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## 1 Problem 3.5

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3.5. Solve the following differential equations.

(a)  $(D^4 + 8D^2 + 16)y(t)] = -\sin t$   
 Answer:  $y(t) = c_1 \cos 2t + c_2 \sin 2t + c_3 t \cos 2t + c_4 t \sin 2t - \frac{\sin t}{9}$

(b)  $(D^3 - 2D^2 + D - 2)[y(t)] = 0, \quad y(0) = \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} \Big|_{t=0} = 1$   
 Answer:  $y(t) = \frac{1}{5}(2e^{2t} + 3 \cos t + \sin t)$

(c)  $(D^4 - D)[y(t)] = t^2$   
 Answer:  $y(t) = c_1 + c_2 e^t + e^{-t/2} \left( c_3 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}t}{2} + c_4 \frac{\sin \sqrt{3}t}{2} \right) - \frac{t^3}{3}$

Figure 1: Problem description

### 1.1 Part a

Let  $L \equiv D^4 + 8D^2 + 16$  and let  $L_A \equiv D^2 + 1$ . Since<sup>1</sup>  $L_A[-\sin t] = 0$ , then the differential equation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} L_A [L [y(t)]] &= 0 \\ (D^2 + 1) (D^4 + 8D^2 + 16) &= 0 \\ (D^2 + 1) (D^2 + 4) (D^2 + 4) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the characteristic equation is

$$(r^2 + 1) (r^2 + 4) (r^2 + 4) = 0$$

And the roots from the particular solution are  $r_1 = j$  and  $r_2 = -j$  and the roots from the homogeneous solution are  $\pm 2j$  and  $\pm 2j$ , which we call  $r_3 = 2j, r_4 = -2j$  and  $r_5 = 2j$  and  $r_6 = -2j$ . Hence

$$y_p(t) = c_1 e^{-r_1 t} + c_2 e^{-r_2 t}$$

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<sup>1</sup> $L_A[-\sin t] = (D^2 + 1)(-\sin t) = (D(D(-\sin t)) - \sin t) = (D(-\cos t) - \sin t) = (\sin t - \sin t) = 0$

and

$$y_h(t) = c_3 e^{-r_3 t} + c_4 e^{-r_4 t} + c_5 t e^{-r_5 t} + c_6 t e^{-r_6 t}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= c_1 e^{-jt} + c_2 e^{jt} \\ &= c_1 (\cos t - j \sin t) + c_2 (\cos t + j \sin t) \\ &= (c_1 + c_2) \cos t + (jc_2 - jc_1) \sin t \\ &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Where  $C_1 = (c_1 + c_2)$  and  $C_2 = (jc_2 - jc_1)$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y_h(t) &= c_3 e^{-2jt} + c_4 e^{2jt} + c_5 t e^{-2jt} + c_6 t e^{2jt} \\ &= c_3 (\cos 2t - j \sin 2t) + c_4 (\cos 2t + j \sin 2t) \\ &\quad + c_5 t (\cos 2t - j \sin 2t) + c_6 t (\cos 2t + j \sin 2t) \\ &= (c_3 + c_4) \cos 2t + (-jc_3 + jc_4) \sin 2t + (c_5 + c_6) t \cos 2t + (-jc_5 + jc_6) t \sin 2t \\ &= C_3 \cos 2t + C_4 \sin 2t + C_5 t \cos 2t + C_6 t \sin 2t \end{aligned}$$

Where  $C_3 = (c_3 + c_4)$ ,  $C_4 = (-jc_3 + jc_4)$ ,  $C_5 = (c_5 + c_6)$ ,  $C_6 = (-jc_5 + jc_6)$

Hence we have

$$y(t) = \overbrace{C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t}^{y_p} + \overbrace{C_3 \cos 2t + C_4 \sin 2t + C_5 t \cos 2t + C_6 t \sin 2t}^{y_h} \quad (1)$$

To determine  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , we insert  $y_p(t)$  into the ODE and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (D^4 + 8D^2 + 16) y_p(t) &= -\sin t \\ (D^4 + 8D^2 + 16) (C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t) &= -\sin t \\ C_1 (D^4 + 8D^2 + 16) \cos t + C_2 (D^4 + 8D^2 + 16) \sin t &= -\sin t \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

