

## FALL 2019 QUIZ 8

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The problems that follow illustrate the methods covered in class. They are typical of the types of problems that will be on the tests.

### 1. DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

**Problem 1.** Solve the following system of differential equations. Find the Taylor series of the solutions to ten terms. Use the initial conditions  $x_1(0) = 1$ ,  $x_2(0) = 0$ , and  $x_3(0) = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx_1}{dt} &= \sin(x_2) \cdot x_3 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} &= x_1 \\ \frac{dx_3}{dt} &= x_2\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2.** Solve the following system of differential equations using the **linearode** program. Solve the numerical part using  $h = 1/10$  and  $n = 10$ . Solve the Taylor series part up to degree ten. Use the initial conditions  $x_1(0) = 0$ ,  $x_2(0) = 1$ , and  $x_3(0) = 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx_1}{dt} &= 2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} &= x_3 \\ \frac{dx_3}{dt} &= x_1 - x_2\end{aligned}$$

### 2. STOCHASTIC SIMULATION

**Problem 3.** You toss 10 coins simultaneously. What is the probability that you get precisely 5 heads? If you simulated the toss of a coin ten times by **coin**(10) and did this 20 times, what is the probability of getting exact five heads four times?

**Problem 4.** There are three urns. In urn 1 there are three white balls and two black balls. In urn 2 there are five white balls and 1 black ball. In urn 3 there are two white balls and seven black balls. An urn is chosen at random and a ball chosen at random from the urn. Given that the ball chosen was white, what is the probability that it was chosen from urn 1?

**Problem 5.** A certain medical test is devised for a certain disease. Suppose that if a person has the disease and the test is applied, then the result is positive with probability .85. Suppose that if a person does not have the disease, the probability that the test is negative is .75. The probability of the disease in the general population is  $\frac{1}{500}$ . If the test

is applied to a random person and the test is positive, what is the probability that the person has the disease?

**Problem 6.** Two people,  $A$  and  $B$ , are playing roulette. Each time, the winner takes \$1 from the loser. Suppose that  $A$  has the house advantage. If  $A$  has \$100 and  $B$  has \$900 and they play until one person has all the money, what is the probability that  $A$  will win all the money?