

MA/PHY 506 Fall 2018  
Midterm Exam - 100 Points  
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INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE WORK ALL FOUR PROBLEMS BELOW. NO BOOKS, PAPERS, OR NOTES ARE ALLOWED.

NAME: Solutions

| PROBLEM | MAXIMUM GRADE | SCORE |
|---------|---------------|-------|
| 1       | 30            |       |
| 2       | 20            |       |
| 3       | 30            |       |
| 4       | 20            |       |
| TOTAL   | 100           |       |

Problem 1. (30 points.) A form of the hypergeometric ODE is:

$$x(x-1)y''(x) + 3xy'(x) + y(x) = 0. \quad (1)$$

- i. Write the ODE in standard form. Classify the finite singular points, if any.
- ii. Apply the Frobenius method to this ODE around  $x_0 = 0$ . Derive the indicial equation and the recursion relation. You do not have to solve the recursion relation.
- iii. Find the Wronskian of two independent solutions to this hypergeometric ODE.

$$y''(x) + \frac{3}{x-1} y'(x) + \frac{1}{x(x-1)} y(x) = 0$$

$$x_0 = 0 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 Q(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 P(x) = 0 \quad x=0 \text{ reg. sing. pt.}$$

$$x_0 = 1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1) P(x) = 3 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1)^2 Q(x) = 0 \quad x=1 \text{ reg. sing. pt.}$$

$$y(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j x^{j+s} \quad y'(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+s)x^{j+s-1} a_j \quad y''(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+s)(j+s-1)x^{j+s-2} a_j$$

$$\sum_j [(j+s)(j+s-1)x^{j+s} a_j - (j+s)(j+s-1)x^{j+s-1} a_j]$$

$$+ 3(j+s)x^{j+s} a_j + x^{j+s} a_j \} = 0$$

$$\text{Re-index } \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+s)(j+s-1)x^{j+s-1} a_j = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+s)(m+s-1)x^{m+s} a_{m+1}$$

$$m=j+1 \quad + s(s-1)x^{s-1} a_0$$

$$j=m+1$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} [(j+s)(j+s-1) + 3(j+s)+1] a_j - (j+s)(j+s+1)a_{j+1} \} x^{j+s} +$$

$$+ s(s-1)x^{s-1} a_0 = 0$$

{Indicial eqn:  $s(s-1) = 0$  ( $a_0 \neq 0$ ) roots  $s=1$  or  $s=0$ .

Recursion:  $a_{j+1} = \frac{(j+s)(j+s+2)+1}{(j+s)(j+s+1)} a_j$

Problem 2. (20 points.) Suppose that a linear transformation  $T$  acts on the orthonormal basis  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  of a real linear vector space  $V$  by:

$$\begin{aligned}Tv_1 &= v_1 - v_2 + v_3 \\Tv_2 &= -v_1 + v_3 \\Tv_3 &= -v_2 + v_3\end{aligned}$$

i. Write the matrix representation  $[T]^B$  of  $T$  relative to the ON basis  $B$ .

ii. What type of matrix is  $[T]^B$ ?

iii. Is the set of vectors  $\{Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_3\}$  linearly independent?

iv. Is the set of vectors  $\{Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_3\}$  an orthonormal basis of  $V$ ? If not, construct an orthonormal set of vectors that is a basis for the span of  $\{Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_3\}$ .

i.  $(T)_{ij}^B = (v_i, Tv_j)$  so  $[T]^B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

ii.  $\det T = (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 + 2 = 1 \neq 0$ . 2<sup>nd</sup> row expansion  
so  $T$  is invertible.

iii. The set  $\{Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_3\}$  is LI since  $T$  is invertible. It spans  $V$  since  $T$  is invertible.

iv.  $\dim V = 3$ . Since  $[T]^B$  isn't orthogonal, the basis isn't ON.

v. Use Gram-Schmidt:  $w_1 = \frac{Tv_1}{\|Tv_1\|} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}(v_1 - v_2 + v_3)$

$w_2$ : let  $u_2 = Tv_2 - (w_1, Tv_2)w_1$ , so  $u_2 \perp w_1$ .

But  $(w_1, Tv_2) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}(-1+1) = 0$  so  $u_2 = Tv_2$

$\Rightarrow w_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(-v_1 + v_3)$ .

