

**Problem 1.**

Find the general solution of the following differential equations

(a) [5pts.]

$$\frac{dy(x)}{dx} = e^{x+4y(x)},$$

$$\frac{dy(x)}{dx} = e^x e^{4y(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int e^{-4y(x)} dy(x) = \int e^x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} e^{-4y(x)} = e^x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-4y(x)} = -4e^x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow -4y(x) = \ln(-4e^x) + \ln(C)$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = -\frac{1}{4} (\ln(-4e^x) + \ln(C)) \text{ is the general explicit solution for an arbitrary constant } C$$

(b) [5pts.]

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \frac{t^4 + \sin(t)}{\cos(x(t)) + 2}$$

$$\int (\cos(x(t)) + 2) dx(t) = \int (t^4 + \sin(t)) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(x(t)) + 2x(t) = \frac{1}{5} t^5 - \cos(t) + C \text{ is the general implicit solution for an arbitrary constant } C$$

Problem 2.

(a) [4pts.] Consider the differential equation

$$x - x(y(x))^2 + (y(x) - kx^2y(x)) \frac{dy(x)}{dx} = 0$$

Using the definition of exactness of a differential equation, find a value for the unknown constant  $k$  so that the above differential equation is exact. You do not need to solve the differential equation.

$$\text{Let } M = x - x(y(x))^2, \quad N = y(x) - kx^2y(x)$$

$$\text{Want } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -2y(x)x, \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -2xky(x)$$

$$\text{For } -2y(x)x = -2xky(x)$$

$$\implies k = 1$$

(b) [8pts.] Check if the following differential equation is exact. If so, find the general solution of the differential equation.

$$12xy(x) + 6(x^2 - (y(x))^2) \frac{dy(x)}{dx} = 0$$

$$\text{Let } M = 12xy(x), \quad N = 6x^2 - 6(y(x))^2$$

Since  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 12x = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , the differential equation is exact.

$$\text{Want } f \text{ such that } f = \int M dx + g(y(x)),$$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \int 12xy(x) dx + g(y(x)) \\ &= 6x^2y(x) + g(y(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Want } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = N, \text{ and find } g(y(x)),$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 6x^2 + g'(y(x)) \text{ so } 6x^2 + g'(y(x)) = 6x^2 - 6(y(x))^2$$

$$\implies g'(y(x)) = -6(y(x))^2$$

$$\implies \int g'(y(x)) dy(x) = \int -6(y(x))^2 dy(x)$$

$$\implies g(y(x)) = -2(y(x))^3$$

Plugging  $g(y(x))$  into  $f$ ,  
 $f(x, y) = 6x^2y(x) - 2(y(x))^3$  and setting  $f(x, y) = C$   
 $\implies 6x^2y(x) - 2(y(x))^3 = C$  is the general solution for an arbitrary constant  $C$

**Problem 3. 8pts.**

Let  $a(t)$  and  $f(t)$  be continuous functions and let  $y_0$  be some real number. Using any method of your choice, solve the following initial value problem,

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = a(t)y(t) + f(t), \quad y(0) = y_0$$

You must show all the steps required to solve the problem.

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = a(t)y(t) + f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy(t)}{dt} - a(t)y(t) = f(t) \quad \textcircled{1} \text{ set in standard form}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\int a(t) dt} \left( \frac{dy(t)}{dt} - a(t)y(t) \right) = e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ Apply integrating factor } \mu = e^{-\int a(t) dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\int a(t) dt} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} - e^{-\int a(t) dt} a(t)y(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\int a(t) dt} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + (e^{-\int a(t) dt})' y(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( e^{-\int a(t) dt} y(t) \right)' = e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) \quad \textcircled{3} \text{ Integrate and solve}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\int a(t) dt} y(t) = \int e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) dt + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = e^{\int a(t) dt} \int e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) dt + C e^{\int a(t) dt}$$

④ Solving for  $y(0) = y_0$

$$y(0) = e^{\int a(0) dt} \int e^{-\int a(0) dt} f(0) dt + C e^{\int a(0) dt} = y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow C e^{\int a(0) dt} = y_0 - e^{\int a(0) dt} \int e^{-\int a(0) dt} f(0) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow C = y_0 e^{-\int a(0) dt} - \int e^{-\int a(0) dt} f(0) dt$$

⑤ Plugging  $C$  into  $y(t)$ ,

$$y(t) = e^{\int a(t) dt} \int e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) dt + y_0 e^{\int a(t) dt} - e^{\int a(t) dt} \int e^{-\int a(t) dt} f(t) dt$$

is the solution to the IVP.

**Problem 4.**

Consider the initial value problem (IVP) :  $\frac{dp(t)}{dt} = (p(t) + 4t)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ ,  $p(1) = 4$ .

- (a) [5pts.] Can we guarantee that this IVP has a solution? If not, can we use the existence theorem to say that no solution to this IVP exists. Justify your answer.

$$\text{Let } f(t, p(t)) = (p(t) + 4t)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{at } f(1, 4) = (4 + 4)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 8^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$$

Since  $f(t, p(t))$  is continuous and exists in the rectangle  $R$  such that  $(t_0, p_0) = (1, 4) \in R$ , we can say that this IVP has a solution by the existence theorem.

- (b) [5pts.] Can we guarantee that a unique solution of the IVP exists? If not, can we say that there exist multiple solutions to this IVP by applying the uniqueness theorem? Justify your answer.

$$\text{Let } f(t, p(t)) = (p(t) + 4t)^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial f(t, p(t))}{\partial p(t)} = \frac{1}{3} (p(t) + 4t)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\text{at } f(1, 4) = (4 + 4)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 8^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = \frac{1}{3} (4 + 4)^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{3} (8)^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{12}$$

Since  $f(t, p(t))$  and  $\frac{\partial f(t, p(t))}{\partial p(t)}$  are continuous and exist in the rectangle  $R$  such that  $(t_0, p_0) = (1, 4) \in R$ , we can say that a unique solution of the IVP exists by the uniqueness theorem.

**Problem 5**(Bonus problem) 5pts.

Show that if the differential equation,

$$P(y, t(y)) + Q(y, t(y)) \frac{dt(y)}{dy} = 0$$

is exact, then there exists a function  $R(p, q)$  such that the general solution  $t(y)$  of the differential equation is given by

$$R(y, t(y)) = C$$

If  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}$ , then there exists  $R(p, q)$  such that

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial y} = P, \quad \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} = Q$$