

MATH 231, FALL 2022—PRACTICE FINAL

1. Solve the initial value problem, including the interval where the solution is defined.

$$xy' - y = x^2e^x, \quad y = y(x), \quad y(1) = e - 1.$$

2. Solve the initial value problem:

$$(1 + e^x y + x e^x y) dx + (x e^x + 2) dy = 0, \quad y = y(x), \quad y(0) = 1.$$

3. Consider the autonomous first-order equation:

$$y' = -3y(y - 1)(y - 2), \quad y = y(t).$$

(i) Find and classify the equilibria (as stable or unstable), and sketch the phase-line diagram.

(ii) Sketch the  $y$  vs.  $t$  graph of solutions (include two solution curves in each range defined by the equilibria.) Indicate the vertical asymptotes (“finite-time blowup”) where they occur.

4. Transform the Bernoulli-type equation given below to a linear equation (you don’t need to solve the transformed equation).

$$y' - 5y = -5xy^3, \quad y = y(x).$$

5. Find the general solution of the Cauchy-Euler equation:

$$(t - 2)^2 y''(t) - 7(y - 2)y'(t) + 7y(t) = 0, \quad t > 2.$$

6. Solve the initial-value problem. (You may use Laplace transforms):

$$y'' + 6y' + 9y = t, \quad y = y(t), \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1.$$

7. Find a formula for the solution of the initial-value problem, for any given function  $g(t)$ :

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = g(t), \quad y = y(t), \quad y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -2.$$

8. Find the first *three* non-zero terms in a power series expansion of the solution to the first-order initial-value problem:

$$x' + (\sin t)x = 0, \quad x = x(t), \quad x(0) = 1.$$

Given:  $\sin t = t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \dots$

9. Find power series expansions about  $x_0 = 0$  for two linearly independent solutions; include three nonzero terms for each solution:

$$y'' - x^2 y' - xy = 0, \quad y = y(x).$$