

Tutorial *Dynamical Systems: Theory and Numerics*

Return: 12am, Thursday, 15.11. metal box: Rutka/Schick (48, ground floor)

Exercise 1: (*Bernoulli's equation*)

The differential equation $y' + g(x)y + h(x)y^\alpha = 0$ with $\alpha \neq 1$ is called *Bernoulli's equation*.

Determine how to solve such an equation (literature!) and apply this approach to

$$y' = x^4 y + x^4 y^4, \quad y(0) = \eta.$$

Exercise 2:

Solve the following system of ODE's:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -y + x(1 - x^2 - y^2) \\ \dot{y} &= x + y(1 - x^2 - y^2)\end{aligned}$$

(Hint: Use polar coordinates!)

Plot the trajectories $(x(t), y(t))$ for $x(0) = k \cdot h$, $y(0) = 0$ with $h = \frac{1}{4}$ and $k = 0, 1, \dots, 8$ and for $t \in [0, 4\pi]$.

Exercise 3: (*Discrete population growth*)

A discrete population model is given by

$$p_{n+1} = rp_n(1 - p_n), \tag{*}$$

where $p_0 \in [0, 1]$ is given.

a) Determine all fixed points of this equation and analyze their stability.
(Hint: Linearize around fixed points.)

b) For which $r > 0$ exist 2-cycles, i.e. $p_{n+2} = p_n \neq p_{n+1}$?

Exercise 4: (*Programming exercise*)

Consider the population model from exercise 3. Plot the limit points of the sequence p_n given by (*) depending on $r \in [0, 4]$. Use $p_0 = \frac{1}{3}$.