

Practice Midterm 1

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Please answer each question in the space provided. Show your work whenever possible. Unless otherwise marked, **answers without justification will get little or no partial credit**. Cross out anything the grader should ignore and circle or box the final answer. *Calculators are not permitted*. You do not have to simplify numerical answers or write their approximate values: if the answer you got is $\sqrt{2}$, you should not replace it by 1.414.

The actual midterm will contain 5 problems, including one word problem. This practice test contains more problems to give you more practice.

- (1) Each of the following three functions solves one of the differential equations below. Which one? Justify your choices.

(a) $y(x) = x \sin x$

(b) $y = e^{2-x^2}$

(c) $y = \frac{x^2+1}{x-1}$

(I) $y' = -2xy$

(II) $xy + y''x = 2y' - 2 \sin x$

(III) $1 - y' = \frac{2}{(x-1)^2}$

- (2) Match each of the differential equations with their direction field below. (No justification required.)

(a) $y' = y(y - 1.5)$

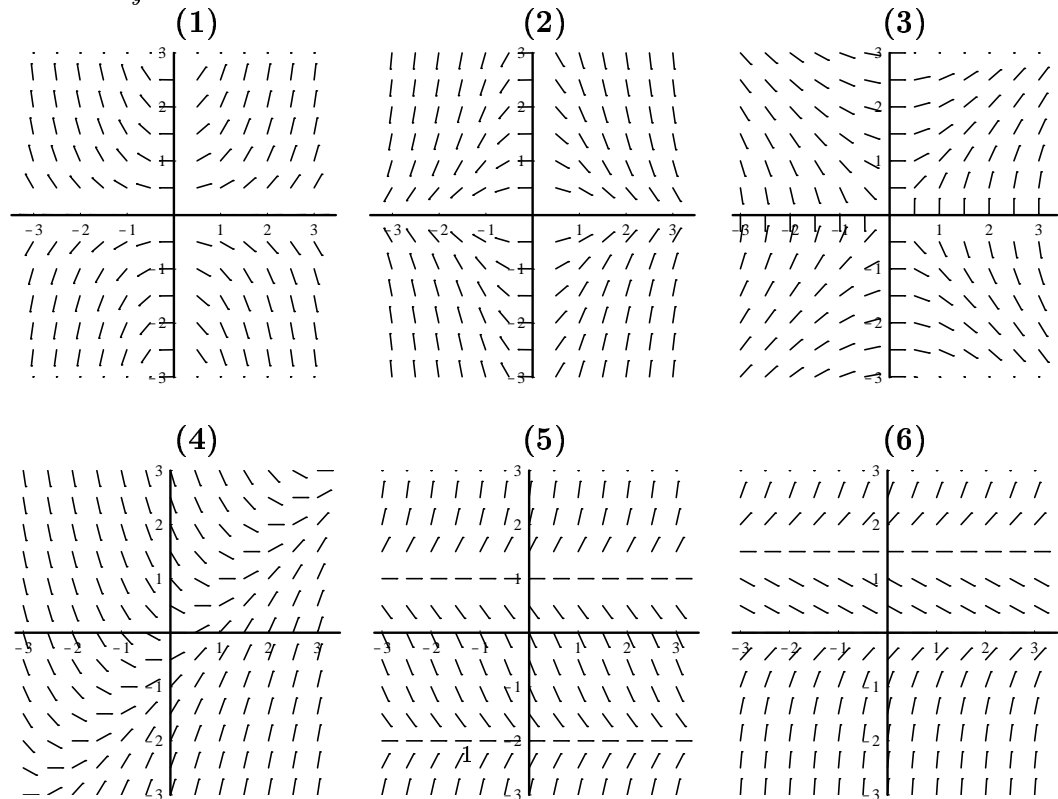
(b) $y' = xy$

(c) $y' = -xy$

(d) $y' = \frac{x}{y}$

(e) $y' = x - y$

(f) $y' = (y - 1)(y + 2)$



- (3) In problem 2 you found the direction field of the differential equation

$$y' = y(y - 1.5).$$

Use this to sketch the three graphs of the solutions to this differential equation that satisfy the initial conditions:

(a) $y(0) = 1$ (b) $y(0) = 2$ (c) $y(-1) = -2.5$

How does the limiting behavior of the solutions depend on the value of $y(0)$?

What are the equilibrium solutions? Which one is stable? Which is unstable?

- (4) Find the solution of the differential equation

$$y' - 4y = -10 \sin(2x)$$

which has the form $y(x) = A \sin(2x) + B \cos(2x)$.

- (5) (a) Find all solutions to the differential equation

$$y' = 3y + 15.$$

- (b) Solve the initial value problem

$$y' = 3y + 15$$

$$y(0) = -1$$

- (6) Find the orthogonal trajectories to the family of curves

$$y = \frac{1}{k + x}.$$

- (7) A tank of water initially contains 10 grams of salt dissolved in 10 liters of water. Water is drained from the tank at a rate of 5 liters per hour. Simultaneously, pure water (containing no salt) is added to the tank at a rate of 5 liters per hour. The water in the tank is kept thoroughly mixed, so the salt present is evenly distributed throughout the tank.

- (a) Let $y(t)$ be the amount of salt (in grams) in the tank at time t . Write a differential equation for $y(t)$. What are the initial conditions?

- (b) Find a solution of the initial value problem of part (a) using the fact (which follows from the general theory we will learn later) that this solution must be of the form $y(t) = Ae^{-rt}$ for some A, r .

- (c) How long will it take for the salt concentration to drop to 0.1 gr/liter?