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7.1 First-order systems and applications

We introduce First Order systems with an example

Ex Given two functions

$$x(t), y(t)$$

Assume

$$x' = y$$

$$y' = 6x - y$$

Find the general solution.

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First order linear system of diff equations

x'', x''', \dots

y'', y''', \dots
do not appear

↑
each eq
is linear
on x, x', y'

↑
more than
one eq and
unknown x, y

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Sol Eliminate y'

$$\begin{aligned}x'' &= y' \\&= 6x - y \\&= 6x - x'\end{aligned}$$

So

$$x'' + x' - 6x = 0$$

Char eq

$$r^2 + r - 6 = 0$$

$$(r-2)(r+3) = 0$$

$$r = 2, -3$$

$$x = Ae^{2t} + Be^{-3t} \quad A, B \in \mathbb{R}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned}y &= x' \\&= 2Ae^{2t} - 3Be^{-3t}\end{aligned}$$

the gen sol to * is

$$x = Ae^{2t} + Be^{-3t} \quad A, B \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y = 2Ae^{2t} - 3Be^{-3t}$$

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Ex An ant runs around on
a table top (the x-y plane)

After t seconds its location is
 $(x(t), y(t))$

Assume

$$x' = -2y$$

$$y' = 2x$$

Describe the ant's motion.

Sol Elim y

$$x'' = -2y'$$

$$= -4x$$

$$x'' + 4x = 0$$

$$r^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$r = 2i, -2i$$

$$x = A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t \quad A, B \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x' = A \sin 2t - B \cos 2t$$

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the ant moves along some curve
in \mathbb{R}^2 . To find the curve, elem t

$$A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t = x$$

$$-B \cos 2t + A \sin 2t = y$$

View $\cos 2t, \sin 2t$ as unknowns

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -B & A \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t \\ \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t \\ \sin 2t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -B & A \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{A^2 + B^2} \begin{pmatrix} A & -B \\ B & A \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cos 2t = \frac{Ax - By}{A^2 + B^2}$$

$$\sin 2t = \frac{Ay + Bx}{A^2 + B^2}$$

For all t

$$1 = \cos^2(2t) + \sin^2(2t)$$

$$= \frac{(Ax - By)^2 + (Ay + Bx)^2}{(A^2 + B^2)^2}$$

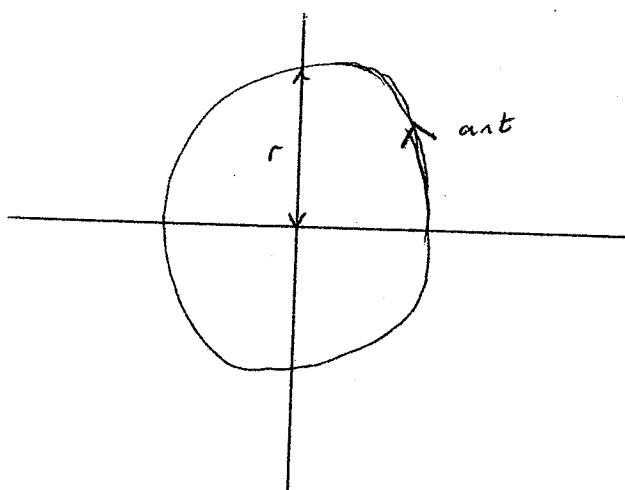
$$= \frac{x^2 + y^2}{A^2 + B^2}$$

Write

$$r^2 = A^2 + B^2 \quad 0 \leq r \in \mathbb{R}$$

So

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

Ant moves around a circle of radius r 

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At each time t ant's position vector is $(x, y) = (x(t), y(t))$ ant's velocity vector is $(x', y') = (x'(t), y'(t))$

