

Q.3.

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Q.3. Find the differential equation of the form  $y'' + ay' + by = 0$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants for which the following functions are solutions:

(i)  $e^{-2x}, 1$

Solution space here is spanned by  $e^{-2x}$  and  $e^{0x}$ .

Thus, the charac. polynomial is  $(m+2)(m-0)$ .

Expanding, we get  $m^2 + 2m$ .

Thus, the corresponding ODE is

$$y^{(2)} + 2y^{(1)} = 0.$$

Exercise: Find  $a, b$  s.t. the solutions to

$$x^2 y'' + a x y' + b y = 0$$

are spanned by  $\{x^2, 1/x\}$ .

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Q.6. Solve the following:

(i)  $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = -5$ ;



Constant coefficients ODE.

$y = e^{mx}$  gives us the characteristic polynomial

$$m^2 - 4m + 3 = (m - 3)(m - 1).$$

Thus, the general solution is  $y = a e^{3x} + b e^x$ .

Now, we use the initial data.

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = a + b$$

$$y'(0) = -5 \Rightarrow -5 = 3a + b$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -3, \\ b &= 4. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the solution is

$$y(x) = -3e^{3x} + 4e^x.$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \dots & \lambda_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_1^{n-1} & \lambda_2^{n-1} & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

(Vandermonde)

$$= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j).$$

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Q.7. Solve the following initial value problems.

$$(ii) (D+1)^2 y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}(D+1)^2 f &= (D+1) [(D+1) f] \\ &= f'' + 2f' + f \\ &= (D^2 + 2D + 1) f.\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{Q:} \quad (D+1)(D+1) = D^2 + \underbrace{D \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot D}_{\text{identity operator}} + 1 \cdot 1 \\ = D^2 + 2D + 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\text{Aside:}} \quad (xD)f &= xf' \\ (Dx)f &= D(xf) = xf' + f \\ &= (xD+1)f.\end{aligned}$$

$$xD \neq Dx. \quad (xD)^2 \neq x^2 D^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}xD(xD-1) &= x^2 D^2 \\ xD(xD-1)(xD-2) &= x^3 D^3, \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Back to the question: } (D+1)^2 y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \\ y'(0) = 2.$$

Directly, the char poly is  $(m+1)^2 \rightarrow -1$  is repeated with multiplicity 2.

Thus, the general solution is

$$y = a e^{-x} + b x e^{-x}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}y(0) = 1 &\Rightarrow 1 = a \\ y'(0) = 2 &\Rightarrow 2 = -a + b\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore b = 3$$

Thus, the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= e^{-x} + 3x e^{-x} \\ &= (1 + 3x) e^{-x}. \end{aligned}$$

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Q.8. Solve the following initial value problems.

(ii)  $(4x^2D^2 + 4xD - 1)y = 0, y(4) = 2, y'(4) = -1/4$

$$y = x^m : 4m(m-1) + 4m - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 - 1/4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 1/2)(m + 1/2) = 0.$$

Thus, the general solution is  $y = ax^{1/2} + bx^{-1/2}$ .

$$y(4) = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = 2a + b/2$$

$$y'(4) = -1/4 \Rightarrow -4 = 4a - b$$

Thus,

$$a = 0,$$

$$b = 4.$$

Thus,

$$y(x) = 4x^{-1/2} = 4/\sqrt{x}.$$

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Q.12. Solve the Cauchy-Euler equations:

$$(ii) x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 6y = 0.$$

Again, we get the auxiliary equation as

$$m(m-1) + 2m - 6 = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + m - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m+3)(m-2) = 0$$

Thus, the general solution is

$$y(x) = ax^{-3} + bx^2.$$

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Q.13. Find the solution of  $x^2 y'' - xy' - 3y = 0$  satisfying  $y(1) = 1$  and  $y(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

Again, Cauchy-Euler. we get

$$m(m-1) - m - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 2m - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m+1)(m-3) = 0.$$

Thus, the general solution is

$$y = a/x + b x^3.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y(x) = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0.$$

$$\text{Now, } y(1) = 1 \Rightarrow a = 1.$$

Thus, the desired solution is

$$y(x) = 1/x.$$