

Chapter 20: Method of Undetermined Coefficients

20.1 a. For y_p : Let $y(x) = y_p(x) = Ae^{2x}$. Then

$$52e^{2x} = y'' + 9y = [Ae^{2x}]'' + 9Ae^{2x} = 4Ae^{2x} + 9Ae^{2x} = 13Ae^{2x} .$$

Solving for A , we get $A = \frac{52}{13} = 4$. Thus,

$$y_p(x) = 4e^{2x} .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' + 9y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow r^2 + 9 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad r = \pm\sqrt{-9} = \pm 3i$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) .$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous equation is then

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = 4e^{2x} + c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) .$$

20.1 c. For y_p : Let $y(x) = y_p(x) = Ae^{-4x}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 30e^{-4x} &= y'' + 4y' - 5y \\ &= [Ae^{-4x}]'' + 4[Ae^{-4x}]' - 5Ae^{-4x} \\ &= 16Ae^{-4x} - 16Ae^{-4x} - 5Ae^{-4x} = -5Ae^{-4x} . \end{aligned}$$

Solving for A , we get $A = \frac{30}{-5} = -6$. Thus,

$$y_p(x) = -6e^{-4x} .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' + 4y' - 5y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 + 4r - 5 = (r - 1)(r + 5)$$

$$\hookrightarrow r = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad r = -5$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-5x} .$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous equation is then

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = -6e^{-4x} + c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-5x} .$$

20.2. For y_p : Let $y(x) = y_p(x) = Ae^{3x}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} -5e^{3x} &= y'' - 3y' - 10y \\ &= [Ae^{3x}]'' - 3[Ae^{3x}]' - 10Ae^{3x} \\ &= 9Ae^{3x} - 9Ae^{3x} - 10Ae^{3x} = -10Ae^{3x} . \end{aligned}$$

Solving for A , we get $A = \frac{-5}{-10} = \frac{1}{2}$. Thus,

$$y_p(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' - 3y' - 10y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 3r - 10 = (r+2)(r-5)$$

$$\hookrightarrow r = -2 \quad \text{and} \quad r = 5$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x} .$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous equation is then

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} + c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x} , \quad (\star)$$

and the derivative is

$$y'(x) = \frac{3}{2}e^{3x} - 2c_1e^{-2x} + 5c_2e^{5x} .$$

Applying the initial conditions, we have

$$5 = y(0) = \frac{1}{2}e^{3 \cdot 0} + c_1e^{-2 \cdot 0} + c_2e^{5 \cdot 0} = \frac{1}{2} + c_1 + c_2$$

and

$$3 = y'(0) = \frac{3}{2}e^{3 \cdot 0} - 2c_1e^{-2 \cdot 0} + 5c_2e^{5 \cdot 0} = \frac{3}{2} - 2c_1 + 5c_2 .$$

Solving for the constants and plugging them back into formula (\star) for y :

$$5 = \frac{1}{2} + c_1 + c_2 \quad \text{and} \quad 3 = \frac{3}{2} - 2c_1 + 5c_2$$

$$\hookrightarrow c_1 = \frac{9}{2} - c_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{3}{2} = -2\left[\frac{9}{2} - c_2\right] + 5c_2$$

$$\hookrightarrow c_1 = \frac{9}{2} - c_2 \quad \text{and} \quad c_2 = \frac{21}{7 \cdot 2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow c_1 = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{2} = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad c_2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow y(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} + 3e^{-2x} + \frac{3}{2}e^{5x} .$$

20.3 a. For y_p : Let $y(x) = y_p(x) = A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 10 \cos(2x) + 15 \sin(2x) &= y'' + 9y \\ &= [A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)]'' \\ &\quad + 9[A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)] \\ &= [-4A \cos(2x) - 4B \sin(2x)] \\ &\quad + [9A \cos(2x) + 9B \sin(2x)] \\ &= 5A \cos(2x) + 5B \sin(2x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle yields

$$10 \cos(2x) + 15 \sin(2x) = 5A \cos(2x) + 5B \sin(2x) \quad .$$

Comparing the terms on either side then gives us

$$\cos(2x) \text{ terms: } \quad 10 = 5A$$

and

$$\sin(2x) \text{ terms: } \quad 15 = 5B \quad .$$

Solving for A and B , we get $A = \frac{10}{5} = 2$ and $B = \frac{15}{5} = 3$. Thus,

$$y_p(x) = 2 \cos(2x) + 3 \sin(2x) \quad .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' + 9y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \quad 0 = r^2 + 9 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad r = \pm\sqrt{-9} = \pm 3i$$

$$\hookrightarrow \quad y_h(x) = c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) \quad .$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous equation is then

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= y_p(x) + y_h(x) \\ &= 2 \cos(2x) + 3 \sin(2x) + c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

20.3 c. For y_p : Let $y(x) = y_p(x) = A \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + B \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 26 \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - 12 \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) &= y'' + 3y' \\ &= \left[A \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + B \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \right]'' \\ &\quad + 3 \left[A \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + B \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \right]' \\ &= \left[-\frac{A}{9} \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - \frac{B}{9} \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \right] \\ &\quad + 3 \left[-\frac{A}{3} \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + \frac{B}{3} \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \right] \\ &= \left[-\frac{A}{9} + B \right] \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + \left[-A - \frac{B}{9} \right] \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms:

$$\cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \text{ terms: } 26 = -\frac{A}{9} + B$$

and

$$\sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \text{ terms: } -12 = -A - \frac{B}{9} .$$

