

Dynamical Systems Exam-1

A Key

Instructions. In the differential equations below, $x = x(t)$ is a function of independent variable t . Simplify your answers when appropriate. Be sure to show your work so that it is clear how you got your answers.

1. Determine explicit solution of the initial value problem $x' = tx$, $x(0) = -3$.

Solution This equation can be solved as linear, or as separable.

$$\frac{dx}{x} = t dt$$

$$\ln |x| = t^2/2 + c$$

The general solution is $x = Ce^{t^2/2}$

Answer: $x = -3e^{t^2/2}$

2. Find the general solution of the equation $x' = e^t + x$

Solution This is linear equation $x' - x = e^t$ with the integrating factor e^{-t} .

$$e^{-t}x' - ye^{-t} = 1$$

$$(e^{-t}x)' = 1$$

$$e^{-t}x = t + C$$

So the answer is $x = te^t + Ce^t$ where C is an arbitrary constant.

3. Find the general solution of the equation $x'' - 2x' - 3x = 10 \cos t$. This is a linear equation with general solution

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{3t} - 2 \cos t - \sin t.$$

4. Solve the (non-homogeneous) equation $x'' - 4x' + 4x = 4$ with the initial values $x(0) = 0$, $x'(0) = 0$.

Answer: $x = 1 - e^{2t} + 2te^{2t}$

5. Solve the equation $x'' - 4x' + 8x = 4 + 8t$.

Answer: $x = C_1 e^{2t} \cos(2t) + C_2 e^{2t} \sin(2t) + t + 1$

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B Key

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1. Determine explicit solution of the initial value problem $x' = 4tx$, $x(0) = -2$. **Solution** This equation can be solved as linear, or as separable.

$$\frac{dx}{x} = 4t dt$$

$$\ln |x| = 2t^2 + c$$

The general solution is $x = Ce^{2t^2}$ Answer: $x = -2e^{2t^2}$

2. Find the general solution of the equation $x' = 2e^t + x$

Solution This is linear equation $x' - x = 2e^t$ with the integrating factor e^{-t} .

$$e^{-t}x' - ye^{-t} = 2$$

$$(e^{-t}x)' = 2$$

$$e^{-t}x = 2t + C$$

So the answer is $x = 2te^t + Ce^t$ where C is an arbitrary constant.

3. Find the general solution of the equation $x'' - 3x' + 2x = 10 \cos t$. This is a linear equation with general solution

$$x(t) = C_1 e^t + C_2 e^{2t} + \cos t - 3 \sin t.$$

4. Solve the equation $x'' + 2x' + 5x = 5t - 3$.

Answer: $x = C_1 e^{-t} \cos(2t) + C_2 e^{-t} \sin(2t) + t - 1$

5. Solve the (non-homogeneous) equation $x'' - 2x' + x = 1$ with the initial values $x(0) = 0$, $x'(0) = 0$.

Answer: $x = 1 - e^t + te^t$

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C Key

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1. Determine explicit solution of the initial value problem $x' = 6tx$, $x(0) = -5$.

Solution This equation can be solved as linear, or as separable.

$$\frac{dx}{x} = 6t dt$$

$$\ln|x| = 3t^2 + c$$

Exponentiating, the general solution is $x = Ce^{3t^2}$, where $C = \pm e^c$. The last step is to compute C from the initial condition $x(0) = -5$. Answer: $x = -5e^{3t^2}$

2. Find the general solution of the equation $x' = 3e^t + x$

Solution This is linear equation $x' - x = 3e^t$ with the integrating factor $\mu = e^{-t}$. Multiplying the equation by μ , get

$$e^{-t}x' - ye^{-t} = 3$$

$$(e^{-t}x)' = 3$$

$$e^{-t}x = 3t + C$$

So the answer is $x = 3te^t + Ce^t$ where C is an arbitrary constant.

3. Find the general solution of the equation $x'' + 2x' - 3x = 10 \cos t$.

This is linear equation with constant coefficients. Characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r - 3$ has two roots: $r_1 = -3, r_2 = 1$. So the general solution is $x = C_1e^{-3t} + C_2e^t + x_p$. We seek a particular solution of the form $x_p = A \cos t + B \sin t$. Computing the derivatives, we have

$$x'_p = -A \sin t + B \cos t, \quad x''_p = -A \cos t - B \sin t$$

Putting those into the equation,

$$\begin{aligned} x''_p + 2x'_p - 3x_p &= (-A \cos t - B \sin t) + 2(-A \sin t + B \cos t) - 3(A \cos t + B \sin t) \\ &= -A \cos t - B \sin t - 2A \sin t + 2B \cos t - 3A \cos t - 3B \sin t \\ &= (-4A + 2B) \cos t + (-2A - 4B) \sin t = 10 \cos t \end{aligned}$$

It remains to solve the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} -4A + 2B &= 10 \\ -2A - 4B &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since from the second equation $A = -2B$ from the first equation we get $8B + 2B = 10$ or $B = 1$.

$$\text{Answer: } x = C_1e^{-3t} + C_2e^t + \sin t - 2 \cos t$$

4. Solve the equation $x'' - 2x' + 5x = 8 + 5t$.

Characteristic equation $r^2 - 2r + 5 = 0$ has roots $1 \pm 2i$. We seek particular solution $x_p = A + Bt$ with $x'_p = B$ and $x''_p = 0$.

$$\text{Answer: } x = C_1e^t \cos(2t) + C_2e^t \sin(2t) + 2 + t$$

5. Solve the equation $x'' + 2x' + x = 1$ with the initial values $x(0) = 0$, $x'(0) = 0$.

Characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r + 1 = 0$ has double root $r = -1$. We seek particular solution $x_p = A$ and compute $A = 1$.

The general solution is $x = C_1e^{-t} + C_2te^{-t} + 1$. From $x(0) = 0$ we compute $C_1 = -1$. From $x'(0) = 0$ we get $C_2 = C_1$.

$$\text{Answer: } x = 1 - e^{-t} - te^{-t}$$

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$$x(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-3t} + \cos t + 2 \sin t.$$

4. Solve the (non-homogeneous) equation $x'' + 4x' + 4x = -4$ with the initial values $x(0) = 0$, $x'(0) = 0$.

Answer: $x = 2e^{-2t}t + e^{-2t} - 1$

5. Solve the equation $x'' - 2x' + 10x = 10t - 12$.

Answer: $x = C_1 e^t \cos(3t) + C_2 e^t \sin(3t) + t - 1$