

# Assignment 1 - Math 201

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## Question 1

Solve the Equation:  $x' = x^2 - 4$

**Separating Variables:**

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= x^2 - 4 \\ h(t) &= 1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = g(x) * h(t)$$

**Integrating:**

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - 4} = \int 1 dt$$

Via Partial Fractions:

$$\frac{1}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{A(x - 2) + B(x + 2)}{(x + 2)(x - 2)}$$
$$A = -\frac{1}{4}, B = \frac{1}{4}$$

Substituting:

$$\int \frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{x + 2} dx + \int \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x - 2} dx = \int 1 dt$$

The Implicit Solution:

$$-\frac{1}{4} \ln |x + 2| + \frac{1}{4} \ln |x - 2| = t + c$$

**Solving for  $x$ :**

Via log rules:

$$\ln \frac{x - 2}{x + 2} = 4(t + c)$$

$$\frac{x - 2}{x + 2} = e^{4t+4c}$$

$$x - 2 = x e^{4t+4c} + 2 e^{4t+4c}$$

$$x = \frac{2e^{4t+4c} + 2}{1 - e^{4t+4c}}$$

Which simplifies to our **explicit solution**:

$$x = \frac{-2(e^{4t+4c} + 1)}{e^{4t+4c} - 1}$$

However since  $e^{4c}$  is simply a constant, we can simplify further to:

$$x = \frac{-2(e^{4t} * k + 1)}{e^{4t} * k - 1}$$

## Singular Solutions

**Already accounted for** in the general solution.

$$x = 2 \Rightarrow x' = 2^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\gamma(t) = 2, \gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

**Required singular solution.**

$$x = -2 \Rightarrow x' = (-2)^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\gamma(t) = -2, \gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

## Question 2

What is the half-life of Krypton 85, knowing that it's decay rate is 6.3% per year?

$$k = \frac{-6.3}{100} = -0.063$$

$$C = 1$$

$$x(t) = .5$$

The general solution:  $x(t) = Ce^{kt}$

**Substituting:**

$$0.5 = 1e^{-0.063t}$$

**Solving:**

$$\frac{\ln 0.5}{-0.063} = t$$

$$t = 11.0023$$

∴ The half life is 11.0023 years.

## Question 3

Solve the initial value problem:  $y' = [(t - 1)y]^{-\frac{1}{3}}$

When  $y(0) = 1$ .

Expanding:

$$y' = (t - 1)^{-\frac{1}{3}} y^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

**Separating Variables:**

$$\begin{aligned} g(y) &= y^{-\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{g(y)} = h(t)dt \\ h(t) &= (t - 1)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

**Integrating:**

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \int \frac{1}{(t - 1)^{\frac{1}{3}}} dt$$

The implicit solution:

$$\frac{3}{4} y^{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{3}{2} (t - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + c$$

**Solving for  $y$ :**

$$y^{\frac{4}{3}} = 2(t - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + c$$

The explicit solution:

$$y = [2(t - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + c]^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

**Finding the  $c$ :**

Using the initial value:  $y(0) = 1$

$$y(0) = 1 = [2(0 - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + c]^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

Solving for  $c$ :

$$1 = [2(-1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + c]^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$c = 1^{\frac{4}{3}} - 2(-1)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$c = 1 - 2(1) = -1$$

**Substituting Back**

$$y = (2(t - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} - 1)^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

## Question 4

Solve the equation  $x' = tx + 6te^{-t^2}$

Noting that this is a linear non-homogeneous equation.

$$F(t) = t$$

$$g(t) = 6te^{-t^2} \Rightarrow x' = F(t)x + g(t)$$

**Considering  $x' = F(t)x$ :**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(t)x = tx$$

$$x = ce^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

Making  $c$  a variable:

$$x(t) = c(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

$$x'(t) = c'(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} + tc(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

**Substituting Back:**

$$t(c(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}) + 6te^{-t^2} = c'(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} + tc(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

Noting how the terms containing  $c(t)$  cancel out:

$$6te^{-t^2} = c'(t)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

Solving for  $c'(t)$ :

$$c'(t) = 6te^{-t^2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

Noting that  $6te^{-t^2} = g(t)$  and  $(-\frac{1}{2}t) = \phi$ :

$$c(t) = \int g(t)e^{\phi t} dt$$

$$c(t) = \int 6te^{-t^2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2} dt$$

$$c(t) = -2e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} + k$$

**Substituting  $c(t)$ :**

$$x = (-2e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} + k)e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}$$

## Question 5

Solve the initial value problem:  $r' = [\cot 2\phi]r - \cos 2\phi$

When  $r(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0$ .

Noting that this is a linear non-homogeneous equation.

$$F(\phi) = \cot 2\phi \Rightarrow r' = F(\phi)r + g(\phi)$$

$$g(\phi) = \cos 2\phi$$

**Considering  $r' = F(\phi)r$ :**

$$\frac{dr}{d\phi} = F(\phi)r = \cot 2\phi r$$

$$\int \frac{dr}{r} = \int \cot 2\phi d\phi$$

$$r = ce^{\frac{1}{2} \ln \sin 2\phi}$$

$$r = c \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi)$$

Making  $c$  a variable:

$$r(\phi) = c(\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} 2\phi$$

$$r'(\phi) = c'(\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi) + c(\phi) \sin^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi) * (-\frac{1}{2})(-2 \cos (2\phi))$$

Simplifying:

$$r'(\phi) = c'(\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi) + \frac{\cos (2\phi)c(\phi)}{\sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi)}$$

**Substituting Back**

$$F(\phi)r + g(\phi) = r'$$

$$c(\phi) \cot (2\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}}(2\phi) - \cos (2\phi) = c'(\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}}(2\phi) + \frac{\cos (2\phi)c(\phi)}{\sin^{\frac{1}{2}}(2\phi)}$$

Observing how terms containing  $c(\phi)$  cancel out:

$$-\cos (2\phi) = c'(\phi) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}}(2\phi)$$

Solving for  $c'(\phi)$ :

$$c'(\phi) = \frac{-\cos (2\phi)}{\sin^{\frac{1}{2}} 2\phi}$$

Integrating to find  $c(\phi)$ :

$$c(\phi) = -\sqrt{\sin 2\phi} + k$$

**Substituting  $c(\phi)$ :**

$$r = (-\sqrt{\sin 2\phi} + k) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi)$$

**Finding  $k$ :**

$$r(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0 = (\sqrt{\sin (2 \frac{\pi}{4})} + k) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2 \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$k = 1$$

Giving us the **solution**:

$$r = (-\sqrt{\sin 2\phi} + 1) \sin^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\phi)$$