# Phys234, 2018, Problem set #8: Due Friday April 13, 8pm

Question 1 & 2: Will be given at the start of the lab

### **Question 3:**

A simple description for the horizontal ( $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ -direction) and vertical ( $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ -direction) components of the velocity of a projectile (e.g. cannon ball) is given by the set of coupled equations

$$\frac{dv_x}{dt} = -c \|\mathbf{v}\| v_x$$
$$\frac{dv_z}{dt} = -g - c \|\mathbf{v}\| v_z$$

where g=9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup> is the gravitational acceleration, c=0.03 m<sup>-1</sup> is a drag coefficient for air resistance, and  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$  is the magnitude of the velocity vector given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_z^2}$$

Write a function ps8q3 that computes a numerical solution of both  $v_x(t)$  and  $v_z(t)$  between t=0 s and t=10 s, for the following initial condition:  $v_x(0)=20$  m/s and  $v_z(0)=20$  m/s. You should use the built-in Matlab ODE solver ode45, with the default tolerance. Give your solution in terms of 2 plots: 1) One plot showing  $v_x$  vs t; 2) One plot showing  $v_z$  vs t. Don't forget to also submit your m-files containing your right hand side equations (give it the name rhsq3).

#### **Question 4:**

The Rayleigh oscillator is described by the following non-linear 2nd order ODE:

$$\frac{1}{5}\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{dy}{dt} - \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^3 - y$$

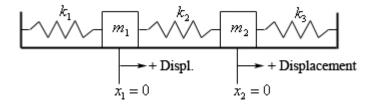
with initial conditions (at t = 0):

$$y = 0$$
  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 1$ 

Write a function ps8q4 that computes a numerical solution y(t) of this equation between t=0 and t=20. You should use the built-in Matlab ODE solver ode45, with the default tolerance. Give your solution in terms of 2 plots: 1) One plot showing y vs t; 2) One plot showing dy/dt vs t. Don't forget to also submit your m-files containing your right hand side equations (give it the name rhsq4). (Your solution should look like a shark-fin pattern).

## **Question 5:**

Two masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are linked together by 3 springs of elastic constants  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ , as in the image below.



The displacements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  of the two masses is given by the following two coupled 2nd order ODE's:

$$m_1 \frac{d^2 x_1}{dt^2} = -k_1 x_1 + k_2 (x_2 - x_1)$$
$$m_2 \frac{d^2 x_2}{dt^2} = -k_2 (x_2 - x_1) - k_3 x_2$$

Use an appropriate change of variables and re-write this system of equations as a set of 4 coupled 1st order ODEs that can be integrated numerically. Then write a function ps8q5 that computes a numerical solution of these coupled ODE's between t=0 and t=100 for the case  $m_1=2$ ,  $m_2=3$ ,  $k_1=1$ ,  $k_2=5$ ,  $k_3=10$  with initial conditions (at t=0):

$$x_1 = 1 \qquad \frac{dx_1}{dt} = 0 \qquad x_2 = 1 \qquad \frac{dx_2}{dt} = 0$$

You should use the built-in Matlab ODE solver ode 45, with the default tolerance. Give your solution in terms of 2 plots:

One plot showing  $x_1$  vs t

One plot showing  $x_2$  vs t.

Make sure you label you axes and don't forget to also submit your m-files containing your right hand side equations (give it the name rhsq5).

## **Question 6:**

A quantity q varies with position x according to the following second order differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2q}{dx^2} = q^2x^2 - 1$$

Write a function ps8q6 that computes a numerical solution of q between x = [0,1] by using the shooting method for the following boundary condition:

$$q(x = 0) = 1$$
  $q(x = 1) = 1$ 

Give your solution in terms of 2 plots:

1) One plot showing q vs x; 2) One plot showing  $\frac{\partial q}{\partial x}$  vs x.

As part of your solution, you should create two functions: rhsq6, which contains the right-hand side of the system of coupled ODEs, and shoot 6 that performs the "shooting" (i.e. one integration for x = [0, 1] for given set of conditions at x = 0 and returning how close the match is to the conditions at x = 1).

#### **Question 7:**

Question 3 above showed the coupled equations for the horizontal ( $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ -direction) and vertical ( $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ -direction) components of the velocity of a projectile. The coupled equations describing the positions x and z of the projectile are then

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dv_x}{dt} = -c\|\mathbf{v}\|v_x$$
$$\frac{d^2z}{dt^2} = \frac{dv_z}{dt} = -g - c\|\mathbf{v}\|v_z$$

where g=9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup> is the gravitational acceleration, c=0.03 m<sup>-1</sup> is a drag coefficient for air resistance, and  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$  is the magnitude of the velocity vector given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_z^2}$$

If a projectile is shot from a position x=0 and z=0 at time t=0, what are the velocities  $v_x$  and  $v_z$  at this initial point such that the projectile would hit a target located at x=10 m and z=2 m at time t=5 s?

Write your solution in a function a ps8q7 that computes a numerical solution to this problem using a shooting method. Execution of your function ps8q7 should print on the screen your solution for the initial  $v_x$  and  $v_z$ , and also show the trajectory of the projectile in a figure of z vs x.

As part of your solution, you should create two functions: rhsq7, which contains the right-hand side of the system of coupled ODEs, and shoot 7 that performs the "shooting".