

Mathematics 172

Quiz #29

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You must show your work to get full credit.

Islands off the coast of California are the homes of a species of butterflies. The probability of an island populated by the butterflies having its population of butterflies going extinct is $p_e = .35$. The probability of an island with no butterflies being populated from the mainland is $p_i = .45$.

1. Let f be the fraction, or proportion, of the islands populated by the butterflies at a given time. Write a rate equation for f . (Note that a rate equation should include a $\frac{df}{dt}$ term and an equal sign.)

$$\frac{df}{dt} = .45(1-f) - .35f = .45 - .8f$$

2. Find the equilibrium point of the equation.

solve

$$\frac{df}{dt} = .45 - .8f = 0$$

Equilibrium point is .5625

$$f = \frac{.45}{.8} = .5625$$

3. Draw the graphs of the solutions with $f(0) = .1$ and with $f(0) = 0$.



4. For the solution with $f(0) = .1$ estimate $f(100)$.

All solution approach the Equilibrium point

$f(100) \approx$.5625