

Answer all 6 questions. No calculators, formula sheets, or cell phones are allowed. An unjustified answer will receive little or no credit. Show all working and simplify your answer as far as possible. **Begin each of the 6 questions on 6 separate pages.**

(20) 1. Find the solution of each of the following homogeneous differential equations.

(a) $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$ with $y(0) = 3$ and $y'(0) = 0$.

(b) $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$ with $y(0) = 2$ and $y'(0) = 1$.

(15) 2(a) Define what is the *Wronskian* of the twice-differentiable functions f_1, f_2, f_3 .

(b) Find the *general solution* of the differential equation $y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^x$.

(15) 3. Find the *general solution* of the linear ODE $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 5 \cos(x)$.

(20) 4. Find y_c and give the *minimal form* of the y_p that one should try, for each of the following linear non-homogeneous differential equations.

(a) $(D^2 - 2D + 5)^2 y = 3x \cdot e^x \cdot \cos(2x)$.

(b) $D^2 (D^2 - 1)(D^2 + 4)y = 2 \sin^2(x)$.

(15) 5. Find a *particular solution*, y_p , of the ODE $y'' - 2y' + y = (e^x)/(x)$ by using the method of *variation of parameters*.

(15) 6. A body of mass 2 kg is attached to a *Hooke-type* spring on a horizontal frictionless surface. The natural length of the spring is $5m$, the spring constant k is 10 Nm^{-1} , and the air resistance is λv where $\lambda = 4 \text{ Nsm}^{-1}$. If the spring is stretched by an amount of $3m$, and then set loose from rest at time $t=0$, find the *amount*, $x(t)$, it will be extended at all subsequent times.

Solutions to Test #1

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1(a) $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$, so $(D^2 - D - 2)y = 0$, $\therefore (D+1)(D-2)y = 0$
 $\therefore y = Ae^{-x} + Be^{2x}$, $y(0) = 3 \Rightarrow A + B = 3 \Rightarrow -A = B - 3$
 $\therefore y' = -Ae^{-x} + 2Be^{2x}$, $y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow -A + 2B = 0 \Rightarrow (B - 3) + 2B = 0$
 $\therefore 3B - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow B = 1$. $\therefore A = 3 - B = 2$. $\therefore y = 2e^{-x} + e^{2x}$.

(b) $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$, so $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = 0$. $\therefore (D+1)^2 y = 0$. Hence
 $y = (A + Bx)e^{-x}$, $y(0) = 2 \Rightarrow (A + 0)e^0 = 2 \Rightarrow A = 2$.
 $y' = B \cdot e^{-x} - (A + Bx)e^{-x}$. $y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow B - (2 + 0) = 1 \Rightarrow B = 3$.
 $\therefore y = (2 + 3x)e^{-x}$.

2(a) The Wronskian is defined by $W(f_1, f_2, f_3) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ f_1' & f_2' & f_3' \\ f_1'' & f_2'' & f_3'' \end{vmatrix}$.

(b) Hom. ODE is $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$. So $(D^2 - 3D + 2)y = 0$, thus
 $(D-1)(D-2)y = 0$. Hence $y_c = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x}$.

Try $y_p = Ax \cdot e^x$ (because 1 is a root of the aux. eq. of multiplicity one). Then $y_p' = A \cdot e^x + Ax e^x = (A + Ax)e^x$.
 $\therefore y_p'' = A \cdot e^x + (A + Ax) \cdot e^x = (2A + Ax)e^x$. So $y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^x$
becomes $(2A + Ax) \cdot e^x - 3(A + Ax)e^x + 2Ax e^x = e^x$
 $\therefore (2A - 3A) \cdot e^x + (Ax - 3Ax + 2Ax)e^x = e^x \Rightarrow -A \cdot e^x = 1 \cdot e^x \Rightarrow A = -1$
 $\therefore y_p = -x \cdot e^x$. Hence $y = y_c + y_p = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x} - x \cdot e^x$.

