

**Math 2250 Extra Credit Problems**  
**Chapter 7**  
**January 2008**

**Due date:** Submit these problems on the first day of final week, under the door 113 JWB, before 9pm. Records are locked on that date and only corrected, never appended.

**Submitted work.** Please submit one stapled package per problem. Kindly label problems Extra Credit. Label each problem with its corresponding problem number, e.g., Xc7.1-8. You may attach this printed sheet to simplify your work.

**Problem Xc7.1-8. (Transform to a first order system)**

Use the position-velocity substitution  $u_1 = x(t)$ ,  $u_2 = x'(t)$ ,  $u_3 = y(t)$ ,  $u_4 = y'(t)$  to transform the system below into vector-matrix form  $\mathbf{u}'(t) = A\mathbf{u}(t)$ . Do not attempt to solve the system.

$$x'' - 2x' + 5y = 0, \quad y'' + 2y' - 5x = 0.$$

**Problem Xc7.1-20a. (Dynamical systems)**

Prove this result for system

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} x' &= ax + by, \\ y' &= cx + dy. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem.** Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  and define  $\text{trace}(A) = a + d$ . Then  $p_1 = -\text{trace}(A)$ ,  $p_2 = \det(A)$  are the coefficients in the determinant expansion

$$\det(A - rI) = r^2 + p_1r + p_2$$

and  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  in equation (1) are both solutions of the differential equation  $u'' + p_1u' + p_2u = 0$ .

**Problem xC7.1-20b. (Solve dynamical systems)**

(a) Apply the previous problem to solve

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= 2x - y, \\ y' &= x + 2y. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Use first order methods to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= 2x - y, \\ y' &= \quad \quad 2y. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem Xc7.2-12. (General solution answer check)**

(a) Verify that  $\mathbf{x}_1(t) = e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2(t) = e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  are solutions of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Apply the Wronskian test  $\det(\mathbf{aug}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)) \neq 0$  to verify that the two solutions are independent.

(c) Display the general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ .

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**Problem Xc7.2-14. (Particular solution)**(a) Find the constants  $c_1, c_2$  in the general solution

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{5t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

satisfying the initial conditions  $x_1(0) = 4, x_2(0) = -1$ .(b) Find the matrix  $A$  in the equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ . Use the formula  $AP = PD$  and Fourier's model for  $A$ , which is given implicitly in (a) above.**Problem Xc7.3-8. (Eigenanalysis method  $2 \times 2$ )**(a) Find  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$  in Fourier's model  $A(c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2) = c_1\lambda_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\lambda_2\mathbf{v}_2$  for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Display the general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ .**Problem Xc7.3-20. (Eigenanalysis method  $3 \times 3$ )**(a) Find  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  in Fourier's model  $A(c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3) = c_1\lambda_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\lambda_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\lambda_3\mathbf{v}_3$  for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -4 & -3 & -1 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Display the general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ .**Problem Xc7.3-30. (Brine Tanks)**

Consider two brine tanks satisfying the equations

$$x_1'(t) = -k_1x_1 + k_2x_2, \quad x_2' = k_1x_1 - k_2x_2.$$

Assume  $r = 10$  gallons per minute,  $k_1 = r/V_1, k_2 = r/V_2, x_1(0) = 30$  and  $x_2(0) = 0$ . Let the tanks have volumes  $V_1 = 50$  and  $V_2 = 25$  gallons. Solve for  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$ .**Problem Xc7.3-40. (Eigenanalysis method  $4 \times 4$ )**Display (a) Fourier's model and (b) the general solution of  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  for the  $4 \times 4$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -21 & -5 & -27 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -16 & -4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**End of extra credit problems chapter 7.**