

1. [APPM 2360 Exam (20 pts)] The following problems are not related.

- (a) (6 pts) What conclusions can be drawn from Picard's Theorem regarding the existence and uniqueness of solutions to the initial value problem $y' = t/y, y(2) = 0$? Briefly explain.
- (b) (6 pts) With a step size of $h = 0.5$, use Euler's method to approximate the solution of the IVP $y' = t - y, y(1) = 2$ at $t = 2$.
- (c) (8 pts) Consider the following system of differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= 1 + x - y \\ y' &= -1 + x^2 + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

- i. (4 pts) Sketch and label the h and v nullclines in the phase plane.
- ii. (4 pts) Find all equilibrium points, if any exist.

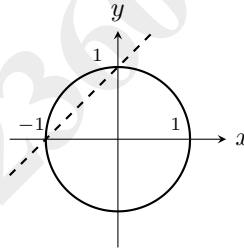
SOLUTION:

- (a) We have $f(t, y) = t/y$, which is continuous if $y \neq 0$ and $f_y = -t/y^2$ which is continuous if $y \neq 0$. $f(2, 0)$ is not defined and thus $f(t, y)$ is not continuous at $(2, 0)$. Similarly for $f_y(2, 0)$. We can draw no conclusions from Picard's theorem regarding the existence or uniqueness of solutions to the IVP.
- (b) Using $y_{n+1} = y_n + h(t_n - y_n), n = 0, 1$ we have

$$y(1.5) \approx y_1 = y_0 + \frac{1}{2}(t_0 - y_0) = 2 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y(2.0) \approx y_2 = y_1 + \frac{1}{2}(t_1 - y_1) = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}$$

- (c) i. The v nullclines occur where $x' = 1 + x - y = 0 \implies y = x + 1$ is the only v nullcline (dashed in figure). The h nullclines occur where $y' = -1 + x^2 + y^2 = 0 \implies x^2 + y^2 = 1$ is the only h nullcline (solid in figure).



- ii. Equilibrium points occur where $x' = 0$ and $y' = 0$ simultaneously. Using $y = x + 1$ in the equation for the circle gives $x^2 + (1 + x)^2 = 1 \implies 2x(x + 1) = 0 \implies x = 0, x = -1 \implies y = 1, y = 0$ respectively. Equilibrium points are $(-1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$. These are also evident from the sketch (intersection of h nullclines and v nullclines).

2. [APPM 2360 (18 pts)] The following problems are not related.

- (a) (10 pts) Consider the differential equation $y' = y^2(y + 4)^2(y^2 - 4)$.
 - i. (4 pts) Find all equilibrium solutions and their stability.
 - ii. (6 pts) Plot the phase line for the differential equation.
- (b) (8 pts) Given the differential equation $y' - y + 2t = 0$, draw the isoclines corresponding to slopes of 1, 0, -1. Be sure to include the line segments showing the slope on each isocline.

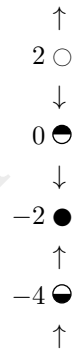
SOLUTION:

- (a) We can write the ODE as $y' = y^2(y+4)^2(y-2)(y+2)$ showing that the equilibrium solutions are $y = -4, y = -2, y = 0, y = 2$.
- i.

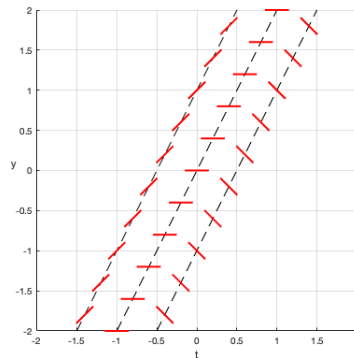
$$\begin{aligned} y > 2 &: y' > 0 \\ 0 < y < 2 &: y' < 0 \\ -2 < y < 0 &: y' < 0 \\ -4 < y < -2 &: y' > 0 \\ y < -4 &: y' > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $y = 0$ and $y = -4$ are semistable, $y = 2$ is unstable and $y = -2$ is stable.

ii. Phase line.



(b) Isoclines are the lines $y = 2t + k$ with $k = -1, 0, 1$.



3. [APPM 2360 Exam (22 pts)] Consider the initial value problem $y' = \frac{y^2 + 2ty}{t^2}$, $y(1) = -2$, $t > 0$.

- (a) (2 pts) Letting $v = y/t$, show that $y' = tv' + v$.
- (b) (2 pts) Use part (a) to show that the original differential equation can be rewritten as $tv' = v^2 + v$.
- (c) (12 pts) Solve the differential equation in part (b).
- (d) (3 pts) Find the general solution to the original differential equation, writing your answer explicitly as $y(t) = \dots$.
- (e) (3 pts) Find the solution to the original initial value problem.

