

Name: Key

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

1. Complete all of the following parts. You may not use the auxiliary/characteristic equation method!

(a) Verify that $y_1 = e^{-x}$ and $y_2 = e^{2x}$ form a fundamental set of solutions of $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$.

(i) verify y_1 is a solution:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y_1 = e^{-x} \\ y_1' = -e^{-x} \\ y_1'' = e^{-x} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow y'' - y' - 2y = e^{-x} - (-e^{-x}) - 2e^{-x} = 2e^{-x} - 2e^{-x} = 0 \checkmark$$

(ii) verify y_2 is a solution:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y_2 = e^{2x} \\ y_2' = 2e^{2x} \\ y_2'' = 4e^{2x} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow y'' - y' - 2y = 4e^{2x} - 2e^{2x} - 2e^{2x} = 0 \checkmark$$

(iii) verify y_1 and y_2 are l.m. indep:

$$W(e^{-x}, e^{2x}) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{2x} \\ -e^{-x} & 2e^{2x} \end{vmatrix} = 2e^{2x}e^{-x} - (-e^{-x})(e^{2x}) = 2e^x + e^x = 3e^x \neq 0. \checkmark$$

- (b) Verify that $y_p = \sin(2x)$ forms a particular solution of $y'' - y' - 2y = -6 \sin(2x) - 2 \cos(2x)$.

$$y_p' = 2 \cos(2x)$$

$$y_p'' = -4 \sin(2x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' - y' - 2y &= -4 \sin(2x) - 2 \cos(2x) - 2 \sin(2x) \\ &= -6 \sin(2x) - 2 \cos(2x) \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Use (a) and (b) to write the general solution of $y'' - y' - 2y = -6 \sin(2x) - 2 \cos(2x)$.

General Solution:

$$y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{2x} + \sin(2x)$$