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1 Differentiation

1.1 Review from Math 22100

Find the derivative of each of the following functions

1. $y = 3 \ln \sqrt[3]{t^2 + 2}$

2. $y = \ln \frac{x}{2x - 1}$

3. $y = \frac{e^x}{x^2}$

Solution

Use logarithm rules to simplify the first two. Use quotient rule on the third.

1. $y' = \frac{2t}{t^2 + 2}$

2. $y' = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{2x - 1}$

3. $y' = \frac{e^x(x - 2)}{x^3}$

1.2 L'Hospital's Rule

Evaluate the following limits using L'Hospital's rule

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^x}{2x}$
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x}$

Solution

Both are already in the form $\frac{0}{0}$, so apply L'Hospital's rule directly.

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^x}{2x} \stackrel{H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-e^x}{2} = \frac{-1}{2}$
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x} \stackrel{H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{1} = 0$

1.3 Applications of Derivatives

Find the minima and maxima, the points of inflection, and sketch the graph of the curve below.

$$y = xe^{-x}$$

Solution

To calculate the extremum, find the zeros of the first derivative.

$$y'(x) = (x - 1)e^{-x} = 0$$

Since $e^{-x} > 0$, we only have the solution $x = 1$. Therefore, the only possible relative extremum is at $x = 1$. To determine whether this is a maximum or minimum, use the second derivative test.

$$y''(1) = -e^{-1} < 0$$

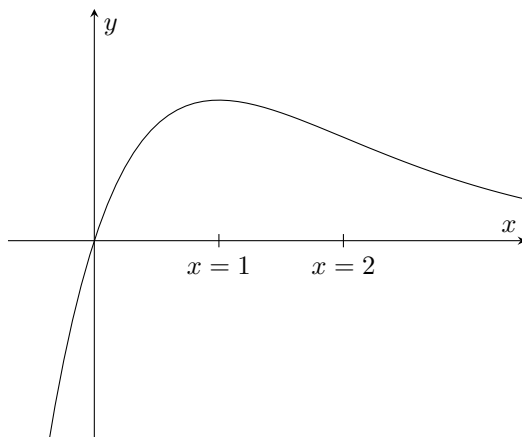
Therefore, $(1, e^{-1})$ is a local maximum.

To determine any points of inflection, find the zeros of the second derivative.

$$y''(x) = (x - 2)e^{-x} = 0$$

Since $e^{-x} > 0$, we only have the solution $x = 2$. Since the second derivative changes sign here (check values less than 2 and greater than 2), this value is an inflection point.

To sketch the curve, it helps to find any asymptotes and where the function is increasing/decreasing. In doing so, we see the curve has a horizontal asymptote of $y = 0$, increasing on $(-\infty, 1)$, and decreasing on $(1, \infty)$. We can then see our graph has the following shape.



1.4 Newton's Method

Find (approximately) a positive root of the following equation.

$$4 \sin x - x = 0$$

(Note: Not all classes cover this material.)

Solution

Make a table of values using the relation

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

Where $f(x) = 4 \sin x - x$. We may choose (almost) any value for x_0 . We choose $x_0 = 2$. The table is the following

n	x_n
0	2
1	2.6144
2	2.4793
3	2.4746
4	2.4746

The values remain the same (up to 4 decimal points) after $n = 4$. Therefore, $x = 2.4746$ is an approximate solution to our equation.

2 Integration

2.1 General Power Rule Integrals

Using the general power rule to evaluate the following integrals

1. $\int e^{2x} \sqrt{1 + e^{2x}} dx$

2. $\int (1 - \cos 5x)^3 \sin 5x dx$

3. $\int_1^e \frac{\sqrt{\ln x}}{x} dx$

Solution

1. Use the substitution $u = 1 + e^{2x}$.

$$\int e^{2x} \sqrt{1 + e^{2x}} dx = \int \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{3} u^{3/2} + c = \frac{1}{3} (1 + e^{2x})^{3/2} + c$$

2. Use the substitution $u = 1 - \cos 5x$.

$$\int (1 - \cos 5x)^3 \sin 5x dx = \int \frac{1}{5} u^3 du = \frac{1}{20} u^4 + c = \frac{1}{20} (1 - \cos 5x)^4 + c$$

