

Math 2080: Differential Equations

Worksheet 2.5: Linear differential equations

NAME:

1. For each of the first-order differential equations, decide whether it is linear or nonlinear. If the equation is linear, state whether it is homogeneous or inhomogeneous.

(a) $y' = ky$

(b) $y' = k(72 - y)$

(c) $y' = y(4 - y)$

(d) $y' = e^y$

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

(f) $3y' + 5y = 3 \cos 2y$

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

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

2. Find the general solution to $y' - 2y = 5e^{3t}$ by first solving (in your head) the related *homogeneous equation*, and then looking for a particular solution of the form $y_p(t) = ae^{3t}$.

3. Find the general solution to $y' - 2y = t$ by first solving the related *homogeneous equation*, and then looking for a particular solution of the form $y_p(t) = at + b$.