

## COMPUTER PROJECT #4

*MATH 316*  
**Spring 1998**

Consider the three linear systems of ODEs:

$$1. \quad \mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} e^t \\ t \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} -\cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3. \quad \mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & -2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} \\ e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the first two ODEs, do the following:

1. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix, and use these to write down the general solution to the homogeneous problem.
2. Find the fundamental matrix solution  $\Phi(t)$ .
3. Find a particular solution  $\mathbf{x}_p(t)$  of the nonhomogeneous ODE, and then find the solution  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ . Plot the two components of the vector solution  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  on the same graph for  $-1 \leq t \leq 1$ , and then on another graph plot  $x_2(t)$  versus  $x_1(t)$ . For the second graph, use the differential equation to indicate the direction of motion through the initial value.
4. Expand the time interval and, purely on the graphical evidence, venture a guess as to the behavior of the solution curve as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ .

For the last ODE, use **dsolve** to solve the ODE, plot  $x_2(t)$  versus  $x_1(t)$  for  $-1 \leq t \leq 1$  and indicate the direction of motion through the initial value, and then venture a guess as to the behavior of the solution curve as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ .

Hand in a print out of your complete computer algebra solutions and your graphs. Cut all sheets down to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  by 11 inches and staple in the upper left-hand corner.