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SSCE 1793 DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

TUTORIAL 1

1. Classify each of the following equations as an ordinary differential equation (ODE) or a partial differential equation (PDE), give the order, and indicate the independent and dependent variables. If the equation is an ODE, indicate whether the equation is linear or nonlinear.

(a) $3\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dx}{dt} + 9x = 2\cos 3t$ (mechanical vibration, electrical circuit, seismology)

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(2-3x)}{x(1-3y)}$ (competition between 2 species)

(c) $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$ (Laplace's equation, potential theory, electricity)

(d) $\frac{dp}{dt} = kp(P-p)$ where P and k are constants (logistic curve, epidemiology, economics)

(e) $\frac{dx}{dt} = (4-x)(1-x)$ (chemical reaction rates)

(f) $x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + xy = 0$ (aerodynamics, stress analysis)

(g) $8\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = x(1-x)$ (deflection of beams)

2. Determine whether the given equation is separable, linear, neither or both.

a. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x + y.$

b. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ye^{x+y}}{x^2+2}.$

c. $x\frac{dx}{dt} + t^2x = \sin t.$

d. $3t = e^t\frac{dy}{dt} + y\ln t.$

e. $(t^2+1)\frac{dy}{dt} = yt - y.$

3. Solve the following separable ODEs.

a. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sec^2 y}{1+x^2}$

b. $x\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1-4v^2}{3v}$

c. $\frac{dx}{dt} + x^2 = x$

d. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2(1+y^2)$

e. $y^{-1}dy + ye^{\cos x} \sin x dx = 0$

f. $(x+xy^2)dx + e^{x^2}ydy = 0$

4. Solve the following Initial Value Problems.

a. $y' = x^3(1-y), \quad y(0) = -3$

b. $\frac{dy}{dx} = (1+y^2)\tan x, \quad y(0) = \sqrt{3}$

c. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\sqrt{y+1}(\cos x), \quad y(\pi) = 0$

d. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x\cos^2 y, \quad y(0) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

5. Obtain the general solution to the following ODE.

a. $\frac{dr}{d\theta} + r\tan\theta = \sec\theta$

b. $(t+y+1)dt - dy = 0$

c. $(x^2+1)\frac{dy}{dx} + xy = x$

d. $(x^2+1)\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + 2x - 1 - 4xy$

6. Solve the following Initial Value Problem.

a. $\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = e^{-x}, \quad y(0) = \frac{4}{3}$

b. $t^3\frac{dx}{dt} + 3t^2x = t, \quad x(2) = 0$

c. $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3y}{x} + 2 = 3x, \quad y(1) = 1$

d. $\sin x\frac{dy}{dx} + y\cos x = x\sin x, \quad y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 2$

7. Classify the equation as separable, linear, exact or none of these. Notice that some equations may have more than one classifications.
- a. $(x^2y + x^4 \cos x) - x^3 dy = 0$. b. $(x^{\frac{10}{3}} - 2y)dx + xdy = 0$.
- c. $\sqrt{-2y - y^2}dx + (3 + 2x - x^2)dy = 0$. d. $y^2 dx + (2xy + \cos y)dy = 0$.
- e. $\theta dr + (3r - \theta - 1)d\theta = 0$
8. Classify the equation as separable, linear, exact or none of these. Notice that some equations may have more than one classifications.
- (a) $(2xy + 3)dx - (x^2 - 1)dy = 0$.
- (b) $(\cos x \cos y + 2x)dx - (\sin x \sin y + 2y)dy = 0$.
- (c) $\frac{t}{y}dy + (1 + \ln y)dt = 0$.
- (d) $e^t(y - t)dt + (1 + e^t)dy = 0$.
- (e) $(2x + \frac{y}{1 + x^2y^2})dx + (\frac{x}{1 + x^2y^2} - 2y)dy = 0$
9. Solve the initial value problem:
- (a) $(ye^{xy} - \frac{1}{y})dx + (xe^{xy} + \frac{x}{y^2})dy = 0, \quad y(1) = 1$.
- (b) $(y^2 \sin x)dx + (\frac{1}{x} - \frac{y}{x})dy = 0, \quad y(\pi) = 1$.
10. For each of the following equations, find the most general function $M(x, y)$ or $N(x, y)$ respectively so that the equation is exact.
- (a) $M(x, y)dx + (\sec^2 y - \frac{x}{y})dy = 0$.
- (b) $(y \cos(xy) + e^x)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$.
11. Consider the equation
- $$(y^2 + 2xy)dx - x^2 dy = 0$$
- (a) Show that this equation is not exact.
- (b) Show that multiplying both sides of the equation by y^{-2} yields anew equation that is exact.
- (c) Use the solution of the resulting exact equation to solve the original equation.
- (d) Were any solutions lost in the process?
12. Use the method discussed under "Homogeneous Equations" to solve:
- (a) $(3x^2 - y^2)dx + (xy - x^3y^{-1})dy = 0$.
- (b) $(x^2 + y^2)dx + 2xydy = 0$.
- (c) $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{\theta \sec(\frac{y}{\theta}) + y}{\theta}$.
- (d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(\ln y - \ln x + 1)}{x}$.
13. Use the substitution $z = ax + by$ (a, b are suitable constants) to solve:
- a. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{x + y} - 1$. b. $\frac{dy}{dx} = (x - y + 5)^2$.
14. Use the method discussed under "Bernoulli Equations" to solve:
- a. $\frac{dy}{dx} - y = e^{2x}y^3$. b. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2y}{x} - x^2y^2$.
- c. $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x - 2} = 5(x - 2)y^{\frac{1}{2}}$. d. $\frac{dx}{dt} + tx^3 + \frac{x}{t} = 0$.

