

## Ch. 2 First Order Diff. Equations

### 2.1 First Order Linear Diff. Equations

#### Integrating factor method

The general form of first order diff. eqs is

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$$

The equation is linear if  $f$  is linear in  $y$ .

The general form of first order linear diff. eqs is

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + p(t)y = g(t) \quad (1)$$

First order linear diff. eqs can be solved using

the method of integrating factor!

Multiply both sides of the equation

$$y' + p(t)y = g(t)$$

by a certain function  $\mu(t)$

$$\mu(t) y' + \mu(t) p(t) y = \mu(t) g(t) \quad - (2)$$

Note that  $(\mu(t)y(t))' = \mu y' + \mu' y$ , so, if we

choose  $\mu$  such that  $\mu'(t) = \mu(t)p(t)$  then

the left-hand side of equation (2) equals

$(\mu y)'$  and the equation becomes

$$(\mu y)' = \mu g$$

which can be solved by direct integration

$$\mu(t) y(t) = \int \mu(t) g(t) dt + c$$

so, the general solution of the diff. eq.

$$y' + p(t)y = g(t) \text{ is}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \left[ \int \mu(t) g(t) dt + c \right]$$

The function  $\mu(t)$  is called an integrating factor and can be found from the eq.

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} = \mu(t)p(t)$$

$$\int \frac{d\mu}{\mu} = \int p(t) dt$$

$$\ln \mu(t) = \int p(t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(t) = e^{\int p(t) dt}$$

Ex. Find the general solution of the diff. eq.

$$y' - y = t^2 e^t \Rightarrow p(t) = -1, g(t) = t^2 e^t$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{-\int dt} = e^{-t}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \left[ \int \mu(t) g(t) dt + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^{-t}} \left[ \int e^{-t} (t^2 e^t) dt + c \right]$$

$$= e^t \left[ \int t^2 dt + c \right] = \frac{1}{3} t^3 e^t + c e^t.$$

Ex. Find the solution of the I.V.P.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} - 2y = 4 - t, \quad y(0) = y_0$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{-2t}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{e^{-2t}} \left[ \int e^{-2t} (4-t) dt + c \right]$$

$$\int 4e^{-2t} dt - \int te^{-2t} dt$$

$$= -2e^{-2t} - \left[ -\frac{1}{2}te^{-2t} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-2t} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}te^{-2t} - \frac{7}{4}e^{-2t}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{e^{-2t}} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{7}{4} \right) e^{-2t} + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{t}{2} - \frac{7}{4} + ce^{2t}$$

$$y(0) = y_0 = -\frac{7}{4} + c \Rightarrow c = y_0 + \frac{7}{4}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} t \quad e^{-2t} \\ 1 \quad \downarrow + \\ \quad \quad e^{-2t} \\ 0 \quad \downarrow - \\ \quad \quad \frac{c}{4} \end{array}$$

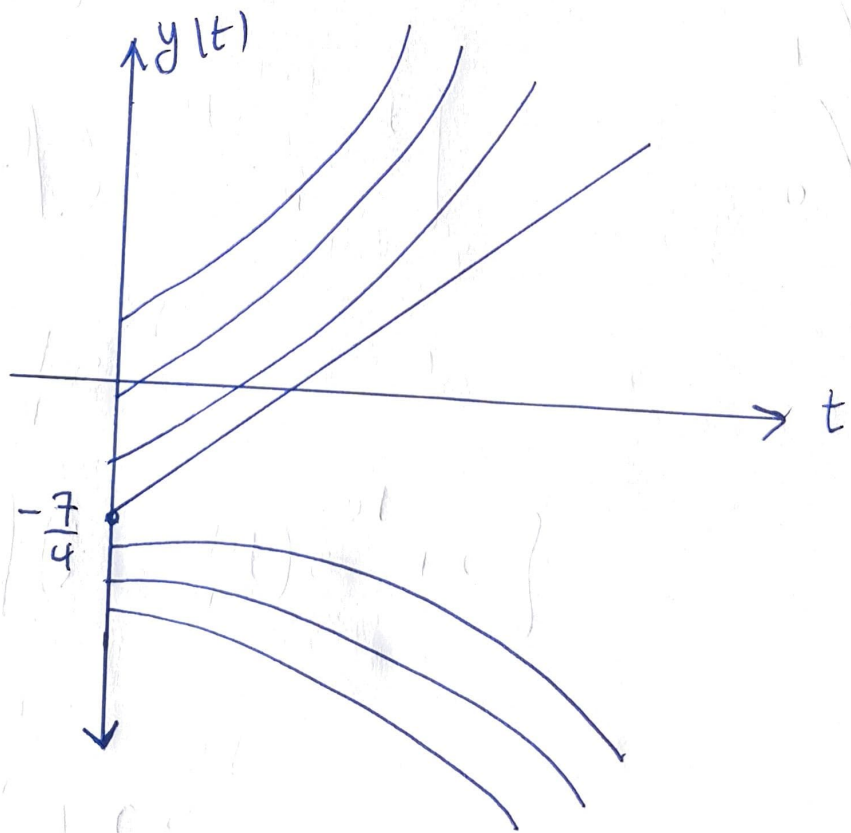
The solution of the IVP is

$$y(t) = \frac{t}{2} - \frac{7}{4} + \left(y_0 + \frac{7}{4}\right) e^{2t}$$

if  $y_0 = -\frac{7}{4} \Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{7}{4} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

