

Midterm 2 Review

Note: A video will be uploaded to discuss these questions. We will meet on Nov. 9th Tuesday. I will talk about some comments on these questions and related subjects for around 30 minutes. The rest time for the lecture will be leaving for Q&A.

1. (Spring 2015 Spring Q13) **§ 3.4**

An undamped forced oscillation $u'' + 4u = 0$ has initial conditions $u(0) = 4, u'(0) = 6$. The solution of the initial value problem can be written as $u = R \cos(\omega t - \delta)$. What are R and δ ?

A. $R = 5, \delta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$r^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm 2i$$

B. $R = 4, \delta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

C. $R = 2\sqrt{13}, \delta = \tan^{-1}(\frac{1}{2})$

$$u(t) = A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t$$

D. $R = 5, \delta = \tan^{-1}(\frac{3}{4})$

Since $u(0) = 4, A = 4$

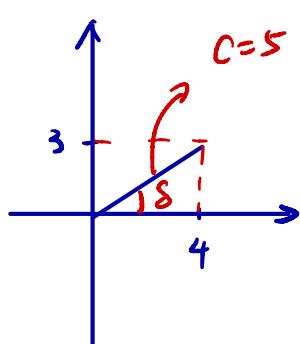
E. $R = \sqrt{13}, \delta = \tan^{-1}(\frac{1}{2})$

Since $u'(0) = 6, u'(t) = -2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t$

$$u'(0) = 2B = 6 \Rightarrow B = 3$$

Thus

$$u(t) = 4 \cos 2t + 3 \sin 2t$$



$$R = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$$

$$\tan \delta = \frac{3}{4}$$

δ lies in the 1st quadrant.

$$\delta = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$$

2. (2018 Spring Final Q14)

Note that $y_1(t) = \sqrt{t}$ and $y_2(t) = t^{-1}$ are solutions of the linear homogeneous differential equation

$$2t^2y'' + 3ty' - y = 0$$

Use variation of parameters to find the general solution of the nonhomogeneous differential equation

$$2t^2y'' + 3ty' - y = 4t^2 + 4t \quad \textcircled{D}$$

- A $C_1\sqrt{t} + C_2t^{-1} + \frac{4}{9}t^2 + 2t$
- B $C_1\sqrt{t} + C_2t^{-1} + \frac{4}{9}t^3 + 2t^2$
- C $C_1\sqrt{t} + C_2t^{-1} + \frac{8}{35}t^4 + \frac{2}{5}t^3$
- D $C_1\sqrt{t} + C_2t^{-1} + \frac{8}{35}t^2 + \frac{2}{5}t$
- E $C_1\sqrt{t} + C_2t^{-1} + \frac{4}{9}t^2 + \frac{2}{5}t$

Variation of Parameters:

$$y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = f(x)$$

homogeneous solution $y_c(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$ known.

Note we
need standard
form like this!

Then a particular solution is

$$y_p(x) = -y_1(x) \int \frac{y_2(x)f(x)}{W(x)} dx + y_2(x) \int \frac{y_1(x)f(x)}{W(x)} dx$$

Wronskian: $W(x) = y_1y'_2 - y_2y'_1$.

Remark: Let $u_1 = - \int \frac{y_2(x)f(x)}{W(x)} dx$ and $u_2 = \int \frac{y_1(x)f(x)}{W(x)} dx$, then the above equation becomes

$$y_p(x) = u_1y_1 + u_2y_2$$

• First we rewrite \textcircled{D} as the standard form

$$y'' + \frac{3}{2t}y' - \frac{1}{2t^2}y = 2 + \frac{2}{t} = f(t)$$

• As $y_1 = \sqrt{t} = t^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $y_2 = t^{-1}$,

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y'_1 & y'_2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} t^{\frac{1}{2}} & t^{-1} \\ \frac{1}{2}t^{-\frac{1}{2}} & -t^{-2} \end{vmatrix} = -t^{-\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}t^{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{3}{2}t^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

• Compute u_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= - \int \frac{y_2 f}{W} dt = - \int \frac{t^{-1}(2 + \frac{2}{t})}{-\frac{3}{2}t^{-\frac{3}{2}}} dt \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \int (t^{\frac{1}{2}} + t^{-\frac{1}{2}}) dt \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{3}{2}} t^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} t^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = \frac{8}{9}t^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{8}{3}t^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