15. **Newton's Law of Cooling.** According to Newton's Law of Cooling, if an object at temperature T is immersed in a medium having the constant temperature M , then the rate of change of T is proportional to the difference of temperature $M - T$. This gives the differential equation

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(M - T).$$

- (a) Solve the equation for T .
- (b) A thermometer reading 100° is placed in a medium having the constant temperature of 70° . After 6 minutes, the thermometer reads 80° . What is the reading after 20 minutes?
- (c) It was noon on a cold December day in Cameron Highland; $16^\circ C$. Detective Ismail arrived at the crime scene to find Sergeant Normah leaning over a body. Sergeant Normah said that there were several suspects. If only they knew the exact time of death, then they could narrow down the list. Detective Ismail took out a thermometer and measured the temperature of the body; $34.5^\circ C$. He then left for lunch. Upon returning at 1:00 pm, he found the body temperature to be $33.7^\circ C$. When did the murder occur? Hint: Normal body temperature is $37^\circ C$.
- (d) Just before midday, the body of an apparent homicide victim was found in a room that was kept at a constant temperature of $70^\circ F$. At 12 noon, the temperature of the body was $80^\circ F$ and at 1 pm it was $75^\circ F$. Assume that the temperature of the body at the time of death was $98.6^\circ F$ and that it had cooled according to Newton's law of cooling. What was the time of death?
16. **Free Fall.** An object falls through the air towards earth. Assuming that only air resistance and gravity are acting on the object, then the velocity v satisfies the equation

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = mg - bv$$

where m is the mass, g is the acceleration due to gravity, and $b > 0$ is a constant. If $m = 100$ kg, $g = 9.8$ m/sec², $b = 5$ kg/sec, and $v(0) = 10$ m/sec, solve for $v(t)$. What is the limiting (i.e., terminal) velocity of the object?

17. **Vertical Motion.** A particle moves vertically under the force of gravity against air resistance kv^2 , where k is a constant. The velocity v at any time t is given by the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - kv^2.$$

If the particle starts off from rest show that

$$v = \frac{\lambda(e^{2\lambda kt} - 1)}{(e^{2\lambda kt} + 1)}$$

where $\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$. Then find the velocity as the time approaches infinity.

18. **Electric Circuit.** The simplest electric circuit shown in Figure 1 contains an electromotive force (usually a battery or generator) that produces a voltage of $E(t)$ volts (V) and a current of $I(t)$ amperes (A) at time t . The circuit also contains a resistor with a resistance of R ohm Ω and an inductor with an inductance of L henries (H). Ohm's Law gives the drop in voltage due to the resistor as RI . The voltage drop due to the inductor is $L \frac{dI}{dt}$. One of Kirchhoff's law states that the sum of voltage drops is equal to the supplied voltage $E(t)$. Thus we have

$$L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI = E(t)$$

which is a first order linear differential equation. The solution gives the current I at time t .

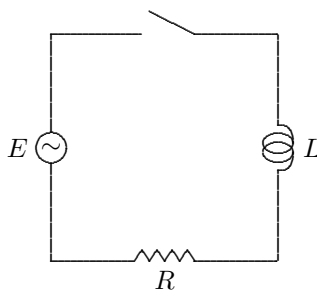


Figure 1

- (a) The simple circuit is shown in Figure 1. Given that the resistance is 12Ω and the inductance is 4H . The battery gives a constant voltage of 60V and the switch is turned off when $t = 0$, so the current starts with $I(0) = 0$. Find
- i. $I(t)$
 - ii. the current after 1 sec
 - iii. the limiting value of the current.
- (b) Suppose that the resistance and inductance remain as in part (a) but, instead of a battery, we use a generator that produces a variable voltage of $E(t) = 60 \sin 30t$ volts. Find $I(t)$.
19. **Drug Concentration.** The rate at which a drug is absorbed into the blood system is given by

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha - \beta x$$

where $x(t)$ is the concentration of the drug in the blood stream at time t . Find $x(t)$. What does $x(t)$ approach in the long run (that is, as $t \rightarrow \infty$)? At what time is $x(t)$ equal to half this limiting value? Assume that $x(0) = 0$.

20. **Bernoulli Equations.** The equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = xy^{-2} \tag{1}$$

is an example of a Bernoulli equation.

