

Assignment Sheet 2
MA2020 Differential Equations (July - November 2012)

1. Find the general (or unique) solution of the following system of equations

(a) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = -3y_1 + 4y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = -2y_1 + 3y_2$

(b) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 2y_1 - y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = 3y_1 + 6y_2$ and $y_1(0) = 2, y_2(0) = -10$

(c) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = y_1 - 2y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = 4y_1 + 5y_2$

(d) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 5y_1 + 4y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = -y_1 + y_2$

(e) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 3y_1 + 4y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = 2y_1 + y_2$ and $y_1(0) = 1, y_2(0) = 2$

(f) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 7y_1 + 6y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = 2y_1 + 6y_2$

(g) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = -4y_1 - y_2 \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = y_1 - 2y_2$

(h) $\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 5y_1 + 2y_2 + 5x \quad \frac{dy_2}{dx} = 3y_1 + 4y_2 + 17x$

2. Find the power series solutions of the following second order linear equations

(a) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 + 1)y = 0$ about $x_0 = 0$

(b) $(x^2 - 1)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x\frac{dy}{dx} + xy = 0$ $y(0) = 4, y'(0) = 6$

(c) $x^2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$ about $x_0 = 1$

(d) $x^2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x\frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0$ about $x_0 = 1$

(e) $x^2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0, y(1) = 2, y'(1) = 4$

(f) $4\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0, y(2) = 0, y'(2) = \frac{1}{e}$

3. Find two linearly independent solutions of

$$(1 - x^2)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x\frac{dy}{dx} + n(n + 1)y = 0$$

about $x_0 = 0$, where n is a constant.

4. Find a polynomial approximation of the fourth degree to the solution of the following initial value problems

(a) $(1 + 2x)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1$

(b) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} + (1 + x)y = 0, y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 0$

(c) $x^2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0, y(1) = 2, y'(1) = 4$

(d) $4\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0, y(2) = 0, y'(2) = \frac{1}{e}$