Solving for A and B , and plugging the results back into the formula for y_p :

$$26 = -\frac{A}{9} + B \quad \text{and} \quad -12 = -A - \frac{B}{9}$$

$$\hookrightarrow A = 9[B - 26] \quad \text{and} \quad -12 = -9[B - 26] - \frac{B}{9}$$

$$\hookrightarrow A = 9[B - 26] \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{9}{82}[12 + 9 \cdot 26] = 27$$

$$\hookrightarrow A = 9[27 - 26] = 9 \quad \text{and} \quad B = 27$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_p(x) = 9 \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + 27 \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' + 3y' = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 + 3r = r(r + 3)$$

$$\hookrightarrow r = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r = -3$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-3x} .$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous equation is then

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = 9 \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + 27 \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + c_1 + c_2 e^{-3x} .$$

20.5 a. For y_p : Since $g(x)$, the right side of the differential equation, is a constant, we'll let $y(x) = y_p(x) = A$. Plugging that into the differential equation, we then have

$$-200 = y'' - 3y' - 10y = [A]'' - [A]' - 10A = 0 - 0 - 10A .$$

So, $A = \frac{-200}{-10} = 20$ and

$$y_p(x) = 20 .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' - 3y' - 10y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 3r - 10 = (r + 2)(r - 5)$$

$$\hookrightarrow r = -2 \quad \text{and} \quad r = 5$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{5x} .$$

So the general solution to the nonhomogeneous differential equation is

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = 20 + c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x} .$$

20.5 c. For y_p : Since $g(x)$, the right side of the differential equation, is a second degree polynomial, we'll let $y(x) = y_p(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$. Plugging that into the differential equation, we then have

$$\begin{aligned} 18x^2 + 3x + 4 &= y'' - 6y' + 9y \\ &= [Ax^2 + Bx + C]'' - 6[Ax^2 + Bx + C]' \\ &\quad + 9[Ax^2 + Bx + C] \\ &= 2A - 6[2Ax + B] + 9[Ax^2 + Bx + C] \\ &= [9A]x^2 + [-12A + 9B]x + [2A - 6B + 9C] . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle and comparing terms, we get the system

$$\begin{array}{ll} x^2 \text{ terms:} & 18 = 9A \\ x \text{ terms:} & 3 = -12A + 9B \\ \text{constant terms:} & 4 = 2A - 6B + 9C \end{array} .$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{18}{9} = 2 , \\ B &= \frac{3 + 12A}{9} = \frac{3 + 12 \cdot 2}{9} = 3 , \\ C &= \frac{4 - 2A + 6B}{9} = \frac{4 - 2 \cdot 2 + 6 \cdot 3}{9} = \frac{15}{-3} = 2 , \end{aligned}$$

and the particular solution is

$$y_p(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C = 2x^2 + 3x + 2 .$$

For y_h :

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 6r + 9 = (r - 3)^2 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = 3$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1e^{3x} + c_2xe^{3x} .$$

So the general solution to the nonhomogeneous differential equation is

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = 2x^2 + 3x + 2 + c_1e^{3x} + c_2xe^{3x} .$$

20.7 a. For y_p : Since $g(x) = 25x \cos(2x)$, we'll let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = [Ax + B] \cos(2x) + [Cx + D] \sin(2x) . \quad (\star)$$

Computing the derivatives, we get

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= [A] \cos(2x) + [Ax + B](-2 \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + [C] \sin(2x) + [Cx + D](2 \cos(2x)) \\ &= [2Cx + A + 2D] \cos(2x) + [-2Ax - 2B + C] \sin(2x) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) &= [2C] \cos(2x) + [2Cx + A + 2D](-2 \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + [-2A] \sin(2x) + [-2Ax - 2B + C](2 \cos(2x)) \\ &= [-4Ax - 4B + 4C] \cos(2x) + [-4Cx - 4A - 4D] \sin(2x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the differential equation, we then have

$$\begin{aligned} 25x \cos(2x) &= y'' + 9y \\ &= ([-4Ax - 4B + 4C] \cos(2x) + [-4Cx - 4A - 4D] \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + 9([Ax + B] \cos(2x) + [Cx + D] \sin(2x)) \\ &= [5Ax + 5B + 4C] \cos(2x) + [5Cx - 4A + 5D] \sin(2x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle and comparing terms, we get the system

$$\begin{array}{ll} x \cos(2x) \text{ terms:} & 25 = 5A \\ \cos(2x) \text{ terms:} & 0 = 5B + 4C \\ x \sin(2x) \text{ terms:} & 0 = 5C \\ \sin(2x) \text{ terms:} & 0 = -4A + 5D \end{array}$$

Hence,

$$A = \frac{25}{5} = 5 \quad , \quad C = 0 \quad , \quad B = -\frac{4}{5}C = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D = \frac{4}{5}A = 4 \quad ,$$

and particular solution (\star) ends up being

$$y_p(x) = [5x + 0] \cos(2x) + [0x + 4] \sin(x) = 5x \cos(2x) + 4 \sin(2x) \quad .$$

