

Q1) $\frac{dy}{dx} - \alpha x = (x^2+1)y + xy^2$

Find which α admits $y=c$ for $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $y=c$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$\Rightarrow 0 = (x^2+1)y + xy^2 + \alpha x$

Solve for y using quadratic formula:

$$y = \frac{-(x^2+1) \pm \sqrt{(x^2+1)^2 - 4\alpha x^2}}{2x}$$

- Only ways y can be constant is if numerator $= 0$.

\rightarrow Highest degree of 'x' in the numerator is 2 (x^2), and the highest degree of 'x' in the denominator is 1 (x), so even if we tried to find a way to cancel the two out, y would still not be constant.

\rightarrow We could try to isolate the ' x^2 ' term in the square root, however manipulating this would not cancel out any x^2 term in the numerator.

\rightarrow Thus, $-(x^2+1) \pm \sqrt{(x^2+1)^2 - 4\alpha x^2} = 0 = y(x)$.

$\Rightarrow (-x^2+1)^2 = (\pm \sqrt{(x^2+1)^2 - 4\alpha x^2})^2$

$\Rightarrow (x^2+1)^2 = (x^2+1)^2 - 4\alpha x^2$

$\Rightarrow 4\alpha x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\alpha = 0}$

Therefore $\alpha = 0$ is the only value of α which admits a constant solution $y=c$ for $c \in \mathbb{R}$ for the ODE.

$$2) \quad y'' - ty' = y.$$

• Clearly, this equation is second order because the highest degree of derivative in the equation is 2.

• Let f, g be solutions to this ODE. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ be a constant.

I want to prove that the equation $y'' - ty' = y$ is linear, or

$$\begin{aligned} \text{that} \quad & \frac{d^2}{dt^2} [\alpha f + g] - t \frac{d}{dt} [\alpha f + g] - [\alpha f + g] \\ &= (\alpha f'' - t f' - f) + (g'' - t g' - g) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} & \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} [\alpha f + g] - t \frac{d}{dt} [\alpha f + g] - [\alpha f + g] \\ &= \alpha \frac{d^2}{dt^2} f + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} g - \alpha t \frac{d}{dt} f - t \frac{d}{dt} g - \alpha f - g \\ &= \alpha f'' + g'' - \alpha t f' - t g' - \alpha f - g \\ &= \alpha f'' - t(\alpha f') - \alpha f + g'' - t g' - g \\ &= \alpha (f'' - t f' - f) + (g'' - t g' - g) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $y'' - ty' = y$ is linear, which is what I wanted to prove. \square

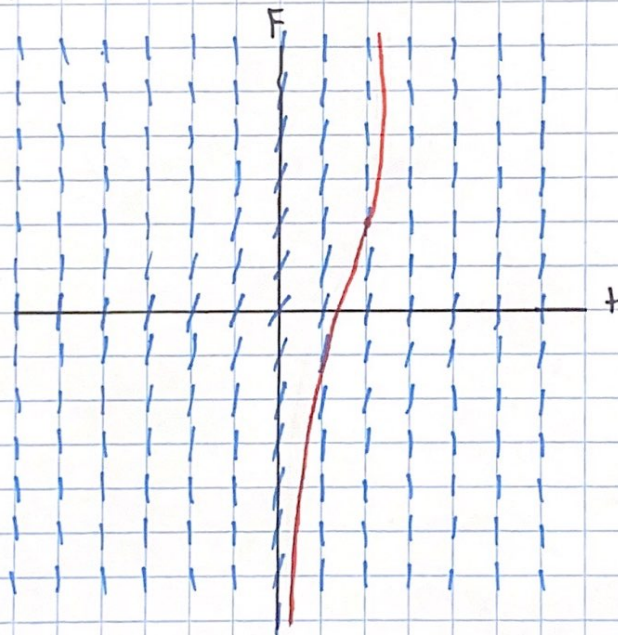
3) 2) $\frac{dF}{dt} = F^2 + t^2 + 1.$

By monotonicity, a function g is increasing on an interval $[a, b]$ when $g' > 0$ on $[a, b]$.

Clearly $F^2 + t^2 + 1 > 0$, since $1 > 0$ and $F^2 \geq 0$, $t^2 \geq 0$,
so $F^2 + t^2 + 1 > 1 + 0 + 0$.

Therefore F is increasing.

b) Direction field.



