



1 Solve the differential equations

a)

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$$

b)

$$y'' - y' - 6y = 0$$

c)

$$y'' + 2y' + 4y = 0$$

2 a) We are given that  $y_1(x) = \sin(2x)$  and  $y_2(x) = \cos(2x)$  are solutions to the homogenous differential equation

$$y'' = -4y.$$

Find the unique solution that satisfies the initial conditions  $y(0) = 2, y'(\pi) = 1$ .

b) We are given that  $y_1(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x}$  and  $y_2(x) = xe^{-\frac{1}{2}x}$  are solutions to the homogenous differential equation

$$4y'' + 4y' + y = 0$$

Find the unique solution that satisfies the initial conditions  $y(2) = 0, y'(2) = 2$ .

3 When solving inhomogenous differential equations of the form

$$a(x)y''(x) + b(x)y'(x) + c(x)y(x) = f(x),$$

the most efficient approach may be to guess a solution. In the exercises below, you are given good guesses which share similarities with the function  $f(x)$  - this is in general a good approach.

a) For which values of the constants  $A, B, C$  is the function  $y(x) = Ax^2 + Bx^2 + C$  a solution to the differential equation.

$$y'' + 3y' - y = 4x.$$

b) For which values of the constants  $A, B$  is the function  $y(x) = A\sin(2x) + B\cos(2x)$  a solution to the differential equation.

$$y'' + 2y' - 2y = \sin(2x).$$

- c) For which values of the constants  $A, B$  is the function  $y(x) = Ae^x + Bxe^x$  a solution to the differential equation.

$$y'' + 8y' - 6y = xe^x.$$

- 4 a) Solve the differential equation

$$y'' - 5y' + 6y = e^{-2x},$$

with initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ .

- b) Find the power series solutions  $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  of the differential equation

$$y'' - 5y' + 6y = 0,$$

with initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ .

- 5 a) Solve the differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + y = 0$$

- b) Solve the differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + y = e^{2x},$$

with initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ .

- c) Find the power series solutions  $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  of the differential equation

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

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .