

Engineering Mathematics I

(Comp 400.001)

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1. (20 points) A compound C is formed when two chemicals A and B are combined. The reaction between the two chemicals is such that for each gram of A , 4 grams of B is used. Determine the amount of C , denoted by $x(t)$, at any time t if the rate of the reaction is proportional to the product of the instantaneous amounts of A and B not converted to chemical C . Initially there are 50 grams of A and 32 grams of B .

- (a) (4 points) Let $a(t)$ denote the number of grams of the compound A present at time t , and $b(t)$ denote that of the compound B . Represent $a(t)$ and $b(t)$ using $x(t)$, the amount of C at time t .
- (b) (6 points) Set up a differential equation for $x(t)$.
- (c) (8 points) It is observed that 30 grams of the compound C is formed in 10 minutes. Solve the differential equation to determine $x(t)$ as a function of t .
- (d) (2 points) What is the limiting behavior of the solution $x(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

$$(a) \quad a(t) = 50 - 0.2x(t), \quad b(t) = 32 - 0.8x(t) \quad (+2)$$

$$(b) \quad x'(t) = k_1 a(t) b(t) = k_1 (50 - 0.2x(t)) (32 - 0.8x(t)) \\ = k_2 (x(t) - 250)(x(t) - 40), \quad \text{where } k_2 = \frac{8}{50} k_1 \quad (+2)$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{dx}{(x-250)(x-40)} = k_2 dt \quad (+2)$$

$$\frac{dx}{x-250} - \frac{dx}{x-40} = k_3 dt, \quad \text{where } k_3 = 210 k_2$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{x-250}{x-40} \right| = k_3 t + \alpha \quad (+2)$$

$$\frac{x-250}{x-40} = c_1 e^{k_3 t}, \quad \text{where } c_1 = e^\alpha$$

Since $x(0) = 0$ and $x(10) = 30$

$$c_1 = \frac{25}{4} \quad (+1), \quad \text{and} \quad 22 = \frac{25}{4} e^{k_3 \times 10}$$

$$\therefore k_3 = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{88}{25} \quad (+1)$$

$$x(t) = \frac{40c_1 e^{k_3 t} - 250}{c_1 e^{k_3 t} - 1} \\ = \frac{1000(e^{k_3 t} - 1)}{25e^{k_3 t} - 4}, \quad \text{where } \quad (+2)$$

$$(d) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \frac{1000}{25} = 40 \quad (+2)$$

2. (10 points) The differential equation

$$(x - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) dx + y dy = 0$$

is not exact, but show how the rearrangement

$$x dx + y dy = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dx$$

and the observation

$$\frac{1}{2} d(x^2 + y^2) = x dx + y dy$$

leads to a solution.

$$\frac{1}{2} d(x^2 + y^2) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dx \quad (+1)$$

$$\text{Let } t = x^2 + y^2, \text{ then} \quad (+3)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} dt = \sqrt{t} dx \quad (+1)$$

$$(t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt = 2 dx \quad (+2)$$

$$2\sqrt{t} = 2x + C_1 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x = c \quad \text{for some } c = \frac{C_1}{2}. \quad (+1)$$

3. (15 points) Solve the following initial value problem

$$y'' + y = \cos t, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

$$\lambda^2 + 1 = 0, \quad \lambda = \pm i$$

$$y_h = c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t \quad (+2)$$

$$y_p = A t \cos t + B t \sin t \quad (+5)$$

$$y_p' = A \cos t + B \sin t - A t \sin t + B t \cos t$$

$$y_p'' = -2A \sin t + 2B \cos t - A t \cos t - B t \sin t$$

$$y_p'' + y_p = -2A \sin t + 2B \cos t = \cos t$$

$$\therefore A = 0, \quad B = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = y_h + y_p = c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t + \frac{1}{2} t \sin t \quad (+2)$$

$$y' = -c_1 \sin t + c_2 \cos t + \frac{1}{2} \sin t + \frac{1}{2} t \cos t \quad (+1)$$

$$y(0) = c_1 = 1, \quad y'(0) = c_2 = 1 \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore y = \cos t + \sin t + \frac{1}{2} t \sin t \quad (+1)$$

