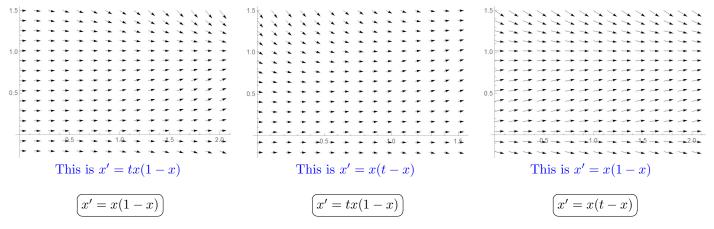
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## Dynamical Systems Quiz-2

Instructions. Be sure to show your work so that it is clear how you got your answers. Simplify the answers!

1. Match the direction fields with the differential equations: (use arrows to indicate your matches)



2. Solve the initial value problem using separation. Give explicit solution.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + 12tx = 0, \quad x(0) = -1$$

 $\int \frac{dx}{x} = -12 \int t dt \text{ so } \ln |x| = -6t^2 + c \text{ or } x = Ce^{-6t^2}.$   $(x(t) = -e^{-6t^2})$ 

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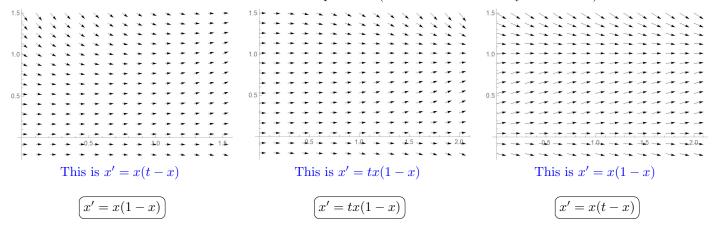
A Key

3. Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + x = t$ , x(0) = -2

Using formula, the integrating factor is  $\mu(t) = e^{\int 1dt} = e^t$ , so the solution is  $x = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \int t\mu(t)dt + c/\mu(t) = e^{-t} \int te^t dt + ce^{-t} = e^{-t}(te^t - e^t) + ce^{-t}$  where we integrated by part  $\in uv' = uv - \int u'v$ . This simplifies to  $x(t) = t - 1 + ce^{-t}$ . Computing c from the initial condition, we get  $x(t) = t - 1 - e^{-t}$ .

## Dynamical Systems Quiz-2

1. Match the direction fields with the differential equations: (use arrows to indicate your matches)



2. Solve the initial value problem using separation. Give explicit solution.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + 6tx = 0, \quad x(0) = -2$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x} = -6 \int t dt \text{ so } \ln |x| = -3t^2 + c \text{ or } x = Ce^{-3t^2}.$$

$$\boxed{x(t) = -2e^{-3t^2}}$$

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3. Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + x = t$ , x(0) = 2

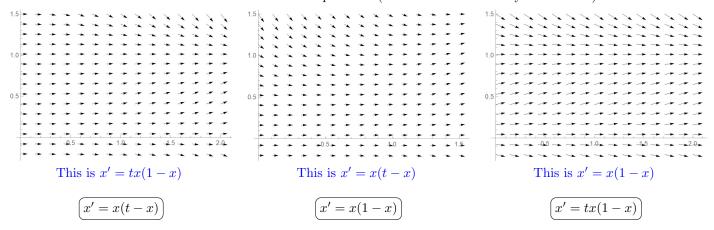
Here is a different solution, based on Section 1.7. The general solution of the homogeneous equation  $\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0$  is  $x_h = ce^{-t}$ . A particular solution can be guessed as a polynomial  $x_p = A + Bt$ . Putting this into the non-homogeneous equation we get B + (A + Bt) = t so B = 1 and A = -1. The general solution is  $x = x_h + x_p = ce^{-t} + t - 1$ . We determine the constant from the initial condition:

$$x(t) = t - 1 + 3e^{-t}$$

## Dynamical Systems Quiz-2

Instructions. Be sure to show your work so that it is clear how you got your answers. Simplify the answers!

1. Match the direction fields with the differential equations: (use arrows to indicate your matches)



2. Solve the initial value problem using separation. Give explicit solution.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + 6t^2x = 0, \quad x(0) = -1$$

 $\int \frac{dx}{x} = -6 \int t^2 dt \text{ so } \ln|x| = -2t^3 + c \text{ or } x = Ce^{-2t^3}.$   $\boxed{x(t) = -e^{-2t^3}}$ 

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3. Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + x = t$ , x(0) = 1

For the standard solution, see version A. Here we show how to "vary a constant", a technique described in Problem 55 on page 48.

The first step is to find the general solution of the homogeneous equation  $\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0$ . This is a separable equation so we get  $x_h = Ce^{-t}$ . Next, we seek a particular solution of the form  $x_p(t) = c(t)e^{-t}$  - thus the name of the method - varying a constant.

By product rule,  $x'_p(t) = c'(t)e^{-t} - c(t)e^{-t}$ . We insert this expression into the left hand side of the equation:

$$x'_{k} + x = c'(t)e^{-t} - c(t)e^{-t} + c(t)e^{-t} = c'(t)e^{-t}$$

The right hand side of the equation is t so we get  $c'(t)e^{-t} = t$  or  $c'(t) = te^t$  or  $c(t) = \int te^t dt = te^t - e^t$  (here we seek only particular solution so I chose the constant to be 0)

This shows that  $x = x_h + x_p = Ce^{-t} + (te^t - e^t)e^{-t} = ce^{-t} + t - 1$ . Solving for c from the initial condition, we get C = 2, so the answer is  $x(t) = t - 1 + 2e^{-t}$ .