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Exam 2

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- 75 minute individual exam;
 - Answer the questions in the space provided. If you run out of space, continue onto the back of the page. Additional space is provided at the end;
 - **Show and explain all work;**
 - **Underline** the answer of each steps;
 - The use of books, personal notes, **calculator**, cellphone, laptop, and communication with others is forbidden;
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Some Laplace Transforms

f	$\mathcal{L}(f)$	f	$\mathcal{L}(f)$
1	$\frac{1}{s} \quad s > 0$	$\frac{t^n}{n!}$	$\frac{1}{s^{n+1}} \quad s > 0$
$e^{-\alpha t}$	$\frac{1}{s+\alpha} \quad s > -\alpha$	$e^{-\alpha t} t^n$	$\frac{n!}{(s+\alpha)^{n+1}} \quad s > -\alpha$
$\sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2+\omega^2} \quad s > 0$	$\cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2+\omega^2} \quad s > 0$
$e^{\alpha t} \sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{(s-\alpha)^2+\omega^2} \quad s > \alpha$	$e^{\alpha t} \cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{s-\alpha}{(s-\alpha)^2+\omega^2} \quad s > \alpha$
$\sinh(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2-\omega^2} \quad s > \omega $	$\cosh(\omega t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2-\omega^2} \quad s > \omega $
$H_\alpha(t)$	$\frac{e^{-\alpha s}}{s} \quad s > 0$	$\delta_\alpha(t)$	$e^{-\alpha s} \quad s > -\infty$

Some Properties of the Laplace Transforms

Let $f, g : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be piecewise continuous functions with piecewise continuous derivatives. Assume there exists $K \geq 0$ and $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$|f(t)| \leq K e^{a_1 t}, \quad |g(t)| \leq M e^{a_2 t}, \quad \forall t \in [0, +\infty).$$

Then there holds

$$(i.) \quad \mathcal{L} \left(\frac{d^n}{dt^n} f(t) \right) (s) = s^n \mathcal{L}(f(t)) - s^{n-1} f(0) - \dots - s \frac{d^{n-2}}{dt^{n-2}} f(0) - \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} f(0),$$

$$\forall s > a_1, (f \in C^{n-1}([0, \infty)), \frac{d^n}{dt^n} f \text{ piecewise continuous})$$

$$(ii.) \quad \mathcal{L} \left(\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau \right) (s) = \frac{1}{s} \mathcal{L}(f(t)) (s), \quad \forall s > a_1,$$

$$(iii.) \quad \mathcal{L}((-1)^n t^n f(t)) (s) = \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \mathcal{L}(f(t)) (s), \quad \forall s > a_1,$$

$$(iv.) \quad \mathcal{L}(e^{-\alpha t} f(t)) (s) = \mathcal{L}(f(t)) (s + \alpha), \quad \forall s > a_1 + \alpha, \alpha \geq 0,$$

$$(v.) \quad \mathcal{L}(H_\alpha(t) f(t - \alpha)) (s) = e^{-\alpha s} \mathcal{L}(f(t)) (s), \quad \forall s > a_1, \alpha \geq 0,$$

$$(vi.) \quad \mathcal{L}((f * g)(t)) (s) = \mathcal{L}(f(t))(s) \cdot \mathcal{L}(g(t))(s), \quad \forall s > \max(a_1, a_2).$$

Exercise 1 25%

Find the solution of

$$y'' + 2y' + 3y = 5\delta_{3\pi}, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0.$$

Exercise 2 25%

- Solve the following system

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and draw the phase portrait.

- Among the solution found in the previous step, determine the one satisfying

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1(0) \\ y_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and plot the evolution of $y_1(t)$ vs t .

Exercise 3 25%

Determine the critical point $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ of the following system. Use the change of variable $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}$, find the eigenvalues of the resulting system and deduce whether $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ is stable or not.

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercise 4 25%

Find the general solution to the following ODE

$$y'' + y = (1 + x) \sin(x)$$

and graph the evolution of $y(x)$ for large values of $x > 0$.

Exam 2: solutions

Exercise 1 25%

Taking the Laplace transform yields

$$(s^2 + 2s + 3)Y = 5e^{-3\pi s}$$

or

$$Y = \frac{5}{s^2 + 2s + 3} e^{-3\pi s}.$$

We first find the Laplace transform inverse of

$$F(s) := \frac{5}{s^2 + 2s + 3} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s+1)^2 + 2},$$

which is given by

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(F)(t) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{2}t).$$

Hence, using the table, we find that the Laplace transform inverse of $F(s)e^{-cs}$ is

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(F)(t-c)u_c(t)$$

and we conclude that

$$y(t) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-(t-3\pi)} \sin(\sqrt{2}(t-3\pi)) u_{3\pi}(t).$$

Exercise 2 25%

- We find the eigenvalues-eigenvectors of the matrix. The eigenvalues are found solving

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -1-\lambda & -4 \\ 1 & -1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

i.e.

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 5 = 0$$

or $\lambda = -1 \pm 2i$.

We only consider $\lambda = -1 + 2i$ and find the associated eigenvector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix} = (-1 + 2i) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$2i\xi_1 + 4\xi_2 = 0.$$

Hence all eigenvectors are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \forall \alpha \neq 0.$$

As a consequence two linearly independent solutions are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \Re \left(e^{(-1+2i)t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \right) = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \Im \left(e^{(-1+2i)t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \right) = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \sin(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Gathering the above results, we find that the general solution reads

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = e^{-t} \left(C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \sin(2t) \\ -\cos(2t) \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

The phase portrait is provided in Fig. 1.

