

**Exam 1**  
**Math 353**  
**Summer Term I, 2021**  
**Friday, May 28, 2021**  
**Time Limit: 75 Minutes**

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Name: Solutions

This exam contains 7 pages (including this cover page) and 6 questions. The total number of points on this exam is 72. While this is a closed book, closed notes exam, you are allowed to use your one page review sheet, front and back, written on an 8.5 x 11 inch physical piece of paper in your own handwriting. While your review sheet must have been created with 20th century technology, you may take this exam on a tablet if you like, or on paper.

Show all of your work (on the backs of pages, if necessary) and circle your answers. If you do not completely solve a problem, explain what you do understand about it. If you would like to guess about a problem, clearly say so. This will maximize your partial credit. No collaboration on this exam is allowed. Good luck!

Grade Table (for teacher use only)

Question	Points	Score
1	12	
2	12	
3	12	
4	12	
5	12	
6	12	
Total:	72	

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1. (12 points) Consider the differential equation where

$$y' + \frac{2}{t}y = \frac{6 \cos(2t)}{t^2}.$$

- (a) Sketch the slope field for this differential equation.

- (b) Solve this differential equation for  $t \geq \pi$  with initial condition  $y(\pi) = 5$ .

Multiply by  $t^2$  :  $t^2 y' + 2ty = 6 \cos(2t)$   
 $(t^2 y)' = 6 \cos(2t)$   
 $t^2 y = 3 \sin(2t) + C$

General Solution:  $y = \frac{3 \sin(2t) + C}{t^2}$

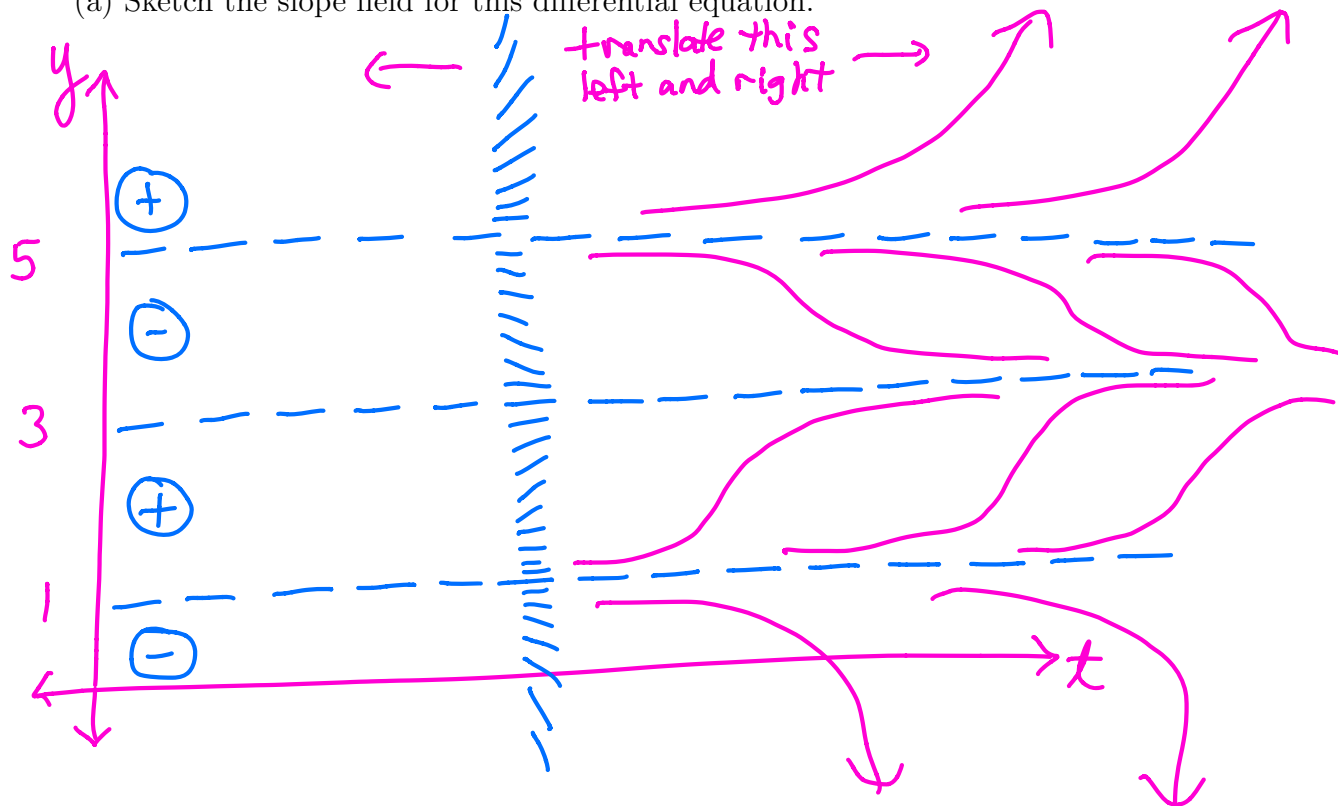
$y(\pi) = 5 \Rightarrow$

$$y = \frac{3 \sin(2t) + 5\pi^2}{t^2}$$

2. (12 points) Consider the differential equation where

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = (y - 1)(3 - y)(5 - y).$$

(a) Sketch the slope field for this differential equation.



(b) If  $y(0) = 4$ , what is the behavior of  $y(t)$  as  $t$  goes to infinity?

