

Math 54 Quiz 10 SOLUTIONS

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You have 20 minutes to complete this quiz. You must show your work.

1. (a) (1 pt) Complete the following theorem:

“If $a_1(t), a_2(t), \dots, a_{n-1}(t), g(t)$ are continuous on the interval (a, b) containing x_0 , then the initial value problem

$$y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_0y = g(t)$$

$$y(x_0) = y_0, y'(x_0) = y_1, \dots, y^{(n-1)}(x_0) = y_{n-1}$$

has a unique solution for any y_0, \dots, y_{n-1} ”

- (b) (2 pts) Determine the form of a particular solution to $y'' - y = 3t^2 \sin t + e^t + 7$. You need not solve for the coefficients.

The homogeneous part has char. equation $r^2 - 1 = 0$, which has roots ± 1

$$y_p = (At^2 + Bt + C) \cos t + (Dt^2 + Et + F) \sin t + Gte^t + H$$

2. (3 pts) Solve the initial value problem $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0; y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$

Char equation: $r^2 - 6r + 9 = 0$, which factors as $(r - 3)^2 = 0$, so $r = 3$ is a repeated root.

$$\text{General solution: } y = C_1e^{3t} + C_2te^{3t}$$

$$\text{So } y' = 3C_1e^{3t} + C_2e^{3t} + 3C_2te^{3t}$$

Plugging in 0 to both equations, we get the system $1 = C_1 + 0; 0 = 3C_1 + C_2$, which has solution $C_1 = 1, C_2 = -3$

$$\text{Thus, } y = e^{3t} - 3te^{3t}$$

3. (4 pts) Find the general solution to $y'' + 4y = \cos(2x)$

$$\text{Homogeneous: } r^2 + 4 = 0, r = \pm 2i, \text{ so } y_h = C_1 \cos(2x) + C_2 \sin(2x)$$

$$\text{We guess } y_p = x(A \sin 2x + B \cos 2x)$$

$$\text{Then } y'_p = A \sin 2x + B \cos 2x + x(2A \cos 2x - 2B \sin 2x)$$

$$\text{So } y''_p = 2A \cos 2x - 2B \sin 2x + 2A \cos 2x - 2B \sin 2x + x(-4A \sin 2x - 4B \cos 2x)$$

Then $y''_p + 4y_p = 4A \cos 2x - 4B \sin 2x$. We want this to be $\cos 2x$, so we take $A = \frac{1}{4}, B = 0$ and get

$$y = y_h + y_p = C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x + \frac{x}{4} \sin 2x$$