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Math 1272. Lecture 010 (V. Reiner) Midterm Exam I
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This is a 50 minute exam. No books, notes, calculators, cell phones or other electronic devices are allowed. There are a total of 100 points. To get full credit for a problem you must show the details of your work. Answers unsupported by an argument will get little credit. Do all of your calculations on this test paper.

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Problem 1. (20 points total; 10 points each) A rod is lying along the x -axis in the interval from $x = 1$ cm to $x = 2$ cm, and at a point x cm from the origin has linear density $\rho(x) = 4 + x^3$ grams/cm.

a. What is its total mass?

b. Where is its center of mass?

Problem 2. (30 points total) Consider the following differential equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = -e^x(y - 7)^2$.

- a. (10 points) Write down all nonconstant solutions to this differential equation. Make sure that your answer expresses y as a function of x explicitly in the form $y = f(x)$.

- b. (5 points) Are there any constant solutions to this differential equation? This means solutions of the form $y = y_0$ for some constant y_0 . Either write them all down, or explain why none exist.

c. (5 points) Write down the unique solution to the initial value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} = -e^x(y - 7)^2$ with $y(0) = 1$.

d. (5 points) For your exact solution to the initial value problem in part (c), what is $y(1)$?
(Do **not** evaluate this numerically in decimals.)

e. (5 points) For this same initial value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} = -e^x(y - 7)^2$ with $y(0) = 1$ as in part (c), write down the **approximation** to $y(1)$ given by one step of Euler's method using step size $\Delta x (= dx) = 1$,

Problem 3. (20 points total; 5 points each)

a. Write down the equation of the hyperbola in standard form that intersects the x -axis at $(\pm 3, 0)$ and has asymptotes $y = \pm \frac{4}{3}x$.

b. Find the coordinates for the two foci of this same hyperbola.

c. For the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$, find the coordinates of the points where it intersects the x -axis, and of the points where it intersects the y -axis.

d. Find the coordinates of the two foci for this same ellipse $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$.

Problem 4. (30 points total; 15 points each) Consider the closed curve given in polar coordinates by $r = \cos(\theta)$ where θ varies from $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ to $\frac{\pi}{2}$. **Without** converting it to a rectangular coordinate equation, find the following.

a. The arc length of the curve.

b. The area enclosed by the curve.

Brief solutions

1. A rod is lying along the x -axis in the interval from $x = 1$ cm to $x = 2$ cm, and at a point x cm from the origin has linear density $\rho(x) = 4 + x^3$ grams/cm.

(a) Its total mass is

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \int_1^2 (4 + x^3) dx \\ &= \left[4x + \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_1^2 \\ &= \left(4 \cdot 2 + \frac{2^4}{4} \right) - \left(4 \cdot 1 + \frac{1^4}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{31}{4} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Its center of mass is $\bar{x} = \frac{M_0}{M}$ where ...

$$\begin{aligned} M_0 &= \int_1^2 x(4 + x^3) dx \\ &= \int_1^2 (4x + x^4) dx \\ &= \left[2x^2 + \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_1^2 \\ &= \left(2 \cdot 2^2 + \frac{2^5}{5} \right) - \left(2 \cdot 1^2 + \frac{1^5}{5} \right) \\ &= \frac{61}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the center of mass is at

$$\bar{x} = \frac{61}{5} / \frac{31}{4} = \frac{244}{155}$$

along the x -axis.

2. Consider the following differential equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = -e^x(y - 7)^2$.

(a) To get the nonconstant solutions, separate variables and integrate:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= -e^x(y-7)^2 \\ \frac{dy}{(y-7)^2} &= -e^x dx \\ \int \frac{dy}{(y-7)^2} &= \int (-e^x dx) \\ \frac{-1}{y-7} &= -e^x + C \\ \frac{1}{e^x - C} &= y - 7 \\ y &= \frac{1}{e^x - C} + 7\end{aligned}$$

(b) Constant solutions $y = y_0$ come from roots y_0 of $(y-7)^2 = 0$, so $y = y_0 = 7$ is the only constant solution.

(c) The initial value problem for the same differential equation with $y(0) = 1$ pins down the constant:

$$\begin{aligned}1 &= y(0) = \frac{1}{e^0 - C} + 7 \\ 1 &= \frac{1}{1 - C} + 7 \\ -6 &= \frac{1}{1 - C} \\ \frac{-1}{6} &= 1 - C \\ C &= \frac{7}{6}\end{aligned}$$

and hence the unique solution to this IVP is

$$y = \frac{1}{e^x - \frac{7}{6}} + 7$$

(d) Plugging in $x = 1$ in the answer to part (c) gives

$$y(1) = \frac{1}{e^1 - \frac{7}{6}} + 7 = \frac{1}{e - \frac{7}{6}} + 7$$

(e) One step of Euler's method with $dx = 1$ approximates this same $y(1)$ as the y_1 in the pair (x_1, y_1) obtained from from $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 1)$ via

$$x_1 = x_0 + dx = 0 + 1 = 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1 &= y_0 + -e^{x_0}(y_0 - 7)^2 dx \\
 &= 1 + (-e^0(1 - 7)^2) \cdot 1 \\
 &= 1 + (-36) \\
 &= -35.
 \end{aligned}$$

3.(a) The hyperbola in standard form that intersects the x -axis at $(\pm 3, 0)$ and has asymptotes $y = \pm \frac{4}{3}x$ should have equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, where $a = 3$ and where $b = 4$ since the asymptotes should be $y = \pm \frac{b}{a}x$. Thus it is $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

(b) The coordinates for the two foci of this same hyperbola should be $(\pm c, 0)$ where $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$, so $c = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5$. Thus the foci are at $(\pm 5, 0)$

(c) The ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$, intersects the x -axis where $y = 0$, so $\frac{x^2}{9} = 1$, i.e. $x = \pm 3$ or the points $(\pm 3, 0)$. It intersects the y -axis where $x = 0$, so $\frac{y^2}{16} = 1$, i.e. $y = \pm 4$ or the points $(0, \pm 4)$.

(d) The coordinates of the two foci for this same ellipse are $(\pm c, 0)$ where $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$ so $c = \sqrt{16 - 9} = \sqrt{7}$. Thus the foci are at $(\pm \sqrt{7}, 0)$.

4. For the curve given in polar coordinates by $r = \cos(\theta)$ where θ varies from $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ to $\frac{\pi}{2}$, one has that...

(a) the arc length is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{r(\theta)^2 + r'(\theta)^2} d\theta &= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\cos^2(\theta) + (-\sin(\theta))^2} d\theta \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\theta \\
 &= [\theta]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\
 &= \pi,
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) the area enclosed by the curve is ...

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} r(\theta)^2 d\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2(\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1 + \cos(2\theta)}{2} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4}\end{aligned}$$