

MTH 3311 Test #1

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Show CLEARLY how you arrive at your answers.

1. Classify the following according to **order** and **linearity**. If an equation is **not linear**, explain why.

(a) $y''' + x^2y'' - 2xy = x^2 - 4$ **order 3, linear.**

The highest order of derivative of y is 3. Furthermore, y and its derivatives are all raised to the 1st power, no derivative of y is a “co-factor” of y or any other derivative of y , and neither y nor any of its derivatives are the “inner function” of a composite function, so the equation is linear.

(b) $y^{(5)} + x^2yy'' = \sin(x)$ **order 5, non-linear.**

The highest order of derivative of y is 5. ($y^{(5)}$ is the *fifth derivative* of y – it is NOT y^5 .) Since y'' is a “co-factor” of y , the equation is non-linear.

(c) $y^{(4)} + 2xy'' + y^2 = 6x - 6$ **order 4, non-linear.**

The highest order of derivative of y is 4. ($y^{(4)}$ is the *fourth derivative* of y – it is NOT y^4 .) Since y is raised to a power other than 1, the equation is non-linear.

(d) $\sin(x)y''' - 3xy' + x^3y = e^x + \sin(x)$ **order 3, linear.**

The highest order of derivative of y is 3. Furthermore, y and its derivatives are all raised to the 1st power, no derivative of y is a “co-factor” of y or any other derivative of y , and neither y nor any of its derivatives are the “inner function” of a composite function, so the equation is linear.

(e) $y'' - y' + 4y = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$ **order 2, linear.**

The highest order of derivative of y is 2. Furthermore, y and its derivatives are all raised to the 1st power, no derivative of y is a “co-factor” of y or any other derivative of y , and neither y nor any of its derivatives are the “inner function” of a composite function, so the equation is linear.

2. Show that the function $y = c_1e^{-3x} + c_2e^{3x} + 4x^2 + 6x$ is a solution of the differential equation $y'' - 9y = -36x^2 - 54x + 8$

Observe:

y	$=$	$c_1e^{-3x} + c_2e^{3x} + 4x^2 + 6x$
y'	$=$	$-3c_1e^{-3x} + 3c_2e^{3x} + 8x + 6$
y''	$=$	$9c_1e^{-3x} + 9c_2e^{3x} + 8$

Plugging into the left side of the equation, we have:

$y'' - 9y$	$=$	$(9c_1e^{-3x} + 9c_2e^{3x} + 8) - 9(c_1e^{-3x} + c_2e^{3x} + 4x^2 + 6x)$
	$=$	$(9 - 9)c_1e^{-3x} + (9 - 9)c_2e^{3x} + (8 - 36x^2 - 54x)$
	$=$	$-36x^2 - 54x + 8$

i.e., $y'' - 9y = -36x^2 - 54x + 8$

Hence, $y = c_1e^{-3x} + c_2e^{3x} + 4x^2 + 6x$ is a solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' - 9y = -36x^2 - 54x + 8.$$

3. Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy + 2y + x + 2$; subject to the initial condition $y(0) = 1$ (Assume that $x, y \geq 0$)

Solve the equation by “separating the variables,” and then solve the equation using the “integrating factor method.”

The variables can be separated.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (x + 2)y + x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (x + 2)y + (x + 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (x + 2)(y + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y+1} dy = (x + 2) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{y+1} dy = \int (x + 2) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(y + 1) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\ln(y+1)} = e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x+C} = e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x}e^C = e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x}C_1 = C_1e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } y + 1 = C_1e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x}$$

$$y = C_1e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x} - 1$$

Recall: $y(0) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = C_1e^{\frac{1}{2}(0)^2+2(0)} - 1 = C_1 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2+2x} - 1$$

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Alternatively: We can solve this equation using the “Integrating Factor Method”

i) Re-express the equation in the form: $y' + p(x)y = Q(x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = xy + 2y + x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = xy + 2y + x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = (x + 2)y + x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y' - (x + 2)y = (x + 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y' + \underbrace{(-x - 2)}_{p(x)}y = (x + 2)$$

ii) Compute the integrating factor: $e^{\int p(x)dx} = e^{\int (-x-2)dx} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}$

iii) Multiply both sides by the integrating factor

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}y' + (-x - 2)y = (x + 2)e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}$$

iv) Express the left side as the derivative of a product

$$\Rightarrow \left[e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}y \right] = (x + 2)e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}$$

v) Integrate!

