

■ Final exam 2005: solutions

■ Solution 1 (10 marks)

(a)

$$\omega_0 = +\sqrt{4} = 2.$$

((3 marks))

(b)

$$y_{PI} = A \sin(3t) + B \cos(3t).$$

((3 marks))

(c) This is a resonant case; the frequency of the oscillatory forcing matches the natural frequency of unforced oscillations of the system ($\omega_0 = 2$), hence try

$$y_{PI} = A t \sin(2t) + B t \cos(2t).$$

((4 marks))

■ Solution 2 (15 marks)

The auxillary equation is

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda = 2, \lambda = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{CF} = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^t.$$

((3 marks))

The inhomogeneity in the ODE suggests we try

$$y_{PI} = A e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{PI}' = -A e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{PI}'' = A e^{-t}.$$

Substituting our guess for the PI into the ODE

$$\Rightarrow A e^{-t} - 3(-A e^{-t}) + 2(A e^{-t}) = 3 e^{-t}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A + 3A + 2A = 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Hence the general solution to the ODE is

$$Y = Y_{CF} + Y_{PI}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^t + \frac{1}{2} e^{-t}.$$

((6 marks))

Now we substitute in the initial conditions. First using that

$$y(0) = 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = C_1 e^{2 \cdot 0} + C_2 e^0 + \frac{1}{2} e^{-0}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = C_1 + C_2 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow C_1 + C_2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Second, after differentiating the general solution with respect to t :

$$\Rightarrow y' = 2 C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^t - \frac{1}{2} e^{-t},$$

we can use the second initial condition

$$y'(0) = 2,$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = 2 C_1 e^{2 \cdot 0} + C_2 e^0 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 = 2 C_1 + C_2 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 C_1 + C_2 = \frac{5}{2}.$$

Solving the two simultaneous equations for C_1 and C_2 we see that

$$C_1 = 2, \quad C_2 = -\frac{3}{2}.$$

Hence the solution to the initial value problem is

$$y = 2 e^{2t} - \frac{3}{2} e^t + \frac{1}{2} e^{-t}.$$

((6 marks))

■ Solution 3 (10 marks)

The auxillary equation is

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -1, \lambda = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{CF} = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t}.$$

((3 marks))

The inhomogeneity in the ODE suggests we try

$$y_{PI} = A t^2 e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{PI}' = 2 A t e^{-t} - A t^2 e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{PI}'' = 2 A e^{-t} - 4 A t e^{-t} + A t^2 e^{-t}.$$

Substituting our guess for the PI into the ODE and dividing through by the exponential term

$$\Rightarrow 2A - 4At + At^2 + 2(2At - At^2) + (At^2) = 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A = 1.$$

Hence the general solution to the ODE is

$$y = y_{CF} + y_{PI}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + t^2 e^{-t}.$$

((7 marks))

■ Solution 4 (10 marks)

(a) Since from the table

$$\mathbb{L}[t^3] = \frac{6}{s^4},$$

the shift theorem (also in the table)

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{L}[e^{7t} t^3] = \frac{6}{(s-7)^4}.$$

((4 marks))

(b) Complete the square in the denominator

$$\frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + 7} = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2 + 3}.$$

Since from the table

$$\mathbb{L}[\sin(\sqrt{3} t)] = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{s^2 + 3} \Rightarrow \mathbb{L}\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sin(\sqrt{3} t)\right] = \frac{1}{s^2 + 3}$$

and then using the Shift Theorem

$$\mathbb{L}\left[e^{-2t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sin(\sqrt{3} t)\right] = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2 + 3}.$$

Hence

$$\mathbb{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + 7}\right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t} \sin(\sqrt{3} t).$$

((6 marks))

■ Solution 5 (15 marks)

Taking the Laplace transform of both sides of the ODE

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{L}[y''(t) + 4y'(t) + 3y(t)] = \mathbb{L}[\delta(t-1)]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2 \bar{y}(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) + 4(s\bar{y}(s) - y(0)) + 3\bar{y}(s) = e^{-s}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (s^2 + 4s + 3)\bar{y}(s) = e^{-s} + 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{y}(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s^2 + 4s + 3} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + 3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{y}(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{(s+1)(s+3)} + \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+3)}.$$

((5 marks))

Using partial fractions, we can expand

$$\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{B}{s+3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 = A(s+3) + B(s+1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 = (A+B)s + 3A + B.$$

Equating coefficients

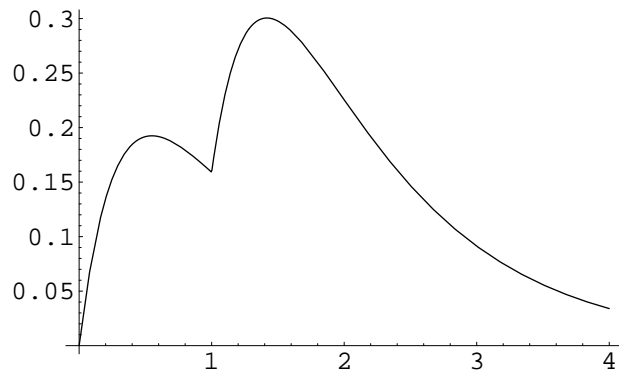
$$\begin{cases} s^0: & 1 = 3A + B, \\ s^1: & 0 = A + B. \end{cases} \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}, B = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

