Quiz 4, Fall, 2012

The quiz is worth 5 points. Remove EVERYTHING from your desk except this quiz and a pen or pencil. SHOW your work. Express your work in a neat and coherent manner. BOX your answer. Check your answer

1. Solve $yy'+x=\sqrt{x^2+y^2}$. Express your answer in the form y(x) . Check your answer.

This is a homogeneous problem. Divide both sides by x to write the problem as

$$\frac{y}{x}y' + 1 = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}.$$

Let $v=\frac{y}{x}$. In other words, xv=y. Take the derivative with respect to x to see that xv'+v=y'. We must solve

$$v(xv' + v) + 1 = \sqrt{1 + v^2}$$
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$$xv\frac{dv}{dx} = \sqrt{1+v^2} - v^2 - 1.$$

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$$v\frac{dv}{\sqrt{1+v^2}-v^2-1} = \frac{dx}{x}.$$

Integrate both sides. Let $w = 1 + v^2$. It follows that dw = 2vdv. We must solve

$$\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dw}{\sqrt{w} - w} = \ln|x| + C.$$

We have

$$\ln|x| + C = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dw}{\sqrt{w}(1 - \sqrt{w})}.$$

Let $u = \sqrt{w}$. We have $du = \frac{1}{2}w^{-1/2}dw$. We have

$$\ln|x| + C = \int \frac{du}{1 - u} = -\ln|1 - u| = -\ln|1 - \sqrt{w}| = -\ln|1 - \sqrt{1 + v^2}|$$

$$= -\ln\left|1 - \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}\right| = -\ln\left|\frac{x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{x}\right| = -\ln\left|x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\right| + \ln|x|.$$

Subtract $\ln |x|$ from both sides:

$$C = -\ln\left|x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\right|$$

or

$$\ln\left|x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\right| = -C.$$

Exponentiate. Let K be the new constant e^{-C} . We have

$$x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = K;$$

so
$$x - K = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
 and $(x - K)^2 = x^2 + y^2$ and $\pm \sqrt{(x - K)^2 - x^2} = y$.

Check: We check $y = +\sqrt{(x-K)^2 - x^2}$, with $K \le x$. We see that

$$y' = \frac{2(x-K)-2x}{2\sqrt{(x-K)^2-x^2}} = \frac{-K}{\sqrt{(x-K)^2-x^2}}.$$

So, yy' + x = -K + x. On the other hand,

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + (x - K)^2 - x^2} = \sqrt{(x - K)^2} = x - K.$$

Thus, $yy' + x = \sqrt{y^2 + x^2}$ as required. \checkmark