

Exam Review

Reduction of Order

Ques #2, 7, 8

Review Problems

- Find the general solution: $y'' - 2y' - 3y = 3e^{2x}$
- Find the general solution: $y'' + 6y' + 9y = -578 \sin 5x$
- Use the method of reduction of order to find the general solution to $x^2y'' - xy' + y = x$ 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.
- Given the differential equation $y'' - xy' - y = 0$:
 - Suppose that $y(x)$ has a Taylor series about $x = 0$,

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4 + a_5x^5 + a_6x^6 + \dots$$

Substitute into the differential equation and simplify by grouping together terms with

- 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 $y'' + x^2y = 0$ 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 $x = 1.2$.
 - Suppose y is the solution to a given initial value problem and y is given to you in the form of a Maclaurin series, $y(x) = 11 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 + \frac{7}{12}x^3 + \frac{51}{24}x^4 + \dots$
 - Find the values of $y(0)$, $y'(0)$, $y''(0)$, $y'''(0)$, $y^{(4)}(0)$ (Note that the notation $y^{(4)}(x)$ indicates the fourth derivative of y).
 - The next term in the Maclaurin series would be a_5x^5 . Find the value of the coefficient a_5 , given that $y^{(5)}(0) = \frac{3}{2}$ (that is, the fifth derivative of y evaluated at $x=0$ is $\frac{3}{2}$).
 - Find a particular solution of $x^2y'' + xy' - y = 2x^2 + 2$ 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: $y'' - 2y' + y = 14x^{3/2}e^x$

- Use the method of reduction of order to find the general solution to $x^2y'' - xy' + y = x$ given that $y_1 = x$ is a solution to the complementary equation.

Guess $y = uy_1$

$$y = u \cdot x$$

$$y' = u \cdot 1 + u' \cdot x$$

$$y'' = u' + u' + u'' \cdot x$$

$$y'' = 2u' + u'' \cdot x$$

Substitute

$$x^2(2u' + u'' \cdot x) - x(u + u'x) + u \cdot x = x$$

$$2u'x^2 + u''x^3 - ux - u'x^2 + ux = x$$

$$u'x^2 + u''x^3 = x$$

← should give one equation with only u' , u'' (not u).
Then substitute $w = u'$
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$$wx^2 + w'x^3 = \frac{1}{x} \quad \leftarrow \text{First-order linear}$$

$$w + w'x = \frac{1}{x} \quad \leftarrow \text{First-order linear.}$$

Solve this equation:

complementary equation:

$$w + w'x = 0$$

$$\frac{w'}{w} = -\frac{1}{x}$$

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variables separated,
so integrate.

$$\int \frac{w'}{w} dx = \int -\frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\ln|w| = -\ln|x| + C$$

$$e^{\ln|w|} = e^{-\ln|x| + C}$$

$$|w| = e^{-\ln|x|} e^C$$

$$|w| = e^{\ln|x|^{-1}} \cdot C_1$$

$$|w| = |x|^{-1} C_1$$

$$w = \pm C_1 x^{-1}$$

$$w = C_2 \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

choose $C_2 = 1$.

$$w_1 = \frac{1}{x}$$

Guess $w = u \cdot \frac{1}{x}$

Find u' ,
substitute. $w' = u \cdot (-x^{-2}) + u' \cdot \frac{1}{x} = -ux^{-2} + \frac{u'}{x}$

$$w + w'x = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$u \cdot \frac{1}{x} + (-ux^{-2} + \frac{u'}{x})x = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\cancel{\frac{u}{x}} - \cancel{ux^{-2}} + u' = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$-\frac{u}{x}$$

$$\int u' dx = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$u = \ln|x| + C$$

sub into guess

$$w = u \cdot \frac{1}{x} = (\ln|x| + C) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$w = \frac{1}{x} \ln|x| + \frac{C}{x}$$

Since $w = u'$,
we have

$$\int u' dx = \int \frac{1}{x} \ln|x| + \frac{C}{x} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \bar{x}'$$
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\bar{x}^{-1}) = -\bar{x}^{-2}$$

$$u = \int \frac{1}{x} \ln|x| dx + c \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + c \ln|x| + D$$

Integrate by substitution:
 $v = \ln|x|$
 $dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$= \int v dv = \frac{1}{2} v^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\ln|x|)^2$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2} (\ln|x|)^2 + c \ln|x| + D$$

Since $y = ux$,

$$y = \left(\frac{1}{2} (\ln|x|)^2 + c \ln|x| + D \right) x$$

general solution to the original equation.

