

MA1512 Tutorial 3 Solutions

(1a)

$$y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0 \quad \text{Set } y = e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\lambda^2 + 6\lambda + 9 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = -3$$

$$\rightarrow y = (A + Bx)e^{-3x} \rightarrow y' = Be^{-3x} - 3(A + Bx)e^{-3x}$$

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1$$

$$y'(0) = -1 \Rightarrow B - 3A = -1 \Rightarrow B = 2 \rightarrow y = (1 + 2x)e^{-3x}$$

(1b)

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + (1 + 4\pi^2) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = 1 \pm 2\pi i$$

$$\rightarrow y = e^x [A \cos 2\pi x + B \sin 2\pi x]$$

$$y' = y + e^x [-2\pi A \sin 2\pi x + 2\pi B \cos 2\pi x]$$

$$y(0) = -2 \Rightarrow A = -2$$

$$y'(0) = 2(3\pi - 1) \Rightarrow 2(3\pi - 1) = -2 + 2\pi B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 3 \Rightarrow y = e^x [-2 \cos 2\pi x + 3 \sin 2\pi x]$$

(2a)

$$\text{Try } y = Ax^2 + Bx + C$$

$$y'' + 2y' + 10y$$

$$= 2A + 2(2Ax + B) + 10(Ax^2 + Bx + C)$$

$$= 25x^2 + 3$$

$$\rightarrow 10A = 25, \quad 4A + 10B = 0, \quad 2A + 2B + 10C = 3$$

$$\rightarrow A = 5/2, \quad B = -1, \quad C = 0$$

$$\rightarrow y = \frac{5}{2}x^2 - x$$

(2b)

$$\text{Try } y = (Ax^2 + Bx + C)e^{3x}$$

$$y' = (2Ax + B)e^{3x} + 3(Ax^2 + Bx + C)e^{3x}$$

$$y'' = 2Ae^{3x} + 3(2Ax + B)e^{3x} + 3(2Ax + B)e^{3x} + 9(Ax^2 + Bx + C)e^{3x}$$

$$9A - 18A + 8A = 1 \rightarrow A = -1$$

$$6A + 6A + 9B - 12A - 18B + 8B = 0 \rightarrow B = 0$$

$$2A + 3B + 3B + 9C - 6B - 18C + 8C = 0 \rightarrow C = -2$$

$$y = (-x^2 - 2)e^{3x}$$

(2c)

$$y'' - y = 2x \operatorname{Im} e^{ix} \quad (\operatorname{Im} = \text{imaginary part})$$

if we can solve the complex equation $z'' - z = 2xe^{ix}$ then $\operatorname{Im} z$ satisfies the above.

$$\text{Try } z = (Ax + B)e^{ix}$$

$$z' = Ae^{ix} + i(Ax + B)e^{ix}$$

$$z'' = Aie^{ix} + iAe^{ix} - (Ax + B)e^{ix}$$

$$z'' - z = (2Ai - Ax - B - Ax - B)e^{ix} = 2xe^{ix}$$

$$\rightarrow A = -1$$

$$-2i - 2B = 0 \rightarrow B = -i$$

$$\rightarrow z = (-x - i)e^{ix} = -x \cos x + \sin x + i[-\cos x - x \sin x]$$

$$\operatorname{Im} z = -\cos x - x \sin x \rightarrow y = -\cos x - x \sin x$$

(2d)

$$y'' + 4y = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{2ix})$$

$$\text{Solve } z'' + 4z = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}e^{2ix} \Leftrightarrow \text{Try } z = A + Bxe^{2ix}$$

$$z'' = -4Bxe^{2ix} + 4iBe^{2ix} \rightarrow z'' + 4z = -4Bxe^{2ix} + 4A + 4Bxe^{2ix} + 4iBe^{2ix}$$

$$\rightarrow 4A = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow A = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} = 4iB \rightarrow B = \frac{1}{8}i$$

$$z = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}ixe^{2ix} = \frac{1}{8}(1 + x(i \cos 2x - \sin 2x))$$

$$y = \operatorname{Re} z = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8}x \sin 2x$$

(3a)

Variation of parameters : first solve $y'' + 4y = 0 \rightarrow y = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$

Promote A and B to functions A(x), B(x).

Then $A(x) \cos(2x) + B(x) \sin 2x$ is a solution of $y'' + 4y = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)$

if A(x) and B(x) are chosen to satisfy

$$A' = \frac{-[\overbrace{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)}^{(RHS)}] \sin 2x}{W}, \quad B' = \frac{+[\overbrace{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)}^{(RHS)}] \cos 2x}{W}$$

where $W = (\cos 2x)x(\sin 2x)' - (\cos 2x)' \sin 2x = 2$

so

$$A' = -\frac{1}{4}\sin 2x + \frac{1}{4}\cos 2x \sin 2x = -\frac{1}{4}\sin 2x + \frac{1}{8}\sin 4x$$

$$B' = \frac{1}{4}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{4}\cos^2(2x) = \frac{1}{4}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{8}(\cos 4x + 1)$$

$$\rightarrow A = \frac{1}{8}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{32}\cos 4x$$

