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Solution for Rational Systems of Difference Equations of Order Three

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Abstract: In this paper, we consider the solution and periodicity of the following systems of difference equations: $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1 + y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}$, $y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{\pm 1 \pm x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$, with initial conditions $x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_0, y_{-2}, y_{-1}$, and y_0 are nonzero real numbers.

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1. Introduction

This paper is devoted to study the form of the solution and periodicity of the following third order systems of rational difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1 + y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{\pm 1 \pm x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$$

with initial conditions $x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_0, y_{-2}, y_{-1}$, and y_0 are nonzero real numbers.

Recently, there has been great interest in studying difference equation systems. One of the reasons for this is the necessity for some techniques that can be used in the investigation of equations arising in mathematical models describing real life situations in population biology, economics, probability theory, genetics, psychology, etc. There are many papers related to difference equations systems; for example, The global asymptotic behavior of the positive solutions of the rational difference system

$$x_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{x_n}{y_{n-m}}, \quad y_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{y_n}{x_{n-m}}$$

has been studied by Camouzis et al. in [1].

The periodicity of the positive solutions of the rational difference equations systems

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{y_n}{x_{n-1}y_{n-1}}$$

has been obtained by Cinar in [2].

Elabbasy et al. [3] studied the solutions of particular cases of the following general system of difference equations:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{a_1 + a_2y_n}{a_3z_n + a_4x_{n-1}z_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{b_1z_{n-1} + b_2z_n}{b_3x_ny_n + b_4x_ny_{n-1}}, \quad z_{n+1} = \frac{c_1z_{n-1} + c_2z_n}{c_3x_{n-1}y_{n-1} + c_4x_{n-1}y_n + c_5x_ny_n}$$

Elsayed [4] obtained the solutions of the following system of the difference equations:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{y_{n-k}}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-k}}{x_n y_n}$$

Grove et al. [5] studied existence and behavior of solutions of the rational system

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{a}{x_n} + \frac{b}{y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{c}{x_n} + \frac{d}{y_n}$$

The behavior of positive solutions of the system,

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-1}}{1 + x_{n-1}y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-1}}{1 + y_{n-1}x_n}$$

has been studied by Kurbanli et al. [6].

In addition, Kurbanli [7] investigated the behavior of the solutions of the difference equation system,

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-1}}{x_{n-1}y_n - 1}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-1}}{y_{n-1}x_n - 1}, \quad z_{n+1} = \frac{1}{z_n y_n}$$

In [8], Ozban studied the positive solutions of the system of rational difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{a}{y_{n-3}}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{b y_{n-3}}{x_{n-q} y_{n-q}}$$

In [9], Papaschinopoulos and Schinas studied the oscillatory behavior, the boundedness of the solutions, and the global asymptotic stability of the positive equilibrium of the system of nonlinear difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = A + \frac{y_n}{x_{n-p}}, \quad y_{n+1} = A + \frac{x_n}{y_{n-q}}$$

Schinas [10] studied some invariants for difference equations and systems of difference equations of rational form.

El-Dessoky et al. [11] obtained the solution of the following system of difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n y_{n-1}}{\pm x_n \pm y_{n-2}}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-1} y_n}{\pm y_n \pm x_{n-2}}$$

Touafek et al. [12] investigated the periodic nature and gave the form of the solutions of the following systems of rational difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-3}}{\pm 1 \pm x_{n-3} y_{n-1}}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-3}}{\pm 1 \pm y_{n-3} x_{n-1}}$$

In [13,14], Zhang et al. studied the boundedness, the persistence, and the global asymptotic stability of the positive solutions of the systems of difference equations:

$$x_n = A + \frac{1}{y_{n-p}}, \quad y_n = A + \frac{y_{n-1}}{x_{n-r} y_{n-s}}$$

and

$$x_{n+} = A + \frac{y_{n-m}}{x_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = A + \frac{x_{n-m}}{y_n}$$