For y_h : From several of the previous problems, we already know that the general solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation $y' + 9y = 0$ is

$$y_h(x) = c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x)$$

Consequently, the general solution to the given nonhomogeneous differential equation is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= y_p(x) + y_h(x) \\ &= 5x \cos(2x) + 4 \sin(2x) + c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

20.7 c. For y_p : Since $g(x) = 54x^2 e^{3x}$, we'll let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} \quad . \quad (\star)$$

Computing the derivatives, we get

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= [2Ax + B]e^{3x} + [Ax^2 + Bx + C](3e^{3x}) \\ &= [3Ax^2 + (2A + 3B)x + (B + 3C)]e^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) &= [6Ax + (2A + 3B)]e^{3x} + [3Ax^2 + (2A + 3B)x + (B + 3C)](3e^{3x}) \\ &= [9Ax^2 + (12A + 9B)x + (2A + 6B + 9C)]e^{3x} . \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the differential equation, we then have

$$\begin{aligned} 54x^2e^{3x} &= y'' + 9y \\ &= [9Ax^2 + (12A + 9B)x + (2A + 6B + 9C)]e^{3x} \\ &\quad + 9[Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} \\ &= [18Ax^2 + (12A + 18B)x + (2A + 6B + 18C)]e^{3x} . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle and comparing terms, we get:

$$\begin{array}{ll} x^2e^{3x} \text{ terms:} & 54 = 18A \\ xe^{3x} \text{ terms:} & 0 = 12A + 18B \\ e^{3x} \text{ terms:} & 0 = 2A + 6B + 18C \end{array}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{54}{18} = 3 \quad , \quad B = -\frac{12}{18}A = -\frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 = -2 \quad , \\ C &= -\frac{1}{18}[2A + 6B] = -\frac{1}{18}[2 \cdot 3 - 6 \cdot 2] = \frac{1}{3} \quad , \end{aligned}$$

and particular solution (\star) ends up being

$$y_p(x) = \left[3x^2 - 2x + \frac{1}{3}\right]e^{3x} .$$

For y_h : From several of the previous problems, we already know that the general solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation $y' + 9y = 0$ is

$$y_h(x) = c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x)$$

Consequently, the general solution to the given nonhomogeneous differential equation is

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = \left[3x^2 - 2x + \frac{1}{3}\right]e^{3x} + c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x) .$$

20.7 e. For y_p : We'll let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = [Ax + B] \cos(2x) + [Cx + D] \sin(2x) . \quad (\star)$$

Computing the derivatives, we get

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= [A] \cos(2x) + [Ax + B](-2 \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + [C] \sin(2x) + [Cx + D](2 \cos(2x)) \\ &= [2Cx + A + 2D] \cos(2x) + [-2Ax - 2B + C] \sin(2x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) &= [2C] \cos(2x) + [2Cx + A + 2D](-2 \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + [-2A] \sin(2x) + [-2Ax - 2B + C](2 \cos(2x)) \\ &= [-4Ax - 4B + 4C] \cos(2x) + [-4Cx - 4A - 4D] \sin(2x) \end{aligned}$$

Plugging that into the differential equation, we then have

$$\begin{aligned} &[-6x - 8] \cos(2x) + [8x - 11] \sin(2x) \\ &= y'' - 2y' + y \\ &= ([-4Ax - 4B + 4C] \cos(2x) + [-4Cx - 4A - 4D] \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad - 2([2Cx + A + 2D] \cos(2x) + [-2Ax - 2B + C] \sin(2x)) \\ &\quad + ([Ax + B] \cos(2x) + [Cx + D] \sin(2x)) \\ &= [(-3A + 4C)x + (-2A - 3B + 4C - 4D)] \cos(2x) \\ &\quad + [(4A - 3C)x + (-4A + 4B - 2C - 3D)] \sin(2x) . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle and comparing terms, we get the system

$$\begin{array}{ll} x \cos(2x) \text{ terms:} & -6 = -3A + 4C \\ \cos(2x) \text{ terms:} & -8 = -2A - 3B + 4C - 4D \\ x \sin(2x) \text{ terms:} & 8 = 4A - 3C \\ \sin(2x) \text{ terms:} & -11 = -4A + 4B - 2C - 3D \end{array}$$

Since there are two equations just involving A and C , we will solve that pair first:

$$\begin{aligned} -6 &= -3A + 4C \quad \text{and} \quad 8 = 4A - 3C \\ \Leftrightarrow A &= \frac{6+4C}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad 8 = 4 \left[\frac{6+4C}{3} \right] - 3C = 8 + \frac{7C}{3} \\ \Leftrightarrow A &= \frac{6+4C}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \frac{3(8-8)}{7} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow A &= \frac{6+4 \cdot 0}{3} = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad C = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

With these values for A and C , the other equations in the system for the coefficients become

$$-8 = -2 \cdot 2 - 3B + 4 \cdot 0 - 4D \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad 4 = 3B + 4D$$

and

$$-11 = -4 \cdot 2 + 4B - 2 \cdot 0 - 3D \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad -3 = 4B - 3D .$$

