

Math 330 Differential Equations Fall 15 Midterm 1b

Name: Solutions

- I will count your best 8 of the following 10 questions.
- You may use a calculator, and a US Letter page of notes; you may write on both sides. No cell phones.

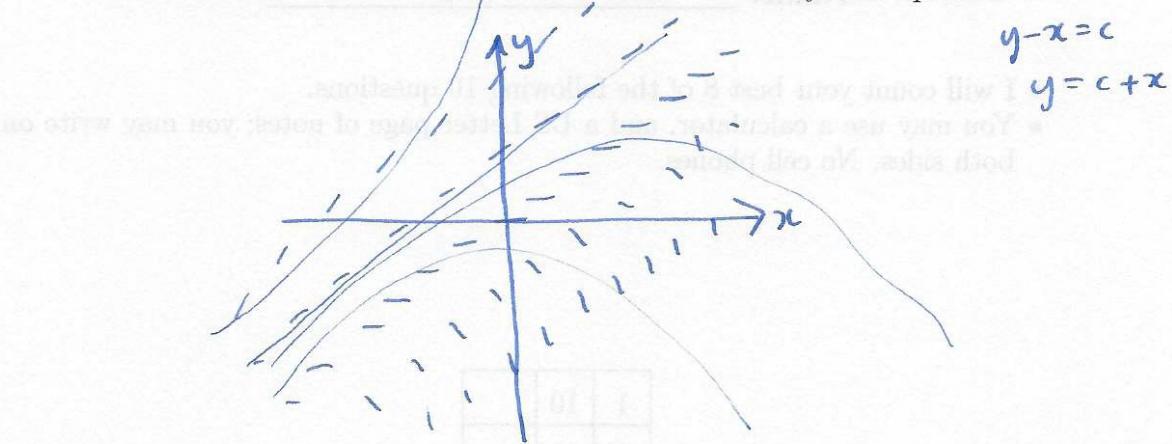
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Overall	

(1) (10 points) Sketch the flow vectors for the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y - x.$$

Find and sketch the family of solutions determined by this equation.



$$\Rightarrow y' - y = x$$

$$\text{solve } y' - y = 0 \text{ by } y = e^{rx}: e^{rx}(r-1) = 0 \quad y = c_1 e^x$$

$$\text{particular solution by } \begin{cases} y = Ax + B \\ y' = A \end{cases} \quad A - Ax - B = -x \quad A = +1 \\ A - B = 0 \quad B = +1$$

$$\text{general solution } y = c_1 e^x + 1 + x$$

(2) (10 points) Find the general solution to

$$y^2 y' + \tan x = 1.$$

$$y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \tan x$$

$$\int y^2 dy = \int 1 - \tan x dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3} y^3 = x + \ln |\cos x| + C$$

$$y = (3(x + \ln |\cos x| + C))^{1/3}$$

(3) (10 points) Find the general solution to  $e^x y' + y e^x + 1 = 0$ .

$$e^x y' + y e^x + 1 = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^x) = e^x \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y e^x + 1) = e^x \Rightarrow \text{exact}$$

$$\int e^x dy = y e^x \quad \int y e^x + 1 \, dx = y e^x + x$$

$$(y e^x + x)' = 0$$

$$y e^x + x = c$$

$$y = \frac{c - x}{e^x}$$

(4) (10 points) Find the general solution to

$$y' + 2xy = 0.$$

integrating factor  $e^{\int 2x dx} = e^{x^2}$

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

$$(e^{x^2} y)' = 0$$

$$e^{x^2} y = C$$

$$y = C e^{-x^2}$$

(5) (10 points) Find the general solution to

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = e^x.$$

solve  $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$  by  $y = e^{rx}$   $e^{rx}(r^2 - 6r + 9) = 0$   
 $(r-3)^2$

sln:  $y = c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 x e^{3x}$

particular solution: by  $\left. \begin{array}{l} y = Ae^x \\ y' = Ae^x \\ y'' = Ae^x \end{array} \right\} e^x(A - 6A + 9A) = e^x$   
 $4A = 1 \quad A = 1/4$

general solution:  $c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 x e^{3x} + \frac{1}{4} e^x$

(6) (10 points) Find the solution to

$$y'' - 4y = e^{-2x}.$$

which satisfies  $y(0) = 1$  and stays bounded as  $x \rightarrow \infty$

solve  $y'' - 4y = 0$  by  $y = e^{\lambda x}$   $e^{\lambda x}(\lambda^2 - 4) = 0$   
 $\lambda^2 - 4 = 0$   $(\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 2) = 0$

solution  $y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x}$

particular solution: by  $y = Axe^{-2x}$   
 $y' = Ae^{2x} - 2Axe^{-2x}$   
 $y'' = -2Ae^{-2x} - 2Ae^{-2x} + 4Axe^{-2x}$

$$e^{-2x} [-4A + 4Ax - 4Ax] = e^{-2x} \Rightarrow -4A = 1 \quad A = -\frac{1}{4}$$

general solution:  $y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} - \frac{1}{4}xe^{-2x}$

stays bounded  $\Rightarrow c_1 = 0$

$$y(0) = 1 = c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = 1 \quad y = e^{-2x} - \frac{1}{4}xe^{-2x}$$

(7) (10 points)

(a) Find the general solution to

$$xy' - y = 0.$$

(b) Find a particular solution to  $xy' - y = x^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \neq 1$ , by looking for a solution of the form  $y = Ax^\alpha$ .