• Compute u_2

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= \int \frac{y_1 f}{W} dt = \int \frac{t^{\frac{1}{2}}(2 + 2t^{-1})}{-\frac{3}{2}t^{-\frac{3}{2}}} dt \\ &= -\frac{4}{3} \int (t^{\frac{1}{2}} + t^{-\frac{1}{2}}) dt \\ &= -\frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{3}{2}} t^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} t^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{9}t^3 - \frac{2}{3}t^2$$

Then $y_p = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2$.

$$= \left(\frac{8}{9}t^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{8}{3}t^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) t^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(-\frac{4}{9}t^3 - \frac{2}{3}t^2 \right) t^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{8}{9}t^2 + \frac{8}{3}t - \frac{4}{9}t^2 - \frac{2}{3}t$$

$$= \frac{4}{9}t^2 + 2t$$

$$\text{So } y = y_c + y_p = C_1 \sqrt{t} + C_2 t^{-1} + \frac{4}{9}t^2 + 2t$$

§ 3.5

3. (2018 Spring Final Q9) Determine a suitable form for $Y(t)$ if the method of undetermined coefficients is to be used on

$$y'' + y = \underline{t} + \underline{t} \sin(t)$$

↑
poly of degree 1

- A. $Y(t) = At + B + t(Ct + D) \cos(t) + t(Et + F) \sin(t)$
- B. $Y(t) = At + B + (\cancel{Ct} + D) \cos(t) + (Et + F) \sin(t)$
- C. $Y(t) = At + B + t(\cancel{Ct} + \cancel{D})(\cos(t) + \sin(t))$
- D. $Y(t) = t(\cancel{At} + B) + t(Ct + D) \cos(t) + t(Et + F) \sin(t)$
- E. $Y(t) = \cancel{At} + t(Bt + C) \sin(t)$

Remark: Similar questions are 2017 Fall #13, 2018 Fall #12, Online and Handwritten HW, etc. Exercise

Ans: Undetermined Coefficients:

The general nonhomogeneous n th-order linear equation with constant coefficients

in the book

$$a_n y^{(n)} + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + a_1 y' + a_0 y = f(x)$$

Find y_p by guessing a form and then plugging into DE (x^s is chosen so that y_i 's are not terms of y_c)

$f(x)$	y_p
$P_m = b_0 + b_1 x + \cdots + b_m x^m$	$x^s (A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + \cdots + A_m x^m)$
$a \cos kx + b \sin kx$	$x^s (A \cos kx + B \sin kx)$
$e^{rx}(a \cos kx + b \sin kx)$	$x^s e^{rx} (A \cos kx + B \sin kx)$
$P_m(x)e^{rx}$	$x^s (A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + \cdots + A_m x^m) e^{rx}$
$P_m(x)(a \cos kx + b \sin kx)$	$x^s [(A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + \cdots + A_m x^m) \cos kx + (B_0 + B_1 x + B_2 x^2 + \cdots + B_m x^m) \sin kx]$

The char. egn for $y'' + y = 0$ is

$$r^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm i. \text{ Then } y_c = C_1 \cos t + \underline{C_2 \sin t}$$

Thus

$$Y(t) (y_p(t)) = At + B + \underline{\frac{t^1}{1!} (Ct + D) \sin t} + \underline{\frac{t^1}{1!} (Et + F) \cos t}$$

as $\sin t$ $\cos t$ appear once in y_c .

§5.2

4. (Spring 2019 Final Q17) Find the general solution of the following system

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

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(A) $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-4t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(B) $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-4t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(C) $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-4t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(D) $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-5t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(E) $\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-5t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$0 = |A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 7 \\ 1 & -4-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\lambda+4)(\lambda-2) - 7$$

$$= \lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 8 - 7$$

$$= \lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 15$$

$$= (\lambda+5)(\lambda-3) = 0$$

The Eigenvalue Method for Homogeneous Systems:

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- Complex Eigenvalues. $\lambda_{1,2} = p \pm qi$. (suggestion: use an example to remember the method)

If $\vec{v} = \vec{a} + i\vec{b}$ is an eigenvector associated with $\lambda = p + qi$, then $\vec{x}_1(t) = e^{pt} (\vec{a} \cos qt - \vec{b} \sin qt), \vec{x}_2(t) = e^{pt} (\vec{b} \cos qt + \vec{a} \sin qt)$
- Defective Eigenvalue with multiplicity 2.

