

1) Consider the third-order differential equation

$$(x^2 - 1)(x - 2)y''' + (\sin x)y'' - (2x + 1)y' + 3y = 0.$$

a)(4 pts.) Determine the intervals where solutions exist.

All the coefficient functions are continuous $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, and $a_0(x) = (x^2 - 1)(x - 2)$ vanishes at $x = \pm 1, 2$. Then $I = (-\infty, -1)$, or $I = (-1, 1)$, or $I = (1, 2)$, or $I = (2, \infty)$.

b)(4 pts.) Write down a related IVP. What does the E&U theorem tell you about this IVP?

$y(3) = y'(3) = 0, y''(3) = 8$. In this case, the IVP has a unique solution on the interval $I = (2, \infty)$.

c)(4 pts.) Let y_1, y_2 , and y_3 be solutions of the above differential equation which satisfy $2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3 = 0$. What is $W(y_1, y_2, y_3)$? Why?

$W(y_1, y_2, y_3) = 0$ since y_1, y_2 , and y_3 are linearly dependent.

d)(9 pts.) How did you decide whether $x_0 = 2$ is a regular singular point or not.?

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \alpha(x) = \frac{\sin 2}{3}, \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \beta(x) = 0$, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \gamma(x) = 0$, where

$$\alpha(x) = (x - 2) \frac{\sin x}{(x^2 - 1)(x - 2)}, \beta(x) = (x - 2)^2 \frac{(2x + 1)}{(x^2 - 1)(x - 2)}, \text{ and}$$

$$\gamma(x) = (x - 2)^3 \frac{3}{(x^2 - 1)(x - 2)}, \text{ exist, } x_0 = 2 \text{ is a regular singular point of the equation.}$$

2)a)(4 pts.) Write down an **eight-order, linear IVP** and solve it.

$$y^{(8)} = 0, y^{(n)}(1) = 0, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 7.$$

$$y(x) = 0.$$

b)(2 pts.) Write down an example of a **nonlinear** ordinary differential equation of the **third-order**.

$$y''' - yy' + 8y = 0.$$

c)(4 pts.) What is the number of independent constants in the general solution of the linear system?

$$y'' + x' + x = \sin t$$

$$y' + x - y = 0. \text{ Why?}$$

order $\begin{vmatrix} D+1 & D^2 \\ 1 & D-1 \end{vmatrix} = \text{order}(-1) = 0$. So, the general solution of the system has no constants.

d)(7 pts.) Solve the linear system

$$x' + \frac{3}{t}y' = 0$$

$$x' - y'' - \frac{1}{t^2}y = 0, t > 0.$$

$x' = -\frac{3}{t}y'$ (from the first equation of the system). Substituting it into the second equation, we obtain $t^2y'' + 3ty' + y = 0, t > 0$ (C-E equation). Let $t = e^u$. Then $y''(u) + 2y'(u) + y(u) = 0$ is obtained. The general solution of the transformed equation is $y(u) = (A + Bu)e^{-u}$, A & B are constants. $y(t) = (A + B \ln t)\frac{1}{t}$ (using backsubstitution). And

$$x(t) = \frac{3}{2}(B - A)t^{-2} + 3B\left(\frac{-\ln t}{2t} - \frac{1}{4t}\right) + C, A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

3)(15 pts.) Solve the IVP $\left(\frac{2x}{y} - \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}\right)dx + \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{x^2}{y^2}\right)dy = 0, y(1) = 1.$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{2x}{y} - \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{x^2}{y^2}\right) \Rightarrow \text{exact.}$$

Let's find $F(x, y)$ s.t.

$$F_x = \frac{2x}{y} - \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow F(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{y} - \arctan \frac{x}{y} + h(y), \text{ and}$$

$$F_y = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{x^2}{y^2} = -\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} + h'(y).$$

$$\Rightarrow h(y) = A \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } F(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{y} - \arctan \frac{x}{y} + A = B \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ or } \frac{x^2}{y} - \arctan \frac{x}{y} = C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$y(1) = 1 \Rightarrow C = 1 - \frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ and the solution of the IVP is } \frac{x^2}{y} - \arctan \frac{x}{y} = 1 - \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

4)(20 pts.) Solve the IVP

$$(1 + x^2)y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 0, y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -2.$$

$x_0 = 0$ is an ordinary point. Then $y(x) = \sum_0^{\infty} a_n x^n, |x| < 1$. Substituting the assumed power series solution into the equation, we obtain

$$a_2 + 3a_0 = 0, 3a_3 + a_1 = 0, a_{n+2} = -\frac{(n-2)(n-3)}{(n+1)(n+2)}a_n, n \geq 2.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = -3a_0, a_3 = -\frac{a_1}{3}, a_k = 0, k \geq 4.$$

$$\therefore y(x) = a_0(1 - 3x^2) + a_1\left(x - \frac{x^3}{3}\right).$$

$$y(0) = a_0 = 1, y'(0) = a_1 = -2 \Rightarrow y(x) = 1 - 3x^2 - 2\left(x - \frac{x^3}{3}\right).$$

5)a)(3pts.) $\mathcal{L}\{ty'(t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds}(sY(s) - y(0)) = -sY'(s) - Y(s)$ where

$$Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}.$$

$$\mathbf{b)(4\ pts.)} \quad \mathcal{L} \left\{ \int_0^t f(u) du \right\} = \mathcal{L} \{ 1 * f(t) \} = \frac{F(s)}{s}, \quad F(s) = \mathcal{L} \{ f(t) \}.$$

$$\mathbf{c)(7pts.)} \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{se^{-3s}}{s^2 + 4s + 5} \right\} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 3 \\ e^{-2(t-3)} [\cos(t-3) - 2\sin(t-3)] & \text{if } t \geq 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+2-2}{(s+2)^2 + 1} \right\} = e^{-2t} (\cos t - 2e^{-2t} \sin t).$$

$$\mathbf{d)(2\ pts.)} \quad Y(s) = \mathcal{L} \{ y(t) \}, \quad \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} Y(s) = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{e)(11\ pts.)} \quad \text{Solve the IVP } y'' + 3ty' - 6y = 1, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0.$$

Taking the Laplace transform of the equation, we obtain the following first-order linear ordinary differential equation

$$Y'(s) + \frac{9-s^2}{3s} Y(s) = -\frac{1}{3s^2} \quad \text{with an integrating factor } \mu(s) = A \exp \int \left(\frac{3}{s} - \frac{s}{3} \right) ds = As^3 e^{-\frac{s^2}{6}}, \quad A \text{ is}$$

a nonzero constant. Then,

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} Y(s) = 0 \Leftrightarrow c = 0.$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^3} + c \frac{s^{\frac{s^2}{6}}}{s^3}. \quad \text{We know that } \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{t^2}{2}.$$