

Sample Quiz 4 Solutions

problem 1

(a) Let $t_1 = 1.413, t_2 = 2.98$. Use $at^2 + bt + c = v(t)$ for $t = 0, t_1, t_2$ to obtain the system

$$\begin{cases} a \cdot 0^2 + b \cdot 0 + c = 50 \\ a \cdot t_1^2 + b \cdot t_1 + c = 0 \\ a \cdot t_2^2 + b \cdot t_2 + c = -45 \end{cases}$$

Then $\boxed{c=50}$. The 3×3 system reduces to a 2×2 system

$$\begin{cases} a \cdot t_1^2 + b \cdot t_1 = -50 \\ a \cdot t_2^2 + b \cdot t_2 = -95 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} a + b/t_1 = -50/t_1^2 & \text{mult}(1, 1/t_1^2) \\ a \cdot t_2^2 + b \cdot t_2 = -95 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} a + b/t_1 = -50/t_1^2 \\ 0 + b \cdot t_3 = -95 + \frac{50t_2^2}{t_1^2} & \text{combo}(1, 2, -t_2^2) \\ \text{where } t_3 = t_2 - \frac{t_2^2}{t_1^2} \end{cases}$$

Then $\boxed{b} = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \left(-\frac{50t_2}{t_1} + 95 \frac{t_1}{t_2} \right) = \boxed{-38.54760463}$

$$\boxed{a} = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \left(\frac{50}{t_1} - \frac{95}{t_2} \right) = \boxed{2.23772148}$$

The example gives evidence for why technology is used on systems of equations. For 2-digit accuracy, it is less hand work, and quite fast with a calculator.

(b) Substitution gives $2at + b = -32 - p(at^2 + bt + c)$,
Then $t=0$ implies $b = -32 - pc$. Calculator gives
 $p = (-32 - b)/c = 0.1309520926 \cong 0.131$

(c) $w = \text{equil sol} + \frac{c_1}{\text{integ factor}} = \frac{-32}{p} + \frac{c_1}{e^{pt}}$. Then $w(0)=50$
implies $c_1 = 50 + 32/p$.

(d) A good plot is $|v(t) - w(t)|$ on $0 \leq t \leq 3$. It shows max error of 0.3.

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problem 2 System $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\frac{1}{6}x_1 + \frac{1}{6}x_3 = 0 \\ \frac{1}{6}x_1 - \frac{1}{3}x_2 = 0 \\ \frac{1}{3}x_2 - \frac{1}{6}x_3 = 0 \end{array} \right.$ has augmented matrix equal to

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -\frac{1}{6} & 0 & \frac{1}{6} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{mult}(1,6), \text{mult}(2,6), \text{mult}(3,6)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{combo}(1,2,1)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{combo}(2,3,1)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{mult}(1,-1), \text{mult}(2,-1)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{mult}(2, \frac{1}{2}) \quad \text{Last frame}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 - x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{reduced echelon system} \\ \text{last frame algorithm applies} \end{array}$$

Answer

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = t_1 \\ x_2 = \frac{1}{2}t_1 \\ x_3 = t_1 \end{array} \right. \quad -\infty < t_1 < \infty$$

Let $t_1 = 2c$
Then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 2c \\ x_2 = c \\ x_3 = 2c \end{array} \right.$$