

**Homework #7**

Math 527, UNH spring 2014

**Due Tuesday, Apr. 22 in recitation.**

Note: Problems 1 and 2 are warm-up/review problems for power series.

**Problem 1:** Find the power series expansions of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  about  $x = 0$  by using the Taylor expansion

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left. \frac{d^n f}{dx^n} \right|_{x=0} x^n$$

That is, plug  $f(x) = \sin x$  into the above equation and evaluate the derivatives to derive a power series expansion of  $\sin x$ . Then do the same for  $\cos x$ .

**Problem 2:** Use the power series expansions of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  to show that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

That is, differentiate the power series of  $\sin x$  and show it equals the power series of  $\cos x$ .

**Problem 3:** Find the general solution of the ODE using the ansatz  $y = e^{\lambda x}$ , and then find it again using the power series method.

$$y'' + k^2 y = 0$$

**Problem 4:** Find two linearly independent power-series solutions of the ODE, centered about  $x = 0$ . If the power series does not simplify to a known function or have a simple expression for the coefficients, provide the first four terms of each solution.

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

**Problem 5:** Use the power series method to solve the initial value problem and specify the solution's interval of convergence (Zill 6.1 problem 29).

$$(x - 1)y'' - xy' + y = 0, \quad y(0) = -2, \quad y'(0) = 6$$