

CHAPTER 2

LINEAR EQUATIONS OF HIGHER ORDER

SECTION 2.1

INTRODUCTION: SECOND-ORDER LINEAR EQUATIONS

In this section the central ideas of the theory of linear differential equations are introduced and illustrated concretely in the context of **second-order** equations. These key concepts include superposition of solutions (Theorem 1), existence and uniqueness of solutions (Theorem 2), linear independence, the Wronskian (Theorem 3), and general solutions (Theorem 4). This discussion of second-order equations serves as preparation for the treatment of *n*th order linear equations in Section 2.2. Although the concepts in this section may seem somewhat abstract to students, the problems set is quite tangible and largely computational.

In each of Problems 1–16 the verification that y_1 and y_2 satisfy the given differential equation is a routine matter. As in Example 2, we then impose the given initial conditions on the general solution $y = c_1y_1 + c_2y_2$. This yields two linear equations that determine the values of the constants c_1 and c_2 .

- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 5 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 0$, $c_1 c_2 = 0$ with solution $c_1 = 5/2$, $c_2 = -5/2$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 5(e^x e^{-x})/2$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 15 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 e^{-3x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = -1$, $3c_1 3c_2 = 15$ with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = 3$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 2e^{3x} 3e^{-3x}$.
- 3. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 8 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 3$, $2c_2 = 8$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 4$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 3 \cos 2x + 4 \sin 2x$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 10, y'(0) = -10 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 \cos 5x + c_2 \sin 5x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 10$, $5c_2 = -10$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 4$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 10 \cos 5x 2 \sin 5x$.

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- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 1$, $c_1 + 2c_2 = 0$ with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = -1$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 2e^x e^{2x}$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 7, y'(0) = -1 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-3x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 7$, $2c_1 3c_2 = -1$ with solution $c_1 = 4$, $c_2 = 3$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 4e^{2x} + 3e^{-3x}$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = -2, y'(0) = 8 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = -2$, $-c_2 = 8$ with solution $c_1 = 6$, $c_2 = -8$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 6 8e^{-x}$.
- 8. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 4, y'(0) = -2 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{3x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 4$, $3c_2 = -2$ with solution $c_1 = 14/3$, $c_2 = 2/3$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = (14 2e^{3x})/3$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -1 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 2$, $-c_1 + c_2 = -1$ with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = 1$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x}$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 13 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{5x} + c_2 x e^{5x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 3$, $5c_1 + c_2 = 13$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = -2$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 3e^{5x} 2xe^{5x}$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 5 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x \cos x + c_2 e^x \sin x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 0$, $c_1 + c_2 = 5$ with solution $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = 5$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 5e^x \sin x$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{-3x} \cos 2x + c_2 e^{-3x} \sin 2x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 2$, $-3c_1 + 2c_2 = 5$ with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = 3$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = e^{-3x}(2\cos 2x + 3\sin 2x)$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(1) = 3, y'(1) = 1 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x^2$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 3$, $c_1 + 2c_2 = 1$ with solution $c_1 = 5$, $c_2 = -2$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 5x 2x^2$.

- 14. Imposition of the initial conditions y(2) = 10, y'(2) = 15 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^{-3}$ yields the two equations $4c_1 + c_2/8 = 10$, $4c_1 3c_2/16 = 15$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = -16$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 3x^2 16/x^3$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(1) = 7, y'(1) = 2 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x \ln x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 7$, $c_1 + c_2 = 2$ with solution $c_1 = 7$, $c_2 = -5$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 7x 5x \ln x$.
- 16. Imposition of the initial conditions y(1) = 2, y'(1) = 3 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 \cos(\ln x) + c_2 \sin(\ln x)$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = 3$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 2 \cos(\ln x) + 3 \sin(\ln x)$.
- 17. If y = c/x then $y' + y^2 = -c/x^2 + c^2/x^2 = c(c-1)/x^2 \neq 0$ unless either c = 0 or c = 1.
- **18.** If $y = cx^3$ then $yy'' = cx^3 \cdot 6cx = 6c^2x^4 \neq 6x^4$ unless $c^2 = 1$.
- 19. If $y = 1 + \sqrt{x}$ then $yy'' + (y')^2 = (1 + \sqrt{x})(-x^{-3/2}/4) + (x^{-1/2}/2)^2 = -x^{-3/2}/4 \neq 0$.
- 20. Linearly dependent, because

$$f(x) = \pi = \pi(\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x) = \pi g(x)$$

- 21. Linearly independent, because $x^3 = +x^2|x|$ if x > 0, whereas $x^3 = -x^2|x|$ if x < 0.
- 22. Linearly independent, because 1+x=c(1+|x|) would require that c=1 with x=0, but c=0 with x=-1. Thus there is no such constant c.
- 23. Linearly independent, because f(x) = +g(x) if x > 0, whereas f(x) = -g(x) if x < 0.
- **24.** Linearly dependent, because g(x) = 2 f(x).
- 25. $f(x) = e^x \sin x$ and $g(x) = e^x \cos x$ are linearly independent, because f(x) = k g(x) would imply that $\sin x = k \cos x$, whereas $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ are linearly independent.
- **26.** To see that f(x) and g(x) are linearly independent, assume that f(x) = c g(x), and then substitute both x = 0 and $x = \pi/2$.
- **27.** Let L[y] = y'' + py' + qy. Then $L[y_c] = 0$ and $L[y_p] = f$, so

$$L[y_c + y_p] = L[y_c] + [y_p] = 0 + f = f.$$

- 28. If $y(x) = 1 + c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$ then $y'(x) = -c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$, so the initial conditions y(0) = y'(0) = -1 yield $c_1 = -2$, $c_2 = -1$. Hence $y = 1 2 \cos x \sin x$.
- 29. There is no contradiction because if the given differential equation is divided by x^2 to get the form in Equation (8) in the text, then the resulting functions p(x) = -4/x and $q(x) = 6/x^2$ are not continuous at x = 0.
- 30. (a) $y_2 = x^3$ and $y_2 = |x^3|$ are linearly independent because $x^3 = c |x^3|$ would require that c = 1 with x = 1, but c = -1 with x = -1.
 - (b) The fact that $W(y_1, y_2) = 0$ everywhere does not contradict Theorem 3, because when the given equation is written in the required form

$$y'' - (3/x)y' + (3/x^2)y = 0,$$

the coefficient functions p(x) = -3/x and $q(x) = 3/x^2$ are not continuous at x = 0.

- 31. $W(y_1, y_2) = -2x$ vanishes at x = 0, whereas if y_1 and y_2 were (linearly independent) solutions of an equation y'' + py' + qy = 0 with p and q both continuous on an open interval I containing x = 0, then Theorem 3 would imply that $W \neq 0$ on I.
- 32. (a) $W = y_1y_2' y_1'y_2$, so

$$AW' = A(y_1'y_2' + y_1y_2'' - y_1''y_2 - y_1'y_2')$$

$$= y_1(Ay_2'') - y_2(Ay_1'')$$

$$= y_1(-By_2' - Cy_2) - y_2(-By_1' - Cy_1)$$

$$= -B(y_1y_2' - y_1'y_2)$$

and thus AW' = -BW.

- (b) Just separate the variables.
- (c) Because the exponential factor is never zero.

In Problems 33–42 we give the characteristic equation, its roots, and the corresponding general solution.

33.
$$r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0$$
; $r = 1, 2$; $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}$

34.
$$r^2 + 2r - 15 = 0$$
; $r = 3, -5$; $y(x) = c_1 e^{-5x} + c_2 e^{3x}$

35.
$$r^2 + 5r = 0$$
; $r = 0, -5$; $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-5x}$

36.
$$2r^2 + 3r = 0$$
; $r = 0, -3/2$; $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-3x/2}$

37.
$$2r^2-r-2=0$$
; $r=1,-1/2$; $y(x)=c_1e^{-x/2}+c_2e^x$

38.
$$4r^2 + 8r + 3 = 0$$
; $r = -1/2, -3/2$; $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x/2} + c_2 e^{-3x/2}$

39.
$$4r^2 + 4r + 1 = 0$$
; $r = -1/2, -1/2$; $y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x/2}$

40.
$$9r^2 - 12r + 4 = 0$$
; $r = -2/3, -2/3$; $y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{2x/3}$

41.
$$6r^2 - 7r - 20 = 0$$
; $r = -4/3, 5/2$; $y(x) = c_1 e^{-4x/3} + c_2 e^{5x/2}$

42.
$$35r^2 - r - 12 = 0$$
; $r = -4/7, 3/5$; $y(x) = c_1 e^{-4x/7} + c_2 e^{3x/5}$

In Problems 43–48 we first write and simplify the equation with the indicated characteristic roots, and then write the corresponding differential equation.

43.
$$(r-0)(r+10) = r^2 + 10r = 0;$$
 $y'' + 10y' = 0$

44.
$$(r-10)(r+10) = r^2 - 100 = 0;$$
 $y'' - 100y = 0$

45.
$$(r+10)(r+10) = r^2 + 20r + 100 = 0;$$
 $y'' + 20y' + 100y = 0$

46.
$$(r-10)(r-100) = r^2 - 110r + 1000 = 0;$$
 $y'' - 110y' + 1000y = 0$

47.
$$(r-0)(r-0) = r^2 = 0;$$
 $y'' = 0$

48.
$$(r-1-\sqrt{2})(r-1+\sqrt{2}) = r^2-2r-1 = 0; \quad y''-2y'-y = 0$$

- 49. The solution curve with y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 6 is $y(x) = 8e^{-x} 7e^{-2x}$. We find that y'(x) = 0 when $x = \ln(7/4)$ so $e^{-x} = 4/7$ and $e^{-2x} = 16/49$. It follows that $y(\ln(7/4)) = 16/7$, so the high point on the curve is $(\ln(7/4))$, 16/7 $\approx (0.56, 2.29)$, which looks consistent with Fig. 2.1.6.
- 50. The two solution curves with y(0) = a and y(0) = b (as well as y'(0) = 1) are

$$y = (2a+1)e^{-x} - (a+1)e^{-2x},$$

$$y = (2b+1)e^{-x} - (b+1)e^{-2x}.$$

Subtraction and then division by a - b gives $2e^{-x} = e^{-2x}$, so it follows that $x = -\ln 2$. Now substitution in either formula gives y = -2, so the common point of intersection is $(-\ln 2, -2)$.

51. (a) The substitution $v = \ln x$ gives

$$y' = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dv}\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}\frac{dy}{dv}$$

Then another differentiation using the chain rule gives

$$y'' = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{dy}{dv} \right)$$
$$= -\frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dv} + \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{d}{dv} \left(\frac{dy}{dv} \right) \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dv} + \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dv^2}.$$

Substitution of these expressions for y' and y'' into Eq. (21) in the text then yields immediately the desired Eq. (23):

$$a\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + (b-a)\frac{dy}{dv} + cy = 0.$$

(b) If the roots r_1 and r_2 of the characteristic equation of Eq. (23) are real and distinct, then a general solution of the original Euler equation is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{r_1 v} + c_2 e^{r_2 v} = c_1 \left(e^{v} \right)^{r_1} + c_2 \left(e^{v} \right)^{r_2} = c_1 x^{r_1} + c_2 x^{r_2}.$$

52. The substitution $v = \ln x$ yields the converted equation $d^2y/dv^2 - y = 0$ whose characteristic equation $r^2 - 1 = 0$ has roots $r_1 = 1$ and $r_2 = -1$. Because $e^v = x$, the corresponding general solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{\nu} + c_2 e^{-\nu} = c_1 x + \frac{c_2}{x}.$$

53. The substitution $v = \ln x$ yields the converted equation $d^2y/dv^2 + dy/dv - 12y = 0$ whose characteristic equation $r^2 + r - 12 = 0$ has roots $r_1 = -4$ and $r_2 = 3$. Because $e^v = x$, the corresponding general solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{-4v} + c_2 e^{3v} = c_1 x^{-4} + c_2 x^3.$$

54. The substitution $v = \ln x$ yields the converted equation $4d^2y/dv^2 + 4dy/dv - 3y = 0$ whose characteristic equation $4r^2 + 4r - 3 = 0$ has roots $r_1 = -3/2$ and $r_2 = 1/2$. Because $e^v = x$, the corresponding general solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{-3v/2} + c_2 e^{v/2} = c_1 x^{-3/2} + c_2 x^{1/2}$$

55. The substitution $v = \ln x$ yields the converted equation $d^2y/dv^2 = 0$ whose characteristic equation $r^2 = 0$ has repeated roots $r_1, r_2 = 0$. Because $v = \ln x$, the corresponding general solution is

$$y = c_1 + c_2 v = c_1 + c_2 \ln x$$
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56. The substitution $v = \ln x$ yields the converted equation $d^2y/dv^2 - 4 dy/dv + 4y = 0$ whose characteristic equation $r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$ has roots $r_1, r_2 = 2$. Because $e^v = x$, the corresponding general solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{2v} + c_2 v e^{2v} = x^2 (c_1 + c_2 \ln v).$$

SECTION 2.2

GENERAL SOLUTIONS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS

Students should check each of Theorems 1 through 4 in this section to see that, in the case n=2, it reduces to the corresponding theorem in Section 2.1. Similarly, the computational problems for this section largely parallel those for the previous section. By the end of Section 2.2 students should understand that, although we do not prove the existence-uniqueness theorem now, it provides the basis for everything we do with linear differential equations.

The linear combinations listed in Problems 1–6 were discovered "by inspection" — that is, by trial and error.

1.
$$(5/2)(2x) + (-8/3)(3x^2) + (-1)(5x - 8x^2) = 0$$

2.
$$(-4)(5) + (5)(2 - 3x^2) + (1)(10 + 15x^2) = 0$$

3.
$$(1)(0) + (0)(\sin x) + (0)(e^x) = 0$$

4.
$$(1)(17) + (-17/2)(2\sin^2 x) + (-17/3)(3\cos^2 x) = 0$$
, because $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$.

5.
$$(1)(17) + (-34)(\cos^2 x) + (17)(\cos 2x) = 0$$
, because $2\cos^2 x = 1 + \cos 2x$.

6.
$$(-1)(e^x) + (1)(\cosh x) + (1)(\sinh x) = 0$$
, because $\cosh x = (e^x + e^{-x})/2$ and $\sinh x = (e^x - e^{-x})/2$.

7.
$$W = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2x \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2$$
 is nonzero everywhere.

8.
$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{x} & e^{2x} & e^{3x} \\ e^{x} & 2e^{2x} & 3e^{3x} \\ e^{x} & 4e^{2x} & 9e^{3x} \end{vmatrix} = 2e^{6x} \text{ is never zero.}$$

9.
$$W = e^x(\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x) = e^x \neq 0$$

10. W =
$$x^{-7}e^x(x+1)(x+4)$$
 is nonzero for $x > 0$.

11. W =
$$x^3 e^{2x}$$
 is nonzero if $x \neq 0$.

12. W =
$$x^{-2}[2\cos^2(\ln x) + 2\sin^2(\ln x)] = 2x^{-2}$$
 is nonzero for $x > 0$.

In each of Problems 13-20 we first form the general solution

$$y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + c_3 y_3(x),$$

then calculate y'(x) and y''(x), and finally impose the given initial conditions to determine the values of the coefficients c_1, c_2, c_3 .

13. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 2, y''(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 e^{-2x}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 1$$
, $c_1 - c_2 - 2c_3 = 2$, $c_1 + c_2 + 4c_3 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = 4/3$, $c_2 = 0$, $c_3 = -1/3$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = (4e^x - e^{-2x})/3$.

14. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0, y''(0) = 3 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 e^{3x}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 1$$
, $c_1 + 2c_2 + 3c_3 = 2$, $c_1 + 4c_2 + 9c_3 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = 3/2$, $c_2 = -3$, $c_3 = 3/2$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = (3e^x - 6e^{2x} + 3e^{3x})/2$.

15. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 0, y''(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x + c_3 x^2 e^{3x}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 = 2$$
, $c_1 + c_2 = 0$, $c_1 + 2c_2 + 2c_3 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = -2$, $c_3 = 1$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = (2 - 2x + x^2)e^x$.

16. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 4, y''(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 x e^{2x}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 1$$
, $c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 = 4$, $c_1 + 4c_2 + 4c_3 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = -12$, $c_2 = 13$, $c_3 = -10$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = -12e^x + 13e^{2x} - 10xe^{2x}$.

17. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = -1, y''(0) = 2 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 \cos 3x + c_3 \sin 3x$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 3$$
, $3c_3 = -1$, $-9c_2 = 2$

with solution $c_1 = 29/9$, $c_2 = -2/9$, $c_3 = -1/3$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = (29 - 2\cos 3x - 3\sin 3x)/9$.

18. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0, y''(0) = 0 on the general solution $y(x) = e^x (c_1 + c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x)$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 1$$
, $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0$, $c_1 + 2c_3 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = -1$, $c_3 = -1$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = e^x(2 - \cos x - \sin x)$.

19. Imposition of the initial conditions y(1) = 6, y'(1) = 14, y''(1) = 22 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 6$$
, $c_1 + 2c_2 + 3c_3 = 14$, $2c_2 + 6c_3 = 22$

with solution $c_1 = 1$, $c_2 = 2$, $c_3 = 3$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = x + 2x^2 + 3x^3$.

20. Imposition of the initial conditions y(1) = 1, y'(1) = 5, y''(1) = -11 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x^{-2} + c_3 x^{-2} \ln x$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 1$$
, $c_1 - 2c_2 + c_3 = 5$, $6c_2 - 5c_3 = -11$

with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = -1$, $c_3 = 1$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = 2x - x^{-2} + x^{-2} \ln x$.

In each of Problems 21–24 we first form the general solution

$$y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x) + y_p(x),$$

then calculate y'(x), and finally impose the given initial conditions to determine the values of the coefficients c_1 and c_2 .

- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -2 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + 3x$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 + 3 = -2$ with solution $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = -5$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = 2 \cos x 5 \sin x + 3x$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 10 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} 3$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 3 = 0$, $2c_1 2c_2 = 10$ with solution $c_1 = 4$, $c_2 = -1$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = 4e^{2x} e^{-2x} 3$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 11 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{3x} 2$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 2 = 3$, $-c_1 + 3c_2 = 11$ with solution $c_1 = 1$, $c_2 = 4$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = e^{-x} + 4e^{3x} 2$.
- 24. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 4, y'(0) = 8 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x \cos x + c_2 e^x \cos x + x + 1$ yields the two equations $c_1 + 1 = 4$, $c_1 + c_2 + 1 = 8$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 4$. Hence the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = e^x(3 \cos x + 4 \sin x) + x + 1$.
- **25.** $L[y] = L[y_1 + y_2] = L[y_1] + L[y_2] = f + g$
- **26.** (a) $y_1 = 2$ and $y_2 = 3x$ (b) $y = y_1 + y_2 = 2 + 3x$
- 27. The equations

$$c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 = 0, c_2 + 2c_3 x + 0, 2c_3 = 0$$

(the latter two obtained by successive differentiation of the first one) evidently imply that $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$.

28. If you differentiate the equation $c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + \dots + c_n x^n = 0$ repeatedly, *n* times in succession, the result is the system

$$c_{0} + c_{1}x + c_{2}x^{2} + \dots + c_{n}x^{n} = 0$$

$$c_{1} + 2c_{2}x + \dots + nc_{n}x^{n-1} = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$(n-1)!c_{n-1} + n!c_{n}x = 0$$

$$n!c_{n} = 0$$

of n+1 equations in the n+1 coefficients $c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$. The last equation implies that $c_n = 0$, whereupon the preceding equation gives $c_{n-1} = 0$, and so forth. Thus it follows that all of the coefficients must vanish.

29. If $c_0e^{rx} + c_1xe^{rx} + \dots + c_nx^ne^{rx} = 0$, then division by e^{rx} yields

$$c_0 + c_1 x + \dots + c_n x^n = 0,$$

so the result of Problem 28 applies.

30. When the equation $x^2y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$ is rewritten in standard form

$$y'' + (-2/x)y' + (2/x^2)y = 0,$$

the coefficient functions $p_1(x) = -2/x$ and $p_2(x) = 2/x^2$ are not continuous at x = 0. Thus the hypotheses of Theorem 3 are not satisfied.

- 31. (a) Substitution of x = a in the differential equation gives y''(a) = -p y'(a) q(a).
 - (b) If y(0) = 1 and y'(0) = 0, then the equation y'' 2y' 5y = 0 implies that y''(0) = 2y'(0) + 5y(0) = 5.
- 32. Let the functions y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n be chosen as indicated. Then evaluation at x = a of the (k-1)st derivative of the equation $c_1y_1 + c_2y_2 + \dots + c_ny_n = 0$ yields $c_k = 0$. Thus $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$, so the functions are linearly independent.
- 33. This follows from the fact that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = (b-a)(c-b)(c-a).$$

- **34.** $W(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n) = V \exp(r_i x)$, and neither V nor $\exp(r_i x)$ vanishes.
- **36.** If $y = vy_1$ then substitution of the derivatives

$$y' = vy_1' + v'y_1,$$
 $y'' = vy_1'' + 2v'y_1' + v''y_1$

in the differential equation y'' + py' + qy = 0 gives

$$[vy_1'' + 2v'y_1' + v''y_1] + p[vy_1' + v'y_1] + q[vy_1] = 0,$$

$$v[y_1'' + py_1' + qy_1] + v''y_1 + 2v'y_1' + pv'y_1 = 0.$$

But the terms within brackets vanish because y_1 is a solution, and this leaves the equation

$$y_1 v'' + (2y_1' + py_1)v' = 0$$

that we can solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = -2\frac{y_1'}{y_1} - p \quad \Rightarrow \quad \ln v' = -2\ln y_1' - \int p(x) dx + \ln C,$$

$$v'(x) = \frac{C}{y_1^2} e^{-\int p(x)dx} \quad \Rightarrow \quad v(x) = C \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{y_1^2} dx + K.$$

With C=1 and K=0 this gives the second solution

$$y_2(x) = y_1(x) \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x)dx}}{y_1^2} dx.$$

37. When we substitute $y = vx^3$ in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation xv'' + v' = 0 that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = -\frac{1}{x} \implies \ln v' = -\ln x + \ln A,$$

$$v' = \frac{A}{x}$$
 \Rightarrow $v(x) = A \ln x + B$.

With A=1 and B=0 we get $v(x) = \ln x$ and hence $y_2(x) = x^3 \ln x$.

38. When we substitute $y = vx^3$ in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation xv'' + 7v' = 0 that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = -\frac{7}{x} \implies \ln v' = -7\ln x + \ln A,$$

$$v' = \frac{A}{x^7} \implies v(x) = -\frac{A}{6x^6} + B.$$

With A = -6 and B = 0 we get $v(x) = 1/x^6$ and hence $y_2(x) = 1/x^3$.

- When we substitute $y = v e^{x/2}$ in the given differential equation and simplify, we eventually get the simple equation v'' = 0 with general solution v(x) = Ax + B. With A = 1 and B = 0 we get v(x) = x and hence $y_2(x) = x e^{x/2}$.
- When we substitute y = vx in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation v'' v' = 0 that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = 1 \implies \ln v' = x + \ln A,$$

$$v' = Ae^x \implies v(x) = Ae^x + B.$$

With A=1 and B=0 we get $v(x)=e^x$ and hence $y_2(x)=xe^x$.

41. When we substitute $y = ve^x$ in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation (1+x)v'' + xv' = 0 that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = -\frac{x}{1+x} = -1 + \frac{1}{1+x} \implies \ln v' = -x + \ln(1+x) + \ln A,$$

$$v' = A(1+x)e^{-x} \implies v(x) = A\int (1+x)e^{-x} dx = -A(2+x)e^{-x} + B.$$

With A = -1 and B = 0 we get $v(x) = (2+x)e^{-x}$ and hence $y_2(x) = 2+x$.

42. When we substitute y = vx in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation $x(x^2-1)v'' = 2v'$ that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = \frac{2}{x(x^2 - 1)} = -\frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{1 + x} - \frac{1}{1 - x},$$

$$\ln v' = -2\ln x + \ln(1 + x) + \ln(1 - x) + \ln A,$$

$$v' = \frac{A(1 - x^2)}{x^2} = A\left(\frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right) \implies v(x) = A\left(-\frac{1}{x} - x\right) + B.$$

With A = -1 and B = 0 we get v(x) = x + 1/x and hence $y_2(x) = x^2 + 1$.

When we substitute y = vx in the given differential equation and simplify, we get the separable equation $x(x^2 - 1)v'' = (2 - 4x^2)v'$ that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = \frac{2 - 4x^2}{x(x^2 - 1)} = -\frac{2}{x} - \frac{1}{1 + x} + \frac{1}{1 - x},$$

$$\ln v' = -2\ln x - \ln(1 + x) - \ln(1 - x) + \ln A,$$

$$v' = \frac{A}{x^2(1 - x^2)} = A\left(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2(1 + x)} + \frac{1}{2(1 - x)}\right),$$

$$v(x) = A\left(-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}\ln(1 + x) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(1 - x)\right) + B.$$

With A = -1 and B = 0 we get

$$v(x) = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2}\ln(1+x) + \frac{1}{2}\ln(1-x)$$
 \Rightarrow $y_2(x) = 1 - \frac{x}{2}\ln\frac{1+x}{1-x}$.

44. When we substitute $y = v x^{-1/2} \cos x$ in the given differential equation and simplify, we eventually get the separable equation $(\cos x)v'' = 2(\sin x)v'$ that we solve by writing

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = \frac{2\sin x}{\cos x} \implies \ln v' = -2\ln|\cos x| + \ln A = \ln \sec^2 x + \ln A,$$

$$v' = A\sec^2 x \implies v(x) = A\tan x + B.$$

With A=1 and B=0 we get $v(x)=\tan x$ and hence

$$y_2(x) = (\tan x)(x^{-1/2}\cos x) = x^{-1/2}\sin x.$$

SECTION 2.3

HOMOGENEOUS EQUATIONS WITH CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS

This is a purely computational section devoted to the single most widely applicable type of higher order differential equations — linear ones with constant coefficients. In Problems 1–20, we write first the characteristic equation and its list of roots, then the corresponding general solution of the given differential equation. Explanatory comments are included only when the solution of the characteristic equation is not routine.

1.
$$r^2 - 4 = (r - 2)(r + 2) = 0;$$
 $r = -2, 2;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x}$

2.
$$2r^2 - 3r = r(2r - 3) = 0$$
; $r = 0, 3/2$; $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{3x/2}$

3.
$$r^2 + 3r - 10 = (r+5)(r-2) = 0;$$
 $r = -5, 2;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-5x}$

4.
$$2r^2 - 7r + 3 = (2r - 1)(r - 3) = 0;$$
 $r = 1/2, 3;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^{x/2} + c_2 e^{3x}$

5.
$$r^2 + 6r + 9 = (r+3)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = -3, -3;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 x e^{-3x}$

6.
$$r^2 + 5r + 5 = 0;$$
 $r = (-5 \pm \sqrt{5})/2$
 $y(x) = e^{-5x/2} [c_1 \exp(x\sqrt{5}/2) + c_2 \exp(-x\sqrt{5}/2)]$

7.
$$4r^2 - 12r + 9 = (2r - 3)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = -3/2, -3/2;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^{3x/2} + c_2 x e^{3x/2}$

8.
$$r^2 - 6r + 13 = 0$$
; $r = (6 \pm \sqrt{-16})/2 = 3 \pm 2i$; $y(x) = e^{3x}(c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x)$

9.
$$r^2 + 8r + 25 = 0$$
; $r = (-8 \pm \sqrt{-36})/2 = -4 \pm 3i$; $y(x) = e^{-4x}(c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x)$

10.
$$5r^4 + 3r^3 = r^3(5r+3) = 0;$$
 $r = 0, 0, 0, -3/5;$ $y(x) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3x^2 + c_4e^{-3x/5}$

11.
$$r^4 - 8r^3 + 16r^2 = r^2(r-4)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = 0, 0, 4, 4;$ $y(x) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3e^{4x} + c_4xe^{4x}$

12.
$$r^4 - 3r^3 + 3r^2 - r = r(r-1)^3 = 0;$$
 $r = 0, 1, 1, 1;$ $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^x + c_3 x e^x + c_4 x^2 e^x$

13.
$$9r^3 + 12r^2 + 4r = r(3r+2)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = 0, -2/3, -2/3$
 $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-2x/3} + c_3 x e^{-2x/3}$

14.
$$r^4 + 3r^2 - 4 = (r^2 - 1)(r^2 + 4) = 0;$$
 $r = -1, 1, \pm 2i$
 $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 \cos 2x + c_4 \sin 2x$

15.
$$4r^4 - 8r^2 + 16 = (r^2 - 4)^2 = (r - 2)^2 (r + 2)^2 = 0; \quad r = 2, 2, -2, -2$$

 $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x} + c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 x e^{-2x}$

16.
$$r^4 + 18r^2 + 81 = (r^2 + 9)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = \pm 3i, \pm 3i$
 $y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)\cos 3x + (c_3 + c_4 x)\sin 3x$

17.
$$6r^4 + 11r^2 + 4 = (2r^2 + 1)(3r^2 + 4) = 0;$$
 $r = \pm i/\sqrt{2}, \pm 2i/\sqrt{3},$ $y(x) = c_1 \cos(x/\sqrt{2}) + c_2 \sin(x/\sqrt{2}) + c_3 \cos(2x/\sqrt{3}) + c_4 \sin(2x/\sqrt{3})$

18.
$$r^4 - 16 = (r^2 - 4)(r^2 + 4) = 0;$$
 $r = -2, 2, \pm 2i$
 $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 \cos 2x + c_4 \sin 2x$

19.
$$r^3 + r^2 - r - 1 = r(r^2 - 1) + (r^2 - 1) = (r - 1)(r + 1)^2 = 0;$$
 $r = 1, -1, -1;$ $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 x e^{-x}$

20.
$$r^4 + 2r^3 + 3r^2 + 2r + 1 = (r^2 + r + 1)^2 = 0;$$
 $\left(-1 \pm \sqrt{3} i\right)/2, \left(-1 \pm \sqrt{3} i\right)/2$
 $y = e^{-x/2}(c_1 + c_2x)\cos(x\sqrt{3}/2) + e^{-x/2}(c_3 + c_4x)\sin(x\sqrt{3}/2)$

- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 7, y'(0) = 11 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{3x}$ yields the two equations $c_1 + c_2 = 7$, $c_1 + 3c_2 = 11$ with solution $c_1 = 5$, $c_2 = 2$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 5e^x + 2e^{3x}$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 4 on the general solution $y(x) = e^{-x/3} \left[c_1 \cos\left(x/\sqrt{3}\right) + c_2 \sin\left(x/\sqrt{3}\right) \right]$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 3$, $-c_1/3 + c_2/\sqrt{3} = 4$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 5\sqrt{3}$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = e^{-x/3} \left[3\cos\left(x/\sqrt{3}\right) + 5\sqrt{3}\sin\left(x/\sqrt{3}\right) \right]$.
- Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 1 on the general solution $y(x) = e^{3x} (c_1 \cos 4x + c_2 \sin 4x)$ yields the two equations $c_1 = 3$, $3c_1 + 4c_2 = 1$ with solution $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = -2$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = e^{3x}(3 \cos 4x 2 \sin 4x)$.

24. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1, y''(0) = 3 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 e^{-x/2}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 1$$
, $2c_2 - c_3/2 = -1$, $4c_2 + c_3/4 = 3$

with solution $c_1 = -7/2$, $c_2 = 1/2$, $c_3 = 4$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = (-7 + e^{2x} + 8e^{-x/2})/2$.

Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 0, y''(0) = 1 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-2x/3}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_3 = -1$$
, $c_2 - 2c_3/3 = 0$, $4c_3/9 = 1$

with solution $c_1 = -13/4$, $c_2 = 3/2$, $c_3 = 9/4$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = (-13 + 6x + 9e^{-2x/3})/4$.

26. Imposition of the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1, y''(0) = 3 on the general solution $y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-5x} + c_3 x e^{-5x}$ yields the three equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 3$$
, $-5c_2 + c_3 = 4$, $25c_2 - 10c_3 = 5$

with solution $c_1 = 24/5$, $c_2 = -9/5$, $c_3 = -5$. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = (24 - 9e^{-5x} - 25xe^{-5x})/5$.

- First we spot the root r = 1. Then long division of the polynomial $r^3 + 3r^2 4$ by r 1 yields the quadratic factor $r^2 + 4r + 4 = (r + 2)^2$ with roots r = -2, -2. Hence the general solution is $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 x e^{-2x}$.
- First we spot the root r=2. Then long division of the polynomial $2r^3 r^2 5r 2$ by the factor r-2 yields the quadratic factor $2r^2 + 3r + 1 = (2r+1)(r+1)$ with roots r=-1, -1/2. Hence the general solution is $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 e^{-x/2}$.
- First we spot the root r=-3. Then long division of the polynomial r^3+27 by r+3 yields the quadratic factor r^2-3r+9 with roots $r=3\left(1\pm i\sqrt{3}\right)/2$. Hence the general solution is $y(x)=c_1e^{-3x}+e^{3x/2}[c_2\cos(3x\sqrt{3}/2)+c_3\sin(3x\sqrt{3}/2)]$.
- 30. First we spot the root r = -1. Then long division of the polynomial

$$r^4 - r^3 + r^2 - 3r - 6$$

by r+1 yields the cubic factor r^3-2r^2+3r-6 . Next we spot the root r=2, and another long division yields the quadratic factor r^2+3 with roots $r=\pm i\sqrt{3}$. Hence the general solution is $y(x)=c_1e^{-x}+c_2e^{2x}+c_3\cos x\sqrt{3}+c_4\sin x\sqrt{3}$.

31. The characteristic equation $r^3 + 3r^2 + 4r - 8 = 0$ has the evident root r = 1, and long division then yields the quadratic factor $r^2 + 4r + 8 = (r+2)^2 + 4$ corresponding to the complex conjugate roots $-2 \pm 2i$. Hence the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^x + e^{-2x} (c_2 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x).$$

32. The characteristic equation $r^4 + r^3 - 3r^2 - 5r - 2 = 0$ has root r = 2 that is readily found by trial and error, and long division then yields the factorization

$$(r-2)(r+1)^3 = 0.$$

Thus we obtain the general solution $y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + (c_2 + c_3 x + c_4 x^2) e^{-x}$.

Knowing that $y = e^{3x}$ is one solution, we divide the characteristic polynomial $r^3 + 3r^2 - 54$ by r - 3 and get the quadratic factor

$$r^2 + 6r + 18 = (r+3)^2 + 9.$$

Hence the general solution is $y(x) = c_1 e^{3x} + e^{-3x} (c_2 \cos 3x + c_3 \sin 3x)$.

Knowing that $y = e^{2x/3}$ is one solution, we divide the characteristic polynomial $3r^3 - 2r^2 + 12r - 8$ by 3r - 2 and get the quadratic factor $r^2 + 4$. Hence the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{2x/3} + c_2 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x.$$

35. The fact that $y = \cos 2x$ is one solution tells us that $r^2 + 4$ is a factor of the characteristic polynomial

$$6r^4 + 5r^3 + 25r^2 + 20r + 4.$$

Then long division yields the quadratic factor $6r^2 + 5r + 1 = (3r+1)(2r+1)$ with roots r = -1/2, -1/3. Hence the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-x/2} + c_2 e^{-x/3} + c_3 \cos 2x + c_4 \sin 2x$$

36. The fact that $y = e^{-x} \sin x$ is one solution tells us that $(r+1)^2 + 1 = r^2 + 2r + 2$ is a factor of the characteristic polynomial

$$9r^3 + 11r^2 + 4r - 14$$

Then long division yields the linear factor 9r - 7. Hence the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{7x/9} + e^{-x}(c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x).$$

37. The characteristic equation is $r^4 - r^3 = r^3(r-1) = 0$, so the general solution is $y(x) = A + Bx + Cx^2 + De^x$. Imposition of the given initial conditions yields the equations

$$A+D=18$$
, $B+D=12$, $2C+D=13$, $D=7$

with solution A = 11, B = 5, C = 3, D = 7. Hence the desired particular solution is

$$y(x) = 11 + 5x + 3x^2 + 7e^x$$

38. Given that r = 5 is one characteristic root, we divide (r - 5) into the characteristic polynomial $r^3 - 5r^2 + 100r - 500$ and get the remaining factor $r^2 + 100$. Thus the general solution is

$$y(x) = Ae^{5x} + B\cos 10x + C\sin 10x.$$

Imposition of the given initial conditions yields the equations

$$A+B=0$$
, $5A+10C=10$, $25A-100B=250$

with solution A = 2, B = -2, C = 0. Hence the desired particular solution is $y(x) = 2e^{5x} - 2\cos 10x$

39. $(r-2)^3 = r^3 - 6r^2 + 12r - 8$, so the differential equation is

$$y''' - 6y'' + 12y' - 8y = 0.$$

40. $(r-2)(r^2+4) = r^3-2r^2+4r-8$, so the differential equation is

$$y''' - 2y'' + 4y' - 8y = 0.$$

41. $(r^2+4)(r^2-4) = r^4-16$, so the differential equation is $y^{(4)}-16y = 0$.

42. $(r^2 + 4)^3 = r^6 + 12r^4 + 48r^2 + 64$, so the differential equation is

$$y^{(6)} + 12y^{(4)} + 48y'' + 64y = 0$$
.

44. (a) x = i, -2i (b) x = -i, 3i

45. The characteristic polynomial is the quadratic polynomial of Problem 44(b). Hence the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-ix} + c_2 e^{3ix} = c_1 (\cos x - i \sin x) + c_2 (\cos 3x + i \sin 3x).$$

46. The characteristic polynomial is $r^2 - ir + 6 = (r + 2i)(r - 3i)$ so the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{3ix} + c_2 e^{-2ix} = c_1 (\cos 3x + i \sin 3x) + c_2 (\cos 2x - i \sin 2x).$$

47. The characteristic roots are $r = \pm \sqrt{-2 + 2i\sqrt{3}} = \pm (1 + i\sqrt{3})$ so the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{(1+i\sqrt{3})x} + c_2 e^{-(1+i\sqrt{3})x} = c_1 e^x \left(\cos\sqrt{3}x + i\sin\sqrt{3}x\right) + c_2 e^{-x} \left(\cos\sqrt{3}x - i\sin\sqrt{3}x\right)$$

48. The general solution is $y(x) = Ae^x + Be^{\alpha x} + Ce^{\beta x}$ where $\alpha = (-1 + i\sqrt{3})/2$ and $\beta = (-1 - i\sqrt{3})/2$. Imposition of the given initial conditions yields the equations

$$A + B + C = 1$$

$$A + \alpha B + \beta C = 0$$

$$A + \alpha^2 B + \beta^2 C = 0$$

that we solve for A = B = C = 1/3. Thus the desired particular solution is given by $y(x) = \frac{1}{3} \left(e^x + e^{(-1+i\sqrt{3})x/2} + e^{(-1-\sqrt{3})x/2} \right)$, which (using Euler's relation) reduces to the given real-valued solution.

49. The general solution is $y = Ae^{2x} + Be^{-x} + C\cos x + D\sin x$. Imposition of the given initial conditions yields the equations

$$A + B + C = 0$$

$$2A - B + D = 0$$

$$4A + B - C = 0$$

$$8A - B - D = 30$$

that we solve for A = 2, B = -5, C = 3, and D = -9. Thus

$$y(x) = 2e^{2x} - 5e^{-x} + 3\cos x - 9\sin x.$$

50. If x > 0 then the differential equation is y'' + y = 0 with general solution $y = A \cos x + B \sin x$. But if x < 0 it is y'' - y = 0 with general solution $y = C \cosh x + D \sin x$. To satisfy the initial conditions $y_1(0) = 1$, $y_1'(0) = 0$ we choose

A=C=1 and B=D=0. But to satisfy the initial conditions $y_2(0)=0$, $y_2'(0)=1$ we choose A=C=0 and B=D=1. The corresponding solutions are defined by

$$y_1(x) = \begin{cases} \cos x & \text{if } x \ge 0, \\ \cosh x & \text{if } x \le 0; \end{cases} \qquad y_2(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x & \text{if } x \ge 0, \\ \sinh x & \text{if } x \le 0. \end{cases}$$

51. In the solution of Problem 51 in Section 2.1 we showed that the substitution $v = \ln x$ gives

$$y' = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dv}$$
 and $y'' = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dv} + \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dv^2}$.

A further differentiation using the chain rule gives

$$y''' = \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = \frac{2}{x^3} \cdot \frac{dy}{dy} - \frac{3}{x^3} \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{x^3} \cdot \frac{d^3y}{dy^3}.$$

Substitution of these expressions for y', y'', and y'''' into the third-order Euler equation $ax^3y''' + bx^2y'' + cxy' + dy = 0$ and collection of coefficients quickly yields the desired constant-coefficient equation

$$a\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} + (b-3a)\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + (c-b+2a)\frac{dy}{dv} + dy = 0.$$

In Problems 52 through 58 we list first the transformed constant-coefficient equation, then its characteristic equation and roots, and finally the corresponding general solution with $v = \ln x$ and $e^v = x$.

52.
$$\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + 9y = 0; \quad r^2 + 9 = 0; \quad r = \pm 3i$$
$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(3v) + c_2 \sin(3v) = c_1 \cos(3\ln x) + c_2 \sin(3\ln x)$$

53.
$$\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + 6\frac{dy}{dv} + 25y = 0; \quad r^2 + 6r + 25 = 0; \quad r = -3 \pm 4i$$
$$y(x) = e^{-3v} \left[c_1 \cos(4v) + c_2 \sin(4v) \right] = x^{-3} \left[c_1 \cos(4\ln x) + c_2 \sin(4\ln x) \right]$$

54.
$$\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} + 3\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} = 0; \quad r^3 + 3r^2 = 0; \quad r = 0, 0, -3$$
$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2v + c_3e^{-3v} = c_1 + c_2\ln x + c_3x^{-3}$$

55.
$$\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} - 4\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dv} = 0; \quad r^3 - 4r^2 + 4r = 0; \quad r = 0, 2, 2$$
$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{2v} + c_3 v e^{2v} = c_1 + x^2 \left(c_2 + c_3 \ln x \right)$$

56.
$$\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} = 0$$
; $r^3 = 0$; $r = 0, 0, 0$
 $y(x) = c_1 + c_2v + c_3v^2 = c_1 + c_2 \ln x + c_3 (\ln x)^2$

57.
$$\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} - 5\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + 5\frac{dy}{dv} = 0; \quad r^3 - 4r^2 + 4r = 0; \quad r = 0, \ 3 \pm \sqrt{3}$$
$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{(3-\sqrt{3})v} + c_3 v e^{(3+\sqrt{3})v} = c_1 + x^3 \left(c_2 x^{-\sqrt{3}} + c_3 x^{+\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

58.
$$\frac{d^3y}{dv^3} + 3\frac{d^2y}{dv^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dv} + y = 0; \quad r^3 + 3r^2 + 3r + 1 = 0; \quad r = -1, -1, -1$$
$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-v} + c_2 v e^{-v} + c_3 v^2 e^{-v} = x^{-1} \left[c_1 + c_2 \ln x + c_3 (\ln x)^2 \right]$$

SECTION 2.4

Mechanical Vibrations

In this section we discuss four types of free motion of a mass on a spring — undamped, underdamped, critically damped, and overdamped. However, the undamped and underdamped cases — in which actual oscillations occur — are emphasized because they are both the most interesting and the most important cases for applications.

- 1. Frequency: $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m} = \sqrt{16/4} = 2 \text{ rad/sec} = 1/\pi \text{ Hz}$ Period: $P = 2\pi/\omega_0 = 2\pi/2 = \pi \text{ sec}$
- 2. Frequency $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m} = \sqrt{48/0.75} = 8 \text{ rad/sec} = 4/\pi \text{ Hz}$ Period: $P = 2\pi/\omega_0 = 2\pi/8 = \pi/4 \text{ sec}$
- 3. The spring constant is k = 15 N/0.20 m = 75 N/m. The solution of 3x'' + 75x = 0 with x(0) = 0 and x'(0) = -10 is $x(t) = -2 \sin 5t$. Thus the amplitude is 2 m; the frequency is $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m} = \sqrt{75/3} = 5 \text{ rad/sec} = 2.5/\pi \text{ Hz}$; and the period is $2\pi/5 \text{ sec}$.
- 4. (a) With m = 1/4 kg and k = (9 N)/(0.25 m) = 36 N/m we find that $\omega_0 = 12$ rad/sec. The solution of x'' + 144x = 0 with x(0) = 1 and x'(0) = -5 is

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

$$= (13/12)[(12/13)\cos 12t - (5/13)\sin 12t]$$

$$x(t) = (13/12)\cos(12t - \alpha)$$

where $\alpha = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(5/12) \approx 5.8884$.

- **(b)** $C = 13/12 \approx 1.0833 \text{ m} \text{ and } T = 2\pi/12 \approx 0.5236 \text{ sec.}$
- 5. The gravitational acceleration at distance R from the center of the earth is $g = GM/R^2$. According to Equation (6) in the text the (circular) frequency ω of a pendulum is given by $\omega^2 = g/L = GM/R^2L$, so its period is $p = 2\pi/\omega = 2\pi R\sqrt{L/GM}$.
- 6. If the pendulum in the clock executes n cycles per day (86400 sec) at Paris, then its period is $p_1 = 86400/n$ sec. At the equatorial location it takes 24 hr 2 min 40 sec = 86560 sec for the same number of cycles, so its period there is $p_2 = 86560/n$ sec. Now let $R_1 = 3956$ mi be the Earth's "radius" at Paris, and R_2 its "radius" at the equator. Then substitution in the equation $p_1/p_2 = R_1/R_2$ of Problem 5 (with $L_1 = L_2$) yields $R_2 = 3963.33$ mi. Thus this (rather simplistic) calculation gives 7.33 mi as the thickness of the Earth's equatorial bulge.
- 7. The period equation $p = 3960\sqrt{100.10} = (3960 + x)\sqrt{100}$ yields $x \approx 1.9795$ mi ≈ 10.450 ft for the altitude of the mountain.
- 8. Let n be the number of cycles required for a correct clock with unknown pendulum length L_1 and period p_1 to register 24 hrs = 86400 sec, so np_1 = 86400. The given clock with length L_2 = 30 in and period p_2 loses 10 min = 600 sec per day, so np_2 = 87000. Then the formula of Problem 5 yields

$$\sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}} = \frac{p_1}{p_2} = \frac{np_1}{np_2} = \frac{86400}{87000},$$

so $L_1 = (30)(86400/87000)^2 \approx 29.59$ in.

10. The F = ma equation $\rho \pi r^2 h x'' = \rho \pi r^2 h g - \pi r^2 x g$ simplifies to

$$x'' + (g/\rho h)x = g.$$

The solution of this equation with x(0) = x'(0) = 0 is

$$x(t) = \rho h(1 - \cos \omega_0 t)$$

where $\omega_0 = \sqrt{g/\rho h}$. With the given numerical values of ρ , h, and g, the amplitude of oscillation is $\rho h = 100$ cm and the period is $p = 2\pi \sqrt{\rho h/g} \approx 2.01$ sec.

11. The fact that the buoy weighs 100 lb means that mg = 100 so m = 100/32 slugs. The weight of water is 62.4 lb/ft^3 , so the F = ma equation of Problem 10 is

$$(100/32)x'' = 100 - 62.4\pi r^2 x.$$

It follows that the buoy's circular frequency ω is given by

$$\omega^2 = (32)(62.4\pi)r^2/100.$$

But the fact that the buoy's period is p=2.5 sec means that $\omega=2\pi/2.5$. Equating these two results yields $r\approx 0.3173$ ft ≈ 3.8 in.

12. (a) Substitution of $M_r = (r/R)^3 M$ in $F_r = -G M_r m/r^2$ yields

$$F_r = -(GMm/R^3)r.$$

(b) Because $GM/R^3 = g/R$, the equation $mr'' = F_r$ yields the differential equation

$$r'' + (g/R)r = 0.$$

(c) The solution of this equation with r(0) = R and r'(0) = 0 is $r(t) = R\cos \omega_0 t$ where $\omega_0 = \sqrt{g/R}$. Hence, with g = 32.2 ft/sec² and R = (3960)(5280) ft, we find that the period of the particle's simple harmonic motion is

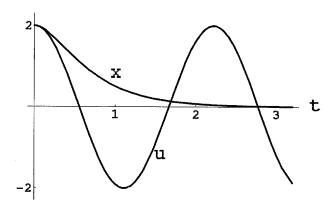
$$p = 2\pi/\omega_0 = 2\pi\sqrt{R/g} \approx 5063.10 \text{ sec} \approx 84.38 \text{ min.}$$

- 13. (a) The characteristic equation $10r^2 + 9r + 2 = (5r + 2)(2r + 1) = 0$ has roots r = -2/5, -1/2. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(0) = 5 on the general solution $x(t) = c_1 e^{-2t/5} + c_2 e^{-t/2}$ we get the particular solution $x(t) = 50(e^{-2t/5} e^{-t/2})$.
 - (b) The derivative $x'(t) = 25e^{-t/2} 20e^{-2t/5} = 5e^{-2t/5} \left(5e^{-t/10} 4\right) = 0$ when $t = 10 \ln(5/4) \approx 2.23144$. Hence the mass's farthest distance to the right is given by $x(10\ln(5/4)) = 512/125 = 4.096$.
- 14. (a) The characteristic equation $25r^2 + 10r + 226 = (5r+1)^2 + 15^2 = 0$ has roots $r = (-1\pm15i)/5 = -1/5\pm3i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 20, x'(0) = 41 on the general solution $x(t) = e^{-t/5} (A\cos 3t + B\sin 3t)$ we get A = 20, B = 15. The corresponding particular solution is given by

$$x(t) = e^{-t/5} (20\cos 3t + 15\sin 3t) = 25e^{-t/5}\cos(3t - \alpha)$$
 where $\alpha = \tan^{-1}(3/4) \approx 0.6435$.

- (b) Thus the oscillations are "bounded" by the curves $x = \pm 25e^{-t/5}$ and the pseudoperiod of oscillation is $T = 2\pi/3$ (because $\omega = 3$).
- With damping The characteristic equation $(1/2)r^2 + 3r + 4 = 0$ has roots r = -2, -4. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 2, x'(0) = 0 on the general solution $x(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 e^{-4t}$ we get the particular solution $x(t) = 4e^{-2t} 2e^{-4t}$ that describes overdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $(1/2)r^2 + 4 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 2i\sqrt{2}$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 2, x'(0) = 0 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(2\sqrt{2}t) + B\sin(2\sqrt{2}t)$ we get the particular solution $u(t) = 2\cos(2\sqrt{2}t)$. The graphs of x(t) and y(t) are shown in the following figure.

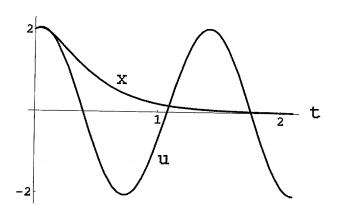


16. With damping The characteristic equation $3r^2 + 30r + 63 = 0$ has roots r = -3, -7. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 2, x'(0) = 2 on the general solution $x(t) = c_1 e^{-3t} + c_2 e^{-7t}$ we get the particular solution $x(t) = 4e^{-3t} - 2e^{-7t}$ that describes overdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $3r^2 + 63 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm i\sqrt{21}$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 2, x'(0) = 2 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(\sqrt{21}t) + B\sin(\sqrt{21}t)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = 2\cos(\sqrt{21}t) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}\sin(\sqrt{21}t) \approx 2\sqrt{\frac{22}{21}}\cos(\sqrt{21}t - 0.2149).$$

The graphs of x(t) and u(t) are shown in the figure at the top of the next page.

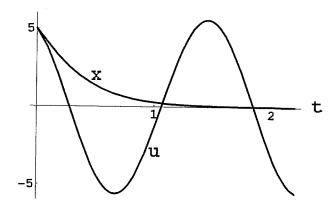


With damping The characteristic equation $r^2 + 8r + 16 = 0$ has roots r = -4, -4. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 5, x'(0) = -10 on the general solution $x(t) = (c_1 + c_2 t)e^{-4t}$ we get the particular solution $x(t) = 5e^{-4t}(2t+1)$ that describes critically damped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $r^2 + 16 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 4i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 5, x'(0) = -10 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(4t) + B\sin(4t)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = 5\cos(4t) + \frac{5}{2}\sin(4t) \approx \frac{5}{2}\sqrt{5}\cos(4t - 5.8195)$$
.

The graphs of x(t) and u(t) are shown in the following figure.

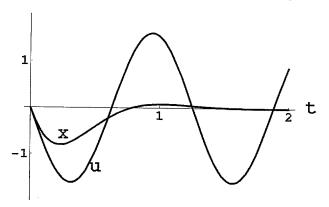


With damping The characteristic equation $2r^2 + 12r + 50 = 0$ has roots $r = -3 \pm 4i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(0) = -8 on the general solution $x(t) = e^{-3t} \left(A\cos 4t + B\sin 4t \right)$ we get the particular solution $x(t) = -2e^{-3t}\sin 4t = 2e^{-3t}\cos(4t - 3\pi/2)$ that describes underdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $2r^2 + 50 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 5i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(0) = -8 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(5t) + B\sin(5t)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = -\frac{8}{5}\sin(5t) = \frac{8}{5}\cos\left(5t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right).$$

The graphs of x(t) and u(t) are shown in the following figure.



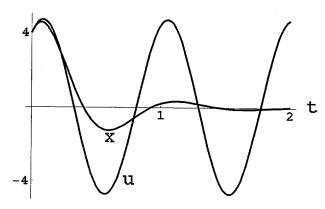
19. The characteristic equation $4r^2 + 20r + 169 = 0$ has roots $r = -5/2 \pm 6i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 4, x'(0) = 16 on the general solution $x(t) = e^{-5t/2} \left(A\cos 6t + B\sin 6t \right)$ we get the particular solution

$$x(t) = e^{-5t/2} [4 \cos 6t + \frac{13}{3} \sin 6t] \approx \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{313} e^{-5t/2} \cos(6t - 0.8254)$$

that describes underdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $4r^2 + 169 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 13i/2$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 4, x'(0) = 16 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(13t/2) + B\sin(13t/2)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = 4\cos\left(\frac{13t}{2}\right) + \frac{32}{13}\sin\left(\frac{13t}{2}\right) \approx \frac{4}{13}\sqrt{233}\cos\left(\frac{13}{2}t - 0.5517\right).$$



20. With damping The characteristic equation $2r^2 + 16r + 40 = 0$ has roots $r = -4 \pm 2i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 5, x'(0) = 4 on the general solution $x(t) = e^{-4t} (A\cos 2t + B\sin 2t)$ we get the particular solution

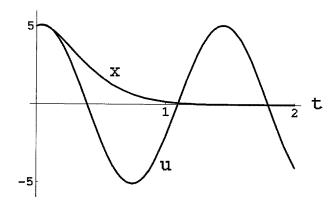
$$x(t) = e^{-4t} (5\cos 2t + 12\sin 2t) \approx 13 e^{-4t} \cos(2t - 1.1760)$$

that describes underdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $2r^2 + 40 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 2\sqrt{5}i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 5, x'(0) = 4 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(2\sqrt{5}t) + B\sin(2\sqrt{5}t)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = 5\cos(2\sqrt{5}t) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\sin(2\sqrt{5}t) \approx \sqrt{\frac{129}{5}}\cos(2\sqrt{5}t - 0.1770).$$

The graphs of x(t) and u(t) are shown in the following figure.



21. With damping The characteristic equation $r^2 + 10r + 125 = 0$ has roots $r = -5 \pm 10i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 6, x'(0) = 50 on the general solution $x(t) = e^{-5t} (A\cos 10t + B\sin 10t)$ we get the particular solution

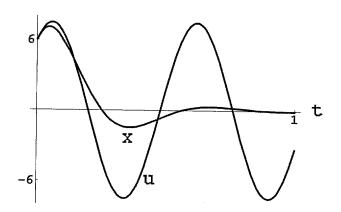
$$x(t) = e^{-5t}(6\cos 10t + 8\sin 10t) \approx 10 e^{-5t}\cos(10t - 0.9273)$$

that describes underdamped motion.

Without damping The characteristic equation $r^2 + 125 = 0$ has roots $r = \pm 5\sqrt{5}i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 6, x'(0) = 50 on the general solution $u(t) = A\cos(5\sqrt{5}t) + B\sin(5\sqrt{5}t)$ we get the particular solution

$$u(t) = 6\cos(5\sqrt{5}t) + 2\sqrt{5}\sin(5\sqrt{5}t) \approx 2\sqrt{14}\cos(5\sqrt{5}t - 0.6405).$$

The graphs of x(t) and u(t) are shown in the figure at the top of the next page.



22. (a) With m=12/32=3/8 slug, c=3 lb-sec/ft, and k=24 lb/ft, the differential equation is equivalent to 3x''+24x'+192x=0. The characteristic equation $3r^2+24r+192=0$ has roots $r=-4\pm 4\sqrt{3}i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0)=1, x'(0)=0 on the general solution $x(t)=e^{-4t}\left(A\cos 4t\sqrt{3}+B\sin 4t\sqrt{3}\right)$ we get the particular solution

$$x(t) = e^{-4t} \left[\cos 4t \sqrt{3} + (1/\sqrt{3})\sin 4t \sqrt{3}\right]$$

$$= (2/\sqrt{3})e^{-4t} \left[(\sqrt{3}/2)\cos 4t \sqrt{3} + (1/2)\sin 4t \sqrt{3}\right]$$

$$x(t) = (2/\sqrt{3})e^{-4t}\cos(4t \sqrt{3} - \pi/6).$$

- **(b)** The time-varying amplitude is $2/\sqrt{3} \approx 1.15$ ft; the frequency is $4\sqrt{3} \approx 6.93$ rad/sec; and the phase angle is $\pi/6$.
- 23. (a) With m = 100 slugs we get $\omega = \sqrt{k/100}$. But we are given that

$$\omega = (80 \text{ cycles/min})(2\pi)(1 \text{ min/60 sec}) = 8\pi/3,$$

and equating the two values yields $k \approx 7018$ lb/ft.

- (b) With $\omega_1 = 2\pi (78/60) \sec^{-1}$, Equation (21) in the text yields $c \approx 372.31$ lb/(ft/sec). Hence $p = c/2m \approx 1.8615$. Finally $e^{-pt} = 0.01$ gives $t \approx 2.47$ sec.
- **30.** In the underdamped case we have

$$x(t) = e^{-pt} [A \cos \omega_1 t + B \sin \omega_1 t],$$

$$x'(t) = -pe^{pt} [A \cos \omega_1 t + B \sin \omega_1 t] + e^{-pt} [-A \omega_1 \sin \omega_1 t + B \omega_1 \cos \omega_1 t].$$

The conditions $x(0) = x_0$, $x'(0) = v_0$ yield the equations $A = x_0$ and $-pA + B\omega_1 = v_0$, whence $B = (v_0 + px_0)/\omega_1$.

31. The binomial series

$$(1+x)^{\alpha} = 1 + \alpha x + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)}{3!}x^{3} + \cdots$$

converges if |x| < 1. (See, for instance, Section 10.8 of Edwards and Penney, *Calculus*: Early Transcendentals, 7th edition, Prentice Hall, 2008.) With $\alpha = 1/2$ and $x = -c^2/4mk$ in Eq. (21) of Section 2.4 in this text, the binomial series gives

$$\omega_{1} = \sqrt{\omega_{0}^{2} - p^{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} - \frac{c^{2}}{4m^{2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{c^{2}}{4mk}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \left(1 - \frac{c^{2}}{8mk} - \frac{c^{4}}{128m^{2}k^{2}} - \dots \right) \approx \omega_{0} \left(1 - \frac{c^{2}}{8mk} \right).$$

32. If $x(t) = Ce^{-pt}\cos(\omega_1 t - \alpha)$ then

$$x'(t) = -pCe^{-pt}\cos(\omega_1 t - \alpha) + C\omega_1 e^{-pt}\sin(\omega_1 t - \alpha) = 0$$

yields $tan(\omega_1 t - \alpha) = -p/\omega_1$.

33. If $x_1 = x(t_1)$ and $x_2 = x(t_2)$ are two successive local maxima, then $\omega_1 t_2 = \omega_1 t_1 + 2\pi$

$$x_1 = C \exp(-pt_1) \cos(\omega_1 t_1 - \alpha),$$

$$x_2 = C \exp(-pt_2) \cos(\omega_1 t_2 - \alpha) = C \exp(-pt_2) \cos(\omega_1 t_1 - \alpha).$$

Hence $x_1/x_2 = exp[-p(t_1 - t_2)]$, and therefore

$$\ln(x_1/x_2) = -p(t_1 - t_2) = 2\pi p/\omega_1.$$

With $t_1 = 0.34$ and $t_2 = 1.17$ we first use the equation $\omega_1 t_2 = \omega_1 t_1 + 2\pi$ from Problem 32 to calculate $\omega_1 = 2\pi/(0.83) \approx 7.57$ rad/sec. Next, with $x_1 = 6.73$ and $x_2 = 1.46$, the result of Problem 33 yields

$$p = (1/0.83) \ln(6.73/1.46) \approx 1.84.$$

Then Equation (16) in this section gives

$$c = 2mp = 2(100/32)(1.84) \approx 11.51 \text{ lb-sec/ft},$$

and finally Equation (21) yields

$$k = (4m^2\omega_1^2 + c^2)/4m \approx 189.68 \text{ lb/ft.}$$

- 35. The characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r + 1 = 0$ has roots r = -1, -1. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(1) = 0 on the general solution $x(t) = (c_1 + c_2 t)e^{-t}$ we get the particular solution $x_1(t) = te^{-t}$.
- 36. The characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r + (1 10^{-2n}) = 0$ has roots $r = -1 \pm 10^{-n}$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(1) = 0 on the general solution

$$x(t) = c_1 \exp\left[\left(-1 + 10^{-n}\right)t\right] + c_2 \exp\left[\left(-1 - 10^{-n}\right)t\right]$$

we get the equations

$$c_1 + c_2 = 0$$
, $\left(-1 + 10^{-n}\right)c_1 + \left(-1 - 10^{-n}\right)c_2 = 1$

with solution $c_1 = 2^{n-1}5^n$, $c_2 = 2^{n-1}5^n$. This gives the particular solution

$$x_2(t) = 10^n e^{-t} \left(\frac{\exp(10^{-n}t) - \exp(-10^{-n}t)}{2} \right) = 10^n e^{-t} \sinh(10^{-n}t).$$

37. The characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r + (1+10^{-2n}) = 0$ has roots $r = -1 \pm 10^{-n}i$. When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, x'(1) = 0 on the general solution

$$x(t) = e^{-t} \left[A\cos(10^{-n}t) + B\sin(10^{-n}t) \right]$$

we get the equations $c_1 = 0$, $-c_1 + 10^{-n}c_2 = 1$ with solution $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = 10^n$. This gives the particular solution $x_3(t) = 10^n e^{-t} \sin(10^{-n}t)$.

38. $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_2(t) = \lim_{n\to\infty} 10^n e^{-t} \sinh(10^{-n}t) = t e^{-t} \cdot \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{\sinh(10^{-n}t)}{10^{-n}t} = t e^{-t}$ and

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} x_3(t) = \lim_{n\to\infty} 10^n e^{-t} \sin(10^{-n}t) = t e^{-t} \cdot \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{\sin(10^{-n}t)}{10^{-n}t} = t e^{-t},$$

using the fact that $\lim_{\theta \to 0} (\sin \theta)/\theta = \lim_{\theta \to 0} (\sinh \theta)/\theta = 0$ (by L'Hôpital's rule, for instance).

SECTION 2.5

NONHOMOGENEOUS EQUATIONS AND THE METHOD OF UNDETERMINED COEFFICIENTS

The method of undetermined coefficients is based on "educated guessing". If we can guess correctly the **form** of a particular solution of a nonhomogeneous linear equation with constant coefficients, then we can determine the particular solution explicitly by substitution in the given differential equation. It is pointed out at the end of Section 2.5 that this simple approach is not always successful — in which case the method of variation of parameters is available if a complementary function is known. However, undetermined coefficients *does* turn out to work well with a surprisingly large number of the nonhomogeneous linear differential equations that arise in elementary scientific applications.

In each of Problems 1–20 we give first the form of the trial solution y_{trial} , then the equations in the coefficients we get when we substitute y_{trial} into the differential equation and collect like terms, and finally the resulting particular solution y_p .

1.
$$y_{\text{trial}} = Ae^{3x}$$
; $25A = 1$; $y_p = (1/25)e^{3x}$

2.
$$y_{\text{trial}} = A + Bx$$
; $-2A - B = 4$, $-2B = 3$; $y_p = -(5 + 6x)/4$

3.
$$y_{\text{trial}} = A\cos 3x + B\sin 3x; -15A - 3B = 0, 3A - 15B = 2;$$

 $y_p = (\cos 3x - 5\sin 3x)/39$

4.
$$y_{\text{trial}} = Ae^x + Bxe^x$$
; $9A + 12B = 0$, $9B = 3$; $y_p = (-4e^x + 3xe^x)/9$

5. First we substitute $\sin^2 x = (1 - \cos 2x)/2$ on the right-hand side of the differential equation. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = A + B\cos 2x + C\sin 2x;$$
 $A = 1/2, -3B + 2C = -1/2, -2B - 3C = 0;$
 $y_{\text{p}} = (13 + 3\cos 2x - 2\sin 2x)/26$

6.
$$y_{\text{trial}} = A + Bx + Cx^2;$$
 $7A + 4B + 4C = 0, 7B + 8C = 0, 7C = 1;$ $y_p = (4 - 56x + 49x^2)/343$

7. First we substitute $\sinh x = (e^x - e^{-x})/2$ on the right-hand side of the differential equation. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = Ae^x + Be^{-x}; \quad -3A = 1/2, \quad -3B = -1/2; \quad y_p = (e^{-x} - e^x)/6 = -(1/3)\sinh x$$

- First we note that $\cosh 2x$ is part of the complementary function $y_c = c_1 \cosh 2x + c_2 \sinh 2x$. Then: $y_{trial} = x \left(A \cosh 2x + B \sinh 2x \right); \quad 4A = 0, \quad 4B = 1; \quad y_p = (1/4)x \sinh 2x$
- 9. First we note that e^x is part of the complementary function $y_c = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-3x}$. Then: $y_{\text{trial}} = A + x(B + Cx)e^x$; -3A = 1, 4B + 2C = 0, 8C = 1; $y_p = -(1/3) + (2x^2 x)e^x/16$.
- 10. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x(A\cos 3x + B\sin 3x);$$
 $6B = 2, -6A = 3;$ $y_p = (2x\sin 3x - 3x\cos 3x)/6$

11. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = c_1 + c_2 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x(A+Bx);$$
 $4A = -1, 8B = 3;$ $y_p = (3x^2 - 2x)/8$

12. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = c_1 + c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = Ax + x (B\cos x + C\sin x);$$
 $A = 2, -2B = 0, -2C = -1;$
 $y_p = 2x + (1/2)x \sin x$

- 13. $y_{\text{trial}} = e^x (A\cos x + B\sin x);$ 7A + 4B = 0, -4A + 7B = 1; $y_p = e^x (7\sin x 4\cos x)/65$
- 14. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} + (c_3 + c_4 x)e^x$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x^2 (A + Bx)e^x$$
; $8A + 24B = 0$, $24B = 1$; $y_p = (-3x^2e^x + x^3e^x)/24$

- This is something of a trick problem. We cannot solve the characteristic equation $r^5 + 5r^4 1 = 0$ to find the complementary function, but we can see that it contains no constant term (why?). Hence the trial solution $y_{\text{trial}} = A$ leads immediately to the particular solution $y_p = -17$.
- 16. $y_{\text{trial}} = A + (B + Cx + Dx^2)e^{3x};$ 9A = 5, 18B + 6C + 2D = 0, 18C + 12D = 0, 18D = 2;

$$y_p = (45 + e^{3x} - 6xe^{3x} + 9x^2e^{3x})/81$$

17. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x[(A+Bx)\cos x + (C+Dx)\sin x];$$

 $2B+2C=0, 4D=1, -2A+2D=1, -4B=0;$
 $y_p = (x^2\sin x - x\cos x)/4$

18. First we note the duplication with the complementary function $y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^x + c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 e^{2x}$. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x(Ae^x) + x(B + Cx) e^{2x};$$
 $-6A = 1, 12B + 38C = 0, 24C = -1;$
 $y_p = -(24xe^x - 19xe^{2x} + 6x^2e^{2x})/144$

19. First we note the duplication with the part $c_1 + c_2 x$ of the complementary function (which corresponds to the factor r^2 of the characteristic polynomial). Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = x^2(A + Bx + Cx^2);$$
 $4A + 12B = -1, 12B + 48C = 0, 24C = 3;$ $y_p = (10x^2 - 4x^3 + x^4)/8$

First we note that the characteristic polynomial $r^3 - r$ has the zero r = 1 corresponding to the duplicating part e^x of the complementary function. Then:

$$y_{\text{trial}} = A + x(Be^x); -A = 7, 3B = 1; y_p = -7 + (1/3)xe^x$$

In Problems 21–30 we list first the complementary function y_c , then the initially proposed trial function y_i , and finally the actual trial function y_p in which duplication with the complementary function has been eliminated.

21.
$$y_{c} = e^{x} (c_{1} \cos x + c_{2} \sin x);$$
$$y_{i} = e^{x} (A \cos x + B \sin x)$$
$$y_{n} = x \cdot e^{x} (A \cos x + B \sin x)$$

22.
$$y_c = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2) + (c_4 e^x) + (c_5 e^{-x});$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx + Cx^2) + (De^x)$
 $y_p = x^3 \cdot (A + Bx + Cx^2) + x \cdot (De^x)$

23.
$$y_c = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x;$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx) \cos 2x + (C + Dx) \sin 2x$
 $y_p = x \cdot [(A + Bx) \cos 2x + (C + Dx) \sin 2x]$

24.
$$y_c = c_1 + c_2 e^{-3x} + c_3 e^{4x};$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx) + (C + Dx) e^{-3x}$
 $y_p = x \cdot (A + Bx) + x \cdot (C + Dx) e^{-3x}$

25.
$$y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x};$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx)e^{-x} + (C + Dx)e^{-2x}$
 $y_p = x \cdot (A + Bx)e^{-x} + x \cdot (C + Dx)e^{-2x}$

26.
$$y_c = e^{3x} (c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x);$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx)e^{3x} \cos 2x + (C + Dx)e^{3x} \sin 2x$
 $y_p = x \cdot [(A + Bx)e^{3x} \cos 2x + (C + Dx)e^{3x} \sin 2x]$

27.
$$y_c = (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x) + (c_3 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x)$$

 $y_i = (A \cos x + B \sin x) + (C \cos 2x + D \sin 2x)$
 $y_p = x \cdot [(A \cos x + B \sin x) + (C \cos 2x + D \sin 2x)]$

28.
$$y_c = (c_1 + c_2 x) + (c_3 \cos 3x + c_3 \sin 3x)$$

 $y_i = (A + Bx + Cx^2)\cos 3x + (D + Ex + Fx^2)\sin 3x$
 $y_p = x \cdot \left[(A + Bx + Cx^2)\cos 3x + (D + Ex + Fx^2)\sin 3x \right]$

29.
$$y_{c} = (c_{1} + c_{2}x + c_{3}x^{2})e^{x} + c_{4}e^{2x} + c_{5}e^{-2x};$$

$$y_{i} = (A + Bx)e^{x} + Ce^{2x} + De^{-2x}$$

$$y_{p} = x^{3} \cdot (A + Bx)e^{x} + x \cdot (Ce^{2x}) + x \cdot (De^{-2x})$$

30.
$$y_c = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} + (c_3 + c_4 x)e^x$$

 $y_i = y_p = (A + Bx + Cx^2)\cos x + (D + Ex + Fx^2)\sin x$

In Problems 31–40 we list first the complementary function y_c , the trial solution y_{tr} for the method of undetermined coefficients, and the corresponding general solution $y_g = y_c + y_p$ where y_p results from determining the coefficients in y_{tr} so as to satisfy the given nonhomogeneous differential equation. Then we list the linear equations obtained by imposing the given initial conditions, and finally the resulting particular solution y(x).