Solving for B and D :

$$4 = 3B + 4D \quad \text{and} \quad -3 = 4B - 3D$$

$$\Leftrightarrow B = \frac{4-4D}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad -3 = 4\left[\frac{4-4D}{3}\right] - 3D = \frac{16}{3} - \frac{25D}{3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow B = \frac{4-4D}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \frac{3}{25}\left[3 + \frac{16}{3}\right] = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow B = \frac{4-4 \cdot 1}{3} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D = 1 \quad .$$

So particular solution (\star) becomes

$$y_p(x) = [2x + 0]\cos(2x) + [0x + 1]\sin(2x) = 2x \cos(2x) + \sin(2x) \quad .$$

For y_h :

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

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 2r + 1 = (r-1)^2 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad r = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x \quad .$$

Hence, the general solution to the given nonhomogeneous differential equation is

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = 2x \cos(2x) + \sin(2x) + c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x \quad .$$

20.9 a. For these problems, the “first guess” will not work. For this reason we start by finding the general solution y_h to the corresponding homogeneous differential equation:

$$y'' - 3y' - 10y = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 3r - 10 = (r+2)(r-5)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r = -2 \quad \text{and} \quad r = 5$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{5x} \quad .$$

For y_p : Since $g(x) = -3e^{-2x}$,

the “first guess” for $y_p(x)$ is Ae^{-2x} .

But that is a term in y_h . So we must consider the “second guess”;

$$\text{“second guess” for } y_p(x) = x \times \text{“first guess”} = x \left[Ae^{-2x} \right] = Ax e^{-2x} \quad .$$

Since this is not a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation, it is an appropriate “guess”. Accordingly, we will let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = Ax e^{-2x} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad y'(x) = Ae^{-2x} - 2Ax e^{-2x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y''(x) = -4Ae^{-2x} + 4xAe^{-2x} \quad .$$

Using this with the given differential equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} -3e^{-2x} &= y'' - 3y' - 10y \\ &= [-4Ae^{-2x} + 4xAe^{-2x}] - 3[Ae^{-2x} - 2Axe^{-2x}] - 10[Axe^{-2x}] \\ &= [4 + 6 - 10]Axe^{-2x} + [-4 - 3]Ae^{-2x} \\ &= [0]Axe^{-2x} + [-7]Ae^{-2x} = -7Ae^{-2x} . \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $A = \frac{-3}{-7} = \frac{3}{7}$, and

$$y_p(x) = Axe^{-2x} = \frac{3}{7}xe^{-2x} ,$$

with the general solution being

$$y(x) = y_p(x) + y_h(x) = \frac{3}{7}xe^{-2x} + c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x} .$$

20.9 c. For y_h :

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

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 + 4r = r(r + 4)$$

$$\hookrightarrow r = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r = -4$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 + c_2e^{-4x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“first guess”} = Ax^2 + Bx + C ,$$

which we must reject since one term, the constant C , is also a solution to the corresponding homogeneous differential equation. So we consider

$$\text{“second guess”} = x[Ax^2 + Bx + C] = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx .$$

No terms in this can be viewed as a term in y_h . So, in finding y_p we will let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx$$

$$\hookrightarrow y'(x) = 3Ax^2 + 2Bx + C \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad y''(x) = 6Ax + 2B .$$

Plugging into the differential equation,

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= y'' + 4y' \\ &= [6Ax + 2B] + 4[3Ax^2 + 2Bx + C] \\ &= [12A]x^2 + [6A + 8B]x + [2B + 4C] , \end{aligned}$$

leads to the system

$$\begin{array}{ll} x^2 \text{ terms:} & 1 = 12A \\ x \text{ terms:} & 0 = 6A + 8B \\ \text{constant terms:} & 0 = 2B + 4C \end{array} .$$

Hence,

$$A = \frac{1}{12} , \quad B = -\frac{6}{8}A = -\frac{1}{16} , \quad C = -\frac{2}{4}B = \frac{1}{32} ,$$

$$y_p(x) = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx = \frac{1}{12}x^3 - \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{32}x ,$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{12}x^3 - \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{32}x + c_1 + c_2e^{-4x} .$$

20.9 e. For y_h :

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 6r + 9 = (r-3)^2 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = 3$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1e^{3x} + c_2xe^{3x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^{3x} ,$$

which we reject since it is a term in y_h (with $A = c_1$).

$$\text{“Second guess”} = x [Ae^{3x}] = Axe^{3x} ,$$

which we also reject since it is also a term in y_h . But

$$\text{“Third guess”} = x [Ax^2e^{3x}] = Ax^2e^{3x}$$

is not a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation. Thus, to find y_p we let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = Ax^2e^{3x} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad y'(x) = 2Axe^{3x} + 3Ax^2e^{3x}$$

$$\hookrightarrow y''(x) = 2Ae^{3x} + 12Axe^{3x} + 9Ax^2e^{3x} .$$

Plugging into the differential equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 10e^{3x} &= y'' - 6y' + 9y \\ &= [2Ae^{3x} + 12Axe^{3x} + 9Ax^2e^{3x}] - 6[2Axe^{3x} + 3Ax^2e^{3x}] \\ &\quad + 9[Ax^2e^{3x}] \\ &= 2Ae^{3x} + [12 - 12]Axe^{3x} + [9 - 18 + 9]Ax^2e^{3x} = 2Ae^{3x} . \end{aligned}$$

