

Math 3331 ODEs Sample Test 1 - Solutions

1. For the following ODEs state the order and whether the equations are linear (homogeneous or nonhomogeneous) or nonlinear. If they are nonlinear, underline or circle the nonlinear terms

(i) $y'' = 1 - y^2$

(ii) $x^2 y'' - 2xy' + y = 0$

soln:

(i) $y'' = 1 - \boxed{y^2}$ second order, nonlinear

(ii) $x^2 y'' - 2xy' + y = 0$ second order, linear

2. Verify that the given function satisfies the given ODE and IC/BC if given

(i) $y = x \ln x, \quad xy' - y = x \quad y(1) = 0$

(ii) $y = 2xe^x + e^x, \quad y'' - 2y' + y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 3$

soln:

(i) $y = x \ln x$ so $y' = \ln x + 1$

$LS = xy' - y = x(\ln x + 1) - x \ln x = \cancel{x \ln x} + x - \cancel{x \ln x} = x = RS$

(ii) $y = 2xe^x + e^x$ so $y' = 2xe^x + 3e^x$ and $y'' = 2xe^x + 5e^x$

$LS = y'' - 2y' + y = 2xe^x + 5e^x - 2(2xe^x + 3e^x) + 2xe^x + e^x = 0 = RS$

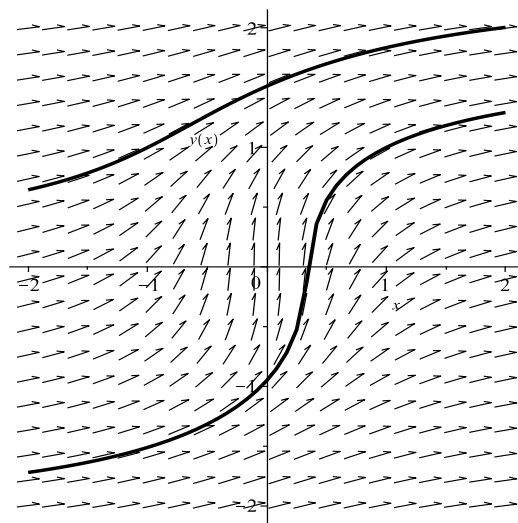
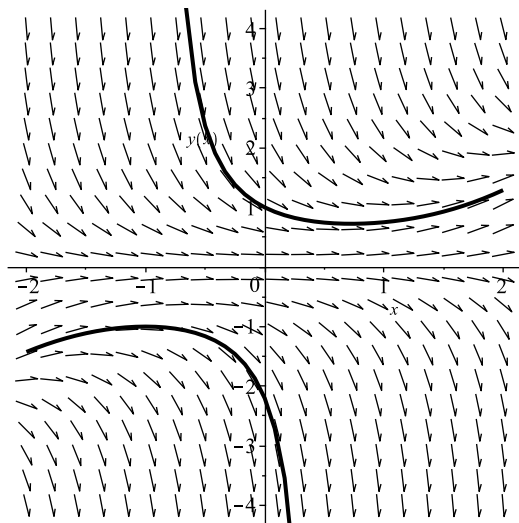
3. For the given ODEs and corresponding direction fields, trace the solution for the given IC.

(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = y(x - y)$

(a) $y(-1) = -1$ (b) $y(0) = 1$

(ii) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}$

(a) $y(-1) = 1$ (b) $y(1) = 1$



$$4. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{1}{y} + x + 1.$$

Solution: After factoring, the equation separates

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \left(\frac{1}{y} + 1 \right) (x + 1), \\ \frac{y}{y+1} dy &= (x+1)dx, \\ y - \ln|y+1| &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + x + c. \end{aligned}$$

$$5. x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^2 y^2.$$

Solution: The equation is Bernoulli, so we put in standard form

$$\begin{aligned} x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y &= x^2 y^2, \\ \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} y &= x y^2, \\ \frac{1}{y^2} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} \frac{1}{y} &= x. \end{aligned}$$

We let $u = \frac{1}{y}$ so $\frac{du}{dx} = -\frac{1}{y^2} \frac{dy}{dx}$ and substituting gives

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{du}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} u &= x, \\ \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{2}{x} u &= -x, \quad \left(\text{the integrating factor is } \mu = \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \\ \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} u \right) &= -\frac{1}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x^2} u &= c - \ln|x|, \\ u &= x^2 (c - \ln|x|), \\ \frac{1}{y} &= x^2 (c - \ln|x|), \\ y &= \frac{1}{x^2 (c - \ln|x|)}. \end{aligned}$$

6. $\frac{dy}{dx} - y = 2e^x, \quad y(0) = 3.$

Solution: The equation is linear and already in standard form. The integrating factor is $\mu = e^{-x}$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} (e^{-x} y) &= 2, \\ e^{-x} y &= 2x + c, \text{ from the IC } c = 3, \\ e^{-x} y &= 2x + 3, \\ y &= (2x + 3)e^x. \end{aligned}$$

7. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - 2xy^2}{1 + 2x^2y}, \quad y(1) = 1.$

Solution: The equation is exact. The alternate form is

$$(2xy^2 - 1)dx + (2x^2y + 1)dy = 0,$$

and it is an easy matter to verify

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 4xy = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x},$$

so u exists such that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= M = 2xy^2 - 1 \Rightarrow u = x^2y^2 - x + A(y), \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= N = 2x^2y + 1 \Rightarrow u = x^2y^2 + y + B(x), \end{aligned}$$

so we can choose A and B giving $u = x^2y^2 - x + y$ and the solution as $x^2y^2 - x + y = c$. Since $y(1) = 1$, this give $c = 1$ and the solution $x^2y^2 - x + y = 1$.

8. $\frac{dy}{dx} = (\ln y - \ln x + 1) \frac{y}{x}.$

Solution: The equation is homogeneous. We re-write it as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\ln \frac{y}{x} + 1 \right) \frac{y}{x}.$$

If we let $y = xu$ so $\frac{dy}{dx} = x \frac{du}{dx} + u$ then

$$x \frac{du}{dx} + u = (\ln u + 1)u,$$

which separates

$$\frac{du}{u \ln u} = \frac{dx}{x} \Rightarrow \ln \ln u = \ln x + \ln c \Rightarrow u = e^{cx}.$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{y}{x} = e^{cx} \text{ or } y = xe^{cx},$$