

The solution to  $\{x(m+1) = A(m)x(m) + g(m)\}$  is

$$x(m) = \Pi(m, m_0)x_0 + \sum_{j=m_0}^{m-1} \Pi(m, j+1)g(j).$$

Proof.

We just need to take this solution into the equation and have a check. If the solution is right, then

$$x(m+1) = \Pi(m+1, m_0)x_0 + \sum_{j=m_0}^m \Pi(m+1, j+1)g(j).$$

$$= A(m)\Pi(m, m_0)x_0 + \sum_{j=m_0}^m \Pi(m+1, j+1)g(j) + \Pi(m+1, m+1)g(m)$$

$$= A(m)\Pi(m, m_0)x_0 + A(m)\sum_{j=m_0}^{m-1} \Pi(m, j+1)g(j) + g(m)$$

$$= A(m)[\Pi(m, m_0)x_0 + \sum_{j=m_0}^{m-1} \Pi(m, j+1)g(j)] + g(m)$$

$$= A(m)x(m) + g(m)$$

When  $m=m_0$ ,  $x(m_0) = \Pi(m_0, m_0)x_0 = x_0$ , which corresponds to the boundary condition.