In [15], El-Dessoky obtained the form of the solutions and the periodicity character of some systems of rational difference equations:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{z_{n-3}}{a_1 + b_1 z_n y_{n-1} x_{n-2} z_{n-3}}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-3}}{a_2 + b_2 x_n z_{n-1} y_{n-2} x_{n-3}}, \quad z_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-3}}{a_3 + b_3 y_n x_{n-1} z_{n-2} y_{n-3}}$$

Alzahrani et al. [16] obtained the form of the solution and the qualitative properties of the a rational difference equations of order two:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_n y_{n-1}}{x_n (\pm 1 \pm y_n y_{n-1})}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_n x_{n-1}}{y_n (\pm 1 \pm x_n x_{n-1})}$$

For similar work to the difference equations and nonlinear systems of rational difference equations investigated herein, see references [1–43].

2. The System: $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1+x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$

In this section, we investigate the solutions of the system of two difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1 + y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1 + x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n} \tag{1}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and the initial conditions are arbitrary nonzero real numbers with $y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0 \neq 1, \neq \frac{1}{2}$ and $x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0 \neq \pm 1$.

The following theorem is devoted to the form of the solutions of system (1).

Theorem 1. Assume that $\{x_n, y_n\}$ are solutions of system (1). Then, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, we see that all solutions of system (1) are periodic with period twelve and

$$\begin{aligned} x_{12n-2} &= x_{-2}, x_{12n-1} = x_{-1}, x_{12n} = x_0, x_{12n+1} = \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+2} &= -y_{-1}(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0), x_{12n+3} = \frac{-y_0(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+4} &= \frac{-x_{-2}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, x_{12n+5} = \frac{x_{-1}}{(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+6} &= \frac{-x_0(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, x_{12n+7} = \frac{y_{-2}(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+8} &= y_{-1}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0), x_{12n+9} = \frac{-y_0}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y_{12n-2} &= y_{-2}, y_{12n-1} = y_{-1}, y_{12n} = y_0, y_{12n+1} = \frac{x_{-2}}{(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+2} &= \frac{x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, y_{12n+3} = \frac{x_0}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, y_{12n+4} = -y_{-2}, \\ y_{12n+5} &= -y_{-1}, y_{12n+6} = -y_0, y_{12n+7} = \frac{-x_{-2}}{(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+8} &= \frac{-x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, y_{12n+9} = \frac{-x_0}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. For $n = 0$, the result holds. Now suppose that $n > 0$ and that our assumption holds for $n - 1$. That is,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{12n-14} &= x_{-2}, x_{12n-13} = x_{-1}, x_{12n-12} = x_0, x_{12n-11} = \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n-10} &= -y_{-1}(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0), x_{12n-9} = \frac{-y_0(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n-8} &= \frac{-x_{-2}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, x_{12n-7} = \frac{x_{-1}}{(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n-6} &= \frac{-x_0(1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, x_{12n-5} = \frac{y_{-2}(-1 + 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n-4} &= y_{-1}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0), x_{12n-3} = \frac{-y_0}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{12n-14} &= y_{-2}, \quad y_{12n-13} = y_{-1}, \quad y_{12n-12} = y_0, \quad y_{12n-11} = \frac{x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{12n-10} &= \frac{x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \quad y_{12n-9} = \frac{x_0}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \quad y_{12n-8} = -y_{-2}, \\
 y_{12n-7} &= -y_{-1}, \quad y_{12n-6} = -y_0, \quad y_{12n-5} = \frac{-x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{12n-4} &= \frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \quad y_{12n-3} = \frac{-x_0}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now it follows from Equation (1) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{12n-2} &= \frac{y_{12n-5}}{-1+y_{12n-5}x_{12n-4}y_{12n-3}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{-x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1+\frac{-x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)\frac{-x_0}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{-x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{-1+\frac{x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}} = x_{-2}, \\
 y_{12n-2} &= \frac{x_{12n-5}}{1+x_{12n-5}y_{12n-4}x_{12n-3}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-2}(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}}{\left(1+\frac{y_{-2}(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\frac{-y_0}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-2}(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}}{\left(1+\frac{y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\right)} = \frac{y_{-2}(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)\left(1+\frac{y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{y_{-2}(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} = y_{-2},
 \end{aligned}$$