So $A = \frac{10}{2} = 5$,

$$y_p(x) = Ax^2e^{3x} = 5x^2e^{3x} \quad ,$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = 5x^2e^{3x} + c_1e^{3x} + c_2xe^{3x} \quad .$$

20.10 a. For y_h :

$$y'' - 3y' - 10y = 0$$

$$\iff 0 = r^2 - 3r - 10 = (r+2)(r-5)$$

$$\iff y_h(x) = c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x} \quad .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{2x} = Ax^2e^{2x} + Bxe^{2x} + Ce^{2x} \quad .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use,

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{2x} \quad .$$

Computing the derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= [2Ax + B]e^{2x} + [Ax^2 + Bx + C](2e^{2x}) \\ &= [2Ax^2 + (2A + 2B)x + (B + 2C)]e^{2x} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) &= [4Ax + (2A + 2B)]e^{2x} + [2Ax^2 + (2A + 2B)x + (B + 2C)](2e^{2x}) \\ &= [4Ax^2 + (8A + 4B)x + (2A + 4B + 4C)]e^{2x} \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Plugging into the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} [72x^2 - 1]e^{2x} &= y'' - 3y' - 10y \\ &= \left[[4Ax^2 + (8A + 4B)x + (2A + 4B + 4C)]e^{2x} \right] \\ &\quad - 3 \left[[2Ax^2 + (2A + 2B)x + (B + 2C)]e^{2x} \right] \\ &\quad - 10 \left[[Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{2x} \right] \\ &= [-12Ax^2 + (2A - 12B)x + (2A + B - 12C)]e^{2x} \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Cutting out the middle and comparing terms, we get the system

$$\begin{aligned} x^2e^{2x} \text{ terms:} & \quad 72 = -12A \\ xe^{2x} \text{ terms:} & \quad 0 = 2A - 12B \\ e^{2x} \text{ terms:} & \quad -1 = 2A + B - 12C \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$A = \frac{72}{-12} = -6, \quad B = \frac{2}{12}A = -1, \quad C = \frac{1}{12}[1 + 2A + B] = -1,$$

particular solution (\star) is

$$y_p(x) = [-6x^2 - x - 1]e^{3x},$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = [-6x^2 - x - 1]e^{3x} + c_1e^{-2x} + c_2e^{5x}.$$

20.10 c. For y_h :

$$y'' - 10y' + 25y = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 10r + 25 = (r - 5)^2 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad r = 5$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1e^{5x} + c_2xe^{5x}.$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^{5x},$$

which we reject since it is a term in y_h (with $A = c_1$).

$$\text{“Second guess”} = x[Ae^{5x}] = Axe^{5x},$$

which we also reject since it is also a term in y_h . But

$$\text{“third guess”} = x[Axe^{5x}] = Ax^2e^{5x}$$

is not a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation. Thus, to find y_p we let

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = Ax^2e^{5x} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad y'(x) = 2Axe^{5x} + 5Ax^2e^{5x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y''(x) = 2Ae^{5x} + 20Axe^{5x} + 25Ax^2e^{5x}.$$

Plugging into the differential equation,

$$\begin{aligned} 6e^{5x} &= y'' - 10y' + 25y \\ &= [2Ae^{5x} + 20Axe^{5x} + 25Ax^2e^{5x}] - 10[2Axe^{5x} + 5Ax^2e^{5x}] \\ &\quad + 25[Ax^2e^{5x}] \\ &= 2Ae^{5x} + [20 - 20]Axe^{5x} + [25 - 50 - 25]Ax^2e^{5x} = 2Ae^{5x}. \end{aligned}$$

So $A = \frac{6}{2} = 3$,

$$y_p(x) = Ax^2e^{5x} = 3x^2e^{5x},$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = 3x^2e^{5x} + c_1e^{5x} + c_2xe^{5x}.$$

20.10 e. For y_h :

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow r^2 + 4r + 5 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2} = -2 \pm 1i$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{-2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{-2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

For y_p ,

$$\text{“First guess”} = A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x) \quad .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this is what we will use for $y = y_p$:

$$\begin{aligned} 24 \sin(3x) &= y'' + 4y' + 5y \\ &= [A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)]'' + 4[A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)]' \\ &\quad + 5[A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)] \\ &= [-9A \cos(3x) - 9B \sin(3x)] + 4[-3A \sin(3x) + 3B \cos(3x)] \\ &\quad + 5[A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)] \\ &= [-4A + 12B] \cos(3x) + [-12A - 4B] \sin(3x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms, we get

$$\cos(3x) \text{ terms:} \quad 0 = -4A + 12B$$

$$\sin(3x) \text{ terms:} \quad 24 = -12A - 4B$$

At this point, you should be able to figure out that the solution to this system is $A = -\frac{9}{5}$ and $B = -\frac{3}{5}$. Hence,

$$y_p(x) = -\frac{9}{5} \cos(3x) - \frac{3}{5} \sin(3x)$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = -\frac{9}{5} \cos(3x) - \frac{3}{5} \sin(3x) + c_1 e^{-2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{-2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

20.10 g. For y_h :

$$y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow r^2 + 4r + 5 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2} = -2 \pm 1i$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

