

Mech 221 Math suggested problems solutions  
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Q3.1 #3. solution defined on  $(-\infty, -1)$ .

Q3.2 #5.  $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$

a)  $y_1(t) = e^{2t}$  and  $y_2(t) = te^{2t}$  are both solutions (differentiate and plug in to verify).

b) 
$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^{2t} & te^{2t} \\ 2e^{2t} & e^{2t} + 2te^{2t} \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= e^{4t}(1+2t) - 2te^{4t} = e^{4t} \text{ never zero.}$$

c)  $y(t) = Ay_1 + By_2 \quad y(0) = 2 \Rightarrow A = 2$

$$y'(t) = 2Ae^{2t} + B(1+2t)e^{2t}$$

$$y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 2A + B = 0 \Rightarrow B = -4$$

so  $y(t) = 2e^{2t} - 4te^{2t}$ .

Q # 3 Abel's Theorem says  $W'(t) = -P(t)W(t)$ .

Since  $p(t) = 0$  in this case,  $W$  is constant so

$$W(4) = -3.$$

6.3.3 #5  $y'' - y = 0$   $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1.$

$y = Ae^{-x} + Be^x$   $y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow A + B = 1$

$y' = -Ae^{-x} + Be^x$   $y'(0) = -1 \Rightarrow -A + B = -1$

$\Rightarrow A = 1, B = 0.$

so  $y(x) = e^{-x}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y(x) = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} y(x) = \infty.$

#11  $2y'' - 3y' = 0$

$y(-2) = 3, y'(-2) = 0.$

$y = A + Be^{3/2 x}$

$A + Be^{-3} = 3.$

$y' = \frac{3}{2} Be^{3/2 x}$

$\frac{3}{2} Be^{-3} = 0$

so  $B = 0, A = 3.$

Soln  $y = 3$  for all  $x$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} y(x) = 3.$

#12  $y'' - 6y' + 8y = 0$

$y(1) = 2, y'(1) = -8.$

$r^2 - 6r + 8 = 0,$

$(r-4)(r-2) = 0$   $r = 2, 4.$

$y = Ae^{2x} + Be^{4x}.$

$y(1) = 2 \Rightarrow Ae^2 + Be^4 = 2$

$y' = 2Ae^{2x} + 4Be^{4x}$

$y'(1) = -8 \Rightarrow 2Ae^2 + 4Be^4 = -8$

Solve to get

$$A = 8e^{-2}, \quad B = -6e^{-4}, \quad \text{so}$$

$$y(x) = 8e^{2(x-1)} - 6e^{4(x-1)}.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y(x) = \infty, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} y(x) = -\infty.$$

6.4 #3.  $y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0$      $y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -2.$

$$r^2 + 6r + 9 = 0, \quad r = -3, -3 \text{ repeated root.}$$

$$y(x) = Ae^{-3x} + Bxe^{-3x}$$

$$y' = -3Ae^{-3x} + B(1 - 3x)e^{-3x}$$

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

$$y'(0) = -2 \Rightarrow -6 + B = -2, \quad B = 4.$$

$$y(x) = 2e^{-3x} + 4xe^{-3x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} y(x) = -\infty. \quad \text{dominant term.}$$

$$\#11 \quad r^2 - 2\alpha + \alpha^2 = 0$$

$$(r - \alpha)^2 = 0. \quad r = \alpha \text{ repeated root,}$$

$$y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Bxe^{\alpha x}$$

From the graph,  $y(0)=0$ , so  $A=0$ ,

$$y(x) = Bx e^{\alpha x}$$

$$y'(x) = B(1 + \alpha x)e^{\alpha x} \quad \text{maximum at } x=2,$$

$$\text{so } \alpha = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

maximum value  $8/e$

$$y(2) = B(2)e^{-\frac{1}{2}(2)} = 2Be^{-1}$$

so  $B=4$ . Now  $y'(0)=4$

6.3.5 #5  $9y'' + y = 0$   $y(\pi/2) = 4$ ,  $y'(\pi/2) = 0$

$$y(t) = A \cos(t/3) + B \sin(t/3).$$

$$y(\pi/2) = A \sqrt{3}/2 + B/2 = 4.$$

$$\uparrow \cos(\pi/6) = \cos(30^\circ) = \sqrt{3}/2.$$

$$A = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$B = 2.$$

$$y'(t) = -\frac{A}{3} \sin(t/3) + \frac{B}{3} \cos(t/3)$$

$$y'(\pi/2) = -\frac{1}{6}A + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}B = 0.$$



