

HOMEWORK #4 (Chapter 3 Exercises--- Preliminary Theory, Reduction of Order,  
Homogeneous Linear Equations with Constant Coefficients)

**Due on Nov. 2**

Consider 1), 2), determine whether the given set of function is linearly dependent or linearly independent on the interval  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .

1)  $f_1(x) = x$ ,  $f_2(x) = x^2$ ,  $f_3(x) = 4x - 3x^2$  (page 113, Problem 15)

2)  $f_1(x) = 1 + x$ ,  $f_2(x) = x$ ,  $f_3(x) = x^2$  (page 113, Problem 21)

3) Verify that the given function form a fundamental set of the differential equation on the indicated interval. Form the general solution.  $x^2 y'' - 6xy' + 12y = 0$ ;  $x^3, x^4, (0, \infty)$

(page 113, problem 27)

Consider 4)~ 5), the indicated function  $y_1$  is a solution of the given equation. Use reduction of order to find a second solution  $y_2$ .

4)  $9y'' - 12y' + 4y = 0$ ;  $y_1 = e^{2x/3}$  (page 116, Problem 7)

5)  $x^2 y'' - 7xy' + 16y = 0$ ;  $y_1 = x^4$  (page 116, Problem 9)

Consider 6)~ 7), find the general solution of the given second-order differential equation.

6)  $y'' - y' - 6y = 0$

(page 122, Problem 3)

7)  $y'' + 8y' + 16y = 0$

(page 122, Problem 5)