## Supplementary Problems

A For what value(s), if any, of A will  $y = Axe^{-2x}$  be a solution of the differential equation  $2y' + 4y = e^{-2x}$ ? For what value(s), if any, of B will  $y = Be^{-2x}$  be a solution?

B Using the substitution u(x) = y + x, solve the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (y + x)^2$ .

C Using the substitution  $u(x) = y^3$ , solve the differential equation  $y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y^3}{x} = \frac{2}{x^2}$  (x > 0).

D Find the explicit solution of the Separable Equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2 - 4y$ , y(0) = 8. What is the largest open interval containing t = 0 for which the solution is defined ?

 $\mathbf{E}$  | The graph of F(y) vs y is as shown:



(a) Find the equilibrium solutions of the autonomous differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = F(y)$ . (b) Determine the stability of each equilibrium solution.

**F** Solve the differential equation  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{2ts}{s^2 - t^2}$ .

G (a) If  $y' = -2y + e^{-t}$ , y(0) = 1 then compute y(1).

(b) Experiment using the Euler Method (eul) with step sizes of the form  $h = \frac{1}{n}$  to find the smallest integer n which will give a value  $y_n$  that approximates the above true solution at t = 1 within 0.05.

<u>H</u> (a) If  $y' = 2y - 3e^{-t}$ , y(0) = 1 then compute y(1).

(b) Experiment using the Euler Method (eul) with step sizes of the form  $h = \frac{1}{n}$  to find the smallest integer n which will give a value  $y_n$  that approximates the above true solution at t = 1 within 0.05.

Approximation methods for differential equations can be used to estimate definite integrals:

(a) Show that 
$$y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-u^2} du$$
 satisfies the initial value problem  $\frac{dy}{dt} = e^{-t^2}$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ .

(b) Use the Euler Method (eul) with h = 0.1 to approximate the integral  $\int_0^{1.5} e^{-u^2} du$ .

Given that the general solution to  $t^2y'' - 4ty' + 4y = 0$  is  $y = C_1t + C_2t^4$ , solve the following initial value problem:

$$\begin{cases} t^2 y'' - 4ty' + 4y = -2t^2 \\ y(1) = 2 \\ y'(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

From the theory of elasticity, if the ends of a horizontal beam (of uniform cross-section and constant density) are supported at the same height in vertical walls, then its vertical dis- $\begin{cases}
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placement y(x) satisfies the Boundary Value Problem  $\begin{cases} y^{(4)} = -P \\ y(0) = y(L) = 0 \\ y'(0) = y'(L) = 0 \end{cases}$ , where P > 0

is a constant depending on the beam's density and rigidity and L is the distance between supporting walls:



- (a) Solve the above boundary value problem when L = 4 and P = 24.
- (b) Show that the maximum displacement occurs at the center of the beam  $x = \frac{L}{2} = 2$ .

Laplace transforms may be used to find particular solutions to some nonhomogeneous differential equations. Use Laplace framework to find a particular solution,  $y_p(t)$ , of  $y'' + 4y = 20 e^t$ .

*Hint*: Solve the initial value problem 
$$\begin{cases} y'' + 4y = 20 e^t \\ y(0) = 0 \\ y'(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

M Tank # 1 initially contains 50 gals of water with 10 oz of salt in it, while Tank # 2 initially contains 20 gals of water with 15 oz of salt in it. Water containing 2 oz/gal of salt flows into Tank # 1 at a rate of 5 gal/min and the well-stirred mixture flows from Tank # 1 into Tank # 2 at the same rate of 5 gal/min. The solution in Tank # 2 flows out to the ground at a rate of 5 gal/min. If  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$  represent the number of ounces of salt in Tank # 1 and Tank # 2, respectively, <u>SET UP BUT DO NOT SOLVE</u> an initial value problem describing this system.

If  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}^{(1)}(t)$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}^{(2)}(t)$  are linearly independent solutions to the 2 × 2 system  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = A\vec{\mathbf{x}}$ , then the matrix  $\Phi(t) = \left(\vec{\mathbf{x}}^{(1)}(t), \vec{\mathbf{x}}^{(2)}(t)\right)$  is called a **Fundamental Matrix** for the system. Find a Fundamental Matrix  $\Phi(t)$  of the system  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 8 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}$ .

O Laplace transforms may be used to find solutions to some linear systems of differential equations. Consider the linear system of differential equations: (\*)  $\begin{cases} x' = x + y \\ y' = 4x + y \end{cases}$  with initial conditions x(0) = 0 and y(0) = 2.

- (a) Let  $X(s) = \mathcal{L}\{x(t)\}$  and  $Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$  be the Laplace transforms of the functions x(t) and y(t), respectively. Take the Laplace transform of each of the differential equations in (\*) and solve for X(s) (i.e., eliminate Y(s)).
- (b) Using the function X(s) from (a), determine x(t).
- (c) Use the expression for x(t) and the first equation in (\*) to determine y(t).

Find a particular solution  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}_p(t)$  of these nonhomogeneous systems:

(a) 
$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 e^{2t} \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
(b)  $\vec{\mathbf{x}}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}} + \begin{pmatrix} 10 \cos t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}$