# MATH 3331 - Final Review

### **1** Solving Equations

1. how to solve separable equations  $\frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)h(y)$ .

$$\int \frac{dy}{h(y)} = \int g(x) dx.$$

- 2. how to solve first order linear equations y' + P(x)y = f(x).
  - (a) Use integrating factor:  $\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x)dx}$
  - (b) Multiply the equation by  $\mu(x)$  to obtain

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left[e^{\int P(x)dx}y\right] = e^{\int P(x)dx}f(x).$$

- (c) Integrate both sides of this last equation.
- 3. how to solve exact equations Mdx + Ndy = 0,  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &= M(x, y), \\ f(x, y) &= \int M(x, y) dx + g(y), \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int M(x, y) dx + g'(y) = N(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Solution is

$$f(x,y) = C.$$

- 4. how to use the substitution u=y/x to solve homogeneous equations of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx}=g(y/x)$  .
- 5. how to use the substitution  $u = y^{1-n}$  to solve Bernoulli equations  $y' + p(x)y = q(x)y^n$ .
- 6. how to solve higher-order homogeneous linear equations with constant coefficients (Section 4.3).

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$
$$am^2 + bm + c = 0$$

• Distinct real roots  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ :

$$y = c_1 e^{m_1 x} + c_2 e^{m_2 x};$$

• Repeated real roots  $m_1 = m_2$ :

$$y = c_1 e^{m_1 x} + c_2 x e^{m_1 x}$$

• Conjugate complex roots  $m_1 = \alpha + i\beta$  and  $m_2 = \alpha - i\beta$ :

$$y = e^{\alpha x} (c_1 \cos(\beta x) + c_2 \sin(\beta x));$$

- Similar formulas for higher-order equations.
- 7. how to use **the method of undetermined coefficients** to solve higher-order non-homogeneous linear equations (Section 4.4).

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(x)$$

$$am^2 + bm + c = 0$$
(1)

$$f(x) = (p_n x^n + \dots + p_1 x + p_0) e^{\lambda x} \cos(\mu x) + (q_l x^l + \dots + q_1 x + q_0) e^{\lambda x} \sin(\mu x)$$

The form of a particular solution:

$$y_p(x) = x^r (A_k x^k + \dots + A_1 x + A_0) e^{\lambda x} \cos(\mu x) + x^r (B_k x^k + \dots + B_1 x + B_0) e^{\lambda x} \sin(\mu x)$$

where  $k = \max(n, l)$  and r = 0 if  $\lambda + i\mu$  is not a root of (1) or r = j if  $\lambda + i\mu$  is a root of (1) with the multiplicity j.

8. how to use **the method of variation of parameters** to solve higher-order nonhomogeneous linear equations (Section 4.6).

$$y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = f(x)$$

• Step 1. Find the general solutions of the associated homogeneous equations

$$y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0.$$
 (2)

• Step 2. Determine a particular solution of the form:

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

where  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are solutions of (2 and

$$u_{1}' = \frac{W_{1}}{W}, \quad u_{2}' = \frac{W_{2}}{W},$$
$$W = \left| \begin{array}{cc} y_{1} & y_{2} \\ y_{1}' & y_{2}' \end{array} \right|, \quad W_{1} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & y_{2} \\ f(x) & y_{2}' \end{array} \right|, \quad W_{2} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} y_{1} & 0 \\ y_{1}' & f(x) \end{array} \right|.$$

• Step 3. The general solutions are

$$y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + u_1(x) y_1(x) + u_2(x) y_2(x).$$

- 9. how to use the substitution  $x = e^t$  to solve Cauchy-Euler equations  $ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = f(x)$  (Section 4.7).
- 10. how to solve boundary value problems.
  - Step 1. Find general solutions.
  - Step 2. Use boundary conditions to determine the constants in the general solutions.
- 11. how to solve initial value problems.
  - Step 1. Find general solutions.
  - Step 2. Use initial conditions to determine the constants in the general solutions.
- 12. how to solve homogeneous linear systems of differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}' &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}, \\ \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) &= 0, \\ (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{K} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(a) Distinct real eigenvalues:

$$\mathbf{X} = c_1 \mathbf{K}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_1 \mathbf{K}_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}.$$

