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**HW6 - Due 03/12/2008**  
**ODE - spring 2008**

1) Find  $x$  such that

$$x^{(3)} - x^{(2)} + 4x' - 4x = 0 \tag{1}$$

and  $x(0) = -x'(0) = x^{(2)} = 1$ .

2) What is the smallest  $n > 0$  for which there is a differential equation

$$x^{(n)} + a_1x^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_nx = 0 \tag{2}$$

having among its solution  $\sin 2t$ ,  $4t^2e^{2t}$  and  $-e^{-t}$ . Find the constant  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

3) Find a real valued function  $x$  such that

$$x'' + 4x = \cos(2t) \tag{3}$$

and  $x(0) = x'(0) = 1$ .

4) Let  $q(t)$  be a polynomial of degree  $m$ . Show that any equation

$$x^{(n)} + a_1x^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_nx = q(t) \tag{4}$$

has a solution which is a polynomial.