

Math 319 : Midterm 2

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Problem 1 An equation of the form

$$t^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \alpha t \frac{dy}{dt} + \beta y = 0, t > 0, \quad (1)$$

where α and β are real constants, is called an Euler equation

(a) **5 Points.** Let $x = \ln t$ and calculate $\frac{dy}{dt}$ and $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$ in terms of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{1}{t} = e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} \\ \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{dx}{dt} = e^{-x} \frac{d}{dx} \left(e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \\ &= e^{-x} \left(e^{-x} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = e^{-2x} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - e^{-2x} \frac{dy}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

(b) **5 Points** Use the results of part (a) to transform equation (1) into

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + (\alpha - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} + \beta y = 0. \quad (2)$$

Observe that equation (2) has constant coefficients. If $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ form a fundamental set of solutions of equation (2), $y_1(\ln t)$ and $y_2(\ln t)$ form a set of solutions of equation (1).

$$\begin{aligned} t^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \alpha t \frac{dy}{dt} + \beta t &= e^{2x} \left(e^{-2x} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - e^{-2x} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \\ &\quad + \alpha e^x e^{-x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \beta y \\ &= \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + (\alpha - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} + \beta y = 0. \end{aligned}$$

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Continuation of Problem 1...

(c) 10 Points. Apply the method from parts (a) and (b) to solve the following equation:

$$t^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 7t \frac{dy}{dt} + 10y = 0, t > 0.$$

Here $\alpha = 7, \beta = 10$

$\Rightarrow$ In the x variable the equation becomes:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 6 \frac{dy}{dx} + 10y = 0$$

Char polynomial $r^2 + 6r + 10$

$$\text{Roots: } r = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4 \cdot 10}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm 2i}{2} = -3 \pm i$$

The two fundamental solutions in the x variable are:

$$y_1(x) = e^{-3x} \cos x, \quad y_2(x) = e^{-3x} \sin x$$

In the variable t , the ~~exp~~ fundamental solution is:

$$y_1(t) = e^{-3 \ln t} \cos \ln t = t^{-3} \cos \ln t$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{-3 \ln t} \sin \ln t = t^{-3} \sin \ln t$$

The general solution is $y = C_1 \frac{\cos \ln t}{t^3} + C_2 \frac{\sin \ln t}{t^3}$

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Problem 2. 15 Points. The differential equation

$$y'' + \delta(xy' + y) = 0$$

arises in the study of turbulence flow of a uniform stream past a circular cylinder. Verify that $y_1(x) = \exp(-\delta x^2/2)$ is one solution and then find the general solution in the form of an integral.

$$y_1 = e^{-\delta x^2/2} \quad y_1' = -\delta x e^{-\delta x^2/2}$$

$$y_1'' = -\delta e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta^2 x^2 e^{-\delta x^2/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1'' + \delta(xy_1' + y_1) = -\delta e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta^2 x^2 e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta x(-\delta x e^{-\delta x^2/2}) + \delta e^{-\delta x^2/2} \\ = -\delta e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta^2 x^2 e^{-\delta x^2/2} - \delta^2 x^2 e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta e^{-\delta x^2/2} = 0.$$

Method of reduction of order:

$$y_2 = v y_1, \quad y_2' = v' y_1 + v y_1', \quad y_2'' = v'' y_1 + 2v' y_1' + v y_1''$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = v'' y_1 + 2v' y_1' + v y_1'' + \delta x v' y_1 + \delta x v y_1' + \delta v y_1 \\ = v'' y_1 + (2y_1' + \delta x y_1) v' + v(y_1'' + \delta x y_1' + \delta y_1)$$

$$W := v' \Rightarrow y_1 W' + (2y_1' + \delta x y_1) W = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\delta x^2/2} W' + (-2\delta x e^{-\delta x^2/2} + \delta x e^{-\delta x^2/2}) W = 0 \quad (C_1 = 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow W' - \delta x W = 0$$

$$\ln |W| = +\delta x^2/2 \Rightarrow W = e^{+\delta x^2/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \int_0^x e^{+\delta z^2/2} dz \Rightarrow y_2 = e^{-\delta x^2/2} \int_0^x e^{\delta z^2/2} dz$$

General solution: $y = C_1 e^{-\delta x^2/2} + C_2 e^{-\delta x^2/2} \int_0^x e^{\delta z^2/2} dz$

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Problem 3. Consider the following differential equation

$$(1+x^2)y'' - xy' + 2y = 0.$$

- (a) **10 Points.** Seek power series solutions of the given differential equation about the point $x_0 = 0$; find the recurrence relation

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n & y' &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} & y'' &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} \\ 0 &= (1+x^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (n^2 - n - n + 2) x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) + a_n (n^2 - 2n + 2) \right] x^n \\ \text{Recurrence relation } a_{n+2} &= - \frac{n^2 - 2n + 2}{(n+2)(n+1)} a_n \end{aligned}$$

- (b) **10 Points.** Find the first four terms in each of the two fundamental solutions y_1, y_2

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a_0, a_1 arbitrary.

