

Exam 3 Review

Sec 5.6, 5.7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4

- Use the method of reduction of order to find the general solution to $x^2 y'' - xy' + y = x$ given that $y_1 = x$ is a solution to the complementary equation.
- Use the method of reduction of order to find the general solution to $xy'' - (2x + 2)y' + (x + 2)y = 0$ given that $y_1 = e^x$ is a solution.
- Find the general solution: $x^2 y'' - xy' + y = 0$.
- Find the particular solution to $3x^2 y'' - xy' + y = 0$ satisfying $y(8) = 26$, $y'(8) = \frac{37}{12}$.
- Given the differential equation $y'' - xy' - y = 0$:
 - Suppose that $y(x)$ has a Taylor series about $x = 0$,

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 + a_6 x^6 + \dots$$
 Substitute into the differential equation and simplify by grouping together terms with similar powers of x .
 - Given the initial conditions $y(0) = 16$, $y'(0) = 15$, find the first five terms of the Taylor series solution $y(x)$.
 - Use the answer to part b to find an approximation of $y(2)$
- Given the differential equation $y'' + x^2 y = 0$ with initial conditions $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$, use the first five terms of the Taylor series about $x = 0$ to find an approximate value of the solution at $x = 1.2$ (*HINT: Follow the same steps as in the previous problem*).
- Find a particular solution of $x^2 y'' + xy' - y = 2x^2 + 2$ given that $y_1 = x$ and $y_2 = \frac{1}{x}$ are solutions of the complementary equation.
- Find a particular solution of $xy'' + (2 - 2x)y' + (x - 2)y = e^{2x}$ given that $y_1 = e^x$ and $y_2 = \frac{e^x}{x}$ are solutions of the complementary equation.
- Find the general solution: $y'' - 2y' + y = 14x^{3/2} e^x$

Exam 3 Review ANSWER KEY

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$$1. \quad y = c_1 x + c_2 x \ln(x) + \frac{1}{2} x [\ln(x)]^2$$

$$2. \quad y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^x x^3$$

$$3. \quad y = c_1 x + c_2 x \ln(x)$$

$$4. \quad y = 3x + x^{1/3}$$

5. a.

$$(2a_2 - a_0) + (6a_3 - 2a_1)x + (12a_4 - 3a_2)x^2 + (20a_5 - 4a_3)x^3 + (30a_6 - 5a_4)x^4 + \dots = 0$$

b. Taylor series at $x = 0$ given initial conditions $y(0) = 16$, $y'(0) = 15$:

$$y(x) \approx 16 + 15x + 8x^2 + 5x^3 + 2x^4 + \dots$$

$$c. \quad y(2) \approx 150$$

$$6. \quad \text{Taylor series at } x = 0: y(x) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{12}x^4. \text{ Approximate value at } x = 1.2 \text{ is } y(1.2) \approx 0.8272$$

$$7. \quad y_p = \frac{2}{3}(x^2 - 3)$$

$$8. \quad y_p = \frac{e^{2x}}{x}$$

9. *HINT: First solve the complementary equation. Then use variation of parameters.*

$$y = \frac{8}{5}x^{7/2}e^x + c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$$