

**2023-24 First Semester**  
**MATH2023 Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations (1002)**

Assignment 5 Suggested Solutions

1. (a) The functions  $y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$  and  $y_2(t) = te^{-2t}$  form a fundamental set of solutions. The Wronskian of these functions is  $W(y_1, y_2) = e^{-4t}$ . The particular solution is given by  $Y_P(t) = u_1(t)y_1(t) + u_2(t)y_2(t)$ , in which

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{-2t} & te^{-2t} \\ -2e^{-2t} & e^{-2t} - 2te^{-2t} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= e^{-4t} - 2te^{-4t} + 2te^{-4t} = e^{-4t} \end{aligned}$$

$$u_1(t) = - \int \frac{te^{-2t}(t^{-2}e^{-2t})}{W(t)} dt = - \int t^{-1} dt = -\ln t$$

$$u_2(t) = \int \frac{e^{-2t}(t^{-2}e^{-2t})}{W(t)} dt = \int t^{-2} dt = -1/t$$

Hence a particular solution is  $Y_P(t) = -e^{-2t} \ln t - e^{-2t}$ . Since the second term is a solution of the homogeneous equation, the general solution is given by

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 t e^{-2t} - e^{-2t} \ln t.$$

- (b) The solution of the homogeneous equation is  $y_c(t) = c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t$ . Denote  $y_1(t) = \cos 3t$  and  $y_2(t) = \sin 3t$ , with  $W(y_1, y_2) = 3$ . A particular solution is assumed as  $Y_P(t) = u_1(t)y_1(t) + u_2(t)y_2(t)$ , in which

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos 3t & \sin 3t \\ -3\sin 3t & 3\cos 3t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3\cos^2 3t + 3\sin^2 3t = 3.$$

$$u_1(t) = - \int \frac{\sin 3t(9 \sec^2 3t)}{W(t)} dt = - \int \frac{3 \sin(3t)}{\cos^2(3t)} dt = -\frac{1}{\cos(3t)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2(t) &= \int \frac{\cos 3t(9 \sec^2 3t)}{W(t)} dt = \int \frac{3 \cos(3t)}{\cos^2(3t)} dt = 3 \int \frac{\cos(3t)}{1 - \sin^2(3t)} dt \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int \cos(3t) \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \sin(3t)} + \frac{1}{1 + \sin(3t)} \right] dt \\ &= \ln |\sec 3t + \tan 3t| \end{aligned}$$

The general solution to the nonhomogeneous problem is

$$y(t) = c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t + (\sin 3t) \ln |\sec 3t + \tan 3t| - 1.$$

2. (a)  $t^2 y'' - t(t+2)y' + (t+2)y = 2t^3$ ,  $t > 0$ ;  $y_1(t) = t$ ,  $y_2(t) = te^t$

The corresponding homogeneous equation:

$$t^2 y'' - t(t+2)y' + (t+2)y = 0 \quad (\text{H})$$

For  $y_1(x) = t$ ,  $y_1'(x) = 1$ ,  $y_1''(x) = 0$ , substitution gives us

$$\rightarrow 0 - t(t+2) + (t+2)t = 0$$

For  $y_2(x) = te^t$ ,  $y_2'(x) = (t+1)e^t$ ,  $y_2''(x) = (t+2)e^t$ ,

$$\rightarrow t^2(t+2)e^t - t(t+2)(t+1)e^t + (t+2)te^t = 0$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} t & te^t \\ 1 & (t+1)e^t \end{vmatrix} = t(t+1)e^t - te^t = t^2e^t \neq 0.$$

$\rightarrow$  Both  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  satisfy (H) and form a fundamental set of solutions to (H).

**Standard form of (N):**

$$y'' - \frac{(t+2)}{t}y' + \frac{(t+2)}{t^2}y = 2t, \quad t > 0$$

Assume  $Y_P = u_1(x)y_1 + u_2(x)y_2$ , then by the method of variation of parameter,

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ g(x) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \begin{bmatrix} t & te^t \\ 1 & e^t(1+t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2t \end{bmatrix}$$

Use Cramer's Rule to solve for  $u_1'$  and  $u_2'$  and direct integration gives  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ :

$$\begin{cases} u_1' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & te^t \\ 2t & e^t(1+t) \end{vmatrix}}{W} = -\frac{2t^2e^t}{t^2e^t} = -2 \\ u_2' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} t & 0 \\ 1 & 2t \end{vmatrix}}{W} = \frac{2t^2}{t^2e^t} = 2e^{-t} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1 = -2t \\ u_2 = -2e^{-t} \end{cases}$$

$$Y_P(t) = u_1y_1 + u_2y_2 = -2t^2 - 2t$$

Notice that  $y = -2t$  is a solution to (H), we may choose  $Y = -2t^2$ , as a solution to (N).

