

# MA 108 Differential Equations

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# Introduction

## 1.1. Syllabus

- Exact equations, integrating factors and Bernoulli equations.
- Orthogonal trajectories.
- Lipschitz condition, Picard's theorem, examples on nonuniqueness.
- Linear differential equations generalities.
- Linear dependence and Wronskians.
- Dimensionality of space of solutions, Abel-Liouville formula.
- Linear ODEs with constant coefficients, the characteristic equations.
- Cauchy-Euler equations.
- Method of undetermined coefficients.
- Method of variation of parameters.
- Laplace transform generalities.
- Shifting theorems.
- Convolution theorem.

## 1.2. Texts/References

- [Kre99 ] E. Kreyszig, Advanced engineering mathematics (8th Edition), John Wiley (1999).
- [BD05 ] W. E. Boyce and R. DiPrima, Elementary Differential Equations (8th Edition), John Wiley (2005).
- [Apo80 ] T. M. Apostol, Calculus, Volume 2 (2nd Edition), Wiley Eastern, 1980.

### 1.3. Course Plan

S. No.	Topic	Sections from [Kre99]
1.	Basic concepts, Geometric meaning, Direction fields	1.1-1.2
2.	Separable Differential equations	1.3
3.	Exact Differential equations, integrating factors	1.5
4.	Bernoulli equation, Orthogonal trajectories	1.6, 1.8
5.	Existence and Uniqueness of solutions, Picard method	1.9
6.	Second order differential equations Homogeneous equations with constant coefficients	2.1-2.3
7.	Cauchy-Euler equation, Existence, Uniqueness, Wronskian, non-homogeneous equations	2.6-2.8
8.	Method of Undetermined coefficients	2.9
9.	Variation of parameters	2.10
10.	Higher order equations, Wronskian	2.13
11.	Linear ODE with constant coefficients	2.14
12.	Higher order non-homogeneous equations	2.15
13.	Improper integrals	-
14.	Laplace transforms of basic functions	5.1
15.	Transforms of derivatives and integrals	5.2
16.	Step functions & shifting theorems	5.3
17.	Differentiation and integration of transforms	5.4
18.	The convolution theorem	5.5

## 1.4. Lectures and Tutorials

We will have three hours of regular lectures, one hour of a buffer session for discussions, and one hour for tutorials every week. Since the class size is quite large, it may be difficult for us to give you the kind of personal attention that is ideal. Therefore the onus is on you to be attentive in the class and make the best use of the lectures. It may not be possible for you to take down the class notes; in fact it is not necessary as the lecture slides will be uploaded on Moodle and also the video of the lectures will be available on YouTube.

As far as the tutorials are concerned, each division will be divided into 5 tutorial batches. Each batch has a “course associate”. The tutorials are meant for you to practise problem solving. You are expected to try the problems from the relevant tutorial sheet before coming to the class. You should also make use of the tutorial hour to clear your doubts with the course associate.

In our experience the students who do well are precisely those who attend the classes regularly and study systematically from day one. You are strongly encouraged to read the reference books. You are, of course, welcome to approach either us or your course associate for any guidance or assistance regarding the course.

We all have a tough time these days because of Covid-19. Do let us know if you are going through a particularly difficult period and we will try to help you as possibly as we can.

## 1.5. Policy on Attendance

Attendance in the lectures and tutorials is compulsory.

## 1.6. Evaluation Plan

1. There will be **one quiz** common to all the four divisions of **15 marks**. This will be on **Friday, May 21, 2021**, during 8:15-9:25 AM. Syllabus for the quiz will be announced in the class.
2. The **End-semester examination**, scheduled to be held during **June 21-27, 2021** will be for **35 marks**. The syllabus for Endsem is the material covered in all the lectures.

### 1.7. Instructors

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**1.9. Schedule of Lectures and Tutorials**

Divisions	Lectures	Tutorial
I and II	Mon: 9.30-10.25 (2A) Tue: 10.35-11.30 (2B) Thu: 11.35-12.30 (2C)	Wed: 14.00-14.55 (X1)
D1	Thu: 15.30-16:25 (9B)	
D2	Tue: 14:00-14:55 (10A)	
III and IV	Mon: 14.00-15.25 (8A) Thu: 14.00-15.25 (8B)	Wed: 15.00-15.55 (X2)
D3	Tue: 11:35-12:30 (3B)	
D4	Mon: 11:35-12:30 (4A)	

**Venue:** Online



# Tutorial Sheets

## 2.1. Tutorial Sheet 1

Q.1. Classify the following equations (order, linear or non-linear):

- (i)  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = y$  (ii)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \sin x$  (iii)  $y \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$   
 (iv)  $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + (\sin x) \frac{dy}{dx} + x^2 y = 0$ . (v)  $(1 + y^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + t \frac{d^6 y}{dt^6} + y = e^t$ .

