



PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS  
SPRING 2015

ASSIGNMENT 11  
DUE APRIL 9

**Instructions:** In each of the following exercises: **(a)** show that  $x = a$  is an ordinary point of the given ODE, and determine a lower bound on the radii of convergence of the power series expansions of solutions at  $x = a$ ; **(b)** find the recurrence relation satisfied by the coefficients of the power series expansions of solutions at  $x = a$ ; **(c)** find the first 5 (nonzero) terms in the power series expansions (at  $x = a$ ) of each of two linearly independent solutions; **(d)** for problems marked with an asterisk (\*), find a general expression for the coefficients in the solutions from part (c), and determine their radii of convergence exactly.

**Exercise 1.\***  $y'' - 2xy' + y = 0, a = 0$

**Exercise 2.\***  $y'' - xy = 0, a = 0$

**Exercise 3.\***  $(1 + x^2)y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 0, a = 0$

**Exercise 4.**  $2(x + 1)y'' + y' + 3y = 0, a = 2$

**Exercise 5.**  $y'' + y' + e^x y = 0, a = 0$