$$n=0 : a_2 = - \frac{2}{2} a_0 = -a_0$$

$$n=1 : a_3 = - \frac{1-2+2}{3 \cdot 2} a_1 = - \frac{1}{6} a_1$$

$$n=2 : a_4 = - \frac{4-4+2}{4 \cdot 3} a_2 = - \frac{1}{6} (-a_0) = \frac{1}{6} a_0$$

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Continuation of Problem 3...

$$n=3: \quad a_5 = -\frac{9-6+2}{5 \cdot 4} a_3 = -\frac{1}{4} \left(-\frac{1}{6} a_1\right) = \frac{1}{24} a_1$$

$$n=4: \quad a_6 = -\frac{16-8+2}{6 \cdot 5} a_4 = -\frac{10}{6 \cdot 5} \frac{1}{6} a_0 = -\frac{1}{18} a_0$$

$$n=5: \quad a_7 = -\frac{25-10+2}{7 \cdot 6} a_5 = -\frac{17}{7 \cdot 6} \frac{1}{24} a_1 = -\frac{17}{1008} a_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= a_0 + a_1 x + (-a_0)x^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{6}a_1\right)x^3 + \frac{1}{6}a_0x^4 + \frac{1}{24}a_1x^5 - \frac{1}{18}a_0x^6 - \frac{17}{1008}a_1x^7 + \dots \\ &= a_0 \left(1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \frac{1}{18}x^6 + \dots\right) + a_1 \left(x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^5 - \frac{17}{1008}x^7\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = 1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \frac{1}{18}x^6 + \dots$$

$$y_2 = x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^5 - \frac{17}{1008}x^7 + \dots$$

(c) **5 Points.** By evaluating the Wronskian $W(y_1, y_2)(x_0)$, confirm that y_1 and y_2 form a fundamental set of solutions.

Notice that $y_1(0) = 1, y_1'(0) = 0$

$$y_2(0) = 0, y_2'(0) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow W(y_1, y_2)(0) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{They form a fundamental set of solutions.}$$

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Problem 4. Consider the following differential equation

$$x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 4y = x^2.$$

(a) **5 Points.** Show that $y_1 = x^2$ and $y_2 = x^2 \ln|x|$ satisfy the corresponding homogeneous equation.

$$y_1 = x^2 \quad y_1' = 2x \quad y_1'' = 2$$

$$x^2 y_1'' - 3x y_1' + 4y_1 = x^2 \cdot 2 - 3x \cdot 2x + 4x^2 = 2x^2 - 6x^2 + 4x^2 = 0$$

$$y_2 = x^2 \ln|x| \quad y_2' = 2x \ln|x| + x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} = 2x \ln|x| + x$$

$$y_2'' = 2 \ln|x| + 2x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 1 = 2 \ln|x| + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 y_2'' - 3x y_2' + 4y_2 = x^2 (2 \ln|x| + 3) - 3x (2x \ln|x| + x) + 4x^2 \ln|x|$$

$$= 2x^2 \ln|x| + 3x^2 - 6x^2 \ln|x| - 3x^2 + 4x^2 \ln|x| = 0$$

(b) **15 Points.** Find a particular solution of the non-homogeneous equation.

Method of variation of parameters:

$$y = u_1(x) y_1(x) + u_2(x) y_2(x)$$

$$p(x) = -\frac{3}{x}, \quad q(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}, \quad g(x) = 1$$

$$W(y_1, y_2)(x) = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2 = x^2 (2x \ln|x| + x) - 2x x^2 \ln|x|$$

$$= x^3$$

$$u_1 = -\int \frac{y_2(x) g(x)}{W} dx = -\int \frac{x^2 \ln|x| \cdot 1}{x^3} dx = -\int \frac{\ln|x|}{x} dx = -\frac{1}{2} \ln^2|x|$$

$$u_2 = \int \frac{y_1(x) g(x)}{W} dx = \int \frac{x^2 \cdot 1}{x^3} dx = \ln|x|$$

Then a particular solution is $y = -\frac{1}{2} (\ln^2|x|) x^2 + (\ln|x|) x^2 \ln|x|$

$$= \frac{1}{2} x^2 \ln^2|x|$$

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Problem 5. 20 Points. Find a general solution of the following differential equation

$$y'' - y' - 2y = e^{-t}$$

Method of undetermined coefficients:

Characteristic Polynomial $r^2 - r - 2$

$$\text{Roots: } r = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(-2)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm 3}{2} = -1, 2$$

Since e^{-t} is a solution to the homogeneous equation, our guess is: $y_p = Ate^{-t}$

$$\Rightarrow y_p' = Ae^{-t} - Ate^{-t}$$

$$y_p'' = -Ae^{-t} - Ae^{-t} + Ate^{-t} = -2Ae^{-t} + Ate^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p'' - y_p' - 2y_p = -2Ae^{-t} + Ate^{-t} - Ae^{-t} + Ate^{-t} - 2Ate^{-t} = -3Ae^{-t} = e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow y_p = -\frac{1}{3}te^{-t}$$

$$\text{General solution: } y = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{2t} - \frac{1}{3}te^{-t}$$