

### Section 3.2

1.

$$W(e^{2t}, e^{-3t/2}) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{2t} & e^{-3t/2} \\ 2e^{2t} & -\frac{3}{2}e^{-3t/2} \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{7}{2}e^{t/2}.$$

3.

$$W(e^{-2t}, te^{-2t}) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-2t} & te^{-2t} \\ -2e^{-2t} & (1-2t)e^{-2t} \end{vmatrix} = e^{-4t}.$$

5.

$$W(e^t \sin t, e^t \cos t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^t \sin t & e^t \cos t \\ e^t(\sin t + \cos t) & e^t(\cos t - \sin t) \end{vmatrix} = -e^{2t}.$$

6.

$$W(\cos^2 \theta, 1 + \cos 2\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & 1 + \cos 2\theta \\ -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & -2 \sin 2\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

7. Write the equation as  $y'' + (3/t)y' = 1$ .  $p(t) = 3/t$  is continuous for all  $t > 0$ . Since  $t_0 > 0$ , the IVP has a unique solution for all  $t > 0$ .

9. Write the equation as  $y'' + \frac{3}{t-4}y' + \frac{4}{t(t-4)}y = \frac{2}{t(t-4)}$ . The coefficients are not continuous at  $t = 0$  and  $t = 4$ . Since  $t_0 \in (0, 4)$ , the largest interval is  $0 < t < 4$ .

10. The coefficient  $3 \ln|t|$  is discontinuous at  $t = 0$ . Since  $t_0 > 0$ , the largest interval of existence is  $0 < t < \infty$ .

11. Write the equation as  $y'' + \frac{x}{x-3}y' + \frac{\ln|x|}{x-3}y = 0$ . The coefficients are discontinuous at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$ . Since  $x_0 \in (0, 3)$ , the largest interval is  $0 < x < 3$ .

13.  $y_1'' = 2$ . We see that  $t^2(2) - 2(t^2) = 0$ .  $y_2'' = 2t^{-3}$ , with  $t^2(y_2'') - 2(y_2) = 0$ . Let  $y_3 = c_1 t^2 + c_2 t^{-1}$ , then  $y_3'' = 2c_1 + 2c_2 t^{-3}$ . It is evident that  $y_3$  is also a solution.

16. No. Substituting  $y = \sin(t^2)$  into the differential equation,

$$-4t^2 \sin(t^2) + 2 \cos(t^2) + 2t \cos(t^2)p(t) + \sin(t^2)q(t) = 0.$$

For the equation to be valid, we must have  $p(t) = -1/t$ , which is *not* continuous, or even defined, at  $t = 0$ .

17.  $W(e^{2t}, g(t)) = e^{2t}g'(t) - 2e^{2t}g(t) = 3e^{4t}$ . Dividing both sides by  $e^{2t}$ , we find that  $g$  must satisfy the ODE  $g' - 2g = 3e^{2t}$ . Hence  $g(t) = 3te^{2t} + ce^{2t}$ .

19.  $W(f, g) = fg' - f'g$ . Also,  $W(u, v) = W(2f - g, f + 2g)$ . Upon evaluation,  $W(u, v) = 5fg' - 5f'g = 5W(f, g)$ .

20.  $W(f, g) = fg' - f'g = t \cos t - \sin t$ , and  $W(u, v) = -4fg' + 4f'g$ . Hence  $W(u, v) = -4t \cos t + 4 \sin t$ .

22. The general solution is  $y = c_1e^{-3t} + c_2e^{-t}$ .  $W(e^{-3t}, e^{-t}) = 2e^{-4t}$ , and hence the exponentials form a *fundamental set* of solutions. On the other hand, the *fundamental solutions* must also satisfy the conditions  $y_1(1) = 1, y_1'(1) = 0; y_2(1) = 0, y_2'(1) = 1$ . For  $y_1$ , the initial conditions require  $c_1 + c_2 = e, -3c_1 - c_2 = 0$ . The coefficients are  $c_1 = -e^3/2, c_2 = 3e/2$ . For the solution,  $y_2$ , the initial conditions require  $c_1 + c_2 = 0, -3c_1 - c_2 = e$ . The coefficients are  $c_1 = -e^3/2, c_2 = e/2$ . Hence the fundamental solutions are  $\{y_1 = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-3(t-1)} + \frac{3}{2}e^{-(t-1)}, y_2 = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-3(t-1)} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-(t-1)}\}$ .

23. Yes.  $y_1'' = -4 \cos 2t; y_2'' = -4 \sin 2t$ .  $W(\cos 2t, \sin 2t) = 2$ .

24. Clearly,  $y_1 = e^t$  is a solution.  $y_2' = (1+t)e^t, y_2'' = (2+t)e^t$ . Substitution into the ODE results in  $(2+t)e^t - 2(1+t)e^t + te^t = 0$ . Furthermore,  $W(e^t, te^t) = e^{2t}$ . Hence the solutions form a fundamental set of solutions.

26. Clearly,  $y_1 = x$  is a solution.  $y_2' = \cos x, y_2'' = -\sin x$ . Substitution into the ODE results in  $(1 - x \cot x)(-\sin x) - x(\cos x) + \sin x = 0$ .  $W(y_1, y_2) = x \cos x - \sin x$ , which is *nonzero* for  $0 < x < \pi$ . Hence  $\{x, \sin x\}$  is a fundamental set of solutions.

28.  $P = 1, Q = x, R = 1$ . We have  $P'' - Q' + R = 0$ . The equation is *exact*. Note that  $(y')' + (xy)' = 0$ . Hence  $y' + xy = c_1$ . This equation is *linear*, with integrating factor  $\mu = e^{x^2/2}$ . Therefore the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 \exp(-x^2/2) \int_{x_0}^x \exp(u^2/2) du + c_2 \exp(-x^2/2).$$

29.  $P = 1, Q = 3x^2, R = x$ . Note that  $P'' - Q' + R = -5x$ , and therefore the differential equation is *not exact*.

31.  $P = x^2, Q = x, R = -1$ . We have  $P'' - Q' + R = 0$ . The equation is *exact*. Write the equation as  $(x^2y')' - (xy)' = 0$ . Integrating, we find that  $x^2y' - xy = c$ . Divide both sides of the ODE by  $x^2$ . The resulting equation is *linear*, with integrating factor  $\mu = 1/x$ . Hence  $(y/x)' = cx^{-3}$ . The solution is  $y(t) = c_1x^{-1} + c_2x$ .

33.  $P = x^2, Q = x, R = x^2 - \nu^2$ . Hence the coefficients are  $2P' - Q = 3x$  and  $P'' - Q' + R = x^2 + 1 - \nu^2$ . The *adjoint* of the original differential equation is given by  $x^2\mu'' + 3x\mu' + (x^2 + 1 - \nu^2)\mu = 0$ .

35.  $P = 1, Q = 0, R = -x$ . Hence the coefficients are given by  $2P' - Q = 0$  and  $P'' - Q' + R = -x$ . Therefore the *adjoint* of the original equation is  $\mu'' - x\mu = 0$ .