For y_p ,

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^{2x} \cos(x) + Be^{2x} \sin(x) \quad ,$$

which we reject since both terms are also terms in y_h . Continuing:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“Second guess”} &= x [Ae^{2x} \cos(x) + Be^{2x} \sin(x)] \\ &= Axe^{2x} \cos(x) + Bxe^{2x} \sin(x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Neither term in this guess is a term in y_h , so this is what we will use for $y = y_p$. For convenience in computing the derivatives, it may be best to write this as

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = xe^{2x}[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] .$$

Computing the derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= (e^{2x} + 2xe^{2x})[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] + xe^{2x}[-A \sin(x) + B \cos(x)] \\ &= e^{2x}[(A + [2A + B]x) \cos(x) + (B + [2B - A]x) \sin(x)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) &= 2e^{2x}[(A + [2A + B]x) \cos(x) + (B + [2B - A]x) \sin(x)] \\ &\quad + e^{2x}[(0 + [2A + B]) \cos(x) + (0 + [2B - A]) \sin(x)] \\ &\quad + e^{2x}[(A + [2A + B]x)(-\sin(x)) + (B + [2B - A]x) \cos(x)] \\ &= e^{2x}[(4A + 2B) + [3A + 4B]x) \cos(x) \\ &\quad + ([4B - 2A] + [3B - 4A]x) \sin(x)] . \end{aligned}$$

Plugging into the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2x} \sin(x) &= y'' + 4y' + 5y \\ &= e^{2x}[(4A + 2B) + [3A + 4B]x) \cos(x) \\ &\quad + ([4B - 2A] + [3B - 4A]x) \sin(x)] \\ &\quad - 4e^{2x}[(A + [2A + B]x) \cos(x) + (B + [2B - A]x) \sin(x)] \\ &\quad + 5e^{2x}[Ax \cos(x) + Bx \sin(x)] \\ &= e^{2x}[(2B + 0x) \cos(x) + (-2A + 0x) \sin(x)] . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2x} \cos(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad 0 = 2B \\ e^{2x} \sin(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad 1 = -2A \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $A = -\frac{1}{2}$, $B = 0$,

$$y_p(x) = -\frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} \cos(x) + 0xe^{2x} \sin(x) = -\frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} \cos(x)$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = -\frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} \cos(x) + c_1e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2e^{2x} \sin(x) .$$

20.10 i. From several problems above, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2e^{2x} \sin(x) .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{"First guess"} = A .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this is what we will use for $y = y_p$:

$$100 = y'' - 4y' + 5y = [A]'' - 4[A]' + 5A = 5A \quad .$$

So $A = \frac{100}{5} = 20$,

$$y_p(x) = 20$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = 20 + c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

20.10 k. From several problems above, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ax^2 + Bx + C \quad .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this is what we will use for $y = y_p$:

$$\begin{aligned} 10x^2 + 4x + 8 &= y'' - 4y' + 5y \\ &= [Ax^2 + Bx + C]'' - 4[Ax^2 + Bx + C]' \\ &\quad + 5[Ax^2 + Bx + C] \\ &= [2A] - 4[2Ax + B] + 5[Ax^2 + Bx + C] \\ &= 5Ax^2 + [-8A + 5B]x + [2A - 4B + 5C] \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms:

$$x^2 \text{ terms:} \quad 10 = 5A$$

$$x \text{ terms:} \quad 4 = -8A + 5B$$

$$\text{constant terms:} \quad 8 = 2A - 4B + 5C$$

So,

$$A = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \quad , \quad B = \frac{4 + 8A}{5} = 4 \quad , \quad C = \frac{8 - 2A + 4B}{5} = 4 \quad ,$$

$$y_p(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 4 \quad ,$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 4 + c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

20.10 m. For y_h :

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \quad r^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad r = \pm\sqrt{-1} = \pm 1i$$

$$\hookrightarrow \quad y_h(x) = c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 \sin(x) \quad .$$

For y_p ,

$$\text{“First guess”} = A \cos(x) + B \sin(x) ,$$

which we reject since both terms are also terms in y_h . Continuing:

$$\text{“Second guess”} = x [A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] = Ax \cos(x) + Bxe \sin(x) .$$

Neither term in this guess is a term in y_h , so this is what we will use for y_p . Computing the derivatives:

$$y(x) = y_p(x) = x[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)]$$

$$\hookrightarrow y'(x) = [A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] + x[-A \sin(x) + B \cos(x)]$$

$$\hookrightarrow y''(x) = 2[-A \sin(x) + B \cos(x)] - x[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] .$$

Plugging into the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} 6 \cos(x) - 3 \sin(x) &= y'' + y \\ &= 2[-A \sin(x) + B \cos(x)] - x[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] \\ &\quad + x[A \cos(x) + B \sin(x)] \\ &= 2B \cos(x) - 2A \sin(x) . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad 6 = 2B \\ \sin(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad -3 = -2A . \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $A = \frac{-3}{-2} = \frac{3}{2}$, $B = \frac{6}{2} = 3$,

$$y_p(x) = \frac{3}{2}x \cos(x) + 3x \sin(x) ,$$

and the general solution is

$$y(x) = \frac{3}{2}x \cos(x) + 3x \sin(x) + c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 \sin(x) .$$