Q.2. Formulate the differential equations represented by the following functions by eliminating the arbitrary constants  $a, b$  and  $c$ :

- (i)  $y = ax^2$  (ii)  $y - a^2 = a(x - b)^2$  (iii)  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$  (iv)  $(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 = a^2$   
 (v)  $y = a \sin x + b \cos x + a$  (vi)  $y = a(1 - x^2) + bx + cx^3$  (vii)  $y = cx + f(c)$ .

Also state the order of the equations obtained.

Q.3. Solve the equation  $x^3(\sin y)y' = 2$ . Find the particular solution such that  $y(x) \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ .

Q.4. Prove that a curve with the property that all its normals pass through a point is a circle.

Q.5. Find the values of  $m$  for which

- (a)  $y = e^{mx}$  is a solution of  
 (i)  $y'' + y' - 6y = 0$  (ii)  $y''' - 3y'' + 2y' = 0$ .  
 (b)  $y = x^m$  for  $x > 0$  is a solution of  
 (i)  $x^2 y'' - 4xy' + 4y = 0$  (ii)  $x^2 y''' - xy'' + y' = 0$ .

Q.6. For each of the following linear differential equations verify that the function given in brackets is a solution of the differential equation.

- (i)  $y'' + 4y = 5e^x + 3 \sin x$  ( $y = a \sin 2x + b \cos 2x + e^x + \sin x$ )  
 (ii)  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 0$ , ( $y_1 = e^{3x}$ ,  $y_2 = e^{2x}$ ,  $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ )  
 (iii)  $y''' + 6y'' + 11y' + 6y = e^{-2x}$  ( $y = ae^{-x} + be^{-2x} + ce^{-3x} - xe^{-2x}$ )  
 (iv)  $y''' + 8y = 9e^x + 65 \cos x$ , ( $y = ae^{-2x} + e^x(b \cos \sqrt{3}x + c \sin \sqrt{3}x) + 8 \cos x - \sin x + e^x$ )

Q.7. Let  $\varphi_i$  be a solution of  $y' + ay = b_i(x)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

Show that  $\varphi_1 + \varphi_2$  satisfies  $y' + ay = b_1(x) + b_2(x)$ . Use this result to find the solutions of  $y' + y = \sin x + 3 \cos 2x$  passing through the origin.

Q.8. Obtain the solution of the following differential equations:

- (i)  $(x^2 + 1)dy + (y^2 + 4)dx = 0$ ;  $y(1) = 0$  (ii)  $y' = y \cot x$ ;  $y(\pi/2) = 1$   
 (iii)  $y' = y(y^2 - 1)$ , with  $y(0) = 2$  or  $y(0) = 1$ , or  $y(0) = 0$  (iv)  $(x + 2)y' - xy = 0$ ;  $y(0) = 1$

$$(v) y' + \frac{y-x}{y+x} = 0; \quad y(1) = 1 \quad (vi) y' = (y-x)^2; \quad y(0) = 2$$

$$(vii) 2(y \sin 2x + \cos 2x)dx = \cos 2x dy; \quad y(\pi) = 0. \quad (viii) y' = \frac{1}{(x+1)(x^2+1)}$$

Q.9. For each of the following differential equations, find the general solution (by substituting  $y = vx$ )

$$(i) y' = \frac{y^2 - xy}{x^2 + xy} \quad (ii) x^2 y' = y^2 + xy + x^2$$

$$(iii) xy' = y + x \cos^2(y/x) \quad (iv) xy' = y(\ln y - \ln x)$$

Q.10. Show that the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax + by + m}{cx + dy + n}$  where  $a, b, c, d, m$  and  $n$  are constants can be reduced to  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax + by}{cx + dy}$  if  $ad - bc \neq 0$ . Then find the general solution of

$$(i) (1 + x - 2y) + y'(4x - 3y - 6) = 0$$

$$(ii) y' = \frac{y-x+1}{y-x+5}$$

$$(iii) (x + 2y + 3) + (2x + 4y - 1)y' = 0.$$

Q.11. Solve the differential equation  $\sqrt{1-y^2}dx + \sqrt{1-x^2}dy = 0$  with the conditions  $y(0) = \frac{\pm 1}{2}\sqrt{3}$ . Sketch the graphs of the solutions and show that they are each arcs of the same ellipse. Also show that after these arcs are removed, the remaining part of the ellipse does not satisfy the differential equation.

Q.12. The differential equation  $y = xy' + f(y')$  is called a Clairaut equation (or Clairaut's equation). Show that the general solution of this equation is the family of straight lines  $y = cx + f(c)$ . In addition to these show that it has a special solution given by  $f'(p) = -x$  where  $p = y'$ . This special solution which does not (in general) represent one of the straight lines  $y = cx + f(c)$ , is called a singular solution. Hint: Differentiate the differential equation.

Q.13. Determine the general solutions as well as the singular solutions of the following Clairaut equations. In each of the two examples, sketch the graphs of these solutions.

$$(i) y = xy' + 1/y'. \quad (ii) y = xy' - y'/\sqrt{1+y'^2}$$

Q.14. For the parabola  $y = x^2$  find the equation of its tangent at  $(c, c^2)$  and find the ordinary differential equation for this one parameter family of tangents. Identify this as a Clairaut equation. More generally take your favourite curve and determine the ODE for the one parameter family of its tangents and verify that it is a Clairut's equation. N.B: Exercise 13 shows that the converse is true.