We also see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{12n-1} &= \frac{y_{12n-4}}{-1+y_{12n-4}x_{12n-3}y_{12n-2}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}}{\left(-1+\frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\frac{-y_0}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}y_{-2}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)\left(-1+\frac{y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0}{(-1+2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{-x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1-2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} = x_{-1}, \\
 y_{12n-1} &= \frac{x_{12n-4}}{1+x_{12n-4}y_{12n-3}x_{12n-2}} \\
 &= \frac{y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{\left(1+y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)\frac{-x_0}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}x_{-2}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} = y_{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We can also prove the other relation. The proof is complete. \square

Example 1. See Figure 1 when we put the initial conditions $x_{-2} = 5$, $x_{-1} = -0.4$, $x_0 = 0.13$, $y_{-2} = 0.3$, $y_{-1} = -0.9$, and $y_0 = -2$ for the difference system (1).

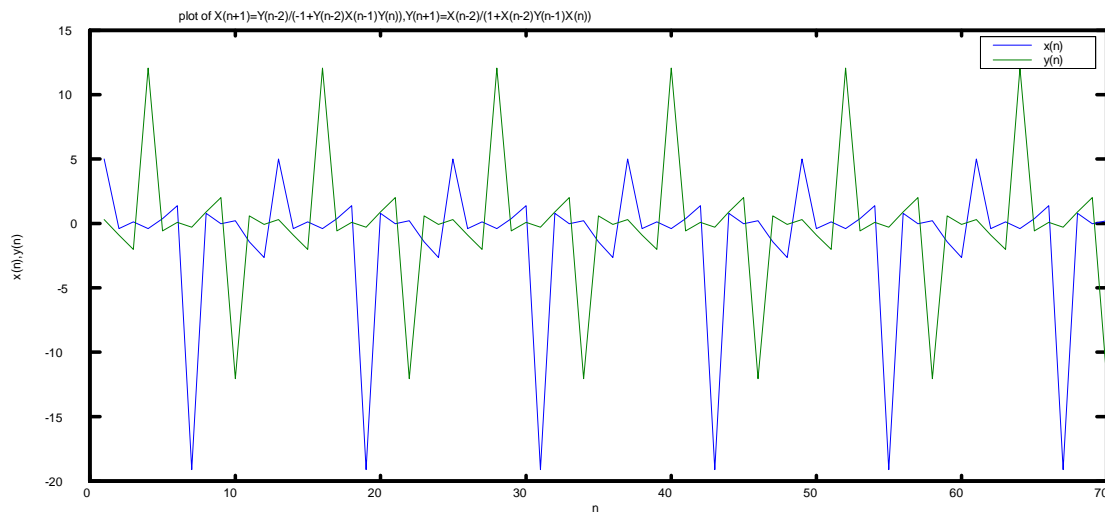


Figure 1. Plot of system $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}$, $y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1+x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$.

3. The System: $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}$, $y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1-x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$

In this section, we obtain the form of the solutions of the system of two difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1 + y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1 - x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n} \tag{2}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and the initial conditions are arbitrary non zero real numbers with $y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0 \neq \pm 1$ and $x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0 \neq 1, \neq \frac{1}{2}$.

The following theorem is devoted to the expression of the form of the solutions of System (2).

