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MAP 2302 Quiz 13
Thursday October 17th

Find the general solution of the nonhomogeneous differential equation.

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = 2x + 1$$

STEP 1. Homog eqn $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$ has aux eqn $r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (r-1)(r-2) = 0 \Rightarrow r=1, r=2$$

General soln of homog eqn is $y = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x}$.

STEP 2. Find a particular soln of the nonhomog eqn.

Try $y = Ax + B \Rightarrow y' = A \Rightarrow y'' = 0$

Plug into DE. Want $\underbrace{0}_{y''} - 3\cdot\underbrace{A}_{y'} + 2(\underbrace{Ax+B}_y) = 2x + 1$

$$\Rightarrow -3A + 2Ax + 2B = 2x + 1$$

$$\underbrace{2Ax}_{\text{line}} + \underbrace{(-3A+2B)}_{\text{line}} = \underbrace{2x}_{\text{line}} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{line}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (i) 2A = 2 \rightarrow A = 1 \rightarrow \text{plug into (ii)} \rightarrow -3 + 2B = 1$$

$$(ii) -3A + 2B = 1 \quad \begin{aligned} 2B &= 4 \\ B &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$y = x + 2$ is a particular soln

Final answer: $y = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x} + x + 2$