But  $D^4(\cos t) = D^3(-\sin t) = D^2(-\cos t) = D(\sin t) = \cos t$  and  $D^2(\cos t) = D(-\sin t) = -\cos t$  and  $D^4(\sin t) = D^3(\cos t) = D^2(-\sin t) = D(-\cos t) = \sin t$  and  $D^2(\sin t) = D(\cos t) = -\sin t$ , hence (2) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 (\cos t - 8 \cos t + 16 \cos t) + C_2 (\sin t - 8 \sin t + 16 \sin t) &= -\sin t \\ (C_1 - 8C_1 + 16C_1) \cos t + (C_2 - 8C_2 + 16C_2) \sin t &= -\sin t \end{aligned}$$

Hence by comparing coefficients, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 - 8C_2 + 16C_2 &= -1 \\ C_1 - 8C_1 + 16C_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Or

$$\begin{aligned} 9C_2 &= -1 \\ 9C_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $C_2 = \frac{-1}{9}$  and  $C_1 = 0$ , therefore the particular solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t \\ &= \frac{-1}{9} \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Substitute the above into (1), we obtain

$$y(t) = \frac{-\sin t}{9} + C_3 \cos 2t + C_4 \sin 2t + C_5 t \cos 2t + C_6 t \sin 2t$$

Which is what we are required to show. Book uses different names for the constants I used. This can be easily changed: Let  $C_3 = C_1$ , Let  $C_4 = C_2$ , Let  $C_5 = C_3$  and let  $C_6 = C_4$ , the above can be written as

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos 2t + C_2 \sin 2t + C_3 t \cos 2t + C_4 t \sin 2t - \frac{\sin t}{9}$$

## 1.2 Part b

We need to solve  $(D^3 - 2D^2 + D - 2)y(t) = 0$  subject to the initial conditions  $y(0) = y'(0) = y''(0) = 1$ . The characteristic equation is

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

By trial and error, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (r - 2)(r - j)(r + j) &= (r - 2)(r^2 + 1) \\ &= r^3 - 2r^2 + r - 2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the roots are  $r_1 = 2, r_2 = j, r_3 = -j$ , hence the solution can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t} + c_3 e^{r_3 t} \\ &= c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{jt} + c_3 e^{-jt} \\ &= c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 (\cos t + j \sin t) + c_3 (\cos t - j \sin t) \\ &= c_1 e^{2t} + (c_2 + c_3) \cos t + (jc_2 - jc_3) \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Let  $c_2 + c_3 = C_2$  and let  $jc_2 - jc_3 = C_3$ , the above can be written as

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 \cos t + C_3 \sin t \quad (1)$$

Now to find the constants  $C_i$  we apply the boundary conditions. The first boundary condition  $y(0) = 1$  yields

$$y(0) = 1 = C_1 + C_2 \quad (2)$$

Now

$$y'(t) = 2C_1 e^{2t} - C_2 \sin t + C_3 \cos t$$

And the second boundary condition  $y'(0) = 1$  yields

$$y'(0) = 1 = 2C_1 + C_3 \quad (3)$$

and

$$y''(t) = 4C_1 e^{2t} - C_2 \cos t - C_3 \sin t$$

and the third boundary condition  $y''(0) = 1$  yields

$$y''(0) = 1 = 4C_1 - C_2 \quad (4)$$

So we have 3 equations to solve for  $C_1, C_2, C_3$ . Add (2) and (4), we obtain  $2 = 5C_1$ , hence

$$C_1 = \frac{2}{5}$$

Hence from (2) we obtain  $C_2 = 1 - \frac{2}{5}$

$$C_2 = \frac{3}{5}$$

and from (3) we obtain

$C_3 = 1 - 2C_1 = 1 - \frac{4}{5}$ , hence

$$C_3 = \frac{1}{5}$$

Hence the solution is from (1) is found to be

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 \cos t + C_3 \sin t \\ &= \frac{2}{5} e^{2t} + \frac{3}{5} \cos t + \frac{1}{5} \sin t \\ &= \frac{1}{5} (2e^{2t} + 3 \cos t + \sin t) \end{aligned}$$

Which is the answer we are asked to show.

### 1.3 Part(c)

The ODE is

$$(D^4 - D) y(t) = t^2$$

Hence  $L \equiv D^4 - D$  and  $L_A = D^3$  since  $D^3(t^2) = D^2(2t) = D(2) = 0$ , then the above ODE can be written as

$$D^3(D^4 - D) y(t) = 0$$

And the characteristic equation is

$$\begin{aligned} r^3(r^4 - r) &= 0 \\ r^3 r(r^3 - 1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for the roots that are related to the particular solution are  $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 0$ .

