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1. Use the variation-of-parameters method to find the general solution to the differential equation:

$$y'' - 4y' + 4 = x^{-2}e^{2x}, \quad x > 0.$$

$$r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow (r-2)(r-2) = 0 \Rightarrow r = 2$$

$$\therefore Y_1(x) = e^{2x}, \quad Y_2(x) = xe^{2x}$$

$$Y_p = U_1 Y_1 + U_2 Y_2 = U_1 e^{2x} + U_2 x e^{2x}$$

where U_1 and U_2 satisfy:

$$Y_1 U_1' + Y_2 U_2' = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad Y_1' U_1' + Y_2' U_2' = x^{-2}e^{4x}$$

$\therefore U_1$ and U_2 satisfy:

$$e^{2x} U_1' + x e^{2x} U_2' = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$2e^{2x} U_1' + (2xe^{2x} + e^{4x}) U_2' = x^{-2}e^{2x} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now, we solve (1) and (2) using

Cramer's rule

$$U_1' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & x e^{2x} \\ e^{2x} & 2x e^{2x} + e^{4x} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} e^{2x} & x e^{2x} \\ 2e^{2x} & 2x e^{2x} + e^{4x} \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-x e^{4x}}{2x e^{4x} + e^{4x} - 2e^{4x}} = \frac{-x e^{4x}}{e^{4x}} = -x$$

$$\therefore U_1' = -x \Rightarrow U_1 = \int -x = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\text{Similarly, } U_2' = x^{-2} \Rightarrow U_2 = -x^{-1}$$

$$\therefore Y_p = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - x^{-1}(x e^{2x}) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - e^{2x}$$

The general solution is

$$Y = Y_p + C_1 Y_1 + C_2 Y_2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - e^{2x} + C_1 e^{2x} + C_2 x e^{2x}$$

2. Use substitution to solve the system of differential equations: $x_1' = 2x_2$, $x_2' = -2x_1$.

$$x_1' = 2x_2 \Rightarrow x_1'' = 2x_2'$$

$$\text{but } x_2' = -2x_1 \Rightarrow x_1'' = 2(-2x_1) = -4x_1$$

$$\therefore x_1'' = -4x_1 \Rightarrow x_1'' + 4x_1 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm 2i, \quad s = 0 \quad x_1 = C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{2} x_1' = \frac{1}{2} (C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2C_1 \cos 2x - 2C_2 \sin 2x)$$

$$= C_1 \cos 2x - C_2 \sin 2x$$