

Math 240 - Quiz 4

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1. (3 points) Consider the initial value problem $x^2y'' - 5xy' + 5y = 0$; $y(1) = 4$, $y'(1) = 2$.

(a) Show that $y_1(x) = x^5$ and $y_2(x) = x$ solve the differential equation.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 y_1 = x^5 \\
 y_1' = 5x^4 \\
 y_1'' = 20x^3
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \left.
 \begin{array}{l}
 x^2(20x^3) - 5x(5x^4) + 5x^5 \\
 = 20x^5 - 25x^5 + 5x^5 \\
 = 0 \checkmark
 \end{array}
 \right\}
 \begin{array}{l}
 y_2 = x \\
 y_2' = 1 \\
 y_2'' = 0
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 x^2(0) - 5x(1) + 5x \\
 = -5x + 5x = 0 \checkmark
 \end{array}$$

(b) Use the Wronskian to show that y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent for $x > 0$.

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} x^5 & x \\ 5x^4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = x^5 - 5x^5 = -4x^5 \neq 0 \text{ for } x > 0$$

$W \neq 0$ for $x > 0 \Rightarrow y_1$ & y_2 ARE LINEARLY INDEP FOR $x > 0$

(c) Find the solution of the initial value problem.

From (a) and (b),

$$y(x) = c_1 x^5 + c_2 x$$

$$y'(x) = 5c_1 x^4 + c_2$$

$$y(1) = 4 \Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = 4$$

$$y'(1) = 2 \Rightarrow 5c_1 + c_2 = 2$$

$$4c_1 = -2$$

$$c_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{9}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x^5$$

2. (2 points) Solve: $y'' + 12y' + 36y = 0$; $y(0) = 2$, $y'(0) = -3$

Char. eqn: $r^2 + 12r + 36 = 0$

$$(r+6)^2 = 0$$

$$r = -6, r = -6$$

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-6x} + c_2 x e^{-6x}$$

$$y'(x) = -6c_1 e^{-6x} + c_2 e^{-6x} - 6c_2 x e^{-6x}$$

$$y(0) = 2 \Rightarrow c_1 = 2$$

$$y'(0) = -3 \Rightarrow -6c_1 + c_2 = -3$$

$$-12 + c_2 = -3$$

$$c_2 = 9$$

Turn over.

$$y(x) = 2e^{-6x} + 9xe^{-6x}$$

3. (2 points) Find the general solution: $y^{(4)} + 3y^{(3)} + 2y'' = 0$

CHAR eqn: $r^4 + 3r^3 + 2r^2 = 0$

$$r^2(r+1)(r+2) = 0$$

$$r=0, r=0, r=-1,$$

$$r=-2$$

$$\{e^{0x}, xe^{0x}, e^{-1x}, e^{-2x}\}$$

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-x} + c_4 e^{-2x}$$

4. (3 points) Consider the equation $y'' + 2y' - 15y = -32e^{-x}$.

(a) Show that $y_p(x) = 2e^{-x}$ is a particular solution.

$$y_p(x) = 2e^{-x}$$

$$y_p'(x) = -2e^{-x}$$

$$y_p''(x) = 2e^{-x}$$

$$y_p''(x) + 2y_p'(x) - 15y_p(x)$$

$$= 2e^{-x} - 4e^{-x} - 30e^{-x} = -32e^{-x} \checkmark$$

(b) Find the general solution.

Homo eqn: $y'' + 2y' - 15y = 0$

CHAR eqn: $r^2 + 2r - 15 = 0$

$$(r+5)(r-3) = 0$$

$$r = -5, r = 3$$

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{-5x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$

General solution is

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x)$$

or

$$y(x) = 2e^{-x} + c_1 e^{-5x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$