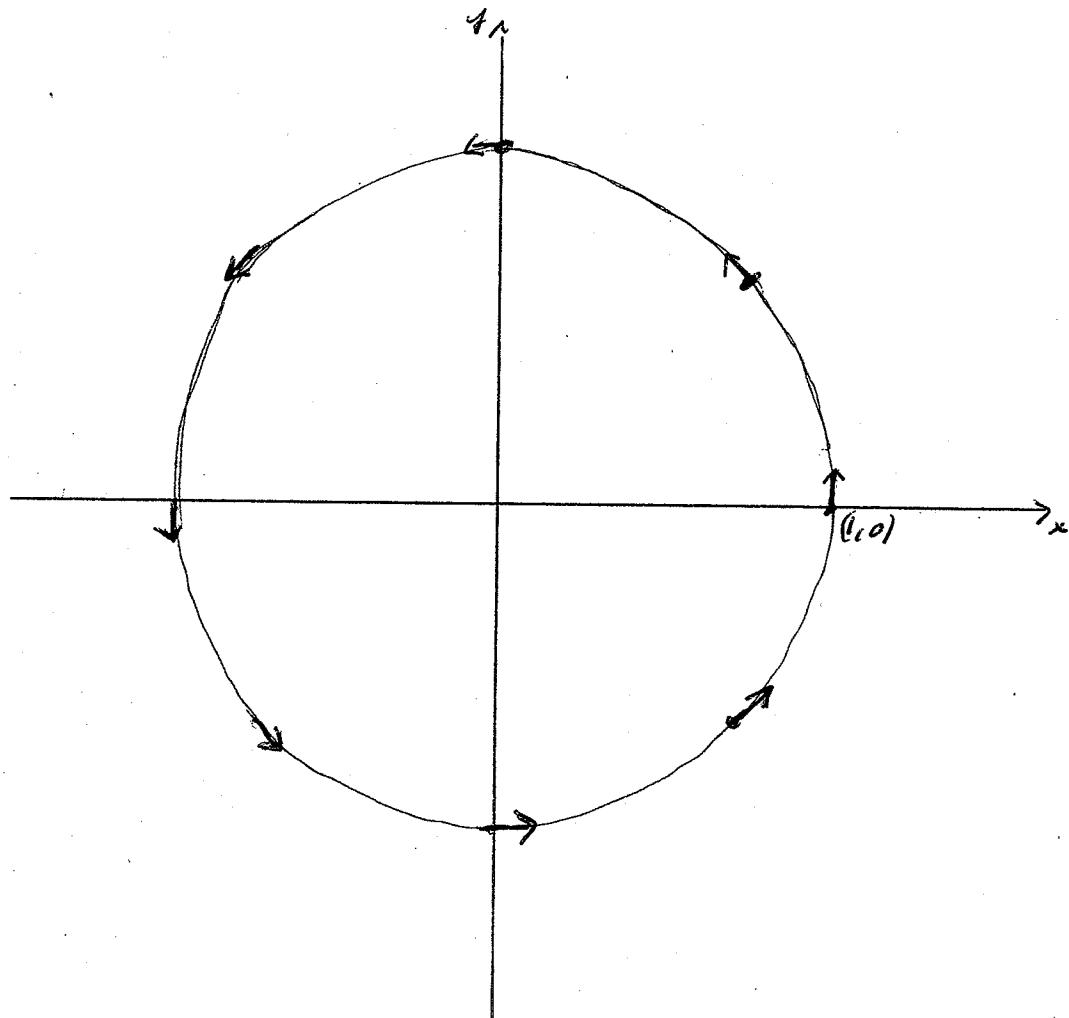
At each point (x, y) imagine an arrow that
describes the velocity vector

"direction field"

position		velocity	
x	y	x'	y'
1	0	0	2
0	1	-2	0
-1	0	0	-2
0	-1	2	0
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{2}$
$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\sqrt{2}$	$-\sqrt{2}$
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ant travels c.clockwise with constant speed

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Reduction to 1st order systems

Ex Consider the differential equation

$$x''' - 3x'' + 3x' - x = \sin(t)$$

Express this as a 1st order system.

Sol

Introduce new variables

$$y = x'$$

$$z = x''$$

then

$$x' = y$$

$$y' = z$$

$$z' = x'''$$

$$= \sin(t) + 3x'' - 3x' + x$$
$$\quad \quad \quad z \quad \quad \quad y$$

$$= x - 3y + 3z + \sin(t)$$

1st order system is

$$x' = y$$

$$y' = z$$

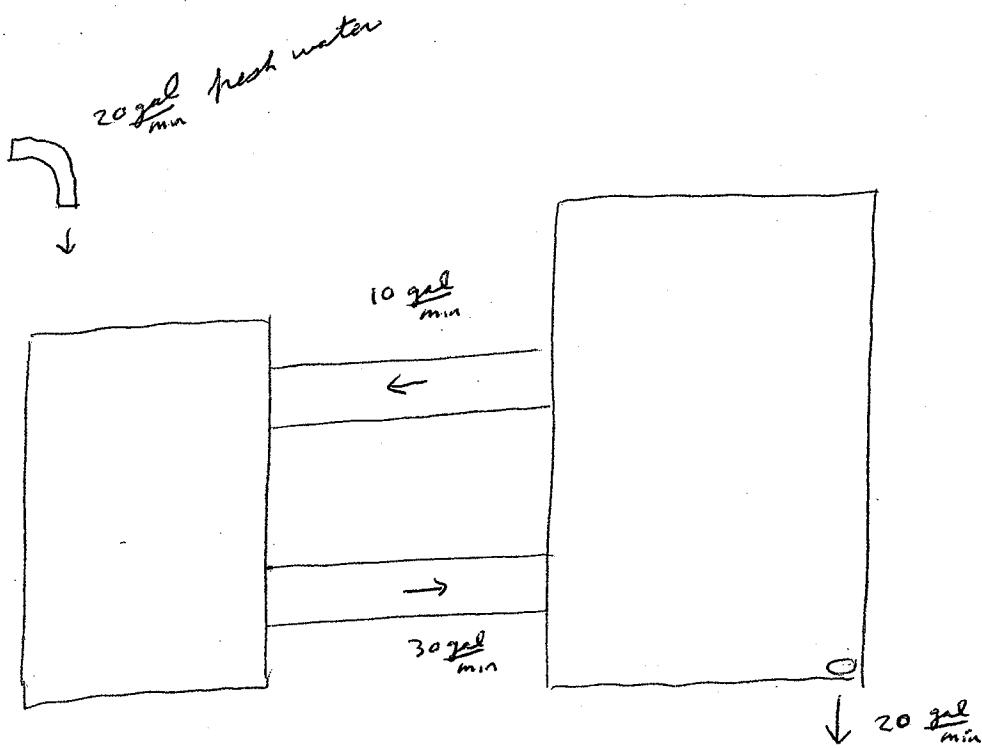
$$z' = x - 3y + 3z + \sin(t)$$

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An application in which a 1st order system comes up naturally

