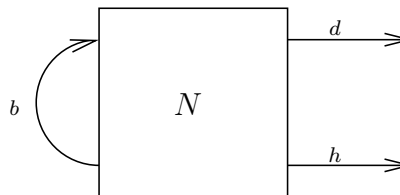


**Part I.** Suppose that in a population of  $N$  animals we have the following conditions (as represented in the diagram at right.)



- Birth rate is  $b = 0.01$  *per month* per animal.
- Death rate is  $d = \frac{N}{80000}$  *per month* per animal.
- $h = 3$  animals are removed from the population in each *two month* time period.

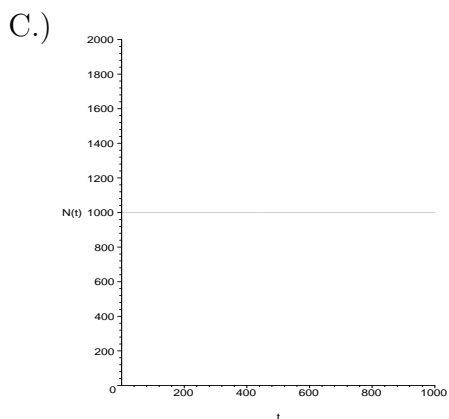
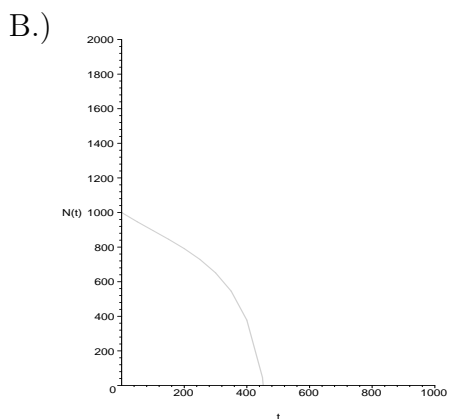
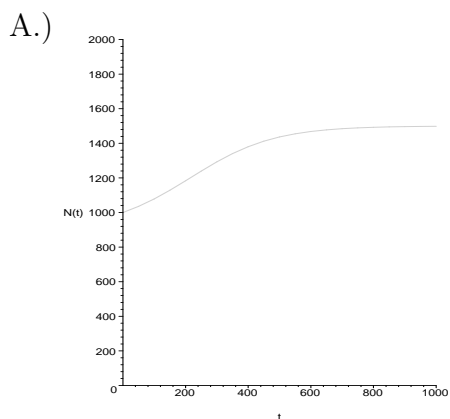
1. Write a difference equation for  $N$ .
2. Find all equilibrium solutions.
3. Sketch the equilibrium solution(s) on a time- $N$  graph. Be sure your graph is properly labeled.
4. On the same graph, sketch the graph of a population for which  $N(0) = 300$  animals.
5. On the same graph, sketch the graph of a population for which  $N(0) = 700$  animals.

**Part II.** Below there are three difference equation models. There are also three population graphs, each with  $N(0) = 1000$ . For each model, indicate which graph, if any, is a possible solution. In the blank after each equation write the letter of the appropriate graph or “None”.

1.  $\Delta N = \frac{1}{80000}(1800N - N^2 - 890000)$  \_\_\_\_\_

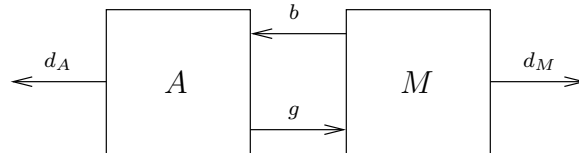
2.  $\Delta N = \frac{1}{80000}(1800N - N^2 - 810000)$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $\Delta N = \frac{1}{80000}(2400N - N^2 - 1350000)$  \_\_\_\_\_



**Part III.** Suppose that a population is divided into  $M$  mature animals and  $A$  adolescents. Assume the following conditions (as represented in the diagram below):

- Birth rate is  $b = 0.4$  adolescents per month per mature animal.
- Death rate for adolescents is  $d_A = 0.1$  per month per adolescent.
- Death rate for mature animals is  $d_M = 0.1$  per month per mature animal.
- Adolescents mature into adults at a rate of  $g = 0.2$  per month per adolescent.



1. Write difference equations for  $A$  and  $M$ .
2. Rewrite your model as a recursive matrix model. In other words, if

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{n+1} \\ M_{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = B \begin{bmatrix} A_n \\ M_n \end{bmatrix}$$

what is the matrix  $B$ ?

**Part IV.** Suppose that a population of adolescent and mature animals is modeled by the recursive model

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{n+1} \\ M_{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .4 \\ .2 & .9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_n \\ M_n \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Find eigenvectors and eigenvalues for this model.
2. Use your work to plot the graph of a population that starts out with  $A(0) = 100$  animals and  $M(0) = 0$ . Plot this on  $A$ - $M$  axes. Be sure your graph is properly labeled.