

1. (85 pts.) Solve each of the following differential equations or initial value problems. Show all essential work neatly and correctly. [17 points/part]

(a) $3y' + x^{-1}y = 9xy^{-2}$ with $y(1) = 2$. This is obviously a Bernoulli equation. Since the DE is equivalent to the equation

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}y^3 = 9x ,$$

set $v = y^3$. Then $\frac{dv}{dx} = 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$. Substituting yields the linear equation

$$\frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}v = 9x ,$$

which has $\mu = e^{\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = e^{\ln|x|} = x$ for $x > 0$ as an integrating factor. Multiplying the linear equation by μ yields

$$\frac{d[xv]}{dx} = 9x^2 .$$

Integrating both sides, we have $xv = 3x^3 + C$. Replacing v results in a one-parameter family of solutions that is given by $xy^3 = 3x^3 + C$. By using the initial condition, $y(1) = 2$, it follows that $C = 5$. Thus, an implicit solution to the IVP is $xy^3 = 3x^3 + 5$. An explicit solution is given by $y(x) = (3x^2 + 5x^{-1})^{1/3}$ for $x > 0$.

(b) $(ye^{xy} - 6x^2)dx + (xe^{xy} + 8y^3)dy = 0$ Since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(ye^{xy} - 6x^2) = e^{xy} + xye^{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xe^{xy} + 8y^3) ,$$

this equation is exact. Thus, there is a nice function $F(x,y)$ satisfying

$$(1) \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = ye^{xy} - 6x^2 \quad \text{and} \quad (2) \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = xe^{xy} + 8y^3 .$$

It follows from (1) above that we have

$$(3) \quad F(x,y) = \int ye^{xy} - 6x^2 dx = e^{xy} - 2x^3 + c(y) ,$$

where $c(y)$ is some function that we have yet to determine. Now using (2) and (3),

$$xe^{xy} + 8y^3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(e^{xy} - 2x^3 + c(y)) = xe^{xy} + \frac{d}{dy}c(y) ,$$

which implies $\frac{d}{dy}c(y) = 8y^3$. Integrating now tells us

$c(y) = 2y^4 + c_0$ for some constant c_0 . Thus,

$$F(x,y) = e^{xy} - 2x^3 + 2y^4 + c_0 .$$

A one-parameter family of implicit solutions is given by

$$e^{xy} - 2x^3 + 2y^4 = c , \text{ where } c \text{ is an arbitrary constant.}$$

(c)

$$y' + y = f(x), \text{ where } f(x) = \begin{cases} 6, & \text{for } 0 \leq x < 3 \\ 2x, & \text{for } 3 \leq x \end{cases}$$

and $y(0) = -3$.

Clearly the ODE is linear and has $\mu = e^x$ as an integrating factor. We may cope with the piecewise defined function f by dealing with a sequence of initial value problems whose solutions, when glued together, will provide the solution to (c). [We shall leave many of the details to you. They are quite routine. Just tread very carefully.]

(I) $y' + y = 6$ and $y(0) = -3$: Multiplying the ODE by μ , doing the obligatory integration, and determining the constant of integration leads to the explicit solution, $y(x) = 6 - 9e^{-x}$ for x satisfying $0 \leq x < 3$. [You really do need the explicit solution here to be able to deal effectively, easily with the initial condition of the next step.]

(II) $y' + y = 2x$ and

$$y(3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} y(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} (6 - 9e^{-x}) = 6 - 9e^{-3} \quad \text{for } 3 \leq x :$$

Multiplying by μ leads us to $\frac{d[e^x y]}{dx} = 2xe^x$. Then integrating

by parts and multiplying by e^{-x} yields $y(x) = 2x - 2 + de^{-x}$ for some number d . Using the initial condition, $y(3) = 6 - 9e^{-3}$, it turns out that $d = 2e^3 - 9$, so $y(x) = 2x - 2 + (2e^3 - 9)e^{-x}$ for $3 \leq x$.

