

# MTH 3311 Test #1 - Solutions

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Show CLEARLY how you arrive at your answers.

1. Classify the following according to **order** and **linearity**. If an equation is **not linear**, explain why.

(a)  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x\frac{dy}{dx} + \sin(x)y = \tan(x)$

**Order 2; Linear**

(b)  $y^{(6)} + 6y''' - 2yy' + 6y = e^x$

**Order 6; Non-Linear.** The functions  $y$  and  $y'$  appear as cofactors in the same term.

(c)  $8x^4y'' + \cos(x)y' + 3y = \sec(6x)$

**Order 2; Linear**

(d)  $3x^4\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3y^4\frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$

**Order 2; Linear.**  $y$  is raised to a power other than 1. Also, the functions  $y^4$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  appear as cofactors in the same term. (either reason is sufficient.)

2. Solve:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x\sqrt{x^2+5}}{y^2}$ ; subject to the initial condition  $y(2) = 3$

Separate!

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

$$\Rightarrow y^2 dy = (x^2+5)^{\frac{1}{2}} x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int y^2 dy = \int \underbrace{(x^2+5)^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{u^{\frac{1}{2}}} \underbrace{x dx}_{\frac{1}{2} du} = \frac{1}{2} \int u^{\frac{1}{2}} du$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^3}{3} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{u^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} + C = \frac{1}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 = u^{\frac{3}{2}} + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 = (x^2+5)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C_1$$

**Recall:**  $y(2) = 3$

$$\Rightarrow (3)^3 = ((2)^2+5)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C_1 \Rightarrow (3)^3 = 9^{\frac{3}{2}} + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow 27 = 27 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = C$$

Hence,  $y^3 = (x^2+5)^{\frac{3}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{x^2+5}$$

3. Solve:  $y' + x^{-2}y = 6x^{-2}$ , using the “Integrating Factor” Method. (Assume  $y > 0$ )

1. Re-write the equation in the form:  $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$

$$y' + \underbrace{x^{-2}}_{P(x)}y = \underbrace{6x^{-2}}_{Q(x)}$$

2. Compute the integrating factor:

$$e^{\int P(x)dx} = e^{\int x^{-2}dx} = e^{-x^{-1}}$$

$$\text{i.e., } e^{\int P(x)dx} = e^{-x^{-1}}$$

3. Multiply both sides by the integrating factor

$$e^{-x^{-1}}y' + x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}}y = 6x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}}$$

4. Express the left hand side as the derivative of a product

$$\underbrace{e^{-x^{-1}}}_{1^{\text{st}}} \underbrace{y'}_{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ prime}} + \underbrace{y}_{2^{\text{nd}}} \underbrace{x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}}}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ prime}} = 6x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[ e^{-x^{-1}}y \right] = 6x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}}$$

5. Integrate both sides w.r.t.  $x$ .

$$\int \frac{d}{dx} \left[ e^{-x^{-1}}y \right] dx = \int 6x^{-2}e^{-x^{-1}} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-x^{-1}}y = 6 \int \underbrace{e^{-x^{-1}}}_{e^u} \underbrace{x^{-2}dx}_{du} = 6e^u + C$$

$$\text{i.e., } e^{-x^{-1}}y = 6e^{-x^{-1}} + C$$

6. Solve for  $y$

$$\Rightarrow y = 6 + Ce^{x^{-1}}$$

Our solution is  $y = 6 + Ce^{x^{-1}}$

4. Show that the function  $y = e^{2x} + 2x^2 + 6x$  is a solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' - y' - 2y = -4x^2 - 16x - 2$$

