

MATH 290 - QUIZ #3

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Directions: Please show all work for maximum credit. This quiz is worth 16 points. Good luck!

(5 points) 1. Given that $y_1(x) = e^{3x}$ is a solution to $y'' + 2y' - 15y = 0$. Use reduction of order to find a second solution, $y_2(x)$.

$$y_2 = u y_1 = u e^{3x}$$

$$y_2' = u' e^{3x} + 3u e^{3x}$$

$$y_2'' = u'' e^{3x} + 6u' e^{3x} + 9u e^{3x}$$

$$y'' + 2y' - 15y = 0$$

$$(u'' e^{3x} + 6u' e^{3x} + 9u e^{3x}) + 2(u' e^{3x} + 3u e^{3x}) - 15(u e^{3x}) = 0$$

$$u'' e^{3x} + 8u' e^{3x} = 0$$

$$\text{let } w = u' \quad w' e^{3x} + 8w e^{3x} = 0 \quad \frac{dw}{w} = 8dx$$

$$w' = u''$$

$$w' + 8w = 0$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = -8w$$

$$\ln|w| = -8x + C_1$$

$$w = C_2 e^{-8x}$$

$$u' = C_2 e^{-8x}$$

$$u = -\frac{1}{8} C_2 e^{-8x} + C_3$$

$$y_2 = e^{3x}(-\frac{1}{8} C_2 e^{-8x} + C_3) = -\frac{1}{8} C_2 e^{-5x} + C_3 e^{3x}$$

$$y_2 = e^{-5x}$$

(5 points) 2. Verify that $y_1(x) = e^{4x}$ and $y_2(x) = xe^{4x}$ form a fundamental set of solutions to the differential equation $y'' - 8y' + 16y = 0$ on the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$.

1. Check if y_1 and y_2 are solutions:

$$y = C_1 e^{4x} + C_2 x e^{4x}$$

$$y' = 4C_1 e^{4x} + C_2 e^{4x} + 4C_2 x e^{4x}$$

$$y'' = 16C_1 e^{4x} + 4C_2 e^{4x} + 4C_2 e^{4x} + 16C_2 x e^{4x}$$

$$= 16C_1 e^{4x} + 8C_2 e^{4x} + 16C_2 x e^{4x}$$

$$(16C_1 e^{4x} + 8C_2 e^{4x} + 16C_2 x e^{4x}) - 8(4C_1 e^{4x} + C_2 e^{4x} + 4C_2 x e^{4x}) + 16(C_1 e^{4x} + C_2 x e^{4x})$$

$$= 16C_1 e^{4x} + 8C_2 e^{4x} + 16C_2 x e^{4x} - 32C_1 e^{4x} - 8C_2 e^{4x} - 32C_2 x e^{4x} + 16C_1 e^{4x} + 16C_2 x e^{4x} = 0 \checkmark$$

2. Check that C_1 and C_2 are linearly independent

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^{4x} & x e^{4x} \\ 4e^{4x} & e^{4x} + 4x e^{4x} \end{vmatrix} = e^{4x}(e^{4x} + 4x e^{4x}) - 4e^{4x}(x e^{4x})$$

$$= e^{8x} + 4x e^{8x} - 4x e^{8x} = e^{8x} \neq 0 \therefore \text{They are linearly independent.}$$

∴ $y_1 = e^{4x}$ and $y_2 = xe^{4x}$ form a fundamental set of solutions.

3. Given the following solution to the given differential equation.

$$y = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^4 + 3; \quad x^2 y'' - 5xy' + 8y = 24$$

Determine if the following boundary conditions yield no solution, one solution, or infinitely many solutions.

(3 points) a. $y(-1) = 0, y(1) = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_1 + c_2 + 3 \\ 4 &= c_1 + c_2 + 3 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} -3 &= c_1 + c_2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{contradiction} \\ 1 &= c_1 + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \text{no solution}$

(3 points) b. $y(1) = 3, y(2) = 15$

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &= c_1 + c_2 + 3 & -4(c_1 + c_2 = 0) \\ 15 &= 4c_1 + 16c_2 + 3 & 4c_1 + 16c_2 = 12 \\ && \hline -4c_1 - 4c_2 = 0 \\ && 4c_1 + 16c_2 = 12 \\ && \hline 12c_2 = 12 \\ c_2 &= 1 & c_1 + 1 = 0 \\ && c_1 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \text{one solution}$