

SAMPLE QUESTIONS (CHAPTER 2)

Section 2.1:

Q1) Find the solution of the given initial value problem.

$$y' - 4y = e^{4t}, \quad y(0) = 2$$

$$p(t) = -4 \quad \mu(t) = e^{\int p(t) dt} = e^{-4t}$$

Multiplying the equation with $\mu(t)$,

$$e^{-4t} \cdot y' - 4e^{-4t} y = 1.$$

$$(y \cdot e^{-4t})' = 1, \text{ integrating both sides,}$$

$$y(t) \cdot e^{-4t} = t + C, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y(t) = t \cdot e^{4t} + C \cdot e^{4t}$$

$$y(0) = 0 + C = 2, \text{ so we have}$$

the solution of the initial value problem,

$$\boxed{y(t) = (t+2) e^{4t}}$$

Q2) Find the value of y_0 for which the solution of the initial value problem

$$y' - y = 1 + 3 \sin t, \quad y(0) = y_0$$

remains finite as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Clearly, $\mu(t) = e^{-t}$

$$(y \cdot e^{-t})' = e^{-t} + 3 e^{-t} \sin t, \text{ integrating,}$$

$$y \cdot e^{-t} = -e^{-t} + 3 \int e^{-t} \sin t \, dt$$

We use integration by parts twice to calculate the integral,

$$(*) \quad \int e^{-t} \sin t \, dt = -e^{-t} \sin t + \int e^{-t} \cos t \, dt$$

$$u = \sin t \quad dv = e^{-t} dt$$
$$du = \cos t \, dt \quad v = -e^{-t}$$

$$(**) \quad \int e^{-t} \cos t \, dt = -e^{-t} \cos t - \int e^{-t} \sin t \, dt$$

$$u = \cos t \quad dv = e^{-t} dt$$
$$du = -\sin t \, dt \quad v = -e^{-t}$$

Substituting (**) in (*), we get

$$\int e^{-t} \sin t = -e^{-t} \frac{(\cos t + \sin t)}{2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y(t) \cdot e^{-t} = -e^{-t} - 3e^{-t} \frac{(\cos t + \sin t)}{2} + d, \quad d \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y(t) = -1 - \frac{3}{2}(\cos t + \sin t) + d \cdot e^t$$

Placing $t=0$,

$$y(0) = -1 - \frac{3}{2} + d = y_0$$

$$d = y_0 + 5/2$$

Here is our unique solution to the initial value problem

$$y(t) = -1 - \frac{3}{2}(\cos t + \sin t) + (y_0 + 5/2)e^t,$$

as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $\cos t$ & $\sin t$ remain bounded, but e^t diverge to positive infinity. So if we want finite values, we need to eliminate this term, i.e.,

choose $\boxed{y_0 = -5/2}$.

Section 2.2:

Q1) Solve the given differential equation. $xy' = (1-y^2)^{1/2}$

First, we notice that the equation is separable.

$$(1-y^2)^{-1/2} dy = 1/x dx, \text{ integrating both sides,}$$

$$\arcsin y = \ln x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

So that $y(x) = \sin(\ln x + c), \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$

Q2) $\sin 2x dx + \cos 3y dy = 0$, $y(\pi/2) = \pi/3$

$\cos 3y dy = -\sin 2x dx$, the equation is separable,
integrating both sides,

$$\frac{\sin 3y}{3} = \frac{\cos 2x}{2} + C, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}$$

Using the initial condition,

$$\frac{\sin \pi}{3} = \frac{\cos \pi}{2} + C \Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin 3y = \frac{3}{2} \cos 2x + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{\arcsin \left(\frac{3}{2} (\cos 2x + 1) \right)}{3}$$

Q3) Solve the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ay+b}{cy+d},$$

where a, b, c, d are constants.

See that we have separability,

$$\frac{cy+d}{ay+b} dy = 1 \cdot dx$$

$$\left(\frac{cy}{ay+b} + \frac{d}{ay+b} \right) dy = 1 dx, \text{ integrating both sides,}$$

$$\frac{c}{a^2} \cdot (ay - b \cdot \ln(ay+b)) + \frac{d}{a} \ln(ay+b) = x + r, \quad r \in \mathbb{R}$$

Hence we have the implicit form of the solution.

Section 2.4:

Q1) Solve the given initial value problem and determine how the interval in which the solution exists depends on the initial value y_0 .

$$y' + y^3 = 0, \quad y(0) = y_0$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -y^3$$

$$-y^{-3} dy = 1 \cdot dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2} y^{-2} = x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\frac{1}{2x+d} = y^2, \quad d \in \mathbb{R},$$

Putting the initial condition, $d = \frac{1}{y_0^2}$, moreover

$$y(x) = \pm \frac{y_0}{\sqrt{2y_0^2 x + 1}}, \text{ and it exists as long as}$$
$$2y_0^2 x + 1 > 0$$

$$2y_0^2 x > -1$$

If $y_0 = 0 \Rightarrow$ Solution exists for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. (It's $y(x) = 0$)

If $y_0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ Solution exists for all $x > \frac{-1}{2y_0^2}$

Q2) Bernoulli Equations: $y' + p(t)y = q(t)y^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(a) Solve Bernoulli's equation when $n=0$; when $n=1$.

$$n=0 \Rightarrow y' + p(t)y = q(t), \text{ i.e., usual linear } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order O.D.E.}$$

$$n=1 \Rightarrow y' + (p(t) - q(t))y = 0, \text{ i.e., usual linear } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order O.D.E.}$$

(b) Show that if $n \neq 0, 1$, then the substitution $v = y^{1-n}$ reduces Bernoulli's equation to a linear equation. (Leibniz, 1696)

$$v = y^{1-n} \Rightarrow v' = (1-n) y^{-n} \cdot y' \Rightarrow y' = \frac{v' \cdot y^n}{1-n}$$

$$v = y^{1-n} \Rightarrow y = v \cdot y^n$$

Substituting, we have

$$y' + p(t)y = q(t)y^n$$

$$\frac{v' y^n}{(1-n)} + p(t) \cdot v \cdot y^n = q(t) \cdot y^n, \text{ or, equivalently,}$$

$v' + (1-n) \cdot p(t) \cdot v = (1-n)q(t)$, a first order linear equation with respect to v .

