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1. (16 points)

- (a) Define the Wronskian  $W_{y_1, y_2}$  of two functions  $y_1$  and  $y_2$   
 (b) Define what it means for two functions  $y_1, y_2$  to be linearly dependent  
 (c) Show that  $W_{y_1, y_2} = 0$  if  $y_1, y_2$  are linearly dependent

$$a) W_{y_1, y_2} = \det \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{bmatrix}$$

b)  $y_1, y_2$  linearly independent  $\iff$  there exists a non-trivial solution  $c_1 \neq 0$  or  $c_2 \neq 0$  to  $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 = 0$  (i.e. ~~trivial~~)  
 $\iff \exists c \in \mathbb{R} \mid c \neq 0$  such that  $y_1 = c y_2$

$$c) \text{ let } y_1 = c y_2 \Rightarrow y_1' = c y_2'$$

$$W_{y_1, y_2} = \det \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{bmatrix} = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2$$

\* substitute

$$c y_2 (y_2') - (c y_2') (y_2) = 0$$

$$\text{if } y_2 = c y_1^2$$

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2. (20 points) Find the general solution of the following equation.

$$t^2 y'' - 2y = 0 \quad \text{for } t > 0$$

- (a) Find the general solution to the equation.  
 (b) Find a particular solution to the equation satisfying the initial value conditions  $y(2) = 3, y'(-1) = -3$ .  
 (c) Is it possible to apply the Uniqueness and Existence Theorem for second-order linear equations to the initial value problem in part (b)? Justify your answer.

a)  $t^2 y'' + 0t y' - 2y = 0$  \* guess  $y = t^r \Rightarrow y' = r t^{r-1} \Rightarrow y'' = (r^2 - r) t^{r-2}$   
 \* substitute:  $t^r (r^2 + (p-1)r + q) = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 + (p-1)r + q = 0$   
 $r^2 - r - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (r-2)(r+1) = 0 \Rightarrow r = 2, -1$   
 $\therefore y = c_1 t^2 + c_2 t^{-1}$

b)  $y(2) = 3 = c_1 (2)^2 + c_2 (2)^{-1} = 4c_1 + \frac{1}{2}c_2$

$$y' = 2c_1 t - c_2 t^{-2}$$

$$y'(-1) = -3 = 2c_1(-1) - c_2(-1)^{-2} = -2c_1 - c_2$$

$$2 \times (4c_1 + \frac{1}{2}c_2 = 3)$$

$$+ -2c_1 - c_2 = -3$$

$$\hline 6c_1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-3 = -2(\frac{1}{2}) - c_2$$

$$-2 = -c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 = 2$$

$$y_p = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + 2t^{-1}$$

- c) No; the hypothesis condition that the IVCs for  $y$  and  $y'$  must be given at the same  $t_0$  is not satisfied (i.e.  $2 \neq -1$  in  $y(2) = 3, y'(-1) = -3$ )

3. (18 points) Consider the following differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + y = \frac{e^t}{t} \quad \text{for } t > 0$$

(a) Find the general solution to the associated homogeneous equation.

(b) Find the general solution to the given inhomogeneous equation.

a)  $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$  \* guess,  $y = e^{\lambda t}$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda - 1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, (\text{mult } 2)$   
 $\therefore y_h = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t$

b) use variation of parameters to find  $y_p$   $\left( \begin{array}{l} y_1 = e^t, y_2 = t e^t \\ f(t) = \frac{e^t}{t} \end{array} \right)$   
 $y_p = v_1 y_1 + v_2 y_2$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & t e^t \\ e^t & t e^t + e^t \end{vmatrix} = e^t (e^t (t+1)) - t e^{2t} = e^{2t}$$

$$v_1 = - \int \frac{f}{W} y_2 dt = - \int \frac{e^t}{t(e^{2t})} (t e^t) dt = - \int dt = -t$$

$$v_2 = \int \frac{f}{W} y_1 dt = \int \frac{e^t}{t(e^{2t})} (e^t) dt = \int \frac{1}{t} dt = \ln|t|$$

\* substitute:  $y_p = (-t)(e^t) + \ln|t|(t e^t)$  ?

$$y = y_h + y_p = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t - t e^t + \ln|t| e^t$$

\* absorb  $-1$  into  $c_2$

$$y = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t + \ln|t| e^t$$

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4. (16 points) Consider the following differential equation

$$y'' + 2y = e^t \sin(t)$$

(a) Find the general solution to the associated homogeneous equation.

(b) Find the general solution to the given inhomogeneous equation.

a)  $y'' + 2y = 0$ ; \* guess  $y = e^{\lambda t}$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm i\sqrt{2}$  Euler's formula  
 $y_h = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{2}t)$

b) \* Guess  $y_p = ae^t \cos t + be^t \sin t$   
 $\Rightarrow y_p' = ae^t(-\sin t) + (ae^t)\cos t + be^t(\cos t) + (be^t)\sin t$   
 $= e^t((a+b)\cos t + (-a+b)\sin t)$   
 $\Rightarrow y_p'' = e^t(-(a+b)\sin t + (a+b)\cos t) + e^t(a\cos t + b\sin t)$   
 $= e^t(-a\sin t + b\cos t)$

\* substitute

$$e^t(-a\sin t + b\cos t) + 2e^t(a\cos t + b\sin t) = e^t \sin t$$

$$(a+b)\cos t + (-a+b)\sin t = \sin t$$

$$\Rightarrow a+b=0, \quad -a+b=1 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore y_p = -\frac{1}{2}e^t \cos t + \frac{1}{2}e^t \sin t$$

$$y = y_h + y_p = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{2}t) + \frac{1}{2}e^t(\sin t - \cos t)$$