

Problem Sheet 8 Solutions

1) Use separation of variables to solve the following:

a) $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{k}{x^2} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{k}{x^2} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{k}{x^2} \\ \int dy &= -k \int x^{-2} dx \\ y &= kx^{-1} + c \\ y &= \frac{k}{x} + c\end{aligned}$$

b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{y}{x} \\ \int \frac{1}{y} dy &= \int \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \ln y &= \ln x + c \\ y &= Ax\end{aligned}$$

c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x}{y} \\ \int y dy &= \int x dx \\ y^2 &= x^2 + c\end{aligned}$$

d) $\frac{dx}{dy} + \frac{k}{x^2} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dx}{dy} + \frac{k}{x^2} &= 0 \\
 \frac{dx}{dy} &= -\frac{k}{x^2} \\
 \int x^2 \, dx &= \int -k \, dy \\
 \frac{1}{3}x^3 + c &= -ky \\
 y &= -\frac{1}{3k}x^3 - c
 \end{aligned}$$

e) $\sin y \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x \cos y$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sin y \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} &= \sin x \cos y \\
 \int \tan y \, dy &= \int \tan x \, dx \\
 -\ln |\cos y| &= -\ln |\cos x| + c \\
 \ln |\cos y| &= \ln |\cos x| - c \\
 \cos y &= A \cos x
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1+y^2}{(1+x^2)xy} &= \frac{dy}{dx} \\
 \int \frac{1}{(1+x^2)x} \, dx &= \int \frac{y}{1+y^2} \, dy \\
 \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2| - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1+x^2| + c &= \frac{1}{2} \ln |1+y^2| \\
 A \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} &= 1+y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

g) $xy \frac{dy}{dx} = x$

$$\begin{aligned}
xy \frac{dy}{dx} &= x \\
\int y \, dy &= \int dx \\
\frac{1}{2}y^2 &= x + c \\
y^2 &= 2x + d
\end{aligned}$$

h) $x\sqrt{y^2 - 1} - y\sqrt{x^2 - 1}\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
x\sqrt{y^2 - 1} - y\sqrt{x^2 - 1}\frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\
x\sqrt{y^2 - 1} &= y\sqrt{x^2 - 1}\frac{dy}{dx} \\
\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \, dx &= \int \frac{y}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \, dy \\
\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x^2 - 1} + c &= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y^2 - 1} \\
\sqrt{x^2 - 1} + d &= \sqrt{y^2 - 1}
\end{aligned}$$

2) Use integrating factors to solve the following:

a) $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 2x$

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int -2x \, dx} = e^{-x^2}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy &= 2x \\
e^{x^2} \frac{dy}{dx} - 2e^{x^2} xy &= 2e^{x^2} x \\
\frac{d}{dx} (e^{x^2} y) &= 2e^{x^2} x \\
e^{x^2} y &= \int 2e^{x^2} x \, dx \\
&= e^{x^2} + c \\
y &= 1 + ce^{-x^2}
\end{aligned}$$

b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = y - x$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= y - x \\ \frac{dy}{dx} - y &= x\end{aligned}$$

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int -1 \, dx} = e^{-x}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} - y &= x \\ e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} - e^{-x}y &= e^{-x}x \\ \frac{d}{dx}(e^{-x}y) &= e^{-x}x \\ e^{-x}y &= \int e^{-x}x \, dx \\ e^{-x}y &= -xe^{-x} + \int e^{-x} \, dx \\ e^{-x}y &= -xe^{-x} - e^{-x} + c \\ y &= -x - 1 + ce^x\end{aligned}$$

c) $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = 1$

The integrating factor is:

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\int \tan x \, dx} &= e^{-\ln |\cos x|} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos x} \\ &= \sec x\end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x &= 1 \\ \sec x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \sec x \tan x &= \sec x \\ \frac{d}{dx}(y \sec x) &= \sec x \\ y \sec x &= \int \sec x \, dx \\ y \sec x &= \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + c\end{aligned}$$

d) $\frac{dy}{dx} + ay = e^x$ (a is a constant)

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int a \, dx} = e^{ax}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + ay &= e^x \\ e^{ax} \frac{dy}{dx} + e^{ax} ay &= e^{ax} e^x \\ \frac{d}{dx} (e^{ax} y) &= e^{(a+1)x} \\ e^{ax} y &= \int e^{(a+1)x} \, dx \\ e^{ax} y &= \frac{e^{(a+1)x}}{a+1} + c \\ y &= \frac{e^x}{a+1} + ce^{-ax} \end{aligned}$$

e) $x \frac{dy}{dx} - ay = x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x \frac{dy}{dx} - ay &= x + 1 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{a}{x} y &= \frac{x+1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

