

Quiz 1

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Problem 1. Section 1.3d (10 points) For each differential equation given three choices for a possible solution $y = y(x)$ are given. Determine whether each choice is or is not a solution to the given differential equation. (In each case, assume the interval of interest is the entire real line $(-\infty, \infty)$)

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -9y$$

i.) $y(x) = e^{3x}$ ii.) $y(x) = x^3$ iii.) $y(x) = \sin(3x)$

Solution:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 9y = 0$$

i) $y = e^{3x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3e^{3x}, \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 9e^{3x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 9y = 9e^{3x} + 9e^{3x} = 18e^{3x} \neq 0 \text{ Not a solution}$$

ii) $y = x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2, \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 6x$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 9y = 6x + 9(x^3) = 3x(2 + 3x^2) \neq 0 \text{ Not a solution}$$

iii) $y = \sin(3x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3\cos(3x), \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -9\sin(3x)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 9y = -9\sin(3x) + 9\sin(3x) = 0 \checkmark$$

This is a solution

Problem 2. Section 1.4d (10 points) For each initial value problem given below, three choices for a possible solution, $y = y(x)$ are given. Determine whether each choice is or is not a solution to the given initial-value problem.

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 36x^6$$

with $y(1) = 1$ and $y'(1) = 12$.

i.) $y(x) = 2e^{3x} - e^{-3x}$

ii.) $y(x) = e^{3x}$

iii.) $y(x) = e^{3x} + 1$

Solution:

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y - 36x^6 = 0$$

i) $y = 2e^{3x} - e^{-3x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 6e^{3x} + 3e^{-3x}, \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 18e^{3x} - 9e^{-3x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y - 36x^6 &= x^2(18e^{3x} - 9e^{-3x}) - 4x(6e^{3x} + 3e^{-3x}) + 6(2e^{3x} - e^{-3x}) - 36x^6 \\ &= 18x^2 e^{3x} - 9x^2 e^{-3x} - 24xe^{3x} - 12xe^{-3x} + 12e^{3x} - 6e^{-3x} - 36x^6 \\ &\neq 0. \quad \text{Not a solution.} \end{aligned}$$

ii) $y = e^{3x} \Rightarrow y' = 3e^{3x}, y'' = 9e^{3x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2(9e^{3x}) - 4x(3e^{3x}) + 6e^{3x} - 36x^6 &= 9x^2 e^{3x} - 12xe^{3x} + 6e^{3x} - 36x^6 \neq 0 \quad \text{Not a solution} \end{aligned}$$

iii) $y = e^{3x} + 1, y' = 3e^{3x}, y'' = 9e^{3x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y - 36x^6 &= x^2(9e^{3x}) - 4x(3e^{3x}) + 6e^{3x} + 6 - 36x^6 \neq 0 \quad \text{Not a solution} \end{aligned}$$