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**Instructions:**

1. Write your name, your ID number, and circle the number of your recitation session in the spaces provided below.
2. Solve all 5 problems. You may use for answer the back side of each page if necessary. Each problem counts for 20% of the grade.
3. Maximum time allowed is 60 minutes.
4. Use of calculators is forbidden.

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Problem 1

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Grade

1. (20 pts) Find the general solution of the following sixth order linear differential equation

$$y^{(6)} - 16y'' = x - 15e^x.$$

auxiliary equation  $m^6 - 16m^2 = 0; m^2(m^2 - 4)(m^2 + 4) = 0$

Roots  $m_1 = m_2 = 0, m_3 = 2, m_4 = -2, m_5 = 2i, m_6 = -2i$

complementary sol'n:  $y_c = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{2x} + c_4 e^{-2x} + c_5 \cos 2x + c_6 \sin 2x$

particular solution  $y = ax^3 + be^x$

$$y'' = 6ax + be^x$$

$$y^{(6)} = be^x$$

$$-16(6ax + be^x) + be^x = x - 15e^x$$

$$-96ax + 15be^x = x - 15e^x$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{96}, b = 1$$

$$y_p = -\frac{1}{96}x^3 + e^x$$

general solution

$$y = -\frac{1}{96}x^3 + e^x + c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{2x} + c_4 e^{-2x} + c_5 \cos 2x + c_6 \sin 2x$$

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2. (20 pts) Use, among other things, variation of parameters, to find the general solution of

$$x^2 y'' - 5xy' + 8y = 8x^3.$$

First  $x^2 y'' - 5xy' + 8y = 0$

indicial eq  $m(m-1) - 5m + 8 = 0 \quad m^2 - 6m + 8 = 0 \quad (m-4)(m-2) = 0$

indicial roots  $m_1 = 4, m_2 = 2$

comp. solution  $y_c = c_1 x^4 + c_2 x^2.$

Second  $y'' - \frac{5}{x} y' + \frac{8}{x^2} y = 8x.$

$y = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2$

system  $u_1' x^4 + u_2' x^2 = 0$

$u_1' \cdot 4x^3 + u_2' \cdot 2x = 8x.$

solution  $u_1' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^2 \\ 8x & 2x \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x^4 & x^2 \\ 4x^3 & 2x \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-8x^3}{-2x^5} = \frac{4}{x^2}$

$u_1 = \int \frac{4}{x^2} dx = -\frac{4}{x}$

$u_2' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x^4 & 0 \\ 4x^3 & 8x \end{vmatrix}}{-2x^5} = \frac{8x^5}{-2x^5} = -4$

$u_2 = \int -4 dx = -4x$

$y_p = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 = -\frac{4}{x} x^4 - 4x x^2$

$y_p = -4x^3 - 4x^3 = -8x^3$

$y = y_c + y_p$

$y = c_1 x^4 + c_2 x^2 - 8x^3$

3. (20 pts) Use an extended power series - method of Frobenius- to find one non-trivial solution of

$$x(x-1)y'' + (2x-1)y' + \frac{1}{4}y = 0.$$

You must determine the indicial roots, the recurrence relations for the coefficients, a formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  coefficient, and give the answer in series form..

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^{n+r}, \quad y' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r) c_n x^{n+r-1}, \quad y'' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r)(n+r-1) c_n x^{n+r-2}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r)(n+r-1) c_n x^{n+r} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r)(n+r-1) c_n x^{n+r-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(n+r) c_n x^{n+r} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r) c_n x^{n+r-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} c_n x^{n+r} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( (n+r)(n+r+1) + \frac{1}{4} \right) c_n x^{n+r} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r)^2 c_n x^{n+r-1} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( (n+r)(n+r+1) + \frac{1}{4} \right) c_n x^{n+r} - r^2 c_0 x^{r-1} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+r)^2 c_n x^{n+r-1} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \left( (n+r)(n+r+1) + \frac{1}{4} \right) c_n - (n+r+1)^2 c_{n+1} \right] x^{n+r} - r^2 c_0 x^{r-1} = 0$$

