

School of Mathematics and Statistics  
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**TEST 3**

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Print Name :

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Tutorial Section (A1, A4, ...):

*Solutions*

**PART I: Multiple Choice Questions**

(Choose and CIRCLE only ONE answer - No part marks here.)

1. [2 marks] Which of the following differential equations is of Cauchy-Euler type?  
 (a)  $x^2y'' - y' + y = 0$ , (b)  $x^2y'' + 4xy' - y = 0$ , (c)  $xy'' + 4x^2y' + 6y = 0$ , (d)  $8x^2y'' + 3y' - x^2y = 0$ .
2. [2 marks] The substitution  $x = e^t$ ,  $y(x) = z(t)$ , transforms the differential equation of Cauchy-Euler type

$$4x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 0$$

into a differential with constant coefficients. Determine the auxiliary equation of this constant coefficient equation.

- (a)  $2\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 5 = 0$ , (b)  $4\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 1 = 0$ , (c)  $\lambda^2 + 5\lambda + 15 = 0$ , (d)  $2\lambda^2 - \lambda + 2 = 0$ .
3. [2 marks] Find the general solution  $y(x)$  of the differential equation

$$4x^2y'' + y = 0,$$

for  $x > 0$ .

- (a)  $y(x) = c_1\sqrt{x} + c_2\sqrt{x}\ln x$ , (b)  $y(x) = c_1x + c_2\sqrt{x}\ln x$ , (c)  $y(x) = c_1\sqrt{x} + c_2\ln x$ , (d)  $y(x) = c_1x^2 + c_2\sqrt{x}\ln x$ .
4. [2 marks] Find a particular solution of the system of differential equations

$$x' = -6x + 2y, \quad y' = -3x + y,$$

satisfying the initial condition  $x(0) = 1, y(0) = 3$ , where the solutions are functions of  $t$ .

- (a)  $x(t) = e^{-5t}, y(t) = 3$ , (b)  $x(t) = 1, y(t) = 3$   
 (c)  $x(t) = 2, y(t) = 3e^{-5t}$ , (d)  $x(t) = 1, y(t) = 3 + te^{-5t}$ .
5. [2 marks] Answer TRUE or FALSE:

The sequence  $a_n = (-5)^n$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  converges to 5 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

- (a) TRUE, (b) FALSE

**PART II: Show all work here and give details.**  
No additional pages will be accepted

6. [10 marks] a) Evaluate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3 \frac{\sqrt{2n+1}}{\sqrt{n-1}}$  using any method.

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

So as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   $3 \frac{\sqrt{2n+1}}{\sqrt{n-1}} \rightarrow 3\sqrt{2} \leftarrow (4)$

(or) can use L'Hospital's Rule.

7. [10 marks] Find the general solution of the following system of differential equations using any method whatsoever:

$$x' = 10x - 5y, \quad y' = 8x - 12y.$$

The matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & -5 \\ 8 & -12 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \textcircled{1}$

Eigenvalues:  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0. \textcircled{2} \begin{vmatrix} 10 - \lambda & -5 \\ 8 & -12 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow (\lambda - 10)(\lambda + 12) + 40 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 80 = 0} \leftarrow \textcircled{1}$

$\therefore \boxed{\lambda = 8, \lambda = -10}$

$\textcircled{1} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{1} \uparrow$

$\lambda = 8$ : Eigenvectors:  $\begin{bmatrix} 10 - 8 & -5 \\ 8 & -12 - 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or.

$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 8 & -20 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\therefore \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}$   $\leftarrow \textcircled{1}$  or any multiple is OK, too.

$\lambda = -10$ : Eigenvector:  $\begin{bmatrix} 20 & -5 \\ 8 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}}$   $\leftarrow \textcircled{1}$

$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} e^{8t} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} e^{-10t}$

$\textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow \quad \textcircled{\frac{1}{2}} \uparrow$

Give 7/10 if eigenvalues incorrect but procedure is correct.