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1. Find the general solution to the linear equation, $L[y] = y'' - 4y' + 3y = 2te^t$.

*Use the method of **undetermined coefficients** for finding a particular solution.*

2. Find the general solution to the linear ODE, $L[y] = x^2 y''(x) + xy'(x) - y(x) = \frac{4 \ln x}{x^3}$.

3. A mass-spring system is suspended vertically with a mass of M kg, a damping force that is 4 times the instantaneous velocity, and a spring constant of 8 N/m. The system is driven by a periodic external force, $f(t) = 5 \sin(4t)$ N. Let $y(t)$ denote the vertical displacement of the mass from its equilibrium position oriented so that y is increasing in the downward direction. (*i.e.*, $y > 0$ corresponds to the spring being stretched.) At $t = 0$, the mass is released at a position 0.25 m above the equilibrium point with a downward velocity of 2 m/sec.

- (a) Set up (but do not solve) the initial value problem (IVP) that represents the mass-spring described above.
- (b) Determine the values of mass $M > 0$ for which the system is (i) underdamped, (ii) critically damped, and (iii) overdamped.

4. Consider the following initial value problem (IVP) for a linear oscillator model,

$$L[y] = y'' + 4y' + 4y = 13 \cos(3t), \quad y(0) = -1.0, \quad y'(0) = 2$$

- (a) Solve for the unique solution to the IVP.
- (b) Represent the *steady-state solution* in the form, $y_p(t) = A \sin(3t - \phi)$. (Determine A and ϕ .)