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- You have 170 minutes to complete the exam (3:10pm – 6:00pm).
- Please write neatly. Answers which are illegible for the reader cannot be given credit.
- For the proofs, make sure your arguments are as clear as possible. If you want to use theorems, you must write the name of the theorem or state the precise result you are using. Exception: if you are asked to prove a theorem, you are not allowed to use it!
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Question	Points	Score
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3	10	
4	10	
5	10	
6	10	
Total		

1. (10 points) Find a function $y(t)$ satisfying

$$y''(t) - 2y'(t) + 2y(t) = 2t - 2; \quad y(0) = 4, \quad y'(0) = 2.$$

2. (10 points) Find a function $y(t)$ satisfying

$$y''(t) + 2y'(t) + y(t) = t^2 + te^{-t}; \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

3. In this problem, you will find three functions $y_1(t), y_2(t), y_3(t)$ satisfying

$$y_1'(t) = 4y_2(t), \quad y_2'(t) = 4y_1(t) + 3y_3(t), \quad y_3'(t) = 3y_2(t)$$

and the initial conditions

$$y_1(0) = 0, \quad y_2(0) = -10, \quad y_3(0) = 0.$$

(a) (2 points) Write the differential equations as a matrix equation $\vec{y}'(t) = A\vec{y}(t)$ for some matrix A , and write the initial conditions as a vector equation $\vec{y}(0) = \vec{b}$ for some vector \vec{b} .

(b) (3 points) Find a diagonalization of A .

(c) (3 points) Find a fundamental matrix of $\vec{y}'(t) = A\vec{y}(t)$.

(d) (2 points) Finish the problem, i.e. find the functions $y_1(t), y_2(t), y_3(t)$.

4. (10 points) Recall that the uniqueness theorem for system of linear differential equations states that for any real $n \times n$ matrix A , any $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and any $\vec{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there exists a unique vector valued function $\vec{x}(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\vec{x}'(t) = A\vec{x}(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{x}(t_0) = \vec{x}_0.$$

Use the uniqueness theorem to prove that if $\{\vec{x}_1(t), \dots, \vec{x}_n(t)\}$ is a linearly independent set of solutions of the homogeneous equation $\vec{x}'(t) = A\vec{x}(t)$, then the Wronskian

$$W[\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n](t) = \det \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{x}_1(t) & \cdots & \vec{x}_n(t) \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

is not zero for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Hint: Prove by contradiction. Suppose the Wronskian is zero for some $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

5. (10 points; 2 parts)

(a) Find the Fourier sine series of the function $f(x) = x(x - \pi)$ on $0 < x < \pi$.

Hint: Integration by parts, with patience. (It's not too bad.)

(b) Find a function $u(x, t)$ satisfying

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 3 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0,$$

$$u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, \quad t > 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = x(x - \pi), \quad 0 < x < \pi.$$

6. (10 points) Find a function $u(x, t)$ satisfying

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = 9 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad t > 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = \sin x$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \sin x$$

Hint: Recall d'Alembert's solution for wave equation looks like $A(x + \alpha t) + B(x - \alpha t)$.