$$\therefore r^2 c_0 = 0; \quad \left( (n+r)(n+r+1) + \frac{1}{4} \right) c_n - (n+r+1)^2 c_{n+1} = 0$$

$$c_0 \neq 0 \quad \therefore r_1 = r_2 = 0,$$

$$\therefore \left( n(n+1) + \frac{1}{4} \right) c_n - (n+1)^2 c_{n+1} = 0$$

$$\therefore \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 c_n - (n+1)^2 c_{n+1} = 0 \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\therefore c_{n+1} = \frac{\left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2}{(n+1)^2} c_n \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\text{or } c_{n+1} = \frac{(2n+1)^2}{(2n+2)^2} c_n = \left( \frac{2n+1}{2n+2} \right)^2 c_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\therefore c_{n+1} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^2 \left( \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 \dots \left( \frac{2n+1}{2n+2} \right)^2 c_0 = \left( \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n+1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \dots (2n+2)} \right)^2 c_0 \quad \rightarrow$$

$$y = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)} \right)^2 x^n$$

4. (20 pts) Use the substitution  $y = x^{1/2}z$  to find the general solution of the differential equation

$$4x^2y'' + (16x^2 + 1)y = 0$$

You are to obtain the transformed equation, write down its general solution, and then write down the solution of the original equation. Hint:  $y' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}z + x^{1/2}z'$ . Find  $y''$ .

$$y = x^{1/2}z$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}z + x^{1/2}z'$$

$$y'' = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2}z + x^{-1/2}z' + x^{1/2}z''$$

$$-x^{1/2}z + 4x^{3/2}z' + 4x^{5/2}z'' + (16x^2 + 1)x^{1/2}z = 0$$

$$-z + 4xz' + 4x^2z'' + (16x^2 + 1)z = 0$$

$$x^2z'' + xz' + 16x^2z = 0$$

$$\text{let } 4x = t$$

$$z' = \frac{dz}{dx} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dt} \cdot 4 = 4 \frac{dz}{dt}$$

$$z'' = \frac{dz'}{dx} = \frac{dz'}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = 4 \frac{d^2z}{dt^2} \cdot 4 = 16 \frac{d^2z}{dt^2}$$

$$\frac{t^2}{16} 16 \frac{d^2z}{dt^2} + \frac{t}{4} \cdot 4 \frac{dz}{dt} + t^2 z = 0$$

$$t^2 \frac{d^2z}{dt^2} + t \frac{dz}{dt} + t^2 z = 0$$

$$z = c_1 J_0(t) + c_2 Y_0(t)$$

$$x^{-1/2}y = c_1 J_0(4x) + c_2 Y_0(4x)$$

5. (20 pts) Express  $J_{-1/2}(x)$  in terms of elementary functions.

$$J_\nu(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+\nu}}{2^{2n+\nu} n! \Gamma(n+\nu+1)}$$

$$J_{-1/2}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n! \Gamma(n+1-\frac{1}{2})} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-1/2}$$

$$\text{but } \Gamma(n+1-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2n+1)!}{2^{2n+1} n!} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\Gamma(n+1-\frac{1}{2}) = \Gamma(1+(n-1)+\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2(n-1)+1)! \sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2(n-1)+1} (n-1)!}$$

$$\Gamma(n+1-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2n-1)! \sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n-1} (n-1)!} = \frac{(2n)(2n-1)! \sqrt{\pi}}{2n 2^{2n-1} (n-1)!}$$

$$\Gamma(n+1-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n} n!}$$

$$J_{-1/2}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n} x^n}{n! (2n)! \sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-1/2}$$

$$J_{-1/2}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n} x^{2n-1/2}}{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi} 2^{2n-1/2}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n} x^{2n} \cdot x^{-1/2}}{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi} 2^{2n} 2^{-1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{x^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{\pi} 2^{-1/2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cos x$$