

## Review/practice questions final exam

### Topics covered:

- First-order ODE's:
  - Solving: separable, linear (nonhomogeneous), exact, integrating factors
  - Mixing problems, Newton's law of cooling
- Linear ODE's:
  - Characteristic equation, general solution, initial conditions
  - Nonhomogeneous linear ODE: finding particular solution using the method of undetermined coefficients
  - Forced spring, resonance
- Linear systems of ODEs
  - Finding eigenvalues/eigenvectors
  - Degenerate case: generalized eigenvector
  - Matrix exponential
  - Nonhomogeneous systems
  - Sketching phase portraits of linear systems,
- Qualitative theory of nonlinear systems
  - Steady states, linearization, stability
  - Sketching 2d systems: nullclines, stability of equilibria, phase portraits, bifurcation theory
- Laplace transforms
  - Using table to find Laplace transform or inverse Laplace transform
  - Partial fraction decomposition (various cases)
  - Piecewise-defined functions: rewrite in terms of step functions and Laplace...
  - Solving linear ODE's using Laplace transforms

### Advice on how to study for exam:

- Do the sample questions on this handout; go over the homework questions and sample midterm and midterm.
- Go over the solutions to homeworks, midterm, and practice questions (posted on the course website, [www.mathstat.dal.ca/~tkolokol/classes/ode1](http://www.mathstat.dal.ca/~tkolokol/classes/ode1))

- Concentrate on the material that you have had trouble with, as diagnosed by homeworks/midterm.

**Some additional questions (NOTE: this is in ADDITION to questions in hw/midterm)**

1. A tank is filled with 100 liters of pure water. Salt solution at a concentration of 0.1kg/liter enters the tank from the top at 4 liters per minute, and exits from the bottom at 1 liter per minute. How much salt is in the tank when it has 400 liters of water?
2. Find the general solutions to the following ODE's:

$$(i) y' = \frac{y}{x} + xy^2 \quad (ii) xy' + y = 2e^{2x}$$

$$(iii) 2xy^3 + e^x + (3x^2y^2 + \sin y) y' = 0$$

3. Find the integrating factor and solve the ODE

$$3x^3y + x^2y^2 + (x^4 + x^3y) y' = 0$$

4. Solve  $y'' + 4y' + 13y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = 5$ .
5. Find a third order linear ODE whose solutions are  $e^{-x}$ ,  $e^x$  and  $xe^x$ .
6. Find a particular solution to

$$y'' + 3y' = e^{-3t}.$$

7. Two tanks are connected by two pumps: one pump pushes the liquid from tank A to tank B at the rate of 2 liters/minute while the other pushes from tank B to tank A at the same rate. Initially, both tanks contain 5 liters of liquid and tank A contains pure water while tank B has a mixture of 80% water and 20% pollutant.
  - (a) Find the concentration of pollutant in tanks A and B after one minute.
  - (b) Find the concentration of pollutant in tanks A and B after a very long time.

8. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (a) Compute  $e^{tA}$ .

- (b) Write down  $e^{-tA}$ .

- (c) Find the solution to the system  $x' = Ax + \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  with  $x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

9. A 2x2 matrix  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda = 1, -2$  and the corresponding eigenvectors  $[1, 0]$ ,  $[1, 1]$ . Sketch the phase portrait of the system  $x' = Ax$ .

10. Find  $e^{tA}$  where (i)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and (ii)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

11. A  $3 \times 3$  real matrix  $A$  admits an eigenvalue  $\lambda = i$  with the corresponding eigenvector  $[1 + i, 0, 1]$  and an eigenvalue  $\lambda = 2$  with the corresponding eigenvector  $[0, 1, 0]$ . Find  $\exp(tA)$ .
12. Find the solution to  $x' = Ax + f(t)$ ,  $x(0) = x_0$  where  $A$  is as in (c),  $f(t) = [0, e^{2t}, 0]$  and  $x_0 = [0, 0, 1]$ .

13. (a) Rewrite the ODE

$$y'' + y = f(t)$$

as a system of first order ODE's. Then use the fundamental solution technique to compute  $y(t)$  subject to initial conditions  $y(0) = 0 = y'(0)$ . Conclude that

$$y(t) = \int_0^t \sin(t-s)g(s).$$

- (b) What is the solution to  $y'' + y = f(t)$  subject to arbitrary initial conditions  $y(0) = y_0$  and  $y'(0) = v_0$ ?
14. You are given a real  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  whose eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 2 \pm i$ . Moreover it is known that the eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 2 + i$  is given by  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i + 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (a) Determine the general solution to the system  $x' = Ax$ .
- (b) Sketch the phase portrait of the system  $x' = Ax$ .

15. A model of fish population under a constant harvest pressure is:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y(1-y) - h$$

where  $y(t)$  represents the population of fish and  $h \geq 0$  is the rate of harvesting. Analyse this model for different harvest rates  $h$ . What are the equilibria? What is their stability? Make sure to include phase diagram for various values of  $h$ . Describe any changes in the stability diagram that occurs as  $h$  is increased from zero. What are the implications for fisheries?

16. (a) Determine all the critical points (steady states) of the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= 2 - x^2 - y^2 \\ y' &= x^2 - y^2 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Classify the linear stability of each critical point
- (c) Sketch the phase portrait.

17. Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= y + ax - xy^2 \\ y' &= ay - x - y^3. \end{aligned}$$

Show that the origin undergoes a Hopf bifurcation as  $a$  is increased past zero. Sketch the phase portrait for  $a = -0.1$ ,  $a = 0$  and  $a = 0.1$ .

18. Find the Laplace transform of the function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 3 - t, & t \leq 3 \\ 0, & t \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

19. Solve the ODE  $x'' + 2x' + 2x = f(t)$ , subject to initial conditions  $x(0) = 0 = x'(0)$  where  $f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \leq 2 \\ 0, & t \geq 2 \end{cases}$ . Sketch the graph of the solution.