

# Math 204: Differential Equations

## Midterm Exam (A)

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**Instructions:**

1. Wait for signal to begin.
2. Write your name in the space provided, and check one box to indicate which section of the course you belong to.
3. Please turn off cell phones or other electronic devices which may be disruptive.
4. Unless otherwise stated, you must justify your solutions to receive full credit. Work that is illegible may not be graded. Work that is scratched out will not be graded.
5. It is fine to leave your answer in a form such as  $\ln(.02)$  or  $\sqrt{239}$  or  $(385)(13^3)$ . However, if an expression can be easily simplified (such as  $e^{\ln(.02)}$  or  $\cos(\pi)$  or  $(3 - 2)$ ), you should simplify it.
6. This exam is closed book. You may not use notes, or other external resource. You may use calculators.  
It is a violation of the honor code to give or receive help on this exam.
7. In True/False questions circle true, false or if you think the given information is not sufficient for a conclusion then write N/A and explain. Unless the question states "No explanation needed" you should explain your answer in order to get credit.
8. If you use a theorem you should check (and write clearly) whether the conditions of the theorem hold.

Problem	Score
1	5
2	9
3	5+8
4	10
5	10
6	5+10
7	15
8	5+6
9	12
Total	

1. Consider the differential equations for  $y(x)$

$$L[y] = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$L[y] = f(x) \quad (2)$$

where  $L$  is a second order linear differential operator and assume all coefficients of  $L$  and  $f$  are differentiable functions.

**Circle true or false for each statement. (No explanation needed. )**

*1 pt each* [ T / F ] If  $y_p$  is a solution of (2) then  $Cy_p$  solves (2).

[ T / F ] If  $y_p$  is a solution of (2) and  $y_h$  is a solution to (1) then  $y_p + Cy_h$  solves (2).

[ T / F ] If  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are solutions of (2) then  $y_1 - y_2$  solves (1).

[ T / F ] If  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are solutions of (2) then  $y_1 + Cy_2$  solves (1) for any constant  $C$ .

[ T / F ] There exists a constant solution of  $y' = y(x - y)$

2. Given the below 3 equations

$$t^2y' + 2ty + e^t = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$3y' + 4y + 5t = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(1 + t^2)y' + (1 - e^t)(1 + y^2) = 0 \quad (3)$$

**Circle true or false. (No explanation needed, DE stands for differential equation)**

*1 pt each* [ T / F ] DE (1) is exact [ T / F ] DE (1) is linear [ T / F ] DE (1) is separable

[ T / F ] DE (2) is exact [ T / F ] DE (2) is linear [ T / F ] DE (2) is separable

[ T / F ] DE (3) is exact [ T / F ] DE (3) is linear [ T / F ] DE (3) is separable

3. (a) Find the general solution of

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

Answer:  $y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-2t}$

char. eqn.  $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0 \quad r_1 = -1 \quad r_2 = -2$   
 $e^{-t}$  and  $e^{-2t}$  are soln.

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- (b) Solve the IVP

$$y'' + 3y' + 2y = 5e^{-2t}, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = -8$$

Answer:  $y(t) = e^{-t} + e^{-2t} - 5t e^{-2t}$

Undetermined coeff.  $y_p = At^s e^{-2t}$

duplication  $e^{-2t}$  solves homogeneous eq.  $\Rightarrow s=1$

Candidate:  $y_p = At e^{-2t}$ ,

$$y'_p = Ae^{-2t} - 2At e^{-2t}, \quad y''_p = -4Ae^{-2t} + 4At e^{-2t}$$

Substituting:  $-4Ae^{-2t} + 4At e^{-2t} + 3Ae^{-2t} - 6At e^{-2t} + 2At e^{-2t} = 5e^{-2t}$   
 $\Rightarrow A = -5$

gen soln  $y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-2t} - 5t e^{-2t}$

IC:  $2 = C_1 + C_2$

$$-8 = -C_1 - 2C_2 - 5e^0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = C_2 \Rightarrow C_1 = 1, C_2 = -1$$

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4. Find general solution of

$$ty' + 2y = t^2.$$

Answer:  $y(t) = \frac{t^3}{4} + \frac{C}{t^2}, \quad t \neq 0 \quad (\text{at } t=0 \text{ also ok})$

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first order linear  
 $y' + \frac{2}{t}y = t$

Integrating factor  $\mu = e^{\int 2/t dt} = e^{2 \ln t} = e^{\ln t^2} = t^2$   
 $t > 0 \quad \text{or} \quad t < 0$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 y' + 2t^2 y = t^3 \Rightarrow (t^2 y)' = t^3 \Rightarrow t^2 y = \frac{t^4}{4} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{t^2}{4} + \frac{C}{t^2}$$

5. Solve the following equation. (You can give an implicit solution).

$$y' = -\frac{x+2y}{2x+3y}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{x^2}{2} + 2xy + \frac{3}{2}y^2 = C$$

DE is

(+2)  $\Rightarrow \underbrace{(x+2y)}_M + \underbrace{(2x+3y)y'}_N = 0$

$M_y = 2 = N_x \Rightarrow \underline{\text{exact}}$

(+4)  $\Psi_x = x+2y \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi_y = 2x+3y$

(+2)  $\Rightarrow \Psi(x,y) = \frac{x^2}{2} + 2xy + f(y)$

$$\Psi(x,y) = 2xy + \frac{3}{2}y^2 + g(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) = \frac{3}{2}y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{x^2}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \Psi = \frac{x^2}{2} + 2xy + \frac{3}{2}y^2$$

implicit soln is  $\Psi(x,y) = C$ .

6. Find the general solution of each of the below differential equations.

(a)  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0, \quad t > 0$

Answer:  $y(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 t e^{-2t}$

$$r^2 + 4r + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2 = -2$$

$e^{-2t}, t e^{-2t}$  are soln.

