
1. Find the following. You are not required to express y as a function of x in either part.

a (8 pts). The general solution to the differential equation $y \frac{dy}{dx} = x(2 - y^2)e^x$.

b (2 pts). The particular solution to the differential equation in a that satisfies $y = 2$ when $x = 0$.

1a.(Source: 9.3.8) Separate variables and integrate:

$$\int \frac{y}{2 - y^2} dy = \int x e^x dx$$

On the left, substitute $w = 2 - y^2$, $dw = -2y dy$:

$$\int \frac{y}{2 - y^2} dy = -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{w} dw = -\frac{1}{2} \ln |w| + B = -\frac{1}{2} \ln |2 - y^2| + B$$

On the right, use parts:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x & dv &= e^x dx \\ du &= dx & v &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

and the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int x e^x dx &= \int u dv = uv - \int v du \\ &= x e^x - \int e^x dx = x e^x - e^x + C \end{aligned}$$

By setting the two integrals equal and combining the constants, we obtain the general solution

$$-\frac{1}{2} \ln |2 - y^2| = x e^x - e^x + C$$

1b.(Source: 9.3.15) At $x = 0$, $y = 2$:

$$-\frac{1}{2} \ln |-2| = -1 + C \implies C = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \ln 2,$$

so the particular solution is

$$-\frac{1}{2} \ln |2 - y^2| = x e^x - e^x + 1 - \frac{1}{2} \ln 2.$$