

# Engineering Mathematics I

## (Comp 400.001)

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1. (20 points) If a certain business were operated on a nonprofit basis, its value  $v(t)$  at time  $t$  would increase at a rate proportional to that value. The managers of the business decide, however, to reduce its value at a rate equal to a fixed fraction of the value to obtain a profit  $p(t)$  from the business.
- (a) (8 points) Find a pair of differential equations that can be used to compute  $v(t)$  and  $p(t)$ .
- (b) (6 points) Find  $v(t)$  with an initial condition:  $v(0) = v_0$ .
- (c) (6 points) Find  $p(t)$  with an initial condition  $p(0) = 0$ .

$$(a) \begin{cases} v'(t) = k_1(v(t) - p'(t)) \\ p'(t) = k_2 v(t) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} v'(t) = k_1(1 - k_2)v(t) \\ p'(t) = k_2 v(t) \end{cases}$$

$$(b) v(t) = v_0 \cdot e^{k_1(1-k_2)t}$$

$$(c) p(t) = \frac{k_2 v_0}{k_1(1-k_2)} \left[ e^{k_1(1-k_2)t} - 1 \right]$$

2. (15 points) Show that if  $p(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$ , then

$$y' + ay = p(x)$$

has a solution that is a polynomial of degree  $n$  whenever  $a \neq 0$ .

$$p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n b_k x^k, \text{ where } b_n \neq 0 \quad (+1)$$

$$\text{Let } y(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k x^k, \text{ then } (+1)$$

$$y'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n k \cdot c_k x^{k-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (k+1) c_{k+1} x^k \quad (+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' + ay &= a \cdot c_n x^n + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [(k+1) c_{k+1} + a c_k] x^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n b_k x^k = p(x) \quad (+2) \end{aligned}$$

$$a \cdot c_n = b_n, \quad (k+1) c_{k+1} + a c_k = b_k, \quad (+1) \\ \text{for } k=0, \dots, n-1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_n = \frac{1}{a} \cdot b_n \neq 0 & (+2) \\ c_k = \frac{1}{a} [b_k - (k+1) c_{k+1}], \text{ for } k=n-1, \dots, 0. & (+1) \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k x^k$  is a solution  
that is a polynomial of degree  $n$ .  
(+1)

3. (15 points) Solve the following initial value problem

$$xy'' + y' = x, \quad y(1) = 1, \quad y'(1) = 1.$$

$$x^2 y'' + x y' = x^2 \quad (+2)$$

$$m(m-1) + m = 0, \quad m^2 = 0 \quad (+1)$$

$$y_1 = x^0 = 1, \quad y_2 = x^0 \ln x = \ln x \quad (+2)$$

$$w = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \ln x \\ 0 & \frac{1}{x} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{x}, \quad w_1 = -\ln x, \quad w_2 = 1 \quad (+1)$$

$$y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' = 1 = r(x) \quad (+2)$$

$$y_p = y_1 \cdot \int \frac{w_1}{w} r(x) dx + y_2 \int \frac{w_2}{w} r(x) dx$$

$$= \int (-x \ln x) dx + (\ln x) \int x dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} x^2 \ln x + \frac{1}{4} x^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 \ln x$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} x^2 \quad (+2)$$

$$y = c_1 + c_2 \ln x + \frac{1}{4} x^2 \quad (+1)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y(1) &= c_1 + \frac{1}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{3}{4} \\ y'(1) &= c_2 + \frac{1}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} (+2)$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \ln x + \frac{1}{4} x^2$$

$$(+1)$$

4. (10 points) Solve the following equation

$$y''' - 3y' - 2y = \sin x + \cos x.$$

$$\lambda^3 - 3\lambda - 2 = (\lambda + 1)^2 (\lambda - 2) = 0 \quad (+1)$$

$$y_1 = e^{-x}, y_2 = xe^{-x}, y_3 = e^{2x} \quad (+2)$$

$$y_p = A \cos x + B \sin x$$

$$y_p' = -A \sin x + B \cos x$$

$$y_p'' = -A \cos x - B \sin x$$

$$y_p''' = A \sin x - B \cos x$$

(+2)

