

1. [2360/061623 (18 pts)] Write the word **TRUE** or **FALSE** as appropriate. No work need be shown. No partial credit given.

- (a) The operator $L(y) = [\ln(\sin t)]y' + 3y$ is a linear operator.
- (b) Let $y' = f(y)$, where f is continuous. An $f(y)$ exists such that there are only two equilibrium solutions, both of which are semistable.
- (c) The equation $(y')^2 + (\sin t)y + 1 = 0$ is linear, second order, homogeneous, autonomous differential equation.
- (d) The differential equation $(\cos t)y' + (\sin t)y = t$ can be solved using integrating factor method.
- (e) Picard's theorem guarantees the existence of a unique solution to the initial problem: $y' = (\ln t)y^{1/2}$, $y(1) = 0$.
- (f) The differential equation describing Newton's Law of Cooling possesses a single, stable equilibrium solution.

SOLUTION:

- (a) **TRUE** $L(k\vec{y}) = kL(\vec{y})$ and $L(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = L(\vec{x}) + L\vec{y}$ where $k \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (b) **TRUE** One example is $f(y) = (y^2 - 1)^2$
- (c) **FALSE** The given equation is nonlinear due to the $(y')^2$ term.
- (d) **TRUE** This is a linear, first order ODE and therefore can be solved using integrating factor method.
- (e) **FALSE** The derivative $f_y(t, y) = \frac{\ln(t)}{2y^{1/2}}$ is undefined at the initial condition. Therefore Picard's theorem tells us nothing about the uniqueness of the solution to the ODE.
- (f) **TRUE** $T'(t) = k(M - T)$, $k > 0$ has the single equilibrium solution $T = M$. For $T_0 < M$, $T'(t) > 0$ and for $T_0 > M$, $T'(t) < 0$ implying that the equilibrium solution is stable. ■

2. [2360/061623 (20 pts)] The following questions are unrelated.

- (a) (14 pts) Solve the following initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{e^{-y}}{2t - 1}, \quad y(0) = 0.$$

- (b) (6 pts) Consider the following initial value problem

$$y' = (\ln t)y, \quad y(e) = 1.$$

Apply two steps of Euler's method using a step size $h = e$.

SOLUTION:

- (a) Note that this differential equation is separable and has no equilibrium solutions. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{e^{-y}}{2t - 1} \\ \int e^y dy &= \int \frac{1}{2t - 1} dt \\ e^y &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{u} du \quad (\text{where } u = 2t - 1) \\ e^y &= \frac{1}{2} \ln |2t - 1| + C \\ y &= \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln |2t - 1| + C \right) \end{aligned}$$

Applying the initial condition gives

$$0 = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2} \ln |2(0) - 1| + C\right)$$

$$0 = \ln(C)$$

$$C = 1$$

and finally, $y(t) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2} \ln |2t - 1| + 1\right)$.

(b) The iteration for Euler's method is: $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(t_n, y_n) = y_n + e \ln(t_n)y_n$. Therefore, we have

$$y_0 = 1$$

$$y_1 = 1 + e \ln(e)(1) = 1 + e$$

$$y_2 = (1 + e) + e \ln(2e)(1 + e) = (1 + e)[1 + e \ln(2e)] = (1 + e)[1 + e(\ln 2 + 1)] = (1 + e)(1 + e + e \ln 2)$$

3. [2360/061623 (20 pts)] Consider the following system of differential equations:

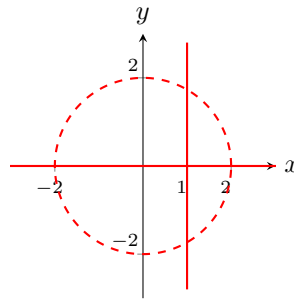
$$x' = x^2 + y^2 - 4$$

$$y' = y - xy$$

- (a) (5 pts) Find the h nullclines
 (b) (5 pts) Find the v nullclines
 (c) (6 pts) On a single phase plane, plot the h nullclines as solid curves/lines and the v nullclines as dashed curves/lines.
 (d) (4 pts) Find all equilibrium points, provided any exist.

SOLUTION:

- (a) The h nullclines occur when $y' = 0$. Therefore, these come from $0 = y - xy = y(1 - x)$ which gives $y = 0$ and $x = 1$.
 (b) The v nullclines occur when $x' = 0$. Therefore, these come from $0 = x^2 + y^2 - 4$ which gives the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$.
 (c) Sketch of nullclines.



