

Some Practice Problems for Some Concepts in Unit 6

1. Using Euler's Method, approximate the particular solution to $y(0.3)$ of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + e^{-y}$ passing through $(0, 1)$ using 3 increments of equal size. $\Delta x = \frac{0.3 - 0}{3} = 0.1$

(x, y)	$\frac{dy}{dx}$	$\frac{dy}{dx}(\Delta x)$	$\frac{dy}{dx}(\Delta x) + y_1$
$(0, 1)$	e^{-1}	$0.1e^{-1}$	$0.1e^{-1} + 1 = 1.037$
$(0.1, 1.037)$	0.455	0.045	$0.045 + 1.037 = 1.082$
$(0.2, 1.082)$	0.539	0.054	$0.054 + 1.082 = 1.136$
$(0.3, 1.136)$			$y(0.3) \approx 1.136$

2. Solve the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y} \sin x$ for $y(0) = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x \sin x}{y} \\ \int y dy &= \int x \sin x dx \\ \frac{1}{2} y^2 &= -x \cos x + \sin x + C \\ \frac{1}{2}(4)^2 &= -x \cos 0 + \sin 0 + C \\ 8 &= C \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{aligned} u &= x \\ dv &= \sin x \\ du &= 1 \\ v &= -\cos x \\ -\cos x &+ \sin x + 8 \end{aligned}$

$\frac{1}{2} y^2 = -x \cos x + \sin x + 8$
 $y^2 = -x \cos x + \sin x + 16$
 $y = \pm \sqrt{-x \cos x + \sin x + 16}$
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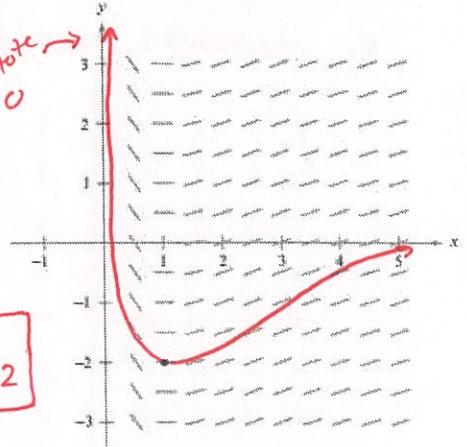
? ... positive b/c $y = 4$ $y > 0$

3. Find and sketch the particular solution to $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ through the point $(1, -2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\ln x}{x} \\ \int dy &= \int \frac{1}{x} \ln x dx \\ y &= \int u du \\ y &= \frac{1}{2} u^2 + C \\ y &= \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^2 + C \\ -2 &= \frac{1}{2} (\ln 1)^2 + C \rightarrow C = -2 \end{aligned}$$

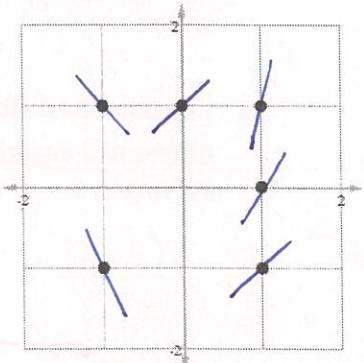
$u = \ln x$
 $du = \frac{1}{x} dx$

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



4. Sketch a slope field for the differential equation, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + y$ for the indicated 6 points.

x	-1	0	1
1	-1	1	3
0	x	x	2
-1	-3	x	1



5. Match the differential equation to the appropriate slope field. (Don't forget to justify your answers)

(1) $\frac{dy}{dx} = x$ A

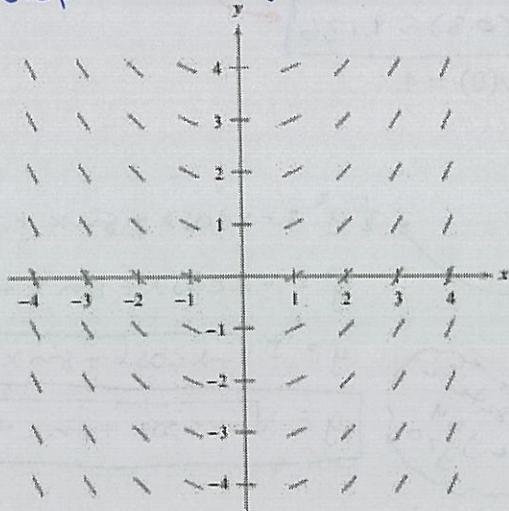
(2) $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$ D