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$v = y/t \implies v' = \frac{ty' - y}{t^2} \implies tv' = y' - \frac{y}{t} \implies y' = tv' + v$$

(b) The differential equation can be rewritten as $y' = \left(\frac{y}{t}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{y}{t}\right)$ so that using part (a) we have

$$tv' + v = v^2 + 2v \implies tv' = v^2 + v$$

(c) The DE in part (b) is separable.

$$t \frac{dv}{dt} = v^2 + v \implies \frac{dv}{v^2 + v} = \frac{dt}{t}$$

The left hand side is integrated using partial fractions:

$$\int \frac{dv}{v(v+1)} = \int \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$\int \frac{dv}{v} - \int \frac{dv}{v+1} = \int \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{v}{v+1} \right| = \ln |t| + \tilde{C}$$

$$\frac{v}{v+1} = Ct$$

$$v = \frac{Ct}{1-Ct}$$

(d) Backing out the original substitution yields

$$\frac{y}{t} = \frac{Ct}{1-Ct} \implies y(t) = \frac{Ct^2}{1-Ct}$$

(e) Applying the initial condition gives

$$-2 = \frac{C(1^2)}{1-C(1)} \implies C = 2 \implies y(t) = \frac{2t^2}{1-2t}$$

4. [APPM 2360 Exam (16 pts)] Consider the differential equation $ty' - 2y = t^4 e^{t^2}$, $t > 0$.

(a) (2 pts) Show that $y_h(t) = Ct^2$ is a solution of the associated homogeneous equation. C is an arbitrary constant.

(b) (12 pts) Use the Euler-Lagrange two-stage method (variation of parameters) to find a particular solution to the nonhomogeneous equation. Show all your work.

(c) (2 pts) Use the Nonhomogeneous Principle to write the general solution to the nonhomogeneous differential equation.

SOLUTION:

(a) We have $ty_h - 2y_h = t[C(2t)] - 2(Ct^2) = 2Ct^2 - 2Ct^2 = 0$.

(b) Let $y_p = v(t)t^2$ so that $y'_p = 2tv(t) + v'(t)t^2$. Substituting into the nonhomogeneous DE yields

$$ty'_p - 2y_p = t[2tv(t) + v'(t)t^2] - 2v(t)t^2 = t^3v'(t) = t^4 e^{t^2}$$

$$v'(t) = te^{t^2}$$

$$v(t) = \int te^{t^2} dt \stackrel{u=t^2}{=} \frac{1}{2}e^{t^2}$$

$$y_p = \frac{1}{2}t^2 e^{t^2}$$

(c)

$$y(t) = y_h(t) + y_p(t) = Ct^2 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 e^{t^2}$$

5. [APPM 2360 Exam (24 pts)] The following problems are not related.

(a) (10 pts) Suppose that a room containing 1000 ft³ of air is originally free of a certain pollutant. Beginning at time $t = 0$ air, containing the pollutant at a concentration of 0.05 g/100 ft³, is introduced into the room at a rate of 0.1 ft³/min, and the well-circulated mixture is allowed to leave the room at the same rate. Let $x(t)$ be the amount of pollutant (grams) at time t . Set up, but **DO NOT SOLVE**, the initial value problem governing this situation. Simplify your answer.

(b) (14 pts) Consider the differential equation $xy' + 2y = -\frac{\sin x}{x}$, $x > 0$.

i. (12 pts) Using the integrating factor method, find the solution that passes through the point $(\pi/2, 0)$.

ii. (2 pts) For what value of x does $y = -1/\pi^2$?

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \text{rate in} - \text{rate out} = \left(\frac{0.05 \text{ g}}{100 \text{ ft}^3}\right) \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ ft}^3}{\text{min}}\right) - \left(\frac{x \text{ g}}{1000 \text{ ft}^3}\right) \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ ft}^3}{\text{min}}\right)$$
$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{x}{10000} = \frac{1}{20000}, \quad x(0) = 0$$

(b) i. Rewrite the equation as $y' + \frac{2}{x}y = -\frac{\sin x}{x^2}$. With $p(x) = 2/x$, the integrating factor is

$$\int \frac{2}{x} dx = 2 \ln |x| = \ln x^2 \implies \mu(x) = x^2$$

Multiplying by the integrating factor yields

$$(x^2 y)' = -\sin x \implies x^2 y = \cos x + C \implies y(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x^2}$$

Applying the initial condition $y(\pi/2) = 0$ gives

$$y(\pi/2) = 0 = 0 + C/(\pi^2/4) \implies C = 0$$

so the solution is $y(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x^2}$.

ii. We need to determine when $y(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x^2} = -\frac{1}{\pi^2}$. By inspection, this occurs when $x = \pi$.

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