20.11 a. From several problems above, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) .$$

For y_p :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“First guess”} &= \left[A_0 x^3 + A_1 x^2 + A_2 x + A_3 \right] e^{-x} \sin(x) \\ &\quad + \left[B_0 x^3 + B_1 x^2 + B_2 x + B_3 \right] e^{-x} \cos(x) . \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 c. For y_h :

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

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 5r + 6 = (r-2)(r-3)$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{-7x} = Ax^2 e^{-7x} + Bx e^{-7x} + C e^{-7x} .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 e. From previous problems, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = A e^{-8x} .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 g. From previous problems, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} = Ax^2 e^{3x} + Bx e^{3x} + C e^{3x} .$$

which we reject because the last term is also a term in y_h . Continuing,

$$\text{“Second guess”} = x[Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} = Ax^3 e^{3x} + Bx^2 e^{3x} + Cx e^{3x} .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 i. From previous problems, we know

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} \cos(2x) + [Dx^2 + Ex + F]e^{3x} \sin(2x) .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 k. For y_h :

$$y'' - 4y' + 20y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow r^2 - 4r + 20 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4 \cdot 20}}{2} = 2 \pm 4i$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} \cos(4x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(4x) .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^{2x} \cos(4x) + Be^{2x} \sin(4x) ,$$

which we reject because each term is also a term in y_h . Continuing,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“Second guess”} &= x [Ae^{2x} \cos(4x) + Be^{2x} \sin(4x)] \\ &= Ax e^{2x} \cos(4x) + Bx e^{2x} \sin(4x) . \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.11 m. For y_h :

$$y'' - 10y' + 25y = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 = r^2 - 10r + 25 = (r - 5)^2 \quad \rightsquigarrow r = 5$$

$$\hookrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{5x} + c_2 x e^{5x} .$$

For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C] e^{5x} = Ax^2 e^{5x} + Bx e^{5x} + C e^{5x} ,$$

which we reject because two terms also terms in y_h . Continuing,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“Second guess”} &= x [Ax^2 + Bx + C] e^{5x} \\ &= [Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx] e^{5x} = Ax^3 e^{5x} + Bx^2 e^{5x} + Cx e^{5x} , \end{aligned}$$

which we also reject because one term is also a term in y_h . Continuing,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“Third guess”} &= x^2 [Ax^2 + Bx + C] e^{5x} \\ &= [Ax^4 + Bx^3 + Cx^2] e^{5x} = Ax^4 e^{5x} + Bx^3 e^{5x} + Cx^2 e^{5x} , \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.12 a. For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^{-2x} .$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_p$. Plugging it into the differential equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 12e^{-2x} &= y^{(4)} - 4y^{(3)} = [Ae^{-2x}]^{(4)} - 4[Ae^{-2x}]^{(3)} \\ &= (-2)^4 Ae^{-2x} - 4(-2)^3 Ae^{-2x} = 48Ae^{-2x} . \end{aligned}$$

So $A = \frac{12}{48} = \frac{1}{4}$, and $y_p(x) = \frac{1}{4}e^{-2x}$.

20.12 c. For y_p :

“First guess” = Ae^{4x} .

which we reject because it is a term in y_h . Continuing,

“Second guess” = $x[Ae^{4x}] = Axe^{4x}$.

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_p$. Doing so and computing the necessary derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) = y_p(x) = Axe^{4x} &\rightsquigarrow y'(x) = Ae^{4x} + 4Axe^{4x} \\ \hookrightarrow y''(x) = 8Ae^{4x} + 16Axe^{4x} &\rightsquigarrow y^{(3)}(x) = 48Ae^{4x} + 64Axe^{4x} \\ \hookrightarrow y^{(4)}(x) = 256Ae^{4x} + 256Axe^{4x} . \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the differential equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 32e^{4x} &= y^{(4)} - 4y^{(3)} \\ &= [256Ae^{4x} + 256Axe^{4x}] - 4[48Ae^{4x} + 64Axe^{4x}] \\ &= 64Ae^{4x} + 0Axe^{4x} = 64Ae^{4x} . \end{aligned}$$

So $A = \frac{32}{64} = \frac{1}{2}$, and $y_p(x) = \frac{1}{2}xe^{4x}$.

20.12 e. For y_p :

“First guess” = $Ax^2 + Bx + C$.

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_p$. Plugging it into the differential equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= y^{(3)} - y'' + y' - y \\ &= [Ax^2 + Bx + C]^{(3)} - [Ax^2 + Bx + C]'' \\ &\quad + [Ax^2 + Bx + C]' - [Ax^2 + Bx + C] \\ &= [0] - [2A] + [2Ax + B] + [-Ax^2 - Bx - C] \\ &= -Ax^2 + [2A - B]x + [2A + B - C] . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 \text{ terms:} & \quad 1 = -A \\ x \text{ terms:} & \quad 0 = 2A - B \\ \text{constant terms:} & \quad 0 = 2A + B - C \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $A = -1$, $B = -2A = 2$, $C = 2A + B = 0$, and $y_p(x) = -x^2 - 2x$.

