

Calculators and communication devices are not allowed.

1. (5 pts. each) Answer with True or False and justify your answers:

(a) $y^2 e^{x-1} + 3x^2 + (2y e^{x-1} + x) y' = 0$ is an exact equation.

(b) All solutions of $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + y^2$ are valid for all x .

(c) If y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent solutions of $y'' + \cos x y = 0$, then their Wronskian W satisfies $\frac{dW}{dx} = 0$ and $W = c$, where c is a nonzero constant.

2. (5 pts. each) Given an equation of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{y} f\left(\frac{y^2}{x}\right)$:

(a) Show that by setting $u = \frac{y^2}{x}$, this equation can be transformed into a separable equation.

(b) Use part (a) to solve the equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3}{x^2} - \frac{y}{2x}$.

3. (10 pts.) Solve the initial value problem $y dx = (x + \sqrt{y^2 - x^2}) dy$, $y(0) = 1$.

4. (10 pts.) Find the Laplace transform $f(s) = \mathcal{L}[F(t)]$ of the function

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} t, & 0 \leq t < \pi/2 \\ \cos t, & t \geq \pi/2 \end{cases}$$

5. (10 pts.) Find the inverse Laplace transform $F(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[f(s)]$ of the function

$$f(s) = \frac{s-2}{s^2-4s+5} e^{-3s}$$

6. (15 pts.) Use the Laplace transform to solve the initial value problem

$$y''(t) + y(t) = \sin t, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0.$$

7. (15 pts.) Find the Laplace transform $f(s) = \mathcal{L}[y(t)]$, where

$$y'(t) - y(t) = t \int_0^t (t-\beta) e^{-\beta} d\beta, \quad y(0) = 1.$$

8. (15 pts.) Determine the first five nonzero terms in the power series solution about $x = 0$ for the initial value problem

$$(4 - x^2) y'' + 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 1.$$

What is the interval of validity (convergence) of this power series solution?

S O L U T I O N S

1. (a) False: $M_y = 2y e^{x-1} \neq 2y e^{x-1} + 1 = N_x$.
 (b) False: $y' = 1 + y^2 \rightarrow \tan^{-1} y = x + c \rightarrow y = \tan(x + c)$, not valid when $x + c = \pm(2n + 1)\pi/2$.
 (c) True: $W = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2 \rightarrow W' = y_1 y_2'' - y_1'' y_2 = -y_1 y_2 \cos x + y_1 y_2 \cos x = 0$, so that $W = c \neq 0$ since y_1, y_2 are linearly independent.

2. (a) $u = y^2/x \rightarrow x u = y^2 \rightarrow x u' + u = 2y y' = 2f(u)$, a separable equation.
 (b)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3}{x^2} - \frac{y}{2x} = \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{y^4}{x^2} - \frac{y^2}{2x} \right) \rightarrow f(u) = u^2 - \frac{1}{2}u$$

$$x u' + u = 2u^2 - u \rightarrow \frac{du}{u^2 - u} = 2 \frac{dx}{x} \rightarrow \frac{u-1}{u} = c x^2 \rightarrow y^2 = \frac{x}{1 - c x^2}$$

3. Put $x = yz \rightarrow dx = y dz + z dy$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{x + \sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}{y} = \frac{x}{y} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{y^2}} \rightarrow y \frac{dz}{dy} + z = z + \sqrt{1 - z^2} \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{dz}{\sqrt{1 - z^2}} = \frac{dy}{y} \rightarrow \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y} = \ln y + c$$

where $y(0) = 1$ gives $c = 0$.

4. $F(t) = t + \alpha(t - \pi/2) [\cos t - t] = t - \alpha(t - \pi/2) [\sin(t - \pi/2) + (t - \pi/2) + \pi/2]$

$$f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} - e^{-\pi s/2} \left[\frac{1}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{\pi}{2s} \right]$$

5.

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-3s} \frac{(s-2)}{(s-2)^2 + 1} \right] = \mathcal{L}^{-1} [e^{-3s} \mathcal{L}[e^{2t} \cos t]] = \alpha(t-3) e^{2(t-3)} \cos(t-3)$$

6. Take LT of the equation:

$$s^2 f(s) + f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \rightarrow f(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)^2} = \mathcal{L}[\sin * \sin(t)]$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[f(s)] = \int_0^t \sin(t-\beta) \sin \beta d\beta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t [\cos(t-2\beta) - \cos t] d\beta = \dots$$

and the rest is calculus: $y(t) = (\sin t - t \cos t)/2$.

7. Take LT of the equation:

$$(s-1) \mathcal{L}[y(t)] - 1 = \mathcal{L} \left[t \int_0^t (t-\beta) e^{-\beta} d\beta \right] = -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}[t] \mathcal{L}[e^{-t}] = -\frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}$$

$$(s-1) \mathcal{L}[y(t)] = 1 - \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s+1} \right] = 1 + \frac{2}{s^3} - \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}$$

$$f(s) = \mathcal{L}[y(t)] = \frac{1}{s-1} \left[1 + \frac{2}{s^3} - \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} \right] = \frac{s^5 + 2s^4 + s^3 + 3s + 2}{s^3(s-1)(s+1)^2}$$

8.

$$y = \sum_{n=0} a_n x^n \rightarrow y' = \sum_{n=1} n a_n x^{n-1} \rightarrow y'' = \sum_{n=2} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2}$$
$$(4 - x^2) y'' + 2y = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$(8a_2 + 2a_0) + (24a_3 + 2a_1)x + \sum_{n=2} [4(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} - (n+1)(n-2)a_n] x^n = 0$$

Since $a_0 = a_1 = 1$, we obtain $a_2 = -\frac{1}{4}$, $a_3 = -\frac{1}{12}$ and

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{n-2}{4(n+2)} a_n, \quad n \geq 2$$

so that $a_4 = a_6 = a_8 = \dots = 0$, whereas the terms with odd indices are nonzero:
 $a_5 = -1/240$, etc.

$$y(x) = 1 + x - \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{12}x^3 - \frac{1}{240}x^5 - \dots$$

The solution is valid for $|x| < 2$.