Q.15. In the preceeding exercises, show that in each case, the envelope of the family of straight lines is also a solution of the Clairaut equation.

Q.16. Show that the differential equation  $y' - y^3 = 2x^{-3/2}$  has three distinct solutions of the form  $A/\sqrt{x}$  but that only one of these is real valued.

## 2.2. Tutorial Sheet 2

Q.1. State the conditions under which the following equations are exact.

- (i)  $[f(x) + g(y)]dx + [h(x) + k(y)]dy = 0$
- (ii)  $(x^3 + xy^2)dx + (ax^2y + bxy^2)dy = 0$
- (iii)  $(ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2)dx + (bx^2 + 2cxy + gy^2)dy = 0$

Q.2. Solve the following exact equations

- (i)  $3x(xy - 2)dx + (x^3 + 2y)dy = 0$
- (ii)  $(\cos x \cos y - \cot x)dx - \sin x \sin y dy = 0$
- (iii)  $e^x y(x + y)dx + e^x(x + 2y - 1)dy = 0$

Q.3. Determine (by inspection suitable) Integrating Factors (IF's) so that the following equations are exact.

- (i)  $ydx + xdy = 0$
- (ii)  $d(e^x \sin y) = 0$
- (iii)  $dx + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 dy = 0$
- (iv)  $ye^{x/y}dx + (y - xe^{x/y})dy = 0$
- (v)  $(2x + e^y)dx + xe^y dy = 0$
- (vi)  $(x^2 + y^2)dx + xydy = 0$

Q.4. Verify that the equation  $Mdx + Ndy = 0 \dots (1)$  can be expressed in the form

$$\frac{1}{2}(Mx + Ny)d(\ln xy) + \frac{1}{2}(Mx - Ny)d\ln\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = 0.$$

Hence, show that (i) if  $Mx + Ny = 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{Mx - Ny}$  is an IF of (1) and

(ii) if  $Mx - Ny = 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{Mx + Ny}$  is an IF of (1).

Also show that (iii) if  $M$  and  $N$  are homogeneous of the same degree then  $\frac{1}{Mx + Ny}$  is an IF of (1).

Q.5. If  $\mu(x, y)$  is an IF of  $Mdx + Ndy = 0$  then prove that

$$M_y - N_x = N \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln |\mu| - M \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \ln |\mu|.$$

Use the relation to prove that if  $\frac{1}{N}(M_y - N_x) = f(x)$  then there exists an IF  $\mu(x)$  given by  $\exp\left(\int_a^x f(t)dt\right)$  and if  $\frac{1}{M}(M_y - N_x) = g(y)$ , then there exists an IF  $\mu(y)$  given by  $\exp\left(-\int_a^y g(t)dt\right)$ . Further if  $M_y - N_x = f(x)N - g(y)M$  then  $\mu(x, y) = \exp\left(\int_a^x f(x')dx' + \int_a^y g(y')dy'\right)$  is an IF, where  $a$  is any constant.

Determine an IF for the following differential equations:

- (i)  $y(8x - 9y)dx + 2x(x - 3y)dy = 0$
- (ii)  $3(x^2 + y^2)dx + (x^3 + 3xy^2 + 6xy)dy = 0$
- (iii)  $4xy + 3y^2 - x)dx + x(x + 2y)dy = 0$

Q.6. Find the general solution of the following differential equations.

- (i)  $(y - xy') + a(y^2 + y') = 0$
- (ii)  $[y + xf(x^2 + y^2)]dx + [yf(x^2 + y^2) - x]dy = 0$
- (iii)  $(x^3 + y^2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})dx - xy\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}dy = 0$
- (iv)  $(x + y)^2 y' = 1$
- (v)  $y' - x^{-1}y = x^{-1}y^2$
- (vi)  $x^2 y' + 2xy = \sinh 3x$
- (viii)  $y' + y \tan x = \cos^2 x$
- (ix)  $(3y - 7x + 7)dx + (7y - 3x + 3)dy = 0$

Q.7. Solve the following homogeneous equations.

- (i)  $(x^3 + y^3)dx - 3xy^2 dy = 0$
- (ii)  $(x^2 + 6y^2)dx + 4xydy = 0$

$$(iii) \quad xy' = y(\ln y - \ln x) \quad (iv) \quad xy' = y + x \cos^2 \frac{y}{x}$$

Q.8. Solve the following first order linear equations.

$$(i) \quad xy' - 2y = x^4 \quad (iii) \quad y' = 1 + 3y \tan x$$

$$(ii) \quad y' + 2y = e^{-2x} \quad (iv) \quad y' = \operatorname{cosec} x + y \cot x.$$

$$(v) \quad y' = \operatorname{cosec} x - y \cot x. \quad (vi) \quad y' - my = c_1 e^{mx}$$