The integrating factor is:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\int -\frac{a}{x} \, dx} &= e^{-a \ln x} \\ &= x^{-a} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{a}{x}y &= \frac{x+1}{x} \\
 x^{-a}\frac{dy}{dx} - x^{-a}\frac{a}{x}y &= x^{-a}\frac{x+1}{x} \\
 \frac{d}{dx}(x^{-a}y) &= x^{-a-1}(x+1) \\
 \frac{d}{dx}(x^{-a}y) &= x^{-a} + x^{-a-1} \\
 x^{-a}y &= \int x^{-a} + x^{-a-1} dx \\
 x^{-a}y &= \frac{x^{-a+1}}{-a+1} + \frac{x^{-a}}{-a} + c \\
 y &= \frac{x}{1-a} - \frac{1}{a} + cx^a
 \end{aligned}$$

f) $1 - ye^x = e^x \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - ye^x &= e^x \frac{dy}{dx} \\
 e^x \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 - ye^x \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= e^{-x} - y \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} + y &= e^{-x}
 \end{aligned}$$

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int 1 dx} = e^x$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy}{dx} + y &= e^{-x} \\
 e^x \frac{dy}{dx} + e^x y &= 1 \\
 \frac{d}{dx}(e^x y) &= 1 \\
 e^x y &= x + c \\
 y &= xe^{-x} + ce^x
 \end{aligned}$$

g) $t^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xt + 1 = 0$

$$t^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xt + 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{1}{t}x = -\frac{1}{t^2}$$

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int \frac{1}{t} dt} = e^{\ln t}$$

$$= t$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{1}{t}x = -\frac{1}{t^2}$$

$$t \frac{dx}{dt} + x = -\frac{1}{t}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(tx) = -\frac{1}{t}$$

$$tx = \int -\frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$tx = -\ln t + c$$

$$x = -\frac{\ln t}{t} + \frac{c}{t}$$

h) $\cos^2 x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \tan x$

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

The integrating factor is:

$$e^{\int \sec^2 x dx} = e^{\tan x}$$

Therefore:

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

$$e^{\tan x} \frac{dy}{dx} + e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x y = e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{\tan x} y) = e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x \tan x$$

$$e^{\tan x} y = \int e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x \tan x dx$$

Let $u = \tan x$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dx} &= \sec^2 x \\ du &= \sec^2 x \ dx\end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\tan x} y &= \int e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x \tan x \ dx \\ e^{\tan x} y &= \int e^u u \ du \\ e^{\tan x} y &= ue^u - \int e^u \ du \\ e^{\tan x} y &= ue^u - e^u + c \\ e^{\tan x} y &= \tan x e^{\tan x} - e^{\tan x} + c \\ y &= \tan x - 1 + ce^{-\tan x}\end{aligned}$$

3) Newton's Law of Cooling states that

$$\frac{dT}{dt} + kT = k\theta,$$

where T is the temperature (in °C) of a body at time t (seconds), θ is the ambient temperature (a constant, measured in °C) and k is a constant.

In an experiment, a body starts at 10°C. After 10 seconds, it has reached 20°C. After 20 seconds, it has reached 25°C.

3a Show that $e^{-10k} = \frac{\theta - 20}{\theta - 10}$ and $e^{-20k} = \frac{\theta - 25}{\theta - 10}$.

First solve the ODE:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dT}{dt} + kT &= k\theta \\ \frac{dT}{dt} &= k\theta - kT \\ \frac{dT}{dt} &= k(\theta - T) \\ \int \frac{1}{\theta - T} \, dT &= \int k \, dt \\ -\ln |\theta - T| &= kt + c \\ \ln |\theta - T| &= -kt - c \\ \theta - T &= Ae^{-kt} \\ T &= \theta - Ae^{-kt}\end{aligned}$$

We are given that $T(0) = 10$. This means that:

$$10 = \theta - AA = \theta - 10$$

We are given that $T(10) = 20$. This means that:

$$\begin{aligned} 20 &= \theta - Ae^{-10k} \\ Ae^{-10k} &= \theta - 20 \\ e^{-10k} &= \frac{\theta - 20}{A} \\ &= \frac{\theta - 20}{\theta - 10} \end{aligned}$$

We are given that $T(20) = 25$. This means that:

$$\begin{aligned} 25 &= \theta - Ae^{-20k} \\ Ae^{-20k} &= \theta - 25 \\ e^{-20k} &= \frac{\theta - 25}{A} \\ &= \frac{\theta - 25}{\theta - 10} \end{aligned}$$

3b Show that $\left(\frac{\theta - 20}{\theta - 10}\right)^2 = \frac{\theta - 25}{\theta - 10}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(e^{-10k}\right)^2 &= e^{-20k} \\ \left(\frac{\theta - 20}{\theta - 10}\right)^2 &= \frac{\theta - 25}{\theta - 10} \end{aligned}$$

3c Find the ambient temperature.

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{\theta - 20}{\theta - 10}\right)^2 &= \frac{\theta - 25}{\theta - 10} \\ (\theta - 20)^2 &= (\theta - 25)(\theta - 10) \\ \theta^2 - 40\theta + 400 &= \theta^2 - 35\theta + 250 \\ -40\theta + 400 &= -35\theta + 250 \\ 400 - 250 &= (40 - 35)\theta \\ 150 &= 5\theta \\ 30 &= \theta \\ \theta &= 30\end{aligned}$$