

# Solutions to Practice Problems for Math 23 Final

## Chapter 7:

1.  $\mathbf{x} = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \left[ t e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]$

## Chapter 9:

2. The critical points are  $(0, 0)$  and  $(2, 3)$ . The point  $(0, 0)$  is an asymptotically stable node. The point  $(2, 3)$  is an unstable saddle point.

## Chapter 5:

3. (a)  $x_0 = 1$  is regular singular,  $x_0 = -2$  is singular but not regular,  $x_0 = 0$  is ordinary.  
(b)  $x_0 = 1$  and  $x_0 = 0$  are both regular singular,  $x_0 = -2$  is ordinary.
4. (a)  $y_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \dots$  and  $y_2 = x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 + \dots$   
(b)  $y_1 = x - \frac{1}{4}x^3 + \frac{1}{48}x^5 + \dots$  and  $y_2 = -\ln(x)y_1 + x^{-1}(1 - \frac{3}{16}x^4 + \frac{7}{288}x^6 + \dots)$
5. For part (a) of the previous problem:  
(a) The Wronskian is 1.  
(b) Lower bound is 1.  
(c)  $y_1 + 2y_2$

## Chapter 10:

6.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi n} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(2n\pi x)$

8.  $u(x, t) = \frac{20}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (1 - (-1)^n) \sin(nx) e^{2n^2 t}$

9.  $u(x, t) = \frac{8}{\pi^2 n^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi x/4) \left[ \frac{8}{\pi n} ((-1)^n - 1) \cos(n\pi t/4) + (1 - (-1)^n) \sin(n\pi t/4) \right]$