Q.9. A differential equation of the form  $y' + f(x)y = g(x)y^\alpha$  is called a Bernoulli equation. Note that if  $\alpha = 0$  or  $1$  it is linear and for other values it is nonlinear. Show that the transformation  $y^{1-\alpha} = u$  converts it into a linear equation. Use this to solve the following equations.

$$(i) \quad e^y y' - e^y = 2x - x^2 \quad (iv) \quad (xy + x^3 y^3) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1.$$

$$(ii) \quad 2(y+1)y' - \frac{2}{x}(y+1)^2 = x^4 \quad (v) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = xy + x^3 y^3$$

$$(iii) \quad xy' = 1 - y - xy \quad (vi) \quad xy' + y = 2x^6 y^4$$

$$(vii) \quad 6y^2 dx - x(2x^3 + y)dy = 0 \text{ (Bernoulli in } x).$$

- Q.10. (i) Solve  $(x^2 + 6y^2)dx - 4xydy = 0$  as a Bernoulli equation.  
 (ii) Consider the initial value problem  $y' = y(1 - y)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ . Can this be solved by the method of separation of variables? As a Bernoulli equation?  
 Put  $y = 1 - u$ ,  $u(0) = 1$  and solve the resulting equation as a Bernoulli equation.  
 (iii) Solve  $2ydx + x(x^2 \ln y - 1)dy = 0$ . Hint: The equation is Bernoulli in  $x$ .  
 (iv) Solve  $\cos y \sin 2x dx + (\cos^2 y - \cos^2 x)dy = 0$   
 (**Hint:** Put  $z = -\cos^2 x$ ; resulting ODE is Bernoulli in  $z$ .)

Q.11. Find the orthogonal trajectories of the following families of curves.

$$(i) \quad x^2 - y^2 = c^2 \quad (ii) \quad y = ce^{-x^2} \quad (iii) \quad e^x \cos y = c \quad (iv) \quad x^2 + y^2 = c^2$$

$$(v) \quad y^2 = 4(x + h) \quad (vi) \quad y^2 = 4x^2(1 - cx) \quad (vii) \quad y^2 = x^3/(a - x)$$

$$(viii) \quad y = c(\sec x + \tan x). \quad (ix) \quad xy = c(x + y)$$

$$(x) \quad x^2 + (y - c)^2 = 1 + c^2$$

Q.12. Find the ODE for the family of curves  $\frac{x^2}{a^2 + \lambda} + \frac{y^2}{b^2 + \lambda} = 1$ ,  $(0 < b < a)$  and find the ODE for the orthogonal trajectories.

Q.13. A differential equation of the form  $y' = P(x) + Q(x)y + R(x)y^2$  is called Riccati's equation. In general, the equation cannot be solved by elementary methods. But if a particular solution  $y = y_1(x)$  is known, then the general solution is given by  $y(x) = y_1(x) + u(x)$  where  $u$  satisfies the Bernoulli equation

$$\frac{du}{dx} - (Q + 2Ry_1)u = Ru^2.$$

- (i) Use the method to solve  $y' + x^3 y - x^2 y^2 = 1$ , given  $y_1 = x$ .  
 (ii) Use the method to solve  $y' = x^3(y - x)^2 + x^{-1}y$  given  $y_1 = x$ .

Q.14. Determine by Picard's method, successive approximations to the solutions of the following initial value problems. Compare your results with the exact solutions.

$$(i) \quad y' = 2\sqrt{y}; \quad y(1) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad y' - xy = 1; \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$(iii) \quad y' = x - y^2; \quad y(0) = 1.$$

Q.15. Show that the function  $f(x, y) = |\sin y| + x$  satisfies the Lipschitz's condition

$$|f(x, y_2) - f(x, y_1)| \leq M|y_2 - y_1|$$

with  $M = 1$ , on the whole  $xy$  plane, but  $f_y$  does not exist at  $y = 0$ .

Q.16. Examine whether the following functions satisfy the Lipschitz condition on the  $xy$  plane.

Does  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  exist? Compute the Lipschitz constant wherever possible.

- (i)  $f = |x| + |y|$
- (ii)  $f = 2\sqrt{y}$  in  $\Re : |x| \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$  or in  $\Re : |x| \leq 1, \frac{1}{2} < y < 1$
- (iii)  $f = x^2|y|$  in  $\Re : |x| \leq 1, |y| \leq 1$
- (iv)  $f = x^2 \cos^2 y + y \sin^2 x, |x| \leq 1, |y| < \infty$