31.
$$y_c = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x;$$
 $y_{tr} = A + Bx$
 $y_g = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + x/2$

$$c_1 = 1$$
, $2c_2 + 1/2 = 2$
 $y(x) = \cos 2x + (3/4)\sin 2x + x/2$

32.
$$y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x};$$
 $y_{tr} = A e^x$

$$y_g = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + e^x / 6$$

$$c_1 + c_2 + 1/6 = 0, \quad -c_1 - 2c_2 + 1/6 = 3$$

$$y(x) = \left(15e^{-x} - 16e^{-2x} + e^x\right) / 6$$

33.
$$y_c = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x;$$
 $y_{tr} = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$
 $y_g = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x + (1/5) \sin 2x$
 $c_1 = 1, 3c_2 + 2/5 = 0$
 $y(x) = (15\cos 3x - 2\sin 3x + 3\sin 2x)/15$

34.
$$y_c = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x;$$
 $y_{tr} = x \cdot (A \cos x + B \sin x)$
 $y_g = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + \frac{1}{2} x \sin x$
 $c_1 = 1, c_2 = -1;$ $y(x) = \cos x - \sin x + \frac{1}{2} x \sin x$

35.
$$y_c = e^x (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x);$$
 $y_{tr} = A + Bx$
 $y_g = e^x (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x) + 1 + x/2$
 $c_1 + 1 = 3,$ $c_1 + c_2 + 1/2 = 0$
 $y(x) = e^x (4 \cos x - 5 \sin x)/2 + 1 + x/2$

36.
$$y_c = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 e^{2x};$$
 $y_{tr} = x^2 \cdot (A + Bx + Cx^2)$
 $y_g = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 e^{2x} - x^2 / 16 - x^4 / 48$
 $c_1 + c_3 + c_4 = 1,$ $c_2 - 2c_3 + 2c_4 = 1,$ $4c_3 + 4c_4 - 1/8 = -1,$ $-8c_3 + 8c_4 = -1$
 $y(x) = (234 + 240x - 9e^{-2x} - 33e^{2x} - 12x^2 - 4x^4) / 192$

37.
$$y_c = c_1 + c_2 e^x + c_3 x e^x;$$
 $y_{tr} = x \cdot (A) + x^2 \cdot (B + Cx) e^x$
 $y_g = c_1 + c_2 e^x + c_3 x e^x + x - x^2 e^x / 2 + x^3 e^x / 6$

$$c_1 + c_2 = 0$$
, $c_2 + c_3 + 1 = 0$, $c_2 + 2c_3 - 1 = 1$
 $y(x) = 4 + x + e^x \left(-24 + 18x - 3x^2 + x^3\right) / 6$

38.
$$y_c = e^{-x} (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x);$$
 $y_{tr} = A \cos 3x + B \sin 3x$
 $y_g = e^{-x} (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x) - (6 \cos 3x + 7 \sin 3x)/85$
 $c_1 - 6/185 = 2,$ $-c_1 + c_2 - 21/85 = 0$
 $y(x) = \left[e^{-x} (176 \cos x + 197 \sin x) - (6 \cos 3x + 7 \sin 3x) \right]/85$

39.
$$y_c = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-x};$$
 $y_{tr} = x^2 \cdot (A + Bx) + x \cdot (Ce^{-x})$
 $y_g = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^{-x} - x^2 / 2 + x^3 / 6 + x e^{-x}$
 $c_1 + c_3 = 1,$ $c_2 - c_3 + 1 = 0,$ $c_3 - 3 = 1$
 $y(x) = (-18 + 18x - 3x^2 + x^3) / 6 + (4 + x) e^{-x}$

40.
$$y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^x + c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x;$$
 $y_{tr} = A$

$$y_g = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^x + c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x - 5$$

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - 5 = 0, \quad -c_1 + c_2 + c_4 = 0, \quad c_1 + c_2 - c_3 = 0, \quad -c_1 + c_2 - c_4 = 0$$

$$y(x) = \left(5e^{-x} + 5e^x + 10\cos x - 20\right)/4$$

41. The trial solution $y_{tr} = A + Bx + Cx^2 + Dx^3 + Ex^4 + Fx^5$ leads to the equations

$$2A - B - 2C - 6D + 24E = 0$$

$$-2B - 2C - 6D - 24E + 120F = 0$$

$$-2C - 3D - 12E - 60F = 0$$

$$-2D - 4E - 20F = 0$$

$$-2E - 5F = 0$$

$$-2F = 8$$

that are readily solved by back-substitution. The resulting particular solution is

$$y(x) = -255 - 450x + 30x^2 + 20x^3 + 10x^4 - 4x^5.$$

42. The characteristic equation $r^4 - r^3 - r^2 - r - 2 = 0$ has roots $r = -1, 2, \pm i$ so the complementary function is $y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x$. We find that the coefficients satisfy the equations

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - 255 = 0$$

$$-c_1 + 2c_2 + c_4 - 450 = 0$$

$$c_1 + 4c_2 - c_3 + 60 = 0$$

$$-c_1 + 8c_2 - c_4 + 120 = 0$$

Solution of this system gives finally the particular solution $y = y_c + y_p$ where y_p is the particular solution of Problem 41 and

$$y_c = 10e^{-x} + 35e^{2x} + 210\cos x + 390\sin x.$$

43. (a)
$$\cos 3x + i \sin 3x = (\cos x + i \sin x)^3$$

= $\cos^3 x + 3i \cos^2 x \sin x - 3\cos x \sin^2 x - i \sin^3 x$

When we equate real parts we get the equation

$$\cos^3 x - 3(\cos x)(1 - \cos^2 x) = 4\cos^3 x - 3\cos x$$

and readily solve for $\cos^3 x = \frac{3}{4}\cos x + \frac{1}{4}\cos 3x$. The formula for $\sin^3 x$ is derived similarly by equating imaginary parts in the first equation above.

(b) Upon substituting the trial solution $y_p = A\cos x + B\sin x + C\cos 3x + D\sin 3x$ in the differential equation $y'' + 4y = \frac{3}{4}\cos x + \frac{1}{4}\cos 3x$, we find that A = 1/4, B = 0, C = -1/20, D = 0. The resulting general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + (1/4)\cos x - (1/20)\cos 3x.$$

44. We use the identity $\sin x \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{2}\cos 4x$, and hence substitute the trial solution $y_p = A\cos 2x + B\sin 2x + C\cos 4x + D\sin 4x$ in the differential equation $y'' + y' + y = \frac{1}{2}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{2}\cos 4x$. We find that A = -3/26, B = 1/13, C = 15/482, D = 2/241. The resulting general solution is

$$y(x) = e^{-x/2} (c_1 \cos x \sqrt{3}/2 + c_2 \sin x \sqrt{3}/2)$$

+ $(-3 \cos 2x + 2 \sin 2x)/26 + (15 \cos 4x + 4 \sin 4x)/482$.

45. We substitute

$$\sin^4 x = (1 - \cos 2x)^2 / 4$$

$$= (1 - 2\cos 2x + \cos^2 2x)/4 = (3 - 4\cos 2x + \cos 4x)/8$$

on the right-hand side of the differential equation, and then substitute the trial solution $y_p = A\cos 2x + B\sin 2x + C\cos 4x + D\sin 4x + E$. We find that A = -1/10, B = 0, C = -1/56, D = 0, E = 1/24. The resulting general solution is

$$y = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x + 1/24 - (1/10)\cos 2x - (1/56)\cos 4x$$
.

46. By the formula for $\cos^3 x$ in Problem 43, the differential equation can be written as $y'' + y = \frac{3}{4}x\cos x + \frac{1}{4}x\cos 3x.$

The complementary solution is $y_c = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$, so we substitute the trial solution

$$y_{p} = x \cdot \left[(A + Bx)\cos x + (C + Dx)\sin x \right] + \left[(E + Fx)\cos 3x + (G + Hx)\sin 3x \right].$$

We find that A = 3/16, B = C = 0, D = 3/16, E = 0, F = -1/32, G = 3/128, H = 0. Hence the general solution is given by $y = y_c + y_1 + y_2$ where

$$y_1 = (3x\cos x + 3x^2\sin x)/16$$
 and $y_2 = (3\sin 3x - 4x\cos 3x)/128$.

In Problems 47–49 we list the independent solutions y_1 and y_2 of the associated homogeneous equation, their Wronskian $W = W(y_1, y_2)$, the coefficient functions

$$u_1(x) = -\int \frac{y_2(x) f(x)}{W(x)} dx$$
 and $u_2(x) = \int \frac{y_1(x) f(x)}{W(x)} dx$

in the particular solution $y_p = u_1y_1 + u_2y_2$ of Eq. (32) in the text, and finally y_p itself.

47.
$$y_1 = e^{-2x},$$
 $y_2 = e^{-x},$ $W = e^{-3x}$

$$u_1 = -(4/3)e^{3x}, \qquad u_2 = 2e^{2x},$$

$$y_p = (2/3)e^x$$

48.
$$y_1 = e^{-2x}$$
, $y_2 = e^{4x}$, $W = 6e^{2x}$
 $u_1 = -x/2$, $u_2 = -e^{-6x}/12$,
 $y_p = -(6x+1)e^{-2x}/12$

49.
$$y_1 = e^{2x}$$
, $y_2 = xe^{2x}$, $W = e^{4x}$
 $u_1 = -x^2$, $u_2 = 2x$,
 $y_p = x^2 e^{2x}$

50. The complementary function is $y_1 = c_1 \cosh 2x + c_2 \sinh 2x$, so the Wronskian is

$$W = 2 \cosh^2 2x - 2 \sinh^2 2x = 2,$$

so when we solve Equations (31) simultaneously for u'_1 and u'_2 , integrate each and substitute in $y_p = y_1u_1 + y_2u_2$, the result is

$$y_p = -(\cosh 2x) \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} (\sinh 2x) (\sinh 2x) dx + (\sinh 2x) \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} (\cosh 2x) (\sinh 2x) dx$$

Using the identities $2 \sinh^2 x = \cosh 2x - 1$ and $2 \sinh x \cosh x = \sinh 2x$, we evaluate the integrals and find that

$$y_p = (4x \cosh 2x - \sinh 4x \cosh 2x + \cosh 4x \sinh 2x)/16,$$

 $y_p = (4x \cosh 2x - \sinh 2x)/16.$

51.
$$y_1 = \cos 2x$$
, $y_2 = \sin 2x$, $W = 2$

Liberal use of trigonometric sum and product identities yields

$$u_1 = (\cos 5x - 5\cos x)/20, \qquad u_1 = (\sin 5x - 5\sin x)/20$$

$$y_p = -(1/4)(\cos 2x \cos x - \sin 2x \sin x) + (1/20)(\cos 5x \cos 2x + \sin 5x \sin 2x)$$

$$= -(1/5)\cos 3x$$
 (!)

52.
$$y_1 = \cos 3x$$
, $y_2 = \sin 3x$, $W = 3$
 $u_1 = -(6x - \sin 6x)/36$, $u_1 = -(1 + \cos 6x)/36$
 $y_p = -(x \cos 3x)/6$

53.
$$y_1 = \cos 3x$$
, $y_2 = \sin 3x$, $W = 3$
 $u'_1 = -(2/3)\tan 3x$, $u'_2 = 2/3$
 $y_p = (2/9)[3x \sin 3x + (\cos 3x) \ln|\cos 3x|]$

54.
$$y_1 = \cos x$$
, $y_2 = \sin x$, $W = 1$
 $u'_1 = -\csc x$, $u'_2 = \cos x \csc^2 x$
 $y_p = -1 - (\cos x) \ln |\csc x - \cot x|$

55.
$$y_1 = \cos 2x$$
, $y_2 = \sin 2x$, $W = 2$
 $u'_1 = -(1/2)\sin^2 x \sin 2x = -(1/4)(1 - \cos 2x)\sin 2x$

$$u_2' = (1/2)\sin^2 x \cos 2x = (1/4)(1 - \cos 2x)\cos 2x$$

 $y_p = (1 - x \sin 2x)/8$

56.
$$y_1 = e^{-2x}$$
, $y_2 = e^{2x}$, $W = 4$
 $u_1 = -(3x - 1)e^{3x}/36$, $u_2 = -(x + 1)e^{-x}/4$
 $y_p = -e^x(3x + 2)/9$

57. With $y_1 = x$, $y_2 = x^{-1}$, and $f(x) = 72x^3$, Equations (31) in the text take the form $x u_1' + x^{-1} u_2' = 0,$ $u_1' - x^{-2} u_2' = 72x^3.$

Upon multiplying the second equation by x and then adding, we readily solve first for

$$u_1' = 36x^3$$
, so $u_1 = 9x^4$

and then

$$u_2' = -x^2 u_1' = -36x^5$$
, so $u_2 = -6x^6$.

Then it follows that

$$y_p = y_1 u_1 + y_2 u_2 = (x)(9x^4) + (x^{-1})(-6x^6) = 3x^5.$$

58. Here it is important to remember that — for variation of parameters — the differential equation must be written in standard form with leading coefficient 1. We therefore rewrite the given equation with complementary function $y_c = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^3$ as

$$y'' - (4/x)y' + (6/x^2)y = x.$$

Thus f(x) = x, and $W = x^4$, so simultaneous solution of Equations (31) as in Problem 50 (followed by integration of u'_1 and u'_2) yields

$$y_p = -x^2 \int x^3 \cdot x \cdot x^{-4} dx + x^3 \int x^2 \cdot x \cdot x^{-4} dx$$

= $-x^2 \int dx + x^3 \int (1/x) dx = x^3 (\ln x - 1).$

59.
$$y_1 = x^2$$
, $y_2 = x^2 \ln x$, $W = x^3$, $f(x) = x^2$ $u'_1 = -x \ln x$, $u'_2 = x$ $v_p = x^4/4$

60.
$$y_1 = x^{1/2},$$
 $y_2 = x^{3/2}$

$$f(x) = 2x^{-2/3}; W = x$$

$$u_1 = -12x^{5/6}/5, u_2 = -12x^{-1/6}$$

$$y_p = -72x^{4/3}/5$$

61.
$$y_1 = \cos(\ln x), y_2 = \sin(\ln x), W = 1/x,$$

 $f(x) = (\ln x)/x^2$
 $u_1 = (\ln x)\cos(\ln x) - \sin(\ln x)$
 $u_2 = (\ln x)\sin(\ln x) + \cos(\ln x)$
 $y_p = \ln x$ (!)

62.
$$y_1 = x$$
, $y_2 = 1 + x^2$,
 $W = x^2 - 1$, $f(x) = 1$
 $u'_1 = (1 + x^2)/(1 - x^2)$, $u'_2 = x/(x^2 - 1)$
 $y_p = -x^2 + x \ln|(1 + x)/(1 - x)| + (1/2)(1 + x^2)\ln|1 - x^2|$

63. This is simply a matter of solving the equations in (31) for the derivatives

$$u'_1 = -\frac{y_2(x)f(x)}{W(x)}$$
 and $u'_2 = \frac{y_1(x)f(x)}{W(x)}$,

integrating each, and then substituting the results in (32).

64. Here we have $y_1(x) = \cos x$, $y_2(x) = \sin x$, W(x) = 1, $f(x) = 2\sin x$, so (33) gives

$$y_p(x) = -(\cos x) \int \sin x \cdot 2 \sin x \, dx + (\sin x) \int \cos x \cdot 2 \sin x \, dx$$

$$= -(\cos x) \int (1 - \cos 2x) \, dx + (\sin x) \int 2(\sin x) \cdot \cos x \, dx$$

$$= -(\cos x)(x - \sin x \cos x) + (\sin x)(\sin^2 x)$$

$$= -x \cos x + (\sin x)(\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)$$

$$y_p(x) = -x \cos x + \sin x$$

But we can drop the term $\sin x$ because it satisfies the associated homogeneous equation y'' + y = 0.

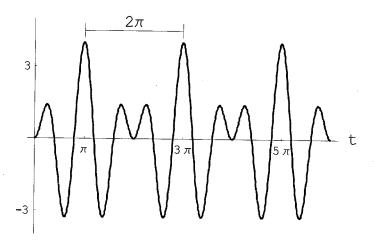
SECTION 2.6

FORCED OSCILLATIONS AND RESONANCE

1. Trial of $x = A \cos 2t$ yields the particular solution $x_p = 2 \cos 2t$. (Can you see that — because the differential equation contains no first-derivative term — there is no need to include a $\sin 2t$ term in the trial solution?) Hence the general solution is

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t + 2 \cos 2t$$
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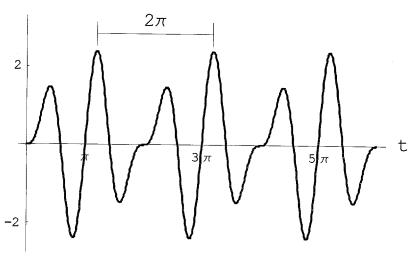
The initial conditions imply that $c_1 = -2$ and $c_2 = 0$, so $x(t) = 2\cos 2t - 2\cos 3t$. The following figure shows the graph of x(t).



2. Trial of $x = A \sin 3t$ yields the particular solution $x_p = -\sin 3t$. Then we impose the initial conditions x(0) = x'(0) = 0 on the general solution

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos 2t + c_2 \sin 2t - \sin 3t$$
,

and find that $x(t) = \frac{3}{2}\sin 2t - \sin 3t$. The following figure shows the graph of x(t).



3. First we apply the method of undetermined coefficients — with trial solution $x = A\cos 5t + B\sin 5t$ — to find the particular solution

$$x_{p} = 3 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t$$

= $5 \left[\frac{3}{5} \cos 5t + \frac{4}{5} \sin 5t \right] = 5 \cos (5t - \beta)$

where $\beta = \tan^{-1}(4/3) \approx 0.9273$. Hence the general solution is

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos 10t + c_2 \sin 10t + 3 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t$$
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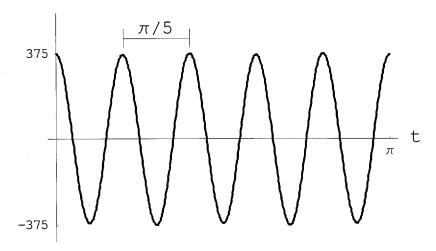
The initial conditions x(0) = 375, x'(0) = 0 now yield $c_1 = 372$ and $c_2 = -2$, so the part of the solution with frequency $\omega = 10$ is

$$x_{c} = 372 \cos 10t - 2 \sin 10t$$

$$= \sqrt{138388} \left[\frac{372}{\sqrt{138388}} \cos 10t - \frac{2}{\sqrt{138388}} \sin 10t \right]$$

$$= \sqrt{138388} \cos (10t - \alpha)$$

where $\alpha = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(1/186) \approx 6.2778$ is a fourth-quadrant angle. The following figure shows the graph of x(t).



