

MATH2121/MATH2221 2019 T2

Revision Seminar Solutions

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MATH2221 2016 T2 (1i)

To find solutions to the ODE: $u'' + 4u' + 3u = 9x^2$, we first find the homogeneous solution for $u'' + 4u' + 3u = 0$. This has a characteristic equation of:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 3 &= 0 \\ (\lambda + 3)(\lambda + 1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

This implies that the roots of the characteristic equation are $\lambda_1 = -3$ and $\lambda_2 = -1$. Thus:

$$u_h(x) = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{-x} \quad \text{where } c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

For the particular solution, since $f(x) = 9x^2$ is a polynomial of degree 2, we take the guess $u_p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ with $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}u_p(x) &= ax^2 + bx + c \\ u_p(x)' &= 2ax + b \\ u_p(x)'' &= 2a.\end{aligned}$$

Substituting back into the original ODE, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}u'' + 4u' + 3u &= 2a + 4(2ax + b) + 3(ax^2 + bx_c) \\&= 2a + 8ax + 4b + 3ax^2 + 3bx + 3c \\&= (3a)x^2 + (8a + 3b)x + (3a + 4b + 3c)\end{aligned}$$

Equating, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}3a &= 9 \\8a + 3b &= 0 \\2a + 4b + 3c &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we simultaneously solve to obtain $a = 3, b = -8, c = \frac{26}{3}$. Thus:

$$u_p(x) = 3x^2 - 8x + \frac{26}{3}$$

Since $u(x) = u_h(x) + u_p(x)$, we obtain the general solution:

$$u(x) = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{-x} + 3x^2 - 8x + \frac{26}{3} \quad \text{where } c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

MATH2221 2014 T2 (2iib)

When $m = 2$, we have $W = u_1 u_2' - u_1' u_2$ by definition. Thus, by the product rule:

$$\begin{aligned} W' &= (u_1' u_2' + u_1 u_2'') - (u_1'' u_2 + u_1' u_2') \\ &= u_1 u_2'' - u_1'' u_2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 W' + a_1 W &= a_2 (u_1 u_2'' - u_1'' u_2) + a_1 (u_1 u_2' - u_1' u_2) \\ &= u_1 (a_2 u_2'' + a_1 u_2') - u_2 (a_2 u_1'' + a_1 u_1') \end{aligned}$$

After adding and subtracting $a_0 u_1 u_2$, we obtain:

$$a_2 W' + a_1 W = u_1 (a_2 u_2'' + a_1 u_2' + a_0 u_2) - (a_2 u_2'' + a_1 u_2' + a_0 u_1) u_2$$

This equals 0 because u_1, u_2 are solutions to the homogeneous equation $a_2(x)u''' + a_1(x)u' + a_0(x)u = 0$.

MATH2221 2018 T2 (2ii)

By inspection, we obtain:

$$u_H = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 x e^{-2x} + c_4 \cos(x) + c_5 \sin(x) \quad \text{where } c_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$u_p = c_6 (x^2 + e^{-2x}) + (c_7 x^2 + c_8 x + c_9) + x (c_{10} \cos(x) + c_{11} \sin(x)) \quad \text{where } c_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

MATH2121 2018 T2 (1i)

We solve this with variation of parameters. First we find the homogeneous solutions. The character equation is $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$, which results in the solution of $\lambda = -1$ with multiplicity 2. This means that:

$$\begin{aligned}u_1(x) &= e^x \\u_2(x) &= xe^x\end{aligned}$$

Next, we find the Wronskian, which is:

$$W(x) = e^x(xe^x + e^x) - e^x xe^x = e^{2x}.$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}v_1'(x) &= \frac{-u_2(x)f(x)}{W(x)} \\&= \frac{-(xe^x) \cdot (e^x \cos(x))}{e^{2x}} \\&= -x \cos(x) \\v_2'(x) &= \frac{u_1(x)f(x)}{W(x)} \\&= \frac{(e^x) \cdot (e^x \cos(x))}{e^{2x}} \\&= \cos(x)\end{aligned}$$

