

MA214 F09

Some Hints / Solutions on the
Practice Problems for test #2

1. a) $W(y_1, y_2)(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x & xe^x \\ 1 & e^x(1+x) \end{vmatrix} = x^2 e^x$

at $x=1$ this is not zero so independent.

b) Check that y_1 & y_2 solve the ODE

by substitution. $y_1(x) = x$ $y_1'(x) = 1$ $y_1''(x) = 0$

so $x^2 y_1'' - x(x+2)y_1' + (x+2)y_1 = -(x+2)x - (x+2)x = 0$

2. Compute $W(w_1, w_2)(t) = \begin{vmatrix} t^2+t & t^2 \\ 2t+1 & 2t \end{vmatrix} = t^2$ & this is not zero at $t=1$.

3. $y'' - ty' = t$. $y = y_p + y_h$. let $u = y'$ so $u' - tu = t$
Integrating factor $\mu = \exp\{\int -t dt\} = e^{-t^2/2}$

$(\mu u)' = \mu q$ so $\mu u = \int t e^{-t^2/2} = -\int e^w dw = -e^{-t^2/2} + C$
 $w = -t^2/2$ $dw = -t dt$

$u(t) = y'(t) = -1 + e^{t^2/2} C$. Integrate again.
leave $\int e^{t^2/2} dt$ as it is!

4. $y'' + 5y' - 6y = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 + 5r - 6 = (r+6)(r-1) = 0$
 $y_1(t) = e^{-6t}$, $y_2(t) = e^t$ $y(t) = C_1 e^{-6t} + C_2 e^t$
 $y'(t) = -6C_1 e^{-6t} + C_2 e^t$

Initial Cond: $y(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 1$ & $y'(0) = -6C_1 + C_2 = 0$
 $C_1 = \frac{1}{7}$ $C_2 = \frac{6}{7}$.

5. $(\mathcal{L}f)(s) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^M e^{-st} (e^{2t} t^2) dt = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^M e^{-(s-2)t} t^2 dt$ ($s > 2$)

This can be done by integration by parts twice or note it is the LT of t^2 , $\frac{2}{s^3}$, evaluated at $s-2$: $(\mathcal{L}f)(s) = \frac{2}{(s-2)^3}$

6. Put in standard form: $y'' + \frac{3}{2t}y' - \frac{1}{2t^2}y = 0$, $t > 0$

$$W(t) = Ce^{-\int p(t)dt} \quad p(t) = \frac{3}{2t} \quad \int p(t) = \frac{3}{2} \ln t = \ln t^{3/2}$$

$$= Ce^{-\ln t^{3/2}} = \frac{C}{t^{3/2}} \quad \text{We don't know } C.$$

7. Find y_1 & y_2

solving: $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$: $r^2 + 4r + 4 = (r+2)^2 = 0$

$y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$, $y_2(t) = te^{-2t}$ Repeated real root!

$$W(t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-2t} & te^{-2t} \\ -2e^{-2t} & e^{-2t}(1-2t) \end{vmatrix} = e^{-4t} \neq 0.$$

$$y_p: \quad u_1' = -\frac{y_2 q}{W} = -\frac{te^{-2t} \cdot t^{-2}e^{-2t}}{e^{-4t}} = -\frac{1}{t} \Rightarrow u_1(t) = -\ln t$$

$$u_2' = \frac{y_1 q}{W} = \frac{e^{-2t} \cdot t^{-2}e^{-2t}}{e^{-4t}} = \frac{1}{t^2} \Rightarrow u_2(t) = -\frac{1}{t}$$

$$y_p(t) = (-\ln t)e^{-2t} + \left(-\frac{1}{t}\right)te^{-2t} = -e^{-2t} \ln t - \underbrace{e^{-2t}}_{\text{soln to homog ODE}}$$

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-2t} + C_2 t e^{-2t} - e^{-2t} \ln t$$

8. Use the formulas: $2(s^2(L_y)(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)) - 3(s(L_y)(s) - y(0)) + (L_y)(s) = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{4+s^2} = \frac{4}{4+s^2}$ or $(2s^2-3s+1)(L_y)(s) - 2s-2+3 = 4(4+s^2)^{-1}$

$$(L_y)(s) = \frac{2s-1}{2s^2-3s+1} + \frac{4}{(4+s^2)(2s^2-3s+1)}$$

9. $r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0$ $b^2 - 4ac = 4 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 = -4$, roots: $\frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i$, $e^{(-1 \pm i)t} = e^{-t}(\cos t \pm i \sin t)$

$y_1(t) = e^{-t} \cos t$, $y_2(t) = e^{-t} \sin t$ 2 indep real solns.

Guess: $y_p(t) = At + B$ so $y_p'(t) = A$, $y_p''(t) = 0$

Substitute: $y_p'' + 2y_p' + 2y_p = 2A + 2(At+B) = 4t$

$$A = 2 \text{ \& } B = -2 \quad y_p(t) = 2(t-1).$$