$$\rightarrow B = \frac{1}{8}\sin 2x - \frac{1}{32}\sin 4x - \frac{x}{8} \quad \text{so the solution is}$$

$$A\cos 2x + B\sin 2x = \frac{1}{8}\left[\left(\cos 2x - \frac{1}{4}\cos 4x\right)\cos 2x + \left(\sin 2x - \frac{1}{4}\sin 4x - x\right)\sin 2x\right]$$

which is the same as in (2d) since

$$\frac{1}{8}\left(\cos^2 2x - \frac{1}{4}\cos 4x \cos 2x + \sin^2 2x - \frac{1}{4}\sin 4x \sin 2x\right) - \frac{x}{8}\sin 2x$$

$$= \frac{1}{8}\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\cos 2x\right) - \frac{x}{8}\sin 2x \quad \text{and the extra } -\frac{1}{32}\cos 2x \text{ can be absorbed into the}$$

general solution

$$(\text{arbitrary constant})x \cos 2x + (\text{arbitrary constant})x \sin 2x$$

(3b)

$A(x)\cos x + B(x)\sin(x)$ where

$$A' = \frac{-[\sec(x)] \sin x}{w} \quad B' = \frac{+[\sec(x)] \cos x}{w}$$

$$w = (\cos x)(\sin x)' - (\cos x)'(\sin x) = +1$$

$$A = -\int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx = \ln |\cos x|, \quad B = x$$

$$\rightarrow y = \cos x \ln |\cos x| + x \sin x$$

Question 4

The equation of motion is given by

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{L}\theta = 0.$$

Therefore $\theta = A \cos \sqrt{9.8}t + B \sin \sqrt{9.8}t$.

Using $\theta(0) = 0$ and $\frac{d\theta}{dt}(0) = 1$, we have $A = 0$ and $B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9.8}}$.

So the solution is $\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9.8}} \sin \sqrt{9.8}t$.

We find $\theta(0.8) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9.8}} \sin 0.8\sqrt{9.8} = 0.190\,048\,03$.

Question 5

When the ship is at rest, the part of it which is under sea level has a volume of Ad [that is, the area of the base times the height]. Therefore, this is the volume of seawater that has been pushed aside by the ship. If the density of seawater is ρ , then the mass of seawater pushed aside is ρAd , and its weight is ρAdg . This upward force exactly balances the weight of the ship, so we have

$$\rho A d g = M g.$$

Thus

$$d = M/\rho A.$$

Now if the ship is moving and the distance from sea level to the bottom of the ship is $d + x$, where x is a function of time, we have to use Force = mass \times acceleration. Taking the downwards direction to be positive, we find that the buoyancy force is now $-\rho A(d + x)g$, so we have

$$M\ddot{x} = Mg - \rho A(d + x)g,$$

which, using our formula for d , is just

$$\ddot{x} = -\frac{\rho A g}{M}x$$

This represents simple harmonic motion with angular frequency $\sqrt{\rho A g/M}$, as claimed. The ship will bob up and down at this frequency. Note the inverse dependence on M , which is to be expected, but also that the frequency increases if A is large, which is not so obvious.

Taking into account the force exerted by the waves, Force = mass \times acceleration gives

$$M\ddot{x} = Mg - \rho A(d + x)g + F_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

or

$$M\ddot{x} + \rho A g x = F_0 \cos(\omega t).$$

This is exactly the equation studied in the notes when we studied resonance, except that k is replaced by ρAg . In the problem we are told that the input frequency [the frequency of the waves] is $\omega = \sqrt{\rho A g/M}$, the same as the natural frequency of the ship, so we do indeed have resonance here.

From the resonance notes we have [when x and its derivative are both zero at $t = 0$, which is also the case here]

$$x(t) = \frac{F_0 t}{2M\omega} \sin(\omega t).$$

Because of the factor of t , this will eventually be larger than any fixed number. As soon as it reaches the value H , this means that the ship has gone down by a greater distance than the height of the deck, which means that water washes over the deck and the ship sinks. So t_{sink} is the smallest positive solution of the equation

$$H = \frac{F_0 t_{\text{sink}}}{2M\omega} \sin(\omega t_{\text{sink}}).$$

Question 6 solution

We have $EI \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} = 20x - 2x^2$.

Integrate once, we get $EI \frac{dv}{dx} = 10x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 + A$.

Integrate again, we get $EIv = \frac{10}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 + Ax + B$.

$v(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$

$v(10) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{10}{3}(10)^3 - \frac{1}{6}(10)^4 + A(10) = 0$

$\frac{10}{3}(10)^3 - \frac{1}{6}(10)^4 + A(10) = 0$, Solution is: $\{A = -\frac{500}{3}\}$

$EIv = \frac{10}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \frac{500}{3}x$

By symmetry, maximum deflection occurs at the midpoint $x = 5$.

$$\frac{\frac{10}{3}5^3 - \frac{1}{6}5^4 - \frac{500}{3}5}{EI} = -\frac{3125}{6EI} = -\frac{520.83333}{EI} \approx -\frac{521}{EI}.$$