

MTH 3311 - Test #3 - Version #3 - Solutions
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Show CLEARLY how you arrive at your answers.

1. Find the general solution of the equation:

$$y'' + 3y' + 2y = 10e^{3x}$$

- (a) First, find the solution to the complementary equation $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + 3m + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (m + 2)(m + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 = -2 \text{ and } m_2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_c = c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{-x}$$

- (b) Find a Particular Solution

For a particular solution, we imagine that $y_p = Ae^{3x}$

$$y'_p = 3Ae^{3x}$$

$$y''_p = 9Ae^{3x}$$

To find A , we plug these into the original equation, $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 10e^{3x}$.

This yields:

$$\underbrace{9Ae^{3x}}_{y''} + \underbrace{3Ae^{3x}}_{3y'} + \underbrace{2Ae^{3x}}_{2y} = 10e^{3x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (9A + 9A + 2A)e^{3x} = 10e^{3x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } 20A = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } y_p = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x}$$

- (c) The general solution to the original equation is: $y = y_p + y_c$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} + c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{-x}$$

2. Find the general solution of the equation:

$$y'' - 2y' + y = -2 \cos(3x) - 36 \sin(3x)$$

(a) First, find the solution to the complementary equation $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 2m + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (m - 1)(m - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 = 1 \text{ and } m_2 = 1$$

i.e., $m = 1$ is a **Double Root!**

To get two independent complementary solutions, we multiply the second term by x

$$\Rightarrow y_c = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$$

(b) Find a Particular Solution

For a particular solution, we imagine that $y_p = A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)$

$$y'_p = -3A \sin(3x) + 3B \cos(3x)$$

$$y''_p = -9A \cos(3x) - 9B \sin(3x)$$

To find A , we plug these into the original equation, $y'' - 2y' + y = -2 \cos(3x) - 36 \sin(3x)$

This yields:

$$\underbrace{-9A \cos(3x) - 9B \sin(3x)}_{y''} - 2 \underbrace{(-3A \sin(3x) + 3B \cos(3x))}_{2y'} + \underbrace{A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)}_y = -2 \cos(3x) - 36 \sin(3x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-9A - 6B + A) \cos(3x) + (-9B + 6A + B) \sin(3x) = -2 \cos(3x) - 36 \sin(3x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-9A - 6B + A) = -2 \text{ and } (-9B + 6A + B) = -36$$

i.e., $(-8A - 6B) = -2$ (eq. 1) and $(-8B + 6A) = -36$ (eq.2)

$$\text{From eq.1, we have: } -6B = -2 + 8A \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{3}A$$

Plugging this into eq. 2, we have:

$$(-8(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{3}A) + 6A) = -36 \Rightarrow -\frac{8}{3} + \frac{32}{3}A + 6A = -36 \Rightarrow -8 + 32A + 18A = -108 \Rightarrow 50A = -100$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -2$$

Plugging this into eq. 2, we have:

$$(-8B + 6(-2)) = -36 \Rightarrow -8B - 12 = -36 \Rightarrow -8B = -24$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 3$$

Hence, $y_p = -2 \cos(3x) + 3 \sin(3x)$

(c) The **general solution** is given by $y = y_p + y_c$

$$\Rightarrow y = -2 \cos(3x) + 3 \sin(3x) + c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$$

3. Find the general solution of the equation:

$$y'' - 12y' + 36y = \underbrace{e^{6x} \ln(x)}_{F(x)} \quad (\text{Assume that } x > 0)$$

(a) First, find the solution to the complementary equation $y'' - 12y' + 36y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 12m + 36 = 0 \Rightarrow (m - 6)(m - 6) = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 = 6 \text{ and } m_2 = 6$$

YIPES! Another **Double Root!**

To get two independent complementary solutions, we multiply the second term by x

$$\Rightarrow y_c = c_1 e^{6x} + c_2 x e^{6x}$$

(b) Find a Particular Solution

Since $F(x)$ (the right hand side of the equation) is NOT solely a linear combination of polynomials, $\sin(kx)$, $\cos(kx)$, or e^{kx} , we have to use **Variation of Parameters**.

We do this, by taking the complementary solution and replacing the constant coefficients with functions of x

$$\Rightarrow y = A(x) e^{6x} + B(x) x e^{6x}$$

We are allowed to impose two restrictions on the pair of functions $A(x)$ and $B(x)$.