**Observe:**

$$y = e^{2x} + 2x^2 + 6x$$

$$y' = 2e^{2x} + 4x + 6$$

$$y'' = 4e^{2x} + 4$$

Plugging these into the expression  $y'' - y' - 2y$ , we have:

$$y'' - y' - 2y = (4e^{2x} + 4) - (2e^{2x} + 4x + 6) - 2(e^{2x} + 2x^2 + 6x)$$

$$\text{i.e., } y'' - y' - 2y = -4x^2 - 16x - 2$$

Hence,  $y = e^{2x} + 2x^2 + 6x$  is a solution of the equation:

$$y'' - y' - 2y = -4x^2 - 16x - 2$$

5. Determine whether or not the equation is exact. If the equation is exact, solve it.

$$(3x^2 + \ln(y) + 3x^2y^3) dx + \left(\frac{x}{y} + 3x^3y^2 + \cos(y)\right) dy = 0$$

This equation can be analyzed as:

$$\underbrace{(3x^2 + \ln(y) + 3x^2y^3)}_{M(x,y)} dx + \underbrace{\left(\frac{x}{y} + 3x^3y^2 + \cos(y)\right)}_{N(x,y)} dy = 0$$

By convention, we let  $M(x, y)$  be the co-factor of  $dx$  and we let  $N(x, y)$  be the co-factor of  $dy$ .

i.e.,  $M(x, y) = 3x^2 + \ln(y) + 3x^2y^3$  and  $N(x, y) = \frac{x}{y} + 3x^3y^2 + \cos(y)$

The Differential equation is **exact** precisely when  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$

**Observe:**  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3x^2 + \ln(y) + 3x^2y^3] = \frac{1}{y} + 9x^2y^2$

**Also:**  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{x}{y} + 3x^3y^2 + \cos(y)\right] = \frac{1}{y} + 9x^2y^2$

**Hence:**  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{y} + 9x^2y^2 = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$

Thus, the equation IS exact, and there exists a function  $U(x, y)$  such that the equation  $U(x, y) = C$  relates the solution  $y$  implicitly as a function of  $x$ .

To find  $U(x, y)$ , we compute the integrals  $\int M(x, y) dx$  and  $\int N(x, y) dy$ .

$$U(x, y) = \int M(x, y) dx = \int (3x^2 + \ln(y) + 3x^2y^3) dx = x^3 + x \ln(y) + x^3y^3 + f(y)$$

$$U(x, y) = \int N(x, y) dy = \int \left(\frac{x}{y} + 3x^3y^2 + \cos(y)\right) dy = x \ln(y) + x^3y^3 + \sin(y) + g(x)$$

To find the unknown functions  $f(y)$  and  $g(x)$ , we compare  $\int M(x, y) dx$  and  $\int N(x, y) dy$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} U(x, y) & = & x^3 & + & x \ln(y) & + & x^3y^3 & + & f(y) & + & C \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ U(x, y) & = & g(x) & + & x \ln(y) & + & x^3y^3 & + & \sin(y) & + & C \end{array}$$

Thus,  $f(y) = \sin(y)$  and  $g(x) = x^3$ , and  $U(x, y) = x^3 + x \ln(y) + x^3y^3 + \sin(y) + C$

Our solution  $y = y(x)$  is given implicitly by the equation  $U(x, y) = C$

$$x^3 + x \ln(y) + x^3y^3 + \sin(y) = C_1$$

6. Solve:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{xy+y^2+x^2}{x^2}$  using the substitution  $v = \frac{y}{x}$ .

1. Re-express this in the form:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{xy}{x^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{x^2}{x^2}$$

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

2. Substituting  $v$  for  $\frac{y}{x}$ , we have:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v + v^2 + 1$$

3. We must also make a corresponding substitution for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

We get this from the equation  $v = \frac{y}{x}$

Rewriting, we have:  $y = vx$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}[y] = \frac{d}{dx}[vx] \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v \cdot 1 + x \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

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

4. Separate!

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \arctan(v) = \ln(x) + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \ln(x) + C$$

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

$$\Rightarrow y = x \tan(\ln(x) + C)$$

Our solution is:  $y = x \tan(\ln(x) + C)$