

1. (3) What does it mean for three functions $y_1(x)$, $y_2(x)$, $y_3(x)$ to be *linearly dependent*?

there are constants A, B, C (not all zero) such that $Ay_1(x) + By_2(x) + Cy_3(x) = 0$.

2. (3,5) Suppose the functions $y_1(x) = x$, $y_2(x) = x^2$, and $y_3(x) = x^3$ are solutions to a linear homogeneous differential equation.

(a) Write down two more solutions to the differential equation.

$$y_4(x) = x + x^2$$

$$y_5(x) = x^2 + x^3$$

(any linear combination of x, x^2, x^3 is a solution)

(b) Use the Wronskian to determine whether y_1, y_2 , and y_3 are linearly independent.

$$W(y_1, y_2, y_3) = \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & x^3 \\ 1 & 2x & 3x^2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= x \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 3x^2 \\ 2 & 6x \end{vmatrix} - x^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3x^2 \\ 0 & 6x \end{vmatrix} + x^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 12x^3 - 6x^3 - 6x^3 + 2x^3$$

$$= 2x^3 \neq 0$$

hence linearly independent

3. (6) Solve the initial value problem $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 0$, $y(0) = 7$, $y'(0) = 11$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Char. equation: } r^2 - 4r + 3 &= 0 \\ (r-3)(r-1) &= 0 \\ r &= 3, 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= Ae^{3x} + Be^x \quad \longrightarrow \quad 7 = Ae^0 + Be^0 \\ y' &= 3Ae^{3x} + Be^x \quad \longrightarrow \quad 11 = 3Ae^0 + Be^0 \end{aligned}$$

$$7 = A + B \quad \longrightarrow \quad 7 = 2 + B$$

$$11 = 3A + B$$

$$B = 5$$

$$-4 = -2A$$

$$A = 2$$

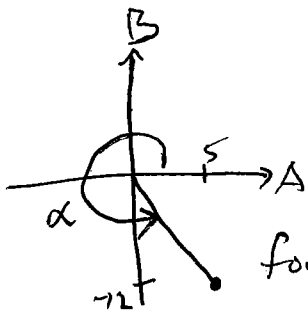
$$y(x) = 2e^{3x} + 5e^x$$

4. (6) Convert the function

$$x(t) = 5 \cos(13t) - 12 \sin(13t)$$

into the form $x(t) = C \cos(\omega t - \alpha)$. Use an exact expression (possibly involving \tan^{-1}) for α , rather than a decimal value.

$$C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \sqrt{25 + 144} = 13$$



$$\text{fourth quadrant; } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{B}{A}\right) + 2\pi$$

$$x(t) = 13 \cos\left(13t - \left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-12}{5}\right) + 2\pi\right)\right)$$

5. (5,3) This problem concerns the differential equation $y'' + 16y = e^{3x}$.

(a) Using the method of undetermined coefficients, find a particular solution to the equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Use } y_p &= Ae^{3x} \\ y_p' &= 3Ae^{3x} \\ y_p'' &= 9Ae^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

$$y'' + 16y = e^{3x} \text{ becomes}$$

$$9Ae^{3x} + 16Ae^{3x} = e^{3x}$$

$$25A = 1$$

$$A = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{25}e^{3x}$$

(b) Find a general solution to the equation.

$$y_c = A\cos(4x) + B\sin(4x) \quad r^2 + 16 = 0; \quad r = \pm 4i$$

$$y = y_c + y_p = A\cos(4x) + B\sin(4x) + \frac{1}{25}e^{3x}$$

6. (4,4) Consider the differential equation

$$y^{(5)} - 6y^{(4)} + 21y^{(3)} - 62y'' + 108y' - 72y = x^2e^{2x} + x\sin(3x).$$

(a) Using the fact that $r^5 - 6r^4 + 21r^3 - 62r^2 + 108r - 72 = (r-2)^3(r^2+9)$, find a general solution to the associated homogeneous equation. (That is, find the complementary solution y_c .)

$$r = 2, 2, 2, \pm 3i$$

$$y_c = Ae^{2x} + Bxe^{2x} + Cx^2e^{2x} + D\cos(3x) + E\sin(3x)$$

(b) Using the table below, set up the appropriate form of a particular solution (but do not determine the values of the coefficients).

$$P_m = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \dots + b_mx^m$$

$$a \cos kx + b \sin kx$$

$$e^{rx}(a \cos kx + b \sin kx)$$

$$P_m(x)e^{rx}$$

$$P_m(x)(a \cos kx + b \sin kx)$$

$$x^s(A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2 + \dots + A_mx^m)$$

$$x^s(A \cos kx + B \sin kx)$$

$$x^s e^{rx}(A \cos kx + B \sin kx)$$

$$x^s(A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2 + \dots + A_mx^m)e^{rx}$$

$$x^s[(A_0 + A_1x + \dots + A_mx^m) \cos kx$$

$$+ (B_0 + B_1x + \dots + B_mx^m) \sin kx]$$

use these two

$$y_p = x^3(A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2)e^{2x} + x^2(B_0 + B_1x)\cos(3x) + x^2(C_0 + C_1x)\sin(3x)$$

7. (5,3) Recall the equation $mx'' + cx' + kx = 0$ for free motion of a mass-spring-dashpot system.

(a) Find a general solution for the position function $x(t)$ when $m = 1$, $c = 6$, $k = 13$. Is this system underdamped or overdamped?

$$x'' + 6x' + 13x = 0$$

$$r^2 + 6r + 13 = 0$$

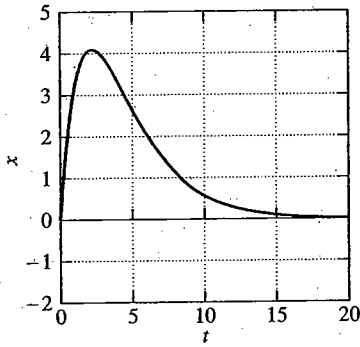
$$r = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 52}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm 4i}{2}$$

$$r = -3 \pm 2i$$

$$x(t) = e^{-3t}(A \cos(2t) + B \sin(2t))$$

underdamped

(b) Suppose the damping constant c is changed, and a solution to the new system has the graph shown below. Was c increased or decreased? Explain briefly how you know.



The picture shows a critically damped or overdamped system. Thus c has increased.

8. (8) Consider the endpoint problem

$$y'' + 2y' + \lambda y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(\pi) = 0.$$

Is $\lambda = 2$ an eigenvalue? If so give an eigenfunction; otherwise say why not.

$$y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0 \quad r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i.$$

$$y(x) = e^{-x} (A \cos x + B \sin x)$$

$$y(0) = 0: \quad 0 = A \underbrace{\cos(0)}_1 + B \underbrace{\sin(0)}_0$$

$$A = 0$$

$$\text{So now } y = e^{-x} B \sin x.$$

$$y(\pi) = 0: \quad 0 = e^{-\pi} B \underbrace{\sin(\pi)}_0, \quad \text{true for any } B.$$

So $y = B e^{-x} \sin(x)$ is a solution to the endpoint problem. $\lambda = 2$ is an eigenvalue. An eigenfunction

is $y = B e^{-x} \sin(x)$ for any $B \neq 0$.