The first restriction is that functions, $A(x)$ and $B(x)$, make the expression $y = A(x) e^{6x} + B(x) x e^{6x}$ a solution of the original differential equation.

$$\Rightarrow y' = 6A(x) e^{6x} + A'(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) x e^{6x} + B(x) e^{6x} + 6B(x) x e^{6x}$$

At this point, we impose the second of our restrictions, namely that $A'(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) x e^{6x} = 0$.

$$\text{i.e. } A'(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) x e^{6x} = 0 \quad (\text{Restriction 2})$$

Thus, we can rewrite y' as:

$$y' = 6A(x) e^{6x} + B(x) e^{6x} + 6B(x) x e^{6x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' = 36A(x) e^{6x} + 6A'(x) e^{6x} + 6B(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) e^{6x} + 6B'(x) x e^{6x} + 6B(x) e^{6x} + 36B(x) x e^{6x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } y'' = 36A(x) e^{6x} + 6A'(x) e^{6x} + 12B(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) e^{6x} + 6B'(x) x e^{6x} + 36B(x) x e^{6x}$$

Plug y, y', y'' into the original equation $y'' - 12y' + 36y = e^{6x} \ln(x)$

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc} y'' & = & 36A(x) e^{6x} & +6A'(x) e^{6x} & +12B(x) e^{6x} & +B'(x) e^{6x} & +6B'(x) x e^{6x} & +36B(x) x e^{6x} \\ -12y' & = & -72A(x) e^{6x} & & -12B(x) e^{6x} & & & -72B(x) x e^{6x} \\ +36y & = & 36A(x) e^{6x} & & & & & +36B(x) x e^{6x} \\ \hline e^{6x} \ln(x) & = & & +6A'(x) e^{6x} & & +B'(x) e^{6x} & +6B'(x) x e^{6x} & \quad (\text{Eq.1}) \end{array}$$

Subtracting $6 \cdot (\text{Restriction 2})$ from Eq. 1, we have:

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} e^{6x} \ln(x) & = & 6A'(x) e^{6x} & +B'(x) e^{6x} & +6B'(x) x e^{6x} \\ 0 & = & -6A'(x) e^{6x} & & -B'(x) x e^{6x} \\ \hline e^{6x} \ln(x) & = & & B'(x) e^{6x} & \end{array}$$

$$\text{i.e., } B'(x) e^{6x} = e^{6x} \ln(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow B'(x) = \ln(x) \quad (\text{Eq.2})$$

$$\Rightarrow B(x) = \int B'(x) dx = \int \ln(x) dx = x \ln(x) - x + C_3$$

$$\text{i.e., } B(x) = x \ln(x) - x + C_3$$

In order to find $A(x)$, our easiest option might be to plug $B'(x) = \ln(x)$ (from Eq.2) into Restriction 2, $A'(x) e^{6x} + B'(x) x e^{6x} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow A'(x) e^{6x} + \ln(x) x e^{6x} = 0$$

Notice that e^{6x} is a factor of both terms, and that e^{6x} is never equal to zero. Thus, we can divide both sides by e^{6x} .

$$\Rightarrow A'(x) + x \ln(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A'(x) = -x \ln(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow A(x) = \int A'(x) dx = -\int x \ln(x) dx = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln(x) + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + C_4$$

$$\text{i.e., } A(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln(x) + C_4$$

$$\text{Thus, } y = A(x) e^{6x} + B(x) x e^{6x} = \left(\frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln(x) + C_4\right) e^{6x} + (x \ln(x) - x + C_3) e^{6x}$$

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Remark: $-\int x \ln(x) dx$ was computed using integration by parts:

$$\begin{array}{ll} u = \ln(x) & dv = x dx \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx & v = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \end{array}$$

$$-\int x \ln(x) dx = -\left[\underbrace{\ln(x) \frac{1}{2}x^2}_{uv} - \underbrace{\int \frac{1}{2}x^2 \frac{1}{x} dx}_{\int v du} \right] = -\left[\frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln(x) - \frac{1}{2} \int x dx \right] = \left[-\frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln(x) + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + C_4 \right]$$