

Spring 2018 MATH 307 Midterm 1  
80 pts total

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Instruction:

- Nothing but writing utensils and a double side 4in  $\times$  6in notecard are allowed.

1. Consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + y = -t + e^{-t}.$$

[a] (1pts) Is this differential equation linear or nonlinear (no need to explain)?

linear

[b] (17pts) Find the general solution  $y(t)$  (Show all steps to get full credit).

It's linear so we can use method of integrating factors

$$I(t) = e^{\int 1 dt} = e^t$$

$$e^t (y' + y) = e^t (-t + e^{-t})$$

good to  
check it ✓

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$$\frac{d(e^t y)}{dt} = -te^t + 1$$

$$\int d(e^t y) = \int (-te^t + 1) dt$$

$$e^t y = (-te^t + \int e^t dt) + t$$

$$e^t y = -te^t + e^t + t + C$$

$$y = -t + 1 + \frac{t}{e^t} + \frac{C}{e^t}$$

$$y = \frac{t+C}{e^t} + 1-t$$

1. (Continued)

[c] (3pts) Find  $y(t)$  satisfying the initial value  $y(0) = -2$ . (Show work to get full credit)

$$-2 = y(0) = C + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C = -3$$

$$y = \frac{t-3}{e^t} + 1 - t$$

[d] (3pts) For the solution obtained in part [c], what is

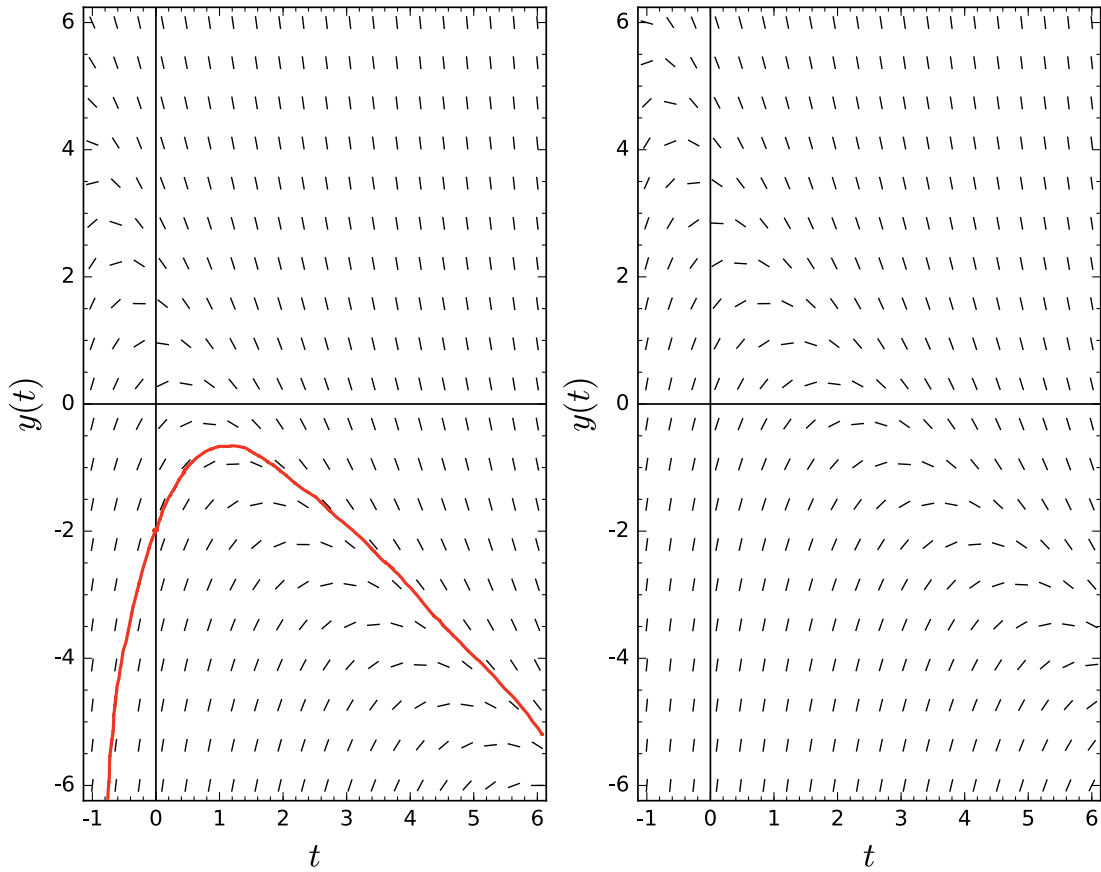
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = ?$$

(Explain your reasoning to get full credit.)

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\frac{t-3}{e^t}}_{\downarrow 0} + 1 - \underbrace{t}_{\downarrow \infty} = \boxed{-\infty}$$

1. (Continued)

[e] (4pts) Which one of the two below is the correct direction field to the differential equation in part [a]? Draw on that direction field the solution curve satisfying the initial condition  $y(0) = -2$ . (No need to explain.)



