

**Mathematics 226**  
**Solutions to Test 2**

**1a)** We have:

$$r^2 + 4r + 29 = 0 \implies r = -4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 1162} \implies r = -2 \pm 5i$$

Thus the general solution of the DE is:  $y = e^{-2x}[c_1 \cos 5x + c_2 \sin 5x]$

**1b)** We have:

$$r^2 + 12r + 64 = 0 \implies (r + 6)^2 = 0 \implies r = -6$$

Thus the general solution of the DE is:  $y = c_1 e^{-6x} + c_2 x e^{-6x}$

**2a)** We have  $r^2 - 9 = 0 \implies r = \pm 3$ . The solution to  $y'' - 9y = 0$  is  $y_c = c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 e^{-3x}$ . A particular solution is of the form:  $y_p = Ax^2 + Bx + C$ . If we substitute  $y_p$  into the DE we obtain:  $2A - 9(Ax^2 + Bx + C) = 18x^2 + 5$  Therefore we have

$$-9A = 18, \quad -9B = 0 \text{ and } 2A - 9C = 5$$

By solving these equations we obtain:  $A = -2$ ,  $B = 0$  and  $C = -1$ . Thus the general solution is:  $y = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{-3x} - 2x^2 - 1$

**2b)** We have:  $1 = y(0) = c_1 + c_2 - 1 \implies c_1 + c_2 = 2$ . Since

$$y'(x) = 3c_1 e^{3x} - 3c_2 e^{-3x} - 4x \text{ we have } 0 = y'(0) = 3c_1 - 3c_2 \implies c_1 - c_2 = 0.$$

$$\text{Therefore } c_1 = c_2 = 1 \text{ and the solution is: } y = e^{3x} + e^{-3x} - 2x^2 - 1$$

**3)** A particular solution is of the form

$$y_p = y_1 u_1 + y_2 u_2, \quad y_1 = e^x, \quad y_2 = x e^x, \text{ where}$$

$$\{y_1 u_1' + y_2 u_2' = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } u_1' = 0$$

$$1 \quad x$$

$$= -1 \quad \text{and } u_2' = 10$$

$$\text{Thus } y_p = -x e^x + x e^x \ln x \text{ and the general solution is: } y = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x + x e^x \ln x$$

**4)** We have  $mu'' + ku = 0$ . Therefore  $u'' + kmu = 0$ . Since  $k\Delta l = W$  we have  $u'' + Wm\Delta l u = 0$ . Therefore  $u'' + g\Delta l u = 0$ . since  $g = 32$  and  $\Delta l = 12$  we have  $u'' + 64u = 0$ . Since  $r^2 + 64 = 0$  implies  $r = \pm i8$  we have  $u = c_1 \cos 8t + c_2 \sin 8t$ . Since  $0 = u(0) = c_1$  we have  $u' = 8c_2 \sin 8t$ . Thus  $u'(0) = 16 = 8c_2$  and  $c_2 = 2$ . Therefore:  $u(t) = 2 \sin 8t$ . The period is  $T = 2\pi 8 = \pi 4$ . Thus the time for 4 cycles is:  $\pi \text{ sec}$

**5a)** We have  $y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_n x^{n-1}$  and  $y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2}$ . Thus we must have:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2} + (x-1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_n x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

or

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2}x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} na_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)a_{n+1}x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

or

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} + na_n - (n+1)a_{n+1} + a_n]x^n = 0$$

or

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} + na_n - (n+1)a_{n+1} + a_n = 0$$

or

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} - (n+1)a_{n+1} + (n+1)a_n = 0$$

or

$$a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} - a_n n + 2$$

**5b)** We have  $a_2 = 12(a_1 - a_0)$  and  $a_3 = 13(a_2 - a_1) = 13(12a_1 - 12a_0 - a_1)$  or

$$a_3 = -16(a_0 + a_1)$$