

You must show your work to get full credit.

For the Leslie matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 2.5 & 12.0 \\ 0.2 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.25 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Find the finite growth rate  $\lambda$  to three decimal places.

Let  $\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ n_2 \\ n_3 \end{bmatrix}$  then

$\lambda = \underline{1.0382}$

$$A\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2.5 & 12 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.25 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ n_2 \\ n_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.5n_2 + 12n_3 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.25n_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $\vec{N}$  is at stable age distribution

$$A\vec{N} = \lambda\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ \lambda n_2 \\ \lambda n_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Find the stable age distribution.

The proportion in Stage 1 is

$$\frac{1}{1.2390} = .807$$

The proportion in Stage 2 is

$$\frac{0.1926}{1.2390} = .155$$

The proportion in Stage 3 is

$$\frac{0.0464}{1.2390} = .037$$

$$A\vec{N} = \lambda\vec{N}$$

leads to the 3 equations

①  $2.5n_2 + 12n_3 = \lambda$

②  $.2 = \lambda n_2$

③  $.25n_2 = \lambda n_3$

From ②  $n_2 = \frac{.2}{\lambda}$

use this in ③ to get

$$n_3 = \frac{.25}{\lambda} n_2 = \frac{(.25)(.2)}{\lambda^2} = \frac{.05}{\lambda^2}$$

use those in ① to get

$$2.5\left(\frac{.2}{\lambda}\right) + 12\left(\frac{.05}{\lambda^2}\right) = \lambda$$

divide by  $\lambda$

$$\frac{.5}{\lambda} + \frac{.6}{\lambda^2} = 1$$

solve (calculator)  $\lambda = 1.0382$

so  $n_2 = \frac{.2}{\lambda} = .1926$

$$n_3 = \frac{.25(n_2)}{\lambda} = .0464$$

$$\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ .1926 \\ .0464 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = 1 + .1926 + .0464 = 1.2390$$