

Math 3280 Worksheet 23: Second order linear homogeneous ODEs with constant coefficients.

Group members (2 to 4): \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Find the general solution to  $y'' - y' - 20y = 0$ .

(2) Use the general solution to solve the initial value problem  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ .

- (3) Find a differential equation  $y'' + ay' + by = 0$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants, such that  $y = c_1 + c_2e^x$  is the general solution.