

# MATH 3304 - EXAM 1 SUMMER 2015

## SOLUTIONS

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### **Instructions:**

- Show all work, clearly and in order, if you want to get full credit. If you claim something is true **you must show work backing up your claim**. I reserve the right to take off points if I cannot see how you arrived at your answer (even if your final answer is correct).
- Justify your answers algebraically whenever possible to ensure full credit.
- Circle or otherwise indicate your final answers.
- Please keep your written answers brief; be clear and to the point.
- Good luck!

1. (10 points) Circle **T** for true or **F** for false.

(a) (2 points) **T**  **F** The Existence and Uniqueness Theorem for the linear differential equation  $y' + py = g$  requires that  $p$  and  $g$  be differentiable functions.

*Explanation: the theorem only requires continuity, not differentiability.*

(b) (2 points) **T**  **F** The equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2y$  is an autonomous differential equation.

*Explanation: autonomous equations are of the form  $y' = h(y)$ , not  $y' = h(y)g(x)$ .*

(c) (2 points)  **T** **F** The function  $y(x) = \arcsin(x)$  is a solution of the differential equation

$$x\sqrt{1-x^2}\frac{dy}{dx} - \sin(y) = 0.$$

*Explanation: we know that  $\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ . Plug this into the left hand side of the differential equation to see*

$$x\sqrt{1-x^2}\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - \sin(\arcsin(x)) = x - x = 0,$$

*proving that  $y(x) = \arcsin(x)$  is a solution.*

(d) (2 points) **T**  **F** The Existence and Uniqueness Theorem for nonlinear ODE's tells us that all nonlinear ODE's have unique solutions.

*Explanation: we saw an example in class of a nonlinear ODE with nonunique solutions (the equation  $y' = \sqrt[3]{y}$ ).*

(e) (2 points)  **T** **F** Let  $f$  be a continuous function. The fundamental theorem of calculus tells us that  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t)dt = f(x)$ .

*Explanation: this is what the theorem says.*

2. (17 points) Fill out the following table. If the equation is nonlinear, circle the term that makes it nonlinear. **Do not attempt to solve them!**

Differential equation	Order	Linear? Yes or no.
$y'(x) + 2y(x) = 6$	1	yes
<input checked="" type="radio"/> $\sqrt{y} + 2ty' = 17e^{2t}$	1	no
$x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0$	2	yes
$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ 2x \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + y = 0$	2	yes
$\frac{d^{17}y}{dx^{17}} + 4\sqrt{x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \log(\sin(x))y = \textcircled{2t \log(\cos(y))}$	17	no
<input checked="" type="radio"/> $2yy' - 11y'' + e^{19t}y = 42$	2	no
$\frac{d^3\psi}{d\xi^3} + \frac{d^2\psi}{d\xi^2} \sqrt{\log(\xi)} = \xi^5\psi$	3	yes

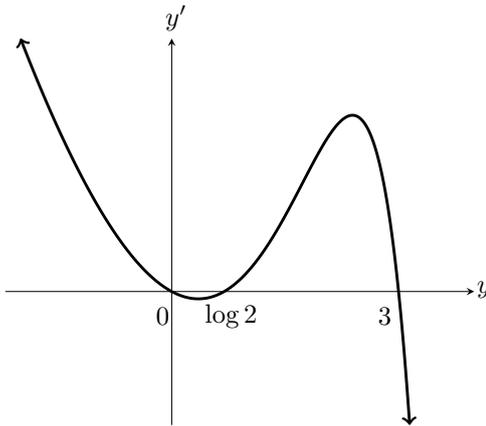
3. (26 points) Consider the differential equation  $y' = (y^2 - 3y)(2 - e^y)$ .

(a) (7 points) Find the equilibrium solutions.

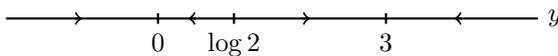
**Solution:** An equilibrium solution is of the form  $y(t) = \alpha$  for a constant  $\alpha$ . Hence  $y'(t) = 0$ . Plug this into the differential equation to get  $0 = (y^2 - 3y)(2 - e^y)$  which has the solutions  $y = 0, 3, \log 2$ . These are the equilibrium solutions.

(b) (6 points) Draw the phase line for this equation (**SHOW YOUR WORK**).