For  $w_3$ , let  $u_3 = Tv_3 - (w_1, Tv_3)w_1 - (w_2, Tv_3)w_2$ .  $(w_1, Tv_3) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$   
 $= (v_2, v_3) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}(v_1 - v_2 + v_3) \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} + \frac{1}{2}(v_1 + v_3) = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}$   
 $= -\frac{1}{6}v_1 - \frac{1}{3}v_2 - \frac{1}{6}v_3$

$$\|u_3\|^2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

4.

$$w_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}(v_1 + 2v_2 + v_3)$$

$$w_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(-v_1 + v_3)$$

$$w_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(v_1 - v_2 + v_3)$$

$\{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$  ONB of  $V$

Continue work on Problem 1.

$$W(x) = Ce^{-\int P(s)ds}$$

$$P(s) = \frac{3}{s-1}$$

$$\int \frac{3ds}{s-1} = 3\log(x-1)$$

$$e^{-\int P(s)ds} = e^{\log(x-1)^{-3}}$$

so

$$W(x) = \boxed{\frac{C}{(x-1)^3}}$$

Problem 3. (30 points.) Find the most general solution to the ODE

$$t^2 y'' - t(t+2)y'(t) + (t+2)y(t) = t^3, \quad t > 0.$$

- Find a solution of the homogeneous ODE of the form  $y(t) = t^m$  and then construct a second independent solution.
- Find the Green's function associated with the ODE.
- Find a particular solution and write the most general solution of the ODE.  
Make sure to put the ODE in standard form.

1.  $t^2 y'' - t(t+2)y' + (t+2)y = t^3 \quad t > 0$

$$(y' - \frac{(t+2)}{t}y') + \frac{(t+2)}{t^2}y = t$$

$$y'(t) = mt^{m-1}$$

$$y''(t) = m(m-1)t^{m-2}$$

$$m(m-1)t^m - m(t+2)t^m + (t+2)t^m = 0$$

$$m(m-1) - mt - 2m + t + 2 = 0$$

$$t(1-m) = 0 \quad \text{or } m = 1$$

Check  $-t - 2 + t + 2 = 0$  ✓

$$y_1(t) = t \quad t - \int^s p(u) du$$

$$y_2(t) = y_1(t) \int \frac{e}{y_1(s)^2} ds$$

$$p(u) = -\frac{u(u+2)}{u^2} = -1 - \frac{2}{u}$$

$$\int^s p(u) du = -s - 2 \log s$$

$$e^{-\int^s p(u) du} = e^s e^{\log s^2} = s^2 e^s$$

$$W(t) = \begin{vmatrix} t & te^t \\ 1 & (1+t)e^t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= t^2 e^t$$

$$y_2(t) = t \int^t \frac{s^2 e^s}{s^2} ds = te^t$$

Basis of soln sp:  $\{y_1(t) = t, y_2(t) = te^t\}$

$$y_1(s) = s \quad y_2(s) = te^s \quad h(s) = t^2 \quad y_p(t) = t^2 e^t$$

Continue work on Problem 3.

$$G_1(t,s) = \frac{y_1(s)y_2(t) - y_1(t)y_2(s)}{W(s)} = \frac{ts(e^t - e^s)}{s^2 e^s}$$

$$G_1(t,s) = \boxed{\left( \frac{t}{s} \right) [e^{t-s} - 1]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= \int_0^t G_1(t,s)h(s)ds = t \int_0^t \frac{1}{s} (e^{t-s} - 1) ds = t \int_0^t \frac{1}{s} s ds \\ &= te^t \int_0^t e^{-s} ds + t \int_0^t 1 ds \\ &= tet(-e^{-t}) + t^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= -t^2 e^{-t} + t^2$$

$\curvearrowright$  soln of homog.

$$\boxed{y_p(H) = -t^2}$$

$$y_p'(H) = -2t$$

$$y_p''(H) = -2$$

$$\begin{aligned} t^2 y_p'' - t^3 y_p' - 2t y_p' + t y_p + 2 y_p &= -2t^2 + 2t^3 + 7t^2 - t^3 = 2t^2 \\ &= t^3 - t^2 - 2t^2 \end{aligned}$$

General soln.:

$$\boxed{y_p(t) = At + Bte^t - t^2}$$

Problem 4. (20 points.) Find the solution to the initial value problem:

$$y'(t) = 2t(1 + y(t)),$$

and  $y(t=0) = 0$ .

$$y'(t) - 2ty(t) = 2t$$

Integrating factor:

$$\mu(t) = e^{\int t P(s) ds} = e^{-t^2}$$

$$P(s) = -2s$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mu y) = \mu q = 2te^{-t^2}$$

$$\mu(t)y(t) = \int t^2 e^{-s^2} ds = -e^{-t^2} + C$$

General Soln.

$$y(t) = -1 + Ce^{-t^2}$$

Unique solution:  $y(t=0) = 0$

$$y(0) = -1 + C = 0, C = 1$$

$$y(t) = -1 + e^{-t^2}, y(0) = 0$$

$$\text{Check: } y'(t) = 2te^{-t^2} = 2t(y+1).$$

Can also separate

$$\frac{dy}{1+y} = 2t dt$$

