

1. The population of a certain planet is believed to be growing according to the logistic equation. The maximum population the planet can hold is 10^{10} . In year zero the population is 50% of this maximum, and the rate of increase of the population is 10^9 per year.
 - (a) What is the logistic equation satisfied by the population, $y(t)$?
 - (b) How many years until the population reaches 90% of the maximum?
 - (c) Sketch this solution curve in the ty -plane, as well as the steady-state solutions $y(t) = 0$ and $y(t) = 10^{10}$.

2. 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? Assume that river still flows out at a rate the leaves the lake volume constant.
3. 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.
4. 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) $(1 - t^2)y'' = 3y$

5. Find the general solution to the following 2nd 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) $4y'' + 12y' + 9y = 0$

6. In this problem, we will find all solutions to the *boundary value problem* (BVP) $y'' = \lambda y$, $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$, where λ 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 boundary 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 boundary 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 boundary value problem $y'' = \lambda y$, $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$. What are the possible values for λ ?

7. Solve the following initial value problems.

- (a) $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$, $y(0) = -1$, $y'(0) = 2$
- (b) $y'' - 4y' - 5y = 0$, $y(1) = -1$, $y'(1) = -1$
- (c) $y'' + 25y = 3$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = -1$
- (d) $y'' - 2y' + 17y = 0$, $y(0) = -2$, $y'(0) = 3$

8. Find the general solution to the following 2nd order linear inhomogeneous ODEs, by solving the associated homogeneous equation, and then finding a particular (constant) solution.

(a) $y'' + y' - 12y = 24$

(b) $y'' = -4y + 3$

9. As we've seen, to solve ODE of the form

$$y'' + py' + qy = 0, \quad p \text{ and } q \text{ constants}$$

we assume that the solution has the form e^{rt} , and then we plug this back into the ODE to get the *characteristic equation*: $r^2 + pr + q = 0$. Given that this equation has a double root $r = r_1$ (i.e., the roots are $r_1 = r_2$), show by direct substitution that $y = te^{r_1 t}$ is a solution of the ODE, and then write down the general solution.

10. Suppose that $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ is a solution of

$$z'' + pz' + qz = Ae^{i\omega t}.$$

Substitute $z(t)$ into the above equation. Then compare (equate) the real and imaginary parts of each side to prove two facts:

$$x'' + px' + qx = A \cos \omega t$$

$$y'' + py' + qy = A \sin \omega t.$$

Write a sentence or two summarizing the significance of this result.

11. Solve the following initial value problems using the method of undetermined coefficients.

(a) $y'' + 3y' + 2y = -3e^{-4t}, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$

(b) $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 2 \cos 2t, \quad y(0) = -2, \quad y'(0) = 0$

(c) $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 4 - t, \quad y(0) = -1, \quad y'(0) = 0$

(d) $y'' - 2y' + y = t^3, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$

12. Solve the following first order differential equations using the method of undetermined coefficients.

(a) $y' - 3y = 5e^{2t}$

(b) $y' + 2y = 3t$

(c) $T' = k(-t - T)$

(d) $T' = k(A \sin \omega t - T)$