

4.2.1

We are given the differential equation $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$ with the solution $y_1 = xe^{-x}$ we will construct the second solution using the formula provided: $y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{(y_1)^2} dx$.

$$y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{(y_1)^2} dx \quad (1)$$

$$= xe^{-x} \int \frac{e^{-\int 2dx}}{(xe^{-x})^2} dx \quad p(x) = 2 \quad (2)$$

$$= xe^{-x} \int \frac{e^{-2x}}{(xe^{-x})^2} dx \quad (3)$$

$$= xe^{-x} \int \frac{e^{-2x}}{(x^2 e^{-2x})} dx \quad (4)$$

$$= xe^{-x} \int \frac{1}{x^2} dx \quad (5)$$

$$= xe^{-x} \int \left(\frac{\sec(\ln(x))}{x} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$= -e^{-x} \quad (7)$$

Our second solution is

$y_2 = C_2 e^{-x}$

4.2.2

We are given the differential equation $x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 5y = 0$ with the solution $y_1 = x^2 \cos(\ln(x))$ we will construct the second solution using the formula provided: $y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{(y_1)^2} dx$.

First we divide our equation $x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 5y = 0$ by its leading term x^2 :

$$\frac{x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 5y}{x^2} = y'' - \frac{3y'}{x} + \frac{5y}{x^2}$$

Our $p(x)$ term is $-\frac{3}{x}$.

$$y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{(y_1)^2} dx \quad (1)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \frac{e^{-\int -\frac{3}{x}dx}}{(x^2 \cos(\ln(x)))^2} dx \quad p(x) = -\frac{3}{x} \quad (2)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \frac{e^{3 \ln(x)}}{(x^2 \cos(\ln(x)))^2} dx \quad (3)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \frac{x^3}{(x^4 \cos^2(\ln(x)))} dx \quad (4)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \frac{1}{x \cos^2(\ln(x))} dx \quad (5)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \frac{\sec^2(\ln(x))}{x} dx \quad (6)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) \int \sec^2(u) du \quad u = \ln(x) \quad du = \frac{1}{x} \quad (7)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) * \tan(\ln(x)) \quad (8)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(\ln(x)) * \frac{\sin(\ln(x))}{\cos(\ln(x))} \quad (9)$$

$$= x^2 \sin(\ln(x)) \quad (10)$$

Meaning our second solution is

$$\boxed{y_2 = C_2 x^2 \sin(\ln(x))}$$

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