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Differential Equations 2280
Midterm Exam 2
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Instructions: This in-class exam is 50 minutes. No calculators, notes, tables or books. No answer check is expected. Details count 3/4, answers count 1/4.

1. (Chapter 3)

(a) [70%] Find the steady-state periodic solution for the spring-mass equation

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dx}{dt} + 10x = 85 \cos(t).$$

(b) [30%] Solve for the general solution of the homogeneous constant-coefficient differential equation whose characteristic equation is

$$r^2(r^2 - r)^2(r^2 + 2r + 5)^2 = 0.$$

Answer:

(a) The answer is $x_{SS}(t) = 9 \cos t + 2 \sin t$.

Details. The trial solution by Rule I is $x(t) = d_1 \cos t + d_2 \sin t$. The homogeneous solutions have exponential factors, therefore the Euler atoms in the trial solution cannot be solutions of the homogeneous problem, hence Rule II does not apply.

Substitute the trial solution into the non-homogeneous equation to obtain the answers $d_1 = 9$, $d_2 = 2$. The unique periodic solution x_{SS} is extracted from the general solution $x = x_h + x_p$ by crossing out all negative exponential terms (terms which limit to zero at infinity). Because $x_p = d_1 \cos t + d_2 \sin t = 9 \cos t + 2 \sin t$ and the homogeneous solution x_h has negative exponential terms, then

$$x_{SS} = 9 \cos t + 2 \sin t.$$

(b) Write the characteristic equation as $r^4(r-1)^2(r^2+2r+5)^2 = 0$. Then y is a linear combination of the atoms $1, x, x^2, x^3, e^x, xe^x, e^{-x} \cos 2x, xe^{-x} \cos 2x, e^{-x} \sin 2x, xe^{-x} \sin 2x$.

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2. (Chapters 1, 2, 3)

(a) [40%] Find the factors of the characteristic equation of a linear homogeneous constant coefficient differential equation of lowest order which has a particular solution

$$y(x) = 10 + 4 \cos(2x) + 5xe^x \sin(x).$$

(b) [60%] Determine for differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + xe^{-x}$$

the shortest trial solution for y_p according to the method of undetermined coefficients. Do not evaluate the undetermined coefficients!

Answer:

(a) The atoms that appear in $y(x) = 10 + 4 \cos(2x) + 5xe^x \sin(x)$ are $1, \cos 2x, xe^x \sin x$. Derivatives of these atoms create a longer list: $1, \cos 2x, \sin 2x, e^x \cos x, e^x \sin x, xe^x \cos x, xe^x \sin x$. These atoms correspond to characteristic equation roots $0, 2i, -2i, 1+i, 1-i, 1+i, 1-i$. Then the characteristic equation has factors $r; r^2 + 4; ((r-1)^2 + 1)^2$. The product of these factors is the characteristic equation which corresponds to the differential equation of least order such that $y(x)$ is a solution.

(b) The homogeneous solution is a linear combination of the atoms $1, e^{-x}$ because the characteristic polynomial has roots $0, -1$.

Rule 1 An initial trial solution y is constructed for atoms $1, x, x^2, e^{-x}, xe^{-x}$ giving 2 groups, each group having the same base atom:

$$\begin{aligned} y &= y_1 + y_2, \\ y_1 &= d_1 + d_2x + d_3x^2, \\ y_2 &= d_4e^{-x} + d_5xe^{-x}. \end{aligned}$$

Linear combinations of the listed independent atoms are supposed to reproduce, by specialization of constants, all derivatives of the right side of the differential equation.

Rule 2 The correction rule is applied individually to each of y_1, y_2 .

Multiplication by x is done repeatedly, until the replacement atoms do not appear in atom list for the homogeneous differential equation. The result is the **shortest trial solution**

$$y = y_1 + y_2 = (d_1x + d_2x^2 + d_3x^3) + (d_4xe^{-x}) + (d_5x^2e^{-x}).$$

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3. (Laplace Theory)

(a) [60%] Assume $f(t)$ is of exponential order. Find $f(t)$ in the relation

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{ds^2} \mathcal{L}(f(t)) \right) \Big|_{s \rightarrow (s+4)} = \mathcal{L}(f(t)) + \frac{s^2 + 2}{s^3 + s}.$$

(b) [40%] Find $\mathcal{L}(f)$ given $f(t) = e^{2t} \sin(3t) + (t+1)^2 e^t$.

