

MATH3964 Assignment 2

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Question 1

a)

Given the Riccati equation:

$$w' = Pw^2 + Qw + R$$

we can express it as a cubic polynomial in w :

$$\begin{aligned} w'' &= P \cdot 2ww' + P'w^2 + Qw' + Q'w + R' \\ &= 2Pw[Pw^2 + Qw + R] + P'w^2 + Q[Pw^2 + Qw + R] + Q'w + R' \\ &= [2P^2]w^3 + [2PQ + P' + PQ]w^2 + [2PR + Q^2 + Q']w + [QR + R'] \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

b)

We equate the expression for w'' above with the given differential equation:

$$w''' = \frac{1}{2w}(w')^2 + \frac{3w^2}{2} + 4zw^2 + 2(z^2 - \alpha)w - \frac{\beta^2}{2w} \quad (2)$$

Comparing the coefficients of w^3 :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{2} + \frac{P^2}{2} &= 2P^2 \\ P &= \epsilon_1 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where ϵ_1 denotes ± 1 .

Comparing the coefficients of $\frac{1}{w}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{R^2}{2w} - \frac{\beta^2}{2w} &= 0 \\ R &= \epsilon_2\beta \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where ϵ_2 denotes ± 1 .

Comparing the coefficients of w^2 :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2PQ}{2} + 4z &= 3PQ + P' \\ 4z &= 2\epsilon_1 Q \\ Q &= \frac{2z}{\epsilon_1} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Comparing the coefficients of w :

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{2PR + Q^2}{2} + 2(z^2 - \alpha) &= 2PR + Q^2 + Q' \\
2z^2 - 2\alpha &= PR + \frac{Q^2}{2} + Q' \\
&= \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta + \frac{2z^2}{\epsilon_1^2} + \frac{2}{\epsilon_1} \\
-2\alpha - \frac{2}{\epsilon_1} &= \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \quad \text{since } \epsilon_1^2 = 1 \\
\beta &= \frac{-2\alpha}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2} - \frac{2}{\epsilon_1^2 \epsilon_2} \\
&= \frac{-2\alpha}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2} - \frac{2}{\epsilon_2}
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

which provides a constraint on the parameters α and β .

c)

Let us transform the Riccati equation into a second-order linear differential equation.

Let $s = wP$. We see that s satisfies the differential equation:

$$s' = s^2 + \left(Q + \frac{P'}{P}\right)s + PR \tag{7}$$

because:

$$\begin{aligned}
s' &= wP' + w'P \\
&= wP' + (Pw^2 + Qw + R)P \\
&= P^2w^2 + (PQ + P')w + PR \\
&= s^2 + \left(Q + \frac{P'}{P}\right)s + PR
\end{aligned}$$

Now, let $s = \frac{-u'}{u}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
s' &= -\frac{uu'' + (u')^2}{u^2} \\
&= -\frac{u''}{u} + \left(\frac{u'}{u}\right)^2 \\
&= -\frac{u''}{u} + s^2 \\
\frac{u''}{u} &= s^2 - s' = -PR - \left(Q + \frac{P'}{P}\right)s \\
u'' - \left(Q + \frac{P'}{P}\right)u' + PRu &= 0 \\
u'' - \frac{2z}{\epsilon_1}u' + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta u &= 0
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

The solutions to the original Riccati equation can be expressed in terms of the solutions of (8):

$$w = -\frac{u'}{Pu} = -\frac{u'}{\epsilon_1 u} \quad (9)$$

However, we would like to express the differential equation in the form:

$$\bar{u}'' + f(z)\bar{u} = 0 \quad (10)$$

To achieve this, we use a gauge transformation:

$$u = \lambda \bar{u} \quad (11)$$

$$u' = \lambda \bar{u}' + \lambda' \bar{u} \quad (12)$$

$$u'' = \lambda \bar{u}'' + 2\lambda' \bar{u}' + \lambda'' \bar{u} \quad (13)$$

Substitute these into (8):

