

MATH 128 = Calculus 2 for the Sciences, Fall 2006  
Assignment 4 SOLUTIONS

Due **Friday, October 13** in Drop Box 9 before class  
To receive full marks, correct answers must be fully justified.

1. Show that  $y = \frac{2}{3}\sin x + \frac{4}{5}\cos x + \frac{1}{5}e^{2x}$  is a solution of the differential equation (DE)  $y'' + y = e^{2x}$ .

**Solution:** From the given expression for  $y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow y' &= \frac{2}{3}\cos x - \frac{4}{5}\sin x + \frac{2}{5}e^{2x} \Rightarrow y'' = -\frac{2}{3}\sin x - \frac{4}{5}\cos x + \frac{4}{5}e^{2x} \\ \Rightarrow y'' + y &= -\frac{2}{3}\sin x - \frac{4}{5}\cos x + \frac{4}{5}e^{2x} + \frac{2}{3}\sin x + \frac{4}{5}\cos x + \frac{1}{5}e^{2x}\end{aligned}$$

Canceling terms on the right-hand side and then simplifying, we have:

$$y'' + y = \left(\frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{5}\right)e^{2x} = e^{2x},$$

as desired.

2. Find all solutions of the form  $y = Ax + B + \frac{C}{x}$  to the DE  $x(y')^2 + y = \frac{3}{4}x + 1 + \frac{4}{x^3}$ .

**Solution:** From the given expression for  $y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow y' &= A - \frac{C}{x^2} \Rightarrow (y')^2 = \left(A - \frac{C}{x^2}\right)^2 = A^2 - \frac{2AC}{x^2} + \frac{C^2}{x^4} \\ \Rightarrow x(y')^2 + y &= x\left(A^2 - \frac{2AC}{x^2} + \frac{C^2}{x^4}\right) + Ax + B + \frac{C}{x} = \frac{3}{4}x + 1 + \frac{4}{x^3} \\ \Rightarrow xA^2 - \frac{2AC}{x} + \frac{C^2}{x^3} + Ax + B + \frac{C}{x} &= \frac{3}{4}x + 1 + \frac{4}{x^3}\end{aligned}$$

Collecting the left-hand side in coefficients of powers of  $x$ :

$$\Rightarrow x(A^2 + A) + \frac{1}{x}(-2AC + C) + \frac{1}{x^3}(C^2) + B = \frac{3}{4}x + 1 + \frac{4}{x^3}$$

Matching coefficients of powers of  $x$  on both sides:

$$x^0: B = 1,$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3}: C^2 = 4 \text{ so that } C = \pm 2,$$

$$\frac{1}{x}: -2AC + C = C(-2A + 1) = 0 \text{ so that } A = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ since we already know } C \neq 0,$$

$$x^1: A^2 + A = \frac{3}{4}: \text{ our value for } A = \frac{1}{2} \text{ also satisfies this condition}$$

Therefore, we see there are two solutions when we back-substitute the values for  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  into the given expression for  $y$ :

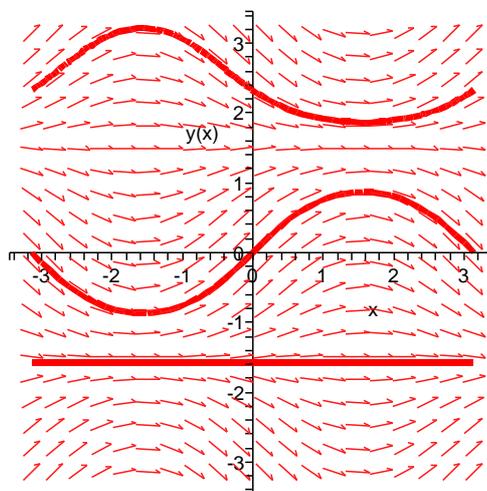
$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{x}{2} + 1 + \frac{2}{x}, \text{ and} \\ y &= \frac{x}{2} + 1 - \frac{2}{x}\end{aligned}$$

3. Below is the slope (or direction) field of  $y' = \cos x \cos y$ .

- (a) On the given slope field, sketch the graphs of the solutions that satisfy the following initial conditions:  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y(2) = -\pi/2$ , and  $y(2) = 2$ . Clearly label the three curves.

**Solution:**

- $y(2) = 2$ : top curve
- $y(0) = 0$ : middle curve
- $y(2) = -\pi/2$ : bottom curve



- (b) Find all of the equilibrium solutions of the DE.

**Solution:** Equilibrium solutions are constant-valued solutions  $y = y^*$  of the DE

$y' = \cos x \cos y^* = 0$ . Here, this can happen only when  $\cos y^* = 0$ , which occurs for  $y^* = \pm\pi/2, \pm3\pi/2, \pm5\pi/2, \dots$  (i.e., odd integer multiples of  $\pi/2$ ).

4. Find the general solution to each of the following DEs.

- (a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + e^{x+y} = 0$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + e^{x+y} = 0 &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -e^{x+y} = -e^x e^y \Rightarrow e^{-y} dy = -e^x dx \Rightarrow \int e^{-y} dy = \int -e^x dx \\ &\Rightarrow -e^{-y} = -e^x + C \Rightarrow e^{-y} = e^x - C \Rightarrow -y = \ln|e^x - C| \\ \therefore y &= -\ln|e^x - C| \end{aligned}$$

Note: the final answer can have  $+C$  instead, as long as you've renamed it elsewhere.

