

MATH-2415, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations
Summer 2023
Problem Set 3
Due June 18, 2023 by midnight

Name:

Directions: You can either

- (I) Show all your work on the pages of the assignment itself, or
- (II) Use separate paper to work out the problems. The paper must be plain white paper. No notebook paper, no lined paper. Engineering paper is acceptable.

For either selection, **clearly show all work that leads to your final answer.** Don't make me hunt for your steps! And DON'T turn in **any** scratched out work! Your final product must be clear and legible, or it will be returned, ungraded. **Please submit your work to Blackboard as a single pdf file.**

1. When a vertical beam of light passes through a transparent substance, the rate at which its intensity I decreases is proportional to $I(t)$, where t represents the thickness of the medium (in feet). In clear seawater the intensity 3 feet below the surface is 25% of the initial intensity I_0 of the incident beam. What is the intensity of the beam 15 feet below the surface?

2. A large tank initially holds 300 gallons of a brine solution (i.e. salt water). A brine solution with a concentration of 2 lb/gal is pumped into the tank at a rate of 3 gal/min. The solution in the tank is thoroughly mixed, and pumped out of the tank at a rate of 3 gal/min. If 50 lbs of salt is dissolved in the initial 300 gallons, how much salt is in the tank at time t ? How much salt is in the tank after a very long time? [Note: this is similar to a problem we did in class, but not exactly the same]

3. In class we solved the following problem:

The rate at which a substance evaporates is proportional to its surface area. If a spherical object has a radius of 0.75 cm just after it was manufactured and a radius of 0.30 cm after 6 months due to evaporation,

- a) How long will it take for the radius to be 0.15 cm?
- b) How long will it take for the volume of the object to be one third of its initial volume?

To solve this problem, we rewrote the differential equation

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = kA$$

in terms of the radius of the sphere r . Here you will solve this problem a different way. Instead of rewriting the ODE in terms of r , you will rewrite the ODE in terms of V by expressing the surface area A in terms of V . Then solve this equation for $V(t)$ and answer the questions in parts a) and b).

4. What is the longest interval on which each of the following initial value problems is guaranteed to exist?

a) $(x^2 - 2x - 15)y' - \frac{y}{x} = 4x^2$ $y(-5) = 3$

b) $(x^2 - 2x - 15)y' - \frac{y}{x} = 4x^2$ $y(-1) = 2$

c) $(x^2 - 2x - 15)y' - \frac{y}{x} = 4x^2$ $y(10) = -1$

5. What is the general solution of the following Bernoulli equation?

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = xy^{2/3}$$

If the initial condition is $y(0) = 0$, what is the particular solution?

6. What is the general solution of the following Bernoulli equation?

$$3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y^3 = 1$$

7. Determine if any of the equations are exact. If so, find the general solution.

a) $y(2x^2y^2 + 1)y' + x(y^4 + 1) = 0$

b) $2x^2y' + 3x + 4xy = 0$

c) $(\cos^2 x + y \sin 2x)y' + y^2 = 0$

8. Determine if the following equation is exact. If so, solve the initial value problem.

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x + y = 0 \quad y(1) = 1$$

