Math 267 Worksheet 1 - Fall 2021



1. (a) Find the most general form of all solution to the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \sec^2 x$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \int \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x + C,$$

$$y = \int + an x + C, \, dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \, dx + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$u = \cos x = \int \frac{1}{u} \, du + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$du = -\sin x \, dx = -\ln |u| + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$-du = \sin x \, dx = -\ln |\cos x| + C_1 x + C_2$$

(b) What is the function that solves the differential equation in part (a) subject to the initial conditions y(0) = 5 and $y'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0$?

$$0 = y'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = + an \frac{\pi}{4} + C_1 = 1 + C_1 \Rightarrow C_1 = -1$$

$$5 = y(0) = -\ln|\cos 0| - 0 + C_2 = C_2$$

$$y = -\ln|\cos x| - x + 5$$

2. Compute the following integrals.

(a)
$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 5}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x + 2)^2 + 1}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{+4n^2\theta + 1}} \sec^2\theta d\theta$$

$$X + 2 = +\alpha n\theta$$

$$dx = \sec^2\theta d\theta = \int \frac{\sec^2\theta}{\sqrt{\sec^2\theta}} d\theta = \int \sec\theta d\theta$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 5} = \ln|\sec\theta + +\alpha n\theta| + C$$

$$x + 2 = \ln|\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 5} + x + 2| + C$$

3. Let
$$P(x) = \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$$
 and $Q(x) = x$.

(a) Find
$$\int P(x) dx$$
. $= \int \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{u} du$
 $u = 1+x^2$ $= \ln |u| + C$
 $du = 2x dx$ $= \ln (1+x^2) + C$

(b) Compute an antiderivative f(x) for the function $Q(x)e^{\int P(x) dx}$.

$$f(x) = \int xe^{\ln(1+x^2)} dx = \int x(1+x^2) dx$$

= $\int x + x^3 dx = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^4 + C$

(c) Show that the function $y(x) = f(x)e^{-\int P(x) dx}$ solves the differential equation below.

$$y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

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$$y' = \left(\frac{1}{2} \times^2 + \frac{1}{4} \times^4\right) e^{-\ln(1+x^2)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2 \times^2 + \times}{1+x^2}$$

$$y' + Py = \frac{1}{4} \frac{(1+x^2)(4x^2 + 4x^3) - (2x^2 + x^4)(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

$$+ \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2x^2 + x^4}{1+x^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4x(1+x^2)^2}{(1+x^2)^2} = x = Q$$

- 4. Consider the differential equation xy' = 4y.
 - (a) Show that $y_1(x) = x^4$ is a solution to the above differential equation.

$$xy_1' = x(4x^3) = 4x^4 = 4y_1$$

(b) Show that the function

$$y_2(x) = \begin{cases} x^4 & , x \ge 0 \\ -x^4 & , x < 0 \end{cases}$$

is also a solution to the above differential equation.

Already checked for
$$x \ge 0$$
 by part (a).
For $x \le 0$:

$$xy_2' = x(-4x^3) = -4x^4 = 4y_2$$

(c) More generally, show that any function of the form $y(x) = C_1y_1(x) + C_2y_2(x)$ also solves the differential equation.

$$xy' = x(C_1y_1' + C_2y_2') = C_1xy_1' + C_2xy_2'$$

by (a) $x = C_1(4y_1) + C_2(4y_2) = 4y$
and (b)

(d) Even though the given differential equation is a first-order equation, the initial value problem solving the differential equation subject to the initial condition y(1) = -3 has infinitely many solutions. Explain why.

The initial condition imposes only one constraint on the two parameters
$$C_1$$
 and C_2 , namely $-3=y(1)=C_1+C_2$. We need 2 constraints to specify both C_1 and C_2 .