

2.4-3 (Symbolic Solution) Derive and verify the solution for

$$\begin{cases} y' = y + 1, \\ y(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Exact solution $y(x) = 2e^x - 1$

Derivation:

$$y' - y = 1$$

Standard linear form

$$\frac{(e^{-x}y)'}{e^{-x}} = 1$$

Replace LHS by integrating factor fraction $(Qy)'/Q$; $Q = e^{\int(-1)dx} = e^{-x}$.

$$(e^{-x}y)' = e^{-x}$$

Quadrature preparation.

$$e^{-x}y = -e^{-x} + c$$

Apply quadrature

$$y = -1 + ce^x$$

General solution

$$y = -1 + 2e^x$$

Evaluate $c=2$ from $y(0)=1$.

Ans check: problem 2.4-3 p 119 E&P.