(b)  $x^2y'' - 3xy' + 4y = x^2 \ln x, \quad x > 0; \quad y_1(x) = x^2, \quad y_2(x) = x^2 \ln x$

It is trivial to verify that both  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  satisfy equation (H).

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^2 \ln x \\ 2x & 2x \ln x + x \end{vmatrix} = x^3 \neq 0.$$

The nonzero Wronskian of  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  suggests linear independency between  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ . Therefore,  $\{y_1, y_2\}$  form a fundamental set of solutions to (H).

**Standard form of (N):**

$$y'' - \frac{3}{x}y' + \frac{4}{x^2}y = \ln x, \quad x > 0$$

Assume  $Y_P = u_1(x)y_1 + u_2(x)y_2$ , then by the variation of parameter,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x^2 & x^2 \ln x \\ 2x & 2x \ln x + x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ln x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u'_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^2 \ln x \\ \ln x & 2x \ln x + x \end{vmatrix} / W = -\frac{\ln^2 x}{x} \rightarrow u_1 = -\frac{(\ln x)^3}{3},$$

$$u'_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ 2x & \ln x \end{vmatrix} / W = \frac{\ln x}{x} \rightarrow u_2 = \frac{(\ln x)^2}{2}$$

A particular solution to (N) is

$$Y_P(t) = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 = \frac{1}{6} x^2 (\ln x)^3.$$

3. (a) Consider

$$\begin{aligned} (D - r_1)(D - r_2)y &= (D - r_1)(y' - r_2 y) = D(y') - r_1 y' - D(r_2 y) + r_1 r_2 y \\ &= y'' - (r_1 + r_2)y' + r_1 r_2 y \end{aligned}$$

Since  $r_1 + r_2 = -b$  and  $r_1 r_2 = c$ , then

$$(D - r_1)(D - r_2)y = y'' + by' + cy$$

(b) The solution to the original DE can be found by solving a system of coupled first order DEs. Taking

$$u = (D - r_2)y, \tag{1}$$

the equation becomes

$$(D - r_1)(D - r_2)y = g(t) \rightarrow (D - r_1)u(t) = g(t). \tag{2}$$

Both equations are linear and of first order. Eq (2) is an equation in  $u$  while Eq (1) is one in  $y$ . Solve Eq (2) for  $u$  first,

$$u(t) = e^{r_1 t} \int e^{-r_1 \tau} g(\tau) d\tau + c_1 e^{r_1 t}.$$

From above, we substitute  $u(t)$  back into Eq (1) and solve for  $y(t)$

$$y(t) = e^{r_2 t} \int e^{-r_2 \tau} u(\tau) d\tau + c_2 e^{r_2 t}.$$

Note that the solution  $y(t)$  contains two arbitrary constants.

4. (a) Since  $r^2 + 4 = 0$ , then  $r_{1,2} = \pm 2i$  and

$$(D + 2i)(D - 2i)y(t) = 3e^t + t^2$$

Denote  $k = 2i$  and take  $u(t) = (D - k)y(t)$ , we get

$$u' + ku = 3e^t + t^2, \quad y' - ky = u(t).$$

The general solution for  $u(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} [e^{kt}u(t)]' &= e^{kt}[3e^t + t^2] = 3e^{(k+1)t} + t^2e^{kt} \\ e^{kt}u(t) &= \frac{3}{k+1}e^{(k+1)t} + \frac{1}{k}t^2e^{kt} - \frac{2}{k} \int te^{kt} dt + c_1 \\ &= \frac{3}{k+1}e^{(k+1)t} + \frac{1}{k}t^2e^{kt} - \frac{2}{k^2}te^{kt} + \frac{2}{k^3}e^{kt} + c_1 \end{aligned}$$

We obtain

$$u(t) = \frac{3}{k+1}e^t + \frac{1}{k}t^2 - \frac{2}{k^2}t + \frac{2}{k^3} + c_1e^{-kt}.$$

From above, solve another equation for  $y(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} [e^{-kt}y(t)]' &= \frac{3}{k+1}e^{(1-k)t} + \frac{1}{k}t^2e^{-kt} - \frac{2}{k^2}te^{-kt} + \frac{2}{k^3}e^{-kt} + c_1e^{-2kt} \\ e^{-kt}y(t) &= \frac{3}{(1+k)(1-k)}e^{(1-k)t} - \frac{1}{k^2}t^2e^{-kt} - \frac{2}{k^4}e^{-kt} - \frac{c_1}{2k}e^{-2kt} + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