2. [7pts] Write down (no need to show work) a differential equation with the following set of equilibrium solutions and the corresponding stabilities:

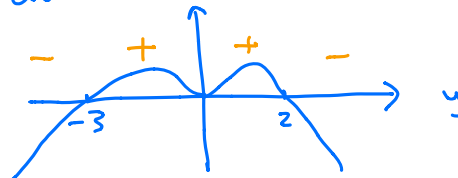
$$y_1 = -3 \text{ (unstable)}, \quad y_2 = 0 \text{ (semistable)}, \quad y_3 = 2 \text{ (stable)}.$$

Answer:  $\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = -(y+3)y^2(y-2)}$

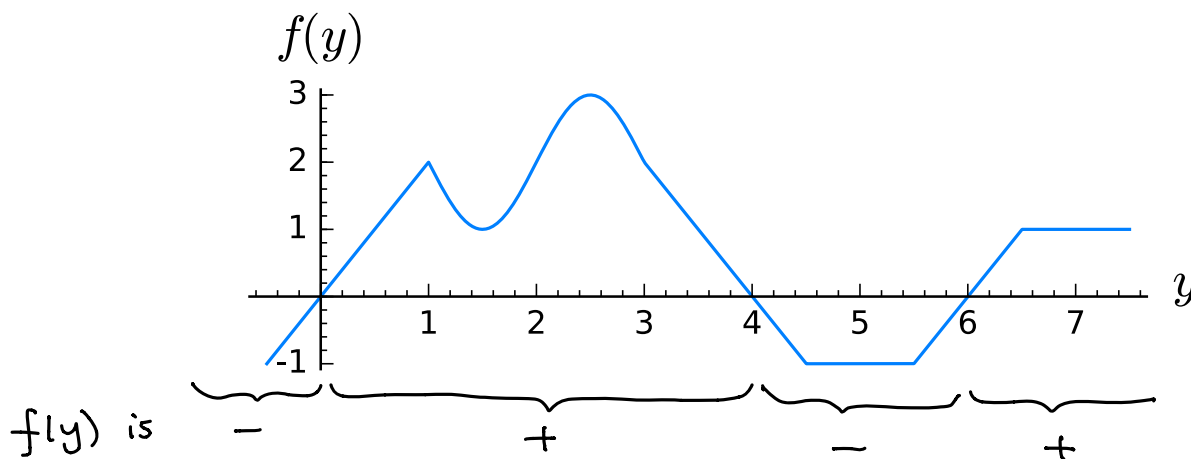
From these info we know direction field looks like:



so  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y)$  looks like



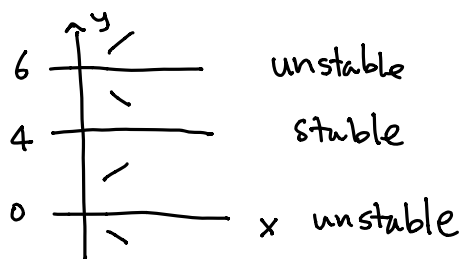
4. [7pts] Consider the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(y)$  where  $f(y)$  is sketched in the figure below. Determine the equilibrium solutions, and for each equilibrium solution, classify whether it is stable, unstable, or semistable. (Briefly explain your reasoning to get full credit.)



$$f(y) = 0 \text{ when } y = 0, 4, 6$$

So equilibrium soln are  $y_1 = 0$ ,  $y_2 = 4$ ,  $y_3 = 6$   
 (unstable) (stable) (unstable)

Direction field looks like



4. Genevieve's parents will start saving for her college education as soon as she is born by putting \$40,000 in an index fund that is expected to have a rate of return of about 5% per year. Let  $P(t)$  be the amount of money, in dollars, in Genevieve's college fund, with  $t$  measured in years. So  $P(0) = \$40,000$ .

[a] (3pts) Write down a differential equation for  $P(t)$  (no need to show work):

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.05 P$$

[b] (4pts) Write down the solution to the above initial value problem (no need to show work).

$$P = 40000 e^{0.05t}$$

[c] (12pts) To make the numbers easy to calculate, let's suppose that Genevieve will start college at age 20. Use Euler's method with step size of 10 years to get a rough estimate of the amount of money,  $P(20)$ , in her college fund when she turns 20. (Show all steps to get full credit.)

$$P(0) = 40000$$

$$P'(0) = 0.05 P(0) = (0.05)(40000) = 2000$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(10) &\approx P(0) + (10) P'(0) \\ &= 40000 + (10)(2000) = 60000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P'(10) &= 0.05 P(10) \\ &\approx (0.05)(60000) = 3000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(20) &\approx P(10) + (10) P'(10) \\ &\approx 60000 + (10)(3000) \\ &= \boxed{90000} \end{aligned}$$

5[a]. (5pts) Let  $P(t)$  be the size of a population of fish, with  $t$  measured in days. The rate of population increase is proportional to the size of the population. The population increases by 2% per day. Furthermore, 1000 fish are harvested each day. Write down a differential equation for the number of fish in the population. (No need to show work.)

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.02 P - 1000$$

5[b]. (7pts) Max is buying a home and he plans to spend \$2000 per month to pay off a 30-year mortgage. Suppose that the interest rate is 4% compounded continuously. Let  $P(t)$  be the amount, in dollars, owed at time  $t$ , measured in years. Write down a differential equation for  $P(t)$ . (No need to show work.)

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.04 P - (2000)(12)$$

6. A tank holds 2000 L of water in which 400 g of salt has been dissolved. Saltwater with a concentration of 2 g/L is pumped in at a rate of 40 L/min. The well mixed salt water solution is pumped out at a rate of 50 L/min. (No need to show work for this problem.)

[a] (2pts) Before the tank becomes empty, what is the total volume, in liters, of water in the tank at time  $t$  (measured in minutes)?

$$2000 - 10t$$

[b] (5pts) Let  $S(t)$  be the mass (i.e. number of grams) of salt in the tank at time  $t$ . Write down a differential equation for  $S(t)$ .

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = (2)(40) - \left(\frac{S}{2000-10t}\right)(50)$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = 80 - \frac{5s}{200-t}$$