

Chapters 1,2. Sample Problem 7.

(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  $3 \times 3$  system reduces to a  $2 \times 2$  system

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

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

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

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

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

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  
 $p = (-32 - b)/c = 0.1309520926 \approx 0.131$

(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. typo: v(t) above should be z(t)

Chapters 1,2. Sample Problem 8.

System  $\begin{cases} -\frac{1}{6}x_1 + \frac{1}{6}x_3 = 0 \\ \frac{1}{6}x_1 - \frac{1}{3}x_2 = 0 \\ \frac{1}{3}x_2 - \frac{1}{6}x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$  has augmented

matrix equal to

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

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

mult(1,6), mult(2,6), mult(3,6)

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

combo(1,2,1)

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

Combo(2,3,1)

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

mult(1,-1), mult(2,-1)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

mult(2, 1/2) Last frame

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

reduced echelon system  
last frame algorithm applies

Answer

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = t_1 \\ x_2 = \frac{1}{2}t_1 \\ x_3 = t_1 \end{cases} \quad -\infty < t_1 < \infty$$

Let  $t_1 = 2c$

Then

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 2c \\ x_2 = c \\ x_3 = 2c \end{cases}$$