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda \bar{u}'' + 2\lambda' \bar{u}' + \lambda'' \bar{u}) - 2\epsilon_1 z(\lambda \bar{u}' + \lambda' \bar{u}) + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta(\lambda \bar{u}) &= 0 \\ \bar{u}'' + 2\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} \bar{u}' + \frac{\lambda''}{\lambda} \bar{u} - 2\epsilon_1 z \bar{u}' - 2\epsilon_1 z \frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} \bar{u} + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \bar{u} &= 0 \\ \bar{u}'' + \bar{u}' \left(2\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} - 2\epsilon_1 z \right) + \bar{u} \left(\frac{\lambda''}{\lambda} - 2\epsilon_1 z \frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \right) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

We compare the coefficients of (10) and (14). By comparing the coefficients of \bar{u}' :

$$\begin{aligned} 2\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} - 2\epsilon_1 z &= 0 \\ \frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} &= \epsilon_1 z \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= e^{\frac{\epsilon_1 z^2}{2}} \\ \lambda' &= \epsilon_1 z e^{\frac{\epsilon_1 z^2}{2}} \\ \lambda'' &= e^{\frac{\epsilon_1 z^2}{2}} (z^2 + \epsilon_1) \\ \frac{\lambda''}{\lambda} &= z^2 + \epsilon_1 \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

$$(17)$$

By comparing the coefficients of \bar{u} :

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{\lambda''}{\lambda} - 2\epsilon_1 z \frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \\ &= z^2 + \epsilon_1 - 2\epsilon_1 z(\epsilon_1 z) + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \quad \text{using (15) and (16)} \\ &= -z^2 + \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \beta \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

In order to express the solutions of the Riccati equation in terms of the solutions of $\bar{u}'' + f(z)\bar{u} = 0$:

$$w = \frac{-u'}{\epsilon_1 u} = \frac{\lambda' \bar{u} - \lambda \bar{u}'}{\epsilon_1 \lambda \bar{u}} \quad (19)$$

where \bar{u} is a solution of $\bar{u}'' + f(z)\bar{u} = 0$.

Question 2

a)

We are given:

$$J_1 = w' - \frac{w^2}{6} \quad (20)$$

$$J_2 = \frac{dJ_1}{dz} - \frac{2}{3}wJ_1 \quad (21)$$

$$J_3 = \frac{dJ_2}{dz} - wJ_2 \quad (22)$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &= \left(w'' - \frac{ww'}{3} \right) - \frac{2}{3}w \left(w' - \frac{w^2}{6} \right) \\ &= w'' - ww' + \frac{w^3}{9} \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} J_3 &= \left(w''' - (ww'' + (w')^2) + \frac{3w^2w'}{9} \right) - w \left(w'' - ww' + \frac{w^3}{9} \right) \\ &= w''' - ww'' - (w')^2 + \frac{w^2w'}{3} - ww'' + w^2w' - \frac{w^4}{9} \\ &= w''' - 2ww'' + \frac{4w^2w'}{3} - (w')^2 - \frac{w^4}{9} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Therefore, if we substitute the results into the equation:

$$J_3 + 4(J_1)^2 = 0 \quad (25)$$

we will get:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(w''' - ww'' - 2ww'' + \frac{4w^2w'}{3} - (w')^2 - \frac{w^4}{9} \right) + 4 \left((w')^2 - \frac{w^2w'}{3} + \frac{w^4}{36} \right) &= 0 \\ w''' - 2ww'' + 3(w')^2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

which is the Chazy-III equation.

b)

Because u and u_1 are linearly independent solutions of the differential equation $\ddot{u} + p(t)\dot{u} + q(t)u = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{u} + p(t)\dot{u} + q(t)u &= 0 \\ \ddot{u}_1 + p(t)\dot{u}_1 + q(t)u_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which become, respectively:

$$u_1\ddot{u} + p(t)u_1\dot{u} + q(t)u_1u = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$u\ddot{u}_1 + p(t)u\dot{u}_1 + q(t)uu_1 = 0 \quad (28)$$

Subtracting (28) – (27), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} (u\ddot{u}_1 - u_1\ddot{u}) + p(t)(u\dot{u}_1 - u_1\dot{u}) &= 0 \\ u\ddot{u}_1 - u_1\ddot{u} &= -p(t)(u\dot{u}_1 - u_1\dot{u}) \\ \dot{D} &= -p(t)D \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

where $D = u\dot{u}_1 - u_1\dot{u}$.

