

Assignment 3

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1 Problem Set 1

1.1 Problem 1

a) $y'' + 3y' - 10y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 10 &= 0 \\ (\lambda + 5)(\lambda - 2) &= 0 \\ \therefore \lambda &= 2, -5\end{aligned}$$

So $y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-5x}$.

b) $y'' + 2y' + 3y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 3 &= 0 \\ \lambda &= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4 * 1 * 3}}{2} \\ \lambda &= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 12}}{2} \\ \lambda &= \frac{-2 \pm i\sqrt{8}}{2} \\ \lambda &= -1 \pm i\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

So $y = e^{-x}(c_1 \sin(\sqrt{2}x) + c_2 \cos(\sqrt{2}x))$.

1.2 Problem 2

$$y'' - 3y' = e^x + x$$

First find homogeneous solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^2 - 3\lambda &= 0 \\ \lambda(\lambda - 3) &= 0 \\ \lambda &= 0, 3\end{aligned}$$

So $y_h = c_1 e^{0x} + c_2 e^{3x}$.

Second find particular solution. Guess $y_p = Ae^x + Bx + C$.

C is part of homogeneous solution. Guess $y_p = Ae^x + Bx^2 + Cx$ instead.

$$\begin{aligned}y'_p &= Ae^x + 2Bx + C \\ y''_p &= Ae^x + 2B\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y'' - 3y' &= e^x + x \\ Ae^x + 2B - 3(Ae^x + 2Bx + C) &= e^x + x \\ (A - 3A)e^x - 6Bx + (2B - 3C) &= e^x + x\end{aligned}$$

Find A .

$$A - 3A = 1$$

$$-2A = 1$$

$$A = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Find B .

$$-6B = 1$$

$$B = -\frac{1}{6}$$

Find C .

$$2B - 3C = 0$$

$$-\frac{2}{6} = 3C$$

$$C = -\frac{1}{9}$$

So $y_p = -\frac{1}{2}e^x - \frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{1}{9}x$.

So $y = -\frac{1}{2}e^x - \frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{1}{9}x + c_1 + c_2e^{3x}$.

2 Problem Set 2

2.1 Problem 1

2.2 Problem 2