4. (10 points) Show that

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F^{(n)}(s)] = (-t)^n f(t), \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} F(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ F'(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (-t) f(t) dt \end{aligned} \right] \quad (+3)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Assume } F^{(k)}(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (-t)^k f(t) dt \\ \text{Then } F^{(k+1)}(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (-t)^{k+1} f(t) dt \end{aligned} \right] \quad (+6)$$

$$\therefore F^{(n)}(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (-t)^n f(t) dt, \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F^{(n)}(s)] = (-t)^n f(t), \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots \quad (+1)$$

5. (10 points) Find the Laplace transform of the following function:

$$t\left(\int_0^t \tau^2 \cos \tau d\tau\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[\cos t] = \frac{s}{s^2+1} \quad (+1)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[t^2 \cos t] = \frac{d^2}{ds^2} \left[\frac{s}{s^2+1} \right] = \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{s^2+1-2s^2}{(s^2+1)^2} \right] \quad (+2)$$

$$= \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{1-s^2}{(s^2+1)^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-2s(s^2+1)^2 - (1-s^2) \cdot 2(s^2+1) \cdot 2s}{(s^2+1)^4}$$

$$= \frac{-2s^3 - 2s - 4s + 4s^3}{(s^2+1)^3}$$

$$= \frac{2s^3 - 6s}{(s^2+1)^3} \quad (+2)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\int_0^t \tau^2 \cos \tau d\tau\right] = \frac{2s^3 - 6}{(s^2+1)^3} \quad (+2)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left[t \int_0^t \tau^2 \cos \tau d\tau\right] = -\frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{2s^3 - 6}{(s^2+1)^3} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{4s(s^2+1)^3 - (2s^3-6)3(s^2+1)^2 \cdot 2s}{(s^2+1)^6}$$

$$= -\frac{4s^3 + 4s - 12s^3 + 36s}{(s^2+1)^4}$$

$$= \frac{8s^3 - 40s}{(s^2+1)^4} \quad (+3)$$

6. (20 points) Solve the following initial value problem

$$y'' + y = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ \sin t, & \text{if } \frac{\pi}{2} < t < \infty; \end{cases} \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

$$y'' + y = 1 + (\sin t - 1)u(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \quad (+3)$$

$$= 1 + [\cos(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) - 1]u(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \quad (+4)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} s^2 Y - s + 1 &= \frac{1}{s} + \left(\frac{s}{s^2+1} - \frac{1}{s} \right) e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} \\ (s^2+1)Y &= s + \frac{1}{s} + \left[\frac{s}{s^2+1} - \frac{1}{s} \right] e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (+3)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} Y &= \frac{s}{s^2+1} + \frac{1}{s(s^2+1)} + \left[\frac{s}{(s^2+1)^2} - \frac{1}{s(s^2+1)} \right] e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} \\ &= \frac{s}{s^2+1} + \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2+1} \\ &\quad + \left[\frac{s}{(s^2+1)^2} - \frac{1}{s} + \frac{s}{s^2+1} \right] e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (+3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s}{(s^2+1)^2} \right] &= \int_0^t \sin z \cdot \cos(t-z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2} t \sin t \end{aligned} \quad (+4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} (t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \sin(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) - 1 + \cos(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \right) u(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ &= 1 + \left[\frac{1}{2} (t - \frac{\pi}{2}) (-\cos t) - 1 + \sin t \right] u(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) \end{aligned} \quad (+3)$$

7. (15 points) Use the Laplace transform to solve the following system of differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} y_1''(t) + 3y_2'(t) + 3y_2(t) &= 0, & y_1(0) &= 0, & y_1'(0) &= 2 \\ y_1''(t) &+ 3y_2(t) &= te^{-t}, & y_2(0) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$3y_2'(t) = -te^{-t} \quad (+2)$$

$$3sY_2 = -\frac{1}{(s+1)^2} \quad (+2)$$

$$Y_2 = \frac{-1}{3s(s+1)^2} = \frac{-1/3}{s} + \frac{1/3}{s+1} + \frac{1/3}{(s+1)^2} \quad (+2)$$

$$y_2(t) = -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{3}te^{-t} \quad (+2)$$

$$y_1''(t) = te^{-t} - 3y_2(t) = 1 - e^{-t} \quad (+1)$$

$$s^2Y_1 - 2 = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{(s+1)} \quad (+2)$$

$$Y_1 = \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s^3} - \frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s^3} - \left(\frac{-1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s+1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s^3} - \frac{1}{s+1} \quad (+2)$$

$$y_1(t) = 1 + t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 - e^{-t} \quad (+2)$$