(3) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4 - y$ C

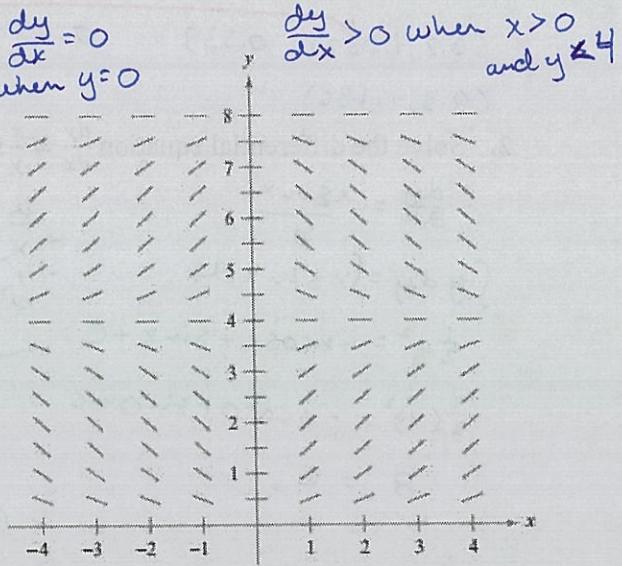
(4) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0.25x(4 - y)$ B

(sample reasons)

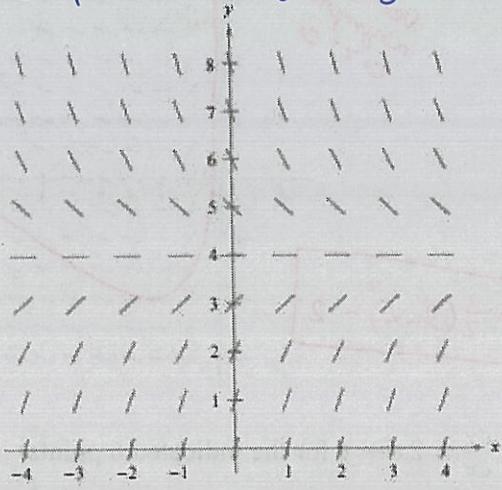
A. depends only on x



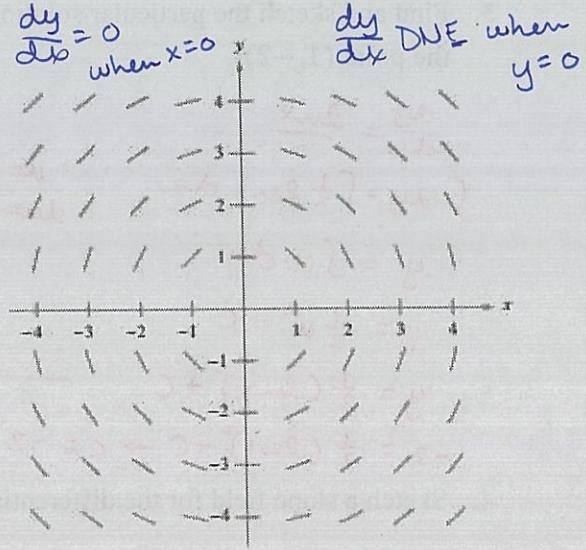
B. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
when $y = 0$



C. depends only on y



D. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
when $x = 0$



6. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x + 2y + 1$. Let $y = f(x)$ be a particular solution to the differential equation with the initial condition $g(0) = k$, where k is a constant. Euler's method, starting at $x = 0$ with a step size of 1, gives the approximation $g(2) \approx 0$. Find the value of k .

$\Delta x = 1$

(x_1, y)	$\frac{dy}{dx}$	$\frac{dy}{dx}(\Delta x)$	$\frac{\frac{dy}{dx}(\Delta x)}{2k+1} + y_1$
$(0, k)$	$2k+1$	$2k+1$	$2k+1+k = 3k+1$
$(1, 3k+1)$	$6k+6$	$6k+6$	$6k+6+3k+1 = 9k+7$
$(2, 9k+7)$	$g(2) \approx 0 = 9k+7$	$9k+7$	$k = -7/9$