

Tutorial 9 - Ordinary Differential Equations

1. State the **order** and **linearity** of each differential equation and verify that the given function is a solution.

- a) $y'' + 9y = 0$; $y = A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)$
 b) $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$; $y = 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x}$
 c) $2yy' = 9 \sin(2x)$; $y_1(x) = \sin x$, $y_2(x) = 3 \sin x$
 d) $y'' - xy' + y = 0$ $y = x$

First-Order Linear Differential Equations

2. Solve the following differential equations **by separation of variables**.
 [The solution you obtain, if correct, may not be exactly the same as what is given here, but would be equivalent to it.]

- a) $\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 0$ $[y = Ce^{-3x}]$
 b) $\frac{dy}{dx} - 4xy = 0$ $[y = Ce^{2x^2}]$
 c) $y' = xe^{x^2}$ (Hint: substitution) $[y = \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} + C]$
 d) $y' = \frac{x \cos x}{6y^5 - 1}$ (Hint: by parts) $[y^6 - y = x \sin x + \cos x + c]$
 e) $e^x y \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-y} + e^{-2x-y}$ (Hint: by parts) $[ye^y - e^y + e^{-x} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-3x} = c]$
 f) $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = y - xy$ $y(1) = 1$ $[xy = e^{1-\frac{1}{x}}]$
 g) $y' = y^2 + y - 6$; $y(5) = 10$ (Hint: partial fractions) $[\frac{y-2}{y+3} = \frac{8}{13} \exp(5(x-5))]$

3. Solve the following **first-order linear differential equations**.

[The solution you obtain, if correct, may not be exactly the same as what is given here, but would be equivalent to it.]

- a) $y' + 4y = e^{-3x}$ $[y = e^{-3x} + Ce^{-4x}]$
 b) $y' = \frac{2y}{x} + x^2 e^x$ (Hint: $e^{\ln x} = x$) $[y = x^2 e^x + cx^2]$
 c) $y' + 2xy = x$ $[y = \frac{1}{2} + Ce^{-x^2}]$
 d) $xy' + 4y = x^5$ $[y = \frac{C}{x^4} + \frac{1}{9}x^5]$
 e) $y' - 2y = 2 \cos(2x) + 4$, $y(0) = -\frac{5}{4}$ $[y = \frac{1}{2}(\sin 2x - \cos 2x) - 2 + \frac{5}{4}e^{2x}]$
 f) $(1+x)y' - xy = x + x^2$ $[(x+1)e^{-x}y = -x(x+1)e^{-x} - 2x - 3 + c]$

g) $xy' + y = e^x \quad y(1) = 2 \quad \left[y = \frac{1}{x}e^x + \frac{2-e}{x} \right]$

h) $(x+1)\frac{dy}{dx} + y = \ln x \quad y(1) = 10 \quad [(x+1)y = x \ln x - x + 21]$

4. Determine whether the given differential equation is **exact**. If it is exact, solve it.

a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{y - 2xy} \right) \quad \left[\frac{x^3}{3} + xy^2 - \frac{y^2}{2} = c \right]$

b) $\left(2y - \frac{1}{x} + \cos 3x \right) \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x^2} - 4x^3 + 3y \sin 3x = 0$

c) $2x^3(y-1)dy + 3x^2(y-1)^2 dx = 0; \quad y(-2) = \frac{5}{2}$
 $\left[x^3(y-1)^2 + 18 = 0 \right]$

d) $\left(\frac{3y^2 - t^2}{y^5} \right) \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{t}{2y^4} = 0 \quad y(1) = 1 \quad \left[-\frac{t^2}{4y^4} - \frac{3}{2y^2} = -\frac{5}{4} \right]$

e) $(2xy - \sec^2 x)dx + (x^2 + 2y)dy = 0 \quad [x^2 y - \tan x + y^2 = C]$

Second-Order Linear Differential Equations

5. Find a general solution for each of the following second-order homogeneous linear differential equations.

(a) $y'' - 2y' - 8y = 0$ (b) $y'' - 3y' = 0$ (c) $y'' - 4y = 0$
 (d) $y'' - 6y' + 25y = 0$ (e) $y'' + 4y = 0$ (f) $y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0$
 (g) $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 20 \frac{dy}{dx} + 64y = 0$ (h) $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 10 \frac{dy}{dx} + 25y = 0$

6. Solve the following initial-value problems.

(a) $y'' - 4y' + 13y = 0; y(0) = 5, y'(0) = -2$
 (b) $y'' + 16y = 0; y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -2$

7. Solve the following second-order non-homogeneous linear differential equations using the method of undetermined coefficients.

(a) $y'' - 2y' - 8y = 4x - 3e^x$ (b) $y'' - 2y' - 8y = \sin x$
 (c) $y'' + 2y' - 35y = 12e^{5x} + 37 \sin 5x$ (d) $y'' + 3y' = 4x + 5$
 (e) $y'' + 6y' + 8y = 3e^{-2x} + 2x$ (f) $y'' - 2y' + y = xe^x$
 (g) $y'' + 10y' + 25y = e^{-5x}$ (h) $y'' - 5y' = 2; y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 2$