

Practice Sheet - Week 1 - Solution

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1. Determine which of the followings are differential equations, and state your reason.

(a) $y' = 0$ (b) $y^{(6)} - y^6 = 0$ (c) $f^2 f^{(2)} = x$ (d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$ (e) $y' + x$

• SOLUTION: (a) Yes, it is. (b) Yes, it is. (c) Yes, it is. (d) Yes, it is. (e) No, it is not even an equation.

2. Determine the order of the following differential equations. Also determine if it is linear or nonlinear.

(a) $ty''' - y'' - 2y = 0$ (b) $\frac{dy^6}{dt^6} - 2\frac{dy}{dt} + y = t^2$ (c) $y^{(3)} + (y')^3 = x + 1$ (d) $\cos y + y' = t$

• SOLUTION: (a) 3rd-order, linear. (b) 6th-order, linear. (c) 3rd-order (because of the term $y^{(3)}$ -3rd order derivative), not linear (because of the term $(y')^3 = y' \cdot y' \cdot y'$ -not linear). (d) 1st-order, not linear (because of the nonlinear term $\cos y$).

3. Find the number of parameters that the family of solution has for the following D.E.

(a) $y'' + 2y' + 4y = 5$,
(b) $x^3 y''' + 2x^2 y'' + 20xy' - 78y = 0$,

• SOLUTION: (a) Its general solution will be a 2-parameter family of functions because it is a 2nd-order D.E. (b) Its general solution will be a 3-parameter family of functions because it is a 3rd-order D.E.

4. Consider the given 3 - parameter family function $y = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{-x} + C_3$, which one of the following D.E.s has the given family function as its general solution?

(a) $y'' - y' = 0$ (b) $y'' - 1 = 0$ (c) $y''' - y' = 0$ (d) $y^3 - y = 0$

• SOLUTION: Choice (c) is correct. Because: choices (a) and (b) are 2nd order DEs, which can't have 3-parameters of solutions; choice (d) is not a D.E.

5. Determine the following statement is True or False, and briefly explain your reason.

The DE $y' + xy = \sin x$ has a two-parameter family of solution $y = C_1 x \sin x + C_2 \sin x$.

• SOLUTION: False, a 1st order D.E. can't have a 2-parameter family of solutions.

6. Verify $y = 5 \tan(5x)$ is an explicit solution to the D.E. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 25 + y^2$.

• SOLUTION:

$$\text{LHS} = y' = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [5 \tan(5x)] = 5 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos^2(5x)} \cdot 5 = \frac{25}{\cos^2(5x)},$$

$$\text{RHS} = 25 + y^2 = 25 + [5 \tan(5x)]^2 = 25 \left(1 + \frac{\sin^2(5x)}{\cos^2(5x)} \right) = \frac{25[\cos^2(5x) + \sin^2(5x)]}{\cos^2(5x)} = \frac{25}{\cos^2(5x)},$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{25}{\cos^2(5x)} = \text{RHS}.$$

7. Check if the function $y(t) = t + 1$ is a solution to the following differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{y^2 - 1}{t^2 + 2t}.$$

• SOLUTION: The left hand side of the equation is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \frac{d}{dt}(t + 1) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

while the right hand side of the equation is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \frac{y(t)^2 - 1}{t^2 + 2t} \\ &= \frac{(t + 1)^2 - 1}{t^2 + 2t} = \frac{t^2 + 2t + 1 - 1}{t^2 + 2t} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 2t}{t^2 + 2t} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since the $LHS = RHS$, then $y(t) = 1 + t$ is a solution to this differential equation.

8. Verify the given function is a family of solution to the D.E.

(a) $y' + 4xy = 8x^3$, $y = 2x^2 - 1 + C_1e^{-2x^2}$.

(b) $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$, $y = C_1e^{2x} + C_2xe^{2x}$.

• SOLUTION(a):

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= (2x^2 - 1 + C_1e^{-2x^2})' = 4x - 0 + C_1 \cdot (-2 \cdot 2x)e^{-2x^2} = 4x - 4xC_1e^{-2x^2}, \\ \text{LHS} = y' + 4xy &= (4x - 4xC_1e^{-2x^2}) + 4x \cdot (2x^2 - 1 + C_1e^{-2x^2}) = 8x^3 - 4xC_1e^{-2x^2} + 4xC_1e^{-2x^2} = 8x^3, \\ \text{RHS} &= 8x^3 = \text{LHS}. \end{aligned}$$

• SOLUTION(b):

$$y' = 2C_1e^{2x} + C_2(e^{2x} + x \cdot 2 \cdot e^{2x}) = (2C_1 + C_2)e^{2x} + 2C_2xe^{2x},$$

(you can't combine the $(2C_1 + C_2)$ to one constant, because it is in the expression of y' , not y .)

$$y'' = [(2C_1 + C_2)e^{2x} + 2C_2xe^{2x}]' = 2 \cdot (2C_1 + C_2)e^{2x} + 2C_2(e^{2x} + x \cdot 2 \cdot e^{2x}) = (4C_1 + 4C_2)e^{2x} + 4C_2xe^{2x},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} = y'' - 4y' + 4y &= (4C_1 + 4C_2)e^{2x} + 4C_2xe^{2x} - 4 \cdot [(2C_1 + C_2)e^{2x} + 2C_2xe^{2x}] + 4 \cdot (C_1e^{2x} + C_2xe^{2x}), \\ &= [(4C_1 + 4C_2) - 4 \cdot (2C_1 + C_2) + 4C_1]e^{2x} + (4C_2 - 4 \cdot 2C_2 + 4C_2)xe^{2x} = 0 = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

9. Consider the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = y(1 - y), \\ y(0) = \frac{2}{3}. \end{cases}$$

We know the function $y = \frac{Ce^x}{1 + Ce^x}$ is a family of solution to the DE $y' = y(1 - y)$, find an explicit solution to the I. V. P.