3. Use the substitution $u = \ln x$.

$$\int_1^e \frac{\sqrt{\ln x}}{x} dx = \int_0^1 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

2.2 Logarithmic and Exponential Integrals

Evaluate the following integrals

1. $\int te^{t^2} dx$

2. $\int 2^x dx$

3. $\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx$

Solution

1. Use the substitution $u = t^2$.

$$\int te^{t^2} dt = \int \frac{1}{2}e^u du = \frac{1}{2}e^u + c = \frac{1}{2}e^{t^2} + c$$

2. Use the formula for integration of exponential functions.

$$\int 2^x dx = \frac{1}{\ln 2}2^x + c$$

3. Use the substitution $u = \ln x$.

$$\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx = \int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln |u| + c = \ln |\ln x| + c$$

2.3 Trigonometric Integrals

Evaluate the following integrals

1. $\int x^2 \sec x^3 \tan x^3 dx$

2. $\int x^3 \sec x^4 dx$

Solution

1. Use the substitution $u = x^3$.

$$\int x^2 \sec x^3 \tan x^3 dx = \int \frac{1}{3} \sec u \tan u du = \frac{1}{3} \sec u + c = \frac{1}{3} \sec x^3 + c$$

2. Use the substitution $u = x^4$.

$$\int x^3 \sec x^4 dx = \int \frac{1}{4} \sec u du = \frac{1}{4} \ln |\sec u + \tan u| + c = \frac{1}{4} \ln |\sec x^4 + \tan x^4| + c$$

Evaluate the following integrals

1. $\int \sin^5 x \cos^6 x \, dx$

2. $\int \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \, dx$

Solution

1. Separate one of the $\sin x$ terms and write the rest in terms of $\cos x$.

$$\int \sin^5 x \cos^6 x \, dx = \int (\sin^2 x)^2 \cos^6 x \sin x \, dx = \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^2 \cos^6 x \sin x \, dx$$

Now use the substitution $u = \cos x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^2 \cos^6 x \sin x \, dx &= \int -(1 - u^2)^2 u^6 \, du = \int (-u^6 + 2u^8 - u^{10}) \, du \\ &= \frac{-1}{7} u^7 + \frac{2}{9} u^9 - \frac{1}{11} u^{11} + c \\ &= \frac{-1}{7} \cos^7 x + \frac{2}{9} \cos^9 x - \frac{1}{11} \cos^{11} x + c \end{aligned}$$

2. Use the trigonometric identities

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta, \quad \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta)$$

to simplify as follows.

$$\int \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \, dx = \int (\sin x \cos x)^2 \, dx = \int \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2x \, dx = \int \frac{1}{8} (1 - \cos 4x) \, dx$$

Now integrate as normal.

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8} \cos 4x \right) \, dx = \frac{1}{8} x - \frac{1}{32} \sin 4x + c$$

2.4 Inverse Trigonometric Forms

Use trigonometric substitution to evaluate the following integral

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-3x^2}} dx$$

Solution

First, simplify the problem.

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-3x^2}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5/3-x^2}} dx$$

Now use the substitution $x = \sqrt{5/3} \sin \theta$ (since $a = \sqrt{5/3}$).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5/3-x^2}} dx &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5/3 \cos^2 \theta}} \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} \cos \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int d\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \theta + c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{5/3}} \right) + c \end{aligned}$$

(Note: In the last step, to back substitute, we use the fact that $x = \sqrt{5/3} \sin \theta$, then solved for $\sin \theta$ and took the inverse.)

2.5 Trigonometric Substitution

Use a trigonometric substitution to evaluate the following integral.

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{x} dx$$

Solution

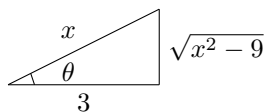
Use the substitution $x = 3 \sec \theta$.

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{x} dx = \int \frac{\sqrt{9 \tan^2 \theta}}{3 \sec \theta} 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta = \int 3 \tan^2 \theta d\theta$$

Now use the identity $\tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta - 1$.

$$\int 3 \tan^2 \theta d\theta = \int 3 \sec^2 \theta - 3 d\theta = 3 \tan \theta - 3\theta + c$$

Now make a triangle to back substitute.