Thus, the solution to (c) is given by

$$y(x) = \begin{cases} 6 - 9e^{-x}, & 0 \leq x < 3 \\ 2x - 2 + (2e^3 - 9)e^{-x}, & 3 \leq x \end{cases}.$$

(d) $(4y^2 + 1)dx + (10 \cdot \csc(x))dy = 0$ This is separable as written. Since (d) is equivalent to the equation

$$(4y^2 + 1) + (10 \cdot \csc(x)) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

and the polynomial $4y^2 + 1$ has no real zeros, we see that there are no constant solutions to be lost by separating variables. Separating variables yields

$$\sin(x)dx + \frac{10}{(2y)^2 + 1} dy = 0.$$

Thus, a one-parameter family of solutions is given by

$$\int \sin(x)dx + \int \frac{10}{(2y)^2 + 1} dy = C$$

or after evaluating the antiderivatives,

$$-\cos(x) + 5 \cdot \tan^{-1}(2y) = C. //$$

You can actually obtain explicit solutions easily here.

(e) $(4x^2 + y^2)dx + (x^2 - xy)dy = 0$ It is not difficult to see that (e) is homogeneous with the coefficient functions homogeneous of degree two. Since

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{4x^2+y^2}{x^2-xy} = \frac{4x^2+y^2}{xy-x^2} = \frac{4 + (y/x)^2}{(y/x) - 1},$$

set $v = \frac{y}{x}$ so that $y = vx$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x\frac{dv}{dx}$. Substituting now

produces $v + x\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{4 + v^2}{v - 1}$. Multiplying both sides of this equation by $v - 1$ and then doing a little additional algebra produces $(v+4)dx - (x(v-1))dv = 0$, a separable equation. [At this stage, we can actually see that $v = -4$ is a constant solution to the separable equation that will be lost by separating variables. The corresponding solution to (e): $y = -4x$.] Separating variables and integrating yields

$$C = \int \frac{1}{x} dx - \int \frac{v-1}{v+4} dv = \ln|x| - \int \frac{(v+4)-5}{v+4} dv = \ln|x| - \int 1 - \frac{5}{v+4} dv.$$

Consequently, $\ln|x| - v + 5\ln|v+4| = C$. A one-parameter family of implicit solutions is given by $\ln|x| - \frac{y}{x} + 5\ln|\frac{y}{x} + 4| = C$.

2. (5 pts.) It is known that every solution to the differential equation $y'' + 16y = 0$ is of the form

$$y = c_1 \cdot \sin(4x) + c_2 \cdot \cos(4x).$$

Which of these functions satisfies the initial conditions $y(\pi/4) = 2$ and $y'(\pi/4) = -4$?? [Hint: Determine c_1 and c_2 by solving an appropriate linear system. Don't waste time verifying y , above, is a solution.]

Since $y(x) = c_1 \cdot \sin(4x) + c_2 \cdot \cos(4x)$ implies that $y'(x) = 4c_1 \cdot \cos(4x) - 4c_2 \cdot \sin(4x)$, the initial conditions imply that $c_1 = 1$ and $c_2 = -2$. Thus, the function that satisfies the initial conditions is $y = \sin(4x) - 2 \cdot \cos(4x)$. //

3. (10 pts.) (a) It is known that $f(x) = x^r$ is a solution to the ordinary differential equation

$$(*) \quad x^2 y'' + 3xy' - 3y = 0$$

for certain values of the constant r . Determine all such values of r .

Evidently $f(x) = x^r$ is a solution to $(*)$ if, and only if

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -3x^r + 3rx^{r-1} + x^2r(r-1)x^{r-2} \\ &= (-3 + 3r + r(r-1))x^r \\ &= (r^2 + 2r - 3)x^r \\ &= (r + 3)(r - 1)x^r \quad \text{for every real number } x. \end{aligned}$$

This happens precisely when it is true that $r = -3$ or $r = 1$.

(b) If the differential equation

$$(**) \quad (Ax + By)dx + (Cx + Dy)dy = 0$$

is exact, what must be true about the constants A , B , C , and D ?

If $(**)$ is exact, then

$$B = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(Ax + By) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(Cx + Dy) = C.$$

A and D may be arbitrary numbers, totally unrelated.

Silly 10 Point Bonus: Frodo asked Gandalf, "Do you know of a closed form for the power series function

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k2^k} (x - 4)^k \quad ?$$

I know the function is defined on the interval $I = [2, 6)$." Gandalf stood silent for a few minutes with a furrowed brow and then replied, "Of course. The closed form is an alias for the function f , which is the solution to an initial value problem to which the magical Fundamental Theorem may be applied." Then Gandalf vanished mysteriously after leaving behind a rapidly fading cheshire cat grin.

Help Frodo.

(a) What is the easy to solve IVP ?? (b) Reveal to Frodo the other identity of the function f . // Say where your work is here: