

## MATH 285 HOMEWORK 6 SOLUTIONS

### SECTION 3.3

8. The characteristic equation is  $r^2 - 6r + 13 = 0$ . The roots are  $r = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = 3 \pm 2i$ , which are complex. The general solution is  $y(x) = c_1 e^{3x} \cos 2x + c_2 e^{3x} \sin 2x$ .
14. The characteristic equation is  $r^4 + 3r^2 - 4 = 0$ . This polynomial factors as  $(r^2 - 1)(r^2 + 4) = 0$ , so the roots are  $r = 1, -1, 2i, -2i$ . The real root  $r = 1$  gives a solution  $y_1(x) = e^x$ . The real root  $r = -1$  gives a solution  $y_2(x) = e^{-x}$ , and the pair of complex solutions  $r = \pm 2i$  gives a pair of solutions  $y_3(x) = \cos 2x$  and  $y_4(x) = \sin 2x$ . The general solution is the linear combination of these four functions:  $y(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 \cos 2x + c_4 \sin 2x$ .
22. The characteristic equation is  $9r^2 + 6r + 4 = 0$ . The roots are  $r = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{-108}}{18} = \frac{-6 \pm 6\sqrt{3}i}{18} = -(1/3) \pm i(1/\sqrt{3})$ . The general solution is

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

The derivative of this is

$$y'(x) = c_1 [(-1/3)e^{-x/3} \cos(x/\sqrt{3}) - e^{-x/3}(1/\sqrt{3}) \sin(x/\sqrt{3})] \\ + c_2 [(-1/3)e^{-x/3} \sin(x/\sqrt{3}) + e^{-x/3}(1/\sqrt{3}) \cos(x/\sqrt{3})].$$

The initial condition  $y(0) = 3$  yields  $c_1 = 3$ , and the condition  $y'(0) = 4$  yields  $-c_1/3 + c_2/\sqrt{3} = 4$ . Thus  $c_2 = 5\sqrt{3}$ . The desired particular solution is

$$y(x) = 3e^{-x/3} \cos(x/\sqrt{3}) + 5\sqrt{3}e^{-x/3} \sin(x/\sqrt{3})$$

### SECTION 3.4

13. (a) The characteristic equation is  $10r^2 + 9r + 2 = (5r+2)(2r+1) = 0$ , and the roots are  $r = -2/5, -1/2$ . These are real and distinct, so the general solution is  $x(t) = c_1 e^{-2t/5} + c_2 e^{-t/2}$ . The initial conditions  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x'(0) = 5$  yield the equations  $c_1 + c_2 = 0$ ,  $(-2/5)c_1 + (-1/2)c_2 = 5$ . The solutions are  $c_1 = 50$ ,  $c_2 = -50$ . Thus the particular solution is  $x(t) = 50(e^{-2t/5} - e^{-t/2})$ .
- (b) We are trying to find the maximum value of  $x(t)$ . The derivative is  $x'(t) = -20e^{-2t/5} + 25e^{-t/2}$ . Setting this equal to zero, we get  $5e^{-t/10} = 4$ . Thus  $x'(t) = 0$  when  $t = 10 \ln(5/4)$ . Hence the mass's farthest distance to the right is  $x(10 \ln(5/4)) = 512/125$ .

24. In the critically damped case, we have  $c^2 = 4km$ . With  $p = c/(2m)$ , we may write the general solution as  $x(t) = e^{-pt}(c_1 + c_2t)$ . The derivative is  $x'(t) = (-p)e^{-pt}(c_1 + c_2t) + e^{-pt}(c_2)$ . Imposing the initial conditions  $x(0) = x_0$  and  $x'(0) = v_0$  yields the conditions  $x_0 = c_1$ , and  $v_0 = -pc_1 + c_2$ . Thus  $c_1 = x_0$ , and  $c_2 = v_0 + px_0$ . So the solution is  $x(t) = e^{-pt}(x_0 + (v_0 + px_0)t) = (x_0 + v_0t + px_0t)e^{-pt}$ .
27. In the overdamped case,  $c^2 > 4km$ , and if we write  $r_1, r_2 = -p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - \omega_0^2}$ , and  $\gamma = (r_1 - r_2)/2$ , then the general solution is  $x(t) = c_1e^{r_1t} + c_2e^{r_2t}$ . The velocity is  $x'(t) = c_1r_1e^{r_1t} + c_2r_2e^{r_2t}$ . Imposing the initial conditions  $x(0) = x_0$  and  $x'(0) = v_0$  yields the equations  $c_1 + c_2 = x_0$ , and  $c_1r_1 + c_2r_2 = v_0$ . Multiply the first by  $r_1$  and subtract it from the second to obtain  $c_2r_2 - c_2r_1 = v_0 - r_1x_0$ . Thus  $c_2 = (v_0 - r_1x_0)/(r_2 - r_1) = (v_0 - r_1x_0)/(-2\gamma)$ . Plugging this back into the first equation we get  $c_1 = (v_0 - r_2x_0)/(2\gamma)$ . Thus the solution is  $x(t) = (1/2\gamma)[(v_0 - r_2x_0)e^{r_1t} - (v_0 - r_1x_0)e^{r_2t}]$ .
30. In the underdamped case, we have  $c^2 < 4km$ . With  $p = c/(2m)$ , and  $\omega_1 = \sqrt{(k/m)^2 - p^2}$ , the general solution is  $x(t) = e^{-pt}(c_1 \cos \omega_1 t + c_2 \sin \omega_1 t)$ . The derivative is  $x'(t) = \omega_1 e^{-pt}(-c_1 \sin \omega_1 t + c_2 \cos \omega_1 t) - pe^{-pt}(c_1 \cos \omega_1 t + c_2 \sin \omega_1 t)$ . Imposing the initial conditions  $x(0) = x_0$  and  $x'(0) = v_0$ , we get the equations  $x_0 = c_1$ , and  $v_0 = \omega_1 c_2 - pc_1$ . Thus  $c_1 = x_0$ , and  $c_2 = (v_0 - px_0)/\omega_1$ . Thus the solution is  $x(t) = e^{-pt}(x_0 \cos \omega_1 t + ((v_0 + px_0)/\omega_1) \sin \omega_1 t)$ .

## SECTION 3.5

4. Try  $y = Ae^x + Bxe^x$ . We have  $(4D^2 + 4D + 1)[e^x] = 9e^x$ , and  $(4D^2 + 4D + 1)[xe^x] = 9xe^x + 12e^x$ . Thus  $(4D^2 + 4D + 1)[Ae^x + Bxe^x] = A(9e^x) + B(9xe^x + 12e^x) = 9Bxe^x + (9A + 12B)e^x$ . In order for this to equal  $3xe^x$ , we must have  $9B = 3$  and  $9A + 12B = 0$ . Thus  $B = 1/3$ , and  $A = -4/9$ . The particular solution is  $y_p(x) = (-4/9)e^x + (1/3)xe^x$ .
6. Try  $y = A + Bx + Cx^2$ . We have  $(2D^2 + 4D + 7)[1] = 7$ ,  $(2D^2 + 4D + 7)[x] = 4 + 7x$ ,  $(2D^2 + 4D + 7)[x^2] = 4 + 8x + 7x^2$ . Thus  $(2D^2 + 4D + 7)[A + Bx + Cx^2] = A(7) + B(4 + 7x) + C(4 + 8x + 7x^2) = 7Cx^2 + (8C + 7B)x + (4C + 4B + 7A)$ . In order for this to equal  $x^2$ , we must have  $7C = 1$ ,  $7B + 8C = 0$ , and  $7A + 4B + 4C = 0$ . Thus  $C = 1/7$ ,  $B = -8/49$ , and  $A = 4/343$ . The particular solution is  $y_p(x) = (4/343) - (8/49)x + (1/7)x^2$ .
31. The complementary solution (general solution of homogeneous equation) is  $y_c(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$ , because the roots of the characteristic equation  $r^2 + 4 = 0$  are  $r = \pm 2i$ . To find a particular solution of the nonhomogeneous equation, we try  $y = A + Bx$ . We have  $(D^2 + 4)[A + Bx] = 4A + 4Bx$ . In order for this to equal  $2x$ , we take  $A = 0$  and  $B = 1/2$ , so  $y_p(x) = x/2$ . The general solution of the nonhomogeneous equation is  $y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + x/2$ ,

and its derivative is  $y'(x) = -2c_1 \sin 2x + 2c_2 \cos 2x + 1/2$ . Imposing the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 2$  yields  $c_1 = 1$ , and  $2c_2 + 1/2 = 2$ , whence  $c_2 = 3/4$ . The solution to the initial value problem is therefore  $y(x) = \cos 2x + (3/4) \sin 2x + x/2$ .

33. The complementary solution is  $y_c(x) = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x$ , because the roots of the characteristic equation  $r^2 + 9 = 0$  are  $r = \pm 3i$ . To find a particular solution, try  $y = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$ . We have  $(D^2 + 9)[A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x] = -4A \cos 2x - 4B \sin 2x + 9A \cos 2x + 9B \sin 2x = 5A \cos 2x + 5B \sin 2x$ . In order for this to equal  $\sin 2x$ , we must have  $A = 0$  and  $5B = 1$ . Thus  $B = 1/5$  and  $y_p(x) = (1/5) \sin 2x$ . The general solution of the nonhomogeneous equation is  $y(x) = c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x + (1/5) \sin 2x$ , and its derivative is  $y'(x) = -3c_1 \sin 3x + 3c_2 \cos 3x + (2/5) \cos 2x$ . Imposing the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$  yields  $1 = c_1$  and  $0 = 3c_2 + 2/5$ , whence  $c_2 = -2/15$ . The solution to the initial value problem is therefore  $y(x) = \cos 3x - (2/15) \sin 3x + (1/5) \sin 2x$ .