

Homework handout Hwk #10 (Due Wednesday,
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October 17.)

Instructions: You will turn in only problems from this handout. The rest of the assigned problems are for practice only, do not turn them in.

1. a) Find constants a and d so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{4t} - 2e^t \\ e^{4t} + e^t \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a solution}$$

of the system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = ax + 2y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = x + dy. \end{cases}$$

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b) What is the initial condition for this solution?

2. a) Find the general solution of the following partially decoupled system:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = 2x, \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = x - 2y. \end{cases}$$

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b) Find the particular solution of this system satisfying $x(0) = 1$, $y(0) = -4$.

3. Consider differential equation

representing simple harmonic oscillator

$$y'' + 9y = 0$$

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a) Find two different basic solutions of this equation. Seek solutions in the form

$$y_1(t) = \cos(\beta t) \text{ and } y_2(t) = \sin(\beta t).$$

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b) What are the initial conditions of these solutions?

c) Convert the differential equation $y'' + gy = 0$ to a system in (y, v) variables, where $v = \frac{dy}{dt}$.

d) Use a) to find two different basic solutions of the system: $\mathbf{Y}_1(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ v_1(t) \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{Y}_2(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y_2(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$.

e) Sketch the direction field for the system from c)

f) Verify that $(y_1(t))^2 + \frac{(v_1(t))^2}{g} = 1$

and use this to sketch the solution curve for $\mathbf{Y}_1(t)$. (Hint: it will be an ellipse).