3. $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 0$ is the Hom. ODE. $\therefore (D^2 - 2D + 2)y = 0$.
 $\therefore D = [2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(2)}] / 2 = (2 \pm \sqrt{-4}) / 2 = (2 \pm 2i) / 2 = 1 \pm i$.
 $\therefore y_c = C_1 e^x \cos x + C_2 e^x \sin x$. Try $y_p = A \cos x + B \sin x$
(bec. $\pm i$ are not roots of the auxiliary equation). Then
 $y_p' = -A \sin x + B \cos x$ & $y_p'' = -A \cos x - B \sin x$. So
 $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 5 \cos x$ becomes $(-A \cos x - B \sin x) - 2(-A \sin x + B \cos x)$
 $+ 2(A \cos x + B \sin x)$. $\therefore A - 2B = 5$ & $B + 2A = 0$. Hence $A = 1$
and $B = -2$. Thus $y = y_c + y_p = (C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x) e^x + (\cos x - 2 \sin x)$.

$$4(a) (D^2 - 2D + 5)^2 y = 0 \Rightarrow D = [2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(5)}] / 2 = 1 \pm 2i \text{ (twice)},$$

So $y_c = (C_1 + C_2 x) e^x \cos(2x) + (C_3 + C_4 x) e^x \sin(2x)$. Since $3x$ is a polynomial of degree 1 and $1 \pm 2i$ are roots of the aux. eq. of mult. 2, the minimal form of y_p that we should try is

$$y_p = (A_0 + A_1 x) \cdot x^2 \cdot e^x \cos(2x) + (B_0 + B_1 x) \cdot x^2 \cdot e^x \sin(2x).$$

$$(b) D^2(D^2 - 1)(D^2 + 4)y = 2 \sin^2 x = 2(1 - \cos(2x)) / 2 = 1 - \cos(2x).$$

$(D - 0)^2(D - 1)(D + 1)(D - 2i)(D + 2i) = 0$ is the Homogeneous ODE.

$$\therefore y_c = (C_1 + C_2 x) e^{0x} + C_3 e^x + C_4 e^{-x} + C_5 \cos(x) + C_6 \sin(x).$$

Since 0 is a root of mult. 2 and $\pm 2i$ are roots of mult. 1 of the aux. eq., the minimal form of y_p that we should try is

$$y_p = A_0 \cdot x^2 + A_1 \cdot x \cos(2x) + B_1 \cdot x \sin(2x).$$

$$5. y'' - 2y' + y = 0 \Rightarrow (D^2 - 2D + 1)y = 0 \Rightarrow (D - 1)^2 y = 0 \Rightarrow D = 1 \text{ (twice)}$$

$\therefore y_c = C_1 e^x + C_2 x \cdot e^x$. So take $y_1 = e^x$ and $y_2 = x \cdot e^x$. Then

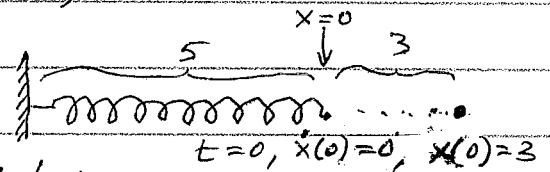
$v_1 y_1 + v_2 y_2$ will be a particular solution of $y'' - 2y' + y = e^x/x$

$$\text{if } v_1' = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x e^x \\ e^x/x & (x+1)e^x \end{vmatrix} / \begin{vmatrix} e^x & x e^x \\ e^x & (x+1)e^x \end{vmatrix} = -e^{2x}/e^{2x} = -1, \Rightarrow v_1 = \int (-1) dx = -x.$$

$$\& v_2' = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & 0 \\ e^x & e^x/x \end{vmatrix} / \begin{vmatrix} e^x & x e^x \\ e^x & (x+1)e^x \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{x} e^{2x} / e^{2x} = 1/x. \Rightarrow v_2 = \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(x).$$

$$\therefore y_p = v_1 y_1 + v_2 y_2 = -x \cdot e^x + (\ln x) \cdot x \cdot e^x.$$

6. Let $x(t)$ = amount spring is extended



at time t . Then the two forces $\lambda \dot{x}$ & kx

will work against increasing x . So $m\ddot{x} = -\lambda \dot{x} - kx$.

$$\therefore 2\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 10x = 0, \therefore (D^2 + 2D + 5)x = 0. \text{ Hence}$$

$$D = (-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}) / 2 = (-2 \pm 4i) / 2 = -1 \pm 2i. \text{ So}$$

$$x = A \cdot e^{-t} \cos(2t) + B \cdot e^{-t} \sin(2t), \quad x(0) = 3 \Rightarrow A + B \cdot 0 = 3 \Rightarrow A = 3$$

$$\dot{x} = -A e^{-t} \cos(2t) - B \cdot e^{-t} \sin(2t) - 2A e^{-t} \sin(2t) + 2B e^{-t} \cos(2t).$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow -A - B \cdot 0 - 2A \cdot 0 + 2B = 0 \Rightarrow -3 + 2B = 0.$$

$$\therefore B = 3/2. \therefore x(t) = 3 e^{-t} \cos(2t) + (3/2) e^{-t} \sin(2t).$$