(b) Repeated real eigenvalues:

$$\mathbf{X} = c_1 \mathbf{K}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 \left( \mathbf{K}_1 t e^{\lambda_1 t} + \mathbf{P} e^{\lambda_1 t} \right).$$
$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}.$$

(c) Complex eigenvalues:  $\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta i, \lambda_2 = \alpha - \beta i$ 

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{X_1} &= e^{\alpha t} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{K_1} + \bar{\mathbf{K_1}}) \cos(\beta t) - \frac{i}{2} (-\mathbf{K_1} + \bar{\mathbf{K_1}}) \sin(\beta t) \right], \\ \mathbf{X_2} &= e^{\alpha t} \left[ \frac{i}{2} (-\mathbf{K_1} + \bar{\mathbf{K_1}}) \cos(\beta t) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{K_1} + \bar{\mathbf{K_1}}) \sin(\beta t) \right], \end{split}$$

13. how to use the method of variation of parameters to solve homogeneous linear systems of differential equations  $\mathbf{X}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{F}(t)$ .

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{\Phi}(t)\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{\Phi}(t)\int \mathbf{\Phi}^{-1}(t)\mathbf{F}(t)dt$$

## 2 Mathematical Modeling with Differential Equations

- 1. how to determine important variable and specify the relationships among them to build a model for real problems.
- 2. how to use Newtonian mechanics such as Newton second law and analyze forces to build a model.
- 3. spring-mass systems.
- 4. the Malthusian model.
- 5. Logistic model.
- 6. the first-order reaction model.
- 7. the second-order reaction model.
- 8. the falling body model.
- 9. the mixture model.

## 3 Qualitative Analysis

- 1. how to sketch a phase line, classify equilibrium points as stable, unstable, semistable, attractor, and repeller.
- 2. how to use direction fields to roughly describe the behavior of solutions as  $x \to \infty$ .

### 4 Theoretical Problems

- 1. how to show that a solution set is fundamental.
- 2. how to show that a group of functions are linearly independent.

#### 5 Demonstration Questions

1. Solve the following separable equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x^5 - 2x + 1}{\cos y + e^y}.$$

2. Solve the first order linear equation

$$\frac{1}{x}\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2y}{x^2} = x\cos x.$$

3. Solve the exact equation

$$(1 + e^{x}y + xe^{x}y)dx + (xe^{x} + 2)dy = 0.$$

4. Solve the homogeneous equation

$$(xy + y^2 + x^2)dx + x^2dy = 0.$$

5. Solve the Bernoulli's equation

$$y' - 5y = -\frac{5}{2}xy^3.$$

6. Solve the higher-order equations

$$y'' - y' - 12y = 0.$$
  
 $y'' - 2y' + y = 0.$   
 $y'' + y = 0.$ 

$$y''' + y'' + y' + y = 0.$$
  

$$y'' - y' - 12y = e^{4x}.$$
  

$$y'' - 2y' + 2y = e^{2x}(\cos x - 3\sin x).$$
  

$$y'' + y = 2x\sin x.$$

$$y'' + y = \ln x.$$

7. Use the substitution  $x = e^t$  to solve Cauchy-Euler equations

$$3x^2y'' + 11xy' - 3y = 0, \quad x > 0.$$

8. Solve the boundary value problem

$$y'' + y = x^2 + 1$$
,  $y(0) = 5$ ,  $y(1) = 0$ .

9. Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' + 2y' - 8y = 2e^{-2x} - e^{-x}, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

10. Solve the linear system

$$x' = 2y + e^t,$$
  
 $y' = -x + 3y - e^t.$ 

- 11. For modeling problems, you can practice the following problems in the textbook: Exercises 1.3: 2, 9, 19; Exercises 3.1: 1, 3, 19; Exercises 3.2: 1, 9; Exercises 5.1: 29;
- 12. For the following equation, sketch a phase line, classify equilibrim points as stable, unstable, semistable, attractor, and repeller

$$y' = (y-1)^2(y-2)(y-3).$$

13. Use the direction field of the following equation to roughly sketch its solutions?



14. Show that  $\{\cos x, \sin x\}$  is a fundamental solution set of

$$y'' + y = 0.$$

15. Show that  $1, x, x^2, x^3$  are linearly independent on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .