

Problem 1a (15 pts) Solve the initial value problem for the Bernoulli equation

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) - y(t) = e^t y^2(t), \\ y(0) = 2. \end{cases}$$

Let  $y = \frac{1}{v}$ , so  $y' = \frac{-v'}{v^2} \Rightarrow \frac{-v'}{v^2} - \frac{1}{v} = e^t \cdot \frac{1}{v^2}$

$\Rightarrow -v' - v = e^t \Rightarrow v' + v = -e^t$ . Now the general solution of  $v' + v = -e^t$

is  $v(t) = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \cdot \int \mu(t) \cdot (-e^t) dt$  where  $\mu(t) = e^{\int 1 dt} = e^t$

$\Rightarrow v(t) = e^{-t} \cdot \int (-e^{2t}) dt = e^{-t} \left( -\frac{e^{2t}}{2} + c \right) = -\frac{e^t}{2} + c \cdot e^{-t}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$

So  $y(t) = \left( -\frac{e^t}{2} + c \cdot e^{-t} \right)^{-1}$ . Put  $t=0 \Rightarrow y(0) = \left( c - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} = 2$

$\Rightarrow c=1$ . Thus the solution of the initial value problem

is  $y(t) = \left( -\frac{e^t}{2} + e^{-t} \right)^{-1} //$

1.b) (5 pts.) Is the solution of this problem unique? Why? (5 points)

Let  $f(t, y) = y + e^t \cdot y^2$ , so  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 1 + 2e^t y$ . We see that

both  $f$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  are continuous on any rectangle containing the

point  $(0, 2)$ . Hence by the existence and uniqueness theorem the

initial value problem  $y' = f(t, y)$ ,  $y(0) = 2$  has a unique solution.

Problem 2 (15 points) Give definition of an exact equation. Show that the equation

$$y^3 dx + 3xy^2 dy = 0$$

is an exact equation and find its solution that satisfies the condition

$$y(1) = 2.$$

- Definition: The differential equation  $M(x,y) dx + N(x,y) dy = 0$  is exact if there exists a function  $\Psi(x,y)$  such that  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} = M(x,y)$  and  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} = N(x,y)$ .
- Theorem: Let  $M, N, M_y$  and  $N_x$  be continuous on a rectangle;  $a < x < b$ ,  $\delta < y < \gamma$ . Then  $M(x,y) dx + N(x,y) dy = 0$  is exact if and only if  $M_y(x,y) = N_x(x,y)$ .

Now  $M(x,y) = y^3$ ,  $N(x,y) = 3xy^2$ . So  $M_y = 3y^2$ ,  $N_x = 3y^2 \Rightarrow M_y = N_x$

So the equation is exact //

Let  $\Psi(x,y)$  be a function such that  $\Psi_x = M$ ,  $\Psi_y = N$ .

$$\Psi_x = M = y^3 \Rightarrow \Psi(x,y) = \int y^3 dx = xy^3 + h(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Psi_y = 3xy^2 + h'(y) = N(x,y) = 3xy^2 \Rightarrow h'(y) = 0 \Rightarrow h(y) \text{ is constant.}$$

Thus the solution of  $y^3 dx + 3xy^2 dy = 0$  is  $\Psi(x,y) = xy^3 = c$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $y(1) = 2$ , we've that  $c = 1 \cdot 2^3 = 8$ .

$\Rightarrow$  The solution satisfying  $y(1) = 2$  is  $xy^3 = 8$  //

Problem 4 (15 points) Use the method of variation of parameters to solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} y''(t) + 4y(t) = \sin(2t), & (1) \\ y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

• Consider  $y'' + 4y = 0$ . The characteristic equation is  $r^2 + 4 = 0$ , so the roots are  $r_{1,2} = \pm 2i$ . Hence the complementary solution of (1)

is  $y_c(t) = c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t)$ . Put  $y_1 = \cos(2t)$ ,  $y_2 = \sin(2t)$ .

• Now let  $y(t) = u_1(t) \cdot y_1(t) + u_2(t) \cdot y_2(t)$  be the solution of (1).

By method of variations of parameters we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \sin(2t) \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2t) & \sin(2t) \\ -2\sin(2t) & 2\cos(2t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \sin(2t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1' = \frac{-\sin^2(2t)}{2} = \frac{\cos(4t) - 1}{4}, \quad u_2' = \frac{\sin(2t) \cdot \cos(2t)}{2} = \frac{\sin(4t)}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = \int \frac{\cos(4t) - 1}{4} dt = \frac{\sin(4t)}{16} - \frac{t}{4} + c_1,$$

$$u_2 = \int \frac{\sin(4t)}{4} dt = \frac{-\cos(4t)}{16} + c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = u_1 \cdot y_1 + u_2 \cdot y_2$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t) - \frac{t \cdot \cos(2t)}{4}, \quad y(0) = c_1 = 1$$

$$y'(t) = -2c_1 \sin(2t) + 2c_2 \cos(2t) - \frac{\cos(2t)}{4} + \frac{t \sin(2t)}{2}, \quad y'(0) = 2c_2 - \frac{1}{4} = 1, \text{ so } c_2 = \frac{5}{8}$$

Note:  $\cos(2t) \cdot \sin(4t) - \sin(2t) \cdot \cos(4t) = \sin(2t)$ , so we can eliminate in  $y(t)$  as  $\sin(2t)$  is a complementary solution



Here the solution of the IVP is

$$y(t) = \cos(2t) + \frac{5}{8} \sin(2t) - \frac{t \cdot \cos(2t)}{4} //$$

Problem 3 (15 points) Given a differential equation with constant coefficients

$$y'' + ay' + by = 0. \quad (1)$$

Find conditions on the numbers  $a$  and  $b$  for which all solutions of this equation are tending to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and the conditions for which all solutions are bounded on  $[0, \infty)$ .