Theorem 2. Suppose that $\{x_n, y_n\}_{n=-2}^{+\infty}$ are solutions of System (2). Then, $\{x_n\}_{n=-2}^{+\infty}$ and $\{y_n\}_{n=-2}^{+\infty}$ are periodic with period twelve and for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{12n-2} &= x_{-2}, \quad x_{12n-1} = x_{-1}, \quad x_{12n} = x_0, \quad x_{12n+1} = \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+2} &= \frac{y_{-1}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \quad x_{12n+3} = \frac{-y_0}{(1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \quad x_{12n+4} = -x_{-2}, \\ x_{12n+5} &= -x_{-1}, \quad x_{12n+6} = -x_0, \quad x_{12n+7} = \frac{-y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{12n+8} &= \frac{-y_{-1}(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \quad x_{12n+9} = \frac{y_0}{(1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y_{12n-2} &= y_{-2}, \quad y_{12n-1} = y_{-1}, \quad y_{12n} = y_0, \quad y_{12n+1} = \frac{x_{-2}}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+2} &= -x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0), \quad y_{12n+3} = \frac{x_0(-1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+4} &= \frac{y_{-2}(1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \quad y_{12n+5} = \frac{y_{-1}}{(-1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+6} &= \frac{y_0(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \quad y_{12n+7} = \frac{-x_{-2}(-1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ y_{12n+8} &= -x_{-1}(1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0), \quad y_{12n+9} = \frac{-x_0}{(1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

Or, equivalently,

$$\{x_n\}_{n=-2}^{+\infty} = \left\{ x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_0, \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \frac{y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \frac{-y_0}{(1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, -x_{-2}, -x_{-1}, \right. \\ \left. -x_0, \frac{-y_{-2}}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \frac{-y_{-1}(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \frac{y_0}{(1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_0, \dots \right\},$$

and

$$\{y_n\}_{n=-2}^{+\infty} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_{-2}, y_{-1}, y_0, \frac{x_{-2}}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, -x_{-1}(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0), \frac{x_0(-1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ \frac{y_{-2}(1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \frac{y_{-1}}{(-1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \frac{y_0(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \frac{-x_{-2}(-1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\ -x_{-1}(1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0), \frac{-x_0}{(1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, y_{-2}, y_{-1}, y_0, \dots \end{array} \right\}.$$

Proof. The proof follows the form of the proof of Theorem 1, and so will be omitted. \square

Example 2. We assume the initial conditions $x_{-2} = 0.5$, $x_{-1} = 4$, $x_0 = -2.13$, $y_{-2} = 0.3$, $y_{-1} = 9$, and $y_0 = 2$ for difference system (2); see Figure 2.

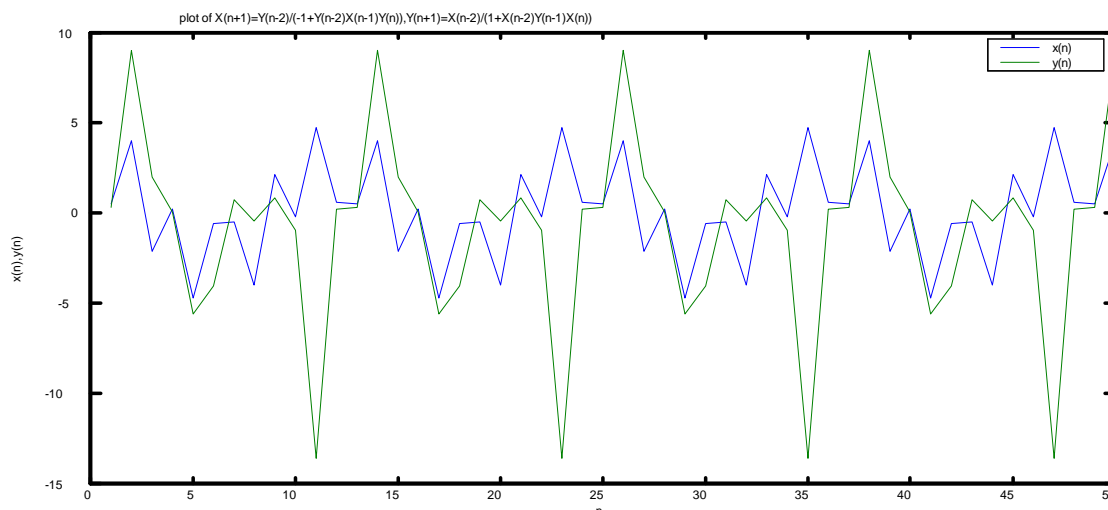


Figure 2. Plot of system $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}$, $y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{1-x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$.