• SOLUTION: To find the explicit solution we only need to find the value for C such that $y(0) = \frac{2}{3}$. The initial value is given when $x = 0$, so

$$\frac{2}{3} = y(0) = \frac{Ce^0}{1 + Ce^0} = \frac{C}{1 + C},$$

$$2(1 + C) = 3C, \quad \text{so } C = 2.$$

(note: $e^0 = 1$).

10. Rewrite the following D.E.s in differential form, and find the functions $M(x, y)$ and $N(x, y)$ in the definition.

(a) $y \cos x + (y + \sin x)y' = 0$ (b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x+y}$

• SOLUTION: (a)

$$y \cos x + (y + \sin x) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$y \cos x dx + (y + \sin x) dy = 0$$

$$M(x, y) = y \cos x, \quad N(x, y) = y + \sin x.$$

(b)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x+y}$$

$$dy = \frac{y}{x+y} dx$$

$$\frac{y}{x+y} dx - dy = 0$$

$$M(x, y) = \frac{y}{x+y}, \quad N(x, y) = -1.$$

(note: you may get other expression of differential form, for example $ydx - (x+y)dy = 0$, it is also correct).

11. Verify that the relation $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ is an implicit solution of the D.E.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}.$$

• SOLUTION: The differential equation can be written in differential form

$$ydy = -x dx \quad \Rightarrow \quad x dx + y dy = 0 \quad (y \neq 0),$$

implicit differentiate the implicit solution

$$d(x^2 + y^2) = d(4) \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2x dx + 2y dy = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x dx + y dy = 0,$$

which is the differential form of the D.E., so it is a solution.

12. A box of peanut butter ice cream is removed from a freezer where the temperature is 15°F, and then it is placed on a table in a room where the temperature is 68°F. After 30 min, the temperature of the ice cream is increased to 45°F. By Newton's law of warming/cooling, the rate at which the temperature of a subject changes is proportional to the difference between the temperature of the subject and the temperature of the surrounding. Set up a math model by using differential equation.

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13. The population of bacteria in a culture grows at a rate **proportional** to the number of bacteria present at time t . Set up a differential equation to represent the relation between the rate of grow and the population of the bacteria.

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14. Challenge Questions (Won't be on Quiz): verify solution.

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = (y-1)(1-2y)$, $\ln\left(\frac{2y-1}{y-1}\right) = x$.

(b) $x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{1}{y^2}$, $x^3y^3 = x^3 + 1$.

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = e^x$, $y = e^{x^2} \int_0^x e^{t-t^2} dt$.

• SOLUTION:

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = (y-1)(1-2y)$, $\ln\left(\frac{2y-1}{y-1}\right) = x$.

Do implicit differentiation on the solution equation

$$\begin{aligned} d\left[\ln\left(\frac{2y-1}{y-1}\right)\right] &= dx \\ d[\ln(2y-1) - \ln(y-1)] &= dx \\ \frac{2}{2y-1}dy - \frac{1}{y-1}dy &= dx \\ \frac{2(y-1) - (2y-1)}{(2y-1)(y-1)}dy &= dx \\ -\frac{dy}{(2y-1)(y-1)} &= dx \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -(2y-1)(y-1) \end{aligned}$$

(b) $x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{1}{y^2}$, $x^3y^3 = x^3 + 1$.

Do implicit differentiation on the solution equation

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^3y^3) &= d(x^3 + 1) \\ d(x^3)y^3 + x^3d(y^3) &= 3x^2dx \\ 3x^2y^3dx + 3x^3y^2dy &= 3x^2dx \\ 3x^2y^3 + 3x^3y^2\frac{dy}{dx} &= 3x^2 \\ \frac{1}{3x^2y^2}\left(3x^2y^3 + 3x^3y^2\frac{dy}{dx}\right) &= \frac{3x^2}{3x^2y^2} \\ x\frac{dy}{dx} + y &= \frac{1}{y^2} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = e^x$, $y = e^{x^2} \int_0^x e^{t-t^2} dt$.

Do implicit derivative by Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (If you don't remember what it is, Google knows everything!)

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= d(e^{x^2}) \int_0^x e^{t-t^2} dt + e^{x^2} d\left(\int_0^x e^{t-t^2} dt\right), \quad (\text{product rule}) \\ dy &= 2xe^{x^2} \cdot dx \cdot \int_0^x e^{t-t^2} dt + e^{x^2} \cdot e^{x-x^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$dy = 2x dx \cdot \left(e^{x^2} \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt \right) + e^{x^2+x-x^2} dx$$

$$dy = 2x dx \cdot y + e^x dx, \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy + e^x.$$