Q3) Solve the Bernoulli equation:

$$y' = \epsilon y - \sigma y^3, \epsilon > 0, \sigma > 0.$$

$$y' - \epsilon y = -\sigma y^3, \quad n=3, \text{ so let } v = y^{1-n} = y^{-2}$$

$$v' = -2 \cdot y^{-3} \cdot y' \Rightarrow y' = \frac{-v' \cdot y^3}{2} \quad y = v \cdot y^3$$

Substituting,

$$\frac{-v' \cdot y^3}{2} - \epsilon v \cdot y^3 = -\sigma y^3, \text{ or, equivalently,}$$

$$v' + 2\epsilon v = 2\sigma, \quad \mu(t) = e^{2\epsilon t}$$

$$(v \cdot e^{2\epsilon t})' = e^{2\epsilon t} 2\sigma \rightarrow \text{integrating both sides}$$

$$v \cdot e^{2\epsilon t} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \cdot e^{2\epsilon t} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$v(t) = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} + c \cdot e^{-2\epsilon t} \quad \text{Recall that } v = y^{-2}, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$v(t) = \frac{\sigma \cdot e^{2\epsilon t} + \epsilon c}{\epsilon \cdot e^{2\epsilon t}} \quad y = \sqrt{1/v}$$

$$\text{So } y(t) = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \cdot e^{2\epsilon t}}{\sigma \cdot e^{2\epsilon t} + \epsilon \cdot c}}, \quad \text{where } \epsilon, \sigma > 0, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Section 2.6:

Q1) Solve the following equation.

$$(y/x + bx) dx + (\ln x - 2) dy = 0, \quad x > 0$$

$$\text{Let } M(x, y) = y/x + bx \quad N(x, y) = \ln x - 2$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}, \quad \text{so the equation is exact.}$$

There exists a function $\Psi(x, y)$ such that $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} = M$,

$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} = N$ and $\Psi = c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$ gives the solution.

$$\Psi = \int M dx = y \cdot \ln x + 3x^2 + g(y), \quad g \text{ is a fn. of } y.$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} = \ln x + g'(y) = N = \ln x - 2 \quad \text{So } g(y) = -2y + d, \quad d \in \mathbb{R}$$

Hence we have

$$\Psi(x,y) = y \cdot \ln x + 3x^2 - 2y + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

and we have

$$y \cdot \ln x + 3x^2 - 2y = c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y(\ln x - 2) = c - 3x^2$$

$$\boxed{y(x) = \frac{c - 3x^2}{\ln x - 2}}$$

Q2) Solve the following equation.

$$(x+2) \sin y \, dx + x \cdot \cos y \, dy = 0$$

$$\text{Let } M(x,y) = (x+2) \sin y \quad N(x,y) = x \cdot \cos y$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = (x+2) \cos y \neq \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \cos y, \text{ not exact.}$$

We will try to find an integrating factor to make this exact.
If the integrating factor will depend only on x , it will satisfy

$$\frac{d\mu}{dx} = \frac{M_y - N_x}{N} \mu,$$

if it will depend only on y , it will satisfy

$$\frac{d\mu}{dy} = \frac{N_x - M_y}{M} \mu.$$

Try

$$\frac{d\mu}{dx} = \frac{(x+2) \cos y - \cos y}{x \cdot \cos y} \mu$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\frac{x+1}{x}}$

Solve the 1st order O.d.e,

$$\mu' - \left(\frac{x+1}{x}\right) \mu = 0, \text{ the integrating factor, } \lambda,$$

$$\lambda = e^{-\int \frac{x+1}{x} dx} = e^{-\int 1 dx - \int \frac{1}{x} dx} = x^{-1} e^{-x} = \frac{1}{x e^x}$$

$$\left(\mu \cdot \frac{1}{x e^x}\right)' = 0 \quad \boxed{\mu(x) = x e^x} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{without loss} \\ \text{of generality} \\ \text{choose } c=1 \end{array}\right)$$

Multiplying with μ , the equation becomes

$$\underbrace{x(x+2) e^x \sin y dx}_{M(x,y)} + \underbrace{x^2 e^x \cos y dy}_{N(x,y)} = 0$$

$$M_y = (x^2 + 2x) e^x \cos y = N_x = (x^2 e^x + 2x e^x) \cos y$$

Equation is exact now. So there is such ψ .

$$\psi = \int N dy = x^2 e^x \sin y + g(x), \quad g \text{ a fn. of only } x.$$

$$\psi_x = (x^2 + 2x) e^x \sin y + g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow g(x) = c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Thus we have the solution given by

$$x^2 e^x \sin y = d, \quad d \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sin y = d x^{-2} e^{-x}$$

$$y(x) = \arcsin\left(\frac{d}{x^2 e^x}\right), \quad d \in \mathbb{R}$$

is the solution.