### 2.3. Tutorial Sheet 3

- Q.1. Find the curve  $y(x)$  through the origin for which  $y'' = y'$  and the tangent at the origin is  $y = x$ .
- Q.2. Find the general solutions of the following differential equations.  
(i)  $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$  (ii)  $y'' - 2y' + 5y = 0$
- 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)  $e^{-2x}, 1$  (ii)  $e^{-(\alpha+i\beta)x}, e^{-(\alpha-i\beta)x}$ .
- Q.4. Are the following statements true or false. If the statement is true, prove it, if it is false, give a counter example showing it is false. Here  $Ly$  denotes  $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y$ .  
(i) If  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  are linearly independent on an interval  $I$ , then they are linearly independent on any interval containing  $I$ .  
(ii) If  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  are linearly dependent on an interval  $I$ , then they are linearly dependent on any subinterval of  $I$ .  
(iii) If  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  are linearly independent solution of  $L(y) = 0$  on an interval  $I$ , they are linearly independent solution of  $L(y) = 0$  on any interval  $I$  contained in  $I$ .  
(iv) If  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  are linearly dependent solutions of  $L(y) = 0$  on an interval  $I$ , they are linearly dependent on any interval  $J$  contained in  $I$ .
- Q.5. Are the following pairs of functions linearly independent on the given interval?  
(i)  $\sin 2x, \cos(2x + \frac{\pi}{2})$ ;  $x > 0$  (ii)  $x^3, x^2|x|$ ;  $-1 < x < 1$   
(iii)  $x|x|, x^2$ ;  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  (iv)  $\log x, \log x^2$ ;  $x > 0$  (v)  $x, x^2, \sin x$ ;  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- Q.6. Solve the following:  
(i)  $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -5$ ; (ii)  $y'' - 2y' = 0$ ,  $y(0) = -1, y(\frac{1}{2}) = e - 2$ .
- Q.7. Solve the following initial value problems.  
(i)  $(D^2 + 5D + 6)y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -3$  (ii)  $(D + 1)^2y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 2$   
(iii)  $(D^2 + 2D + 2)y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1$
- Q.8. Solve the following initial value problems.  
(i)  $(x^2D^2 - 4xD + 4)y = 0, y(1) = 4, y'(1) = 1$   
(ii)  $(4x^2D^2 + 4xD - 1)y = 0, y(4) = 2, y'(4) = -1/4$   
(iii)  $(x^2D^2 - 5xD + 8)y = 0, y(1) = 5, y'(1) = 18$
- Q.9. Using the Method of Undetermined Coefficients, determine a particular solution of the following equations. Also find the general solutions of these equations.  
(i)  $y'' + 2y' + 3y = 27x$  (ii)  $y'' + y' - 2y = 3e^x$   
(iii)  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 18 \cos hx$  (iv)  $y'''' + y = 6 \sin x$   
(v)  $y'' + 4y' + 3y = \sin x + 2 \cos x$  (vi)  $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 2e^x \cos x$   
(vii)  $y'' + y = x \cos x + \sin x$  (viii)  $2y'''' + 3y'' + y = x^2 + 3 \sin x$   
(ix)  $y''' - y' = 2x^2e^x$  (x)  $y''' - 5y'' + 8y' - 4y = 2e^x \cos x$
- Q.10. Solve the following initial value problems.  
(i)  $y'' + y' - 2y = 14 + 2x - 2x^2, y(0), y'(0) = 0$ .  
(ii)  $y'' + y' - 2y = -6 \sin 2x - 18 \cos 2x; y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 2$ .  
(iii)  $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 4e^{3x}, y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 3$ .
- Q.11. For each of the following equations, write down the form of the particular solution. Do not go further and compute the Undetermined Coefficients.



$$(i) y'' + y = x^3 \sin x \quad (ii) y'' + 2y' + y = 2x^2 e^{-x} + x^3 e^{2x} \quad (iii) y' + 4y = x^3 e^{-4x} \quad (iv) \\ y^{(4)} + y = x e^{x/\sqrt{2}} \sin(x/\sqrt{2}).$$

Q.12. Solve the Cauchy-Euler equations: (i)  $x^2 y'' - 2y = 0$  (ii)  $x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 6y = 0$ . (iii)  $x^2 y'' + 2xy' + y/4 = 1/\sqrt{x}$

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

Q.14. Show that every solution of the constant coefficient equation  $y'' + \alpha y' + \beta y = 0$  tends to zero as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  if and only if the real parts of the roots of the characteristic polynomial are negative.

## 2.4. Tutorial Sheet 4

- Q.1. Using the Method of Variation of Parameters, determine a particular solution for each of the following. (i)  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 2e^x$  (ii)  $y'' + y = \tan x, 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$   
 (iii)  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = x^{-2}e^{-2x}, x > 0$  (iv)  $y'' + 4y = 3 \operatorname{cosec} 2x, 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$   
 (v)  $x^2y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 5x^3 \cos x$  (vi)  $xy'' - y' = (3+x)x^3e^x$
- Q.2. Let  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  be two solutions of the homogeneous equation  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ ,  $a < x < b$ , and let  $W(x)$  be the Wronskian of these two solutions. Prove that  $W'(x) = -p(x)W(x)$ . If  $W(x_0) = 0$  for some  $x_0$  with  $a < x_0 < b$ , then prove that  $W(x) = 0$  for each  $x$  with  $a < x < b$ .
- Q.3. Let  $y = y_1(x)$  be a solution of  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ . Let  $I$  be an interval where  $y_1(x)$  does not vanish, and  $a \in I$  be any element. Prove that the general solution is given by

$$y = y_1(x)[c_2 + c_1\psi(x)] \text{ where } \psi(x) = \int_a^x \frac{\exp[-\int_a^t p(u)du]}{y_1^2(t)} dt.$$

