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1.) (3pts) Knowing that  $y_1 = x^{\frac{1}{4}} \cos(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \ln x)$  is a solution to the DE

$$2x^2 y'' + xy' + y = 0,$$

find a second solution  $y_2$  linearly independent to  $y_1$  by using reduction of order.

2.) (7pts) Solve the nonhomogeneous linear DE

$$2y'' + y' - y = \frac{2}{x}.$$

Solution

$$1.) y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int P(x)} dx}{y_1^2} dx$$

$$y'' + \frac{1}{2x} y' + \frac{1}{2x^2} y = 0, x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = \frac{1}{2x} \rightarrow e^{-\int P} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x}} = x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos^2(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \ln x)} dx$$

$$= y_1 \int \frac{1}{x \cos^2(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \ln x)} dx$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{7}} y_1 \left[ \tan\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \ln x\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{7}} x^{\frac{1}{4}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \ln x\right)$$

$$2.) y = y_c + y_p$$

First, we solve  $2y'' + y' - y = 0$

The auxiliary equation  $2m^2 + m - 1 = 0$

$$D = 9, m_1 = -1, m_2 = 1/2$$

$$y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{x/2}$$

To find  $y_p$  we use variation of parameters

$$y_p = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2, y_1 = e^{-x}, y_2 = e^{x/2}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{x/2} \\ -e^{-x} & \frac{e^{x/2}}{2} \end{vmatrix} = 3/2 e^{-x/2}$$

$$u_1' = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-x}}{e^{-x}} \Rightarrow u_1 = -\int \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-x}}{e^{-x}} dx$$

$$u_2' = \frac{2e^{-x/2}}{3e^{-x/2}} \Rightarrow u_2 = \int \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-x/2}}{e^{-x/2}} dx$$

$$y_p = -\frac{2e^{-x}}{3} \int \frac{e^{-t}}{e^{-t}} dt + \frac{2e^{x/2}}{3} \int \frac{e^{-t/2}}{e^{-t/2}} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{x/2} + y_p$$