The general solution to the original DE is

$$y(t) = \frac{3}{5}e^t + \frac{1}{4}t^2 - \frac{1}{8} + c_1 \sin(2t) + c_2 \cos(2t).$$

(b) By taking  $u = (D+2)y$ , we get

$$(D+2)u = t^{-2}e^{-2t}, \quad (D+2)y = u$$

Solve  $u' + 2u = t^{-2}e^{-2t}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= e^{-2t} \left[ \int e^{2t}(t^{-2}e^{-2t})dt + C_1 \right] \\ &= e^{-2t} \left[ -\frac{1}{t} + C_1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

Solve  $y' + 2y = u(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= e^{-2t} \left[ \int e^{2t}(-t^{-1}e^{-2t} + C_1e^{-2t})dt + C_2 \right] \\ &= e^{-2t} [-\ln t + C_1t + C_2] \end{aligned}$$

Thus the general solution to the original DE is given by

$$y(t) = -e^{-2t} \ln t + C_1te^{-2t} + C_2e^{-2t}.$$

*Remarks: Compare with HW4-Q5(a) and HW5-Q1(a). Can you solve them by using reduction of order?*

5. The characteristic equation of the governing equation is  $\frac{3}{2}r^2 + k = 0$  with  $r_{1,2} = \pm i\sqrt{\frac{2k}{3}}$ .  
The general solution is

$$u(t) = c_1 \cos(\omega t) + c_2 \sin(\omega t), \quad \text{where } \omega = \sqrt{\frac{2k}{3}}.$$

Use the initial conditions to determine the values of  $c_{1,2}$ :

$$c_1 = 2, \quad c_2 = v/\omega$$

Solution to this IVP:

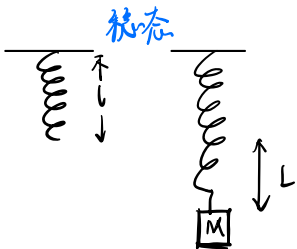
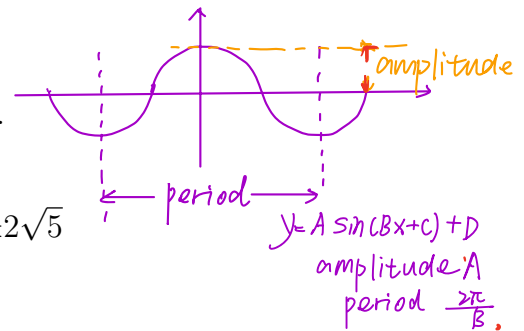
$$u(t) = 2 \cos(\omega t) + v/\omega \sin(\omega t) = R \cos(\omega t - \mu), \quad \text{where } R = \sqrt{4 + \frac{v^2}{\omega^2}}, \quad \cos \mu = 2/R$$

Since the period is  $\pi$  and the amplitude is 3, so

$$\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \pi \rightarrow \omega = 2, k = 6.$$

$$R = \sqrt{4 + \frac{v^2}{\omega^2}} = 3 \rightarrow v = \pm 2\sqrt{5}$$



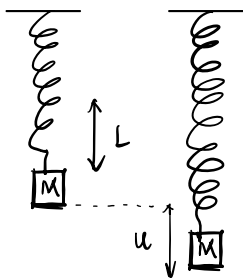
弹簧原长度为  $l$

挂上重为  $mg$  的物体  $M$  后, 稳态下弹簧伸长  $L \Rightarrow$  长度变为  $l + L$

物体因此受向上的弹力  $kL$

$$\text{稳态: } mg = kL \quad k = \frac{mg}{L}$$

时刻  $t$  物体  $M$  在外作用下移动  $u(t)$ :  $u'(t) = v(t)$   $u''(t) = a(t)$



受力分析:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{弹力} &= -k(l + u) \\ \text{阻力} &= -\gamma v = F_d \\ \text{外力使弹簧向下移动} &= F(t) \\ \text{重力} &= mg \end{aligned}$$

$$ma(t) = m u''(t) = mg + F(t) - k(l + u) - \gamma v$$

$$m u''(t) + \gamma u'(t) + k u = \underbrace{mg + F(t) - kL}_{= 0} = F(t)$$

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$u(0) = \text{初位置 } u_0$

$u'(0) = \text{初速度 } v_0$

$$F(t) = 10 \sin \frac{t}{2}$$

6. (Forced Vibration) A mass of  $\overset{m=5}{5\text{kg}}$  stretches a spring  $\overset{l=10\text{cm}}{10\text{cm}}$ . The mass is acted on by an external force of  $10 \sin(t/2)$  N(newtons) and moves in a medium that imparts a viscous force of  $2 \text{ N}$   $\overset{F_d=2}{F_d=2}$  when the speed of the mass is  $4\text{cm/sec}$ .  $\overset{V=4\text{cm/s}}{V=4\text{cm/s}}$

