

Homework Assignment 7 in MATH 308-SPRING 2015      **due February 25, 2015**

Topics covered : *method of reduction of order; nonhomogeneous equations and method of undetermined coefficients (corresponds to sections 3.4, and 3.5 in the textbook).*

1. Given the solution  $y_1(t) = t^{-1/2}$  of the differential equation  $4t^2y'' - 4ty' - 5y = 0$ ,  $t > 0$ . Use the method of reduction of order to find a second solution  $y_2(t)$  of this equation such that  $\{y_1(t), y_2(t)\}$  is a fundamental set of solutions on  $t > 0$ .
2. (a) For each of the following equations write down the form in which a particular solution should be found according to the method of undetermined coefficients (**you do not need to find the value of the undetermined coefficient/coefficients here**):
  - i)  $3y'' + 5y' - 2y = 7e^{2t}$ ;
  - ii)  $3y'' + 5y' - 2y = 7e^{-2t}$
  - iii)  $3y'' + 5y' - 2y = 3e^{2t} \cos 10t$ ;
  - iv)  $3y'' + 5y' - 2y = 7e^{-2t} \cos 3t$ ;
  - v)  $4y'' - 4y' + y = 5e^{3t}$ ;
  - vi)  $4y'' - 4y' + y = 5e^{t/2} - 2e^{t/2} \sin 3t$ ;
  - vii)  $y'' + \omega_0^2 y = \cos \omega t + 2 \sin \omega t$  (consider separately the case  $\omega^2 \neq \omega_0^2$  and the case  $\omega^2 = \omega_0^2$ );
  - viii)  $18y'' + 30y' + 17y = e^{-5t/6}(\cos(\frac{t}{4}) - 2\sin(\frac{t}{4}))$ .
- (b) Find the general solution for equation in the item (a) iii);
- (c) Find the general solution for equation in the item (a) vii) (consider separately the case  $\omega^2 \neq \omega_0^2$  and the case  $\omega^2 = \omega_0^2$ ).