

MAP 2302 (Differential Equations) - Answers
QUIZ 2, Friday January 26, 2018

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1. [4] Transform the differential equation $(x^2 + y^2)dx + x(x-y)dy = 0$ into a separable equation by setting $y = vx$. But, do not solve the separable equation obtained.

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= vdx + xdv, \quad D.E \text{ becomes} \\ (x^2 + x^2v^2)dx + (x^2 - x^2v)(vdx + xdv) &= 0 \\ (x^2 + x^2v^2)dx + (x^2 - x^2v)vdx + x^3(1-v)dv &= 0 \\ (x^2 + x^2v^2 + x^2v - x^2v^2)dx + x^3(1-v)dv &= 0, \text{ which is a separable equation.} \end{aligned}$$

2. [6] Determine whether the differential equation $(e^x + y^2)dx + (2xy + e^{-y})dy = 0$ is exact. If it is exact, solve it. If not, explain why.

Set $M(x,y) = e^x + y^2$, $N(x,y) = 2xy + e^{-y}$
 $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y}(x,y) = 2y = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}(x,y)$; so D.E is exact.

Solution method 1: (Grouping)

$$e^x dx + y^2 dx + 2xy dy + e^{-y} dy = 0$$

$$d(e^x) + d(xy^2) + d(-e^{-y}) = 0$$

$$d(e^x + xy^2 - e^{-y}) = 0; \text{ so general solution is}$$

$$e^x + xy^2 - e^{-y} = c, \quad c = \text{constant}$$

Solution method 2: (Standard). Since D.E is exact, there exists a function F such that

$$(i) \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x,y) = e^x + y^2$$

$$(ii) \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x,y) = 2xy + e^{-y} \quad \text{yields}$$

Integrating (ii) w.r.t. y yields

$$(iii) F(x,y) = \int (2xy + e^{-y}) dy = xy^2 - e^{-y} + k(x)$$

Differentiate (iii) w.r.t. x to get:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x,y) = y^2 + k'(x)$$

$$= y^2 + e^x, \text{ by (i)}$$

Therefore $k'(x) = e^x$, so $k(x) = e^x + d$, $d = \text{constant}$

We may choose $d = 0$, so that $F(x,y) = xy^2 - e^{-y} + e^x$

General solution of D.E: $xy^2 - e^{-y} + e^x = c$, $c = \text{constant}$