This gives us

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{x^2 - 9}, \quad \theta = \sec^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{3} \right)$$

Therefore, we have

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{x} dx = \sqrt{x^2 - 9} - 3 \sec^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{3} \right) + c$$

2.6 Integration by Parts

Utilize integration by parts to evaluate the following integrals

1. $\int x e^{-x} dx$
2. $\int \cot^{-1} x dx$

Solution

1. Choose $u = x$ and $dv = e^{-x} dx$ to obtain the following.

$$\int x e^{-x} dx = -x e^{-x} - \int -e^{-x} dx = -x e^{-x} - e^{-x} + c$$

2. Choose $u = \cot^{-1} x$ and $dv = dx$ to obtain the following.

$$\int \cot^{-1} x dx = x \cot^{-1} x - \int \frac{-x}{x^2 + 1} dx$$

Now apply a u -substitution to evaluate the new integral to get the following.

$$\int \cot^{-1} x dx = x \cot^{-1} x + \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2 + 1| + c$$

2.7 Integration of Rational Functions

Use either long division or partial fractions to evaluate the following integral.

$$\int \frac{x^3 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx$$

Solution

Begin by applying partial fractions.

$$\frac{x^3 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{Cx + D}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x^2 + 1)^2$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 + 3x &= (Ax + B)(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D) \\x^3 + 3x &= Ax^3 + Bx^2 + (A + C)x + (B + D)\end{aligned}$$

Since we would like the left side to be exactly the same as the right side, we must have the following.

$$\begin{aligned}A &= 1 \\B &= 0 \\A + C &= 3 \\B + D &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Which has the solution of

$$A = 1, B = 0, C = 2, D = 0$$

Therefore, we have the following.

$$\frac{x^3 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$$

So we have

$$\int \frac{x^3 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \int \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2 + 1| - \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} + c$$

(Note: We skipped the integration of the two functions. They can be done using u -substitutions.)

3 Series

3.1 Geometric Series

Find the sum of the following series.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2^{n-1}}$$

Solution

First, rewrite the series to look a bit nicer.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2^{n-1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{n-1}$$

From this, we have $r = -1/2$. Since $|r| < 1$, the series converges. Then using the formula

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

We have the following.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{1}{1 - (-1/2)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

3.2 Tests for Convergence

Determine whether the following series converges or diverges.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}$$

(Note: Not all classes cover this material.)

Solution

Use limit comparison test and compare $n/(n^2 + 1)$ to $1/n$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n}{n^2+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} = 1 \neq 0$$

Therefore, the series in the problem converges if $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ converges and diverges if $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ diverges. Since the series $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ diverges, the series of the problem diverges as well.

3.3 Maclaurin Series

Find the first three nonzero terms in the Maclaurin series for the following functions

1. $y = \cos x$
2. $y = \ln(1 + x)$

Solution

1. Use the formula for the Maclaurin series. The first few derivatives are as follows.

$$f(0) = 1, f'(0) = 0, f''(0) = -1, f'''(0) = 0, f^{(4)}(0) = 1$$

So we have the following.

$$\cos x \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4$$

2. Use the formula for the Maclaurin series. The first few derivatives are as follows.

$$f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1, f''(0) = -1, f'''(0) = 2$$

So we have the following.

$$\ln(1 + x) \approx x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

3.4 Operations with Series

Find the Maclaurin series of the following function.

$$y = \ln(1 + x^2)$$

Solution 1

The following series should be familiar to us already.

$$\ln(1 + z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} z^n}{n}$$

If we let $z = x^2$, we arrive at the following result.

$$\ln(1 + x^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n}}{n}$$

Solution 2

Differentiating the function gives us the following.

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

Using the formula

$$\frac{a}{1 - r} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1}$$

we have

$$y' = \frac{2x}{1 - (-x^2)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2x (-x^2)^{n-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n-1}$$

To get back to our function y , we now integrate.

$$y = \int y' dx = \int \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n-1} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n}}{n} + c$$

Plugging in $x = 0$ shows us that

$$y(0) = \ln(1 + 0^2) = 0, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} 0^{2n}}{n} + c = 0 + c = c$$

So we must have $c = 0$. Therefore, we have

$$\ln(1 + x^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n}}{n}$$

3.5 Computations with Series

Use the first 4 terms of the Maclaurin series for $y = e^{-x}$ to approximate the value of $e^{-0.2}$. Determine the error of your approximation.

