

AP Calculus
Unit 6 – Differential Equations
GA – AP FR Questions

1. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{e^{2y}}$.

(a) Find a solution $y = f(x)$ to the differential equation satisfying $f(0) = \frac{1}{2}$.

(b) Find the domain and range of the function f found in part (a).

2. The function f is differentiable for all real numbers. The point $\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ is on the graph of $y = f(x)$, and the slope at each point (x, y) on the graph is given by $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2(6 - 2x)$.

(a) Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ and evaluate it at the point $\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)$.

(b) Find $y = f(x)$ by solving the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2(6 - 2x)$ with the initial condition $f(3) = \frac{1}{4}$.

(c) Determine whether $f(x)$ has a local max or min at $\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)$. Justify your answer.

(d) Determine the monotonicity and concavity of $f(x)$ at $(0, 1)$. Justify your answers.

3. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2(y - 1)$.

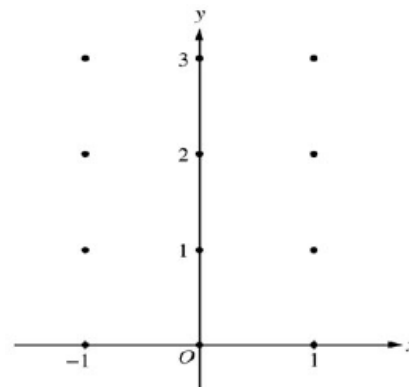
(a) On the axes provided, sketch a slope field for the given differential equation at the twelve points indicated.
 (Note: Use the axes provided in the pink test booklet.)

(b) While the slope field in part (a) is drawn at only twelve points, it is defined at every point in the xy -plane. Describe all points in the xy -plane for which the slopes are positive.

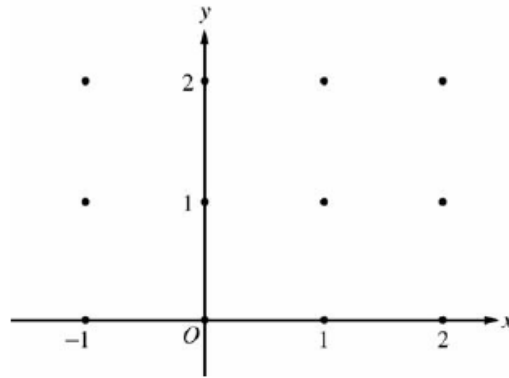
(c) Find the particular solution $y = f(x)$ to the given differential equation with the initial condition $f(0) = 3$.

(d) Determine the equation of the line that is tangent to $f(x)$ at the point $(1, 0)$.

(e) Use the tangent line to approximate the value of $f(1.1)$. Is your value an over-estimate or under-estimate of the actual value? Justify your answer.



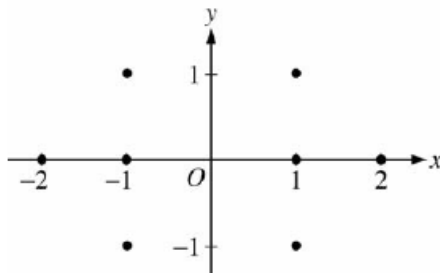
4. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-xy^2}{2}$. Let $y = f(x)$ be the particular solution to this differential equation with the initial condition $f(-1) = 2$.



- (a) On the axes provided, sketch a slope field for the given differential equation at the twelve points indicated.
(Note: Use the axes provided in the test booklet.)
- (b) Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = -1$.
- (c) Find the solution $y = f(x)$ to the given differential equation with the initial condition $f(-1) = 2$.

5. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y}{x}$, where $x \neq 0$.

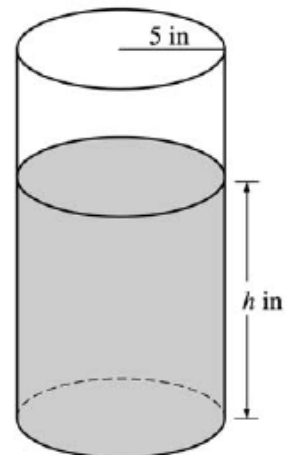
- (a) On the axes provided, sketch a slope field for the given differential equation at the eight points indicated.
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- (b) Find the particular solution $y = f(x)$ to the differential equation with the initial condition $f(-1) = 1$ and state its domain.

- (c) Determine the value of $f(-1.2)$ to three decimal places, where $f(x)$ is the function that satisfies the initial condition $f(-1) = 1$.

6. A coffeepot has the shape of a cylinder with radius 5 inches, as shown in the figure above. Let h be the depth of the coffee in the pot, measured in inches, where h is a function of time t , measured in seconds. The volume V of coffee in the pot is changing at the rate of $-5\pi\sqrt{h}$ cubic inches per second. (The volume V of a cylinder with radius r and height h is $V = \pi r^2 h$.)



- (a) Show that $\frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{\sqrt{h}}{5}$.
- (b) Given that $h = 17$ at time $t = 0$, solve the differential equation $\frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{\sqrt{h}}{5}$ for h as a function of t .
- (c) At what time t is the coffeepot empty?

Solutions

1. a. $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln(2x^3 + e)$ b. $D: x > -\left(\frac{1}{2}e\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}; R: (-\infty, \infty)$
2. a. $2y^3(6-2x)^2 - 2y^2; -\frac{1}{8}$ b. $y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 13}$ c. max. d. increasing, CU
3. b. $x \neq 0, y > 1$ c. $y = 1 + 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}}$ d. $y = 1 - x$ e. -0.1 , over
4. b. $y - 2 = 2(x + 1)$ c. $y = \frac{4}{x^2 + 1}$
5. b. $y = -2x - 1, x < 0$ c. 1.4
6. b. $h = (-0.1t + \sqrt{17})^2$ c. $10\sqrt{17}$ sec