7. Suppose y is the solution to a given initial value problem and y is given to you in the form of a MacLaurin series, $y(x) = 11 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 + \frac{7}{12}x^3 + \frac{51}{24}x^4 + \dots$

- Find the values of $y(0)$, $y'(0)$, $y''(0)$, $y'''(0)$, $y^{(4)}(0)$ (Note that the notation $y^{(4)}(x)$ indicates the fourth derivative of y).
- The next term in the MacLaurin series would be $a_5 x^5$. Find the value of the coefficient a_5 , given that $y^{(5)}(0) = \frac{3}{7}$ (that is, the fifth derivative of y evaluated at $x=0$ is $\frac{3}{7}$).

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$$

$$a_n = \frac{y^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{y(0)}{0!} \rightarrow a_0 = 11 \text{ so: } 11 = \frac{y(0)}{0!}$$

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$$a_1 = \frac{y'(0)}{1!}$$

$$11 = \frac{y(0)}{1}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{y''(0)}{2!}$$

$$11 = y(0)$$

$$a_3 = \frac{y'''(0)}{3!}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{y'(0)}{1!}$$

etc...

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{y'(0)}{1}$$

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$$a_2 = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{y''(0)}{2!}$$

$$2 \cdot \frac{3}{8} = \frac{y''(0)}{2} \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{3}{4} = y''(0)$$

for b)

$$a_5 = \frac{y^{(5)}(0)}{5!}$$

Euler Equations — equations where series solutions don't work because $P_0(x) \neq 0$.

Defn an Euler Equation has form:

$$ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = 0, \quad x > 0$$

To solve: guess $y = x^r$ for some constant r .

find y', y''
and
substitute

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x^r \\ y' &= r x^{r-1} \\ y'' &= r(r-1) x^{r-2} \end{aligned}$$

Substitute:

$$ax^2 \cdot r(r-1)x^{r-2} + bx \cdot r x^{r-1} + c x^r = 0$$

$$ax^{2+r-2} \cdot r(r-1) + bx^{1+r-1} \cdot r + cx^r = 0$$

$$ax^r \cdot r(r-1) + bx^r \cdot r + c \cdot x^r = 0$$

factor out
 x^r

$$x^r (ar(r-1) + br + c) = 0$$

$$\text{either } x^r = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad ar(r-1) + br + c = 0$$

↑ since $x > 0$,

$x^r \neq 0$ so we must have:

Indicial
equation

$$ar(r-1) + br + c = 0$$

Solve this quadratic equation for r
get two roots r_1, r_2

THREE CASES

① Two real roots r_1, r_2

basic solutions to original equation: $y_1 = x^{r_1}, y_2 = x^{r_2}$

② Repeated root $r_1 = r_2$

basic solutions: $y_1 = x^{r_1}, y_2 = \ln(x) \cdot x^{r_1}$

③ Complex roots $r_1, r_2 = \lambda \pm \omega i$

basic solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= x^\lambda \cos(\omega \cdot \ln(x)) \\ y_2 &= x^\lambda \sin(\omega \cdot \ln(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Example Solve $x^2 y'' - 5xy' + 9y = 0, y(1) = 3, y'(1) = 5$

Guess: $y = x^r$

Indicial Equation:

$$1 \cdot r(r-1) - 5r + 9 = 0$$

$$r^2 - r - 5r + 9 = 0$$

$$r^2 - 6r + 9 = 0$$

quadratic eq:

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

$$r-3=0$$

$$r=3$$

$$r-3=0$$

$$r=3$$

basic solutions

$$y_1 = x^3, y_2 = \ln(x) \cdot x^3$$

general solution:

$$y = C_1 x^3 + C_2 \ln(x) \cdot x^3$$

Initial conditions: $y(1) = 3$, $y'(1) = 5$

substitute $y(1) = 3$

$$3 = C_1 \cdot 1^3 + C_2 \cdot \underbrace{\ln(1)}_{=0} \cdot 1^3$$

$$3 = C_1 +$$

$$\boxed{3 = C_1}$$

find $y = 3x^3 + C_2 \ln x \cdot x^3$

$$y' = 9x^2 + C_2 \ln x \cdot 3x^2 + C_2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot x^3$$

$$\boxed{y' = 9x^2 + 3C_2 x^2 \ln x + C_2 \cdot x^2}$$

substitute $y'(1) = 5$

$$5 = 9 \cdot 1^2 + 3C_2 \cdot 1^2 \cdot \ln(1) + C_2 \cdot 1^2$$

$$5 = 9 + C_2$$

$$\begin{matrix} -9 & -9 \\ \hline -4 = C_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\boxed{y = 3x^3 - 4 \ln(x) \cdot x^3}$$

Exam Review cont'd:

General form: Second order linear nonhomogeneous differential equation
homogeneous: $P_0(x)y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_2(x)y = F(x)$

General form of solution:

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 + y_p$$

$C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2$ is the general solution to the complementary equation

y_p is a particular solution to the original equation