- (a) If the mass is set in motion from its equilibrium position with an initial velocity of  $3\text{cm/sec}$ ,  $\overset{u_0=0}{u_0=0}$   $\overset{v_0=3\text{cm/s}}{v_0=3\text{cm/s}}$ , formulate the initial value problem describing the motion of the mass.
- (b) Find the solution of the initial value problem.
- (c) Identify the transient and steady-state parts of the solution.
- (d) (*Optional!*) If the given external force is replaced by a force  $2 \cos(\omega t)$  of frequency  $\omega$ , find the value of  $\omega$  for which the amplitude of the forced response is maximum.

homogeneous solution.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) = \frac{1}{153281} (-160 \cos \frac{t}{2} + 3128 \sin \frac{t}{2})$$

6. The gravity acceleration  $g = 9.8\text{m/sec}^2$ , then the spring constant  $k = mg/L = 5 \times 9.8/0.1 = 490(\text{N/m})$  and the damping constant  $\gamma = F_d/v = 50(\text{N} \cdot \text{sec/m})$ .

(a)  $u'' + 10u' + 98u = 2 \sin(t/2), \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) = 0.03.$

- (b) Solving the associated homogeneous equation for  $u_H$ :

$$r^2 + 10r + 98 = 0 \rightarrow r_{1,2} = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 4 \cdot 98}}{2} = -5 \pm i\sqrt{73}$$

The general solution to the associated homogeneous problem is

$$u_H(t) = e^{-5t} [c_1 \cos(\mu t) + c_2 \sin(\mu t)], \quad \text{where } \mu = \sqrt{73}.$$

Assume that a particular solution to the non-homogeneous problem has the form

$$u_P(t) = A \cos(t/2) + B \sin(t/2).$$

Substituting  $u_P$  back into the DE,

$$-\frac{1}{4} \left[ A \cos \frac{t}{2} + B \sin \frac{t}{2} \right] + \frac{10}{2} \left[ -A \sin \frac{t}{2} + B \cos \frac{t}{2} \right] + 98 \left[ A \cos \frac{t}{2} + B \sin \frac{t}{2} \right] = 2 \sin \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\left[ -\frac{A}{4} + 5B + 98A \right] \cos \frac{t}{2} + \left[ -\frac{B}{4} - 5A + 98B \right] \sin \frac{t}{2} = 2 \sin \frac{t}{2}$$

$$u_P(t) = \frac{1}{153281} \left[ -160 \cos \frac{t}{2} + 3128 \sin \frac{t}{2} \right].$$

Thus, the general solution of this problem is  $u(t) = u_H(t) + u_P(t)$ . By considering the initial conditions,

$$\begin{cases} c_1 - \frac{160}{153281} = 0 \\ -5c_1 + c_2\mu + \frac{1564}{153281} = 0.03 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = \frac{160}{153281} \\ c_2 = \frac{383443}{153281} \cdot \frac{1}{100\mu} \end{cases}$$

The solution is

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{153281} \left[ 160e^{-5t} \cos(\mu t) + \frac{383443}{100\mu} e^{-5t} \sin(\mu t) - 160 \cos \frac{t}{2} + 3128 \sin \frac{t}{2} \right], \quad \mu = \sqrt{73}.$$

(c)  $u_H(t)$  is the transient part and  $u_P(t)$  is the steady state part of the solution.

(d) Assume that the forced response  $u_P(t) = A \cos(\omega t) + B \sin(\omega t)$  satisfies

$$[-\omega^2 A + 10\omega B + 98A] \cos(\omega t) + [-\omega^2 B - 10\omega A + 98B] \sin(\omega t) = 2 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\begin{cases} -\omega^2 A + 10\omega B + 98A = 2 \\ -\omega^2 B - 10\omega A + 98B = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{bmatrix} (98 - \omega^2) & -10\omega \\ 10\omega & (98 - \omega^2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{bmatrix} 2(98 - \omega^2) \\ 20\omega \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\Delta = (98 - \omega^2)^2 + 100\omega^2$ . Since the amplitude of the forced response is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\omega^2 + 98 & 10\omega \\ -10\omega & 98 - \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\Delta}},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 98 - \omega^2 & -10\omega \\ 10\omega & 98 - \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then  $R$  will reach its maximum when  $\sqrt{\Delta}$  attains its minimum, namely,

$$\frac{d\Delta}{d\omega} = -2\omega \cdot 2(98 - \omega^2) + 200\omega = \omega(4\omega^2 - 192) = 0$$

When  $\omega = 4\sqrt{3}$ , the amplitude of the forced response is maximum  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{7300}}$ .