

**Math 2233**  
FIRST EXAM SOLUTIONS  
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1. (15 pts) Classify the following differential equations: determine their order, if they are linear or non-linear, and if they are ordinary differential equations or partial differential equations.

(a)  $y'' + \cos(y) = x$

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order, nonlinear, ODE

(b)  $\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = y^2$

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order, linear, PDE

(c)  $\frac{d^3 x}{dt^3} + x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0$

- 3<sup>rd</sup> order, non-linear, ODE

(d)  $a(x)y' + b(x)y + c(x) = 0$

- 1<sup>st</sup> order, linear, ODE

(e)  $\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2$

- 1<sup>st</sup> order, nonlinear, ODE

2. (10 pts) Consider the following first order ODE:  $y' = x + y$  and suppose  $y(x)$  is the solution satisfying  $y(1) = 1$ . Use the numerical (Euler) method with  $n = 3$  and  $\Delta x = 0.1$  to estimate  $y(1.3)$ .

- We will begin constructing a table of approximate values for points  $(x_i, y_i \approx y(x_i))$  on the solution using the Euler formula

$$x_{i+1} = x_i + \Delta x$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + F(x_i, y_i) \Delta x$$

with  $F(x, y) = x + y$  and  $x_0 = 1, y_0 = 1$ .

$$x_1 = x_0 + \Delta x = 1.1 \quad y_1 = y_0 + m(x_0, y_0) \Delta x = y_0 + (x_0 + y_0) \Delta x = 1 + (1 + 1)(0.1) = 1.2$$

$$x_2 = x_1 + \Delta x = 1.2 \quad y_2 = y_1 + m(x_1, y_1) \Delta x = y_1 + (x_1 + y_1) \Delta x = 1.2 + (1.1 + 1.2)(0.1) = 1.43$$

$$x_3 = x_2 + \Delta x \quad y_3 = y_2 + m(x_2, y_2) \Delta x = y_2 + (x_2 + y_2) \Delta x = 1.43 + (1.2 + 1.43)(0.1) = 1.693$$

So  $y(1.3) \approx 1.693$ .

□

3. (15 pts) Find an explicit solution of the following (separable) differential equation.

$$2x - e^{2y}y' = 0$$

- We have  $M(x) = 2x$  and  $N(y) = -e^{2y}$ , as an implicit solution we'll have

$$\int 2x dx - \int e^{2y} dy = C \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{2y} = C$$

Solving for  $y$  we obtain

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln |2x^2 - 2C|$$

□

4. (15 pts) Solve the following initial value problem

$$y' - \frac{3}{x}y = x \quad , \quad y(1) = 2$$

- This is a first order linear equation with  $p(x) = -3/x$  and  $g(x) = x$ . So the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x) &= \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) = \exp\left(\int -\frac{3}{x} dx\right) = \exp(-3 \ln|x|) = x^{-3} \\ y(x) &= \frac{1}{\mu} \int \mu g dx + \frac{C}{\mu} = \frac{1}{x^{-3}} \int x^{-3}(x) dx + \frac{C}{x^{-3}} = x^3 \int x^{-2} dx + Cx^{-3} \\ &= x^3 \left(\frac{1}{-1}x^{-1}\right) + Cx^3 = -x^2 + Cx^3 \end{aligned}$$

Plugging the general solution into the initial condition yields

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= y(1) = [-x^2 + Cx^3]_{x=1} = -1 + C \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = 3 \\ \Rightarrow \quad y &= -x^2 + 3x^3 \end{aligned}$$

□

5. (15 pts) Show that the following equation is exact.

$$\frac{y}{x} + 2x + \ln|x| \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

and then find the explicit solution of this differential equation.

- For this problem, we have  $M(x, y) = y/x + 2x$  and  $N(x, y) = \ln|x|$ . We have

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

so the equation is exact. Let's now find an explicit solution to the following initial value problem

$$\frac{y}{x} + 2x + \ln|x| \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x, y) &= \int M dx + C_1(y) = \int \left(\frac{y}{x} + 2x\right) dx + C_1(y) = y \ln|x| + x^2 + C_1(y) \\ &= \int N dy + C_2(x) = \int \ln|x| dy + C_2(x) = \ln|x| y + C_2(x) \end{aligned}$$

The consistency for these two expressions for  $\Phi$  requires  $C_1(y) = 0$  and  $C_2(x) = x^2$ . Thus,  $\Phi = y \ln|x| + x^2$ . Our implicit solution is thus

$$y \ln|x| + x^2 = C \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{C - x^2}{\ln|x|}$$

□

6. (15 pts) Find an integrating factor for the following equation

$$1 + 2xe^{-2y} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

(Hint Look for an integrating factor depending only on  $y$ ):

- Since we are told to expect an integrating factor depending only on  $y$ , we look at

$$F_2 = \frac{1}{M} \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{1}{1 + 2xe^{-2y}} (2 - [0 + 2x(-2e^{-2y})]) = \frac{2(1 + 2xe^{-2y})}{1 + 2xe^{-2y}} = 2$$

This does not depend on  $x$ , so

$$\mu(y) = \exp \left( \int F_2(y) dy \right) = \exp \left( \int 2 dy \right) = \exp(2y) = e^{2y}$$

will be our integrating factor.

□

7. (15 pts) Use a change of variables to find the general solution of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + 2y^2}{2xy}$$

(Hint: this equation is homogeneous of degree 0, so try  $z = y/x$ .)

- If we set  $z = y/x$ , we'll have

$$y = zx \quad \Rightarrow \quad y' = z'x + z$$

If we replace  $y$  by  $zx$  on the right hand side of the differential equation and  $y'$  by  $z'x + z$  on the left hand side we get

$$z'x + z = \frac{x^2 + 2(zx)^2}{2x(zx)} = \frac{x^2(1 + 2z^2)}{2x^2z} = \frac{1 + 2z^2}{2z} = \frac{1}{2z} + z$$

Canceling the isolated  $z$  terms from both extreme sides we obtain

$$z'x = \frac{1}{2z} \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2zz' = \frac{1}{x}$$

This last equation is separable, and hence easy to solve

$$\begin{aligned} \int 2z dz &= \int \frac{1}{x} dx + C &\Rightarrow & z^2 = \ln|x| + C &\Rightarrow & z = \pm \sqrt{\ln|x| + C} \\ &\Rightarrow & & & & y = \pm x \sqrt{\ln|x| + C} \end{aligned}$$