Let $D' = k \exp \left\{ - \int p(t) dt \right\}$:

$$\dot{D}' = -p(t)k \exp \left\{ - \int p(t) dt \right\} = -p(t)D' \quad (30)$$

Equations (29) and (30) lead to the conclusion that:

$$D = D' = k \exp \left\{ - \int p(t) dt \right\} \quad (31)$$

c)

From the parametric equations:

$$z = \frac{u_1}{u}, \quad w(z) = \frac{6u\dot{u}}{D}$$

we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z} &= \frac{u\dot{u}_1 - u_1\dot{u}}{u^2} \\ &= \frac{D}{u^2} \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{w} &= \frac{D \{ 6(u\ddot{u} + (\dot{u})^2) \} - 6u\dot{u}\dot{D}}{D^2} \\ &= \frac{6}{D^2} (Du\ddot{u} + D(\dot{u})^2 - \dot{D}u\dot{u}) \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Applying the chain rule, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} w' &= \frac{\dot{w}}{\dot{z}} \\ &= \frac{6u^2}{D^3} (Du\ddot{u} + D(\dot{u})^2 - \dot{D}u\dot{u}) \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Hence, we find an expression for J_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= w' - \frac{w^2}{6} \\ &= \frac{6u^2}{D^3} (Du\ddot{u} + D(\dot{u})^2 - \dot{D}u\dot{u}) - \frac{6u^2(\dot{u})^2 D}{D^3} \\ &= \frac{6u^2}{D^3} (Du\ddot{u} - \dot{D}u\dot{u}) \\ &= \frac{6u^3}{D^3} (D\ddot{u} - \dot{D}\dot{u}) \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

From the differential equation $\ddot{u} + p\dot{u} + qu = 0$, we obtain:

$$\ddot{u} + p\dot{u} = -qu \quad (36)$$

From (31), we obtain:

$$\frac{\dot{D}}{D} = -p \quad (37)$$

Hence, we can simplify the expression for J_1 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= \frac{6u^3}{D^2} \left(\ddot{u} - \frac{\dot{D}}{D} \dot{u} \right) \\ &= \frac{6u^3}{D^2} (\ddot{u} + p\dot{u}) \quad \text{using (37)} \\ &= \frac{6u^3}{D^2} (-qu) \quad \text{using (36)} \\ &= \frac{-6qu^4}{D^2} \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

d)

We find an expression for J_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= -6 \frac{D^2(q(4u^3\dot{u}) + u^4\dot{q}) + qu^4(2D)\dot{D}}{D^4} \\ &= -\frac{6u^3}{D^2} (4q\dot{u} + \dot{q}u + 2pqu) \quad \text{using (37)} \\ J'_1 &= \frac{\dot{J}_1}{\dot{z}} \\ &= -\frac{6u^5}{D^3} (4q\dot{u} + \dot{q}u + 2pqu) \\ J_2 &= J'_1 - \frac{2}{3}wJ_1 \\ &= -\frac{6u^5}{D^3} (4q\dot{u} + \dot{q}u + 2pqu) - \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{6u\dot{u}}{D} \cdot \frac{-6qu^4}{D^2} \\ &= -\frac{6u^5}{D^3} (4q\dot{u} + \dot{q}u + 2pqu) + \frac{24qu^5\dot{u}}{D^3} \\ &= \frac{6u^5}{D^3} (-4q\dot{u} - \dot{q}u - 2pqu + 4\dot{u}q) \\ &= \frac{6u^6}{D^3} (-2pq - \dot{q}) \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