- Q.4. For each of the following ODEs, you are given one solution. Find a second solution.  
 (i)  $4x^2y'' + 4xy' + (4x^2 - 1)y = 0; y_1(x) = \sin x/\sqrt{x}$   
 (ii)  $y'' - 4xy' + 4(x^2 - 2)y = 0; y_1 = e^{x^2}$   
 (iii)  $x(x-1)y'' + 3xy' + y = 0; y_1 = x/(x-1)^2;$   
 (iv)  $xy'' - y' + 4x^3y = 0, y_1 = \cos x^2$   
 (v)  $x^2(1-x^2)y'' - x^3y' - \left(\frac{3-x^2}{4}\right)y = 0, y_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1-x^2}{x}}.$   
 (vi)  $x(1+3x^2)y'' + 2y' - 6xy = 0, y_1 = 1+x^2$   
 (vii)  $(\sin x - x \cos x)y'' - (x \sin x)y' + (\sin x)y = 0, y_1 = x.$
- Q.5. Computing the Wronskian or otherwise, prove that the functions  $e^{r_1x}, e^{r_2x}, \dots, e^{r_nx}$ , where

$r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n$  are distinct real numbers, are linearly independent.

- Q.6. Let  $y_1(x), y_2(x), \dots, y_n(x)$  be  $n$  linearly independent solutions of the  $n$ th order homogeneous linear differential equation  $y^{(n)} + p_1(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(x)y' + p_n(x)y = 0$ . Prove that  $y(x) = c_1(x)y_1(x) + c_2(x)y_2(x) + \dots + c_n(x)y_n(x)$  is a solution of the nonhomogeneous equation

$$y^{(n)} + p_1(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(x)y' = r(x),$$

where  $c_1(x), c_2(x), \dots, c_n(x)$  are given by  $c_i(x) = \int \frac{D_i(x)}{W(x)} dx$ , where  $D_i(x)$  is the determinant of the matrix obtained from the matrix defining the Wronskian  $W(x)$  by replacing its  $i$ th column by  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \ r(x)]^T$

- Q.7. Three solutions of a certain second order non-homogeneous linear differential equation are

$$y_1(x) = 1 + e^{x^2} \quad y_2(x) = 1 + xe^{x^2}, \quad y_3(x) = (1+x)e^{x^2} - 1.$$

Find the general solution of the equation.

- Q.8. For the following nonhomogeneous equations, a solution  $y_1$  of the corresponding homogeneous equation is given. Find a second solution  $y_2$  of the corresponding homogeneous equation and the general solution of the nonhomogeneous equation using the Method of Variation of Parameters.

- (i)  $(1+x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = x^3 + x, y_1 = x$  (ii)  $xy'' - y' + (1-x)y = x^2, y_1 = e^x$   
 (iii)  $(2x+1)y'' - 4(x+1)y' + 4y = e^{2x}, y_1 = e^{2x}$

(iv)  $(x^3 - x^2)y'' - (x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x)y' + (2x^2 + 2x - 2)y = (x^3 - 2x^2 + x)e^x$ ,  $y_1 = x^2$

Q.9. Reduce the order of the following equations given that  $y_1 = x$  is a solution.

(i)  $x^3y''' - 3x^2y'' + (6 - x^2)xy' - (6 - x^2)y = 0$  (ii)  $y''' + (x^2 + 1)y'' - 2x^2y' + 2xy = 0$

Q.10. Find the complementary function and particular integral for the following differential equations

(i)  $y^{(4)} + 2y^{(2)} + y = \sin x$  (ii)  $y^{(4)} - y^{(3)} - 3y^{(2)} + 5y' - 2y = xe^x + 3e^{-2x}$

Q.11. Solve the following Cauchy-Euler equations

(i)  $x^2y'' + 2xy' + y = x^3$  (ii)  $x^4y^{(4)} + 8x^3y^{(3)} + 16x^2y^{(2)} + 8xy' + y = x^3$

(iii)  $x^2y'' + 2xy' + \frac{y}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

Q.12. Find a particular solution of the following inhomogeneous Cauchy-Euler equations.

(i)  $x^2y'' - 6y = \ln x$  (ii)  $x^2y'' + 2xy' - 6y = 10x^2$ .

Q. 13. Find a second solution of

(i)  $(x^2 - x)y'' + (x + 1)y' - y = 0$  given that  $(1 + x)$  is a solution.

(ii)  $(2x + 1)y'' - 4(x + 1)y' + 4y = 0$  given that  $e^{2x}$  is a solution.

Q. 14. Find a homogeneous linear differential equation on  $(0, \infty)$  whose general solution is  $c_1x^2e^x + c_2x^3e^x$ . Does there exist a homogeneous differential equation with constant coefficients with general solution  $c_1x^2e^x + c_2x^3e^x$ ?

## 2.5. Tutorial Sheet 5

Q.1. Find the Laplace Transform of the following functions.

