

ME 163 Homework 0

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1 Problem 1

Problem Statement

Given $m\ddot{x} + kx = A\sin(\omega t)$, where $m = k = \omega = A = 1$, use Matlab to numerically integrate the ODE over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 15$. Use the initial conditions $x(0) = 1, \dot{x}(0) = 0$. Use the Runga-Kutta numerical scheme (ode45 in Matlab). Plot

- $x(t)$ vs. t
- $\dot{x}(t)$ vs. t

Solution

Using the code shown below the ode was solved and plotted:

```
funn = @(t,y)([y(2);sin(t) - y(1)])
[t,y] = ode45(funn,[0:0.01:15],[1;0]);
plot(t,y(:,1))
xlim([0 10])
ylim([-5 5])
hold off
plot(t,y(:,2))
xlim([0 10])
ylim([-5 5])
```

Below are the plots generated:

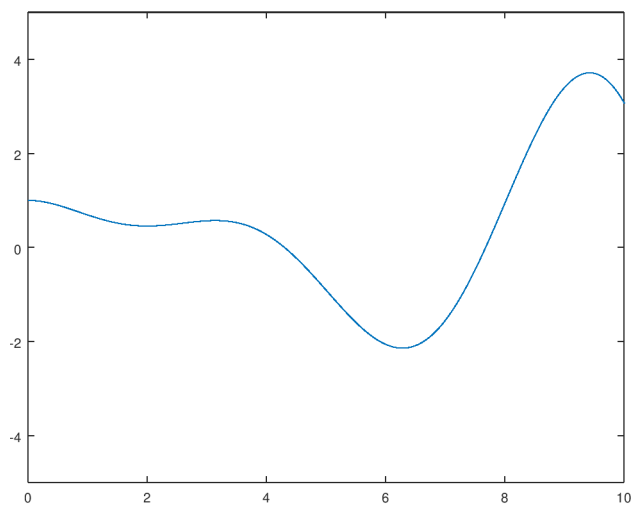


Figure 1: $x(t)$ vs. t

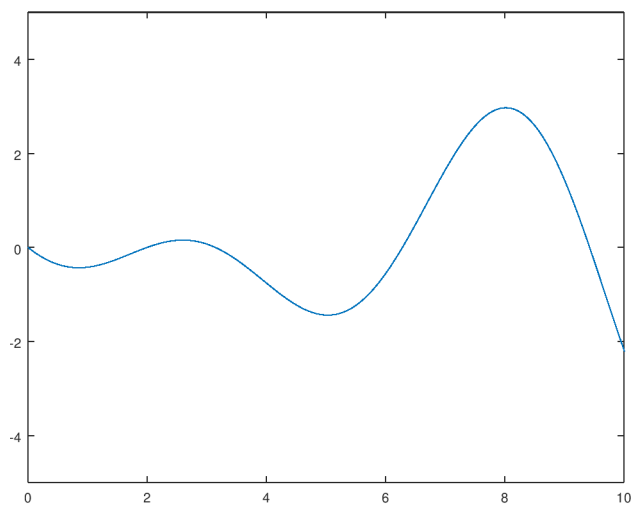


Figure 2: $\dot{x}(t)$ vs. t

2 Problem 2

Problem Statement

Find the fourier series for a square wave with amplitude 0.5 and period 1.

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We can set up the solution for the fourier series as follows:

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \left(\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{\pi n t}{L}\right) dt + \int_{-L}^0 \left(-\sin\left(\frac{\pi n t}{L}\right) \right) dt \right) = -\frac{2 \cos(\pi n)}{\pi n} + \frac{2}{\pi n}$$

Therefore if $L = 1/2$:

$$b_n = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{\pi n}, & n = 1, 3, 5... \\ 0, & n = 2, 4, 6... \end{cases}$$

Since the function is odd we know that:

$$a_n = 0$$

Since the average value of the function is 0 we know that:

$$a_0 = 0$$

3 Problem 3

Solving for eigenvalues of the matrix A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 - \lambda & 1 \\ -3 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (0 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - (1)(-3) = -\lambda * (-\lambda + 2) + 3 = 0$$

The eigenvalues are the values of λ such that the determinant equals zero, therefore:

$$\lambda = \left[1 - \sqrt{2}i, \quad 1 + \sqrt{2}i \right]$$

These answers were then confirmed with matlabs eig function. The output is shown below:

```
>> A = [0 1;-3 2]
A =
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0    1
-3    2
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>> eig(A)
ans =

    1.0000 + 1.4142i
    1.0000 - 1.4142i
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4 Problem 4

To solve for the pendulum system we will find the torque on the pendulum in polar coordinates. The torque from gravity is written as:

$$\tau_g = -glm \sin(\theta)$$

The torque from the spring is written as:

$$\tau_s = -\frac{4kl^2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)}{9}$$

The torque from friction is written as:

$$\tau_f = -b\dot{\theta}$$

For small angles we can make the approximations that:

$$\sin(\theta) = \theta$$

$$\cos(\theta) = 1$$

And linearize the equation as such:

$$ml^2\ddot{\theta} = -b\dot{\theta} - \theta glm - \frac{4\theta kl^2}{9}$$

Assuming the solution takes the form:

$$\theta(t) = e^{rt}$$

We can solve for r:

$$br + glm + \frac{4kl^2}{9} + l^2mr^2 = 0$$

$$r = \left[\frac{-3b + \sqrt{9b^2 - 36gl^3m^2 - 16kl^4m}}{6l^2m}, \quad -\frac{3b + \sqrt{9b^2 - 36gl^3m^2 - 16kl^4m}}{6l^2m} \right]$$