Solution

The first four terms of the Maclaurin series for $y = e^{-x}$ is the following.

$$y = e^{-x} \approx 1 - x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3$$

Plugging in $x = 0.2$ gives us

$$y(-0.2) = e^{-0.2} \approx 1 - .2 + \frac{1}{2}(.2)^2 - \frac{1}{6}(.2)^3 = .81867$$

The exact value of $e^{-0.2}$ is approximately .81873. Therefore, the error given by our estimate is approximately .00006.

3.6 Fourier Series

Determine the Fourier series for the following function on the given interval

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -1 < t \leq 0 \\ t & \text{if } 0 < t < 1 \end{cases}$$

Solution

First, determine the a_0 term.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = \int_0^1 t dt = \left. \frac{1}{2}t^2 \right|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now determine the a_n terms.

$$a_n = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) \cos(nt) dt = \int_0^1 t \cos(nt) dt = \left. \frac{1}{n}t \sin(nt) + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nt) \right|_0^1 = \frac{\sin(n)}{n} + \frac{\cos(n)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Similarly, determine the b_n terms.

$$b_n = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) \sin(nt) dt = \int_0^1 t \sin(nt) dt = \left. -\frac{1}{n}t \cos(nt) + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(nt) \right|_0^1 = \frac{-\cos(n)}{n} + \frac{\sin(n)}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n}$$

Then the Fourier series is the following.

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nt) + b_n \sin(nt)$$

Where a_n and b_n are the values found above.

4 First-Order Differential Equations

4.1 Solutions to Differential Equations

Show that the function

$$y = xe^{-2x} + 3e^{-2x}$$

is a solution to the given differential equation.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = e^{-2x}$$

Solution

To show that the function given is a solution, we first compute its derivative.

$$y = xe^{-2x} + 3e^{-2x}, \quad y' = -2xe^{-2x} - 5e^{-2x}$$

Now we plug these values (y and y') in our differential equation for y and its derivative.

$$\left(-2xe^{-2x} - 5e^{-2x}\right) + 2\left(xe^{-2x} + 3e^{-2x}\right) = -2xe^{-2x} - 5e^{-2x} + 2xe^{-2x} + 6e^{-2x} = e^{-2x}$$

Therefore, our function satisfies the differential equation. This means that the function is a solution.

4.2 Separation of Variables

Find the general solution to the given differential equations

1. $dx + (2 \cos^2 x - y \cos^2 x) dy = 0$
2. $xe^y dx + e^{-x} dy = 0$

Solution

1. First, simplify the equation.

$$\begin{aligned}dx + (2 \cos^2 x - y \cos^2 x) dy &= 0 \\dx + \cos^2 x(2 - y) dy &= 0 \\ \sec^2 x dx + (2 - y) dy &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Now that the variables are separated (there are no terms with both x and y) we can integrate.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sec^2 x dx + \int (2 - y) dy &= c \\ \tan x + 2y - \frac{1}{2}y^2 &= c\end{aligned}$$

This is the general solution to the differential equation.

2. Simplify the equation as before.

$$\begin{aligned}xe^y dx + e^{-x} dy &= 0 \\ xe^x dx + e^{-y} dy &= 0\end{aligned}$$

(Divide by e^{-x} and then by e^y) Now integrate.

$$\begin{aligned}\int xe^x dx + \int e^{-y} dy &= c \\ (x - 1)e^x - e^{-y} &= c\end{aligned}$$

(We skipped the integration by parts in the first integral) This is the general solution to the differential equation.

4.3 First-Order Linear Differential Equations

Find the solution to the following differential equation.

$$2\frac{dy}{dx} - 8xy = e^{2x^2}$$

Solution

First, we need the equation to have no term in front of $\frac{dy}{dx}$, so we simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}2\frac{dy}{dx} - 8xy &= e^{2x^2} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} - 4xy &= \frac{1}{2}e^{2x^2}\end{aligned}$$

Now calculate the integrating factor.

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int -4x dx} = e^{-2x^2}$$

Now multiply this to both sides of the equation.

$$e^{-2x^2}\frac{dy}{dx} - 4xe^{-2x^2}y = \frac{1}{2}$$

The reason for this is that now the left side of the equation can be simplified to the derivative of y times our integrating factor.