- (i)  $t \cos wt$  (ii)  $t \sin wt$  (iii)  $e^{-t} \sin^2 t$  (iv)  $t^2 e^{-at}$  (v)  $(1 + te^{-t})^3$  (vi)  $(5e^{2t} - 3)^2$   
 (vii)  $te^{-2t} \sin wt$  (viii)  $t^n e^{at}$  (ix)  $t^2 e^{-at} \sin bt$  (xi)  $\cosh at \cos at$

Q.2. Find the inverse Laplace transforms of the following functions.

- (i)  $\frac{s^2 - w^2}{(s^2 + w^2)^2}$  (ii)  $\frac{2as}{(s^2 - a^2)^2}$  (iii)  $\frac{1}{(s^2 + w^2)^2}$  (iv)  $\frac{s^3}{(s^4 + 4a^4)}$  (v)  $\frac{s - 2}{s^2(s + 4)^2}$  (vi)  $\frac{1}{s^4 - 2s^3}$   
 (vii)  $\frac{1}{s^4(s^2 + \pi^2)}$   
 (viii)  $\frac{s^2 + a^2}{(s^2 - a^2)^2}$  (ix)  $\frac{s^3 + 3s^2 - s - 3}{(s^2 + 2s + 5)^2}$  (x)  $\frac{s^3 - 7s^2 + 14s - 9}{(s - 1)^2(s - 2)^2}$

Q.3. Solve the following initial value problems using Laplace transforms and convolutions.

- (i)  $y'' + y = \sin 3t$ ;  $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$  (ii)  $y'' + 3y' + 2y = e^{-t}$ ;  $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$   
 (iii)  $y'' + 2y' - 8y = 0$ ;  $y(0) = 1$ ;  $y'(0) = 8$  (iv)  $y'' + 2y' + y = 2 \cos t$ ;  $y(0) = 3$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$   
 (v)  $y'' - 2y' + 5y = 8 \sin t - 4 \cos t$ ;  $y(0) = 1$ ;  $y'(0) = 3$   
 (vi)  $y'' - 2y' - 3y = 10 \sin h2t$ ;  $y(0) = 0$ ;  $y'(0) = 4$

Q.4. Solve the following systems of differential equations using Laplace transforms.

- (i)  $x' = x + y$ ,  $y' = 4x + y$  (ii)  $x' = 3x + 2y$ ,  $y' = -5x + y$   
 (iii)  $x'' - x + y' = y = 1$ ,  $y'' + y + x' - x = 0$  (iv)  $x' = 5x + 8y + 1$ ,  $y' = -6x - 9y + t$ ,  $x(0) = 4$ ,  $y(0) = -3$   
 (v)  $y_1' + y_2 = 2 \cos t$ ;  $y_1 + y_2' = 0$ ;  $y_1(0) = 0$ ;  $y_2(0) = 1$   
 (vi)  $y_1'' + y_2 = -5 \cos 2t$ ;  $y_2'' + y_1 = 5 \cos 2t$ ;  $y_1(0) = 1$ ,  $y_1'(0) = 1$ ,  $y_2(0) = -1$ ,  $y_2'(0) = 1$   
 (vii)  $2y_1' - y_2' - y_3' = 0$ ;  $y_1' + y_2' = 4t + 2$ ;  $y_2' + y_3 = t^2 + 2$ ,  $y_1(0) = y_2(0) = y_3(0) = 0$   
 (viii)  $y_1'' = y_1 + 3y_2$ ;  $y_2'' = 4y_1 - 4e^t$ ;  $y_1(0) = 2$ ;  $y_1'(0) = 3$ ,  $y_2(0) = 1$ ,  $y_2'(0) = 2$

Q.5. Assuming that for a Power series in  $\frac{1}{s}$  with no constant term the Laplace transform can be obtained term-by-term, i.e., assuming that  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A_k}{s^{k+1}}\right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k \frac{t^k}{k!}$ , where  $A_0, A_1 \dots A_k \dots$  are real numbers, prove that

- (i)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right) = e^t$  (ii)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^2+1}\right) = \sin t$   
 (iii)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s} e^{-b/s}\right) = J_0(2\sqrt{bt})$  ( $b > 0$ ) (iv)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{s^2+a^2}}\right) = J_0(at)$  ( $a > 0$ )  
 (v)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{e^{-b/s}}{\sqrt{s}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} \cos(2\sqrt{bt})$  ( $b > 0$ ) (vi)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{s}\right) = \frac{\sin t}{t}$

Q.6. Find the Laplace transform of the following periodic functions.