$$y_p''' - 3y_p' - 2y_p$$

$$= (-2A - 4B) \cos x + (4A - 2B) \sin x$$

$$= \sin x + \cos x$$

(+2)

$$\Rightarrow 4A - 2B = 1, -2A - 4B = 1$$

$$A = 0.1, B = -0.3$$

(+2)

$$\therefore y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x} + c_3 e^{2x}$$

$$+ 0.1 \cos x - 0.3 \sin x$$

(+1)

5. (20 points) Solve the following system of ODEs:

$$y_1' = y_1 + 3y_2 + \sin x$$

$$y_2' = y_1 - y_2 - \cos x$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda) - 3$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda_1 = -2, \lambda_2 = 2 \quad (+2)$$

$$\lambda_1 = -2, \mathbf{x}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}; \lambda_2 = 2, \mathbf{x}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (+3)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_h = c_1 e^{-2x} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{2x} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (+2)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_p = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{bmatrix} \quad (+3)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_p' = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos x \\ -\sin x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B & A \\ -D & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{bmatrix} \quad (+3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -B & A \\ -D & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -B & A \\ -D & C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A+3C+1 & B+3D \\ A-C & B-D-1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (+3)$$

$$A = -0.2, B = 0.4, C = -0.4, D = -0.2 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore \left. \begin{aligned} y_1 &= c_1 e^{-2x} + 3c_2 e^{2x} - 0.2 \sin x + 0.4 \cos x \\ y_2 &= -c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{2x} - 0.4 \sin x - 0.2 \cos x \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (+2)$$



6. (20 points) The following Table compares the results of applying the Euler, improved Euler, and Runge-Kutta methods to the following initial value problem with  $h = 0.2$ :

$$y' = 4x + 2y, \quad y(0) = 0.$$

Fill in the three blanks in (A), (B), and (C), and show your work for partial credit.

$x_i$	Euler	Improved Euler	Runge-Kutta	Exact
0.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
0.2	0.0000	0.0800	(C)	0.0918
0.4	0.1600	(B)	0.4253	0.4255
0.6	(A)	1.0418	1.1195	1.1201
0.8	1.2416	2.1979	2.3518	2.3530

$$(A) \quad k_1 = h f(x_2, y_2) = 0.2 [4 \times 0.4 + 2 \times 0.1600] = 0.3840 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore y_3 = y_2 + k_1 = \underline{0.5440} \quad (+2)$$

$$(B) \quad k_1 = h f(x_1, y_1) = 0.2 [4 \times 0.2 + 2 \times 0.0800] = 0.1920 \quad (+2)$$

$$k_2 = h f(x_2, y_1 + k_1) = 0.2 [4 \times 0.4 + 2 \times 0.2720] = 0.4288 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore y_2 = y_1 + \frac{1}{2} [k_1 + k_2] = \underline{0.3904} \quad (+2)$$

$$(C) \quad k_1 = h f(x_0, y_0) = 0.2 [4 \times 0.0 + 2 \times 0.0000] = 0.0000 \quad (+2)$$

$$k_2 = h f(x_0 + 0.1, y_0 + 0.5 k_1)$$

$$= 0.2 [4 \times 0.1 + 2 \times 0.0000] = 0.0800 \quad (+2)$$

$$k_3 = h f(x_0 + 0.1, y_0 + 0.5 k_2)$$

$$= 0.2 [4 \times 0.1 + 2 \times 0.0400] = 0.0960 \quad (+2)$$

$$k_4 = h f(x_1, y_0 + k_3)$$

$$= 0.2 [4 \times 0.2 + 2 \times 0.0960] = 0.1984 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore y_1 = y_0 + \frac{1}{6} [k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4] = \underline{0.0917} \quad (+2)$$