

MA 241 Honors Test 3

1. (12 points) Provided that the temperature is constant, the rate of change of atmospheric pressure  $P$  with respect to altitude  $h$  is proportional to  $P$ . At a certain fixed temperature, the pressure is 100 kPa at sea level and 10 kPa at  $h = 1000\text{m}$ . For this temperature, find the pressure  $P$  at altitude  $h$ .

2. (10 points) Solve the IVP  $y'' + 8y' + 16y = 0$ ;  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 12$

3. (15 points) Find the general solution  $y'' + 2y' + 5y = 60e^{3x}$

4. (18 points) Use the differential equation  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = f(x)$  along with the value of  $f(x)$  listed below to find the form of the particular solution,  $y_p$ , but do **NOT** solve for the coefficients.

a)  $f(x) = e^{-3x}$

b)  $f(x) = 11x^2$

c)  $f(x) = \sin(6x) + 4e^{-2x}$

d)  $f(x) = e^{-2x}\sin(6x)$

5. (12 points) Prove that  $xe^{rx}$  is a solution to  $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$  if  $r$  is a repeated root

6. (17 points) A mass with a weight of 7 lb stretches a spring 3 inches. The damping constant is 5. The spring is compressed 7 inches from its equilibrium position and released with no velocity.

a) If  $x(t)$  is the position of the mass at time  $t$ , formulate the IVP that describes the motion of the mass.

HINT: Acceleration due to gravity is  $32 \text{ ft/s}^2$

b) What kind of damping is this? Justify your answer.

7. (6 points) Find the general form of the sequence  $\left\{-3, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{-5}{9}, \frac{6}{27}, \dots\right\}$

8. (10 points) Use  $a_n = \frac{(-2)^{n+1}}{3^n}$  to answer the following. Justify your answers.

a) Determine if the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges or diverges. If it converges, find its limit.

b) Is this sequence monotonic? Briefly explain your answer

# C2 H T3 Solutions

1. (12 pts)  $\frac{dP}{dh} = kP$

$$P(h) = P_0 e^{kh}$$

$$P_0 = 100$$

$$P(1000) = 10 = 100 e^{k \cdot 1000}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = e^{k \cdot 1000}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = k \cdot 1000$$

$$k = \frac{1}{1000} \ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)$$

$$P(h) = 100 e^{\frac{h}{1000} \ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)}$$

2. (10 pts)  $y'' + 8y' + 16y = 0$      $y(0) = 0$      $y'(0) = 12$

$$r^2 + 8r + 16 = 0$$

~~$(r+4)^2 = 0$~~

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$$y_c = C_1 e^{-4x} + C_2 x e^{-4x}$$

$$y(0) = C_1 = 0$$

$$y = C_2 x e^{-4x}$$

$$y' = C_2 e^{-4x} - 4C_2 x e^{-4x}$$

$$y'(0) = C_2 = 12$$

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

$$3. (15 \text{ pts}) \quad y'' + 2y' + 5y = 60e^{3x}$$

$$r^2 + 2r + 5 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 4i}{2} = -1 \pm 2i$$

$$y_c = e^{-x} [C_1 \cos 2x + C_2 \sin 2x]$$

$$y_p = A e^{3x}$$

$$y_p' = 3A e^{3x}$$

$$y_p'' = 9A e^{3x}$$

$$9A e^{3x} + 6A e^{3x} + 5A e^{3x} = 60 e^{3x}$$

$$20A e^{3x} = 60 e^{3x}$$

$$A = 3$$

$$y_p = 3e^{3x}$$

$$y = e^{-x} [C_1 \cos 2x + C_2 \sin 2x] + 3e^{3x}$$

$$4 (18 \text{ pts}) \quad y'' + 5y' + 6y = f(x)$$

$$r^2 + 5r + 6 = 0$$

$$(r+3)(r+2) = 0$$

$$y_c = C_1 e^{-3x} + C_2 e^{-2x}$$

$$a) \quad y_p = A x e^{-3x}$$

$$b) \quad y_p = A x^2 + B x + C$$

$$c) \quad y_p = A \cos 6x + B \sin 6x + C x e^{-2x}$$

$$d) \quad y_p = e^{-2x} [A \cos 6x + B \sin 6x]$$

5. (12 pts)

$$y = x e^{rx}$$

$$y' = e^{rx} + r x e^{rx} = e^{rx} (1 + rx)$$

$$y'' = r e^{rx} (1 + rx) + e^{rx} r$$

$$= e^{rx} (2r + r^2 x)$$

$$a y'' + b y' + c y = e^{rx} [2ar + ar^2 x + b + brx + cx]$$

$$= e^{rx} [x(ar^2 + br + c) + (2ar + b)] = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Characteristic

$r = -\frac{b}{2a}$  since repeated

6. (17 pts)  $mx'' + bx' + kx = 0$

$F = ma$

$7 = m(32)$

$m = \frac{7}{32}$

$b = 5$

$F = kx$

$7 = k\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$

$k = 28$

a)

$$\frac{7}{32}x'' + 5x' + 28x = 0 \quad x(0) = -\frac{7}{12}$$

$$x'(0) = 0$$

b)  $b^2 - 4mk$

$25 - 4\left(\frac{7}{32}\right)28 = 25 - \frac{7}{8}(28) = 25 - \frac{7(14)}{4} =$

$25 - \frac{7(7)}{2} > 0$

overdamping

7. (6 pts)

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^n (n+2)}{3^{n-1}}$$

converges

8. (10 pts)

a)  $a_n = \frac{(-2)^n (-2)}{3^n} = \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)^n (-2) \rightarrow \boxed{0}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

b) No, it is neither increasing nor decreasing