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Quiz 10 SOLUTIONS
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Directions: Because the homework was split evenly between Laplace transforms and eigenvectors this week, you may choose either problem 1 or problem 2 below to complete. If you attempt both, make it very clear which one you want graded.

1) Consider the matrix

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors (eigenspace bases).

(10 points)

The characteristic polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned} p(\lambda) &= \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1 - \lambda)(-2 - \lambda) - 4 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2) - 4 = \lambda^2 + \lambda - 6 \\ &= (\lambda + 3)(\lambda - 2) \end{aligned}$$

So the eigenvalues are $\lambda = -3, 2$. To find the eigenvectors (eigenspace bases) we solve the homogeneous systems

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

$\lambda = -3$:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Short method: Since $1 \cdot \text{col}_1 - 4 \cdot \text{col}_2 = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{v} = [1, -4]^T$ is an eigenvector (basis for the 1-dimensional eigenspace $E_{\lambda=-3}$).

Long method: Reduce the system, backsolve, extract basis:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] &\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow v_2 = t, v_1 = -\frac{1}{4}t \Rightarrow \\ \mathbf{v} &= t \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

So $\left[1, -\frac{1}{4} \right]^T$ is an eigenvector (basis for $E_{\lambda=-3}$). Notice that our solutions the long way and the short way are equivalent, since for a 1-dimensional subspace all possible basis vectors will be non-zero scalar multiples of each other.

$\lambda = 2$:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

since $1 \cdot \text{col}_1 + 1 \cdot \text{col}_2 = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{v} = [1, 1]^T$ is an eigenvector (basis for the 1-dimensional eigenspace $E_{\lambda=2}$).

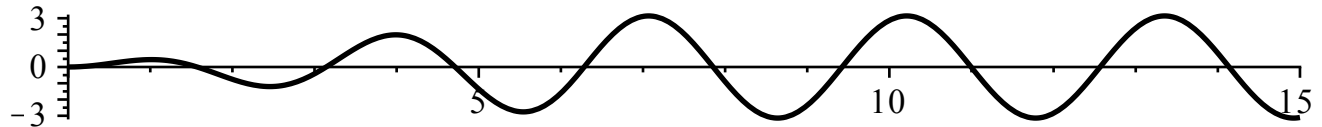
2) Solve the initial value problem for the undamped forced mass-spring configuration below . (There is a Laplace transform table on the back of this quiz.)

$$x''(t) + 4x(t) = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot \cos(2 \cdot t) & 0 \leq t < 2\pi \\ 0 & t \geq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$x'(0) = 0 .$$

Hints: The forcing function can be rewritten as $2 \cos(2t)(1 - u(t - 2\pi))$. Also, the solution has this graph:



(10 points)

Because the function $\cos(2t)$ has period π and repeats after any integer multiple of π , we may rewrite the forcing function

$$2 \cos(2t)(1 - u(t - 2\pi)) = 2 \cos(2t) - 2 \cos(2t)u(t - 2\pi)$$

$$= 2 \cos(2t) - 2 \cos(2(t - 2\pi))u(t - 2\pi) .$$

In this form we can use the Laplace transform table to take the Laplace transform of both sides of the DE, for the solution to the IVP:

$$s^2 X(s) + 4X(s) = \frac{2s}{s^2 + 4} - 2e^{-2\pi s} \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow X(s) = 2 \frac{s}{(s^2 + 4)^2} - 2e^{-2\pi s} \frac{s}{(s^2 + 4)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2} t \sin(2t) - \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2} u(t - 2\pi)(t - 2\pi) \sin(2(t - 2\pi))$$

That's an acceptable final answer for this quiz. You can simplify it though:

$$x(t) = \frac{t}{2} \sin(2t) - \frac{1}{2} u(t - 2\pi)(t - 2\pi) \sin(2t) .$$

So, for $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$, $x(t) = \frac{t}{2} \sin(2t)$ (resonance developing).

And, for $t \geq 2\pi$,

$$x(t) = \frac{t}{2} \sin(2t) - \frac{1}{2} (t - 2\pi) \sin(2t) = \pi \sin(2t) ,$$

simple harmonic motion with amplitude π .

Table of Laplace Transforms

This table summarizes the general properties of Laplace transforms and the Laplace transforms of particular functions derived in Chapter 10.

Function	Transform	Function	Transform
$f(t)$	$F(s)$	e^{at}	$\frac{1}{s-a}$
$af(t) + bg(t)$	$aF(s) + bG(s)$	$t^n e^{at}$	$\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}}$
$f'(t)$	$sF(s) - f(0)$	$\cos kt$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + k^2}$
$f''(t)$	$s^2 F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$	$\sin kt$	$\frac{k}{s^2 + k^2}$
$f^{(n)}(t)$	$s^n F(s) - s^{n-1} f(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$	$\cosh kt$	$\frac{s}{s^2 - k^2}$
$\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau$	$\frac{F(s)}{s}$	$\sinh kt$	$\frac{k}{s^2 - k^2}$
$e^{at} f(t)$	$F(s-a)$	$e^{at} \cos kt$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + k^2}$
$u(t-a)f(t-a)$	$e^{-as} F(s)$	$e^{at} \sin kt$	$\frac{k}{(s-a)^2 + k^2}$
$\int_0^t f(\tau)g(t-\tau) d\tau$	$F(s)G(s)$	$\frac{1}{2k^3}(\sin kt - kt \cos kt)$	$\frac{1}{(s^2 + k^2)^2}$
$tf(t)$	$-F'(s)$	$\frac{t}{2k} \sin kt$	$\frac{s}{(s^2 + k^2)^2}$
$t^n f(t)$	$(-1)^n F^{(n)}(s)$	$\frac{1}{2k}(\sin kt + kt \cos kt)$	$\frac{s^2}{(s^2 + k^2)^2}$
$\frac{f(t)}{t}$	$\int_s^\infty F(\sigma) d\sigma$	$u(t-a)$	$\frac{e^{-as}}{s}$
$f(t)$, period p	$\frac{1}{1-e^{-ps}} \int_0^p e^{-st} f(t) dt$	$\delta(t-a)$	e^{-as}
1	$\frac{1}{s}$	$(-1)\llbracket t/a \rrbracket$ (square wave)	$\frac{1}{s} \tanh \frac{as}{2}$
t	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$\left\lceil \frac{t}{a} \right\rceil$ (staircase)	$\frac{e^{-as}}{s(1-e^{-as})}$
t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$		
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{s}}$		
t^a	$\frac{\Gamma(a+1)}{s^{a+1}}$		