- (d) Equilibrium solutions occur where the h and v nullclines intersect. Since the lines $y = 0$ and $x = 1$ both cross through the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ there are multiple equilibria. First, when $y = 0$ we have

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

Therefore, $(2, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$ are equilibrium points. The other two occur when $x = 1$ intersects the circle. This gives

$$1 + y^2 = 4$$

$$y^2 = 3$$

$$y = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

Therefore, $(1, \sqrt{3})$ and $(1, -\sqrt{3})$ are also equilibrium points.

4. [2360/061623 (18 pts)] A tank with a total capacity of 4600 liters (L) initially contains 600 L of fresh water. Water containing $\frac{\ln(t+1)}{(t+1)^2}$ kilograms (kg) of sugar per liter flows into the tank at a rate of 6 L/min, and the well mixed sugar solution is allowed to drain from the bottom of the tank at a rate of 2 L/min. Let $x(t)$ denote the amount (kg) of sugar in the tank at time t .

- (a) (14 pts) Write down, but **do not solve**, the initial value problem that $x(t)$ satisfies.
- (b) (4 pts) Without solving the initial value problem from part (a), state the interval over which the solution will be valid based on the physical situation.

SOLUTION:

- (a) First, determine the rate of change of volume of liquid in the tank.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV}{dt} &= \text{flow in} - \text{flow out} \\ &= 6 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}} - 2 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}} \\ &= 4 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}}\end{aligned}$$

Since initially there are 600 L in the tank, the amount of volume of liquid in the tank at time t is

$$V(t) = 4t + 600 \text{ liters}$$

Next, the rate of change of the amount of sugar in the tank is

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= \text{mass flow in} - \text{mass flow out} \\ \frac{dx}{dt} &= \left(\frac{\ln(t+1) \text{ kg}}{(t+1)^2 \text{ L}} \right) \left(6 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}} \right) - \left(\frac{x \text{ kg}}{4t+600 \text{ L}} \right) \left(2 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}} \right) \\ \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{x}{2t+300} &= \frac{6 \ln(t+1)}{(t+1)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Together with the initial condition that the tank contains no sugar, yields the initial value problem

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{x}{2t+300} = \frac{6 \ln(t+1)}{(t+1)^2}, \quad x(0) = 0$$

- (b) Since the net flow is into the tank, the initial value problem is valid until the volume in the tank is 4600 L (completely full).

$$\begin{aligned}4600 &= 4t + 600 \\ t &= 1000\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the interval on which the initial value problem in part (a) is valid is $0 \leq t \leq 1000$ min. ■

5. [2360/061623 (24 pts)] Consider the differential equation $ty' = y + \frac{1}{t}$.

- (a) (4 pts) Show that $y_h = Ct$ is the general solution of the associated homogeneous equation, noting that C is an arbitrary constant.
- (b) (15 pts) Use variation of parameters (Euler-Lagrange two-stage method) to find a particular solution to the original nonhomogeneous equation. Show all your work.
- (c) (5 pts) Find the solution to the differential equation passing through the point $\left(2, \frac{3}{4}\right)$.

SOLUTION:

- (a) This can be done by substituting this into the corresponding homogeneous equation.

$$\begin{aligned}ty'_h &= y_h \\ t(Ct)' &= Ct \\ Ct &= Ct \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $y_h = Ct$ is a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation.

(b) Step one is already complete, $y_h = Ct$ is a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation. Replacing C with $v(t)$ and substituting this into the standard form of the equation $y' = \frac{y}{t} + \frac{1}{t^2}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}[v(t)t]' &= v(t) + \frac{1}{t^2} \\ [v'(t)t + v(t)] &= v(t) + \frac{1}{t^2} \\ v'(t) &= \frac{1}{t^3} \\ v(t) &= \int \frac{1}{t^3} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{2t^2}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, a particular solution to the original nonhomogeneous ODE is $y_p = -\frac{1}{2t^2}t = -\frac{1}{2t}$.

(c) By the Nonhomogeneous Principle, the general solution to the original nonhomogeneous ODE is

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

Using the given point (applying the initial condition) yields $\frac{3}{4} = 2C - \frac{1}{4} \implies C = \frac{1}{2}$ so the solution is

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(t - \frac{1}{t} \right)$$