- (i)  $f(t), f(t+p) = f(t)$  for all  $t > 0$  and  $f(t)$  piecewise continuous  
 (ii)  $f(t) = |\sin wt|$   
 (iii)  $f(t) = 1(0 < t < \pi)$ ;  $f(t) = -1(\pi < t < 2\pi)$ ;  $f(t+2\pi) = f(t)$   
 (iv)  $f(t) = t(0 \leq t \leq 1)$ ,  $f(t) = 2 - t(1 \leq t \leq 2)$ ;  $f(t+2) = f(t)$   
 (v)  $f(t) = \sin t(0 \leq t \leq \pi)$ ,  $f(t) = 0(\pi \leq t \leq 2\pi)$ ;  $f(t+2\pi) = f(t)$

Q.7. Find the Laplace Transform of  $f(t)$  where  $f(t) = n$ ,  $n-1 \leq t \leq n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Q.8. Find  $f(t)$  given  $\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = (e^{-s} - e^{-2s} - e^{-3s} + e^{-4s})/s^2$

Q.9. Find the Laplace Transform of (i)  $f(t) = u_{\pi}(t) \sin t$  (ii)  $f(t) = u_1(t)e^{-2t}$  where  $u_{\pi}(u_1)$  is the Heaviside step function.

Q.10. Find (i)  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\ln \frac{s^2 + 4s + 5}{s^2 + 2s + 5}\right]$

Q.11. If  $\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = F(s)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}[g(t)] = G(s)$  prove that  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)G(s)] = \int_0^t f(u)g(t-u)du$ . Also show that

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{F(s)}{(s+a)^2+a^2}\right] = \frac{1}{a}e^{-at} \int_0^t f(u)e^{au} \sin a(t-u)du.$$

Q.12. Compute the Laplace transform of a solution of  $ty'' + y' + ty = 0$ ,  $t > 0$ , satisfying  $y(0) = k$ ,  $Y(1) = 1/\sqrt{2}$ , where  $k$  is a real constant and  $Y$  denotes the Laplace transform of  $y$ .

Q.13. Compute the convolution of  $t^{a-1}u(t)$  and  $t^{b-1}u(t)$  and use the convolution theorem to prove

$$\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b) = \Gamma(a+b)B(a,b)$$

where  $B(a,b)$  denotes the Beta function and  $\Gamma(a)$  the Gamma function. Use this to find the value of  $\Gamma(1/2)$  and hence of  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2)dx$ .

Q.14. Suppose  $f(x)$  is a function of exponential type and  $\mathcal{L}f = 1/\sqrt{s^2+1}$ . Determine  $f * f$ .

Q.15. Evaluate the following integrals by computing their Laplace transforms.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f(t) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin(tx)}{x} dx & \text{(ii)} \quad f(t) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos tx}{x^2+a^2} dx & \text{(iii)} \quad f(t) &= \int_0^\infty \sin(tx^a) dx, \quad a > 1 \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{x^2}(1 - \cos tx) dx & & \text{(v)} \quad \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^4 tx}{x^3} dx & & \text{(vi)} \quad \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{x^2-b^2}{x^2+b^2}\right) \frac{\sin tx}{x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Q.16. Solve the following integral/integro-differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad y(t) &= 1 - \sinh t + \int_0^t (1+x)y(t-x)dx & \text{(ii)} \quad A &= \int_0^t \frac{y(x)dx}{\sqrt{t-x}}, \text{ where } A \text{ is a constant.} \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} &= 1 - \int_0^t y(t-\tau)d\tau, \quad y(0) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Q.17. Find a real general solution of the following nonhomogeneous linear systems.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad y_1' &= y_2 + e^{3t}, \quad y_2' = y_1 - 3e^{3t}. \\ \text{(ii)} \quad y_1' &= 3y_1 + y_2 - 3\sin 3t, \quad y_2' = 7y_1 - 3y_2 + 9\cos 3t - 16\sin 3t. \\ \text{(iii)} \quad y_1' &= y_2 + 6e^{2t}, \quad y_2' = y_1 - 3e^{2t}, \quad y_1(0) = 11, \quad y_2(0) = 0. \\ \text{(iv)} \quad y_1' &= 5y_2 + 23, \quad y_2' = -5y_1 + 15t, \quad y_1(0) = 1, \quad y_2(0) = -2. \\ \text{(v)} \quad y_1' &= y_2 - 5\sin t, \quad y_2' = -4y_1 + 17\cos t, \quad y_1(0) = 5, \quad y_2(0) = 2. \\ \text{(vi)} \quad y_1' &= 5y_1 + 4y_2 - 5t^2 + 6t + 25, \quad y_2' = y_1 + 2y_2 - t^2 + 2t + 4, \quad y_1(0) = 0, \quad y_2(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Q.18 Prove that the Laplace transform of  $(1 - e^{-t})^\nu$  is  $B(s, \nu + 1)$  where  $B(a, b)$  is the beta function.

Q.19 Show that if  $f(t) = 1/(1+t^2)$  then its Laplace transform  $F(s)$  satisfies the differential equation  $F'' + F = 1/s$ . Deduce that  $F(s) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \lambda d\lambda}{(\lambda + s)}$ .

Q.20 Show that the Laplace transform of  $\log t$  is  $-s^{-1} \log s - Cs^{-1}$ . Identify the constant  $C$  in terms of the gamma function.

Q.21 Evaluate the integral  $\int_0^\infty \exp\left\{-\left(at + \frac{b}{t}\right)\right\} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}}$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are positive. Use this result to compute the Laplace transform of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \exp\left(\frac{-b}{t}\right)$ ,  $b > 0$ .

