

# Differential Equations L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Assignment

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## Problem Statement

1. Find the general solution of the differential equation  $y' - y \sin x = 0$ .
2. Find the particular solution of the differential equation  $y' - y \sin x = 0$  that satisfies the following initial condition:
  - (a)  $(0, -\frac{3}{e})$
  - (b)  $(0, \frac{1}{e})$
  - (c)  $(0, -\frac{1}{e})$
3. Sketch the slope field for  $y' - y \sin x = 0$ , along with the three solutions found in part (2).

## Solution

1. The first step in solving the differential equation  $y' - y \sin x = 0$  is to separate the variables.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= y \sin x \\ \frac{1}{y} dy &= \sin x dx\end{aligned}$$

Next, we integrate both sides of the equation with respect to the appropriate variable.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{1}{y} dy &= \int \sin x dx \\ \ln |y| &= -\cos x + C_1\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we solve the equation for  $y$  in terms of  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\ln |y|} &= e^{-\cos x + C_1} \\ |y| &= e^{-\cos x} \cdot e^{C_1} \\ y &= C e^{-\cos x}\end{aligned}$$

2. To find the particular solution, we substitute the initial condition into the general solution and solve for the constant  $C$ .

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$$\therefore y = -3e^{-\cos x}$$

(b)

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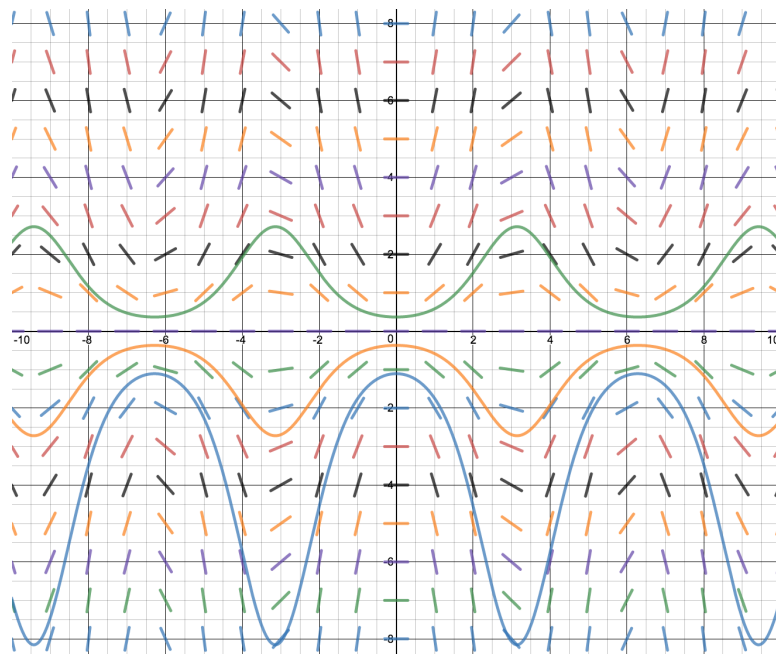
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\usepackage{amsfonts, amsmath, amssymb}
\usepackage{graphicx}
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