Answer:

(a) Replace by the shift theorem and the s -differentiation theorem the given equation by

$$\mathcal{L}\left((-t)^2 f(t) e^{-4t}\right) = \mathcal{L}(f(t)) + \frac{s^2 + 2}{s^3 + s}.$$

Partial fractions gives

$$\frac{s^2 + 2}{s^3 + s} = \frac{a}{s} + \frac{bs + c}{s^2 + 1} = \mathcal{L}(a + b \cos(t) + c \sin(t)).$$

Then

$$\mathcal{L}\left((-t)^2 f(t) e^{-4t}\right) = \mathcal{L}(f(t) + a + b \cos(t) + c \sin(t)).$$

Then Lerch's theorem cancels \mathcal{L} to give $t^2 e^{-4t} f(t) = f(t) + a + b \cos(t) + c \sin(t)$. Solve for

$$f(t) = \frac{a + b \cos(t) + c \sin(t)}{-1 + t^2 e^{-4t}}.$$

The partial fraction problem is solved by the sampling method: $a = 2, b = -1, c = 0$. Then

$$f(t) = \frac{2 - \cos(t)}{-1 + t^2 e^{-4t}}.$$

(b) Write $f = f_1 + f_2$ where $f_1(t) = e^{2t} \sin(3t)$ and $f_2(t) = (t+1)^2 e^t$. Then the first shifting theorem implies

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(f_1) &= \mathcal{L}(\sin 3t) \Big|_{s:=s-2} \\ &= \frac{3}{s^2 + 9} \Big|_{s:=s-2} \\ &= \frac{3}{(s-2)^2 + 9}. \end{aligned}$$

The first shifting theorem also applies to the exponential factor in f_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(f_2(t)) &= \mathcal{L}((t+1)^2) \Big|_{s:=s-1} \\ &= \mathcal{L}(t^2 + 2t + 1) \Big|_{s:=s-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{s^3} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s} \right) \Big|_{s:=s-1} \\ &= \frac{2}{(s-1)^3} + \frac{2}{(s-1)^2} + \frac{1}{s-1} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \mathcal{L}(f_1(t)) + \mathcal{L}(f_2(t)) = \frac{3}{(s-2)^2 + 9} + \frac{2}{(s-1)^3} + \frac{2}{(s-1)^2} + \frac{1}{s-1}.$$

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4. (Laplace Theory)

(a) [40%] The solution of $x''' + x' = 0$, $x(0) = 1$, $x'(0) = 0$, $x''(0) = 0$ is $x(t) = 1$. Show the details in Laplace's Method for obtaining this answer.

(b) [60%] Solve the system $x' = x - y$, $y' = x + y + 2$, $x(0) = 0$, $y(0) = 0$ by Laplace's Method.

Answer:

(a) The answer is $x(t) = 1$, by guessing, then checking the answer. Laplace details for Panel 1 end with equation $(s^3 + s)\mathcal{L}(x(t)) = s^2 + 1$. Panel 2 begins with the division $\mathcal{L}(x(t)) = \frac{s^2 + 1}{s(s^2 + 1)} = \frac{1}{s}$. The backward table supplies $\frac{1}{s} = \mathcal{L}(1)$. Lerch's cancelation theorem implies $x(t) = 1$.

(b) The transformed system is

$$\begin{aligned} (s-1)\mathcal{L}(x) + (1)\mathcal{L}(y) &= 0, \\ (-1)\mathcal{L}(x) + (s-1)\mathcal{L}(y) &= \mathcal{L}(2). \end{aligned}$$

Then forward table entry $\mathcal{L}(1) = 1/s$ and Cramer's Rule gives the formulas

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \frac{-2}{s((s-1)^2 + 1)}, \quad \mathcal{L}(y) = \frac{2s-2}{(s-1)^2 + 1}.$$

After partial fractions and the backward table,

$$x = -1 + e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t, \quad y = -1 + e^t \cos t + e^t \sin t.$$

5. (Laplace Theory)

Define $\cosh(u) = \frac{1}{2}(e^u + e^{-u})$ and $\sinh(u) = \frac{1}{2}(e^u - e^{-u})$.