Ex Consider two tanks of brine as shown



gal brine: 100 200

lb salt : $x(t)$
after t min

$y(t)$

Find the differential equations satisfied by x, y

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Sol

Describe $x'(t)$

After t minutes and a short time interval Δt

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + \Delta t \frac{y(t)}{200}$$

lb salt lb salt min gal $\frac{lb salt}{gal}$
 lb salt min gal min $\frac{lb salt}{gal}$

$$- \Delta t \frac{x(t)}{100}$$

min gal $\frac{x(t)}{100}$
 min gal $\frac{lb salt}{gal}$

So

$$x'(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(t + \Delta t) - x(t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{y(t)}{20} - \frac{3x(t)}{10}$$

So

$$x' = -\frac{3}{10}x + \frac{1}{20}y$$

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Describe $y'(t)$

After t minutes and a short time interval Δt ,

$$y(t+\Delta t) = y(t) + \Delta t \frac{x(t)}{100}$$

lb salt lb salt min gal
 lb salt gal min gal

$$- \quad \Delta t \quad 10 \quad \frac{y(t)}{200}$$

min gal
 min gal

$$- \quad \Delta t \quad 20 \quad \frac{y(t)}{200}$$

min gal
 min gal

$$y'(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(t+\Delta t) - y(t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{3}{10} x(t) - \frac{3}{20} y(t)$$

So

$$y' = \frac{3}{10} x - \frac{3}{20} y$$

So $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$ satisfy the 1st order system

$$x' = -\frac{3}{10} x + \frac{1}{20} y$$

$$y' = \frac{3}{10} x - \frac{3}{20} y$$

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For $n \geq 1$

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Consider the general 1st order linear system involving functions

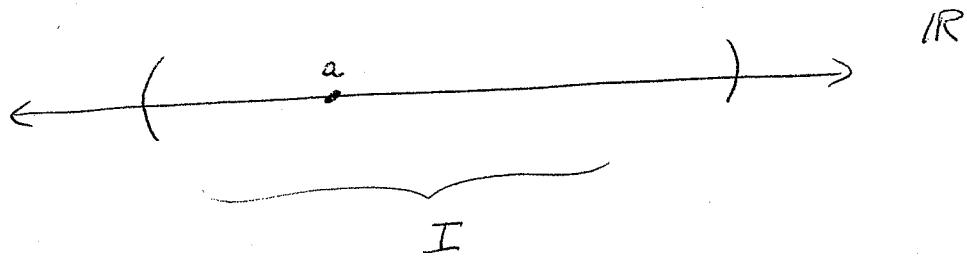
$$x_1 = x_1(t), \quad x_2 = x_2(t), \quad \dots, \quad x_n = x_n(t)$$

Has form

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' &= p_{11}(t)x_1 + p_{12}(t)x_2 + \dots + p_{1n}(t)x_n + f_1(t) \\ x_2' &= p_{21}(t)x_1 + p_{22}(t)x_2 + \dots + p_{2n}(t)x_n + f_2(t) \\ &\quad \dots \\ x_n' &= p_{n1}(t)x_1 + \dots + p_{nn}(t)x_n + f_n(t) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} X$$

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Given an open interval I on the real line that contains a st a



Given functions

$$p_i(t) \quad t \in I \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$f_i(t) \quad t \in I \subset \mathbb{R}$$

that are continuous at each point in I

then for any scalars b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n in \mathbb{R}

the system $\#$ has a unique solution

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$$

defined on I such that

$$x_1(a) = b_1, \quad x_2(a) = b_2, \dots, \quad x_n(a) = b_n$$

□

Ex

Solve the system

$$x' = -y$$

$$x(0) = 2$$

$$y' = 10x - 7y$$

$$y(0) = -7$$

Sol

First find gen sol

$$\begin{aligned} x'' = -y' &= -10x + 7y \\ &= -10x - 7x' \end{aligned}$$

$$x'' + 7x' + 10x = 0$$

char eq

$$r^2 + 7r + 10 = 0$$

$$(r+2)(r+5) = 0$$

$$r = -2, -5$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= A e^{-2t} + B e^{-5t} \\ y &= -x' = -2Ae^{-2t} + 5Be^{-5t} \end{aligned}$$

To find A, B set $t = 0$:

$$2 = A + B$$

$$-7 = -2A + 5B$$

solve for A, B to get

$$A = \frac{17}{3} \quad B = -\frac{11}{3}$$

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