Integrating, we get $v_1(x) = -x \sin(x) + \cos(x)$; $v_2(x) = \sin(x)$. Since $u(x) = v_1(x)u_1(x) + v_2(x)u_2(x)$, we obtain:

$$u(x) = -(x \sin(x) + \cos(x))e^x + (\sin(x))xe^x.$$

MATH2221 2015 T2 (1iii)

We note that:

$$\begin{aligned}y(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n x^n \\y'(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n A_n x^{n-1} \\y''(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) A_n x^{n-2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, expanding the ODE, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}(1+x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 20y &= y'' + (-x^2y'' - 2xy' + 20y) \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) A_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-n(n-1) - n - 3) A_n x^n - 2n A_n x^n + 20 A_n x^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) A_{n+2} x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-n^2 - n + 20) A_n x^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(n+2)(n+1) A_{n+2} - (n+5)(n-4) A_n] x^n\end{aligned}$$

Since coefficients must satisfy $(n+2)(n+1)A_{n+2} - (n+5)(n-4)A_n = 0$, we obtain:

$$A_{n+2} = \frac{(n+5)(n-4)}{(n+2)(n+1)} A_n$$

Thus, from $A_0 = 1, A_1 = 0$, we obtain the polynomial solution:

$$y(x) = A_0 + A_2 x^2 + A_4 x^4 + \dots$$

where A_{2n} can be found through the recurrence relation. Note that the series starting from A_1 is the terminating one.

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Thus, expanding the ODE, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}(1+z^2)u'' - zu' - 3u &= u'' + (z^2u'' - zu' - 3u) \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) A_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n(n-1) - n - 3) A_n z^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) A_{n+2} z^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n^2 - 2n - 3) A_n z^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(n+2)(n+1) A_{n+2} + (n+1)(n-3) A_n] z^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(n+2) A_{n+2} + (n-3) A_n] z^n (n+1)\end{aligned}$$

Since coefficients must satisfy $(n+2)A_{n+2} + (n-3)A_n = 0$. This implies:

$$A_{n+2} = \frac{3-n}{n+2} A_n \quad \forall n \geq 0.$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}A_5 &= \frac{3-3}{3+2} A_3 = 0 \times A_3 = 0 \\A_7 &= \frac{3-5}{5+2} A_5 = -\frac{2}{7} \times 0 = 0 \\A_9 &= 0 \dots\end{aligned}$$

MATH2121 2016 T2 (2i)

This is a Cauchy-Euler ODE with the form $L(y) = ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = f(x)$. Substituting $y = x^r$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}L(x^r) &= ax^2(r)(r-1)x^{r-2} + bxx^rx^{r-1} + cx^r = f(x) \\&= a(r)(r-1)x^r + brx^r + cx^r = f(x) \\&= x^r[ar(r-1) + br + c] = f(x).\end{aligned}$$

Homogeneous solution if $L(y) = 0$, which for the given ODE with $a = 2, b = 7, c = 3$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}2r(r-1) + 7r + 3 &= 0 \\(r+1)(2r+3) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $r = -1, -\frac{3}{2}$, and ODE has general homogeneous solution of the form:

$$y(x) = c_1x^{-1} + c_2x^{-\frac{3}{2}} \quad x > 0; c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The particular equation can be found through variation of parameters which produces $y_p(h) = -8x^{1/4}$. The math will be left as an exercise to the readers.