Firstly, we use (25) to find J_3 :

$$\begin{aligned} J_3 &= -4(J_1)^2 \\ &= -4 \left(\frac{36q^2u^8}{D^4} \right) \\ &= \frac{-144q^2u^8}{D^4} \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Secondly, we evaluate J_3 using its definition (22). Firstly, we note that:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}(-2pq - \ddot{q}) &= -2(p\dot{q} + \dot{p}q) - \ddot{q} \\ \frac{d}{dt}(6u^6 D^{-3}) &= 6 \left\{ \frac{-3u^6 \dot{D}}{D^4} + \frac{6u^5 \dot{u}}{D^3} \right\} \\ &= \frac{6u^5}{D^3} (-3up + 6\dot{u})\end{aligned}\tag{41}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{J}_2 &= \frac{6u^6}{D^3} (-2p\dot{q} - 2\dot{p}q - \ddot{q}) + (-2pq - \ddot{q}) \frac{6u^5}{D^3} (-3up + 6\dot{u}) \\ &= \frac{6u^5}{D^3} (-2up\dot{q} - 2u\dot{p}q - u\ddot{q} + 6up^2q - 12\dot{u}pq + 3up\dot{q} - 6\dot{u}q) \\ J_3 &= \frac{\dot{J}_2}{\dot{z}} - wJ_2 \\ &= \frac{6u^7}{D^4} (up\dot{q} - 2u\dot{p}q - u\ddot{q} + 6up^2q - 12\dot{u}pq - 6\dot{u}\dot{q}) - \frac{6u\dot{u}}{D} \frac{6u^6}{D^3} (-2pq - \ddot{q}) \\ &= \frac{6u^7}{D^4} (up\dot{q} - 2u\dot{p}q - u\ddot{q} + 6up^2q - 12\dot{u}pq - 6\dot{u}\dot{q} + 12\dot{u}pq + 6\dot{u}\dot{q}) \\ &= \frac{6u^8}{D^4} (pq - 2\dot{p}q - \ddot{q} + 6p^2q)\end{aligned}\tag{42}$$

e)

Combining (40) and (42), we obtain a single differential constraint on p and q :

$$p\dot{q} - 2p\dot{q} - \ddot{q} + 6p^2q = -24q^2\tag{43}$$

f)

By setting $p(t) = 0$ in (43), we obtain:

$$\ddot{q} = 24q^2\tag{44}$$

$$\begin{aligned}2\ddot{q}\dot{q} &= 48q^2\dot{q} \\ (\dot{q})^2 &= 16q^3 + \frac{c_1}{16}\end{aligned}\tag{45}$$

Let $q = \frac{r}{4}$. Then $(\dot{r})^2 = 4r^3 + c_1$, which is solved by:

$$r = \wp(z - c_2; 0, c_1)\tag{46}$$

Hence, the solution of the differential constraint is:

$$q = \frac{1}{4} \wp(z - c_2; 0, c_1)\tag{47}$$

where c_1, c_2 are constants of integration.

Question 3

a)

The complete elliptic integrals:

$$w_1(x) = K(\sqrt{x}) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t}} \quad (48)$$

and

$$w_2(x) = E(\sqrt{x}) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t} dt \quad (49)$$

when differentiated under the integral sign with respect to x become, respectively:

$$\frac{dw_1}{dx} = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin^2 t}{2(1-x \sin^2 t)^{3/2}} dt \quad (50)$$

$$\frac{dw_2}{dx} = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{-\sin^2 t}{2\sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t}} \quad (51)$$

The first identity can be shown using (51):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{w_2 - w_1}{2x} &= \frac{1}{2x} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(\sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t}} \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{(1-x \sin^2 t) - 1}{2x \sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t}} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{-\sin^2 t}{2\sqrt{1-x \sin^2 t}} \\ &= \frac{dw_2}{dx} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

To prove the second identity, we will first find $\frac{dK}{dk}$:

$$K(k) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-k^2 \sin^2 t}} dt \quad (53)$$

$$\frac{dK}{dk} = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{k \sin^2 t}{(1-k^2 \sin^2 t)^{3/2}} dt \quad (54)$$

Let $u = \int_0^t \frac{dv}{\sqrt{1-k^2 \sin^2 v}}$. Then $\operatorname{sn} u = \sin t$. Noting that $\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-k^2 \sin^2 t}}$ by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, and that $\operatorname{sn} K = \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dK}{dk} &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{k \sin^2 t}{1-k^2 \sin^2 t} \cdot \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-k^2 \sin^2 t}} \\ &= \int_0^K \frac{k \operatorname{sn}^2 u}{1-k^2 \operatorname{sn}^2 u} du \\ &= k \int_0^K \frac{\operatorname{sn}^2 u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} du \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Following the suggestion in Whittaker and Watson (1963) §22.736, we prove the following identity:

$$\int \operatorname{dn}^2 u du = k'^2 u + k^2 \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u + k^2 k'^2 \int \operatorname{sd}^2 u du \quad (56)$$

by differentiating both sides. First, we note the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{du} \operatorname{cd} u &= \frac{\operatorname{dn} u (-\operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{dn} u) - \operatorname{cn} u (-k^2 \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cn} u)}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} \\ &= \frac{\operatorname{sn} u (k^2 \operatorname{cn}^2 u - \operatorname{dn}^2 u)}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} \\ &= \frac{-k'^2 \operatorname{sn} u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{du} \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u &= \operatorname{sn} u \left(\frac{-k'^2 \operatorname{sn} u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} \right) + \frac{\operatorname{cn} u}{\operatorname{dn} u} (\operatorname{cn} u \operatorname{dn} u) \\ &= \frac{-k'^2 \operatorname{sn}^2 u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} + \operatorname{cn}^2 u \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{du} (k'^2 u + k^2 \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u + k^2 k'^2 \int \operatorname{sd}^2 u du) &= k'^2 - \frac{k^2 k'^2 \operatorname{sn}^2 u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} + k^2 \operatorname{cn}^2 u + k^2 k'^2 \frac{\operatorname{sn}^2 u}{\operatorname{dn}^2 u} \\ &= 1 - k^2 + k^2 \operatorname{cn}^2 u \\ &= 1 - k^2 \operatorname{sn}^2 u \\ &= \operatorname{dn}^2 u \\ &= \frac{d}{du} \int \operatorname{dn}^2 u du \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

Using (56), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \operatorname{dn}^2 u du - k'^2 u - k^2 \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u &= k^2 k'^2 \int \operatorname{sd}^2 u du \\ \frac{1}{kk'^2} \int \operatorname{dn}^2 u du - \frac{u}{k} - \frac{k \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u}{k'^2} &= k \int \operatorname{sd}^2 u du \\ \frac{1}{kk'^2} \int_0^K \operatorname{dn}^2 u du - \left[\frac{u}{k} \right]_0^K - \left[\frac{k \operatorname{sn} u \operatorname{cd} u}{k'^2} \right]_0^K &= k \int_0^K \operatorname{sd}^2 u du \\ \frac{1}{kk'^2} \int_0^K \operatorname{dn}^2 u du - \frac{K}{k} &= k \int_0^K \operatorname{sd}^2 u du \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

since $\operatorname{sn} 0 = 0$ and $\operatorname{cd} K = 0$.

Continuing from (55), and using (60), we obtain:

$$\frac{dK}{dk} = \frac{E}{kk'^2} - \frac{K}{k} \quad (61)$$

since $E = \int_0^K \operatorname{dn}^2 u du = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 t} dt$ by the same substitution as before.

We can now prove the second identity, using (61):

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dw_1}{dx} &= \frac{dK(\sqrt{x})}{d\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{d\sqrt{x}}{dx} \\
&= \left(\frac{E(\sqrt{x})}{\sqrt{x}(1-x)} - \frac{K(\sqrt{x})}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\
&= \frac{w_2}{2x(1-x)} - \frac{w_1}{2x}
\end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

We shall now show that w_1 and w_2 satisfy hypergeometric differential equations.

Firstly, we note that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx}(w_2 - w_1) &= \frac{w_2 - w_1}{2x} - \frac{w_2 - (1-x)w_1}{2x(1-x)} \\
&= \frac{-w_2}{2(1-x)} \\
\frac{d^2w_2}{dx^2} &= \frac{2x \left(\frac{-w}{2(1-x)} \right) - (w_2 - w_1)(2)}{4x^2} \\
&= \frac{-xw_2 - 2(1-x)(w_2 - w_1)}{4x^2(1-x)} \\
&= \frac{(x-2)w_2 + 2(1-k)w_1}{4x^2(1-x)}
\end{aligned} \tag{63}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx}(w_2 - (1-x)w_1) &= \frac{w_2 - w_1}{2x} - (1-x) \left(\frac{w_2}{2x(1-x)} - \frac{w_1}{2x} \right) - w_1(-1) \\
&= \frac{w_1}{2} \\
\frac{d^2w_1}{dx^2} &= \frac{2x(1-x)\frac{w_1}{2} - (w_2 - (1-x)w_1)(2-4x)}{4x^2(1-x^2)} \\
&= \frac{w_1(x-1)(3x-2) + w_2(4x-2)}{4x^2(1-x)^2}
\end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

Substitute w_2 into the hypergeometric differential equation to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
&x(1-x)w_2'' + (\gamma - (1+\alpha+\beta)x)w_2' - \alpha\beta w_2 = 0 \\
&\frac{-(2+x(1+2\alpha+4\alpha\beta+2\beta)-2\gamma)w_2 + 2(1+x(\alpha+\beta)-\gamma)w_1}{4x} = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

For this equation to hold, the coefficients of w_1 and w_2 must be equal to zero:

$$\begin{aligned}
-(2+x(1+2\alpha+4\alpha\beta+2\beta)-2\gamma) &= 0 \\
x &= \frac{2\gamma-2}{1+2\alpha+4\alpha\beta+2\beta}
\end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
2(1+x(\alpha+\beta)-\gamma) &= 0 \\
x &= \frac{\gamma-1}{\alpha+\beta}
\end{aligned} \tag{67}$$

Solving (66) and (67) simultaneously yields:

$$(1+4\alpha\beta)(\gamma-1)=0 \tag{68}$$

Hence, w_2 satisfies the hypergeometric differential equation for $\gamma = 1$ or $\alpha\beta = -\frac{1}{4}$.

Substitute w_1 into the hypergeometric differential equation to obtain:

$$\frac{x(1-x)w_1'' + (\gamma - (1+\alpha+\beta)x)w_1' - \alpha\beta w_1}{2(1+x(-1+\alpha+\beta)-\gamma)w_2 + (x-1)(2+x(-1+2\alpha-4\alpha\beta+2\beta)-2\gamma)w_1} = 0 \quad (69)$$

$$4x(x-1)$$

For this equation to hold, the coefficients of w_1 and w_2 must be equal to zero:

$$2(1+x(-1+\alpha+\beta)-\gamma) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\gamma-1}{\alpha+\beta-1} \quad (70)$$

$$(x-1)(2+x(-1+2\alpha-4\alpha\beta+2\beta)-2\gamma) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2\gamma-2}{-1+2\alpha-4\alpha\beta+2\beta} \quad \text{or } x = 1 \quad (71)$$

Solving (70) and (71) simultaneously yields:

$$(1-4\alpha\beta)(1-\gamma) = 0 \quad (72)$$

Hence, w_1 satisfies the hypergeometric differential equation for $x = 1$ or $\gamma = 1$ or $\alpha\beta = \frac{1}{4}$.

b)

We use the integral formula given in the lecture notes:

$$F(\alpha, \beta; \gamma; z) = \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\gamma - \beta)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 t^{\beta-1} (1-t)^{\gamma-\beta-1} (1-zt)^{-\alpha} dt \quad (73)$$

Firstly:

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; 1; k^2\right) &= \frac{\Gamma(1)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^1 t^{-1/2} (1-t)^{-1/2} (1-k^2t)^{-1/2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}\sqrt{1-t}\sqrt{1-k^2t}}, \quad t = u^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{2u}{\sqrt{u^2}\sqrt{1-u^2}\sqrt{1-k^2u^2}} du \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{du}{\sqrt{1-u^2}\sqrt{1-k^2u^2}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} K(k) \\ K(k) &= \frac{\pi}{2} F\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; 1; k^2\right) \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

Furthermore:

$$\begin{aligned}
F\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; 1; k^2\right) &= \frac{\Gamma(1)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \int_0^1 t^{-1/2} (1-t)^{-1/2} (1-k^2 t)^{1/2} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2 t}}{\sqrt{t}\sqrt{1-t}} dt, \quad t = u^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2 u^2} 2u}{\sqrt{u^2}\sqrt{1-u^2}} du \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2 u^2}}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} du \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} E(k) \\
E(k) &= \frac{\pi}{2} F\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; 1; k^2\right)
\end{aligned} \tag{75}$$