

1. Solve the initial-value problem. Show all the work. Mention a type of the given differential equation.

(a) $\frac{y'}{3} = x^2y$, $y(0) = -8$, where $y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$.

Solution: $y(x) = -8e^{x^3}$

(b) $t \frac{dx}{dt} = 4x + t^4$, $x(1) = 5$.

Solution: Integrating factor is $I = t^{-4}$, $x(t) = t^4 \ln t + Ct^4$, $C = 5$, $x(t) = (\ln t + 5)t^4$

(c) $y'' - 4y = 2e^{4t}$, $y(0) = -3$, $y'(0) = 11$.

Solution: $y(t) = c_1e^{2t} + c_2e^{-2t} + \frac{1}{6}e^{4t}$

2. Find the general solution to the equation

$$y'' + 4y' + 4y = 12t^2 - 10.$$

Solution: $y = C_1e^{-2t} + C_2te^{-2t} + 3t^2 - 6t + 2$

3. A 1-kg mass when attached to a spring, stretches the spring to a distance of 4.9 m.

- (a) Calculate the spring constant.

Solution: $k = 2$

- (b) The system is placed in a viscous medium that supplies a damping constant $\mu = 3$ kg/s. The system is allowed to come to rest. Then the mass is displaced 1 m in the downward direction and given a sharp tap, imparting an instantaneous velocity of 1 m/s in the downward direction. Find the position of the mass as a function of time.

Solution: see pb 16 in 4.4 (page 163) $x'' + 3x' + 2x = 0$, $x(0) = 1$, $x'(0) = 1$,
 $x(t) = 3e^{-t} - 2e^{-2t}$

4. Use Laplace transform to solve the IVP

$$y'' - y = e^t \cos t, \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0.$$

Solution: $(s^2 - 1)Y = (s - 1)(s + 1)Y = \frac{s - 1}{s^2 - 2s + 1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
Y &= \frac{1}{(s^2 - 2s + 2)(s + 1)} = -\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{s - 3}{s^2 - 2s + 2} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s + 1} \\
&= -\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{s - 1}{(s - 1)^2 + 1} + \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{(s - 1)^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s + 1} \\
y(t) &= -\frac{1}{5}e^t \cos t + \frac{2}{5}e^t \sin t + \frac{1}{5}e^{-t}
\end{aligned}$$

5. Find the Laplace transform of the function

$$g(t) = \begin{cases} 3t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 2 \\ 4 & \text{for } t \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Solution: $g(t) = 3tH(t) - 3(t - 2)H(t - 2) - 2H(t - 2), \quad L[g](s) = \frac{3}{s^2} - \frac{3}{s^2}e^{-2s} - \frac{2}{s}e^{-2s}$

6. Find the unit impulse response to the initial-value problem

$$y'' - 2y' + 5y = \delta(t), \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0$$

Solution: $E(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 - 2s + 5} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{(s - 1)^2 + 2^2}, \quad e(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} \sin 2t$

7. For the initial-value problem $y' = y + 4t, \quad y(0) = 1$ calculate the first two iterations of Euler's method with step size $h = 0.1$.

Solution: $t_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1, \quad y_1 = y_0 + f(t_0, y_0)h = 1 + (1 + 4 \cdot 0)(0.1) = 1.1,$

$t_1 = t_0 + h = 0.1, \quad y_2 = y_1 + f(t_1, y_1)h = 1.1 + (1.1 + 4 \cdot 0.1)(0.1) = 1.1 + 1.5 \cdot 0.1 = 1.1 + 0.15 = 1.25$

8. Write the second-order equation as a system of two first-order equations

$$y'' - e^{-2t} + 3t^2y = \cos ty'.$$

Solution: $u_1 = y, \quad u_2 = y'. \quad$ The system is $u_1' = u_2, \quad u_2' = e^{-2t} - 3t^2u_1 + (\cos t)u_2$

9. Find the general solution to the system. Write the answer in a vector form.

$$\begin{aligned}
y_1' &= -3y_1 - 6y_2 \\
y_2' &= -y_2
\end{aligned}$$

Solution: $\lambda_1 = -1, \quad \bar{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = -3, \quad \bar{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\bar{y}(t) = c_1 e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

10. By using the variation of parameters technique and the fundamental matrix find a particular solution to the system

$$\begin{aligned}y_1' &= -3y_1 - 6y_2 + 2e^{-5t} \\y_2' &= -y_2\end{aligned}$$

You may use results from the previous problem.

Solution: Skip this problem.

11. For the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x(4y - 5) \\y' &= y(3 - x)\end{aligned}$$

find all equilibrium points, classify their types and determine stability (stable, unstable or asymptotically stable).

Solution: EPs are $(0, 0)$ and $(3, 1.25)$.

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 4y - 5 & 4x \\ -y & 3 - x \end{pmatrix}$$

At $(0, 0)$: $\lambda_1 = -5$, $\lambda_2 = 5$, saddle, unstable.

At $(3, 1.25)$: $\lambda = \pm i\sqrt{15}$, center, stability is inconclusive.

12. Expand the given function in a Fourier cosine series valid on the interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$. Calculate a_0 separately.

$$f(x) = x.$$

$$\text{Solution: } a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x \, dx = \pi, \quad a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x \cos(nx) \, dx = \frac{2((-1)^n - 1)}{\pi n^2}$$

If $n = 2k$ (even) then $a_{2k} = 0$.

$$\text{If } n = 2k + 1 \text{ (odd) then } a_{2k+1} = \frac{2(-2)}{\pi(2k+1)^2} = -\frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2}$$

$$x = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{2k+1} \cos((2k+1)x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2} \cos((2k+1)x)$$

(The solution $x = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k - 1}{k^2} \cos(kx)$ is also correct.)

13. Find the temperature $u(t, x)$ in a rod modeled by the initial/boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned}u_t &= 0.03 u_{xx}, & \text{for } t > 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \\u_x(0, t) &= u_x(\pi, t) = 0, & \text{for } t > 0, \\u(x, 0) &= x, & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \pi.\end{aligned}$$

You may use results obtained in the previous problem.

Solution: It is a Neumann's problem with $k = 0.03$ and $L = \pi$. Then $\omega_n = n$ and $\lambda_n = n^2$. Its solution is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{-0.03n^2t} \cos(nx)$$

where a_n are coefficients of the Fourier Cosine series of the function $f(x) = x$ obtained in the previous problem. Therefore the solution is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2} e^{-0.03(2k+1)^2t} \cos((2k+1)x)$$

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