

Math 217 - December 10, 2010
Solutions

1. Solve

(a) $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 16x \cos x, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0$

Solution:

$$y = e^{2x} (2 \sin(x) - \cos(x)) + (-2x - 2) \sin(x) + (2x + 1) \cos(x)$$

(b) $2y'' + 5y' - 3y = 27x^2, \quad y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1$ (this one doesn't work out too nicely)

Solution:

$$y = \frac{436 e^{\frac{x}{2}}}{7} + \frac{5 e^{-3x}}{7} - 9x^2 - 30x - 62$$

(c) $y^{(6)} - 2y^{(5)} + y^{(4)} = x^2$

(d) $x''' - x'' + x' - x = 0$

Solution: $x = c_1 e^t + c_2 \cos t + c_3 \sin t$

(e) $xy' = 217 - (x + 1)y, y(1) = 217.$

Solution: $y = 217/x$

(f) $x'' - 6x' + 9x = 4e^{2t}, x(0) = -1, x'(0) = 1.$

Solution: $x = (8t - 5)e^{3t} + 4e^{2t}$

(g) $xy^2 y' = x^3 + y^3, y(1) = 0.$

Solution: Homogeneous, $y = x\sqrt[3]{3 \ln x}$

2. Find the singular points and the exponents of $xy'' + 2y' - y = 0$.

Solution: $x = 0$ is singular, indicial equation: $r(r - 1) + 2r = 0$

3. Find the recurrence relation for the Frobenius solution with exponent $1/2$ for $2x^2 y'' + 3xy' - (x^2 + 1)y = 0$

4. The general solution of $y'' - 2y/x^2 = 0$ is $y = Ax^2 + B/x$. Find a solution to $y'' - 2y/x^2 = 6$.

Solution: $y = 2x^2 \ln x - 2x^2/3$

5. Identify all ordinary and singular points to $x(x - 1)y'' + (\sin x)y' + xy = 0$

6. Solve with power series centered at $x = 0$: $(2 - x^2)y'' - xy' + 16y = 0, y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$