**Solution:** First we plot  $y'$  versus  $y$ , to do this plot the zeros found in part (a) (realize that  $\log(2)$  must be between 0 and 1 because  $\log(1) = 0$ ,  $\log(e) = 1$ , and  $e = 2.71 \dots$  are well known.) The standard technique to finish the plot is to pick a “test point” in each interval to figure out if the graph is above or below the  $x$ -axis and then fill in the curve.



From this graph it is clear that  $y$  is increasing on  $(-\infty, 0)$ , decreasing on  $(0, \log 2)$ , increasing on  $(\log 2, 3)$ , and decreasing on  $(3, \infty)$ . Thus we get the following phase line:



(c) (7 points) Classify each equilibrium as stable, unstable, or semistable.

**Solution:** From the phase line it is clear that 0 is a stable equilibrium,  $\log 2$  is an unstable equilibrium, and 3 is a stable equilibrium.

(d) (6 points) If the initial condition  $y(0) = 1$  is applied, what is the limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  of the solution? Justify your answer.

**Solution:** This initial condition places us at  $y = 1$ . Our phase line describes what happens to the function  $y(x)$  for various values of  $y$ . Looking at the phase line, we know that 1 belongs between  $\log 2$  and 3 and hence the solution will tend toward the equilibrium solution 3 in the limit.

4. (25 points) Solve the initial value problem  $ty'(t) + 17y(t) = \frac{\cos t}{t^{16}}; y(\pi) = 1$  for  $t > 0$ .

**Solution:** This is a first order linear ODE, but it is not separable. Therefore we will proceed via the method of integrating factors. First we need to divide by  $t$  to put the equation into standard form:

$$y'(t) + \frac{17}{t}y(t) = \frac{\cos t}{t^{17}}; y(\pi) = 1.$$

Hence our integrating factor is

$$\mu(t) = \exp\left(\int \frac{17}{t} dt\right) = e^{17 \log t} = e^{\log(t^{17})} = t^{17}.$$

Multiply by  $\mu$  and factor on the left side to get

$$(t^{17}y(t))' = \cos(t).$$

Integration with respect to  $t$  on both sides and the fundamental theorem of calculus yields

$$t^{17}y(t) = \sin(t) + C,$$

hence

$$y(t) = \frac{\sin(t)}{t^{17}} + \frac{C}{t^{17}}.$$

Now we will compute  $C$  from the initial condition:

$$1 = y(\pi) = \frac{\sin(\pi)}{\pi^{17}} + \frac{C}{\pi^{17}} = \frac{C}{\pi^{17}},$$

hence  $C = \pi^{17}$ . We now see the solution of the initial value problem is

$$y(t) = \frac{\sin(t) + \pi^{17}}{t^{17}}.$$

5. (17 points) Solve the differential equation  $y'' - 3y' - 11y = 0$ .

**Solution:** If we assume that  $y(t) = e^{rt}$  and plug this into the differential equation, we get

$$(r^2 - 3r - 11)e^{rt} = 0.$$

Since  $e^{rt}$  never equals zero, we may divide and we are left with the algebra problem

$$r^2 - 3r - 11 = 0.$$

This polynomial does not factor nicely, so we will solve it using the quadratic formula:

$$r = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4(1)(-11)}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{53}}{2}.$$

Therefore we see that the solution of the differential equation is

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{\left(\frac{3+\sqrt{53}}{2}\right)t} + c_2 e^{\left(\frac{3-\sqrt{53}}{2}\right)t}.$$

6. (20 points) Determine the largest interval on which a unique solution of the following initial value problem exists:

$$(t^2 + 6t + 9)y' + \frac{1}{t-2}y = t^5; y(7) = 15.$$

**Solution:** The existence and uniqueness theorem for linear first order differential equations applies to the standard first order linear ODE  $y' + py = g$  and only requires that  $p$  and  $g$  be continuous in an interval. We will find the points of discontinuity of  $p$  and  $g$  and use that and the initial condition to determine the interval of validity. First put the ODE in standard form by dividing by  $t^2 + 6t + 9$ :