Find nonzero \vec{v}_2 and \vec{v}_1 such that $(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$ and $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$. Then $\vec{x}_1(t) = \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda t}, \vec{x}_2(t) = (\vec{v}_1 t + \vec{v}_2) e^{\lambda t}$.

$$\lambda_1 = -5, \quad \lambda_2 = 3$$

• $\lambda_1 = -5$, we solve

$$(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -b, \quad \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_2 = 3, \quad (A - \lambda_2 I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow -a + 7b = 0$$

Let $b = 1$, then $a = 7$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. (Fall 2009 Final Q21) §.5.2

The general solution of the system $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ is

- A. $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ 2\cos t + \sin t \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ 2\sin t - \cos t \end{pmatrix} e^{-t}$
- B. $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} e^{-4t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{2t}$
- C. $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ 2\cos t - \sin t \end{pmatrix} e^t + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -\sin t \\ -2\sin t - \cos t \end{pmatrix} e^t$
- D. $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-2t}$
- E. $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2\cos t + \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2\sin t - \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} e^{-t}$

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$$0 = |\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 \\ 5 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\lambda+3)(\lambda-1) + 5$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm i$$

$\lambda = -1+i$, we find an eigenvector.

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 - (-1+i) & -1 \\ 5 & -3 - (-1+i) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2-i & -1 \\ 5 & -2-i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (2-i)a - b = 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 5a - (2+i)b = 0 & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Note $(2+i) \times \textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$

Assume $a = 1$, then $b = 2-i$.

$$\text{So } \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2-i \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\vec{v} e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2-i \end{bmatrix} e^{(-1+i)t}$$

Recall

$$e^{(A+Bi)t} = e^{At} (\cos At + i \sin At)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2-i \end{bmatrix} e^{-t} (\cos t + i \sin t)$$

$$= e^{-t} \left[\cos t + i \sin t \right. \\ \left. 2\cos t - i\cos t + 2i\sin t + \sin t \right]$$

$$= e^{-t} \left[\begin{array}{c} \cos t \\ 2\cos t + \sin t \end{array} \right] + i \cdot e^{-t} \left[\begin{array}{c} \sin t \\ -\cos t + 2\sin t \end{array} \right]$$

$\vec{x}_1(t)$ $\vec{x}_2(t)$

6. (Spring 2019 Final Q8)

Let $y(t)$ denote the unique solution to the initial value problem

$$y''' + 3y'' + 2y' = 0 \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = -1, \quad y''(0) = 1$$

What is the value of $y(1)$?

(A) $1 + 2e^{-1} + e^{-2}$

$$r^3 + 3r^2 + 2r = 0$$

(B) $1 - e^{-2}$

$$\Rightarrow r(r^2 + 3r + 2) = 0$$

(C) $1 + e^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow r(r+1)(r+2) = 0$$

(D) $e + e^2$

(E) $2 + e^{-1} + 2e^{-2}$

$$\Rightarrow r=0, \quad r=-1, \quad r=-2$$

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{0 \cdot t} + C_2 e^{-t} + C_3 e^{-2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = C_1 + C_2 e^{-t} + C_3 e^{-2t}$$

As $y(0) = 2$, $C_1 + C_2 + C_3 = 2$

As $y'(0) = -1$, $y'(t) = -C_2 e^{-t} - 2C_3 e^{-2t}$

$$y'(0) = -C_2 - 2C_3 = -1$$

As $y''(0) = 1$, $y''(t) = C_2 e^{-t} + 4C_3 e^{-2t}$

$$y''(0) = C_2 + 4C_3 = 1$$

$$C_3 = 0$$

Then $C_3 = 0, \quad C_2 = 1, \quad C_1 = 1$

$$y(t) = 1 + e^{-t}$$

Then $y(1) = 1 + e^{-1}$

7. (Spring 2019 Final Q19) **§ 5.2 Eigenvalue Method**

Given that

$$\vec{x} = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{v} e^{\lambda t} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -1 \text{ is an eigenvalue} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is an eigenvector} \end{cases}$$

is a solution to

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \quad \xrightarrow{A}$$

Find β .