4. The System: $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}$, $y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1+x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$

In this section, we get the solutions of the system of the difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, \quad y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1+x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n} \tag{3}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and the initial conditions are arbitrary nonzero real numbers such that $x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0 \neq 1$ and $y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0 \neq 1$.

Theorem 3. If $\{x_n, y_n\}$ are solutions of difference equation system (3), then every solution of system (3) is periodic with period six, and takes the form for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{6n-2} &= x_{-2}, \quad x_{6n-1} = x_{-1}, \quad x_{6n} = x_0, \quad x_{6n+1} = \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\ x_{6n+2} &= y_{-1}(-1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0), \quad x_{6n+3} = \frac{y_0}{(-1+y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$y_{6n-2} = y_{-2}, y_{6n-1} = y_{-1}, y_{6n} = y_0, y_{6n+1} = \frac{x_{-2}}{(-1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)},$$

$$y_{6n+2} = x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0), y_{6n+3} = \frac{x_0}{(-1 + x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.$$

Proof. The proof follows the form of the proof of Theorem 1, and so will be omitted. \square

Example 3. We consider an interesting numerical example for difference system (3) with the initial conditions $x_{-2} = 0.15, x_{-1} = 7, x_0 = -0.3, y_{-2} = 0.13, y_{-1} = 0.8, \text{ and } y_0 = 2$; see Figure 3.

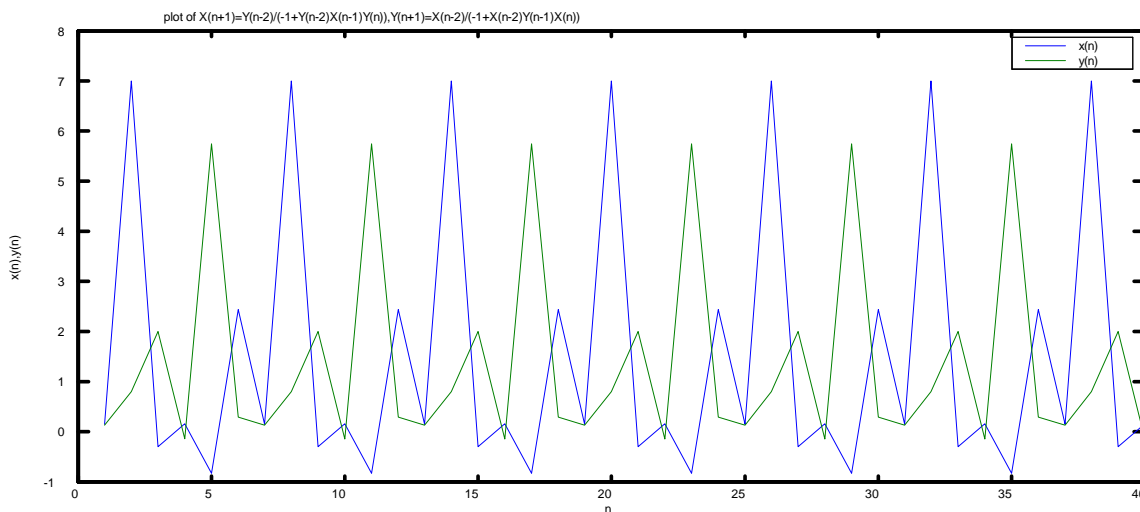


Figure 3. Plot of system $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1+x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$.

