

# Engineering mathematics I

Midterm exam., 10/26/2023

This is an open-book test. The total score is 110 points. Please show your computations.

1. Consider the first-order differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 \cdot e^{-x} \cdot y^4.$$

Notice that this is a separable differential equation.

- (a). (10%) Find the general solution to the differential equation.  
<P.S.> You can refer to some table of integrations, if necessary.
- (b). (5%) In addition to the differential equation, let us also impose the initial condition:  $y(0) = -1$ . Find the solution to this initial-value problem.

2. Consider the differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \sin(x) \cdot y = e^{\cos(x)}.$$

Notice that this is a first-order linear differential equation.

- (a). (5%) Find the integration factor for this differential equation.
- (b). (10%) Find the general solution to the differential equation.
- (c). (5%) In addition to the differential equation, let us also impose the initial condition:  $y(0) = 1$ . Find the solution to the initial-value problem.

3. Consider the first-order differential equation:

$$(2x + y^2) + 2xy \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0.$$

- (a). (5%) Show that this is an exact differential equation.
- (b). (10%) Solve the differential equation.
- (c). (5%) Continued from the preceeding subproblem, if it is further known that  $y(1) = 2$ , then  $y(2) = ?$

4. Consider the initial-value problem:

$$y'' - 3y' - 4y = e^{-x}, \text{ and } y(0) = 3, y'(0) = -2.$$

- (a). (5%) Find the homogeneous solutions to the differential equation in this problem.
- (b). (5%) Find a particular solution to the differential equation in this problem.
- (c). (10%) Please solve this problem with the Laplace-transform method.

$$y'' + \frac{1}{2x} y' - \frac{3}{2x^2} y = 0$$

5. Consider the second-order differential equation:

$$2x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 0.$$

(a). (5%) Show that  $x^{-1}$  is a solution to the differential equation.

(b). (10%) By applying the method of reduction of order, find another solution to the differential equation that is linearly independent with  $x^{-1}$ .

6. (10%) A linear time-invariant (LTI) system is described by the differential equation below, where  $x(t)$  denotes the input signal, and  $y(t)$  denotes the output signal:

$$4y^{(5)}(t) + 3y^{(4)}(t) - y'''(t) + y''(t) - 2y'(t) - 3y(t) = x(t).$$

Find the transfer function of this system.

7. (10%) A linear time-invariant system (LTI) is described by the differential equation below, where  $x(t)$  denotes the input signal, and  $y(t)$  denotes the output signal:

$$y''(t) - 2y'(t) + 3y(t) = x(t).$$

Find the impulse response of this system.

$$\frac{-1}{x} \quad \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{x}$$

$$t' + \frac{-2x^{-1} + \frac{1}{2x} x^{-1}}{x^{-1}} = \frac{-1}{x} \quad \frac{\frac{3}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{-2 + \frac{1}{2x}}{\frac{-3}{2x}} \quad \frac{\frac{3}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$4s^5 Y$$

$$1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$s - (1 + \sqrt{2}i) \quad s - (1 - \sqrt{2}i)$$

$$\frac{1}{s^2 - 2s + 3} \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s-1)^2 + 2} \quad \frac{s+1}{s^2 + 2} = \frac{s}{s^2 - 2s + 3}$$

$$\frac{1}{(s-1)^2 + 2}$$

$$s^3 + 2s = s^3 - 2s^2 + 3s + \frac{1}{s} - 2s + 3$$

$$s^3$$