

Math 320, Spring 2013, Term Test I  
Linear Algebra and Differential Equations

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**Instructions**

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2. Answer questions in the space provided, using backs of pages for overflow and rough work.
3. Show all the work required to obtain your answers.
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1. Definitions and Classification:

- [2] (a) Classify the following differential equations according to their order, and whether they are linear / nonlinear, autonomous / nonautonomous, and homogeneous / nonhomogeneous.

i.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - y^2 = y$       Second-order, nonlinear,  
autonomous, homogeneous

ii.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin(x) + xy$       First-order, linear, nonautonomous,  
nonhomogeneous.

- [1] (b) State the condition required for the differential equations  $M(x, y) dx + N(x, y) dy = 0$  to be exact.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

[3] 2. True/False:

- (a) A Bernoulli differential equation (i.e.  $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)y^n$ ) can be reduced to a first-order linear differential equation by the substitution  $v = y^{1-n}$ .

True /  False

- (b) The integration factor for the first-order linear differential equation  $y' + \frac{1}{x}y = \sin(x)$  is  $\rho(x) = x$ .

True /  False

- (c) A sufficient condition for the first-order differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$  to have a unique solution through  $(x, y)$  is that  $f(x, y)$  is continuous at  $(x, y)$ .

True /  False

## 3. Slope Fields:

Consider the following differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{1-y^2}, \quad -1 \leq y \leq 1. \quad (1)$$

- [2] (a) Show that  $y(x) = \sin(x-C)$  for  $C - \pi/2 \leq x \leq C + \pi/2$  is a solution to (1) for all  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ .

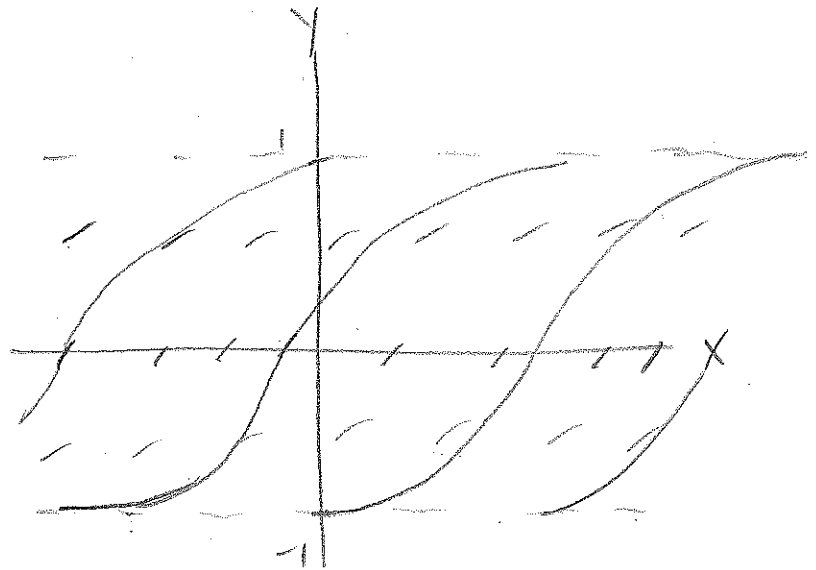
$$\text{LHS: } \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(x-C)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS: } \sqrt{1-y^2} &= \sqrt{1-\sin^2(x-C)} \\ &= \sqrt{\cos^2(x-C)} = |\cos(x-C)| \\ &= \cos(x-C) \end{aligned}$$

(since  $\cos(x-C) \geq 0$  for  $C - \frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq C + \frac{\pi}{2}$ )

- [2] (b) Sketch the slope field and, based on this sketch and the solution  $y(x)$  in part (a), overlay a few particular solutions.

$y$	$f(x,y)$
-1	0
-0.5	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
0	1
0.5	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
1	0



- [2] (c) Determine the particular solution of (1) for the initial conditions  $y(0) = 0$ . Comment on the uniqueness of solutions at the limits of the solution, i.e. consider what happens at  $x = C - \pi/2$  and  $x = C + \pi/2$ . [Hint: Try to find another solution to (1)!]

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) = 0 &\Rightarrow 0 = \sin(-C) \Rightarrow C = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow y(x) = \sin(x) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $y = 1$  and  $y = -1$  are also solutions it follows that uniqueness breaks down at these points (i.e. at  $x = C \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$ )

4. General Solutions:

Find the general solutions of the following differential equations:

[3] (a)  $(1+x)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = (1+y)^2$

separable

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

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{1+y} = -\frac{1}{1+x} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+y} = \frac{1 + C(1+x)}{1+x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+y = \frac{1+x}{1+C(1+x)} \Rightarrow y(x) = \frac{1+x}{1+C(1+x)} - 1$$

[4] (b)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y + 2\sqrt{xy}$

power homogeneous

$$v = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow y = xv \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(v + x \frac{dv}{dx}) = xv + 2\sqrt{x(xv)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(v + x \frac{dv}{dx}) = xv + 2x\sqrt{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v + 2\sqrt{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = 2\sqrt{v} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{v}} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{v} = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\Rightarrow v = (\ln|x| + C)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = (\ln|x| + C)^2 \Rightarrow y(x) = x(\ln|x| + C)^2$$

## 5. Applications:

Assume that a population (denoted  $P$ ) grows at a rate proportional to its own population when the population size is small (i.e. proportional to  $P$ ) but encounters a third-power crowding term when the population is large (i.e. proportional to  $P^3$ ). After simplifying, rescaling and factoring, this gives rise to the growth model

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P(1 - P^2). \quad (2)$$

- [5] (a) Find the general solution of (2). [Hint: The equation is separable, but there is an easier solution method.]

Bernoulli

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P - P^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} - P = -P^3$$

$$\Rightarrow v = P^{1-n} = P^{-2} \Rightarrow P = v^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow P^3 = v^{-\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2} v^{-\frac{3}{2}} \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} v^{-\frac{3}{2}} \frac{dv}{dt} - v^{-\frac{1}{2}} = -v^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} + 2v = 2 \Rightarrow e^{2t} \frac{dv}{dt} + 2e^{2t} v = 2e^{2t}$$

$$p(t) = e^{\int 2 dt} = e^{2t} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [e^{2t} v] = 2e^{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{2t} v = e^{2t} + C \Rightarrow v = 1 + Ce^{-2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-2} = 1 + Ce^{-2t} \Rightarrow P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + Ce^{-2t}}}$$

- [1] (b) What is the limiting value of the population? [Hint: Take the limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .]

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + Ce^{-2t}}} = 1$$

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