

MIDTERM EXAMINATION

Academic year 2013-2014, Semester 2 (2)

Duration: 60 minutes

SUBJECT: Differential Equations	
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Instructions:

- *Each student is allowed a scientific calculator and a maximum of two double-sided sheets of reference material (size A4 or similar), stapled together and marked with their name and ID. All other documents and electronic devices are forbidden..*

Question 1. (25 marks) Solve the following differential equation

$$(x - y^3 + y^2 \sin x)dx - (3xy^2 + 2y \cos x)dy = 0.$$

Question 2. (25 marks) Find the solution to the initial value problem

$$xy' - 4y = x^6 e^x, \quad y(1) = 0.$$

Question 3. (25 marks) Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$y'' - 3y' = xe^{3x}.$$

Question 4. (25 marks) Solve the differential equation

$$x^2 y'' - xy' + y = \ln x.$$

END.

SOLUTIONS:

Question 1. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (e^x y^2 + x^2 + x)dx + (2e^x y + y + 1)dy = (y^2 de^x + e^x dy^2) + d(x^3/3 + x^2/2) \\ &\quad + d(y^2/2 + y) = d(e^x y^2 + x^3/3 + x^2/2 + y^2/2 + y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the general solution is given by

$$e^x y^2 + x^3/3 + x^2/2 + y^2/2 + y = C.$$

Question 2. The given equation is written as

$$y' - \frac{y}{x} = x(\sin x + 1).$$

The integrating factor is given by $I(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Thus, we get

$$\frac{y'}{x} - \frac{y}{x^2} = \sin x + 1.$$

This gives

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \sin x + 1.$$

Therefore, the general solution is

$$y(x) = -x \cos x + x^2 + Cx.$$

Since $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$, the particular solution is $y(x) = -x \cos x + x^2 - \frac{2x(-1+(1/4)\pi^2)}{\pi}$.

Question 3.

The general solution of the corresponding homogeneous equation is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}.$$

A particular solution of $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 3x + 3e^{2x}$ is $y_p(x) = \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{4} + 3e^{2x}x - 3e^{2x}$. Thus the general solution of the equation $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 3x + 3e^{2x}$, is given by

$$y(x) = \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{4} + 3e^{2x}x - 3e^{2x} + c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}.$$

Question 4. It is easy to show that $\alpha = 1$. Thus, $y_1(x) = x$ is a particular solution of the given differential equation. By the Liouville formula, $y_2(x) = x \ln x$ is another solution such that y_1, y_2 are linearly independent. So, the general solution is given by

$$y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x \ln x, \quad x > 0.$$