

HOMEWORK 5, M 331  
DUE 3/12/09

**Problem 1.** Consider the linear 2nd order homogeneous ODE

$$y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$$

- (i) Assuming there is a solution of the form  $y(t) = e^{\lambda t}$  find the condition on  $\lambda$  such that this  $y(t)$  solves the ODE.
- (ii) Write down the general solution of the ODE.
- (iii) Find the solution which satisfies the initial conditions  $y(0) = y'(0) = 1$ .
- (iv) Can you find a formula for the solution which satisfies the initial condition  $y(0) = y_0$  and  $y'(0) = v_0$ ? Once you have such a formula plug in the previous case  $y_0 = v_0 = 1$  and check if you got the same answer.

**Problem 2.** Find all solutions of the ODE  $2y'' - 3y' + y = 0$ .

**Problem 3.** Find the solution of the ODE  $2y'' + 2y' - 4y = 0$  with initial conditions  $y(0) = 0$  and  $y'(0) = 1$ .

**Problem 4.** Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' - 4y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = v_0$$

and determine  $v_0$  in such a way that this solution approaches zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Problem 5.** Consider the inhomogeneous ODE  $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 1$ .

- (i) Guess one solution of this ODE (Hint: what are the constant solutions?)
- (ii) Find all solutions of the corresponding homogeneous ODE.
- (iii) Find all solutions of the inhomogeneous ODE. What happens to those solutions as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?
- (iv) Find the solution with initial condition  $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$ .

**Problem 6.** Consider the ODE  $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$ .

- (i) Assuming there is a solution of the form  $y(t) = e^{\lambda t}$  determine all  $\lambda$  such that this  $y(t)$  solves the ODE.
- (ii) Use Euler's Formula  $e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$  and the superposition principle (applied to the 2 solutions found in (i)) to show that  $e^{2t} \sin t$  and  $e^{2t} \cos t$  are solutions of this ODE.
- (iii) Determine the solution which satisfies the initial condition  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ .

**Problem 7.** Consider the inhomogeneous ODE  $y'' + 6y' + 13y = 5$ .

- (i) Find a solution of this ODE (compare with Problem 5).
- (ii) Find all solutions to the corresponding homogeneous ODE.
- (iii) Find all solutions to the inhomogeneous ODE. How do the solutions behave for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?
- (iv) Find the solution with initial conditions  $y(0) = 0$  and  $y'(0) = 1$ .