The characteristic equation of (1) is  $r^2 + ar + b = 0$ .

Now  $\Delta = a^2 - 4b$ , so the roots are  $r_{1,2} = \frac{-a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4b}}{2}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{\Delta > 0} \\ y(t) = c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t}, \\ r_{1,2} \in \mathbb{R}, r_1 \neq r_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{\Delta = 0} \\ y(t) = c_1 e^{rt} + c_2 t e^{rt}, \\ r = r_1 = r_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{\Delta < 0} \\ y(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + c_2 e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t), \\ r_{1,2} = \lambda \pm i\mu \end{array}$$

Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 0$ , we must have

$$\begin{cases} r_1, r_2 < 0 & \text{if } \Delta > 0 \\ r < 0 & \text{if } \Delta = 0 \\ \lambda < 0 & \text{if } \Delta < 0 \end{cases}$$

So; if  $\Delta > 0$ , then  $-a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4b} < 0 \Rightarrow -a < \sqrt{a^2 - 4b} < a \Rightarrow a, b > 0, a^2 > 4b$

if  $\Delta = 0$ , then  $r = \frac{-a}{2} < 0 \Rightarrow a > 0, a^2 = 4b \Rightarrow a, b > 0, a^2 = 4b$

if  $\Delta < 0$ , then  $\lambda = \frac{-a}{2} < 0 \Rightarrow a > 0, a^2 < 4b \Rightarrow a, b > 0, a^2 < 4b$

Here we must have  $\boxed{a > 0, b > 0}$  in order to have  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 0$  for all  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

To have bounded  $y(t)$  on  $[0, \infty)$  we may additionally have the following cases;

if  $\Delta > 0$ ; then  $r_1 = 0, r_2 < 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a > 0, b = 0}$

if  $\Delta < 0$ ; then  $\lambda = \frac{-a}{2} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a = 0, b > 0}$

if  $\Delta = 0$ , then  $r < 0$  (for  $r = 0$ ,  $c_1 t e^{rt}$  is not bounded)



### Problem 5

5.a) (5 pts.) Give the statement of the existence and uniqueness theorem for the initial value problem for second order linear ODE's.

Theorem: Let  $p(t)$ ,  $q(t)$  and  $g(t)$  be continuous on an open interval  $I$ . Suppose  $t_0 \in I$ . Then the initial value problem

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t), \quad y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y_0'$$

has a unique solution on  $I$ .

5.b) (15 pts.) Suppose that  $p(t), q(t)$  be continuous functions on  $(a, b)$ ,  $y_1(t)$  is a nonzero solution of the equation

$$y''(t) + p(t)y'(t) + q(t)y(t) = 0$$

on  $(a, b)$  and  $f(t)$  is continuously differentiable function on  $(a, b)$ . Show that if  $f(t)$  has a local extremum on  $(a, b)$ , then  $\{y_1(t), f(t)y_1(t)\}$  can not be a fundamental set of solutions of this equation on  $(a, b)$ .

The Wronskian of  $y_1$  and  $f \cdot y_1$  is

$$W[y_1, f \cdot y_1](t) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & f \cdot y_1 \\ y_1' & (f' \cdot y_1 + f \cdot y_1') \end{vmatrix} = f' \cdot y_1^2.$$

Suppose  $f(t)$  has a local extremum at  $c \in (a, b)$ . Since  $f(t)$  is differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , we must have that  $f'(c) = 0$ .

But then  $W[y_1, f \cdot y_1](c) = f'(c) \cdot y_1(c)^2 = 0$ , and so

$\{y_1, f \cdot y_1\}$  can not be a fundamental set of solutions.



Problem 6 (15 pts.) Find a series solution in powers of  $x$  of the problem

$$\begin{cases} y''(x) + 2xy'(x) + 2y(x) = 0, \\ y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Let } y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n, \text{ so } y'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}, y''(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x y'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n, y''(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} + 2n a_n + 2a_n] x^n + a_0 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot a_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 + 2a_2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (n+2) a_{n+2} + 2a_n = 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-a_0}{2}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{-2a_1}{3}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{-a_2}{2} = \frac{a_0}{2^2}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{-2a_3}{5} = \frac{2^2 a_1}{3 \cdot 5}$$

$$a_6 = \frac{-a_4}{3} = \frac{-a_0}{2^2 \cdot 3}$$

$$a_7 = \frac{-2a_5}{7} = \frac{-2^3 a_1}{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}$$

$$a_8 = \frac{-a_6}{4} = \frac{a_0}{2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{2n+1} = \frac{(-2)^n a_1}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n+1)}$$

$$a_{2n} = \frac{(-1)^n a_0}{2 \cdot n!}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = a_0 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2 \cdot n!} x^{2n} + 1 \right) + a_1 \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n x^{2n+1}}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n+1)} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y'(x) = a_0 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n-1}}{(n-1)!} \right) + a_1 \left( 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n x^{2n}}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n+1)} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} y(0) &= a_0 = 2 \\ y'(0) &= a_1 = 1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the solution is

$$y(x) = 2 \cdot \left( 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{2 \cdot n!} \right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n x^{2n+1}}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n+1)}$$