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}y \right] dx = \int (x + 2)e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x} dx$$

$$\text{i.e., } \int \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}y \right] dx = \int \underbrace{e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}}_{e^u} \underbrace{(x + 2)}_{-du} dx = \int e^u (-du) = - \int e^u du = -e^u + C = -e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x}y \right] = -e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x} + C$$

vi) Solve for y

$$\Rightarrow y = -1 + Ce^{\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } y = Ce^{\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x} - 1$$

Incorporating the initial condition $y(0) = 1$, we have:

$$\Rightarrow 1 = Ce^{\frac{1}{2}(0)^2 + 2(0)} - 1 = C - 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } 1 = C - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x} - 1$$

4. Solve: $y' + \frac{1}{x+1}y = \frac{1}{x+1} \sin(x)$; using the “integrating factor method.” (Assume that $x, y > 0$.)

i) Express the equation in the form: $y' + p(x)y = Q(x)$

$$y' + \underbrace{\frac{1}{x+1}}_{p(x)} y = \underbrace{\frac{1}{x+1} \sin(x)}_{Q(x)}$$

ii) Compute the integrating factor: $e^{\int p(x)dx} = e^{\int (\frac{1}{x+1})dx} = \underbrace{e^{\ln|x+1|} = e^{\ln(x+1)}}_{\text{because } x > 0} = (x+1)$

iii) Multiply both sides by the integrating factor

$$\Rightarrow (x+1)y' + (x+1)\frac{1}{x+1}y = (x+1)\frac{1}{x+1}\sin(x)$$

$$\text{i.e., } (x+1)y' + y = \sin(x)$$

iv) Express the left side as the derivative of a product

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [(x+1)y] = \sin(x)$$

v) Integrate!

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx} [(x+1)y] dx = \int \sin(x) dx$$

$$\text{i.e., } (x+1)y = -\cos(x) + C$$

vi) Solve for y

$$y = -\frac{\cos(x)}{x+1} + \frac{C}{x+1} = -\frac{\cos(x)+C_1}{x+1}$$

5. Determine whether or not the equation is exact. If the equation is exact, solve it.

$$\underbrace{(3x^2y + y \cos(x) + 2y^3 + e^x)dx}_M + \underbrace{(x^3 + 6xy^2 + \sin(x) + \cos(y) e^{\sin(y)})dy}_N = 0$$

The equation will be exact if $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$

Check:

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3x^2y + y \cos(x) + 2y^3 + e^x] = \cos(x) + 3x^2 + 6y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x^3 + 6xy^2 + \sin(x) + \cos(y) e^{\sin(y)}] = \cos(x) + 3x^2 + 6y^2$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \cos(x) + 3x^2 + 6y^2 = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

Hence, the original equation is exact.

The solution to the Differential Equation is of the form: $U(x, y) = C$,

where $U(x, y) = \int M dx = \int N dy$.

$$U(x, y) = \int M dx = \int [3x^2y + y \cos(x) + 2y^3 + e^x] dx = x^3y + y \sin(x) + 2xy^3 + e^x + f(y) = C$$

$$U(x, y) = \int N dy = \int [x^3 + 6xy^2 + \sin(x) + \cos(y) e^{\sin(y)}] dy = x^3y + 2xy^3 + y \sin(x) + e^{\sin(y)} + g(x) = C$$

Comparing terms, we see that $f(y) = e^{\sin(y)}$ and $g(x) = e^x$

$$\text{Thus, } U = x^3y + 2xy^3 + \sin(x)y + e^x + e^{\sin(y)} = C$$

Our solution y is given implicitly by the equation:

$$x^3y + 2xy^3 + \sin(x)y + e^x + e^{\sin(y)} = C$$

6. Solve: $2xy \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + 4y^2$ using the substitution $v = \frac{y}{x}$. (Assume that $x, y > 0$)

i) Re-write in the form: $\frac{dy}{dx} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

$$2xy \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + 4y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \frac{y}{x} \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 + 4 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)} + 2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)}_{f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)}$$

ii) Make the following substitutions: $v = \frac{y}{x}; \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$

$$\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{v} + 2v$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{v} + v = \frac{3}{2v} + v = \frac{3}{2v} + \frac{2v^2}{2v} = \frac{2v^2+3}{2v}$$

i.e. $x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{2v^2+3}{2v}$

iii) Separate!

$$\frac{2v}{2v^2+3} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

iv) Integrate:

$$\int \frac{2v}{2v^2+3} dv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

Scratchwork:

$$\int \frac{2v}{2v^2+3} dv = \int \frac{1}{\underbrace{2v^2+3}_{\frac{1}{u}}} \underbrace{2v dv}_{\frac{1}{2} du} = \int \frac{1}{u} \left(\frac{1}{2} du\right) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{2} \ln |u| = \frac{1}{2} \ln |2v^2 + 3| = \frac{1}{2} \ln (2v^2 + 3)$$

i.e., $\int \frac{2v}{2v^2+3} dv = \frac{1}{2} \ln (2v^2 + 3)$

Substituting this into Eq. 1, we have:

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln (2v^2 + 3) = \ln (x) + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln (2v^2 + 3) = 2 \ln (x) + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln (2v^2 + 3) = \ln (x^2) + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\ln(2v^2+3)} = e^{\ln(x^2)+C_1} = e^{\ln(x^2)} e^{C_1} = C_2 e^{\ln(x^2)} = C_2 x^2$$

i.e., $2v^2 + 3 = C_2 x^2$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 + 3 = C_2 x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \left(\frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) + 3 = C_2 x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 + 3x^2 = C_2x^4$$

Our solution is given implicitly by the equation:

$$2y^2 + 3x^2 = C_2x^4$$