(+) (b)  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = t^{-1} e^{-2t}, \quad t > 0$

Answer:  $y(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 t e^{-2t} + t(\ln t) e^{-2t}$

Variation of parameters  $y_p = u_1 e^{-2t} + u_2 t e^{-2t}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{-2t} & t e^{-2t} \\ -2e^{-2t} & e^{-2t} - 2t e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u'_1 \\ u'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t^{-1} e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W = e^{-4t} - 2t e^{-4t} + t e^{-4t} = e^{-4t}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u'_1 \\ u'_2 \end{pmatrix} = e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -t e^{-2t} \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t^{-1} e^{-2t} \end{pmatrix} = e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} -t e^{-4t} \\ t^{-1} e^{-4t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ t^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$u'_1 = -1 \Rightarrow u_1 = -t \quad u'_2 = t^{-1} \Rightarrow u_2 = \ln t$

$y_p = -t e^{-2t} + (\ln t) t e^{-2t}$

Note that  $t e^{-2t}$  solves homogeneous eqn  
thus we can simplify  $y_p$   
[why? see first question]

$y_p = t(\ln t) e^{-2t}$

∴  $y_p = -y_1 \int \underbrace{\frac{y_2 \cdot g}{W}}_1 dt + y_2 \int \underbrace{\frac{y_1 \cdot g}{W}}_{t^{-1}} dt$

7.  $y_1(t) = e^t$  is a solution of the differential equation

$$(t-1)y'' - ty' + y = 0, \quad t > 1.$$

Find a fundamental solution set. (Hint: There might be a solution in the form  $u(t)e^t$ )

Answer:  $\{t, e^t\}$

$$y'' - \frac{t}{t-1}y' + \frac{1}{t-1}y = 0$$

For reduction of order set  $y = u(t)e^t$

$$\text{Then } p = \frac{-t}{(t-1)}$$

$$e^t u'' + \left(2e^t - \frac{t}{t-1}e^t\right)u' = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$u'' + \left(1 - \frac{1}{t-1}\right)u' = 0$$

Note:

If you don't remember this, then following hint substituting  $u=t$  in DE gives same eqn.

(+7) setting  $w = u'$  :  $\frac{w'}{w} = -1 + \frac{1}{t-1}$

$$\ln|w| = -t + \ln(t-1) \quad t > 1$$

$$w = e^{-t} e^{\ln(t-1)} = (t-1)e^{-t}$$

$$u = \int w = \int te^{-t} - e^{-t} = -te^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -te^{-t} \cdot e^t = -t$$

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8. Answer each.

(a) Find Laplace transform of

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t < 2\pi \\ 0, & 2\pi \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Answer:  $\cancel{(1 - e^{-2\pi s})/s}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(f) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-st} dt + 0 \\ &= \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \frac{-e^{-2\pi s}}{s} + \frac{1}{s} \\ &= \frac{1 - e^{-2\pi s}}{s} \end{aligned}$$

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(b) Laplace transform of  $\sin(at)$  is  $\frac{a}{s^2+a^2}$ ,  $s > 0$  and Laplace transform of  $\cos(at)$  is  $\frac{s}{s^2+a^2}$ ,  $s > 0$ . Find a function whose Laplace transform is

$$\frac{9 - 5s}{s^2 + 4}, \quad s > 0$$

Answer:  $\frac{9}{2} \sin(2t) - 5 \cos(2t)$

$$\frac{9 - 5s}{s^2 + 4} = \frac{9}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} - 5 \cdot \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}$$

using linearity of  $\mathcal{L}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{9}{2} \sin(2t) - 5 \cos(2t)\right) &= \frac{9}{2} \mathcal{L}(\sin(2t)) - 5 \mathcal{L}(\cos(2t)) \\ &= \frac{9}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} - 5 \cdot \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \end{aligned}$$

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9. Circle true or false. If true then **show**, if false then **explain** or give a counter example, if the statement can't be concluded from the given information write N/A and explain.

[T/F] If  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are solutions of the equation

$$y' = \cos(t^2)y + t$$

and if  $y_1(t_0) = y_2(t_0)$  at some point  $t_0$  then  $y_1(t) = y_2(t)$  for all  $t$ .

Explain:

$$\text{Set } y_0 = y_1(t_0) = y_2(t_0)$$

Then IVP with initial condition  $y(t_0) = y_0$

has unique soln in  $\mathbb{R}$  since  $\cos t$  and  $t$  are continuous on whole  $\mathbb{R}$ . But  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  solves this IVP. Therefore  $y_1 = y_2$  by uniqueness of IVP.

[T/F] There are infinitely many solutions of the equation

$$y'' + ty' + \sin(t)y = e^{t^2}$$

which passes through origin.

Explain:

Consider IVP with initial condition  $y(0) = 0$   $y'(0) = A$

This IVP has unique solution since  $t$ ,  $\sin t$ ,  $t^2$  are continuous [by second order unq. & existence thm].

Thus for each  $A \in \mathbb{R}$  there is a different solution that passes through origin (ie.  $y(0) = 0$ )

[T/F] There exists a unique function that satisfies the IVP

$$y' = \frac{\cos(ty)}{t}, \quad y(1) = 0$$

on some interval  $1 - h < t < 1 + h$ .

Explain:

$$y' = f(t, y) \quad \text{where} \quad f(t, y) = \frac{\cos(ty)}{t}$$

Both  $f$ ,  $f_y$  are continuous everywhere except  $t=0$ .

Take  $R = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}) \times (-1, 1)$ , a rectangle where  $f$  and  $f_y$  are continuous and initial point  $(1, 0)$  is in  $R$ .

Thus uniqueness follows from first order non-linear theorem.