20.12 g. For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = Ae^x,$$

which we reject because it is a term in y_h . Continuing,

$$\text{“Second guess”} = x[Ae^x] = Axe^x,$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_p$. Doing so and computing the necessary derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) = y_p(x) = Axe^x & \longrightarrow y'(x) = Ae^x + Axe^x \\ \hookrightarrow y''(x) = 2Ae^x + Axe^x & \longrightarrow y^{(3)}(x) = 3Ae^x + Axe^x. \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the differential equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 6e^x &= y^{(3)} - y'' + y' - y \\ &= [3Ae^x + Axe^x] - [2Ae^x + Axe^x] + [Ae^x + Axe^x] - [Axe^x] \\ &= 2Ae^x + 0Axe^x = 2Ae^x. \end{aligned}$$

So $A = \frac{6}{2} = 3$, and $y_p(x) = 3xe^x$.

20.13 a. For y_p :

$$\text{“First guess”} = [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} = Ax^2e^{3x} + Bxe^{3x} + Ce^{3x}.$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.13 c. For y_p :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“First guess”} &= [Ax^2 + Bx + C]e^{3x} \cos(3x) \\ &\quad + [Dx^2 + Ex + F]e^{3x} \sin(3x). \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.13 e. For y_p :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“First guess”} &= [Ax + B] \cos(x) + [Cx + D] \sin(x) \\ &= Ax \cos(x) + B \cos(x) + Cx \sin(x) + D \sin(x) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

which we reject because it has two terms that are also in y_h . Continuing,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“Second guess”} &= x([Ax + B] \cos(x) + [Cx + D] \sin(x)) \\ &= [Ax^2 + Bx] \cos(x) + [Cx^2 + Dx] \sin(x) \\ &= Ax^2 \cos(x) + Bx \cos(x) + Cx^2 \sin(x) + Dx \sin(x) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.13 g. For y_p :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{“First guess”} &= [Ax^5 + Bx^4 + Cx^3 + Dx^2 + Ex + F] e^{2x} \\ &= Ax^5 e^{2x} + Bx^4 e^{2x} + Cx^3 e^{2x} + Dx^2 e^{2x} + Ex e^{2x} + Fe^{2x} \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Since no term in this is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we use for y_p .

20.14 a. From the answer to exercise 20.1 b, we know that one solution to

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 27e^{6x} = g_1(x)$$

is

$$y_{p1} = 3e^{6x} \quad ,$$

and from the answer to exercise 20.3 b, we know that one solution to

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 25 \sin(6x) = g_2(x)$$

is

$$y_{p2}(x) = \frac{4}{9} \cos(6x) - \frac{1}{3} \sin(6x) \quad .$$

So, by superposition, it follows that one solution to

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = 27e^{6x} + 25 \sin(6x) = g_1(x) + g_2(x)$$

is

$$y_p(x) = y_{p1}(x) + y_{p2}(x) = 3e^{6x} + \frac{4}{9} \cos(6x) - \frac{1}{3} \sin(6x) \quad .$$

20.14 c. Using the identity

$$\sin^2(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x)$$

we can rewrite the differential equation as

$$y'' - 4y' + 5y = g_1(x) + g_2(x)$$

where

$$g_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad g_2(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) \quad .$$

Our solution is $y_p = y_{p1} + y_{p2}$ where y_{p1} and y_{p2} are, respectively, particular solutions to

$$y'' - 4y' + 5y = g_1(x) \quad \text{and} \quad y'' - 4y' + 5y = g_2(x) \quad ,$$

which we will find by the method of guess.

First, we must find (again) y_h :

$$y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^2 - 4r + 5 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad r = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2} = 2 \pm 1i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_h(x) = c_1 e^{2x} \cos(x) + c_2 e^{2x} \sin(x) \quad .$$

For y_{p1} : Since g_1 is a constant,

$$\text{“First guess”} = A \quad .$$

Since this is not a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_{p1}$. Plugging it into the differential equation:

$$\frac{5}{2} = g_1(x) = y'' - 4y' + 5y = [A]'' - [A]' + 5A = 5A \quad .$$

So $A = \frac{5}{5 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2}$, and

$$y_{p1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \quad .$$

For y_{p2} : Since $g_2(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x)$,

$$\text{“First guess”} = A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x) \quad .$$

Since no term is also a term in y_h , this guess is what we will use for $y = y_{p2}$. Plugging it into the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) &= g_2(x) \\ &= y'' - 4y' + 5y \\ &= [A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)]'' - 4[A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)]' \\ &\quad + 5[A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)] \\ &= [-4A \cos(2x) - 4B \sin(2x)] - 4[-2A \sin(2x) + 2B \cos(2x)] \\ &\quad + 5[A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x)] \\ &= [A - 8B] \cos(2x) + [8A + B] \sin(2x) \quad . \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Comparing terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad -\frac{1}{2} = A - 8B \\ \sin(x) \text{ terms:} & \quad 0 = 8A + B \end{aligned}$$

Solving this yields $A = -\frac{1}{26}$ and $B = \frac{4}{13}$. Hence,

$$y_{p2}(x) = -\frac{1}{26} \cos(2x) + \frac{4}{13} \sin(2x) \quad .$$

Finally, combining the above yields

$$y_p(x) = y_{p1} + y_{p2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{26} \cos(2x) + \frac{4}{13} \sin(2x) \quad .$$