Noting that there is no first-derivative term, we try $x = A\cos 4t$ and find the particular solution $x_p = 10\cos 4t$. Then imposition of the initial conditions on the general solution $x(t) = c_1\cos 5t + c_2\sin 5t + 10\cos 4t$ yields

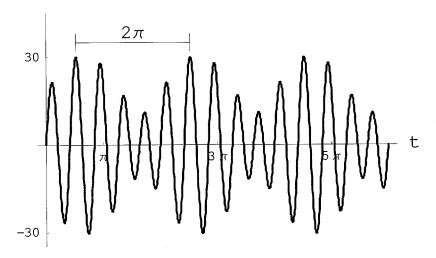
$$x(t) = (-10\cos 5t + 18\sin 5t) + 10\cos 4t$$

$$= 2(-5\cos 5t + 9\sin 5t) + 10\cos 4t$$

$$= 2\sqrt{106}\left(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{106}}\cos 5t + \frac{9}{\sqrt{106}}\sin 5t\right) + 10\cos 4t$$

$$= 2\sqrt{106}\cos(5t - \alpha) + 10\cos 4t$$

where $\alpha = \pi - \tan^{-1}(9/5) \approx 2.0779$ is a second-quadrant angle. The following figure shows the graph of x(t).



Substitution of the trial solution $x = C\cos\omega t$ gives $C = F_0/(k - m\omega^2)$. Then imposition of the initial conditions $x(0) = x_0$, x'(0) = 0 on the general solution

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos \omega_0 t + c_2 \sin \omega_0 t + C \cos \omega t$$
 (where $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m}$)

gives the particular solution $x(t) = (x_0 - C)\cos \omega_0 t + C\cos \omega t$.

6. First, let's write the differential equation in the form $x'' + \omega_0^2 x = (F_0/m)\cos\omega_0 t$, which is the same as Eq. (13) in the text, and therefore has the particular solution $x_p = (F_0/2m\omega_0)t\sin\omega_0 t$ given in Eq. (14). When we impose the initial conditions x(0) = 0, $x'(0) = v_0$ on the general solution

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos \omega_0 t + c_2 \sin \omega_0 t + (F_0 / 2m\omega_0) t \sin \omega_0 t$$

we find that $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = v_0 / \omega_0$. The resulting resonance solution of our initial value problem is

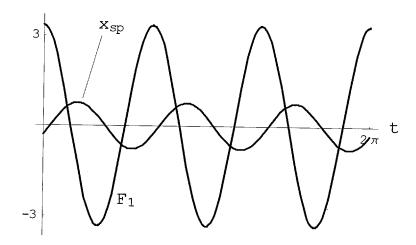
$$x(t) = \frac{2mv_0 + F_0 t}{2m\omega_0} \sin \omega_0 t.$$

In Problems 7–10 we give first the trial solution x_p involving undetermined coefficients A and B, then the equations that determine these coefficients, and finally the resulting steady periodic solution x_{sp} . In each case the figure shows the graphs of $x_{sp}(t)$ and the adjusted forcing function $F_1(t) = F(t)/m\omega$.

7.
$$x_p = A\cos 3t + B\sin 3t;$$
 $-5A + 12B = 10,$ $12A + 5B = 0$

$$x_{sp}(t) = -\frac{50}{169}\cos 3t + \frac{120}{169}\sin 3t = \frac{10}{13}\left(-\frac{5}{13}\cos 3t + \frac{12}{13}\sin 3t\right) = \frac{10}{13}\cos(3t - \alpha)$$

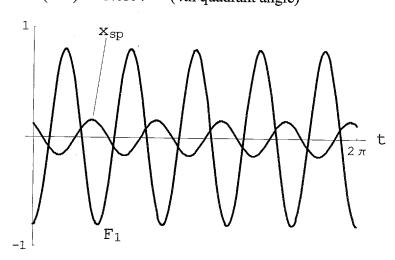
$$\alpha = \pi - \tan^{-1}(12/5) \approx 1.9656 \quad \text{(2nd quadrant angle)}$$



8.
$$x_p = A\cos 5t + B\sin 5t;$$
 $-20A + 15B = -4,$ $15A + 20B = 0$

$$x_{sp}(t) = \frac{16}{125}\cos 5t - \frac{12}{125}\sin 5t = \frac{4}{25}\left(\frac{4}{5}\cos 5t - \frac{3}{5}\sin 5t\right) = \frac{4}{25}\cos(5t - \alpha)$$

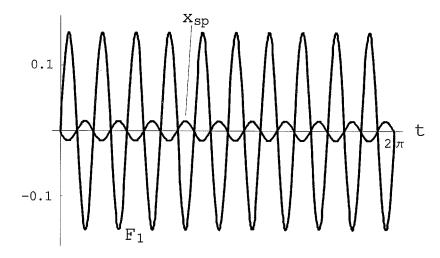
$$\alpha = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(3/4) \approx 5.6397 \quad \text{(4th quadrant angle)}$$



9.
$$x_p = A\cos 10t + 10\sin 5t$$
; $-199A + 20B = 0$, $20A + 199B = -3$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\rm sp}(t) &= -\frac{60}{40001} \cos 10t - \frac{597}{40001} \sin 10t \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{40001}} \left(-\frac{20}{\sqrt{40001}} \cos 10t - \frac{199}{\sqrt{40001}} \sin 10t \right) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{40001}} \cos (10t - \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

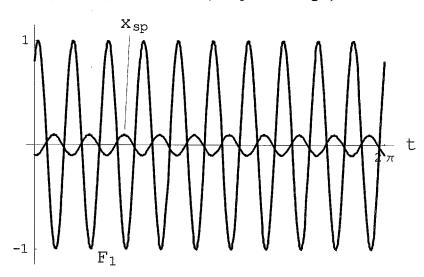
$$\alpha = \pi + \tan^{-1}(199/20) \approx 4.6122$$
 (3rd quadrant angle)



10.
$$x_p = A\cos 10t + 10\sin 5t;$$
 $-97A + 30B = 8,$ $30A + 97B = -6$

$$\begin{split} x_{\rm sp}(t) &= -\frac{956}{10309} \cos 10t - \frac{342}{10309} \sin 10t \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{257725}}{10309} \left(-\frac{478}{\sqrt{257725}} \cos 10t - \frac{171}{\sqrt{257725}} \sin 10t \right) = \frac{10}{793} \sqrt{61} \cos(10t - \alpha) \end{split}$$

$$\alpha = \pi + \tan^{-1}(171/478) \approx 3.4851$$
 (3rd quadrant angle)



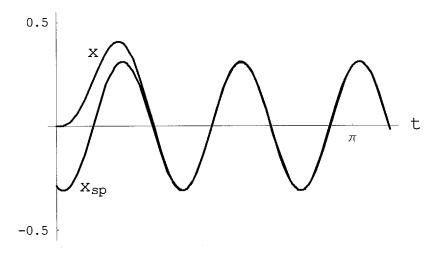
$$= \frac{5\sqrt{29}}{87} \left(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{29}} \cos 3t - \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}} \sin 3t \right) = \frac{5}{3\sqrt{29}} \cos (3t - \alpha)$$

 $\alpha = \pi + \tan^{-1}(2/5) \approx 3.5221$ (3rd quadrant angle)

$$x(t) = e^{-3t} (c_1 \cos 2t + c_2 \sin 2t) + x_{sp}(t);$$
 $c_1 - 25/87 = 0, -3c_1 + 2c_2 - 50/87 = 0$

$$x_{tr}(t) = e^{-3t} \left(\frac{50}{174} \cos 2t + \frac{125}{174} \sin 2t \right)$$
$$= \frac{25\sqrt{29}}{174} e^{-3t} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{29}} \cos 2t + \frac{5}{\sqrt{29}} \sin 2t \right) = \frac{25}{6\sqrt{29}} e^{-3t} \cos (2t - \beta)$$

 $\beta = \tan^{-1}(5/2) \approx 1.1903$ (1st quadrant angle)



13.
$$x_p = A\cos 10t + B\sin 10t$$
; $-74A + 20B = 600$, $20A + 74B = 0$

$$x_{sp}(t) = -\frac{11100}{1469}\cos 10t + \frac{3000}{1469}\sin 10t$$
$$= \frac{300}{\sqrt{1469}} \left(-\frac{37}{\sqrt{1469}}\cos 10t + \frac{10}{\sqrt{1469}}\sin 10t \right) = \frac{300}{\sqrt{1469}}\cos \left(10t - \alpha\right)$$

$$\alpha = \pi - \tan^{-1}(10/37) \approx 2.9320$$
 (2nd quadrant angle)

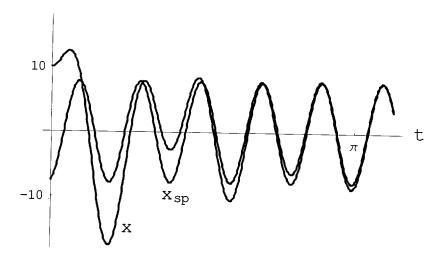
$$x(t) = e^{-t} (c_1 \cos 5t + c_2 \sin 5t) + x_{sp}(t);$$

$$c_1 - 11100/1469 = 10, -c_1 + 5c_2 = -30000/1469$$

$$x_{\rm tr}(t) = \frac{e^{-t}}{1469} (25790\cos 5t - 842\sin 5t)$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{166458266}}{1469} e^{-t} \left(\frac{12895}{\sqrt{166458266}} \cos 5t - \frac{421}{\sqrt{166458266}} \sin 5t \right)$$
$$= 2\sqrt{\frac{113314}{1469}} e^{-t} \cos \left(5t - \beta\right)$$

 $\beta = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(421/12895) \approx 6.2505$ (4th quadrant angle)



14.
$$x_p = A\cos t + B\sin t;$$
 $24A + 8B = 200,$ $-8A + 24B = 520$

$$x_{sp}(t) = \cos t + 22\sin t = \sqrt{485} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{485}}\cos t + \frac{22}{\sqrt{485}}\sin t\right) = \sqrt{485}\cos(t - \alpha)$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}(22) \approx 1.5254 \quad \text{(1st quadrant angle)}$$

$$x(t) = e^{-4t} \left(c_1\cos 3t + c_2\sin 3t\right) + x_{sp}(t);$$

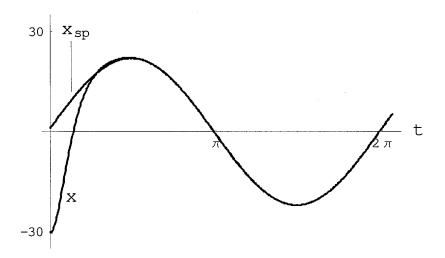
$$c_1 + 1 = -30, \quad -4c_1 + 3c_2 + 22 = -10$$

$$x_{tr}(t) = e^{-4t} \left(-31\cos 3t - 52\sin 3t\right)$$

$$= \sqrt{3665} e^{-4t} \left(-\frac{31}{\sqrt{3665}}\cos 3t - \frac{52}{\sqrt{3665}}\sin 3t\right) = \sqrt{3665} e^{-4t}\cos(3t - \beta)$$

$$\beta = \pi + \tan^{-1}(52/31) \approx 4.1748 \quad \text{(3rd quadrant angle)}$$

The figure at the top of the next page shows the graphs of x(t) and $x_{sp}(t)$.



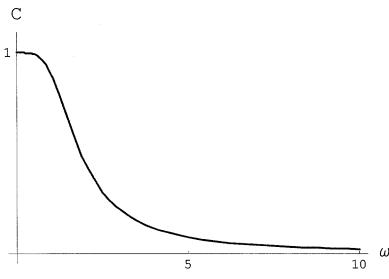
In Problems 15–18 we substitute $x(t) = A(\omega)\cos\omega t + B(\omega)\sin\omega t$ into the differential equation $mx'' + cx' + kx = F_0\cos\omega t$ with the given numerical values of m, c, k, and F_0 . We give first the equations in A and B that result upon collection of coefficients of $\cos\omega t$ and $\sin\omega t$, and then the values of $A(\omega)$ and $B(\omega)$ that we get by solving these equations. Finally,

 $C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$ gives the amplitude of the resulting forced oscillations as a function of the forcing frequency ω , and we show the graph of the function $C(\omega)$.

15.
$$(2-\omega^2)A + 2\omega B = 2$$
, $-2\omega A + (2-\omega^2)B = 0$

$$A = \frac{2(2-\omega^2)}{4+\omega^4}, \quad B = \frac{4\omega}{4+\omega^4}$$

 $C(\omega) = 2/\sqrt{4+\omega^4}$ begins with C(0) = 1 and steadily decreases as ω increases. Hence there is no practical resonance frequency.

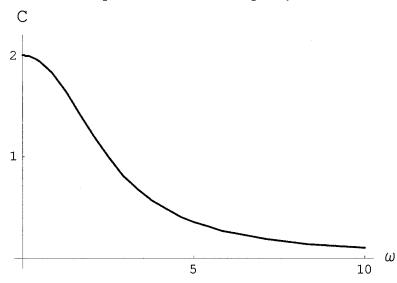


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16.
$$(5-\omega^2)A + 4\omega B = 10, -4\omega A + (5-\omega^2)B = 0$$

$$A = \frac{10(5-\omega^2)}{25+6\omega^2+\omega^4}, \quad B = \frac{40\omega}{25+6\omega^2+\omega^4}$$

 $C(\omega) = 10/\sqrt{25 + 6\omega^2 + \omega^4}$ begins with C(0) = 2 and steadily decreases as ω increases. Hence there is no practical resonance frequency.



17.
$$(45-\omega^2)A+6\omega B = 50, -6\omega A+(45-\omega^2)B = 0$$

$$A = \frac{50(45 - \omega^2)}{2025 - 54\omega^2 + \omega^4}, \quad B = \frac{300\omega}{2025 - 54\omega^2 + \omega^4}$$

 $C(\omega) = 50/\sqrt{2025 - 54\omega^2 + \omega^4}$ so, to find its maximum value, we calculate the derivative

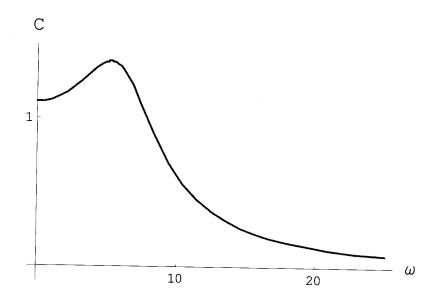
$$C'(\omega) = \frac{-100\omega(-27 + \omega^2)}{(2025 - 54\omega^2 + \omega^4)^{3/2}}.$$

Hence the practical resonance frequency (where the derivative vanishes) is $\omega = \sqrt{27} = 3\sqrt{3}$. The graph of $C(\omega)$ is shown at the top of the next page.

18.
$$(650 - \omega^2) A + 10\omega B = 100, -10\omega A + (650 - \omega^2) B = 0$$

$$A = \frac{100(650 - \omega^2)}{422500 - 1200\omega^2 + \omega^4}, \quad B = \frac{1000\omega}{422500 - 1200\omega^2 + \omega^4}$$

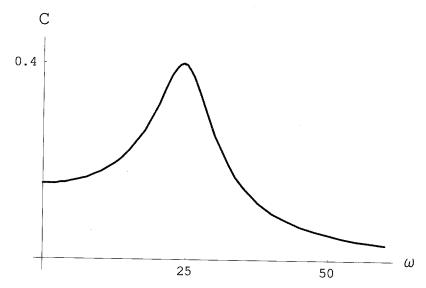
 $C(\omega) = 100/\sqrt{422500-1200\omega^2+\omega^4}$ so, to find its maximum value,



we calculate the derivative

$$C'(\omega) = \frac{-200\omega(-600 + \omega^2)}{(422500 - 1200\omega^2 + \omega^4)^{3/2}}.$$

Hence the practical resonance frequency (where the derivative vanishes) is $\omega = \sqrt{600} = 10\sqrt{6}$.



- 19. m = 100/32 slugs and k = 1200 lb/ft, so the critical frequency is $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m}$ = $\sqrt{384}$ rad/sec = $\sqrt{384}/2\pi \approx 3.12$ Hz.
- 20. Let the machine have mass m. Then the force F = mg = 9.8m (the machine's weight) causes a displacement of x = 0.5 cm = 1/200 meters, so Hooke's law

$$F = kx$$
, that is, $mg = k(1/200)$

gives the spring constant is k = 200mg (N/m). Hence the resonance frequency is

$$\omega = \sqrt{k/m} = \sqrt{200g} \approx \sqrt{200 \times 9.8} \approx 44.27 \text{ rad/sec} \approx 7.05 \text{ Hz},$$

which is about 423 rpm (revolutions per minute).

21. If θ is the angular displacement from the vertical, then the (essentially horizontal) displacement of the mass is $x = L\theta$, so twice its total energy (KE + PE) is

$$m(x')^2 + kx^2 + 2mgh = mL^2(\theta')^2 + kL^2\theta^2 + 2mgL(1 - \cos\theta) = C.$$

Differentiation, substitution of $\theta \approx \sin \theta$, and simplification yields

$$\theta'' + (k/m + g/L)\theta = 0$$

SO

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m + g/L}.$$

22. Let x denote the displacement of the mass from its equilibrium position, v = x' its velocity, and $\omega = v/a$ the angular velocity of the pulley. Then conservation of energy yields

$$mv^2/2 + I\omega^2/2 + kx^2/2 - mgx = C.$$

When we differentiate both sides with respect to t and simplify the result, we get the differential equation

$$(m+I/a^2)x''+kx = mg.$$

Hence
$$\omega = \sqrt{k/(m+I/a^2)}$$
.