5. The System: $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1-x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$

In this section, we study the solutions of the following system of difference equations

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1 + y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1 - x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n} \tag{4}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and the initial conditions are arbitrary non-zero real numbers.

Theorem 4. Assume that $\{x_n, y_n\}$ are solutions of System (4). Then, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$x_{6n-2} = x_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i + 1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)},$$

$$x_{6n-1} = x_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i + 1)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i + 2)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)},$$

$$x_{6n} = x_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i + 2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i + 3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)},$$

$$x_{6n+1} = \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i + 3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i + 4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 7)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)},$$

$$x_{6n+2} = \frac{y_{-1}(-1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i + 4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i + 5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)},$$

$$x_{6n+3} = \frac{y_0(1 - 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + 3y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i + 5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 8)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i + 6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i + 9)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{6n-2} &= y_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+1)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-1} &= y_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{6n} &= y_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i+2)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n+1} &= \frac{x_{-2}}{(-1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{6n+2} &= \frac{x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+7)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+8)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n+3} &= \frac{x_0(1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 - 3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\prod_{i=0}^{-1} A_i = 1$.

Proof. For $n = 0$, the result holds. Now, suppose that $n > 0$ and that our assumption holds for $n - 1$. that is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{6n-8} &= x_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 x_{6n-7} &= x_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i+1)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+2)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 x_{6n-6} &= x_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i+2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 x_{6n-5} &= \frac{y_{-2}}{(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i+3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+7)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 x_{6n-4} &= \frac{y_{-1}(-1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 x_{6n-3} &= \frac{y_0(1 - 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(-1 + 3y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+8)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+9)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-8} &= y_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+1)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-7} &= y_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-6} &= y_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i+2)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+3)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+6)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-5} &= \frac{x_{-2}}{(-1 - x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-4} &= \frac{x_{-1}(-1 + y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - 2y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 - (6i+4)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+7)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}{(1 - (6i+5)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)(1 - (6i+8)y_{-2}x_{-1}y_0)}, \\
 y_{6n-3} &= \frac{x_0(1 + 2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1 - 3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1 + (6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from Equation (4) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{6n-2} &= \frac{y_{6n-5}}{-1 + y_{6n-5}x_{6n-4}y_{6n-3}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1 + \frac{x_{-2}}{(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{y_{-1}(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{x_0(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1-3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1 + \frac{x_0y_{-1}x_{-2}}{(-1-3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1 - \frac{x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{(1+(6n-3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(\frac{-1-(6n-3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{(1+(6n-3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(\frac{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{1+(6n-3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{x_{-2}}{(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(\frac{1+(6n-3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0} \right)} \\
 &= x_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1+(6i)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We also see from Equation (4) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{6n-1} &= \frac{x_{6n-4}}{-1 - x_{6n-4}y_{6n-3}x_{6n-2}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-1}(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1 - \left(\frac{y_{-1}(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{x_0(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(-1-3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. x_{-2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1+(6i)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right) \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-1}(-1-x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(-1 - \left(\frac{x_{-2}x_0y_{-1}(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+3x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+6)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+9)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1+(6i)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+3)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right) \right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-1}(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{1 + \left(x_{-2}x_0y_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} (1 + (6i + 4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0) \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-1}(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{1 + \left(\frac{x_{-2}x_0y_{-1}}{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{y_{-1}(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}}{\left(\frac{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0+x_{-2}x_0y_{-1}}{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{y_{-1}(1+x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+2x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \prod_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{(1+(6i+4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+7)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1+(6i+5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1+(6i+8)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)} \left(\frac{1+(6n-2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0}{1+(6n-1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0} \right) \\
 &= y_{-1} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1 + (6i + 1)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 4)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}{(1 + (6i + 2)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)(1 + (6i + 5)x_{-2}y_{-1}x_0)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We can prove the other relations similarly. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 1. If $x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_0, y_{-2}, y_{-1}$, and y_0 are arbitrary real numbers and let $\{x_n, y_n\}$ are solutions of System (4), then the following statements are true:

