

Solutions, Homework Set # 7

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Sect. 4.2, #27 $12y^{(4)} + 31y''' + 75y'' + 37y' + 5y = 0$

Char. poly. $p(r) = 12r^4 + 31r^3 + 75r^2 + 37r + 5 = 0$.

If a/b is a rational root, then $a|5$ and $b|12$. We observe that $-1/3$ is a rational root, because, after simplification,

$$p(-1/3) = \frac{364}{27} - \frac{364}{27} = 0.$$

By long division,

$$\frac{p(r)}{r + 1/3} = 12r^3 + 27r^2 + 66r + 15 = 3(4r^3 + 9r^2 + 22r + 5)$$

$-1/4$ is a rational root, because, after simplification

$$\frac{4r^3 + 9r^2 + 22r + 5}{r + 1/4} = 4r^2 + 8r + 20 = 4(r^2 + 2r + 5)$$

The roots of $r^2 + 2r + 5$ are

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2} = -1 \pm 2i.$$

Thus, the general solution is

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{-t/3} + c_2 e^{-t/4} + c_3 e^{-t} \cos(2t) + c_4 e^{-t} \sin(2t)$$

Sect 4.3, #17 $y^{(4)} - y''' - y'' + y' = t^2 + 4 + t \sin t$

Char. poly. $r^4 - r^3 - r^2 + r = r(r^3 - r^2 - r + 1) = 0$

Note that $r = 0, 1$ are roots.

$$\frac{r^3 - r^2 - r + 1}{r - 1} = r^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm 1$$

In conclusion, $r = 0, 1, 1, -1$ are the characteristic roots. $t^2 + 4$ has degree 2; $r = 0$ has order 1. Thus,

$$y_{p1}(t) = t(A t^2 + B t + C)$$

t is a polynomial of degree 1; $\pm i$ are not char. roots. Thus,

$$y_{p2}(t) = (D t + E) \cos t + (F t + G) \sin t$$

$$\therefore y_p(t) = t(A t^2 + B t + C) + (D t + E) \cos t + (F t + G) \sin t$$

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Sect. 4.1, #17 Do there exist constants, not all 0, such that

$$c_1 \cdot 5 + c_2 \sin^2 t + c_3 \cos(2t) = 0$$

$$\text{or } c_1 \cdot 5 + c_2 \sin^2 t + c_3 (\cos^2 t - \sin^2 t) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 5c_1 + (c_2 - c_3) \sin^2 t + c_3 \cos^2 t = 0$$

$$\text{or } 5c_1 + (c_2 - c_3) \sin^2 t + c_3 (1 - \sin^2 t) = 0$$

$$\text{or } (5c_1 + c_3) + (c_2 - 2c_3) \sin^2 t = 0$$

$$\text{Thus, } 5c_1 + c_3 = 0 \Rightarrow 10c_1 + 2c_3 = 0$$

$$c_2 - 2c_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Add! } 10c_1 + c_2 = 0.$$

We see that there are lots of values for c_1, c_2, c_3 that are not all 0, e.g. $c_1 = 1, c_2 = -10, c_3 = -5$. Thus, $5, \sin^2 t$, and $\cos(2t)$ are linearly dependent.