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-2x^2}\frac{dy}{dx} - 4xe^{-2x^2}y &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{d}{dx}(ye^{-2x^2}) &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Now integrate both sides and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{d}{dx}(ye^{-2x^2}) dx &= \int \frac{1}{2} dx \\ ye^{-2x^2} &= \frac{1}{2}x + c \\ y &= \frac{1}{2}xe^{2x^2} + ce^{2x^2}\end{aligned}$$

This is the general solution to the differential equation.

4.4 Applications of Differential Equations

A bacteria culture is known to increase at a rate proportional to the number of bacteria present. It is observed that the size of the culture triples in 3 hours. After how many hours should it be 10 times as large?

Solution

The information of the problem tells us that

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$$

Where P is the number of bacteria. Let the initial amount of bacteria be P_0 (at $t = 0$). Separating variables and integrating shows that we have

$$P(t) = Ce^{kt}$$

Now plug in $t = 0$ to get

$$P(0) = P_0, P(0) = Ce^0 = C$$

So we have

$$P(t) = P_0e^{kt}$$

The problem states that when $t = 3$, $P = 3P_0$ (triples in 3 hours). So we have

$$P(3) = 3P_0 = P_0e^{3k}$$

Solving for k shows that

$$k = \frac{1}{3} \ln 3$$

So we have

$$P(t) = P_0e^{\frac{1}{3}t \ln 3}$$

The problem now is to determine for what value of t gives $P(t) = 10P_0$. Setting $P(t) = 10P_0$ gives us

$$\begin{aligned} 10P_0 &= P_0e^{\frac{1}{3}t \ln 3} \\ 10 &= e^{\frac{1}{3}t \ln 3} \\ \ln 10 &= \frac{1}{3}t \ln 3 \\ \frac{3 \ln 10}{\ln 3} &= t \end{aligned}$$

5 Higher Order Differential Equations

5.1 Higher-Order Homogeneous Differential Equations

Find the general solution to the given differential equations

1. $6\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 0$
2. $2D^2y - 3Dy + y = 0$

Solution

1. Set up and solve the auxiliary equation.

$$\begin{aligned}6r^2 - r - 2 &= 0 \\(2r + 1)(3r - 2) &= 0 \\r &= \frac{-1}{2}, r = \frac{2}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Then our general solution is the following.

$$y(t) = c_1e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} + c_2e^{\frac{2}{3}t}$$

2. Set up and solve the auxiliary equation as before.

$$\begin{aligned}2r^2 - 3r + 1 &= 0 \\(2r - 1)(r - 1) &= 0 \\r &= \frac{1}{2}, r = 1\end{aligned}$$

Then our general solution is the following.

$$y(t) = c_1e^{\frac{1}{2}t} + c_2e^t$$

5.2 Auxiliary Equations

Solve the following differential equations.

1. $(D^2 + 25)y = 0$

2. $(D^2 - 3D + 5)y = 0$

Solution

1. The auxiliary equation is

$$r^2 + 25 = 0$$

Which has roots $r = \pm 5i$. Then since these values are complex, the general solution is

$$y(t) = c_1 \sin(5t) + c_2 \cos(5t)$$

2. The auxiliary equation is

$$r^2 - 3r + 5 = 0$$
$$r = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4(1)(5)}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm i\sqrt{11}}{2}$$

Since these values are complex, the imaginary parts turn into sines and cosines as follows.

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{\frac{3}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{11}}{2}x\right) + c_2 e^{\frac{3}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{11}}{2}x\right)$$

5.3 Non-homogeneous Differential Equations

Find the general solution to the given differential equations.

$$(D^2 - D + 2)y = 4e^{3x}$$

Solution

First solve the auxiliary equation to determine the homogeneous solution.

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 - r + 2 &= 0 \\ r &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1)(2)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{7}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

So the homogeneous equation is the following.

