

**Instructions:** Show all work. Answers without work required to obtain the solution will not receive full credit. Some questions may contain multiple parts: be sure to answer all of them. Give exact answers unless specifically asked to estimate.

1. Use series solution methods to solve the equation  $2y'' + xy' + 3y = 0, x_0 = 0$ . *Write at least 4 terms of each solution*

$$2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n n(n-1) x^{n-2} + x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n x^{n-1} + 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2 a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3 a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [2 a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) + a_n n + 3 a_n] x^n + 2 a_2 (2)(1) + 3 a_0 (1) = 0$$

$$2 a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) = -a_n (n+3)$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{-a_n (n+3)}{2(n+2)(n+1)}$$

$$4 a_2 = -3 a_0$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{3}{4} a_0$$

$n=1$

$$a_3 = \frac{-a_1 (4)}{2(3)(2)} = -\frac{a_1}{3}$$

$n=2$

$$a_4 = \frac{-a_2 (5)}{2(4)(3)} = \frac{-5}{24} \left(-\frac{3}{4} a_0\right) = \frac{5}{32} a_0$$

$n=3$

$$a_5 = \frac{-a_3 (6)}{2(5)(4)} = \frac{-3}{20} \left(-\frac{a_1}{3}\right) = \frac{a_1}{20}$$

$n=4$

$$a_6 = \frac{-a_4 (7)}{2(6)(5)} = \frac{5}{32} \left(\frac{-7}{12 \cdot 5}\right) a_0 = -\frac{7}{384} a_0$$

$n=5$

$$a_7 = \frac{-a_5 (8)}{2(7)(6)} = \frac{a_1}{20} \left(-\frac{2}{21}\right) = -\frac{1}{210} a_1$$

$$y(x) = a_0 \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} x^2 + \frac{5}{32} x^4 - \frac{7}{384} x^6 + \dots\right) + a_1 \left(x - \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{20} x^5 - \frac{1}{210} x^7 + \dots\right)$$