Sample Solutions of Assignment 1 for MATH3270A: 1.1-1.3, 2.1-2.3

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1.1

Draw a direction field for the given directial equation. Based on the direction field, determine the behavior of y as $t \to \infty$.

2. y' = 2y - 4.

Solution: The direction field is shown in the following. According to the direction



field, we have

- (a) If y(0) > 2, then y' > 0 and as y increases, y' increases. So as $t \to \infty, y \to +\infty$.
- (b) If y(0) = 0, then y' = 0. Therefore y = 2 is the equilibrium solution. So as $t \to \infty, y \to 2$.
- (c) If y(0) < 2, then y' < 0 and as y decreases, y' decreases. So as $t \to \infty$, $y \to -\infty$.
- 3. y' = 4 + 2y.

Solution: The direction field is shown in the following.

The analysis is similar to Problem 2.



6. y' = y + 3.

Solution: The direction field is shown in the following.



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11.
$$y' = y(3 - y)$$
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Solution: The direction field is shown in the following.

- (a) If y(0) > 3, then y' < 0 and as y decreases, y' increases. So as $t \to \infty, y \to 3$.
- (b) If y(0) = 0 or y = 3, then y' = 0. Therefore y = 0, 3 are the equilibrium solutions.
- (c) If 0 < y(0) < 3, then y' > 0 and as y increases, y' decreases. So as $t \to \infty$, $y \to 3$.



(d) If y(0) < 0, then y' < 0 and as y decreases, y' decreases. So as $t \to \infty$, $y \to -\infty$.

25. Solution:

(a) Assume the velocity of a falling object is v(t). Then the differential equation is

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{A}{m}v^2,$$

where g = 9.8 is the acceleration of gravity, and A is drag coefficient.

(b) Let $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$, then $v = \sqrt{\frac{mg}{A}}$. At the beginning of the falling procedure, v = 0and $\frac{dv}{dt} > 0$. As v increases, $\frac{dv}{dt}$ decreases. So the limit velocity is

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{mg}{A}}$$

- (c) Use the above equation, $A = mg/v^2 = \frac{2}{49}$.
- (d) $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{49}{5} \frac{v^2}{245}$.

1.2

1 Solve the following initial value problems and plot the solutions of several value of y_0 . Then describe in a few words how the solutions resemble, and differ from each other.



(a) dy/dt = -y + 3, $y(0) = y_0$.

Solution: Note that y = 3 is one solution for the differential equation. If $y \neq 3$, then we have

$$\frac{dy}{-y+3} = dt,$$

$$\ln|y-3| = -t + C,$$

$$y = 3 \pm e^{-t+C},$$

where C is a constant. The initial value $y(0) = y_0$ gives

$$y(t) = 3 + (y_0 - 3)e^{-t}.$$

Select the following initial value $y_0 = -1, 1, 3, 5, 7$. Any solution of $y_0 < 3$



satisfies that if t increases, y increases and y' decreases, and $y \to 3$ as $t \to \infty$.

Any solution of $y_0 > 3$ satisfies that if t increases, y decreases and y' increases, and $y \to 3$ as $t \to \infty$. The solution y = 3 is keeping unchanged.

- (b) The same as (a). Omit here.
- (c) The same as (a). Omit here.
- 2(a). Solution: Omit the process. The solution is

 $y(t) = 3 + (y_0 - 3)e^t.$

Any solution of $y_0 < 3$ satisfies that if t increases, y decreases and y' decreases, and



 $y \to -\infty$ as $t \to \infty$. Any solution of $y_0 > 3$ satisfies that if t increases, y increases and y' increases, and $y \to +\infty$ as $t \to \infty$. The solution y = 3 is keeping unchanged.

3. Solution:

- (a) $y = (b/a) + Ce^{-at}$.
- (c) (i) Equilibrium is lower and is approached more rapidly. (ii) Equilibrium is higher. (iii)Equilibrium remains the same and is approached more rapidly.

