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## Differential Equations and Linear Algebra 2250

Midterm Exam 1a  
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**Instructions:** This in-class exam is 50 minutes. No calculators, notes, tables or books. No answer check is expected. Details count 3/4, answers count 1/4.

## 4. (Linear Equations)

(a) [50%] Solve the linear model. Show all integrating factor steps.

$$\begin{cases} 3x'(t) = -48 + \frac{12}{2t+5}x(t), \\ x(0) = 40 \end{cases}$$

(b) [20%] Solve the homogeneous equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} - (2x-1)y = 0$ .(c) [30%] Solve  $13\frac{dy}{dx} + 26y = \frac{7}{2}$  using the superposition principle  $y = y_h + y_p$ . Expected are answers for  $y_h$  and  $y_p$ .

(a)  $x' - \frac{4}{2t+5}x = \frac{-48}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{(xw)'}{w} = -16 \Rightarrow xw = c - 16 \int w dt$   
 $w = e^{\int p dt} = e^{-2 \ln|2t+5| + c}$ ; choose  $w = (2t+5)^{-2}$ . Then  
 $\int w dt = \frac{-1}{2} (2t+5)^{-1}$  and  $xw = c + 8(2t+5)^{-1}$ ,  
 $x = c(2t+5)^{-2} + 8(2t+5)$ . Because  $x(0) = 40$ , then  
 $40 = c/25 + 40 \Rightarrow c = 0$  and  $x = 16t + 40$

(b) The answer is  $y = \frac{c}{\text{integrating factor}} = \frac{c}{e^{-x^2+x}}$

(c) Choose  $y_p$ :  $0 + 26y = \frac{7}{2} \Rightarrow y_p = \frac{7}{52}$

Compute  $y_h = \frac{c}{\text{integr. factor}} = \frac{c}{e^{2x}} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_h = ce^{-2x} \\ y = y_h + y_p \end{cases}$

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5. (Stability)

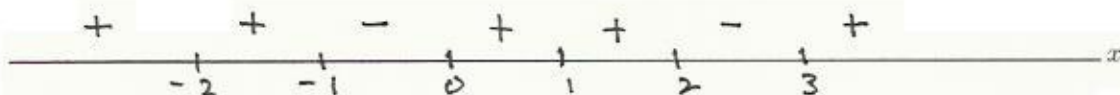
(a) [50%] Draw a phase line diagram for the differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sinh(x) (2 - |2x - 4|)^3 (2 + x)(x^2 - 4)(1 - x^2)^3$$

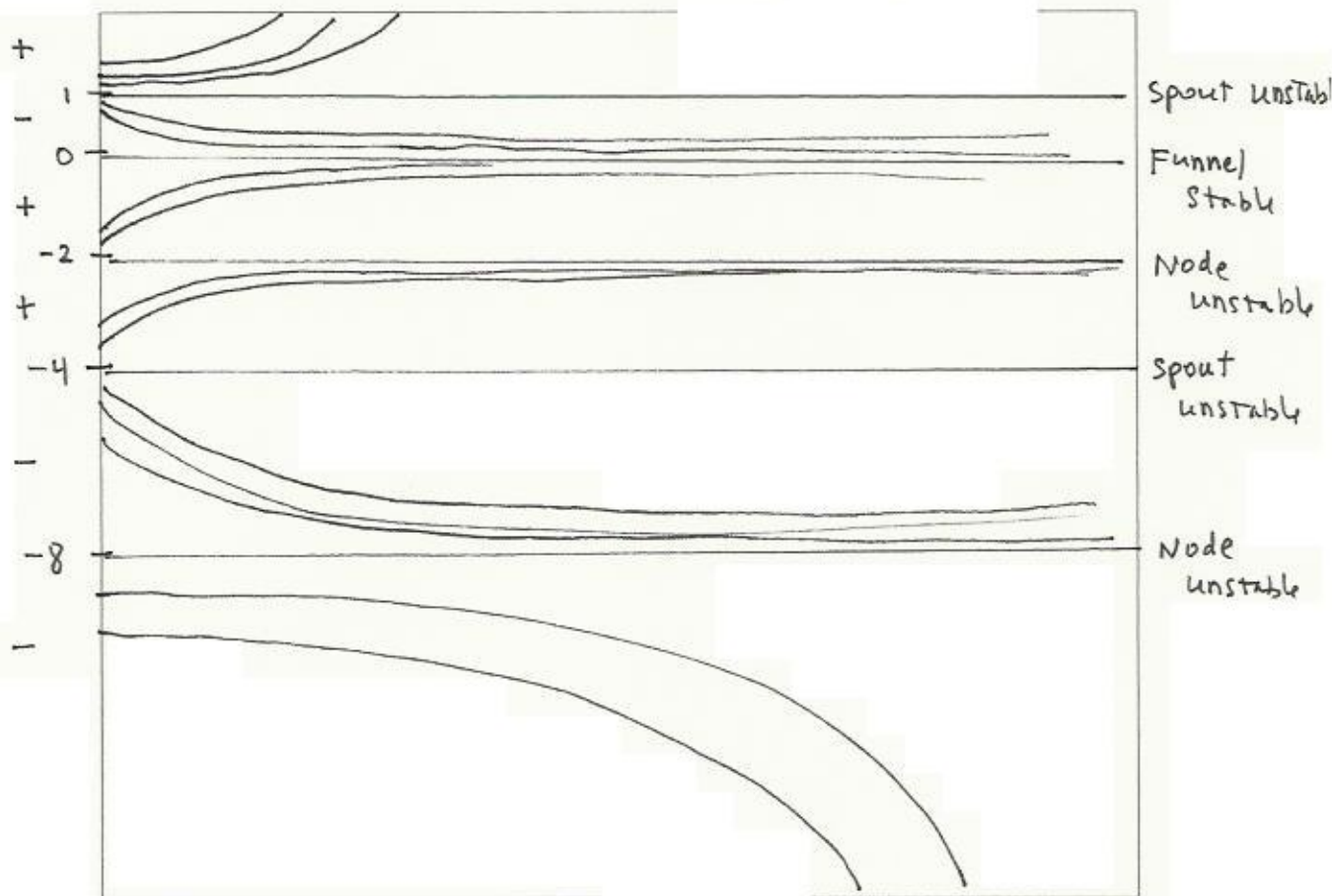
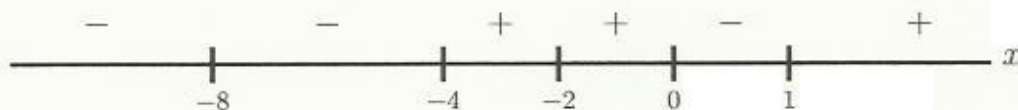
Expected in the phase line diagram are equilibrium points and signs of  $dx/dt$ . Definition:

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^x - \frac{1}{2}e^{-x}$$

$\sinh(x) = 0$  at  $x=0$ ;  $2 - |2x - 4| = 0 \Leftrightarrow 2x - 4 = \pm 2 \Leftrightarrow x = 3$  or  $x = 1$ ;  
Other roots are  $-2, -2, 2, 1, -1$ . There are 6 roots



(b) [50%] Assume an autonomous equation  $x'(t) = f(x(t))$ . Draw a phase diagram with at least 12 threaded curves, using the phase line diagram given below. Add these labels as appropriate. **funnel**, **spout**, **node** [neither spout nor funnel], **stable**, **unstable**.



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