- (b)  $\frac{dx}{d\theta} = \frac{e^x \cos^2 \theta}{x \csc \theta}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{e^x} dx &= \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\csc \theta} d\theta \Rightarrow x e^{-x} dx = \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\frac{1}{\sin \theta}} d\theta = \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\ \Rightarrow \int x e^{-x} dx &= \int \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta \end{aligned}$$

where we use integration by parts for the integral on the left:

$$u = x \Rightarrow du = dx; dv = e^{-x} \Rightarrow v = -e^{-x},$$

and we let  $w = \cos \theta \Rightarrow dw = -\sin \theta d\theta$  on the right:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow -xe^{-x} + \int e^{-x} dx &= -\int w^2 dw = -\left(\frac{w^3}{3} + C_1\right) \\ \Rightarrow -xe^{-x} - e^{-x} &= -\frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} + C_2 \quad (C_2 = -C_1) \\ \therefore xe^{-x} + e^{-x} &= e^{-x}(x+1) = \frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} + C \quad (C = -C_2) \end{aligned}$$

(where factoring the left-hand side here is not necessary).

(c)  $(1+x^2)y' + 2xy = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ .

**Solution:** Rearrange the DE in standard linear form:  $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} y' + \frac{2x}{1+x^2}y &= \frac{1}{(1+x^2)^2} \Rightarrow P(x) = \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \\ \Rightarrow \text{the integrating factor } I(x) &= e^{\int P(x)dx} = e^{\int \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx} = e^{\ln(1+x^2)} = 1+x^2 \\ \Rightarrow (1+x^2)y' + (1+x^2)\frac{2x}{1+x^2}y &= (1+x^2)\frac{1}{(1+x^2)^2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}((1+x^2)y) &= \frac{1}{1+x^2} \\ \Rightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx}((1+x^2)y)dx &= \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \\ \Rightarrow (1+x^2)y &= \tan^{-1} x + C \\ \therefore y &= \frac{\tan^{-1} x + C}{1+x^2} \end{aligned}$$

5. Solve the following initial value problems.

(a)  $\frac{dL}{dt} = kL^2 \ln t$ ,  $L(1) = -1$ .

**Solution:** Rearrange the DE by separating variables and then integrate:

$$\frac{dL}{L^2} = k \ln t dt \Rightarrow \int \frac{dL}{L^2} = \int k \ln t dt$$

where we use integration by parts for the integral on the right:

$$u = \ln t \Rightarrow du = dt/t; dv = dt \Rightarrow v = t,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{L} &= k \left( t \ln t - \int dt \right) = kt \ln t - kt + C \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{L} &= -kt \ln t + kt - C \\ \Rightarrow L &= \frac{1}{-kt \ln t + kt - C} \\ L(1) = -1 \Rightarrow -1 &= \frac{1}{-k(1) \ln 1 + k(1) - C} = \frac{1}{k - C} \Rightarrow k - C = -1 \Rightarrow C = k + 1 \quad (\ln 1 = 0) \\ \therefore L &= \frac{1}{-kt \ln t + kt - k - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad xy' - \frac{y}{x+1} = x, \quad y(1) = 0, \quad x > 0.$$

**Solution:** Rearranging the DE into linear form:

$$y' - \frac{y}{x(x+1)} = 1 \Rightarrow P(x) = \frac{-1}{x(x+1)} \Rightarrow I(x) = e^{-\int \frac{dx}{x(x+1)}} = e^{-\int \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+1} dx}$$

using partial fractions, we now solve for  $A$  and  $B$  to determine  $I(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x(x+1)} &= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+1} = \frac{A(x+1)}{x(x+1)} + \frac{Bx}{x(x+1)} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= Ax + A + Bx = x(A+B) + A \\ \Rightarrow \{1 = A, 0 = A+B\} &\Rightarrow B = -A = -1 \\ \Rightarrow I(x) &= e^{-\int \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1} dx} = e^{-(\ln x - \ln(x+1))} = e^{-\ln x} e^{\ln(x+1)} = e^{\ln x^{-1}} (x+1) = \frac{x+1}{x} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x} y' - \frac{x+1}{x} \frac{y}{x(x+1)} &= \frac{x+1}{x} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x} y' - \frac{y}{x^2} &= 1 + \frac{1}{x} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \left( \frac{x+1}{x} \right) y \right] &= 1 + \frac{1}{x} \\ \Rightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \left( \frac{x+1}{x} \right) y \right] dx &= \int 1 + \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{x+1}{x} \right) y &= x + \ln x + C \quad (\text{can apply IC here, or later}) \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{x + \ln x + C}{\frac{x+1}{x}} = \frac{x^2 + x \ln x + Cx}{x+1} \\ y(1) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 &= \frac{1 + \ln 1 + C}{2} = \frac{1 + C}{2} \Rightarrow C + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow C = -1 \quad (\ln 1 = 0) \\ \therefore y &= \frac{x^2 + x \ln x - x}{x+1} \end{aligned}$$