

# Math 33B: First Order Equations

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1. Let  $P$  be a population of animals. We speculate that the population develops as

$$P' = rP(C - P)$$

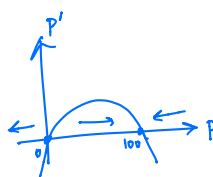
if there is a finite amount of resources. Here,  $C$  is called the carrying capacity of the environment.

- (a) Take  $C = 100$ . Draw a phase line of the system, identify the equilibria of the system, classify the equilibria as stable or unstable.

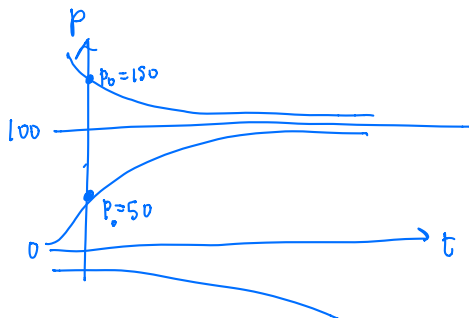
*\* I will take  $r > 0$  for this problem*

$$rP(100 - P) = 0$$

$P = 0$	$P = 100$
unstable	stable



- (b) Use your classification in (a) to draw a plot of various solutions  $P$  as a function of  $t$ . Include the equilibrium solution in your plot, as well as solutions passing through  $P = 50$ ,  $P = 150$ .



- (c) Assuming we start with a positive population, what does our model predict the population will be after a long time? If we start off with 50 animals, is it possible to have 101? How do you know?

$$P \rightarrow 100 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

*No, solution curves cannot cross each other*

2. Consider the following differential equations:

A.  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = e^x$

E.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \sin y = 0$

B.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^3 - 4y = e^x$

F.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^3} + x\frac{dy}{dx} - 5y = e^x$

C.  $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$

G.  $y'' + y^2 = 0$

D.  $(1-y)y' + 2y = e^x$

H.  $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \ln(t)\frac{dy}{dt} - \arcsin(t)y = 0$

(a) Which of the above equations are 2nd order?

B, C, E, G, H

(b) Which of the above equations are 2nd order linear equations?

C, H

(c) Which of the above equations are 2nd order homogeneous linear equations?

C, H

3.  $y_1, y_2$  are solutions of the given differential equation. Which of the following forms a linear independent set of solutions to the given differential equation?

(a)  $y_1 = e^{3t}, y_2 = 5e^{3t}, y'' - 9y = 0$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{3t} & 5e^{3t} \\ 3e^{3t} & 15e^{3t} \end{vmatrix} = 15e^{3t} - 15e^{3t} = 0 \quad \therefore \text{not linear independent}$$

(b)  $y_1 = \cos t, y_2 = \sin t, y'' + y = 0$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{vmatrix} = \cos^2 t - (-\sin^2 t) = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1 \neq 0 \quad \text{linearly independent}$$

(c)  $y_1 = e^{3t}, y_2 = e^{-3t}, y'' - 9y = 0$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{3t} & e^{-3t} \\ 3e^{3t} & -3e^{-3t} \end{vmatrix} = -3e^0 - 3e^0 = -6 \neq 0 \quad \text{linearly independent}$$

(d)  $y_1 = e^t, y_2 = te^t, y'' - 2y' + y = 0$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & te^t \\ e^t & e^t + te^t \end{vmatrix} = e^t(e^t + te^t) - e^t te^t = e^{2t} \neq 0 \quad \text{linearly independent}$$