And the roots that are related to the homogenous solution are  $r_4 = 0$  (notice now that this root is repeated 4 times now), and the roots of  $(r^3 - 1) = 0$  which are the cubic roots of unity and can be found as follows

$$\begin{aligned} r^3 &= 1 \\ r^3 &= e^{2\pi j} \\ r &= e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}j} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the 3 roots of unity are  $1, e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}j}, e^{\frac{4\pi}{3}j}$ , therefore the first root of unity 1, and the second root of unity is  $e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}j} = \cos\left(\frac{2}{3}\pi\right) + j\sin\left(\frac{2}{3}\pi\right) = -\frac{1}{2} + j\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$  and the third root of unity is  $e^{\frac{4\pi}{3}j} = \cos\left(\frac{4}{3}\pi\right) + j\sin\left(\frac{4}{3}\pi\right) = -\frac{1}{2} - j\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$

Hence  $r_5 = 1, r_6 = -\frac{1}{2} + j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, r_7 = -\frac{1}{2} - j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , in otherwords, the solution is

$$y(t) = \underbrace{c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 t e^{r_2 t} + c_3 t^2 e^{r_3 t}}_{y_p(t)} + \underbrace{c_4 t^3 e^{r_4 t} + c_5 e^{r_5 t} + c_6 e^{r_6 t} + c_7 e^{r_7 t}}_{y_h(t)}$$

We now substitute the values of  $r_i$  we found and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \underbrace{c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2}_{y_p(t)} + \underbrace{c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + c_6 e^{\left(-\frac{1}{2} + j\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)t} + c_7 e^{\left(-\frac{1}{2} - j\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)t}}_{y_h(t)} \\ &= c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + c_6 e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} e^{j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t} + c_7 e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} e^{-j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t} \\ &= c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \left( c_6 e^{j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t} + c_7 e^{-j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t} \right) \\ &= c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \left( c_6 \left[ \cos\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + j\sin\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \right] + c_7 \left[ \cos\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t - j\sin\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$y(t) = c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \left( [c_6 + c_7] \cos\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + [jc_6 - jc_7] \sin\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \right)$$

Let  $[c_6 + c_7] = C_6$  and let  $jc_6 - jc_7 = C_7$  the above becomes

$$y(t) = \underbrace{c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2}_{y_p(t)} + \underbrace{c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \left( C_6 \cos\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + C_7 \sin\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \right)}_{y_h(t)} \quad (1)$$

Now plug  $y_p(t)$  back in the original ODE we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (D^4 - D) y_p(t) &= t^2 \\ (D^4 - D) (c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2) &= t^2 \\ D^4 (c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2) - D (c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2) &= t^2 \\ D^3 (c_2 + 2c_3 t) - (c_2 + 2c_3 t) &= t^2 \\ D^2 (2c_3) - (c_2 + 2c_3 t) &= t^2 \\ -(c_2 + 2c_3 t) &= t^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we see that  $c_2 = 0$  and  $c_3 = 0$ , then (1) simplifies to

$$y(t) = c_1 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \left( C_6 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t + C_7 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t \right) \quad (2)$$

To find  $c_4$ , we substitute  $y(t)$  found above, into the ode, hence

$$(D^4 - D) y(t) = t^2$$

$$(D^4 - D) \left[ c_1 + c_4 t^3 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \left( C_6 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t + C_7 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t \right) \right] = 0$$

Now, since we only care about finding  $c_4$ , we can just apply  $D$  on that, hence

$$\begin{aligned} D^4 [\dots + c_4 t^3 + \dots] - D [\dots + c_4 t^3 + \dots] &= t^2 \\ D^3 [\dots + 3c_4 t^2 + \dots] - [\dots + 3c_4 t^2 + \dots] &= t^2 \\ D^2 [\dots + 6c_4 t + \dots] - [\dots + 3c_4 t^2 + \dots] &= t^2 \\ D [\dots + 6c_4 + \dots] - [\dots + 3c_4 t^2 + \dots] &= t^2 \\ &- [\dots + 3c_4 t^2 + \dots] = t^2 \end{aligned}$$

By comparing coefficients, we see that  $c_4 = -\frac{1}{3}$  then (1) becomes

$$y(t) = c_1 + c_5 e^t + e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \left( C_6 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t + C_7 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t \right) - \frac{1}{3} t^3$$

Which is what we are asked to show.