a) by  $y = x^\lambda$   
 $y' = \lambda x^{\lambda-1}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y = x^\lambda \\ y' = \lambda x^{\lambda-1} \end{array} \right\} \quad x^\lambda (\lambda - 1) = 0 \quad \lambda = 1 \quad \text{solution: } y = cx$$

b)  $y = Ax^\alpha$   
 $y' = A\alpha x^{\alpha-1}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y = Ax^\alpha \\ y' = A\alpha x^{\alpha-1} \end{array} \right\} \quad A\alpha x^\alpha - A x^\alpha = x^\alpha$$

$$x^\alpha (A\alpha - A) = x^\alpha$$

$$A(\alpha - 1) = 1 \quad A = \frac{1}{\alpha - 1}$$

so  $y = cx + \frac{1}{\alpha - 1} x^\alpha$

(8) (10 points)

- (a) Use your solution to the previous problem to find the solution to the initial value problem

$$xy' - y = x^\alpha, \quad y(1) = 0, \quad \alpha \neq 1.$$

(b) Solve

$$xy' - y = x, \quad y(1) = 0$$

by taking the limit as  $\alpha \rightarrow 1$  of your answer to (a).

$$a) \quad y = c_1 x + \frac{1}{\alpha-1} x^\alpha \quad y(1) = 0 = c_1 + \frac{1}{\alpha-1} \Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{-1}{\alpha-1}$$

$$\text{so } y = \frac{x^\alpha - x}{\alpha - 1}$$

$$b) \quad \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^\alpha - x}{\alpha - 1} = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^{\alpha \ln(x)} - x}{\alpha - 1} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln(x)}{1} e^{\alpha \ln(x)} = x \ln(x)$$

- (9) (10 points). You jump out of an aeroplane and fall with constant gravitational acceleration  $g$ . Suppose you have mass  $m$  and the force of air resistance is equal to your surface area  $A$  times your speed. If  $y(t)$  is your height above the ground, show that your equation of motion is

$$y'' = -g - \frac{A}{m} y'.$$

If you start at height  $y(0) = 0$  with velocity  $y'(0) = 0$ , find  $y(t)$ , and use this to show that your terminal velocity is  $-mg/A$ .

F=ma :

$$my'' = -mg - Ay'$$

$$y'' = -g - \frac{A}{m} y' \Rightarrow y'' + \frac{A}{m} y' = -g$$

solve:  $y'' + \frac{A}{m} y' = 0$  try  $y = e^{\lambda t}$ :  $e^{\lambda t} (\lambda^2 + \frac{A}{m} \lambda) = 0$

get so  $y = c_1 + c_2 e^{-\frac{A}{m} t}$   $\lambda(\lambda + \frac{A}{m}) \quad \lambda = 0, -\frac{A}{m}$ .

particular solution:  $\left. \begin{array}{l} y = Bx \\ y' = B \\ y'' = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \frac{AB}{m} = -g \quad B = -\frac{gm}{A}$

general solution  $y(t) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-\frac{A}{m} t} - \frac{gm}{A} t \quad y'(t) = -\frac{Ac_2}{m} e^{-\frac{A}{m} t} - \frac{gm}{A}$

$$y(0) = 0 = c_1 + c_2 \Rightarrow c_2$$

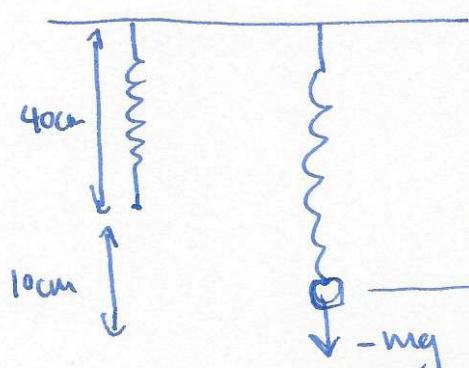
$$y'(0) = 0 = -\frac{Ac_2}{m} - \frac{gm}{A} \quad c_2 = -\frac{gm^2}{A^2} \quad c_1 = +\frac{gm^2}{A^2}$$

$$y(t) = +\frac{gm^2}{A^2} - \frac{gm^2}{A^2} e^{-\frac{A}{m} t} - \frac{gm}{A} t$$

$$y'(t) = +\frac{gm}{A} e^{-\frac{A}{m} t} - \frac{gm}{A}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y'(t) = -\frac{gm}{A}$$

- (10) An unloaded spring has length 40cm, and is in equilibrium at length 50cm with a 1 kg mass attached. Suppose there is a damping force equal to  $k$  times the velocity. Derive the equation of motion for the spring and show that the long time behaviour of the spring always tends to zero velocity.



$$\text{Newton: } F = ma$$

$$\text{Hooke: } F = ce \text{ extension} \quad c = \frac{\text{spring constant}}{\text{length}}$$

$$y = 0 \text{ equilibrium} \quad -mg = c(0+10)$$

$$\text{in general: } my'' = -mg - c(y+10) - ky'$$

$$y'' = -g - \frac{cy}{m} - \frac{10c}{m} - \frac{ky'}{m}$$

$$y'' + \frac{k}{m}y' + \frac{c}{m}y = 0 \quad k, c, m > 0$$

$$\text{try } y = e^{\lambda t} \quad e^{\lambda t} \left( \lambda^2 + \frac{k}{m}\lambda + \frac{c}{m} \right) = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-\frac{k}{m} \pm \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{m^2} - \frac{4c}{m}}}{2} \quad \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{m^2} - \frac{4c}{m}} < \frac{k}{m} \text{ so if}$$

two real roots: both negative

complex roots:  $\underline{-\frac{k}{2m} \pm i\beta}$   
negative.

$\Rightarrow$  all solutions product with negative exponential  
 $\rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .