

Question 1: Solve

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = 35e^{-4x}, \quad y(0) = -3, \quad y'(0) = 1$$

using the method of undetermined coefficients to find y_p .

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{y_c}: \quad r^2 + 4r + 5 &= 0 \\ r &= \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(1)(5)}}{2} \\ &= \frac{-4 \pm 2i}{2} \\ &= -2 \pm i \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore y_c = C_1 e^{-2x} \cos(x) + C_2 e^{-2x} \sin(x).$$

$$\underline{y_p}: \quad \text{Try } y_p = A e^{-4x} \Rightarrow y_p' = -4A e^{-4x}, \quad y_p'' = 16A e^{-4x},$$

$$\therefore 16A e^{-4x} + 4[-4A e^{-4x}] + 5[A e^{-4x}] = 35 e^{-4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5A = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 7.$$

$$\therefore y = y_c + y_p$$

$$= C_1 e^{-2x} \cos(x) + C_2 e^{-2x} \sin(x) + 7 e^{-4x}$$

$$y(0) = -3 \Rightarrow C_1 + 7 = -3 \Rightarrow C_1 = -10$$

$$y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow -10 \left[-2e^{-2x} \cos(x) - e^{-2x} \sin(x) \right]_{x=0} + C_2 \left[-2e^{-2x} \sin(x) + e^{-2x} \cos(x) \right]_{x=0} - 28e^{-4x} \Big|_{x=0} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 + C_2 - 28 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = 9$$

$$\therefore y = -10e^{-2x} \cos(x) + 9e^{-2x} \sin(x) + 7e^{-4x}$$

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Question 2: Find the general solution to $x^2 y'' - 4xy' = x^5$ on $(0, \infty)$ } Cauchy Euler

using variation of parameters to find y_p .

$$y_c: x^2 y'' - 4xy' = 0$$

$$\text{Let } y = x^m, y' = mx^{m-1}, y'' = m(m-1)x^{m-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 m(m-1)x^{m-2} - 4x mx^{m-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m^2 - m - 4m)x^m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 0, m = 5$$

$$\therefore y_c = c_1 \cdot 1 + c_2 x^5 \quad \left. \vphantom{y_c} \right\} W = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^5 \\ 0 & 5x^4 \end{vmatrix} = 5x^4$$

$$y_p: x^2 y'' - 4xy' = x^5$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' - \frac{4}{x} y' = \underbrace{x^3}_{f(x)}$$

$$u_1 = \int \frac{-y_2 f(x)}{W} dx = \int \frac{-x^5 \cdot x^3}{5x^4} dx = -\frac{1}{25} x^5$$

$$u_2 = \int \frac{y_1 f(x)}{W} dx = \int \frac{1 \cdot x^3}{5x^4} dx = \frac{1}{5} \ln(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y_p &= u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 = \left(-\frac{1}{25} x^5\right)(1) + \left(\frac{1}{5} \ln(x)\right)(x^5) \\ &= \underbrace{-\frac{1}{25} x^5}_{\text{part of } y_c, \text{ so omit.}} + \frac{1}{5} x^5 \ln(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore y = c_1 + c_2 x^5 + \frac{1}{5} x^5 \ln(x)$$

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Question 3: A mass of 1 kg stretches a spring $g/2$ m where $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ is the usual gravitational constant. The stretched spring with 1 kg mass attached is allowed to come to rest at equilibrium. The mass travels through a medium which imparts a damping force equal to 3 times the velocity, and starting at time $t = 0$ s an external force of $f(t) = 2 \sin(t)$ is applied to the system. Find the equation of motion for the system for times $t \geq 0$.

(You may use any method you like to solve the resulting differential equation.)

Spring constant: $-1g = -k \frac{g}{2} \Rightarrow k = 2.$

Equation is $1 \cdot x'' + 3x' + 2x = 2 \sin(t), x(0) = x'(0) = 0.$

x_c : $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (r+2)(r+1) = 0 \Rightarrow r = -2, -1$
 $\therefore x_c = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 e^{-t}.$

x_p : $x_p = A \sin(t) + B \cos(t)$
 $x_p' = A \cos(t) - B \sin(t)$
 $x_p'' = -A \sin(t) - B \cos(t)$

$$[-A \sin(t) - B \cos(t)] + 3[A \cos(t) - B \sin(t)] + 2[A \sin(t) + B \cos(t)] = 2 \sin(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A - 3B = 2 \\ 3A + B = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} B = -3A \\ A - 3(-3A) = 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = \frac{1}{5} \\ B = -\frac{3}{5} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore x(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 e^{-t} + \frac{1}{5} \sin(t) - \frac{3}{5} \cos(t)$$

$$x(0) = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$x'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow -2c_1 - c_2 = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$-c_1 = \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow c_1 = -\frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{3}{5} - \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) = 1$$

$$\therefore x(t) = \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) e^{-2t} + e^{-t} + \frac{1}{5} \sin(t) - \frac{3}{5} \cos(t)$$

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Question 4: Solve using the Laplace transform:

$$y'' + y = \sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{2}t), \quad y(0) = 10, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' + y\} = \mathcal{L}\{\sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{2}t)\}$$

$$s^2 Y - s y(0) - \overset{0}{y'(0)} + Y = \sqrt{2} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{s^2 + 2}$$

$$Y(s^2 + 1) - 10s = \frac{2}{s^2 + 2}$$

$$Y = \frac{2}{\underbrace{(s^2 + 2)(s^2 + 1)}_{\#}} + 10 \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$Y = 2 \left[\frac{1}{\underbrace{(s^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2)(s^2 + 2)}_{\# \ 32}} \right] + 10 \left[\frac{s}{\underbrace{s^2 + 1}_{\# \ 8}} \right]$$

$$\therefore y = 2 \left[\frac{\sqrt{2} \sin(t) - \sin(\sqrt{2}t)}{\sqrt{2}(2-1)} \right] + 10 \cos(t)$$

$$= \boxed{2 \sin(t) - \sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{2}t) + 10 \cos(t)}$$

Question 5: Solve using the Laplace transform:

$$y' + y = f(t), \text{ where } y(0) = -1 \text{ and } f(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < 2 \\ e^t, & t \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Here $f(t) = e^t u(t-2)$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y' + y\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^t u(t-2)\}$$

$$sY - y(0) + Y = e^{-2s} \mathcal{L}\{e^{t+2}\}$$

$$(s+1)Y + 1 = e^{-2s} e^2 \frac{1}{s-1}$$

$$\therefore Y = e^2 e^{-2s} \frac{1}{(s-1)(s+1)} - \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore y(t) = e^2 \left[\frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{1 - (-1)} \right]_{t \rightarrow t-2} u(t-2) - e^{-t}$$

$$= e^2 \left[\frac{e^{t-2} - e^{-t+2}}{2} \right] u(t-2) - e^{-t}$$

$$= \left(\frac{e^t - e^{4-t}}{2} \right) u(t-2) - e^{-t}$$