4) 2) If the slope at each point is x^2 , then
 $y'(x) = x^2$. The curve will go through $(-2, 2)$.
Thus our initial value problem is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2, \quad y(-2) = 2.$$

b) To solve we can integrate both sides:

$$\int \frac{dy}{dx} dx = \int x^2 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{3} x^3 + C.$$

Now we can solve our IVP for the constant C :

$$y(-2) = 2 = \frac{1}{3} (-2)^3 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = 2 - \frac{1}{3} (-8) = 2 + \frac{8}{3} = \frac{14}{3}.$$

Thus our equation $y(x)$ is

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{14}{3}.$$

$$5) \quad t^4 y^2 - y + (t^2 y^4 - t) \frac{dy}{dt} = 0.$$

2) An ODE is not exact when for

$$M(x,y) + N(x,y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0,$$

$$\partial_y [M(x,y)] = \partial_x [N(x,y)].$$

Here we have that

$$M(t,y) = t^4 y^2 - y \quad \text{and}$$

$$N(t,y) = t^2 y^4 - t.$$

Then

$$\partial_y [M(t,y)] = 2t^4 y - 1 \neq 2ty^4 - 1 = \partial_t [N(t,y)].$$

Therefore this ODE is not exact.

b) $\mu(t,y)$ is an integrating factor when

$$\partial_y [\mu M] = \partial_x [\mu N].$$

We have $\mu = \frac{1}{t^2 y^2}$, so

$$\partial_y \left[t^2 - \frac{1}{t^2 y} \right] = \frac{1}{t^2 y^2} = \partial_t \left[y^2 - \frac{1}{t y^2} \right].$$

Therefore $\mu(t,y) = \frac{1}{t^2 y^2}$ is an integrating factor for this equation.

c) Multiplying $\mu(t,y) = \frac{1}{t^2 y^2}$ through, we have

$$t^2 - \frac{1}{t^2 y} + \left(y^2 - \frac{1}{t y^2} \right) \frac{dy}{dt} = 0.$$

We now need to find a function $\Psi(t, y)$ such that

$$\partial_t \Psi(t, y) + \partial_y \Psi(t, y) \frac{dy}{dt} = 0.$$

Our terms are

$$\Psi_t(t, y) = t^2 - \frac{1}{t^2 y} \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi_y = y^2 - \frac{1}{t y^2}.$$

For the first term, it is easy to see that the first term of $\Psi(t, y)$ must be $\frac{t^3 + y^3}{3}$. Similarly with the second term, it must be $+\frac{1}{t y}$, since $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{1}{t y} \right] = -\frac{1}{t^2 y}$, which is just from single variable calculus.

Therefore $\Psi(t, y)$ becomes

$$\Psi(t, y) = \frac{t^3 + y^3}{3} + \frac{1}{t y} + C.$$

Therefore the solutions for this equation are given implicitly by

$$C = \frac{t^3 + y^3}{3} + \frac{1}{t y}, \quad \text{where } C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

6) We can begin by finding a solution for

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -\alpha(T - C).$$

$$2) \quad T' = -\alpha T + \alpha C$$

$$T' + \alpha T = \alpha C$$

$$I(t) = e^{\int \alpha dt} = e^{\alpha t}$$

$$e^{\alpha t} T' + \alpha e^{\alpha t} T = \alpha e^{\alpha t} C$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [e^{\alpha t} T] = \alpha e^{\alpha t} C$$

$$\int \frac{d}{dt} [e^{\alpha t} T] dt = C \int \alpha e^{\alpha t} dt$$

$$e^{\alpha t} T = C e^{\alpha t} + C_0, \quad C_0 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is constant}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{T(t) = C + \frac{C_0}{e^{\alpha t}}}$$

is our general solution. Now we can solve the IVP:

$$T(0) = 200^\circ \quad T(20) = 120^\circ \quad C = 100^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 200 = 100 + \frac{C_0}{e^{\alpha(0)}} = 100 + C_0$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0 = 100^\circ$$

Now our equation becomes

$$T(t) = 100 + \frac{100}{e^{\alpha t}}$$

So now we can find α .

$$T(20) = 120 = 100 + \frac{100}{e^{\alpha(20)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 = \frac{100}{e^{\alpha(20)}} \rightarrow e^{\alpha(20)} = 5, \quad \text{thus}$$

$$20 \cdot \alpha = \log 5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\alpha = \frac{\log 5}{20}}$$

(Here I denote
'log' as ' $\log_e x$ '
instead of ' \ln '.)

Thus

$$T(t) = 100 + 100 e^{-\frac{\log 5}{20} t}$$

A more general solution could be

$$T(t) = C + [T(t_0) - 100] \cdot 5^{-\frac{t}{20}}$$

Since $t_0 = T(t_0) - 100$ and $e^{-\frac{\log 5}{20} t} = 5^{-\frac{t}{20}}$, C is starting medium temp.

b) If $T_0 - C > 0$ (T_0 hotter than medium temp. C)

then $[T_0 - C] 5^{-\frac{t}{20}}$ is positive and decreasing to 0, since

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [T_0 - C] 5^{-\frac{t}{20}} = 0.$$

Then $T(\infty) = C$, which is intuitively correct.

Similarly if $T_0 - C < 0$ (T_0 colder than medium temp. C)

then $[T_0 - C] 5^{-\frac{t}{20}}$ is negative and decreasing to 0, since

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [T_0 - C] 5^{-\frac{t}{20}} = 0.$$

Then again, $T(t \rightarrow \infty) = C$, which is intuitively correct.