MATH2221 2015 T2 (2iii)

To prove the identity, we first note that:

$$J_\nu(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (z/2)^{2k+\nu}}{k! \Gamma(k+1+\nu)}$$

Thus, keeping in mind that $\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [x^\nu J_\nu(x)] &= \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (z)^{2k+2\nu}}{2^{2k+\nu} k! \Gamma(k+1+\nu)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (2k+2\nu)(z)^{2k+2\nu-1}}{2^{2k+\nu} k! (k+\nu) \Gamma(k+\nu)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k 2(k+\nu)(z)^{2k+2\nu-1}}{2^{2k+\nu-1} k! (k+\nu) \Gamma(k+\nu)} \\ &= x^\nu \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (k+\nu)(z)^{2k+\nu-1}}{2^{2k+\nu-1} k! (k+\nu) \Gamma(k+\nu)} \\ &= x^\nu \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (z)^{2k+\nu-1}}{2^{2k+\nu-1} k! \Gamma(k+\nu)} \\ &= x^\nu \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (z/2)^{2k+\nu-1}}{k! \Gamma(k+\nu)} \\ &= x^\nu J_{\nu-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

To find the integral $\int_0^1 x^{\frac{7}{2}} J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) dx$, we separate and use integration by parts:

$$\int_0^1 x^2 \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) dx$$

where $u' = x^{\frac{3}{2}} J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ and $v = x^2$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= [x^2 \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} J_{\frac{3}{2}}(x)]_0^1 - \int_0^1 2x \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} J_{\frac{3}{2}}(x) dx \\
&= J_{\frac{3}{2}}(1) - 2 \int_0^1 x^{\frac{5}{2}} J_{\frac{3}{2}}(x) dx \\
&= J_{\frac{3}{2}}(1) - 2[x^{\frac{5}{2}} J_{\frac{5}{2}}(x)]_0^1 \\
&= J_{\frac{3}{2}}(1) - 2J_{\frac{5}{2}}(1)
\end{aligned}$$



MATH3201 Q1

Since $f'(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$, f differentiable and Lipschitz for $x > 0$. We are thus concerned where $x = 0$ is Lipschitz. Thus, we require L such that:

$$\begin{aligned} |2\sqrt{x} - 2\sqrt{y}| &\leq L|x - y| \\ 2|\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}| &\leq L|x - y| = L(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) \\ \frac{2}{L} &\leq |\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}| \end{aligned}$$

At $x = 0$, we note that $L \geq \frac{2}{|\sqrt{y}|}$. This condition cannot hold for finite L at $y \rightarrow 0$, thus $f(x)$ is NOT Lipschitz in a domain including 0.

MATH3201 Q2

$$f(x, t) = 2\sqrt{|x|} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

Lipschitz iff:

$$|f(\tilde{x}) - f(\tilde{y})| \leq L|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|.$$

Suppose that $|\tilde{x}| \geq |\tilde{y}| > 0$. Then:

$$\sqrt{|\tilde{x}||\tilde{y}|} \geq |\tilde{y}|$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(\tilde{x}) - f(\tilde{y})| &= 2|\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|} - \sqrt{|\tilde{y}|}| \\ |f(\tilde{x}) - f(\tilde{y})|\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|} &= 2|\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|} - \sqrt{|\tilde{y}|}|\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|} \\ &= 2||\tilde{x}| - \sqrt{|\tilde{x}||\tilde{y}|}| \\ &\geq 2||\tilde{x}| - |\tilde{y}|| \end{aligned}$$

This implies $|f(\tilde{x}) - f(\tilde{y})| \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|}}|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|$. So f is Lipschitz for $|\tilde{x}| > 0$ with $L = \frac{2}{\sqrt{|\tilde{x}|}}$.

MATH2221 2016 T2 (2iii)

$$e^A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} = I + A + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Since $A^k v = \lambda^k v$, we have:

$$e^A v = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} v = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} v = e^{\lambda} v.$$

MATH2221 2018 T2 (2iii)

We are given the system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= x + y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= 2x \end{aligned}$$

For the equilibrium point, we want x, y such that $x + y = 0; 2x = 0$ simultaneously. The only solution is the point $(0, 0)$. Furthermore, we note that:

$$\tilde{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{x}; \quad \tilde{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ with eigenvalues of $\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = 2$. Since $\lambda_1 < 0 < \lambda_2$, and $\Re(\lambda_2) > 0$, the equilibrium point $(0, 0)$ is an unstable saddle as required.