if  $y_0 + \frac{7}{4} > 0 \Leftrightarrow y_0 > -\frac{7}{4} \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = +\infty$

if  $y_0 + \frac{7}{4} < 0 \Leftrightarrow y_0 < -\frac{7}{4} \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = -\infty$





Ex. Solve the IVP  $ty' + 2y = 4t^2$ ,  $y(1) = y_0$ .

$$y' + \frac{2}{t}y = 4t$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{\int \frac{2}{t} dt} = e^{2 \ln t} = e^{\ln t^2} = t^2$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \left[ \int 4t^3 dt + c \right] = \frac{1}{t^2} [t^4 + c]$$

$$y(t) = t^2 + \frac{c}{t^2}$$

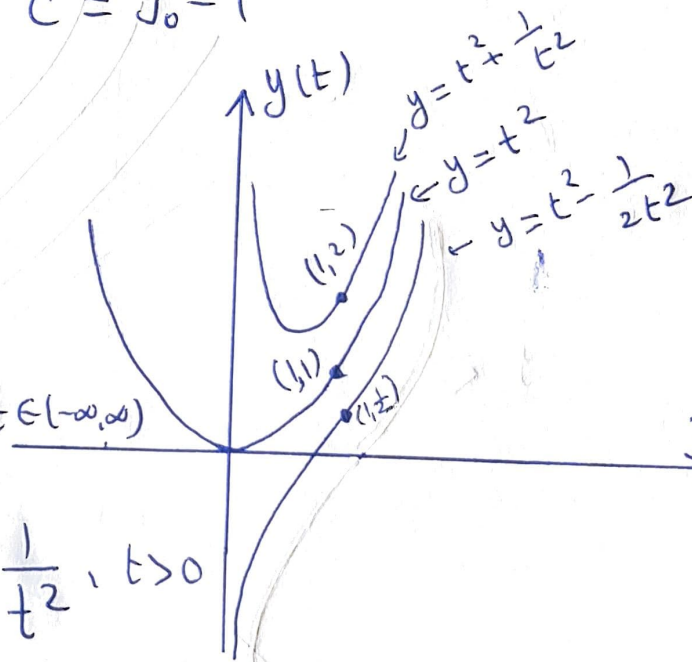
$$y(1) = y_0 = 1 + c \Rightarrow c = y_0 - 1$$

$$y(t) = t^2 + \frac{y_0 - 1}{t^2}$$

$$\text{if } y_0 = 1 \Rightarrow y(t) = t^2, t \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\text{if } y_0 = 2 \Rightarrow y(t) = t^2 + \frac{1}{t^2}, t > 0$$

$$\text{if } y_0 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y(t) = t^2 - \frac{1}{2t^2}, t > 0$$



Solutions of Sec. 2.1

$$4. y' + \frac{1}{t}y = 2 \sin 2t, t > 0$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{\int \frac{dt}{t}} = e^{\ln t} = t$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{t} \left[ \int 2t \sin 2t dt + C \right]$$

$$t \quad 2 \sin 2t$$

$$1 \quad \int -\cos 2t$$

$$= \frac{1}{t} \left[ -t \cos 2t + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2t + C \right]$$

$$0 \quad \int -\frac{\sin 2t}{2}$$

$$y(t) = -\cos(2t) + \frac{1}{2t} \sin(2t) + \frac{C}{t}$$

$$15. ty' + 2y = t^2 - t + 1, y(1) = 2, t > 0$$

$$y' + \frac{2}{t}y = t - 1 + \frac{1}{t}$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{\int \frac{2}{t} dt} = e^{2 \ln t} = e^{\ln t^2} = t^2$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \left[ \int (t^3 - t^2 + t) dt + C \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^2} \left[ \frac{1}{4} t^4 - \frac{1}{3} t^3 + \frac{t^2}{2} + C \right]$$

$$y(1) = \frac{5}{12} + C = 2 \Rightarrow C = \frac{19}{12}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{4} t^2 - \frac{1}{3} t + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{19}{12} = \frac{1}{4} t^2 - \frac{1}{3} t + \frac{25}{12}$$