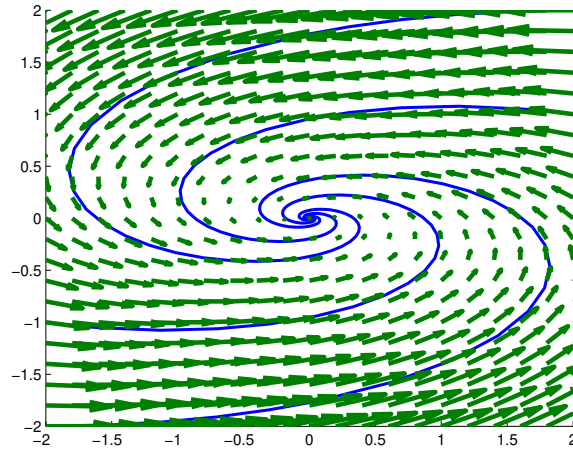


Figure 1: Phase portrait

- We use the provided initial condition to solve for the constants C_1 and C_2 :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(0) \\ y_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2C_1 \\ -C_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

to deduce $C_1 = 1$ and $C_2 = 0$. Hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2t) \\ \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The plot of $y_1(t)$ is provided in Fig. 2.

Exercise 3 25%

The critical points are defined as the solution to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This means

$$y_1 + y_2 = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad y_1 - y_2 = 0$$

or

$$y_1 = y_2 = 1.$$

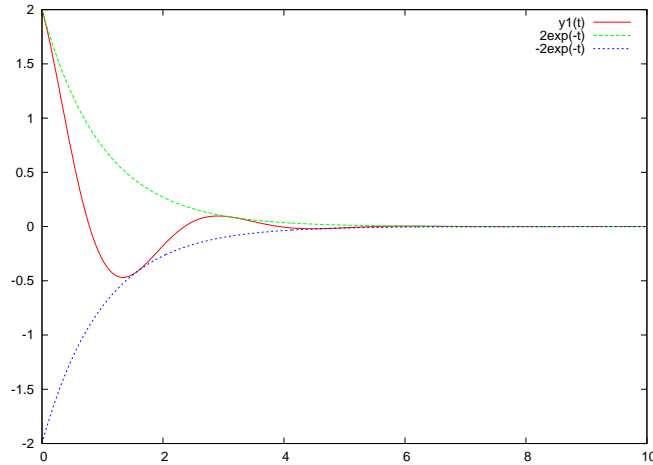


Figure 2: y_1 vs t .

Using the change of variable $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z} - (1, 1)^t$ one gets

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}$$

so that the stability of $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ depends on eigenvalues of the above matrix. The eigenvalues satisfy

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

or

$$\lambda = \pm\sqrt{2}.$$

The eigenvalues having different signes, we conclude that the critical point is unstable.

Exercise 4 25%

We first consider the homogeneous equation by solving the characteristic equation

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

This is $\lambda = \pm i$. Therefore two linearly independent solutions of the homogeneous equation are given by

$$y_1(x) = \operatorname{Re}(e^{ix}) = \cos(x), \quad y_2(x) = \operatorname{Im}(e^{ix}) = \sin(x).$$

We now guess a particular solution of the form

$$y_p(x) = \operatorname{Im}(z_p(x)), \quad \text{where} \quad z_p(x) = w_p(x)e^{ix}.$$

Plugging $z_p(x)$ into the ODE we get

$$w_p'' + 2iw_p' = (1 + x), \tag{1}$$

leading to the educated guess for $w_p(x)$

$$w_p(x) = Ax^2 + Bx$$

for some constants A and B . Plugging $w_p(x)$ in (1) yields

$$A = -\frac{i}{4}, \quad B = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{i}{2}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(x) &= \text{Im}(z_p(x)) = \text{Im} \left(\left(-\frac{i}{4}x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{i}{2} \right)x \right) (\cos(x) + i \sin(x)) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x \sin(x) - \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right) \cos(x). \end{aligned}$$

and

$$y(x) = C_1 \cos(x) + C_2 \sin(x) + \frac{1}{4}x \sin(x) - \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right) \cos(x),$$

for some constants C_1 and C_2 .

For large values of x the solution $y(x)$ looks like

$$y(x) \approx -\frac{x^2}{4} \cos(x).$$

The graph is provided in Fig. 3.

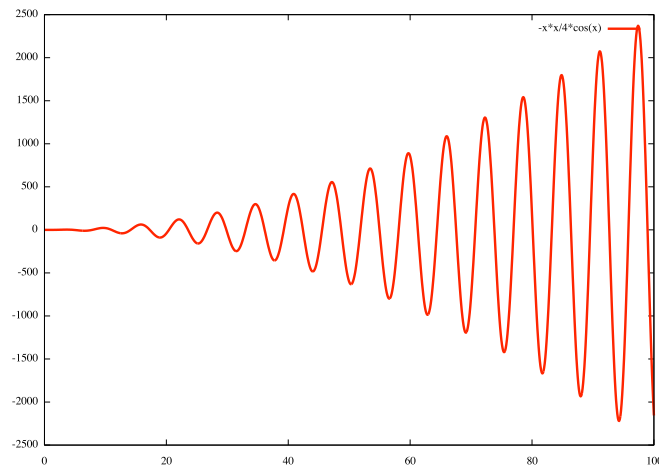


Figure 3: graph of $y(x) = -\frac{x^2}{4} \cos(x)$.