- (i) If $x_{-2} = 0, y_{-1} \neq 0, x_0 \neq 0$, then we have $x_{6n-2} = y_{6n+1} = 0$ and $x_{6n} = x_0, x_{6n+2} = -y_{-1}, y_{6n-1} = y_{-1}, y_{6n+3} = -x_0$.
- (ii) If $x_{-1} = 0, y_{-2} \neq 0, y_0 \neq 0$, then we have $x_{6n-1} = y_{6n+2} = 0$ and $x_{6n+1} = -y_{-2}, x_{6n+3} = -y_0, y_{6n-2} = y_{-2}, y_{6n} = y_0$.
- (iii) If $x_0 = 0, y_{-1} \neq 0, x_{-2} \neq 0$, then we have $x_{6n} = y_{6n+3} = 0$ and $x_{6n-2} = x_{-2}, x_{6n+2} = -y_{-1}, y_{6n-1} = y_{-1}, y_{6n+1} = -x_{-2}$.
- (iv) If $y_{-2} = 0, x_{-1} \neq 0, y_0 \neq 0$, then we have $y_{6n-2} = x_{6n+1} = 0$ and $x_{6n-1} = x_{-1}, x_{6n+3} = -y_0, y_{6n} = y_0, y_{6n+2} = -x_{-1}$.
- (v) If $y_{-1} = 0, x_0 \neq 0, x_{-2} \neq 0$, then we have $y_{6n-1} = x_{6n+2} = 0$ and $x_{6n-2} = x_{-2}, x_{6n} = x_0, y_{6n+1} = -x_{-2}, y_{6n+3} = -x_0$.
- (vi) If $y_0 = 0, y_{-2} \neq 0, x_{-1} \neq 0$, then we have $y_{6n} = x_{6n+3} = 0$ and $x_{6n-1} = x_{-1}, x_{6n+1} = -y_{-2}, y_{6n-2} = y_{-2}, y_{6n+2} = -x_{-1}$.

Proof. The proof follows from the form of the solutions of System (4). \square

Example 4. Figure 4 shows the behavior of the solution of the difference system (4) with the initial conditions $x_{-2} = 0.15, x_{-1} = -4, x_0 = -0.5, y_{-2} = 0.3, y_{-1} = 0.28$, and $y_0 = 2$.

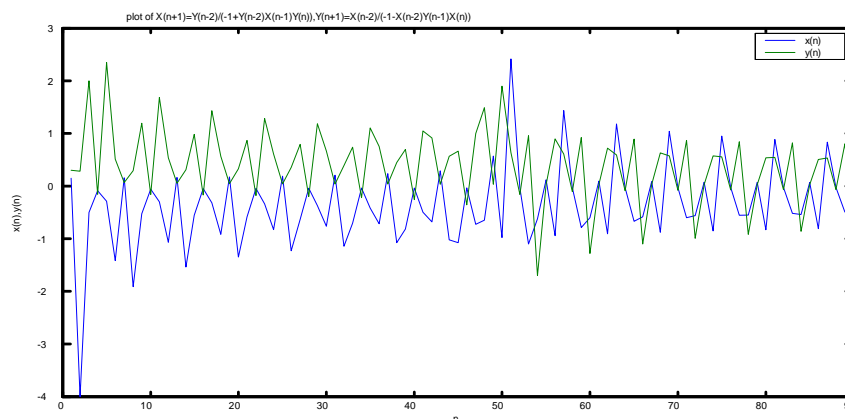


Figure 4. Plot of system $x_{n+1} = \frac{y_{n-2}}{-1+y_{n-2}x_{n-1}y_n}, y_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-2}}{-1-x_{n-2}y_{n-1}x_n}$.

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