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Show all work clearly and in order. Please box your answers. 10 minutes.

**Choose ONE side.** Clearly put an X on the side you do not want me to grade, otherwise I will grade the first side worked on.

1. The function  $y_1 = x^4$  is a solution to  $x^2y'' - 7xy' + 16y = 0$ . Use the reduction of order equation formula to find a second solution  $y_2(x)$ . (NOTE: you do not need to verify that  $y_1$  is a solution, just find  $y_2$ .)

$$\text{Standard Form: } y'' - \frac{7}{x} y' + \frac{16}{x^2} y = 0, \quad \text{assume } x > 0$$

$\underbrace{P(x)}$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2 &= y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int P(x) dx}}{(y_1)^2} dx = x^4 \int \frac{e^{-\int (-7/x) dx}}{(x^4)^2} dx \\ &= x^4 \int \frac{e^{7 \ln(x)}}{x^8} dx \\ &= x^4 \int \frac{e^{\ln(x^7)}}{x^8} dx \\ &= x^4 \int \frac{x^7}{x^8} dx = x^4 \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \boxed{\ln(x) x^4} \end{aligned}$$

2. Determine whether the given set of functions is linearly independent on the interval  $(0, \infty)$ . SHOW WORK AND CLEARLY STATE whether the set of functions is linearly independent or linearly dependent.

(a)  $f_1(x) = x, f_2(x) = x \ln(x)$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f_2 \\ f'_1 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & x \ln(x) \\ 1 & x(\frac{1}{x}) + \ln(x) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{aligned} &x(1 + \ln(x)) - x \ln(x) \\ &= x \neq 0 \text{ on } (0, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are linearly independent.

(b)  $g_1(x) = 2, g_2(x) = \sec^2(x), g_3(x) = 1 - 12 \sec^2(x)$

$$\underline{\text{SOL 1: }} \frac{1}{2}(2) - 12(\sec^2(x)) - 1(-12 \sec^2(x)) = 1 - 12 \sec^2(x) - 1 + 12 \sec^2(x) = 0$$

Hence, since the coefficients  $\frac{1}{2}, -12, -1$  are NOT ALLO  
 $g_1, g_2$  and  $g_3$  are linearly dependent

SOL: Show the Wronskian is 0 on  $(0, \infty)$ , Hence ↗

3. Find the general solution to the following:

(a)  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$

$$m^2 + 5m + 6 = 0$$

$$(m+3)(m+2) = 0$$

$$m = -3 \quad | \quad m = -2$$

$$\boxed{y = C_1 e^{-3x} + C_2 e^{-2x}}$$

(b)  $y^{(4)} - 6y''' + 9y'' = 0$

$$m^4 - 6m^3 + 9m^2 = 0$$

$$m^2(m^2 - 6m + 9) = 0$$

$$m^2(m-3)(m-3) = 0$$

$$m=0 \quad | \quad m=0 \quad | \quad m=3 \quad | \quad m=3$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= C_1 e^{0x} + C_2 x e^{0x} + C_3 e^{3x} + C_4 x e^{3x} \\ y &= C_1 + C_2 x + C_3 e^{3x} + C_4 x e^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $y^{(4)} - 81y = 0$

$$m^4 - 81 = 0$$

$$(m^2 - 9)(m^2 + 9) = 0$$

$$(m-3)(m+3)(m^2 + 9) = 0$$

$$m=3 \quad | \quad m=-3 \quad | \quad \begin{aligned} m^2 &= -9 \\ m &= \pm \sqrt{-9} = \pm 3i \\ \alpha &= 0 \quad \beta = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = C_1 e^{3x} + C_2 e^{-3x} + C_3 e^{0x} \cos(3x) + C_4 e^{0x} \sin(3x)$$

$$\boxed{y = C_1 e^{3x} + C_2 e^{-3x} + C_3 \cos(3x) + C_4 \sin(3x)}$$