ANS: As $\vec{x} = e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is a solution.

A. 8

We know

• $\lambda = -1$ is an eigenvalue of A

B. 5

• $\begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ satisfies $(A - (-1)I) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ by def of eigenvector.

C. 18

D. 2

E. 3 Thus we have

$$(A - (-1)I) \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3+1 & 5 \\ -2 & 4+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\beta + 10 = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = 5$$

8. (2010 Spring Final Q19)

Consider the system

From § 5.3. Note this section won't be tested. See the notes for a similar example.

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

For what values of α is the equilibrium solution $\mathbf{x} = 0$ a saddle point?

9. (2018 Spring Final Q19)

Find the general solution to the system

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ -1 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

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$$\text{ANS: } 0 = |\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}| = \begin{vmatrix} -4-\lambda & 4 \\ -1 & -8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda+4)(\lambda+8) + 4 = \lambda^2 + 12\lambda + 36 = (\lambda+6)^2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = -6$ with multiplicity 2.

Note $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -4+6 & 4 \\ -1 & -8+6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus $\begin{cases} 2a + 4b = 0 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ -a - 2b = 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$ Note $-2 \times \textcircled{2} = \textcircled{1}$

So $a + 2b = 0$. If we assume $b = 1$, then $a = -2$.

Then $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector corresponds to eigenvalue $\lambda = -6$.

This means $\vec{x}_1(t) = \vec{v} e^{-6t} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-6t}$ is a solution.

* We need to find another solution $\vec{x}_2(t)$ that is linearly independent to $\vec{x}_1(t)$

We can use the algorithm in the notes: (Please check the discussion of the algorithm in the notes and the remarks)

• First we find \vec{v}_2 s.t.

$$\underline{(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Note this means there is no restriction for } a, b.$$

So we can choose $a=1$ $b=0$. $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Then we compute .

$$\vec{v}_1 = (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an eigenvector to } \lambda = -6 .$$

- Note this \vec{v}_1 is $-\vec{v}$ we found earlier. where $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector corresponds to $\lambda = -6$.
- It doesn't matter because we are using the linear combination of $\vec{x}_1(t) = \vec{v}_1 e^{\lambda t} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-6t}$ and $\vec{x}_2(t) = (\vec{v}_1 f + \vec{v}_2) e^{\lambda t}$ as the general solution .

Thus the general solution is Note you need $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}$, here

$$\vec{x}(t) = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-6t} + C_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2t & +1 \\ -t \end{bmatrix} e^{-6t}$$

10. (2019 Spring Final Q9)

Find the general solution to the second order differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + 5y = 20 \sin t$$

ANS: Recall the general solution has the form

$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$ where y_c is the general solution to the homogeneous eqn and y_p is a particular solution

- Find y_c

- $r = r_{1,2} = A \pm Bi$ (complex conjugates),
 $y = e^{Ax} (c_1 \cos Bx + c_2 \sin Bx)$

$$\begin{aligned}r^2 - 2r + 5 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow r &= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2} = 1 \pm 2i\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$y_c = e^t (C_1 \cos 2t + C_2 \sin 2t)$$

- Find y_p

Assume $y_p = A \cos t + B \sin t$

Then $y_p' = -A \sin t + B \cos t$

$$y_p'' = -A \cos t - B \sin t$$

$$\begin{aligned}y_p'' - 2y_p' + 5y_p &= \underline{-A \cos t - B \sin t} + \underline{2A \sin t - 2B \cos t} \\ &\quad + \underline{5A \cos t + 5B \sin t} \\ &= (-2B + 4A) \cos t + (4B + 2A) \sin t \\ &= 20 \sin t\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -2B + 4A = 0 \\ 4B + 2A = 20 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -2B + 4A = 0 \\ 2B + A = 10 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = 2 \\ B = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } y_p = 2\cos t + 4\sin t$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= y_c(t) + y_p(t) \\ &= e^t (c_1 \cos 2t + c_2 \sin 2t) + 2\cos t + 4\sin t \end{aligned}$$

is the general solution to the given equation.