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4. (a) $y = \cos kt \Rightarrow y' = -k \sin kt \Rightarrow y'' = -k^2 \cos kt$. Substituting these expressions into the differential equation

$$4y'' = -25y, \text{ we get } 4(-k^2 \cos kt) = -25(\cos kt) \Rightarrow (25 - 4k^2) \cos kt = 0 \quad [\text{for all } t] \Rightarrow 25 - 4k^2 = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 = \frac{25}{4} \Rightarrow k = \pm \frac{5}{2}.$$

(b) $y = A \sin kt + B \cos kt \Rightarrow y' = Ak \cos kt - Bk \sin kt \Rightarrow y'' = -Ak^2 \sin kt - Bk^2 \cos kt$.

The given differential equation $4y'' = -25y$ is equivalent to $4y'' + 25y = 0$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= 4y'' + 25y = 4(-Ak^2 \sin kt - Bk^2 \cos kt) + 25(A \sin kt + B \cos kt) \\ &= -4Ak^2 \sin kt - 4Bk^2 \cos kt + 25A \sin kt + 25B \cos kt \\ &= (25 - 4k^2)A \sin kt + (25 - 4k^2)B \cos kt \\ &= 0 \quad \text{since } k^2 = \frac{25}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) $y = \sin x \Rightarrow y' = \cos x \Rightarrow y'' = -\sin x$.

LHS = $y'' + y = -\sin x + \sin x = 0 \neq \sin x$, so $y = \sin x$ is not a solution of the differential equation.

(b) $y = \cos x \Rightarrow y' = -\sin x \Rightarrow y'' = -\cos x$.

LHS = $y'' + y = -\cos x + \cos x = 0 \neq \sin x$, so $y = \cos x$ is not a solution of the differential equation.

(c) $y = \frac{1}{2}x \sin x \Rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{2}(x \cos x + \sin x) \Rightarrow y'' = \frac{1}{2}(-x \sin x + \cos x + \cos x)$.

LHS = $y'' + y = \frac{1}{2}(-x \sin x + 2 \cos x) + \frac{1}{2}x \sin x = \cos x \neq \sin x$, so $y = \frac{1}{2}x \sin x$ is not a solution of the differential equation.

(d) $y = -\frac{1}{2}x \cos x \Rightarrow y' = -\frac{1}{2}(-x \sin x + \cos x) \Rightarrow y'' = -\frac{1}{2}(-x \cos x - \sin x - \sin x)$.

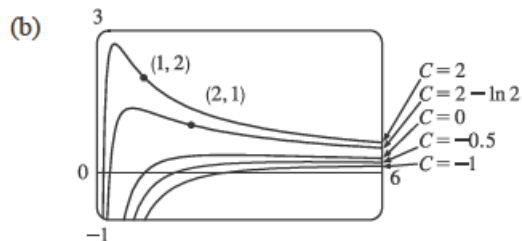
LHS = $y'' + y = -\frac{1}{2}(-x \cos x - 2 \sin x) + (-\frac{1}{2}x \cos x) = \sin x = \text{RHS}$, so $y = -\frac{1}{2}x \cos x$ is a solution of the differential equation.

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6. (a) $y = \frac{\ln x + C}{x} \Rightarrow y' = \frac{x \cdot (1/x) - (\ln x + C)}{x^2} = \frac{1 - \ln x - C}{x^2}$.

$$\text{LHS} = x^2 y' + xy = x^2 \cdot \frac{1 - \ln x - C}{x^2} + x \cdot \frac{\ln x + C}{x}$$

$$= 1 - \ln x - C + \ln x + C = 1 = \text{RHS, so } y \text{ is a solution of the differential equation.}$$



A few notes about the graph of $y = (\ln x + C)/x$:

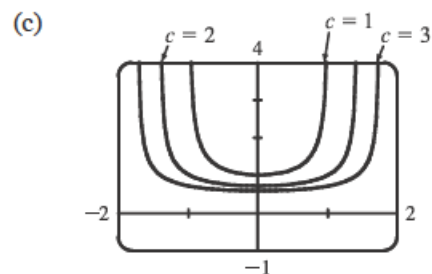
- (1) There is a vertical asymptote of $x = 0$.
- (2) There is a horizontal asymptote of $y = 0$.
- (3) $y = 0 \Rightarrow \ln x + C = 0 \Rightarrow x = e^{-C}$,
so there is an x -intercept at e^{-C} .
- (4) $y' = 0 \Rightarrow \ln x = 1 - C \Rightarrow x = e^{1-C}$,
so there is a local maximum at $x = e^{1-C}$.

(c) $y(1) = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{\ln 1 + C}{1} \Rightarrow 2 = C$, so the solution is $y = \frac{\ln x + 2}{x}$ [shown in part (b)].

(d) $y(2) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\ln 2 + C}{2} \Rightarrow 2 + \ln 2 + C \Rightarrow C = 2 - \ln 2$, so the solution is $y = \frac{\ln x + 2 - \ln 2}{x}$
[shown in part (b)].

8. (a) If x is close to 0, then xy^3 is close to 0, and hence, y' is close to 0. Thus, the graph of y must have a tangent line that is nearly horizontal. If x is large, then xy^3 is large, and the graph of y must have a tangent line that is nearly vertical. (In both cases, we assume reasonable values for y .)

(b) $y = (c - x^2)^{-1/2} \Rightarrow y' = x(c - x^2)^{-3/2}$. $\text{RHS} = xy^3 = x[(c - x^2)^{-1/2}]^3 = x(c - x^2)^{-3/2} = y' = \text{LHS}$



When x is close to 0, y' is also close to 0.

As x gets larger, so does $|y'|$.

(d) $y(0) = (c - 0)^{-1/2} = 1/\sqrt{c}$ and $y(0) = 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{c} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{4}$, so $y = (\frac{1}{4} - x^2)^{-1/2}$.

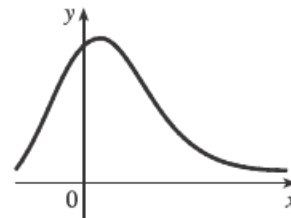
11. (a) This function is increasing *and* also decreasing. But $dy/dt = e^t(y - 1)^2 \geq 0$ for all t , implying that the graph of the solution of the differential equation cannot be decreasing on any interval.

- (b) When $y = 1$, $dy/dt = 0$, but the graph does not have a horizontal tangent line.

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12. The graph for this exercise is shown in the figure at the right.

- A. $y' = 1 + xy > 1$ for points in the first quadrant, but we can see that $y' < 0$ for some points in the first quadrant.
- B. $y' = -2xy = 0$ when $x = 0$, but we can see that $y' > 0$ for $x = 0$.
- Thus, equations A and B are incorrect, so the correct equation is C.



C. $y' = 1 - 2xy$ seems reasonable since:

(1) When $x = 0$, y' could be 1.

(2) When $x < 0$, y' could be greater than 1.

(3) Solving $y' = 1 - 2xy$ for y gives us $y = \frac{1 - y'}{2x}$. If y' takes on small negative values, then as $x \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow 0^+$, as shown in the figure.

14. (a) The coffee cools most quickly as soon as it is removed from the heat source. The rate of cooling decreases toward 0 since the coffee approaches room temperature.

(b) $\frac{dy}{dt} = k(y - R)$, where k is a proportionality constant, y is the temperature of the coffee, and R is the room temperature. The initial condition is $y(0) = 95^\circ\text{C}$. The answer and the model support each other because as y approaches R , dy/dt approaches 0, so the model seems appropriate.

