'(p) = 0$ (where $f(p) = p$)

Non-hyperbolic fixed point $|f'(p)| = 1$

Eventually fixed point Not fixed point but \exists a fixed point in its orbit.

Cobweb diagram is a diagram that start with x_0 then move vertically to intersect the graph of f and then move horizontally to intersect the line $y=x$ and so on.

Q) Find the fixed pts, and f^{o2} for $f(x) = |x-3|$

Sol.

$$f(x) = |x-3| = \begin{cases} x-3 & ; x \geq 3 \\ 3-x & ; x < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$x-3 = x \rightarrow \text{no} \quad 3-x = x \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{fixed point (o.m.)}$$

$$f^{o2}(x) = f(f(x)) = \begin{cases} f(x-3) & ; x \geq 3 \\ f(3-x) & ; x < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} x-3-3 & \text{if } x \geq 3 \text{ and } x-3 \geq 3 \\ 3-x+3 & \text{if } x \geq 3 \text{ and } x-3 < 3 \\ 3-x-3 & \text{if } x < 3 \text{ and } 3-x \geq 3 \\ 3-3+x & \text{if } x < 3 \text{ and } 3-x < 3 \end{cases}$$

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$$\therefore f^{\circ 2}(x) = \begin{cases} x-6 & \text{if } x \geq 6 \\ 6-x & \text{if } 3 \leq x < 6 \\ x & \text{if } 0 < x < 3 \\ -x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (3m)$$

②) Find the fixed point of $f(x) = -x$ and all 2-cycle (period-2) points of f .

Sol. $f(x) = x \Rightarrow -x = x \Rightarrow x = 0$ the fixed pt. (2m)
Now for any $x \neq 0$ we have that

$$O(x) = \{x, -x\} \text{ and } f^{\circ 2}(x) = x \quad (3m)$$

So $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ is the set of all 2-cycle points.

③) Determine whether the logistic map (family) has an attracting fixed pt. for $\mu \in (0, 3)$. Explain.

Sol. $L_{\mu}(x) = \mu x(1-x)$, $L'_{\mu}(x) = \mu - 2\mu x$

for fixed points we have that

$$L_{\mu}(x) = x \Rightarrow x = \mu x(1-x) \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = 1 - \frac{1}{\mu}$$

for attracting f.p. $|L'_{\mu}(x)| < 1$ (2m)

$$L'_{\mu}(0) = \mu \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ attracting for } 0 < \mu < 1$$

$$\text{and } L'_{\mu}\left(1 - \frac{1}{\mu}\right) = \mu - 2\mu\left(1 - \frac{1}{\mu}\right) = \mu - 2\mu + 2 = 2 - \mu$$

So $x = 1 - \frac{1}{\mu}$ is attracting if $|2 - \mu| < 1$

$$\text{that is } -1 < 2 - \mu < 1 \Rightarrow 1 < \mu < 3. \quad (3m)$$