

## Answer on Question #82233 – Math – Differential Equations

### Question

Solve the initial value problem:  $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$ ;  $y(1) = y'(1) = 0$

- A.  $y(0) = 3$
- B.  $y(0) = 1$
- C.  $y(0) = 2$
- D.  $y(0) = 0$

### Solution

This is a linear homogeneous second-order differential equation with constant coefficients. Solve the characteristic equation:

$$k^2 - 2k + 1 = 0$$

$$k_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2} \rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = 1$$

The solutions of the characteristic equation are double roots  $k_1 = k_2 = k$ , then the general solution is then:

$$y(x) = C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 x e^{kx} = \{k = 1\} = C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x$$

$y(1) = y'(1) = 0$  initial conditions give the following system:

$$\begin{cases} C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y(x) \\ C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y'(x) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ C_1 + 2C_2 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 0 \\ C_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = 0$$

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$$\begin{cases} C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y(x) \\ C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y'(x) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 3 \\ 3e^1 + C_2 e^1 + C_2 1e^1 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 3 \\ C_2 = -3/2 \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{3}{2}(2-x)e^x$$

B.)  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$  initial conditions give the following system:

$$\begin{cases} C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y(x) \\ C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y'(x) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 1 \\ e^1 + C_2 e^1 + C_2 1e^1 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 1 \\ C_2 = -1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{2}(2-x)e^x$$

C.)  $y(0) = 2, y'(1)=0$  initial conditions give the following system:

$$\begin{cases} C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y(x) \\ C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y'(x) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 2 \\ 2e^1 + C_2 e^1 + C_2 1e^1 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 2 \\ C_2 = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = (2-x)e^x$$

D.)  $y(0) = 0, y'(1)=0$  initial conditions give the following system:

$$\begin{cases} C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y(x) \\ C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x + C_2 x e^x = y'(x) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 0 \\ C_2 e^1 + C_2 1e^1 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 = 0 \\ C_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = 0$$

**Answer:**

solution of the IVP:  $y(x) = 0$

A.  $y(x) = \frac{3}{2}(2-x)e^x$

B.  $y(x) = \frac{1}{2}(2-x)e^x$

C.  $y(x) = (2-x)e^x$

D.  $y(x) = 0$