MAT244, 2014F, Solutions to Final Exam

Problem 1. Solve the initial value problem

$$(3x+2y) dx + \left(x + \frac{6y^2}{x}\right) dy = 0$$
 $y(0) = 3$.

Solution. As M = 3x + 2y, $N = x + \frac{6y^2}{x}$, $M_y - N_x = 2 - (1 - \frac{6y^2}{x^2})$ and $(M_y - N_x)/N = 1/x$ is a function of x only. So we can find integrating factor $\mu = \mu(x)$ from $\mu'/\mu = 1/x \implies \ln \mu = \ln x$ (modulo constant factor) and $\mu = x$. Therefore

$$(3x^2 + 2xy)dx + (x^2 + 6y^2)dy = 0$$

then

$$U_x = 3x^2 + 2xy, \qquad U_y = x^2 + 6y^2$$

where the first equation implies that

$$U = x^3 + x^2y + \phi(y)$$

and plugging to the second equation we see that

$$\phi' = 6y^2 \implies y = 2y^3$$

Then

$$U := x^3 + x^2y + 2y^3 = C$$

is a general solution and finding C = 54 from initial condition we arrive to

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Problem 2. Find the general solution of

$$x^{4}y^{(4)} + 6x^{3}y^{(3)} + 7x^{2}y^{(2)} + xy' - y = 3\ln x + \cos(\ln x)$$

Solution. It is Euler's equation. Its characteristic polynomial is

$$r(r-1)(r-2)(r-3) + 6r(r-1)(r-2) + 7r(r-1) + r - 1 = r^4 - 6r^3 + 11r^2 - 6r + 6r^3 - 18r^2 + 12r + 7r^2 - 7r + r - 1 = r^4 - 1$$

with characteristic roots $r_{1,2} = \pm 1$, $r_{3,4} = \pm i$ and plugging $t = \ln x$ we arrive to

$$y_t^{(4)} - y = 3t + \cos(t).$$
 (2.1)

Solution to homogeneous equation is

$$z = C_1 e^t + C_2 e^{-t} + C_3 \cos(t) + C_4 \sin(t) = C_1 x + C_2 x^{-1} + C_3 \cos(\ln x) + C_4 \sin(\ln x) \quad (2.2)$$

and the particular solution to inhomogeneous equation is $y_p = y_{p1} + y_{p2}$ with $y_{p1} = at + b$ and $y_{p2} = (c \cos(t) + d \sin(t))t$ solving equation with right hand expressions $f_1 = 3 \ln x$ and $f_2 = \cos(\ln x)$ respectively.

Plugging y_{p1} we get

$$-at - b = 3t \implies a = -3, b = 0 \implies y_{p1} = -3t = -3\ln x$$
(2.3)

and plugging y_{p2} we get

$$3(c\sin(t) - d\cos(t)) = \cos(t) \implies c = 0, d = -\frac{1}{3} \implies$$
$$y_{p2} = -\frac{1}{3}\sin(t)t = -\frac{1}{3}\sin(\ln x)\ln x. \quad (2.4)$$

Adding (2.2)–(2.4) we get

$$y = C_1 x + C_2 x^{-1} + C_3 \cos(\ln x) + C_4 \sin(\ln x) - 3\ln x - \frac{1}{3}\sin(\ln x)\ln x.$$

Problem 3. Find the general solution of the system of ODEs

$$\begin{cases} x'_t = -\frac{5}{4}x + \frac{3}{4}y + \frac{2}{1+e^t} \\ y'_t = -\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{5}{4}y \\ . \end{cases}$$

Solution. Characteristic equation is

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\frac{5}{4} - r & \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{4} - r \end{vmatrix} = (r + \frac{5}{4})^2 - \frac{9}{16} = 0$$

with characteristic roots $r_{1,2} = -\frac{5}{4} \pm \frac{3}{4}$, $r_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $r_2 = -2$. Finding corresponding eigenvectors: (a) $r_1 = 1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{3}{4} & -\frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

and then $\alpha = \beta = 1$ and eigenvector is $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(b) $r_2 = 2$ and $\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (since matrix is symmetric eigenvectors are orthogonal).

Therefore the general solution of the homogeneous system is

$$\begin{pmatrix} x^* \\ y^* \end{pmatrix} = C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-2t}.$$
 (3.1)

To solve inhomogeneous system we use method of variation of parameters leading to

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{t}{2}} & e^{-2t} \\ e^{-\frac{t}{2}} & -e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_1' \\ C_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{1+e^t} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Longrightarrow$$
$$C_1' = \frac{e^{\frac{t}{2}}}{1+e^t} \Longrightarrow C_1 = \int \frac{e^{\frac{t}{2}}}{1+e^t} dt = 2 \arctan(e^{\frac{t}{2}}) + c_1,$$
$$C_2' = \frac{e^{2t}}{1+e^{2t}} \Longrightarrow C_2 = \int \frac{e^{2t}}{1+e^t} dt = \int \left(e^t - \frac{e^t}{1+e^t}\right) dt = e^t - \ln(1+e^t) + c_2$$

where the first integral is taken by substitution $u = e^{\frac{t}{2}}$ and the second by substitution $u = 1 + e^t$.