$$y' + \frac{1}{(t-2)(t^2+6t+9)}y = \frac{t^5}{t^2+6t+9}.$$

We see that we have  $p(t) = \frac{1}{(t-2)(t^2+6t+9)}$  and  $g(t) = \frac{t^5}{t^2+6t+9}$ . The function  $p(t)$  has a discontinuity whenever  $t-2=0$  (hence  $t=2$ ) and both  $p(t)$  and  $g(t)$  have discontinuity when or  $t^2+6t+9=0$  (factors to  $(t+3)^2=0$ , hence  $t=-3$ ). Hence there are three possible choices for intervals:  $(-\infty, -3)$ ,  $(-3, 2)$ , or  $(2, \infty)$ . The initial condition  $y(7) = 15$  requires us to use  $t=7$ , and hence we see that the solution exists on the interval  $(2, \infty)$ .

7. (25 points) A 3000 gallon tank initially contains 500 gallons of water that has 5 pounds of salt dissolved in it. Water enters the tank at a rate of  $7 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$  with a salt concentration of  $\frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\log(t + 2)} \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$ .

The (well-mixed) mixture is pumped out of the tank at a rate of  $5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$ .

- (a) (5 points) How long does it take for the water in the tank to overflow?

**Solution:** Since the water is entering at the rate  $7 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$  and exiting at the rate  $5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$  we see the total rate of change of the water is  $7 - 5 = 2 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$ . The water initially contains 500 gallons and so as time proceeds will contain  $500 + 2t$  gallons at time  $t$  (measured in hours). Since the tank has a capacity of 3000 gallons, we can see when the tank overflows by solving the equation

$$500 + 2t = 3000,$$

yielding  $t = 1250$  hours until the tank overflows.

- (b) (20 points) Set up, **but do not solve** an initial value problem that models the amount (in pounds) of salt in the tank.

**Solution:** Let  $Q(t)$  denote the amount of salt in the tank at time  $t$  (measured in pounds). We will work from the idea that

rate of change of  $Q(t)$  = rate of  $Q(t)$  entering tank – rate of  $Q(t)$  exiting tank.

The left-hand-side of this is  $\frac{dQ}{dt}$  – this has units  $\frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{hr}}$ . The rate of  $Q(t)$  entering the tank must have units  $\frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{hr}}$  and so we determine it by multiplication:

$$\left(7 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}\right) \left(\frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\log(t + 2)} \frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{gal}}\right) = 7 \left(\frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\log(t + 2)}\right) \frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{hr}}.$$

The rate of  $Q(t)$  exiting the tank must be determined from the knowledge that there are  $5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}$  of solution exiting the tank and the physical specifications of the tank. To make the units correct, we must multiply by a quantity whose units are  $\frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{gal}}$ . The numerator of this unit is  $Q(t)$  itself – the number of pounds of salt in the tank. The denominator must be measured in gallons and so is the total amount of liquid in the tank at time  $t$ . As we found in part (a), this is  $500 + 2t$ . Thus we get the rate of  $Q(t)$  exiting the tank as follows:

$$\left(5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}}\right) \left(\frac{Q(t)}{500 + 2t} \frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{gal}}\right) = \frac{5Q(t)}{500 + 2t} \frac{\text{lb salt}}{\text{hr}}.$$

The initial condition will be given by  $Q(0) = 5$ . Hence we have determined the initial value problem:

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = 7 \left(\frac{1 + \sin(t)}{\log(t + 2)}\right) - \frac{5Q(t)}{500 + 2t}; Q(0) = 5.$$

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Points earned (out of 140)	How many got this score?
37	1
51	1
78	1
81	1
85	1
88	1
89	1
92	1
94	2
96	2
99	1
100	1
102	1
103	2
104	1
106	2
107	1
108	1
109	3
112	2
114	1
116	1
118	3
119	3
120	1
121	1
123	1
126	2
127	2
130	3
131	2
132	1
133	1
137	1

Number taking exam: 51

Median: 110.5 points (78.9%)

Mean: 108.7 points (77.6%)

Standard deviation: 20.017 points (14.3%)

Number receiving A's ( $126 \leq \text{points} \leq 140$ ): 12

Number receiving B's ( $112 \leq \text{points} < 126$ ): 13

Number receiving C's ( $98 \leq \text{points} < 112$ ): 13

Number receiving D's ( $84 \leq \text{points} < 98$ ): 8

Number receiving F's ( $0 \leq \text{points} < 84$ ): 4