

NAME: Solutions

1. (5 points). Find the unique solution of the initial value problem for $x \geq 0$:

$$y' = \frac{x^2 + 1}{4y^3}, \quad y(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Separate variables: $4y^3 dy = (x^2 + 1) dx$

Integrate: $y^4 = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + x + C$ general soln.

For $y(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ set $x=0$ $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^4 = \frac{1}{4} = C$

so $y(x) = \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}x^3 + x + \frac{1}{4}}, \quad x \geq 0$

2. (5 points). Find the most general solution to

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

$$p(t) = \frac{2t}{t^2+1}$$

Integrating factor:
 $\mu = e^{\int p(t) dt}$

$$\int p(t) dt = \int \frac{2t}{t^2+1} dt = \ln(t^2+1)$$

$$u = t^2+1 \quad du = 2t dt$$

$$\mu = e^{\ln(t^2+1)} = t^2+1$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}((t^2+1)y) = (t^2+1) \quad \text{so} \quad (t^2+1)y(t) = \frac{1}{3}t^3 + t + C$$

$$y(t) = \left(\frac{\frac{1}{3}t^3 + t}{t^2+1} \right) + \frac{C}{t^2+1}$$