

Math 20750  
Spring, 2016

### Assignment 2, due January 22

On this and future assignments you will work on the problems from *Differential Equations with MATLAB*<sup>®</sup> in a group of two or three students. Your group should turn in **only one** assignment, with the names of all members of the group on it. Sign up for a group by Monday, January 18.

Download the java applets **dfield** and **pplane** from <http://math.rice.edu/~dfield/dfpp.html>

Read §§1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 2.4, 2.3 and 2.5 in Polking, Boggess and Arnold in that order.

Do:

§2.1 #2,4,6,7,8,12,15,17,22,26

§2.2 #10,18,23,24,32,33,34,35,41 The model in #23 should be  $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$ .

Use **dfield** as your numerical solver. Read the cursor position (which you can see in the lower left corner) to obtain numerical values.

Read chapters 5-7 in *Differential Equations with MATLAB*<sup>®</sup>.

Do:

Problem Set B #1,8

Use a separate m-file for each problem. Staple the published solutions together in order. Make sure the names of all members of your MATLAB group are on MATLAB assignment before turning it in.

### Hints for Problem Set B #8

MATLAB gives you an implicit solution, which you want to write in the form  $f(t, y) = c$ . The implicit solution will be something of the form

$\text{RootOf}(g(z,t),z)$

where  $g$  is some function of  $z$  and  $t$ . An example (not exactly what you'll get) would be:

$\text{RootOf}(z^3 + 5z^2 - 9z + 2013 - 29C5 + t^{94}, z)$

so  $y$  satisfies the equation  $y^3 + 5y^2 - 9y + 2013 - 29C5 + t^{94} = 0$  where  $C5$  is some constant.