

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) $(9y^2 + 1)dx + (9 \cdot \sec(x))dy = 0$ This is separable as written. Since (a) is equivalent to the equation

$$(9y^2 + 1) + (9 \cdot \sec(x)) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

and the polynomial $9y^2 + 1$ has no real zeros, we see that there are no constant solutions to be lost by separating variables. Separating variables yields

$$\cos(x)dx + \frac{9}{(3y)^2+1}dy = 0.$$

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

$$\int \cos(x)dx + \int \frac{9}{(3y)^2+1}dy = C$$

or after evaluating the antiderivatives,

$$\sin(x) + 3 \cdot \tan^{-1}(3y) = C. //$$

You can actually obtain explicit solutions easily here.

(b) $3y' + x^{-1}y = 6xy^{-2}$ with $y(1) = -2$. This is obviously a Bernoulli equation. Since the DE is equivalent to the equation

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}y^3 = 6x ,$$

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

$$\frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}v = 6x ,$$

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

$$\frac{d[xv]}{dx} = 6x^2 .$$

Integrating both sides, we have $xv = 2x^3 + C$. Replacing v results in a one-parameter family of solutions, $xy^3 = 2x^3 + C$. Using the initial condition, $y(1) = -2$, it follows that $C = -10$. Thus, an implicit solution to the IVP is $xy^3 = 2x^3 - 10$. An explicit solution: $y(x) = (2x^2 - 10x^{-1})^{1/3}$ for $x > 0$.

(c) $(9x^2 + y^2)dx + (x^2 - xy)dy = 0$ It is not difficult to see that (c) is homogeneous with the coefficient functions homogeneous of degree two. Since

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{9x^2+y^2}{x^2-xy} = \frac{9x^2+y^2}{xy-x^2} = \frac{9 + (y/x)^2}{(y/x) - 1} ,$$

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

produces $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{9 + v^2}{v - 1}$. Multiplying both sides of this

equation by $v - 1$ and then doing a little additional algebra

produces $(v+9)dx - (x(v-1))dv = 0$, a separable equation. [At

this stage, we can actually see that $v = -9$ is a constant solution to the separable equation that will be lost by separating variables. The corresponding solution to (e): $y = -9x$.] Separating variables and integrating yields

$$C = \int \frac{1}{x} dx - \int \frac{v-1}{v+9} dv = \ln|x| - \int \frac{(v+9)-10}{v+9} dv = \ln|x| - \int 1 - \frac{10}{v+9} dv .$$

Consequently, $\ln|x| - v + 10\ln|v+9| = C$. A one-parameter family

of implicit solutions is given by $\ln|x| - \frac{y}{x} + 10\ln|\frac{y}{x} + 9| = C$.

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

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

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

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

It follows from (1) above that we have

$$(3) \quad F(x,y) = \int ye^{xy} + 8x^3 dx = e^{xy} + 2x^4 + c(y) ,$$

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

$$xe^{xy} - 6y^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(e^{xy} + 2x^4 + c(y)) = xe^{xy} + \frac{d}{dy}c(y) ,$$

which implies $\frac{d}{dy}c(y) = -6y^2$. Integrating now tells us

$c(y) = -2y^3 + c_0$ for some constant c_0 . Thus,

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

A one-parameter family of implicit solutions is given by

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

(e) $y' + y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = \begin{cases} 4 & , \text{ for } 0 \leq x < 2 \\ 2x & , \text{ for } 2 \leq x \end{cases}$
 and $y(0) = -1$.

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 $y(0) = -1$: Multiplying the ODE by μ , doing the obligatory integration, and determining the constant of integration leads to the explicit solution, $y(x) = 4 - 5e^{-x}$ for x satisfying $0 \leq x < 2$. [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

$$y(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} y(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (4 - 5e^{-x}) = 4 - 5e^{-2} \quad \text{for } 2 \leq x :$$

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, $y(2) = 4 - 5e^{-2}$, it turns out that $d = 2e^2 - 5$, so $y(x) = 2x - 2 + (2e^2 - 5)e^{-x}$ for $2 \leq x$.

Thus, the solution to (c) is given by

$$y(x) = \begin{cases} 4 - 5e^{-x} & , 0 \leq x < 2 \\ 2x - 2 + (2e^2 - 5)e^{-x} & , 2 \leq x \end{cases} .$$

2. (5 pts.) It is known that every solution to the differential equation $y'' + 4y = 0$ is of the form

$$y = c_1 \cdot \sin(2x) + c_2 \cdot \cos(2x) .$$

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

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

$$(*) \quad x^2 y'' + 3xy' - 8y = 0$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -8x^r + 3rx^{r-1} + x^2 r(r-1)x^{r-2} \\ &= (-8 + 3r + r(r-1))x^r \\ &= (r^2 + 2r - 8)x^r \\ &= (r + 4)(r - 2)x^r \quad \text{for every real number } x. \end{aligned}$$

This happens precisely when it is true that $r = -4$ or $r = 2$.

(b) If the differential equation

$$(**) \quad (Rx + Sy)dx + (Tx + Uy)dy = 0$$

is exact, what must be true about the constants R , S , T , and U ?

If $(**)$ is exact, then

$$S = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(Rx + Sy) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(Tx + Uy) = T.$$

R and U 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

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k3^k} (x - 5)^k ?$$

I know the function is defined on the interval $I = [2, 8)$." 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: