

FYS3140 - Home exam 2018

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Problem 1: Differential equation

We are asked to find the general solution of the differential equation

$$y''(x) + \frac{3}{x}y'(x) - \frac{24}{x^2}y(x) = 56x^6. \quad (1)$$

Solving this equation involves two major steps; 1) find the complementary function f_c , and 2) find the particular solution. For the complementary function, we start by multiplying through by x^2 to get

$$x^2y''(x) + 3xy'(x) - 24y(x) = 56x^8, \quad (2)$$

which has the form $ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = g(x)$ and thus is a second order non-homogeneous Cauchy-Euler differential equation. Recognizing $a = 1, b = 3$ and $c = -24$, we can write

$$am(m-1) + bm + c = 0 \rightarrow m(m-1) + 3m - 24 = m^2 + 2m - 24 = 0, \quad (3)$$

which yields $m_1 = 4$ and $m_2 = -6$. Since m_1 and m_2 are two distinct real roots the complementary function is a function on the form

$$y_c = c_1x^{m_1} + c_2x^{m_2} \rightarrow y_c = c_1x^4 + c_2x^{-6}. \quad (4)$$

For the particular solution we will use *variation of parameters*. As we can see, [1](#) is on the form $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = g(x)$. Since $p(x) = 3/x, q(x) = -24/x^2$ and $g(x) = 56x^2$ are all continuous on an open interval, the particular solution can be found by

$$Y_p = -y_1 \int \frac{y_2 g(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx + y_2 \int \frac{y_1 g(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx, \quad (5)$$

where $W(y_1, y_2)$ is the Wronskian of y_1 and y_2 . y_1 and y_2 is from the complementary function. Starting by finding the Wronskian of y_1 and y_2

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow W = \begin{vmatrix} x^4 & x^{-6} \\ 4x^3 & -6x^{-7} \end{vmatrix} = -6x^{-7}x^4 - 4x^3x^{-6} = -10x^{-3}, \quad (6)$$

we can write

$$Y_p = -x^4 \int \frac{x^{-6} 56x^6}{-10x^{-3}} dx + x^{-6} \int \frac{x^4 56x^6}{-10x^{-3}} dx \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{56}{10} \left(x^4 \int x^3 dx - x^{-6} \int x^{13} dx \right) \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{56}{10} \left(\frac{x^8}{4} - \frac{x^8}{14} \right) \quad (9)$$

$$= \frac{56}{10} \left(\frac{10x^8}{56} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$= x^8 \quad (11)$$

Finally, we find our general solution by adding the complementary function and the particular solution together

$$y(x) = y_c + Y_p \rightarrow y(x) = c_1 x^4 + c_2 x^{-6} + x^8, \quad (12)$$

which also can be written as

$$y(x) = \frac{c_2}{x^6} + c_1 x^4 + x^8, \quad (13)$$

and that's my final answer.

Problem 2: Complex analysis

Part A:

a)

For a function that has a *pole of order 3* at $z = 3 + i$, a *zero of order 4* at $z = 2i$, we have the following function

$$f(z) = \frac{(z - 2i)^4}{(z - [3 + i])^3} \quad (14)$$

b)

We are asked to classify the isolated singularity of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{z^3 + 8}{(z - 5)^3(z + 2)}. \quad (15)$$

If we write

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(z - 5)^3} \frac{z^3 + 8}{(z + 2)}. \quad (16)$$

Polynomial division, $(z^3 + 8) : (z + 2)$, yields

$$f(x) = \frac{z^2 - 2z + 4}{(z - 5)^3}, \quad (17)$$

which shows $z = -2$ is a *removable singularity*. Now, if we write

$$\frac{1}{(z-5)^3} = \left(\frac{1}{z-5} \right)^3 = \left(-\frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1-\frac{z}{5}} \right)^3 \quad (18)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{5}} \right)^3 = \left(-\frac{1}{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{5} \right)^n \right)^3 \quad (19)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{5} \left[1 + \frac{z}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} + \frac{z^3}{25} + \dots \right] \right)^3 \quad (20)$$

$$= \left(\left[-\frac{1}{5} - \frac{z}{25} - \frac{z^2}{125} - \frac{z^3}{675} + \dots \right] \right)^3 \quad (21)$$

Part B:

- a)
- b)
- c)
- d)

Problem 3: The Dirac delta function

- a)
- b)
- c)
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