

1-1: Definitions and Terminology Examples.

State the order of the given ODE. Determine whether the equation is linear or nonlinear by matching it with

$$a_n(x) \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1}(x) \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_1(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0(x) y = g(x).$$

1. $x \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^4 + y = 0.$

3rd order.

Nonlinear since $\left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^4$

2. $\frac{d^2 R}{dt^2} = -\frac{K}{R^2}$

2nd order.

Nonlinear since degree on $R \neq 1$.

3. $(\sin \theta) y''' - (\cos \theta) y' = 2$

3rd order

Linear

4. $(1+x) y'' - 4xy' + 5y = \cos x$

2nd order

Linear

Verify that the indicated function is an explicit solution of the given ODE.

5. $2y' + y = 0$; $y(x) = e^{-x/2}$

RHS: 0

LHS: $2 \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) e^{-x/2} + e^{-x/2} = 0$

6. $\frac{dy}{dt} + 20y = 24$; $y = \frac{6}{5} - \frac{6}{5} e^{-20t}$

RHS: 24

LHS: $24 e^{-20t} + 20 \left(\frac{6}{5} - \frac{6}{5} e^{-20t} \right)$
 $= 24 e^{-20t} + 24 - 24 e^{-20t}$
 $= 24.$

$$7. \frac{dP}{dt} = P(1-P) ; P(t) = \frac{ce^t}{1+ce^t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS: } P'(t) &= \frac{(1+ce^t)(ce^t)' - (ce^t)(1+ce^t)'}{(1+ce^t)^2} \\ &= \frac{ce^t + c^2e^{2t} - c^2e^{2t}}{(1+ce^t)^2} \\ &= \frac{ce^t}{(1+ce^t)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS: } P(1-P) &= \left(\frac{ce^t}{1+ce^t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{ce^t}{1+ce^t} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{ce^t}{1+ce^t} \right) \left(\frac{1+ce^t - ce^t}{1+ce^t} \right) \\ &= \frac{ce^t}{(1+ce^t)^2} \end{aligned}$$