

1. A lake, with volume  $V = 100 \text{ km}^3$ , is fed by a river at a rate of  $r \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}$ . In addition, there is a factory on the lake that introduces a pollutant into the lake at the rate of  $p \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}$ . There is another river that is fed by the lake at a rate that keeps the volume of the lake constant. This means that the rate of flow from the lake into the outlet river is  $(p+r) \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}$ . Let  $x(t)$  denote the volume of the pollutant in the lake at time  $t$ . Then  $c(t) = x(t)/V$  is the concentration of the pollutant.

- (a) Show that, under the assumption of immediate and perfect mixing of the pollutant into the lake water, the concentration satisfies the differential equation

$$c' + \frac{p+r}{V} c = \frac{p}{V}.$$

- (b) It has been determined that a concentration of over 2% is hazardous for the fish in the lake. Suppose that  $r = 50 \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}$ ,  $p = 2 \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}$ , and the initial concentration of pollutant in the lake is zero. How long will it take the lake to become hazardous to the health of the fish?
- (c) Suppose that the factory from parts (a) and (b) stops operating at time  $t = 0$ , and that the concentration of pollutant in the lake was 3.5% at that time. Approximately how long will it take before the concentration falls below 2% and the lake is no longer hazardous for the fish?
2. Consider two tanks, labeled tank A and tank B for reference. Tank A contains 100 gal of solution in which is dissolved 20 lb of salt. Tank B contains 200 gal of solution in which is dissolved 40 lb of salt. Pure water flows into tank A at a rate of 5 gal/sec. There is a drain at the bottom of tank A, and the solution leaves tank A via this drain at a rate of 5 gal/sec and flows immediately into tank B at the same rate. A drain at the bottom of tank B allows the solution to leave tank B at a rate of 2.5 gal/sec. What is the salt content in tank B at the precise moment that tank B contains 250 gal of solution.
3. For each of the second-order differential equations below, decide whether the equation is linear or nonlinear. If the equation is linear, state whether the equation is homogeneous or inhomogeneous.

(a)  $y'' + 3y' + 5y = 3 \cos 2t$

(b)  $t^2 y'' = 4y' - \sin t$

(c)  $t^2 y'' + (1-y)y' = \cos t$

(d)  $ty'' + (\sin t)y' = 4y - \cos 5t$

(e)  $t^2 y'' + 4yy' = 0$

(f)  $y'' + 4y' + 7y = 3e^{-t} \sin t$

(g)  $y'' + 3y' + 4 \sin y = 0$

(h)  $(1-t^2)y'' = 3y$

4. Find the general solution to the following 2<sup>nd</sup> order linear homogeneous ODEs.

- (a)  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$
  - (b)  $y'' + y' - 12y = 0$
  - (c)  $y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0$
  - (d)  $y'' + 2y = 0$
  - (e)  $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$
  - (f)  $4y'' + 12y' + 9y = 0$
5. In this problem, we will find all solutions to the initial value problem  $y'' = \lambda y$ ,  $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$ , where  $\lambda$  is a constant. This equation will turn up later when we study PDEs.
- (a) First, suppose that  $\lambda = 0$ . That is, solve  $y'' = 0$ ,  $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$ .
  - (b) Next, suppose  $\lambda = \omega^2 \geq 0$ .
    - (i) Solve the initial value problem  $y'' = \omega^2 y$ ,  $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$ .
    - (ii) Let  $u_1(t) = \cosh \omega t = \frac{e^{\omega t} + e^{-\omega t}}{2}$  and  $u_2(t) = \sinh \omega t = \frac{e^{\omega t} - e^{-\omega t}}{2}$ . Show that  $u_1(t)$  and  $u_2(t)$  both solve  $y'' = \omega^2 y$ , and use this to write the general solution of this differential equation.
    - (iii) Solve the initial value problem from part (i) again, but this time, start by using the general solution you found in part (ii) (instead of exponentials).
  - (c) Finally, suppose  $\lambda = -\omega^2 < 0$ . That is, solve  $y'' = -\omega^2 y$ ,  $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$ .
  - (d) Using your results from parts (a)–(c), describe all solutions to the initial value problem  $y'' = \lambda y$ ,  $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$ . What are the possible values for  $\lambda$ ?