Differential Equation I

Excercise 3, fall 2012

- 1. A water tank is of a size 16m \times 10m \times 3m. Initially it is full of 3 per cent brine.
- (a) Totally fresh water enters the tank at the rate $1.5 \, m^3/min$, and the well stirred brine leaves the tank at the same rate. When does the concentration of salt in the tank descend to the level of 2 per cent?
- (b) Otherwise the same situation but brine that enters the tank, is of 1.5 per cent.
- 2. A fish population of a lake was estimated to be 10000 individuals in 1990 and 5000 individuals in 2000. Let us model the fish population p(t) by the logistic equation $\dot{p}(t) = rp(t) \left(1 p(t)/K\right)$. Suppose that the parameter r has an estimated value 0.1 (the unit of time is a year), but the tolerance K of environment is unknown.
- (a) Determine K, (b) predict the population in 2010.

Remark. If also r is unknown, at least three known values of population are needed. Consideration yields then a system of equations (an usual system, not differential equations) that (mostly) has to be solve by some numerical method.

3. Solve the IVP

$$\dot{x} + 4tx = 2t\sqrt{x}, \quad x(0) = 1.$$

4. Solve the IVP

$$y' = ay - by^4, \quad y(0) = c,$$

where a, b, c > 0. Determine also the limit $\lim_{x \to \infty} y(x)$ of the solution.

5. Consider the SIR-model of infectious diseases, the pair (2.16),

$$\frac{ds}{dt}(t) = -\alpha R_0 s(t)i(t), \quad \frac{di}{dt}(t) = \alpha R_0 s(t)i(t) - \alpha i(t).$$

Suppose 0 < s(0), i(0) < 1. Show that i(t), s(t) > 0 for all $t \ge 0$.

Tips. You can suppose the solution exists on $[0, \infty[$. For any solution functions i(t) and s(t) you can fix them alternately and apply the existence and uniqueness Theorem 1.2 separately to the equations (2.16).

6. Extend the problem 5: show that

(a)
$$\exists s_{\infty} = \lim_{t \to \infty} s(t) > 0$$
, (b) $\exists i_{\infty} = \lim_{t \to \infty} i(t) = 0$.

Tips. Use Problem 5 and Equation (2.18), finally Lemma 2.1.