Compute $\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\sinh(2t)}{t}\right)$

Answer:

Let $f(t) = \frac{\sinh(2t)}{t}$. Then $tf(t) = \sinh(2t) = \frac{e^{2t} - e^{-2t}}{2}$.

Multiply by 2:

$$\mathcal{L}(2tf(t)) = \mathcal{L}(e^{2t} - e^{-2t}) = \frac{1}{s-2} - \frac{1}{s+2}.$$

The s -differentiation theorem implies

$$-\frac{d}{ds}\mathcal{L}(2tf(t)) = \frac{1}{s-2} - \frac{1}{s+2}.$$

Then $F(s) = \mathcal{L}(2f(t))$ satisfies a first order quadrature equation $F'(s) = h(s)$ with solution

$$F(s) = \ln|s+2| - \ln|s-2| + c = \ln\left|\frac{s+2}{s-2}\right| + c$$

for some constant c . Because $F = 0$ at $s = \infty$ (the Final Value Theorem for functions of exponential order) and $\ln|1| = 0$, then $c = 0$ and

$$\mathcal{L}(2f(t)) = F(s) = \ln|s+2| - \ln|s-2| = \ln\left|\frac{s+2}{s-2}\right|.$$

The answer is

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\sinh(2t)}{t}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left|\frac{s+2}{s-2}\right|.$$

6. (Systems of Differential Equations)

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues of A are 4, 6.

(a) [30%] Find all entries of the 2×2 exponential matrix e^{At} according to Putzer's spectral formula.

(b) [40%] Display the solution of $\mathbf{u}' = A\mathbf{u}$, $\vec{u}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, according to the Cayley-Hamilton-Ziebur shortcut. The scalar form of the system is

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = 5x(t) + y(t), \\ y'(t) = x(t) + 5y(t), \\ x(0) = 1, \\ y(0) = -1. \end{cases}$$

(c) [30%] The eigenpairs of a 3×3 matrix C are

$$\left(0, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad \left(1, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad \left(2, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

Display the general solution of $\mathbf{u}' = C\mathbf{u}$ by the eigenanalysis method. Please use symbols c_1, c_2, c_3 for the constants that appear in the general solution.

Answer:

(a) The Putzer formula details:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{At} &= e^{4t}I + \frac{e^{4t} - e^{6t}}{4 - 6}(A - 4I) \\ e^{At} &= e^{4t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{e^{6t} - e^{4t}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ e^{At} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} e^{6t} + e^{4t} & e^{6t} - e^{4t} \\ e^{6t} - e^{4t} & e^{6t} + e^{4t} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) The Cayley-Hamilton-Ziebur method says that in the scalar system the components $x(t), y(t)$ are linear combinations of the atoms found from the roots of the characteristic equation $|C - rI| = 0$. The roots are $r = 4, 6$ and the atoms are e^{4t}, e^{6t} . Then

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}.$$

Solve the differential equation $x' = 5x + y$ for $y = x' - 5x$. Substitute the expression $x(t) = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}$ to obtain the equation

$$y(t) = x' - 5x = 4c_1 e^{4t} + 6c_2 e^{6t} - 5(c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}) = -c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}.$$

Then the answer in terms of symbols c_1, c_2 is

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}, \quad y(t) = -c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{6t}.$$

The equations that determine c_1, c_2 are $x(0) = 1, y(0) = -1$. Substitution into the solution above (set $t = 0$) gives the linear system of equations

$$1 = c_1 e^0 + c_2 e^0, \quad -1 = -c_1 e^0 + c_2 e^0.$$

Then $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 0$ and the answer is

$$x(t) = e^{4t}, \quad y(t) = -e^{4t}.$$

(c) The eigenanalysis method implies the general solution

$$\vec{u}(t) = c_1 e^{0t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Remark. If given initial condition $\vec{u}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, then symbols c_1, c_2, c_3 are determined from the linear algebraic equations (set $t = 0$ in the previous display)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 e^0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The answer is $c_1 = -4, c_2 = 5, c_3 = -2$. Then the solution of $\vec{u}' = C\vec{u}$, $\vec{u}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is

$$\vec{u}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -4 + 5e^t \\ -4 + 5e^t - 2e^{2t} \\ 5e^t - 4e^{2t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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