- 23. (a) In ft-lb-sec units we have m = 1000 and k = 10000, so $\omega_0 = \sqrt{10}$ rad/sec ≈ 0.50 Hz.
 - **(b)** We are given that $\omega = 2\pi/2.25 \approx 2.79$ rad/sec, and the equation mx'' + kx = F(t) simplifies to

$$x'' + 10x = (1/4)\omega^2 \sin \omega t.$$

When we substitute $x(t) = A \sin \omega t$ we find that the amplitude is

$$A = \omega^2 / 4(10 - \omega^2) \approx 0.8854 \text{ ft } \approx 10.63 \text{ in.}$$

24. By the identity of Problem 43 in Section 2.5, the differential equation is

$$mx'' + kx = F_0 (3\cos\omega t + \cos 3\omega t)/4.$$

Hence resonance occurs when either ω or 3ω equals $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m}$, that is, when either $\omega = \omega_0$ or $\omega = \omega_0/3$.

25. Substitution of the trial solution $x = A\cos\omega t + B\sin\omega t$ in the differential equation, and then collection of coefficients as usual yields the equations

$$(k-m\omega^2)A+(c\omega)B=0, -(c\omega)A+(k-m\omega^2)B=F_0$$

with coefficient determinant $\Delta = (k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2$ and solution $A = -(c\omega)F_0/\Delta$, $B = (k - m\omega^2)F_0/\Delta$. Hence

$$x(t) = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{\Delta}} \left[\frac{k - m\omega^2}{\sqrt{\Delta}} \sin \omega t - \frac{c\omega}{\sqrt{\Delta}} \cos \omega t \right] = C \sin(\omega t - \alpha),$$

where $C = F_0 / \sqrt{\Delta}$ and $\sin \alpha = c\omega / \sqrt{\Delta}$, $\cos \alpha = (k - m\omega^2) / \sqrt{\Delta}$.

26. Let $G_0 = \sqrt{E_0^2 + F_0^2}$ and $\rho = 1/\sqrt{(k - m\omega^2) + (c\omega)^2}$. Then

$$x_{sp}(t) = \rho E_0 \cos(\omega t - \alpha) + \rho F_0 \sin(\omega t - \alpha)$$

$$= \rho G_0 \left[\frac{E_0}{G_0} \cos(\omega t - \alpha) + \frac{F_0}{G_0} \sin(\omega t - \alpha) \right]$$

$$= \rho G_0 \left[\cos \beta \cos(\omega t - \alpha) + \sin \beta \sin(\omega t - \alpha) \right]$$

$$x_{sp}(t) = \rho G_0 \cos(\omega t - \alpha - \beta)$$

where $\tan \beta = F_0 / E_0$. The desired formula now results when we substitute the value of ρ defined above.

27. The derivative of $C(\omega) = F_0 / \sqrt{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}$ is given by

$$C'(\omega) = -\frac{\omega F_0}{2} \frac{(c^2 - 2km) + 2(m\omega)^2}{\left[\left(k - m\omega^2\right)^2 + \left(c\omega\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}.$$

- (a) Therefore, if $c^2 \ge 2km$, it is clear from the numerator that $C'(\omega) < 0$ for all ω , so $C(\omega)$ steadily decreases as ω increases.
- **(b)** But if $c^2 < 2km$, then the numerator (and hence $C'(\omega)$) vanishes when $\omega = \omega_m = \sqrt{k/m c^2/2m^2} < \sqrt{k/m} = \omega_0$. Calculation then shows that

$$C''(\omega_m) = \frac{16F_0m^3(c^2 - 2km)}{c^3(4km - c^2)^{3/2}} < 0,$$

so it follows from the second-derivative test that $C(\omega_m)$ is a local maximum value.

28. (a) The given differential equation corresponds to Equation (17) with $F_0 = mA\omega^2$. It therefore follows from Equation (21) that the amplitude of the steady periodic vibrations at frequency ω is

$$C(\omega) = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}} = \frac{mA\omega^2}{\sqrt{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}}.$$

(b) Now we calculate

$$C'(\omega) = \frac{mA\omega \left[2k^2 - (2mk - c^2)\omega^2\right]}{\left[\left(k - m\omega^2\right)^2 + \left(c\omega\right)^2\right]^{3/2}},$$

and we see that the numerator vanishes when

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{2k^2}{2mk - c^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} \left(\frac{2mk}{2mk - c^2}\right)} > \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \omega_0.$$

- **29.** We need only substitute $E_0 = ac\omega$ and $F_0 = ak$ in the result of Problem 26.
- When we substitute the values $\omega = 2\pi v/L$, m = 800, $k = 7 \times 10^4$, c = 3000 and L = 10, a = 0.05 in the formula of Problem 29, simplify, and square, we get the function

$$Csq(v) = \frac{25(9\pi^2v^2 + 122500)}{16(16\pi^4v^4 - 64375\pi^2v^2 + 76562500)^2}$$

giving the *square* of the amplitude C (in meters) as a function of the velocity v (in meters per second). Differentiation gives

$$Csq'(v) = -\frac{50\pi^2v(9\pi^4v^4 + 245000\pi^2v^2 - 535937500)}{(16\pi^4v^4 - 64375\pi^2v^2 - 76562500)^2}.$$

Because the principal factor in the numerator is a quadratic in v^2 , it is easy to solve the equation Csq'(v) = 0 to find where the maximum amplitude occurs; we find that the only positive solution is $v \approx 14.36$ m/sec ≈ 32.12 mi/hr. The corresponding amplitude of the car's vibrations is $\sqrt{Csq(14.36)} \approx 0.1364$ m = 13.64 cm.

SECTION 2.7

ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS

- 1. With $E(t) \equiv 0$ we have the simple exponential equation 5I' + 25I = 0 whose solution with I(0) = 4 is $I(t) = 4e^{-5t}$.
- With E(t) = 100 we have the simple linear equation 5I' + 25I = 100 whose solution with I(0) = 0 is $I(t) = 4(1 e^{-5t})$.
- 3. Now the differential equation is $5I' + 25I = 100 \cos 60t$. Substitution of the trial solution

$$I_{\rm p} = A\cos 60t + B\sin 60t$$

yields

$$I_p = 4(\cos 60t + 12 \sin 60t)/145.$$

The complementary function is $I_c = ce^{-5t}$; the solution with I(0) = 0 is

$$I(t) = 4(\cos 60t + 12\sin 60t - e^{-5t})/145.$$

- 4. The solution of the initial value problem $2I' + 40I = 100e^{-10t}$, I(0) = 0 is $I(t) = 5(e^{-10t} e^{-20t})$. To find the maximum current we solve the equation $I'(t) = -50e^{-10t} + 100e^{-20t} = -50e^{-20t}(e^{20t} 2) = 0$ for $t = (\ln 2)/10$. Then $I_{\text{max}} = I((\ln 2)/10) = 5/4$.
- 5. The linear equation $I' + 10I = 50 e^{-10t} \cos 60t$ has integrating factor $\rho = e^{10t}$. The resulting general solution is $I(t) = e^{-10t} [(5/6) \sin 60t + C]$. To satisfy the initial condition I(0) = 0, we take C = 0 and get $I(t) = (5/6)e^{-10t} \sin 60t$.

- Substitution of the trial solution $I = A\cos 60t + B\sin 60t$ in the differential equation $I' + 10I = 30\cos 60t + 40\sin 60t$ gives the equations 10A + 60B = 30, -60A + 10B = 40 with solution A = -21/37, B = 22/37. The resulting steady periodic solution is $I_{\rm sp}(t) = (1/37)(-21\cos 60t + 22\sin 60t) = (5/\sqrt{37})\cos(60t \alpha)$, where $\alpha = \pi \tan^{-1}(22/21) \approx 2.3329$ (2nd quadrant angle).
- 7. (a) The linear differential equation $RQ' + (1/C)Q = E_0$ has integrating factor $\rho = e^{t/RC}$. The resulting solution with Q(0) = 0 is $Q(t) = E_0C(1 e^{-t/RC})$. Then $I(t) = Q'(t) = (E_0/R)e^{-t/RC}$.
 - **(b)** These solutions make it obvious that $\lim_{t\to\infty} Q(t) = E_0 C$ and $\lim_{t\to\infty} I(t) = 0$.
- **8.** (a) The linear equation $Q' + 5Q = 10e^{-5t}$ has integrating factor $\rho = e^{5t}$. The resulting solution with Q(0) = 0 is $Q(t) = 10te^{-5t}$, so $I(t) = Q'(t) = 10(1 5t)e^{-5t}$. (b) I(t) = 0 when t = 1/5, so $Q_{\text{max}} = Q(1/5) = 2e^{-1}$.
- Substitution of the trial solution $Q = A\cos 120t + B\sin 120t$ into the differential equation $200Q' + 4000Q = 100\cos 120t$ yields the equations

$$4000A + 24000B = 100, -24000A + 4000B = 0$$

with solution A = 1/1480, B = 3/740. The complementary function is $Q_c = c e^{-20t}$, and imposition of the initial condition Q(0) = 0 yields the solution $Q(t) = (\cos 120t + 6 \sin 120t - e^{-20t})/1480$. The current function is then $I(t) = Q'(t) = (36 \cos 120t - 6 \sin 120t + e^{-20t})/74$. Thus the steady-periodic current is

$$I_{sp} = \frac{6}{74} (6\cos 120t - \sin 120t)$$

$$= \frac{6\sqrt{37}}{74} \left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{37}} \cos 120t - \frac{1}{\sqrt{37}} \sin 120t \right) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{37}} \cos(120t - \alpha)$$

(with $\alpha = 2\pi - \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{6}$), so the steady-state amplitude is $3/\sqrt{37}$.

Substitution of the trial solution $Q = A\cos\omega t + B\sin\omega t$ into the differential equation $RQ' + (1/C)Q = E_0\cos\omega t$ yields the equations

$$(1/C)A + \omega r B = E_0, \quad -r\omega A + (1/C)B = 0$$

with solution $A = E_0 C / (1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2)$, $B = E_0 \omega R C^2 / (1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2)$, so

$$Q_{\rm sp}(t) = \frac{E_0 C}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2} \left(\cos \omega t + \omega R C \sin \omega t\right)$$

$$= \frac{E_0 C}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}} \cos \omega t + \frac{\omega R C}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}} \sin \omega t\right)$$

$$= \frac{E_0 C}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}} \cos \left(\omega t - \beta\right)$$

where $\beta = \tan^{-1} \omega RC$ (1st quadrant angle).

In Problems 11–16, we give first the trial solution $I_p = A\cos\omega t + B\sin\omega t$, then the equations in A and B that we get upon substituting this trial solution into the RLC equation LI'' + RI' + (1/C)I = E'(t), and finally the resulting steady periodic solution.

11.
$$I_p = A\cos 2t + B\sin 2t;$$
 $A + 6B = 10,$ $-6A + B = 0$

$$I_{sp}(t) = \frac{10}{37}\cos 2t + \frac{60}{37}\sin 2t = \frac{10}{\sqrt{37}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{37}}\cos 2t + \frac{6}{\sqrt{37}}\sin 2t\right) = \frac{10}{\sqrt{37}}\sin(2t - \delta)$$

$$\delta = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(1/6) \approx 6.1180 \quad \text{(4th quadrant angle)}$$

12.
$$I_{\rm p} = A\cos 10t + B\sin 10t;$$
 $A + 4B = 2,$ $-4A + B = 0$

$$I_{\rm sp}(t) = \frac{2}{17}\cos 10t + \frac{8}{17}\sin 10t = \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\cos 10t + \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}\sin 10t\right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}\sin(10t - \delta)$$
 $\delta = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(1/4) \approx 6.0382$ (4th quadrant angle)

13.
$$I_p = A\cos 5t + B\sin 5t;$$
 $3A - 2B = 0,$ $2A + 3B = 20$

$$I_{sp}(t) = \frac{40}{13}\cos 5t + \frac{60}{13}\sin 5t = \frac{20}{\sqrt{13}}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}\cos 5t + \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\sin 5t\right) = \frac{20}{\sqrt{13}}\sin(5t - \delta)$$

$$\delta = 2\pi - \tan^{-1}(2/3) \approx 5.6952 \quad \text{(4th quadrant angle)}$$

14.
$$I_{\rm p} = A\cos 100t + B\sin 100t;$$
 $-249A + 25B = 200,$ $-25A - 249B = -150$

$$I_{\rm sp}(t) = \frac{25}{31313} \left(-921\cos 100t + 847\sin 100t \right)$$

$$= \frac{25\sqrt{1565650}}{31313} \left(-\frac{921}{\sqrt{1565650}}\cos 100t + \frac{847}{\sqrt{1565650}}\sin 100t \right) \approx 0.9990\sin(100t - \delta)$$

$$\delta = \tan^{-1}(921/847) \approx 0.8272 \quad (1\text{st quadrant angle})$$

15.
$$I_{p} = A\cos 60\pi t + B\sin 60\pi t;$$

$$(1000 - 36\pi^{2})A + 30\pi B = 33\pi, \quad 15\pi A - (500 - 18\pi^{2})B = 0$$

$$A = \frac{33\pi (250 - 9\pi^{2})}{250000 - 17775\pi^{2} + 324\pi^{4}}, \quad B = \frac{495\pi^{2}}{2(250000 - 17775\pi^{2} + 324\pi^{4})}$$

$$I_{sp}(t) \approx I_{0}\sin(60\pi t - \delta); \quad I_{0} = \frac{33\pi}{2\sqrt{250000 - 17775\pi^{2} + 324\pi^{4}}} \approx 0.1591$$

$$\delta = 2\pi - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{500 - 18\pi^2}{15\pi} \right) \approx 4.8576$$

16.
$$I_{\rm p} = A\cos 377t + B\sin 377t;$$

$$-132129A + 47125B = 226200, \quad 47125A + 132129B = 0$$

$$A = -\frac{14943789900}{9839419133}, \quad B = \frac{5329837500}{9839419133}$$

$$I_{\rm sp}(t) \approx I_0 \sin(377t - \delta); \quad I_0 = \sqrt{\frac{25583220000}{9839419133}} \approx 1.6125$$

$$\delta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{132129}{47215}\right) \approx 1.2282$$

In each of Problems 17–22, the first step is to substitute the given RLC parameters, the initial values I(0) and Q(0), and the voltage E(t) into Eq. (16) and solve for the remaining initial value

$$I'(0) = \frac{1}{L} \Big[E(0) - R I(0) - (1/C) Q(0) \Big]. \tag{*}$$

- 17. With I(0) = 0 and Q(0) = 5, Equation (*) gives I'(0) = -75. The solution of the RLC equation 2I'' + 16I' + 50I = 0 with these initial conditions is $I(t) = -25e^{-4t}\sin 3t$.
- 18. Our differential equation to solve is

$$2I'' + 60I' + 400I = -100e^{-t}$$

We find the particular solution $I_p = (-50/171)e^{-t}$ by substituting the trial solution $A e^{-t}$; the general solution is

$$I(t) = c_1 e^{-10t} + c_2 e^{-20t} - (50/171)e^{-t}.$$

The initial conditions are I(0) = 0 and I'(0) = 50, the latter found by substituting L = 2, R = 60, 1/C = 400, I(0) = Q(0) = 0, and E(0) = 100 into Equation (*). Imposition of these initial values on the general solution above yields the equations $c_1 + c_2 - 50/171 = 0$, $-10c_1 - 20c_2 + 50/171 = 50$ with solution $c_1 = 50/9$, $c_2 = -100/19$. This gives the solution

$$I(t) = (50/171)(19e^{-10t} - 18e^{-20t} - e^{-t}).$$

19. Now our differential equation to solve is

$$2I'' + 60I' + 400I = -1000e^{-10t}$$
.

We find the particular solution $I_p = -50t e^{-10t}$ by substituting the trial solution $At e^{-10t}$; the general solution is

$$I(t) = c_1 e^{-10t} + c_2 e^{-20t} - 50 t e^{-10t}$$

The initial conditions are I(0) = 0 and I'(0) = -150, the latter found by substituting L = 2, R = 60, 1/C = 400, I(0) = 0, Q(0) = 1, and E(0) = 100 into Equation (*). Imposition of these initial values on the general solution above yields the equations $c_1 + c_2 = 0$, $-10c_1 - 20c_2 - 50 = -150$ with solution $c_1 = -10$, $c_2 = 10$. Thus we get the solution

$$I(t) = 10e^{-20t} - 10e^{-10t} - 50te^{-10t}.$$

20. The differential equation $10I'' + 30I' + 50I = 100 \cos 2t$ has transient solution

$$I_{\text{tr}}(t) = e^{-3t/2} \left(c_1 \cos t \sqrt{11} / 2 + c_2 \sin t \sqrt{11} / 2 \right),$$

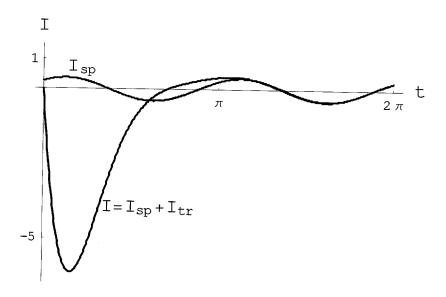
and in Problem 11 we found the steady periodic solution

$$I_{sp}(t) = \frac{10}{37}(\cos 2t + 6\sin 2t).$$

When we impose the initial conditions I(0) = I'(0) = 0 on the general solution $I(t) = I_{tr}(t) + I_{sp}(t)$, we get the equations

$$c_1 + 10/37 = 0$$
, $-3c_1/2 + \sqrt{11}c_2/2 + 120/37 = 0$

with solution $c_1 = -10/37$, $c_2 = -270/37\sqrt{11}$. The following figure shows the graphs of I(t) and $I_{\rm sp}(t)$.



21. The differential equation $10I'' + 20I' + 100I = -1000 \sin 5t$ has transient solution

$$I_{tr}(t) = e^{-t} (c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t),$$

and in Problem 13 we found the steady periodic solution

$$I_{sp}(t) = \frac{20}{13} (2\cos 5t + 3\sin 5t).$$

When we impose the initial conditions I(0) = 0, I'(0) = -10 on the general solution $I(t) = I_{tr}(t) + I_{sp}(t)$, we get the equations

$$c_1 + 40/13 = 0$$
, $-c_1 + 3c_2 + 300/13 = -10$

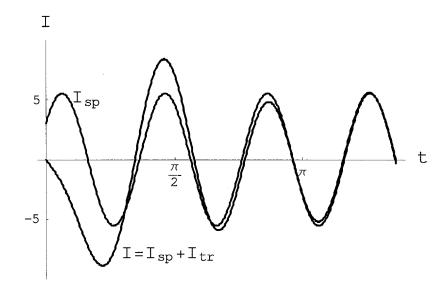
with solution $c_1 = -40/13$, $c_2 = -470/39$. The figure at the top of the next page shows the graphs of I(t) and $I_{\rm sp}(t)$.