Thus

$$\binom{x}{y} = \left(2\arctan(e^{\frac{t}{2}}) + c_1\right) \binom{1}{1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} + \left(e^t - \ln(1 + e^t) + c_2\right) \binom{1}{-1} e^{-2t}.$$

Problem 4. Find the general solution of the ODE

 $xy' = y - xe^{y/x}$

and solve the initial value problem y(1) = -2.

Solution. Since it is homogeneous equation we plug y = ux and then

$$u'x^{2} + ux = ux - xe^{u} \implies u' = -e^{u} \implies x^{-1}dx = -e^{-u}du \implies$$
$$\ln x = e^{-u} + \ln C \implies u = -\ln\ln(Cx) \implies y = -x\ln\ln(Cx).$$

As x = 1, y = -2, u = -2 we get $\ln \ln C = 2$, and $y = -x \ln(e^2 + \ln x)$.

Problem 5. For the system of ODEs

$$\begin{cases} x'_t = x(5 - 2x - 3y), \\ y'_t = y(5 - 3x - 2y) \end{cases}$$

(a) describe the locations of all critical points,

(b) classify their types (including whatever relevant: stability, orientation, etc.),

(c) sketch the phase portraits near the critical points,

(d) sketch the phase portrait of this system of ODEs.

Solution. (a) Solving x(5 - 2x - 3y = 0, y(5 - 3x - 2y)) we have 4 cases x = y = 0, x = 5 - 3x - 2y = 0, y = 5 - 2x - 3y = 0 and 5 - 3x - 2y = 5 - 2x - 3 = 0 giving us 4 points $(0, 0), (0, \frac{5}{2}), (\frac{5}{2}, 0)$ and (1, 1).

(b) Let $f = x(5-2x-3y) = 5x-2x^2-3xy$, $g = y(5-3x-2y) = 5y-2y^2-3xy$. Then $f_x = 5 - 4x - 3y$, $f_y = -3x$, $g_x = -3y$, $g_y = 5 - 4y - 3x$.

(i) (0,0); matrix $\begin{pmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{pmatrix}$ at this point equals $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ with eigenvalues $r_1 = r_2 = 5$; and eigenvectors $(1,0)^T$ and $(0,1)^T$; unstable node;

(ii) $(0, \frac{5}{2})$; matrix $\begin{pmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{pmatrix}$ at this point equals $\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{5}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{15}{2} & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ with eigenvalues $r_1 = -\frac{5}{2}$, $r_2 = -5$ and eigenvectors $(1, -3)^T$ and $(1, 0)^T$ respectively; stable node;

(iii) $(\frac{5}{2}, 0)$; the same as in (ii);

(iv) (1,1); matrix
$$\begin{pmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{pmatrix}$$
 at this point equals $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ with eigenvalues $r_1 = -5$ and $r_2 = 1$ and eigenvectors $(1,1)^T$ and $(1,-1)^T$ respectively; saddle.

(c-d) Plotting



Remark. This is "two competing species" system.

Problem 6. For the system of ODEs

$$\begin{cases} x'_t = 4x^2y - 2x^2 - 4xy + 2y, \\ y'_t = -4xy^2 + 2y^2 + 4xy - 2x \end{cases}$$

(a) linearize the system at $x_0 = 1$, $y_0 = 1$ and sketch the phase portrait of this linear system,

(b) find the equation of the form H(x,y) = C satisfied by the trajectories of the nonlinear system,

(c) describe the type of the critical point $x_0 = 1$, $y_0 = 1$ of the nonlinear system.

Solution. (a) Let $f = 4x^2y - 2x^2 - 4xy + 2y$, $g = -4xy^2 + 2y^2 + 4xy - 2x$; then $f_x(1,1) = 0$, $f_y(1,1) = 2$, $g_x(1,1) = -2$, $f_y(1,1) = 0$ and the linearized system is

$$\begin{cases} X'_t = 2Y, \\ Y'_t = -2X \end{cases}$$

with phase portrait consisting of clock-wise circles.

(b) Rewriting system as fdx - gdy = 0 we get

$$(4xy^2 - 2y^2 - 4xy + 2x) dx + (4x^2y - 2x^2 - 4xy + 2y) dy = 0$$

which is exact; then

$$H_x = 4xy^2 - 2y^2 - 4xy + 2x, \quad H_y = 4x^2y - 2x^2 - 4xy + 2y)$$

and the first equation implies that

$$H = 2x^2y^2 - 2xy^2 - 2x^2y + x^2 + \phi(y)$$

and the second equation implies that $\phi' = 2y$ and $y = y^2$ and then

$$H = 2x^{2}y^{2} - 2xy^{2} - 2x^{2}y + x^{2} + y^{2} = x^{2}(y-1)^{2} + y^{2}(x-1)^{2}.$$

(c) Since linearized system has a center and original system has a solution H(x, y) = C the type of the stationary point is a center.

Remark. In fact the system has also critical point (0,0) of the type center, and critical point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ of the type saddle (see next page)