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 3$$

(c) If  $y(0) = 2$ , what is the behavior of  $y(t)$  as  $t$  goes to infinity?

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 3$$

3. (12 points) A swinging door (that can open both to the inside and the outside) has both a spring and a dampener on it to control how well the door shuts. Define the angle of the swinging door at time  $t$  to be  $\theta(t)$ , where  $\theta = 0$  corresponds to a shut door,  $\theta > 0$  is opening to the outside, and  $\theta < 0$  is opening to the inside.

Suppose that the dynamics of the swinging door are controlled by

$$\theta''(t) = -4\theta(t) - 2k\theta'(t).$$

$$\theta'' + 2k\theta' + 4\theta = 0$$

$$r^2 + 2kr + 4 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-2k \pm \sqrt{4k^2 - 16}}{2} = -k \pm \sqrt{k^2 - 4}$$

In the above equation, the 4 represents the strength of the spring and the  $k$  represents the strength of the dampener (which resists motion in both directions).

Find the general solution to the above differential equation when

(a)  $k = 3$

$$r = -3 \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 2k$$

$$c = 4$$

$$\theta(t) = C_1 e^{\underline{(-3+\sqrt{5})}t} + C_2 e^{(-3-\sqrt{5})t}$$

door takes a longer time to close

(b)  $k = 2$

$$r = -2$$

$$\theta(t) = e^{-2t} (C_1 + C_2 t)$$

door closes fastest

(c)  $k = 1$

$$r = -1 \pm i\sqrt{3}$$

$$\theta(t) = e^{-t} (C_1 \cos(\sqrt{3}t) + C_2 \sin(\sqrt{3}t))$$

door slams every time

- (d) Which of the above solutions represents an “optimally damped” swinging door, defined to be the case where the door may never hit the door jam at  $\theta = 0$  (if we insert one) but otherwise has a general solution that closes as quickly as possible (meaning that for very large  $t$ ,  $\theta(t)$  is as small as possible)?

Since  $2 > 3 - \sqrt{5}$ , the solution in part (b) closes fastest without always slamming.

4. (12 points) (a) Find the general solution to the equation  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 0$ .

$$y = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 - 5r + 6 &= 0 \\ (r-2)(r-3) &= 0 \\ r &= 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Using the method of undetermined coefficients, find the general solution to the differential equation  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 2e^t$ .

Guess:  $y = Ae^t$

$$Ae^t - 5Ae^t + 6Ae^t = 2e^t \leftarrow \begin{aligned} y' &= Ae^t \\ y'' &= Ae^t \end{aligned}$$

$$A - 5A + 6A = 2$$

$$2A = 2$$

$$A = 1$$

$$y = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t} + e^t$$

- (c) Using variation of parameters, find the general solution to the differential equation  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 2e^t$ .

$$y = -e^{2t} \cdot \int^t \frac{e^{3s} \cdot 2e^s}{e^{5s}} ds + e^{3t} \cdot \int^t \frac{e^{2s} \cdot 2e^s}{e^{5s}} ds \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{By Thm.} \\ 3.6.1 \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} y_1 = e^{2t} & y_2 = e^{3t} \\ y_1' = 2e^{2t} & y_2' = 3e^{3t} \\ W = e^{2t} \cdot 3e^{3t} - e^{3t} \cdot 2e^{2t} & \\ W = e^{5t} & \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= -e^{2t} \int^t 2e^{-s} ds + e^{3t} \int^t 2e^{-2s} ds \\ &= -e^{2t} (-2e^{-t} - C_1) + e^{3t} (-e^{-2t} + C_2) \\ &= e^t + C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t} \end{aligned}$$

5. (12 points) Use the Laplace transform to solve  $y'' - 2y' + 5y = 0$  where  $y(0) = 3$  and  $y'(0) = -3$ .

$$0 = (s^2 Y - 3s + 3) - 2(sY - 3) + 5Y$$
$$= (s^2 - 2s + 5)Y - 3s + 9$$

$$Y = \frac{3s - 9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} = \frac{3(s-1) - 3 \cdot 2}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2}$$

$$y(t) = 3e^t \cos(2t) - 3e^t \sin(2t)$$

6. (12 points) The goal of this problem is to find the general solution to the differential equation  $ty'' - 2y' + 9t^5y = 0$ , where  $y$  is a function of  $t$ .

(a) Using the chain rule from single variable calculus, convert this to a differential equation where  $y$  is a function of  $x$ , where  $x = t^3$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^{2/3} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= t^3; t = x^{1/3} \\ \frac{dx}{dt} &= 3t^2 = 3x^{2/3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dy}{dt} \right) = \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dt} \right)$$

$$= 3x^{2/3} \frac{d}{dx} \left( 3x^{2/3} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 3x^{2/3} \left( 3x^{2/3} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2x^{-1/3} \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$= 9x^{4/3} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6x^{1/3} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Plug this into our diff. equation:

$$0 = x^{1/3} \left[ 9x^{4/3} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6x^{1/3} \frac{dy}{dx} \right] - 2 \cdot 3x^{2/3} \frac{dy}{dx} + 9x^{5/3} y$$

$$= 9x^{5/3} \left( \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = 0 \quad (x \neq 0)$$

(b) Find the general solution to the differential equation for  $y(x)$  you derived in part (a).

$$y = C_1 \cos(x) + C_2 \sin(x)$$

(c) What is the general solution to the original differential equation for  $y(t)$ ?

$$y = C_1 \cos(t^3) + C_2 \sin(t^3)$$