

**MATH 172**    **Fall, 2011**    **Quiz #8**    **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Recall that the geometric series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n$  has a sum  $S_{\infty} = a/(1-r)$  under a certain condition on  $r$ , which you should verify, and fails to exist otherwise.

1. Compute the equilibrium point  $(u^*, v^*)$  of the two-variable discrete model

$$\begin{aligned}u_n &= 3u_{n-1} - 2v_{n-1} - 4 \\v_n &= 5u_{n-1} - 3v_{n-1} - 28\end{aligned}$$

2. A patient is given a 60 mg dose of a drug at regular intervals. In the time in between the drug declines to 15% of the amount present.
- At the time of the third dose (two time intervals) how much of the second dose remains?
  - How much of the original dose remains?
  - Including the third dose, how much drug is in the bloodstream?
  - What is the long term amount of drug in the bloodstream assuming that the dose continues to be repeated?
  - If 70 mg of the drug is needed to be effective, but above 75 mg is fatal, is this dosing pattern effective and safe?