- (a) Show that the substitution $v = y^3$ reduces Equation (1) to

$$\frac{dv}{dx} + 6v = 3x. \tag{2}$$

- (b) Solve Equation (2) for v . Then make the substitution $v = y^3$ to obtain the solution to Equation (1).

SOLUTIONS TO TUTORIAL 1

1. (a) ODE, 2^{nd} order, ind.var. t , dep.var. x , linear.
 (b) ODE, 1^{st} order, ind.var. x , dep.var. y , nonlinear.
 (c) PDE, 2^{nd} order, dept.var. u , indep. x, y , linear.
 (d) ODE, 1^{st} order, ind.var. t , dep.var. p , nonlinear.
 (e) ODE, 1^{st} order, dept.var. x , indep. t , nonlinear.
 (f) ODE, 2^{nd} order, dept. y , ind. x , linear.
 (g) ODE, 4^{th} order, dept. y , ind. x , nonlinear.
2. a.linear b.separable c.not linear, not separable
 d.linear e.separable and linear
- (a) $2y + \sin 2y = 4 \arctan x + C$ (b) $-\frac{3}{8} \ln(1 - 4v^2) = \ln x + C$
3. (c) $x = \frac{Ce^t}{Ce^t + 1}$, (d) $\tan^{-1} y = x^3 + C$
 (e) $y = \frac{1}{C - e^{\cos x}}$ (f) $\ln(1 + y^2) = e^{-x^2} + C$
4. (a) $y = 1 - 4e^{\frac{-x^4}{4}}$ (b) $\tan^{-1} = -\ln \cos x + \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$
 (c) $y = \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x$ (d) $y = \arctan(1 + x^2)$
5. (a) $r = \sin \theta + C \cos \theta$ (b) $y = -t - 1 + Ce^t$
 (c) $y = 1 + C(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{-1}{2}}$ (d) $(x^2 + 1)^2 y = \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{x^4}{2} + x^2 - x + C$
6. (a) $y = \frac{1}{3}e^{-x} + e^{-4x}$ (b) $x = \frac{t^{-1}}{2} - 2t^{-3}$
 (c) $y = \frac{3}{5}x^2 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{9}{10x^3}$ (d) $y = 2x \cot x + \cos ecx$
7. (a) linear with y as dependent variable
 (b) linear with y as dependent variable
 (c) separable
 (d) exact, linear with x as dep. var
 (e) linear, r as dep. var
8. (a) $y = \frac{(C-3x)}{(x^2-1)}$
 (b) $\sin x \cos y + x^2 - y^2 = C$
 (c) $t \ln y + t = C$
 (d) $y + e^t(y + 1 - t) = C$
 (e) $x^2 - y^2 + \arctan(xy) = C$
9. (a) $e^{xy} - \frac{x}{y} = e - 1$
 (b) $\sin x - x \cos x = \ln y + \frac{1}{y} + \pi - 1$. (equation is separable, not exact.)
10. (a) $-\ln|y| + f(x)$
 (b) $x \cos xy + f(y)$
 (c) $y = \theta \sin^{-1}(\ln \theta + C)$
 (d) $y = xe^{Ax}$
11. a. $y = \frac{x^2}{C - x}$. d. yes, $y=0$.
12. (a) $\ln\left(\frac{y^2}{x^6}\right) - \frac{y^2}{x^2} = C$

- (b) $x^3 + 3xy^2 = C$
 (c) $y = xe^{Ax}$
13. (a) $y = \frac{(x+C)^2}{4} - x$ and $y = -x$.
 (b) $y = x + \frac{(6+4Ce^{2x})}{(1+Ce^{2x})}$ and $y = x + 4$.
14. (a) $\frac{1}{y^2} = Ce^{-2x} - \frac{1}{2}e^{2x}$
 (b) $y = \frac{5x^2}{x^5 + C}$ and $y = 0$
 (c) $y^{\frac{1}{2}} = (x-2)^2 + \frac{C}{\sqrt{x-2}}$
 (d) $x^{-2} = 2t \ln |t| + Ct^2$ and $x = 0$
15. (a) $T = M + Ae^{-kt}$
 (b) $70.77^\circ C$
 (c) 9.08 am
 (d) 10.30 am
16. $v(t) = 196 - 186e^{-0.05t}$
17. $y(t) = -\left[\frac{F_0}{m-k\gamma^2}\right] \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{mt}}\right) + \left[\frac{F_0}{k-m\gamma^2}\right] \cos \gamma t$
 $= \left[\frac{F_0}{m(w^2-\gamma^2)}\right] (\cos \gamma t - \cos \cot)$
18. (a) i. $I(t) = 5 - 5e^{-3t}$ ii. $\sim 4.751A$ iii. 5
- (b) $I(t) = \frac{E_0}{R^2+w^2L^2} (R\sin wt - wL\cos wt) + \frac{E_0}{R^2+w^2L^2} e^{-\frac{Rt}{L}}$
19. $x(t) = (\alpha - Ae^{-\beta t})/\beta$; $x(t) \rightarrow \alpha/\beta$; $t = \ln 2/\beta$
20. (b) $y^3 = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{12} + Ae^{-6x}$