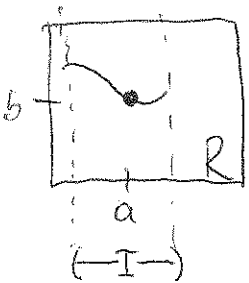


Name: Solution**Directions:** Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. [2 points] Consider the general first-order differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$  with initial value  $y(a) = b$ . State the theorem which gives conditions under which a solution exists and is unique.



If  $f$  and  $f_y$  are continuous on some rectangle  $R$  containing  $(a, b)$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$  has a unique solution exists and is unique on some open interval  $I$  containing  $a$ .

2. [2 parts, 1 point each] For each of the following initial value problems, determine whether the above theorem guarantees existence and uniqueness.

(a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^3(y-1)}{x+1}$ , and  $y(2) = 1$ .

•  $f = \frac{x^3}{x+1} \cdot (y-1)$ , continuous everywhere except  $x = -1$

•  $f_y = \frac{x^3}{x+1} \cdot 1$ , continuous everywhere except  $x = -1$ .

So, The theorem guarantees existence and uniqueness.

(b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^3\sqrt{y-1}}{x+1}$ , and  $y(2) = 1$ .

•  $f = \frac{x^3}{x+1} \sqrt{y-1}$  continuous everywhere except  $x = -1$ .

•  $f_y = \frac{x^3}{x+1} \cdot \frac{1}{2}(y-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$= \frac{x^3}{x+1} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y-1}}$  continuous everywhere except  $x = -1$  and/or  $y \leq 1$ .

• So, at  $(2, 1)$ , existence and uniqueness are not guaranteed.

3. [3 points] Solve the following initial value problem:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{e^y}$ , and  $y(3) = 0$ .

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

$$\int e^y dy = \int x^2 dx$$

$$e^y = \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

$$[y(3)=0]:$$

$$e^0 = \frac{3^3}{3} + C$$

$$1 = 9 + C$$

$$C = -8$$

$$e^y = \frac{x^3}{3} - 8$$

$$y = \ln\left(\frac{x^3}{3} - 8\right)$$

4. [3 points] Find the general solution to  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y \sin(x) + \sin(x)$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (y+1)\sin(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y+1} \frac{dy}{dx} = \sin(x)$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y+1} dy = \int \sin(x) dx$$

$$\ln(y+1) = -\cos(x) + C$$

$$y+1 = Ce^{-\cos(x)}$$

$$y = Ce^{-\cos(x)} - 1$$