$$\text{so } y = 2e^{-t} (\cos(t - 2\pi/3)).$$

$$\text{Ex. 3.5 #29R} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Distance from zero to adjacent extrema  
( $\frac{1}{4}$  of wavelength) is  $\frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

wavelength  $\pi$ ,  $\beta = 2$ .  $\delta$  is  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$  ( $\cos(2(t - \frac{5\pi}{12}))$   
maximum to origin), so

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(2t - 5\pi/6).$$

$$y(0) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(-5\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(5\pi/6) = -\sqrt{3}/4.$$

$$y'(t) = -\sin(2t - 5\pi/6)$$

$$y'(0) = \sin(5\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\text{Ex. 3.7 #3. } y'' - y' - 2y = 20e^{4t} \quad y(0) = 0 \\ y'(0) = 1.$$

$y_p(t) = 2e^{4t}$  can be verified by direct  
substitution.

$$r^2 - r - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = -1, 2$$

$$(r-2)(r+1) = 0.$$

$$y_c(t) = Ae^{-t} + Be^{2t}$$

$$y(t) = Ae^{-t} + Be^{2t} + 2e^{4t}.$$

$$A=1, B=-3.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A + B + 2 = 0 \\ y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow -A + 2B + 8 = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{So } y(t) = e^{-t} - 3e^{2t} + 2e^{4t}$$

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$$\#7 \quad y'' + y = 2t - 3\cos 2t \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0.$$

$y_p(t) = 2t + \cos 2t$  can be verified by direct substitution.

$$y_c(t) = A \cos t + B \sin t$$

$$y(t) = A \cos t + B \sin t + 2t + \cos 2t.$$

$$y(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A + 1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A = -1.$$

$$y'(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad B + 2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad B = -2.$$

$$\text{So } y(t) = -\cos t - 2\sin t + 2t + \cos 2t.$$

$$\text{Ex 3.8 \#3. } y'' + y = 8e^t. \quad (\star)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{MVC} \quad y_p(t) = ae^t \\ \quad \quad y_p'(t) = ae^t \\ \quad \quad y_p''(t) = ae^t \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} y_p(t) \\ y_p'(t) \\ y_p''(t) \end{array}} \right\} \text{in } \textcircled{\star}, \text{ equate coefficients} \\ \text{of } e^t: \quad \begin{array}{l} 2a = 8 \\ a = 4. \end{array}$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{A \cos t + B \sin t}_{\text{complementary}} + 4e^t.$$

$$\#15 \quad y'' + 4y' + 5y = 2e^{-2t} + \cos t. \quad (\star)$$

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$$r^2 + 4r + 5 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2} = -2 \pm i$$

$$y_c(t) = e^{-2t} (A \cos t + B \sin t):$$

$$y_p(t) = a \cos t + b \sin t + c e^{-2t}$$

$$y_p'(t) = -a \sin t + b \cos t - 2c e^{-2t}$$

$$y_p''(t) = -a \cos t - b \sin t + 4c e^{-2t}$$

put  
in  $(\star)$ .

Equate coefficients of

$$\cos t: \quad -a + 4b + 5a = 1.$$

$$\sin t: \quad -b - 4a + 5b = 0$$

$$e^{-2t}: \quad 4c - 8c + 5c = 2 \Rightarrow c = 2$$

$$a = b = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b$$

$$y(t) = e^{-2t} (A \cos t + B \sin t) + 2e^{-2t} + \frac{1}{8} \cos t + \frac{1}{8} \sin t.$$