

**Instructions.** Do each problem showing your work. Answers alone are not sufficient. Label each problem clearly, and write neatly, in a logical sequence.

Do the following problems from the text:

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- 12.** The mass is  $m = 32/32 = 1$  slug. The spring constant  $k$  is given by  $k = 32/2 = 16$ . Since no external force is mentioned we may assume it is zero. The initial conditions are  $y(0) = -1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ . The equation  $y'' + 8y' + 16y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = -1$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$  models the motion of the body. The characteristic polynomial is  $q(s) = (s + 4)^2$ . Thus

$$y = c_1 e^{-4t} + c_2 t e^{-4t}.$$

The initial conditions imply  $c_1 = 1$  and  $c_2 = 4$ . Thus

$$y = (1 + 4t)e^{-4t}.$$

The discriminant of the characteristic equation is  $D = 8^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 16 = 0$  so the motion is critically damped free motion. The equation  $y(t) = 0$  implies  $t = -1/4$ . So there is no positive time where the body crosses equilibrium.

- 14.** The mass is  $m = 2$ . The spring constant  $k$  is given by  $k = 5/1 = 5$ . The damping constant is given by  $\mu = 6/1 = 6$ . Since no external force is mentioned we may assume it is zero. The initial conditions are  $y(0) = .1$  and  $y'(0) = .1$ . The equation  $2y'' + 6y' + 5y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = .1$ ,  $y'(0) = .1$  models the motion of the body. The characteristic polynomial is  $q(s) = 2s^2 + 6s + 5 = 2\left(\left(s + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right)$ . Thus

$$y = c_1 e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \cos \frac{1}{2}t + c_2 e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \sin \frac{1}{2}t.$$

The initial conditions imply  $c_1 = \frac{1}{10}$  and  $c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ . So

$$y = \frac{1}{10} e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \cos \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \sin \frac{1}{2}t.$$

The discriminant of the characteristic equation is  $D = 6^2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = -4 < 0$  so the motion is underdamped free motion and crosses equilibrium. If  $A = \left(\frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{26}}{10}$  and  $\phi = \arctan 5 = 1.3734$  then we can write  $y = \frac{\sqrt{26}}{10} e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \cos\left(\frac{1}{10}t - 1.3734\right)$ .

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- 12.**
1.  $y(t) = 1$
  2.  $y(t) = t$
  3.  $y(t) = e^{-t}$
  4.  $y(t) = \cos 2t$

18. If  $y = \frac{1}{6}t^5$  then  $y' = \frac{5}{6}t^4$  and  $y'' = \frac{20}{6}t^3$  so that  $\mathbf{L}y = t^2 \left(\frac{20}{6}t^3\right) - 4t \left(\frac{5}{6}t^4\right) + 6 \left(\frac{1}{6}t^5\right) = t^5$ . Part (1) follows. If  $y = t^2$  then  $\mathbf{L}y = t^2(2) - 4t(2t) + 6(t^2) = 0$ . It follows that  $y = t^2$  is a solution to  $\mathbf{L}y = 0$ . If  $y = t^3$  then  $\mathbf{L}y = t^2(6t) - 4t(3t^2) + 6t^3 = 0$ . Part (2) now follows. By linearity every function of the form  $y(t) = \frac{1}{6}t^5 + c_1t^2 + c_2t^3$  is a solution to  $\mathbf{L}y = t^5$ , where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are constants. If we want a solution to  $\mathbf{L}(y) = t^5$  with  $y(0) = a$  and  $y'(0) = b$ , then we need to solve for  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ : Since  $y(t) = \frac{1}{6}t^5 + c_1t^2 + c_2t^3$  we have  $y'(t) = \frac{5}{6}t^4 + 2c_1t + 3c_2t^2$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} a &= y(1) = \frac{1}{6} + c_1 + c_2 \\ b &= y'(1) = \frac{5}{6} + 2c_1 + 3c_2. \end{aligned}$$

These equations give  $c_1 = 3a - b + \frac{1}{3}$  and  $c_2 = b - 2a - \frac{1}{2}$ . Particular choices of  $a$  and  $b$  give the answers for Part (3).

- (3)a.  $y = \frac{1}{6}t^5 + \frac{10}{3}t^2 - \frac{5}{2}t^3$   
 (3)b.  $y = \frac{1}{6}t^5 - \frac{2}{3}t^2 + \frac{1}{2}t^3$   
 (3)c.  $y = \frac{1}{6}t^5 - \frac{17}{3}t^2 + \frac{9}{2}t^3$   
 (3)d.  $y = \frac{1}{6}t^5 + \left(\frac{1}{3} + 3a - b\right)t^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2} - 2a + b\right)t^3$

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2. The indicial polynomial is  $Q(s) = 2s^2 - 7s + 3 = (2s - 1)(s - 3)$ . There are two distinct roots  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 3. The fundamental set is  $\left\{t^{\frac{1}{2}}, t^3\right\}$ . The general solution is  $y(t) = c_1t^{\frac{1}{2}} + c_2t^3$ .
8. The indicial polynomial is

$$Q(s) = s^2 - s + 1 = s^2 - s + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2.$$

There are two complex roots,  $\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  $\frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . The fundamental set is

$$\left\{t^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \ln t\right), t^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \ln t\right)\right\},$$

and the general solution is  $y(t) = c_1t^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \ln t\right) + c_2t^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \ln t\right)$ .

10. The indicial polynomial is  $Q(s) = s^2 + 4$ . There are two complex roots,  $2i$  and  $-2i$ . The fundamental set is  $\{\cos(2 \ln t), \sin(2 \ln t)\}$ . The general solution is  $y(t) = c_1 \cos(2 \ln t) + c_2 \sin(2 \ln t)$ .

14. The indicial polynomial is  $Q(s) = s^2 + 4$ . There are two complex roots,  $\pm 2i$ . The fundamental set is  $\{\cos(2 \ln t), \sin(2 \ln t)\}$ . The general solution is  $y(t) = c_1 \cos(2 \ln t) + c_2 \sin(2 \ln t)$ . The initial conditions imply

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 &= -3 \\ 2c_2 &= 4.\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $c_1 = -3$  and  $c_2 = 2$ . Hence  $y = -3 \cos(2 \ln t) + 2 \sin(2 \ln t)$

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8. A fundamental set is  $\{\cos t, \sin t\}$ . The matrix equation

$\begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sec t \end{pmatrix}$  implies  $u_1'(t) = -\tan t$  and  $u_2'(t) = 1$ . Hence  $u_1(t) = \ln(\cos t)$ ,  $u_2(t) = t$ , and  $y_p(t) = \cos t \ln(\cos t) + t \sin t$ . The general solution is  $y(t) = \cos t \ln(\cos t) + t \sin t + c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t$ .

14. When put in standard form one sees that  $f(t) = te^{-t}$ . The matrix equation

$\begin{pmatrix} t-1 & e^{-t} \\ 1 & -e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ te^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$  implies  $u_1'(t) = e^{-t}$  and  $u_2'(t) = 1-t$ . Hence  $u_1(t) = -e^{-t}$ ,  $u_2(t) = t - \frac{t^2}{2}$ , and  $y_p(t) = -(t-1)e^{-t} + (t - \frac{t^2}{2})e^{-t} = \frac{-t^2}{2}e^{-t} + e^{-t}$ . Since  $e^{-t}$  is a homogeneous solution we can write the general solution as  $y(t) = \frac{-t^2}{2}e^{-t} + c_1(t-1) + c_2e^{-t}$ .