

QUIZ 6 2/19/08

Name : SOLUTIONS

1. Solve the following initial value problem.

$$y'' + 2y' - 3y = 0 \quad y(0) = \underline{3}, \quad y'(0) = \underline{-1}$$

$$r^2 + 2r - 3 = 0$$

$$(r+3)(r-1) = 0$$

$$r_{1,2} = -3, 1$$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-3t}$$

$$y'(t) = c_1 e^t - 3c_2 e^{-3t}$$

$$y(0) = c_1 + c_2 = 3$$

$$y'(0) = c_1 - 3c_2 = -1$$

$$-c_1 - c_2 = -3$$

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$$0 - 4c_2 = -4 \Rightarrow \underline{c_2 = 1}$$

$$c_1 + 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{c_1 = 2}$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = 2e^t + e^{-3t}}$$