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{\frac{1}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}x\right) + c_2 e^{\frac{1}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}x\right)$$

To determine the particular solution, we guess that it has the form $y_p(t) = Ae^{3x}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(x) &= Ae^{3x} \\ Dy_p(x) &= 3Ae^{3x} \\ D^2y_p(x) &= 9Ae^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into our equation, we get the following.

$$\begin{aligned} 9Ae^{3x} - 3Ae^{3x} + 2Ae^{3x} &= 4e^{3x} \\ 8Ae^{3x} &= 4e^{3x} \\ A &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, our particular equation is $y_p(t) = 2e^{3x}$. Our general solution has the form $y_g = y_h + y_p$. So we have

$$y_g(t) = c_1 e^{\frac{1}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}x\right) + c_2 e^{\frac{1}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}x\right) + 2e^{3x}$$

5.4 Applications of Second-Order Equations

A 2lb weight stretches a spring 6 in. The weight is pushed 7 in above the equilibrium position and released. Find the motion of the weight as a function of time, assuming no damping.

Solution

Using the equations

$$F = kx, F = mg$$

and using the information of the problem, we have if $x = 0$, the force of the spring is equal to the force of gravity, so we can see

$$6k = 2(386.09), k = 128.697$$

Then using the equation for spring position, we have

$$2D^2y + 128.697y = 0$$

(Where y is distance from equilibrium) Solving this gives us

$$y(t) = c_1 \sin(64.35t) + c_2 \cos(64.35t)$$

Our initial conditions are when $t = 0$, $y = 7$, $Dy = 0$. Plugging these in, we arrive at

$$y(t) = 7 \cos(64.35t)$$

5.5 Computing the Laplace Transformation

Verify the identity.

$$L\{\sin at\} = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

Solution

Begin with the definition of Laplace transformation.

$$L\{\sin ax\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sx} \sin ax \, dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^{-sx} \sin ax \, dx$$

This integral takes a bit of work to solve. Integration by parts is the usual way of doing it, and it will be omitted.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^{-sx} \sin ax \, dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{-ae^{-sx} \cos ax - se^{-sx} \sin ax}{s^2 + a^2} \right|_0^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-ae^{-st} \cos at - se^{-st} \sin at}{s^2 + a^2} + \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \\ &= \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \end{aligned}$$

(You may need to use L'Hospital's rule to evaluate the limit!)

5.6 Computing the Inverse Laplace Transformation

Compute the inverse Laplace transformation of the function.

$$F(s) = \frac{5s}{s^2 + 6}$$

Solution

We know the following.

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}\right) = \sin at, \quad L^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}\right) = \cos at$$

So we would like to rewrite what we have in terms of these formulas. Since there is an s term in the numerator, we will use the second equation. Note that the 5 constant does not affect the inverse Laplace, so we have

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{5s}{s^2 + 6}\right) = 5L^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{s^2 + (\sqrt{6})^2}\right) = 5 \cos(\sqrt{6}t)$$

Compute the inverse Laplace transformation of the function.

$$F(s) = \frac{s}{(s-1)(s+3)}$$

Solution

We will first do partial fractions to make the problem simpler.

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

Then use the rule

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-a}\right) = e^{at}$$

To obtain

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{(s-1)(s+3)}\right) = \frac{1}{4}L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right) + \frac{3}{4}L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s+3}\right) = \frac{1}{4}e^t + \frac{3}{4}e^{-3t}$$

5.7 Solving Differential Equations Using Laplace Transformations

Use Laplace transformations to solve the following differential equation

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = e^{3t}, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = -2$$

Solution

First, apply the Laplace transformation to both sides of the equation and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}L(y'') - 4L(y') + 4L(y) &= L(e^{3t}) \\(s^2L(y) - sy(0) - y'(0)) - 4(sL(y) - y(0)) + 4L(y) &= \frac{1}{s-3} \\L(y)(s^2 - 4s + 4) + 2 &= \frac{1}{s-3} \\L(y)(s-2)^2 &= \frac{1}{s-3} - 2 \\L(y) &= \frac{1}{(s-3)(s-2)^2} - \frac{2}{(s-2)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Now we must apply partial fractions to the right side to simplify further.

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

Then use the rules

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-a}\right) = e^{at}, \quad L^{-1}\left(\frac{n!}{(s-a)^n}\right) = t^n e^{at}$$

To obtain the final answer.

$$y = L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-3}\right) - L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s-2}\right) - 3L^{-1}\left(\frac{1!}{(s-2)^2}\right) = e^{3t} - e^{2t} - 3te^{2t}$$