

Homework #4

MATH 308-505 Solutions

Problem 1

$$(t^2 + 7t + 10)y' + (t-2)y = te^t \quad (1)$$

$$t^2 + 7t + 10 = (t+2)(t+5)$$

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow y' + \frac{t-2}{(t+2)(t+5)}y = \frac{te^t}{(t+2)(t+5)}$$

$p(t) = \frac{t-2}{(t+2)(t+5)}$ has discontinuity at $t=-2$ and $t=-5$

$g(t) = \frac{te^t}{(t+2)(t+5)}$ has discontinuity at the same points



(a) $t_0 = -6 < -5 \Rightarrow$ the solution is certain to exist

for $t < -5$

(b) $t_0 = -3$, $-5 < -3 < -2 \Rightarrow$ the solution is certain to exist

for $-5 < t < -2$

(c) $t_0 = 0 > -2 \Rightarrow$ the solution is certain to exist

for $t > -2$

Problem 2

$$(ax^3y - 5e^y) \frac{dy}{dx} = (x^2y^2 + \sin x)$$

$$(x^2y^2 + \sin x) dx - (ax^3y - 5e^y) dy = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} P &= x^2y^2 + \sin x & P_y &= 2x^2y \\ Q &= -(ax^3y - 5e^y) = -ax^3y + 5e^y & Q_x &= -3ax^2y \end{aligned} \Rightarrow$$

$$P_y = Q_x \Leftrightarrow 2x^2y = -3ax^2y \Rightarrow \boxed{a = -\frac{2}{3}}$$

If $a = -\frac{2}{3}$, then $Q = \frac{2}{3}x^3y + 5e^y$

Find the potential:

$$\begin{cases} P_x = x^2y^2 + \sin x & \Rightarrow \phi = \int (x^2y^2 + \sin x) dx + h(y) = \\ P_y = \frac{2}{3}x^3y + 5e^y & = \frac{1}{3}x^3y^2 - \cos x + h(y) \end{cases}$$

Substituting do the second equation:

$$\frac{2}{3}x^3y + h'(y) = \frac{2}{3}x^3y + 5e^y \Rightarrow h'(y) = 5e^y \Rightarrow h(y) = 5e^y + C$$

We can take $C=0 \Rightarrow$

$\phi = \frac{1}{3}x^3y^2 - \cos x + 5e^y \Rightarrow$ the general solution is

$y(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}\pi^3 \cdot 0^2 - \cos \pi + 5e^0 = C$
 $C = -\cos \pi + 5 = 6 \Rightarrow$

→ the required solution is $\boxed{\frac{1}{3}x^3y^2 - \cos x + 5e^y = 6}$

Problem 3 $(3xy - y^2)dx + x(x - y)dy = 0$

$P = 3xy - y^2$

$Q = x^2 - xy$

$P_y = 3x - 2y$

$Q_x = 2x - y$

$P_y \neq Q_x \Rightarrow$ not exact

However $\frac{P_y - Q_x}{Q} = \frac{3x - 2y - 2x + y}{x(x - y)} = \frac{x - y}{x(x - y)} = \frac{1}{x}$

depend on x only \Rightarrow we can look for the integrating factor μ depending on x only, solving

$\mu_x = \frac{1}{x}\mu \Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = e^{\ln x} = x$

Multiplying by $\mu = x$ our equation we get an exact equation

$(3x^2y - y^2x)dx + (x^3 - x^2y)dy$

$P = 3x^2y - y^2x$

$Q = x^3 - x^2y$

Now $P_y = 3x^2 - 2xy, Q_x = 3x^2 - 2xy$

$P_y = Q_x$

Find the potential

\rightarrow this is not necessary, just check.

$\int P_x = 3x^2y - y^2x \Rightarrow \phi = x^3y - \frac{y^2x^2}{2} + h(y)$

$\int Q_y = x^3 - x^2y \Rightarrow \phi = x^3 - x^2y + h'(y) = x^3 - x^2y \Rightarrow h'(y) = 0 \Rightarrow h(y) = c$

Take $c = 0 \Rightarrow \phi = x^3y - \frac{x^2y^2}{2} \Rightarrow$ gen. solution is

$x^3y - \frac{x^2y^2}{2} = \text{const}$