

Chap. 4 + 5 Practice Problems

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1) The 2nd order eqn. for a spring is

$$m \ddot{x} + c \dot{x} + kx = 0$$


Write this as a 2dim first order system.

2) The 2nd order eqn. of a pendulum is

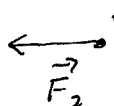
$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{L} \sin \theta = 0$$

Rewrite as 2d system.

3) Write the 2 body gravitational problem as a system (from Computer Project 4)

m_1 

$$\vec{p}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

m_2 

$$\vec{p}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

\vec{F}_1, \vec{F}_2 are gravitational forces

$$\vec{p}_1' = \begin{bmatrix} x_5 \\ x_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{p}_2' = \begin{bmatrix} x_7 \\ x_8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{x}' = ?$$

4) Is #3 linear? Why or why not?

5) Let $A = n \times n$ matrix. If $\vec{x}_1 = \vec{x}_1(t)$ and $\vec{x}_2 = \vec{x}_2(t)$

are soltns. of $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$, show that

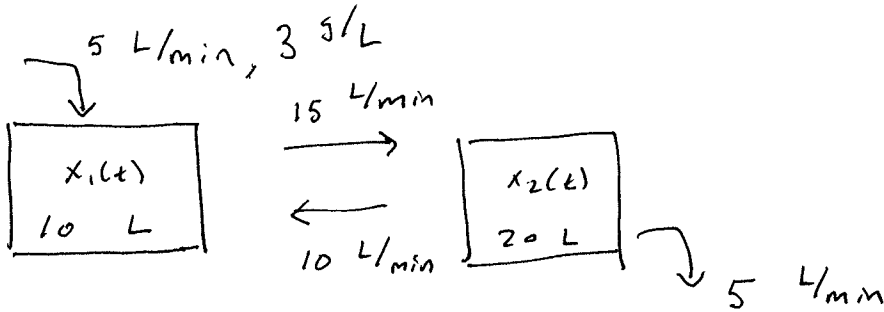
$c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2$ is also a soltn. for any constants c_1, c_2 .

6) Draw the phase plane and vector field for the equations

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$$\begin{cases} x_1' = -x_2 \\ x_2' = x_1 \end{cases}$$

7)



$$x_1(0) = x_2(0) = 0$$

Find $x_1(t)$, $x_2(t)$.

Find $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_1(t)$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_2(t)$.

Can you find these limits without solving any equations?
 (Hint: Try to find an equilibrium solution of the system.)

8)

Solve IVP

$$\begin{cases} x' = x - 2y \\ y' = 2x - 3y \\ x(0) = 1 \\ y(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

9)

Solve IVP

$$\begin{cases} x' = 2x + y \\ y' = x + 2y \\ x(0) = -1 \\ y(0) = 3 \end{cases}$$

10) Use eigenvalue method to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$11) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -9 \\ 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$12) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

13) Are the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ linearly independent?

What about $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?

What about the functions $\vec{x}_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^t \\ 2e^t \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{x}_2(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{2t} \\ 2e^{4t} \end{bmatrix}$?