

# Solutions

1. Apply the existence and uniqueness theorems to the following. What can you conclude without solving the differential equation?

(a)  $y' = t \ln y$  with  $y(1) = 1$

Non-linear.  $f = t \ln y$ ,  $\frac{df}{dy} = \frac{t}{y}$

Both  $f$  and  $\frac{df}{dy}$  are continuous when  $y > 0$ , so the solution exists and is unique.

(b)  $y' = (\ln t)y$  with  $y(1) = 1$

Linear. ~~Let  $y' =$~~   $y' - (\ln t)y = 0$  with  $p(t) = -\ln(t)$  and  $g(t) = 0$ . Note:  $p(t)$  is continuous for  $t > 0$  and  $g(t)$  is continuous everywhere. Therefore the solution exists and is unique on  $(0, \infty)$ .

(c)  $(t-6)y' + y = \sqrt{t+1}$  with  $y(0) = 0$

Linear.  $y' + \frac{1}{t-6}y = \frac{\sqrt{t+1}}{t-6}$  with  $p(t) = \frac{1}{t-6}$ ,  $g(t) = \frac{\sqrt{t+1}}{t-6}$ .

•  $p(t)$  is continuous everywhere except  $t=6$ .

•  $g(t)$  is continuous on  $t \geq -1$  except at  $t=6$ .

Therefore the solution exists and is unique on  $(-1, 6)$ .

(d)  $y' = |y|$  with  $y(0) = 0$ .

Non-linear.  $f = |y|$  and  $\frac{df}{dy} = \begin{cases} -1 & y < 0 \\ 1 & y > 0 \end{cases}$ .

•  $f(t, y)$  is continuous everywhere

•  $\frac{df}{dy}$  is continuous everywhere except  $y=0$ .

Since the initial condition is  $|y|=0$ , and only  $f$  is continuous here, the solution exists but uniqueness is not guaranteed.

2. Solve  $y' + ty = ty^4$ .

using the Bernoulli with  $v = y^{1-4} = y^{-3}$ .

$$y = v^{-\frac{1}{3}}, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{1}{3} v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$-3v^{\frac{4}{3}} \left[ -\frac{1}{3} v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dt} + tv^{-\frac{1}{3}} = tv^{-\frac{4}{3}} \right]$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} - 3tv = -3t$$

$$\mu = e^{\int -3t dt} = e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} \frac{dv}{dt} - 3te^{\frac{3}{2}t^2} v = -3te^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} v \right] = -3te^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} v = \int -3te^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} v = e^{-\frac{3}{2}t^2} + C$$

$$v = 1 + Ce^{\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{y^3} = 1 + Ce^{\frac{3}{2}t^2}$$

$$y = \left[ \frac{1}{1 + Ce^{\frac{3}{2}t^2}} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

3. A large-capacity fish tank initially contains 100 gal of water and 20 lbs of salt, but the salt concentration is too high. Fresh water is pumped in at a rate of 1 gal/min and the tank is drained at a rate of 0.5 gal/min. Assume the salt is well-mixed in the tank.

(a) Write an equation for  $V(t)$ , where  $V$  is the volume of water (in gal) in the tank at time  $t$  (in minutes).

$$V(t) = 100 + \frac{1}{2}t$$

(b) Write a differential equation for  $Q(t)$ , where  $Q$  is the quantity of salt in the tank (in lbs) at time  $t$  (in minutes).



$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{no salt in}}}{0} - \frac{Q}{V} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{-Q}{100 + \frac{1}{2}t} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-Q}{200 + t}$$

(c) Solve for  $Q(t)$ .

$$\int \frac{1}{Q} \frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{1}{200+t} dt$$

$$\ln|Q| = -\ln|200+t| + C$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{20} e^{\ln|200+t|} \cdot e^C$$

$$Q = C \cdot \frac{1}{200+t}$$

$$\text{Impose } Q(0) = 20!$$

$$20 = \frac{C}{200+0}; \quad C = 4000$$

$$Q = \frac{4000}{200+t}$$

(d) How long will it take for the tank to reach a concentration of 0.1 lbs of salt per gallon?

Set  $\frac{Q}{V} = 0.1$  and solve for  $t$ .

$$\frac{\frac{4000}{200+t}}{100 + \frac{1}{2}t} = 0.1$$

$$\frac{4 \cdot 10^3}{(200+t)(100 + \frac{1}{2}t)} = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$4 \cdot 10^4 = (200+t)(100 + \frac{1}{2}t)$$

$$4 \cdot 10^4 = 2 \cdot 10^4 + 200t + \frac{1}{2}t^2$$

$$t^2 + 400t + 4 \cdot 10^4 = 8 \cdot 10^4$$

$$t^2 + 400t - 4 \cdot 10^4 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-400 \pm \sqrt{(4 \cdot 10^3)^2 + 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 10^4}}{2}$$

$$t = -200 \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(4^2 \cdot 10^4 + 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 10^4)}$$

$$= -200 \pm \sqrt{8 \cdot 10^4}$$

$$= -200 \pm \sqrt{2 \cdot 10^4} \approx \boxed{82.84 \text{ min}}$$

Take soln with  $t \geq 0$ :  $t = 200(\sqrt{2} - 1) = 82.84$  min