7. Solution:

(a) By Problem 3, $p(t) = 900 + Ce^t/2$. p(0) = 800 gives C = -100. Let p(T) = 0, then we have $t = 4 \ln 3 \approx 4.39$ (months).

(b)
$$T = 2(\ln \frac{900}{900 - p_0}).$$

(c) Let $T \le 12$, then $900 > p_0 \ge 900(1 - e^{-6}) \approx 897.8.$

1.3

1.

$$t^2\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + t\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = \sin t$$

is of order 2 and nonlinear.

4.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + ty^3 = 0$$

is of order 3 and linear.

6.

$$\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} + t\frac{dy}{dt}(\sin^2 t)y = t^3$$

is of order 3 and nonlinear.

9. Direct computation.

$\mathbf{2.1}$

I did not any available software to draw the direction fields for such complex equations in the following. So I just solve the following equations. I omit the process in Problem 3, 5, 7.

1. $y' + 4y = t + e^{-2t}$.

Solution: The integrating factor $\mu(t) = e^{4t}$. Multiplying the equation by the integrating factor gives

$$(e^{4t}y)' = te^{4t} + e^{2t}.$$

Then by integrating both sides of the above equation, we have

$$e^{4t}y = \frac{1}{4}te^{4t} - \frac{1}{16}e^{4t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{2t} + C,$$

where C is a constant. Therefore,

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{4}t - \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + Ce^{-4t}.$$

3. $y' + y = te^{-t} + 2$.

Solution: The integrating factor $\mu(t) = e^t$. The solution is

$$y(t) = 2 + \frac{t^2 e^{-t}}{2} + C e^{-t}.$$

5. $y' - 3y = 4e^t$.

Solution: The integrating factor $\mu(t) = e^{-3t}$. The solution is

$$y(t) = -2e^t + Ce^{3t}.$$

7. $y' + 2ty = 2te^{-t^2}$.

Solution: The integrating factor $\mu(t) = e^{t^2}$. The solution is

$$y(t) = t^2 e^{-t^2} + C e^{-t^2}.$$

2.2

1. $y' = 3x^2/y$.

Solution: Note that $y \neq 0$. Multiplying the above equation by y gives

$$y \, dy = 3x^2 \, dx.$$

Integrate both sides of the above equation and we get

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = x^3 + C,$$

where C is an arbitrary constant.

$$y = \pm \sqrt{2x^3 + 2C}$$

3. $y' + y^2 \cos x = 0$

Solution: It is trivial to find y = 0 is one solution. If $y \neq 0, \ldots$ (omit words)...,

$$-\frac{dy}{y^2} = \cos x \, dx$$
$$\frac{1}{y} = \sin x + C$$
$$y = \frac{1}{\sin x + C}$$

In conclusion, y = 0 and $y = \frac{1}{\sin x + C}$ (C is an arbitrary constant) are the solutions.

6. $xy' = (1 - y^2)^{1/2}$.

Solution: Same as above, and omit the process.

The solutions are

$$y = \pm 1, \qquad y = \sin(\ln|x| + C).$$
 (1)

8. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^3}{2+y^2}$. Solution: The solutions are

$$\frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{y^3}{3} - 2y + C = 0.$$
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Remark: When solving the initial value problem, take care of the interval that the solution is valid (just like Problem 22).

$\mathbf{2.3}$

3. Assume the amount of salt in the tank is Q(t). The Q satisfies the following function in the first 10 minutes:

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = 1 - \frac{Q}{50}, \qquad Q(0) = 0.$$

... (omit the process of solving separable equation)... Then $Q(t) = 50(1 - e^{-0.02t})$ for $0 \le t \le 10$. Q satisfies the following function in the later 10 minutes:

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{Q}{50}, \qquad Q(10) = 50(1 - e^{-0.2}).$$

Then $Q(t) = 50(1 - e^{-0.2})e^{0.2}e^{-0.02t}$ for $10 \le t \le 20$. So we have $Q(20) = 50(1 - e^{-0.2})e^{-0.2} \approx 7.42$ kg.