((5 marks))

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y}(s) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-s} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+3} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+3} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{-(t-1)} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-3(t-1)} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-3t}, & t > 1, \\ \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-3t}, & t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

((4 marks))



((1 mark))

■ Solution 6 (15 marks)

The augmented matrix is

$$H := \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

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H = H /. H[[2]] -> H[[2]] + H[[1]];
H = H /. H[[5]] -> H[[5]] + H[[1]];
H // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 8 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 11 & -1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

((3 marks))

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H = H /. H[[3]] -> H[[3]] - H[[2]];
H = H /. H[[4]] -> H[[4]] - H[[2]];
H = H /. H[[5]] -> H[[5]] - H[[2]];
H // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 8 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -10 & -8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -11 & -8 & -1 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -9 & 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

((3 marks))

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H = H /. H[[4]] -> 10 H[[4]] - 11 H[[3]];
H = H /. H[[5]] -> 10 H[[5]] + H[[3]];
H // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 8 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -10 & -8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 & -65 & -120 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -98 & 5 & -90 \end{pmatrix}$$

((3 marks))

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H = H /. H[[5]] -> 8 H[[5]] + 98 H[[4]];
H // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 8 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -10 & -8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 & -65 & -120 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6330 & -12480 \end{pmatrix}$$

((3 marks))

Hence using back-substitution, the solution is

$$I_1 = \frac{179}{211}, I_2 = \frac{452}{211}, I_3 = \frac{36}{211}, I_4 = \frac{215}{211}, I_5 = \frac{416}{211}.$$

((3 marks))

■ Solution 7 (25 marks)

(a) The eigenvalues are the solutions to the characteristic equation

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -4 - \lambda & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & -12 - \lambda & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -(4 + \lambda) ((12 + \lambda) (4 + \lambda) - 24) - 4 (-6 (4 + \lambda)) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -(4 + \lambda) ((12 + \lambda) (4 + \lambda) - 24 - 24) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -(4 + \lambda) (\lambda^2 + 16\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda (4 + \lambda) (\lambda + 16) = 0.$$

Hence the eigenvalues are

$$\lambda = 0, \lambda = -4, \lambda = -16.$$

((3 marks))

For $\lambda=0$, the eigenvector solves

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{x} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & -12 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \mathbf{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\mathbf{H} := \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & -12 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H} /. \mathbf{H}[[2]] \rightarrow 2 \mathbf{H}[[2]] + 3 \mathbf{H}[[1]]; \\ \mathbf{H} // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -12 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H} /. \mathbf{H}[[3]] \rightarrow 3 \mathbf{H}[[3]] + \mathbf{H}[[2]]; \\ \mathbf{H} // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -12 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_3, \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_3$$

and the eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda=0$ is, for any $\alpha \neq 0$:

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$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $\lambda=-4$, the eigenvector solves

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{x} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & -8 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \mathbf{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\mathbf{H} := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & -8 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The first and third equations immediately imply

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = 0,$$

while the second equation gives

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = -\mathbf{x}_3$$

Hence the eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda=-4$ is, for any $\beta \neq 0$:

$$\mathbf{x} = \beta \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

((4 marks))

For $\lambda=-16$, the eigenvector solves

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 12 & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\mathbf{H} := \begin{pmatrix} 12 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 4 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H} /. \mathbf{H}[[2]] \rightarrow 2 \mathbf{H}[[2]] - \mathbf{H}[[1]];$
 $\mathbf{H} // \text{MatrixForm}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 12 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H} /. \mathbf{H}[[3]] \rightarrow \mathbf{H}[[3]] - \mathbf{H}[[2]];$
 $\mathbf{H} // \text{MatrixForm}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 12 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = -3 \mathbf{x}_3, \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_3$$

and the eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda=-16$ is, for any $\gamma \neq 0$:

$$\mathbf{x} = \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

((4 marks))

(b) Look for a solution of the form

$$\mathbf{Y}(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\Rightarrow (i\omega)^2 \mathbf{C} e^{i\omega t} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{A} + \omega^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0}.$$

((3 marks))

(c) Since

$$\lambda = -\omega^2$$

then for $\lambda_1 = 0$ we have

$$\omega_1 = 0 \quad (\text{twice}),$$

which doesn't correspond to any oscillation at all but only uniform translation.

For $\lambda_2 = -4$ we have

$$\omega_2 = \pm 2,$$

and so one natural frequency of oscillation is $\omega_2 = +2$.

For $\lambda_3 = -16$ we have

$$\omega_3 = \pm 4,$$

and so the other natural frequency of oscillation is $\omega_3 = +4$.

((2 marks))

(d)

$$\lambda_1 = 0 : \quad \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow$$

$$\lambda_2 = -4 : \quad \leftarrow \bullet \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \rightarrow$$

$$\lambda_3 = -16 : \quad \bullet \rightarrow \quad \leftarrow \bullet \quad \bullet \rightarrow$$

((3 marks))

(e) The general solution is

$$\mathbf{Y}(t) = (a_1 + b_1 t) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + (a_2 \cos(2t) + b_2 \sin(2t)) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ + (a_3 \cos(4t) + b_3 \sin(4t)) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, a_3 and b_3 are arbitrary constants (fixed by the initial data).

((2 marks))