22. The differential equation $2I'' + 100I' + 200000I = 6600\pi \cos 60\pi t$ has transient solution

$$I_{tr}(t) = e^{-25t} \left(c_1 \cos 25t \sqrt{159} + c_2 \sin 25t \sqrt{159} \right),$$

and in Problem 15 we found the steady periodic solution

$$I_{sp}(t) = A\cos 60\pi t + B\sin 60\pi t \approx 0.157444\cos 60\pi t + 0.023017\sin 60\pi t$$

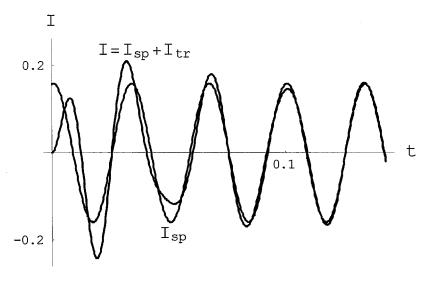


(with the exact values of A and B given there). When we impose the initial conditions I(0) = I'(0) = 0 on the general solution $I(t) = I_{\rm tr}(t) + I_{\rm sp}(t)$, we find (with the aid of a computer algebra system) that

$$c_1 = -\frac{33\pi(250 - 9\pi^2)}{250000 - 17775\pi^2 + 324\pi^4} \approx -0.157444,$$

$$c_2 = -\frac{11\pi\sqrt{159}(250 + 9\pi^2)}{53(250000 - 17775\pi^2 + 324\pi^4)} \approx -0.026249$$

The following figure shows the graphs of I(t) and $I_{sp}(t)$.



23. The LC equation LI'' + (1/C)I = 0 has general solution $I(t) = c_1 \cos \omega_0 t + c_2 \sin \omega_0 t$ with critical frequency $\omega_0 = 1/\sqrt{LC}$.

24. We need only observe that the roots

$$r = \frac{-R \pm \sqrt{R^2 - 4L/C}}{2L}$$

both necessarily have *negative* real parts.

25. According to Eq. (8) in the text, the amplitude of the steady periodic current is $E_0/\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}$. Because the radicand in the denominator is a sum of squares, it is obvious that the denominator is least when $\omega L - 1/\omega C = 0$, that is, when $\omega = 1/\sqrt{LC}$.

SECTION 2.8

ENDPOINT PROBLEMS AND EIGENVALUES

The material on eigenvalues and endpoint problems in Section 2.8 can be considered optional at this point in a first course. It will not be needed until we discuss boundary value problems in the last three sections of Chapter 8 and in Chapter 9. However, after the concentration thus far on initial value problems, the inclusion of this section can give students a view of a new class of problems that have diverse and important applications (as illustrated by the subsection on the whirling string). If Section 2.8 is not covered at this point in the course, then it can be inserted just prior to Section 8.5.

1. If $\lambda = 0$ then y'' = 0 implies that y(x) = A + Bx. The endpoint conditions y'(0) = 0 and y(1) = 0 yield B = 0 and A = 0, respectively. Hence $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue.

If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, then the general solution of $y'' + \alpha^2 y = 0$ is

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$
,

so

$$y'(x) = -A\alpha \sin \alpha x + B\alpha \cos \alpha x.$$

Then y'(0) = 0 yields B = 0, so $y(x) = A \cos \alpha x$. Next y(1) = 0 implies that $\cos \alpha = 0$, so α is an odd multiple of $\pi/2$. Hence the positive eigenvalues are $\{(2n-1)^2\pi^2/4\}$ with associated eigenfunctions $\{\cos(2n-1)\pi x/2\}$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$.

If $\lambda = 0$ then y'' = 0 implies that y(x) = A + Bx. The endpoint conditions $y'(0) = y'(\pi) = 0$ imply only that B = 0, so $\lambda_0 = 0$ is an eigenvalue with associated eigenfunction $y_0(x) = 1$.

If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, then the general solution of $y'' + \alpha^2 y = 0$ is

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$
.

Then

$$y'(x) = -A\alpha \sin \alpha x + B\alpha \cos \alpha x$$
,

so y'(0) = 0 implies that B = 0. Next, $y'(\pi) = 0$ implies that $\alpha \pi$ is an integral multiple of π . Hence the positive eigenvalues are $\{n^2\}$ with associated eigenfunctions $\{\cos nx\}, n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$

3. Much as in Problem 1 we see that $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue. Suppose that $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, so

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$
.

Then the conditions $y(-\pi) = y(\pi) = 0$ yield

$$A\cos\alpha\pi + B\sin\alpha\pi = 0,$$

$$A\cos\alpha\pi - B\sin\alpha\pi = 0.$$

It follows that

$$A\cos\alpha\pi = 0 = B\sin\alpha\pi$$
.

Hence either A=0 and $B\neq 0$ with $\alpha\pi$ an even multiple of $\pi/2$, or $A\neq 0$ and B=0 with $\alpha\pi$ an odd multiple of $\pi/2$. Thus the eigenvalues are $\{n^2/4\}$ for n a positive integer, and the nth eigenfunction is $y_n(x)=\cos(nx/2)$ if n is odd, $y_n(x)=\sin(nx/2)$ if n is even.

Just as in Problem 2, $\lambda_0 = 0$ is an eigenvalue with associated eigenfunction $y_0(x) = 1$. If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$ and

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$
,

then the equations

$$y'(-\pi) = \alpha(A \sin \alpha \pi + B \cos \alpha \pi) = 0$$

$$y'(\pi) = \alpha(-A \sin \alpha \pi + B \cos \alpha \pi) = 0$$

yield $A \sin \alpha \pi = B \cos \alpha \pi = 0$. If A = 0 and $B \neq 0$, then $\cos \alpha \pi = 0$ so $\alpha \pi$ must be an odd multiple of $\pi/2$. If $A \neq 0$ and B = 0, then $\sin \alpha \pi = 0$ so $\alpha \pi$ must be an even multiple of $\pi/2$. Therefore the positive eigenvalues are $\{n^2/4\}$ with associated eigenfunctions $y_n(x) = \cos(nx/2)$ if the integer n is even, $y_n(x) = \sin(nx/2)$ if n is odd.

5. If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$ and $y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$,

$$y'(x) = -A\alpha \sin \alpha x + B\alpha \cos \alpha x$$

then the conditions y(-2) = y'(2) = 0 yield

$$A\cos 2\alpha - B\sin 2\alpha = 0,$$

$$-A \sin 2\alpha + B \cos 2\alpha = 0$$
.

It follows either that A = B and $\cos 2\alpha = \sin 2\alpha$, or that A = -B and $\cos 2\alpha = -\sin 2\alpha$. The former occurs if

$$2\alpha = \pi/4, 5\pi/4, 9\pi/4, \cdots,$$

the latter if

$$2\alpha = 3\pi/4, 7\pi/4, 11\pi/4, \cdots$$

Hence the *n*th eigenvalue is

$$\lambda_n = \alpha_n^2 = (2n-1)^2 \pi^2 / 64$$

for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and the associated eigenfunction is

$$y_n(x) = \cos \alpha_n x + \sin \alpha_n x$$
 (n odd)

or

$$y_n(x) = \cos \alpha_n x - \sin \alpha_n x$$
 (n even).

- 6. (a) If $\lambda = 0$ and y(x) = A + Bx, then y'(0) = B = 0, so y(x) = A. But then y(1) + y'(1) = A = 0 also, so $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue.
 - **(b)** If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$ and

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$

then

$$y'(x) = \alpha(-A \sin \alpha x + B \cos \alpha x),$$

so $y'(0) = B\alpha = 0$. Hence B = 0 so $y(x) = A \cos \alpha x$. Then

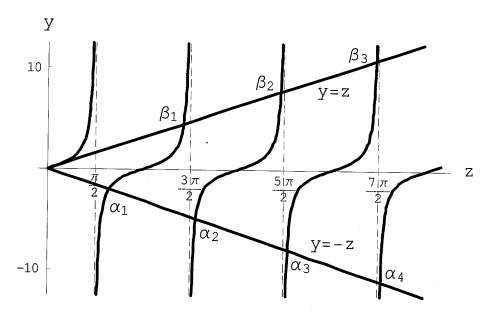
$$y(1) + y'(1) = A(\cos \alpha - \alpha \sin \alpha) = 0$$

so α must be a positive root of the equation $\tan \alpha = 1/\alpha$.

- 7. (a) If $\lambda = 0$ and y(x) = A + Bx, then y(0) = A = 0, so y(x) = Bx. But then y(1) + y'(1) = 2B = 0, so A = B = 0 and $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue.
 - **(b)** If $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$ and $y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$, then y(0) = A = 0 so $y(x) = B \sin \alpha x$. Hence

$$y(1) + y'(1) = B(\sin \alpha + \alpha \cos \alpha) = 0.$$

so α must be a positive root of the equation $\tan \alpha = -\alpha$, and hence the abscissa of a point of intersection of the lines $y = \tan z$ and y = -z. We see from the figure below that α_n lies just to the right of the vertical line $z = (2n-1)\pi/2$, and lies closer and closer to this line as n gets larger and larger.



- 8. (a) If $\lambda = 0$ and y(x) = A + Bx, then y(0) = A = 0, so y(x) = Bx. But then y(1) = y'(1) says only that B = B. Hence $\lambda_0 = 0$ is an eigenvalue with associated eigenfunction $y_0(x) = x$.
 - (b) If $\lambda = \beta^2 > 0$ and $y(x) = A\cos\beta x + B\sin\beta x$, then y(0) = A = 0 so $y(x) = B\sin\beta x$. Then y(1) = y'(1) says that $B\sin\beta = B\beta\cos\beta$, so β must be a positive root of the equation $\tan\beta = \beta$, and hence the abscissa of a point of intersection of the lines $y = \tan z$ and y = z. We see from the figure above that β_n lies just to the left of the vertical line $z = (2n+1)\pi/2$, and lies closer and closer to this line as n gets larger and larger.
- 9. If $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ and $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, then

$$y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Be^{-\alpha x}.$$

Then y(0) = A + B = 0, so B = -A and therefore

$$y(x) = A(e^{\alpha x} - e^{-\alpha x}).$$

Hence

$$y'(L) = A\alpha(e^{\alpha L} + e^{-\alpha L}) = 0.$$

But $\alpha \neq 0$ and $e^{\alpha L} + e^{-\alpha L} > 0$, so A = 0. Thus $\lambda = -\alpha^2$ is not an eigenvalue.

10. If $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, then the general solution of $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ is $y(x) = A \cosh \alpha x + B \sinh \alpha x$. Then y(0) = 0 implies that A = 0, so $y(x) = \sinh \alpha x$ (or a nonzero multiple thereof). Next,

$$y(1) + y'(1) = \sinh \alpha + \alpha \cosh \alpha = 0$$

implies that $\tanh \alpha = -\alpha$. But the graph of $y = \tanh \alpha$ lies in the first and third quadrants, while the graph of $y = -\alpha$ lies in the second and fourth quadrants. It follows that the only solution of $\tanh \alpha = -\alpha$ is $\alpha = 0$, and hence that our eigenvalue problem has no negative eigenvalues.

11. If $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, then the general solution of $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ is $y(x) = A \cosh \alpha x + B \sinh \alpha x$. Then y'(0) = 0 implies that B = 0, so $y(x) = \cosh \alpha x$ (or a nonzero multiple thereof). Next,

$$y(1) + y'(1) = \cosh \alpha + \alpha \sinh \alpha = 0$$

implies that $\tanh \alpha = -1/\alpha$. But the graph of $y = \tanh \alpha$ lies in the first and third quadrants, while the graph of $y = -1/\alpha$ lies in the second and fourth quadrants. It follows that the only solution of $\tanh \alpha = -1/\alpha$ is $\alpha = 0$, and hence that our eigenvalue problem has no negative eigenvalues.

- 12. (a) If $\lambda = 0$ and y(x) = A + Bx, then $y(-\pi) = y(\pi)$ means that $A + B\pi = A B\pi$, so B = 0 and y(x) = A. But then $y'(-\pi) = y'(\pi)$ implies nothing about A. Hence $\lambda_0 = 0$ is an eigenvalue with $y_0(x) = 1$.
 - **(b)** If $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$ and

$$y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Be^{-\alpha x},$$

then the conditions $y(-\pi) = y(\pi)$ and $y'(-\pi) = y'(\pi)$ yield the equations

$$Ae^{\alpha\pi} + Be^{-\alpha\pi} = Ae^{-\alpha\pi} + Be^{\alpha\pi},$$

$$Ae^{\alpha\pi} - Be^{-\alpha\pi} = Ae^{-\alpha\pi} - Be^{\alpha\pi}.$$

Addition of these equations yields $2Ae^{\alpha\pi}=2Ae^{-\alpha\pi}$. Since $e^{\alpha\pi}\neq e^{-\alpha\pi}$ because $\alpha\neq 0$, it follows that A=0. Similarly B=0. Thus there are no negative eigenvalues.

(c) If
$$\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$$
 and

$$y(x) = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$$

then the endpoint conditions yield the equations

$$A\cos \alpha\pi + B\sin \alpha\pi = A\cos \alpha\pi - B\sin \alpha\pi,$$
$$-A\sin \alpha\pi + B\cos \alpha\pi = A\sin \alpha\pi + B\cos \alpha\pi.$$

The first equation implies that $B \sin \alpha \pi = 0$, the second that $A \sin \alpha \pi = 0$. If A and B are not both zero, then it follows that $\sin \alpha \pi = 0$, so $\alpha = n$, an integer. In this case A and B are both arbitrary. Thus $\cos nx$ and $\sin nx$ are two different eigenfunctions associated with the single eigenvalue n^2 .

13. (a) With $\lambda = 1$, the general solution of y'' + 2y' + y = 0 is

$$y(x) = Ae^{-x} + Bxe^{-x}.$$

But then y(0) = A = 0 and $y(1) = e^{-1}(A + B) = 0$. Hence $\lambda = 1$ is not an eigenvalue.

(b) If $\lambda < 1$, then the equation $y'' + 2y' + \lambda y = 0$ has characteristic equation $r^2 + 2r + \lambda = 0$. This equation has the two distinct real roots $\left(-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4\lambda}\right)/2$; call them r and s. Then the general solution is

$$y(x) = Ae^{rx} + Be^{sx},$$

and the conditions y(0) = y(1) = 0 yield the equations

$$A+B=0\;,\quad Ae^r+Be^s=0.$$

If $A, B \neq 0$, then it follows that $e^r = e^s$. But $r \neq s$, so there is no eigenvalue $\lambda < 1$.

(c) If $\lambda > 1$ let $\lambda - 1 = \alpha^2$, so $\lambda = 1 + \alpha^2$. Then the characteristic equation

$$r^2 + 2r + \lambda = (r+1)^2 + \alpha^2 = 0$$

has roots $-1 \pm \alpha i$, so

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

Now y(0) = A = 0, so $y(x) = Ae^{-x}\sin \alpha x$. Next, $y(1) = Ae^{-1}\sin \alpha = 0$, so $\alpha = n\pi$ with n an integer. Thus the nth positive eigenvalue is $\lambda_n = n^2\pi^2 + 1$. Because $\lambda = \alpha^2 + 1$, the eigenfunction associated with λ_n is

$$y_n(x) = e^{-x} \sin n\pi x.$$

14. If $\lambda = 1 + \alpha^2$ then we first impose the condition y(0) = 0 on the solution

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

found in Problem 13, and find that A = 0. Hence

$$y(x) = Be^{-x}\sin \alpha x,$$

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

so the condition y'(1) = 0 yields $-\sin \alpha + \alpha \cos \alpha = 0$, that is, $\tan \alpha = \alpha$.

15. (a) The endpoint conditions are

$$y(0) = y'(0) = y''(L) = y^{(3)}(L) = 0.$$

With these conditions, four successive integrations as in Example 5 yield the indicated shape function y(x).

(b) The maximum value y_{max} of y(x) on the closed interval [0, L] must occur either at an interior point where y'(x) = 0 or at one of the endpoints x = 0 and x = L. Now

$$y'(x) = k(4x^3 - 12Lx^2 + 12L^2x) = 4kx(x^2 - 3Lx + 3L^2)$$

where k = w/24EI, and the quadratic factor has no real zero. Hence x = 0 is the only zero of y'(x). But y(0) = 0, so it follows that $y_{max} = y(L)$.

16. (a) The endpoint conditions are

$$y(0) = y'(0) = 0$$
 and $y(L) = y'(L) = 0$.

(b) The derivative

$$y'(x) = k(4x^3 - 6Lx^2 + 2L^2x) = 2kx(2x - L)(x - L)$$

vanishes at x = 0, L/2, L. Because y(0) = y(L) = 0, the argument of Problem 15(b) implies that $y_{\text{max}} = y(L/2)$.

17. If $y(x) = k(x^4 - 2Lx^3 + L^3x)$ with k = w/24EI, then

$$y'(x) = k(4x^3 - 6Lx^2 + L^3) = 0$$

has the solution x = L/2 that we can verify by inspection. Now long division of the cubic $4x^3 - 6Lx^2 + L^3$ by 2x - L yields the quadratic factor $2x^2 - 2Lx - L^2$ whose zeros $\left(2L \pm \sqrt{12L^2}\right)/4 = \left(1 \pm \sqrt{3}\right)L/2$ both lie outside the interval [0, L]. Thus x = L/2 is, indeed, the only zero of y'(x) = 0 in this interval.

18. (a) The endpoint conditions are

$$y(0) = y'(0) = 0$$
 and $y(L) = y''(L) = 0$.

(b) The only zero of the derivative

$$y'(x) = 2kx(8x^2 - 15Lx + 6L^2)$$

interior to the interval [0, L] is

$$x_m = (15 - \sqrt{33})L/16,$$

and y(0) = y(L) = 0, so it follows by the argument of Problem 15(b) that $y_{\text{max}} = y(x_m)$.