

## Quiz #7 Solutions

### Problem 1.

- (1) Find  $Y_0 = 1000$ ,  $Y_1 = 1000 * 1.01 = 1010$ ,  $Y_2 = 1010 * 1.01 = 1020.10$ .
- (2) Recurrence relation:  $Y_n = 1.01 * Y_{n-1}$ . Initial condition:  $Y_0 = 1000$ . This is a geometric sequence.

(3) Y(n)

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{
    if n==0
    {
        return 1000;
    }
    return 1.01*Y(n-1);
}

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- (4) Solve the recurrence relation:  $Y_n = 1.01^n Y_0$ . Let us show that this formula result is correct by writing a proof by induction.

**Basis step** For  $n = 0$ , the formula is true:  $Y_0 = 1.01^0 Y_0$ .

**Induction step** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and assume that the formula  $Y_n = 1.01^n Y_0$  is true. By the recurrence relation, we know that  $Y_{n+1} = 1.01 Y_n$ . Since  $Y_n = 1.01^n Y_0$  is true, we find that  $Y_{n+1} = 1.01^{n+1} Y_0$ . Thus the formula is true for  $n + 1$ . This concludes the proof by induction.

- (5) We are looking for the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that  $Y_n > 2Y_0$ . Since  $Y_n = 1.01^n Y_0$ , we are looking for the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that  $1.01^n > 2$ . Since the natural logarithm  $lg$  is an increasing function, this is equivalent to  $lg(1.01^n) > lg(2)$ . Since  $lg(1.01^n) = nlg(1.01)$ , we find  $n > \frac{lg(2)}{lg(1.01)}$ . (Numerically, this is  $n = 70$ .)