

**Mid term Exam Ordinary Differential Equations, AM2030**  
**Tuesday 10 December 2019, 13.30-15.30h**

- This exam consists of 5 regular problems and one bonus problem.
  - All answers need to be justified.
  - Norm: total of 35 points; the distribution of points is as shown in the exercises. The exam grade is (total points)/3.5.
  - *Success !*
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1. The following differential equation for the function  $x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2 + 1.$$

- a. (3) Find the solution  $x(t)$  using initial condition  $x(0) = 1$ , and give the maximal interval of existence of the solution.

The differential equation for the function  $y : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [1, \infty)$  reads

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = t^2 \sqrt{y - 1}.$$

- b. (3) Find a solution  $y(t)$  using initial condition  $y(0) = 1$ , and argue whether this solution is unique or not.

2. The differential equation for the function  $y = y(x)$  is

$$(x - 1)^2 y'' + 2x(x - 1)y' + (x - 1)y = 0, \quad x > 1. \quad (1)$$

- a. (1) Show that  $x = 1$  is a regular singular point of equation (1).
- b. (4) Give the indicial equation  $F(r) = 0$  and find the two solutions for  $r$  and write the recurrence relation for the coefficients  $a_n$  (**You do not need to solve it!**)
- c. (2) Determine the first 3 nonzero terms of the series

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - 1)^{n+r},$$

only for the **largest root** of the indicial equation found in (b).

- d. (2) What can be said about the radius of convergence of this series?
- e. (2) How would you determine a second solution of (1) linearly independent solution of the one found in c)?

**You do not need to do the calculation, giving the method is sufficient!**

3. Consider the following differential equation for  $y(x)$ :

$$(3y^2 + 8x^2y) + (3xy + 2x^3)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

- a. (2) Is the differential equation exact?
- b. (4) Determine the general solution of this differential equation. If necessary find an integrating factor.

4. The following differential equation for  $y(t)$  is given:

$$y'' + 9y = \sin(3t) + e^{9t} \quad (2)$$

- a. (2) Find the solution of the homogeneous problem.
- b. (2) Find the general solution of (2).
- c. (2) Assume that the initial conditions are  $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$ , give the solution of the initial value problem.

5. (6) A differential equation for the function  $y(t)$  with initial conditions is given as

$$y'' + y = t^2 + 1, \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0. \quad (3)$$

Find the solution of this differential equation **using the Laplace transform!**

**BONUS:** *Generalization of Gronwall's inequality*

6. (3.5) Show that if  $g : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and if there exist nonnegative constants  $C, B, K$ , such that

$$g(t) \leq C + Bt + K \int_0^t g(s) ds, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

then

$$g(t) \leq Ce^{Kt} + B \frac{e^{Kt} - 1}{K} \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

*Hint: You can use the same techniques as we used to prove uniqueness of solutions.*