

M555: Differential Equations

Chapter 4 Concept Check

1. characteristic polynomial: $r^4 - 1 = 0$

$$(r^2 + 1)(r^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$r = \pm i \quad r = \pm 1$$

$$\text{So, } y(t) = C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_3 e^t + C_4 e^{-t}$$

2. Recall:
$$\begin{cases} \cosh(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} \\ \sinh(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^t - \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \cosh(t) + \sinh(t) = e^t \\ \cosh(t) - \sinh(t) = e^{-t} \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_3 (\cosh t + \sinh t) + C_4 (\cosh t - \sinh t) \\ &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + (C_3 + C_4) \cosh t + (C_3 - C_4) \sinh t \\ &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_5 \cosh t + C_6 \sinh t \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

3.
$$\left. \begin{aligned} y &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_5 \cosh t + C_6 \sinh t \\ y' &= -C_1 \sin t + C_2 \cos t + C_5 \sinh t + C_6 \cosh t \\ y'' &= -C_1 \cos t - C_2 \sin t + C_5 \cosh t + C_6 \sinh t \\ y''' &= C_1 \sin t - C_2 \cos t + C_6 \sinh t + C_5 \cosh t \\ y^{(4)} &= C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_5 \cosh t + C_6 \sinh t \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} y(0) &= C_1 + C_5 = 0 \\ y'(0) &= C_2 + C_6 = 0 \\ y''(0) &= -C_1 + C_5 = 1 \\ y'''(0) &= -C_2 + C_6 = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

$$2C_5 = 1 \Rightarrow C_5 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad C_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad 2C_6 = 1 \Rightarrow C_6 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos t - \frac{1}{2} \sin t + \frac{1}{2} \cosh t + \frac{1}{2} \sinh t$$

Using $\sinh t$ and $\cosh t$ make the system of equations (*) turn out much nicer than using e^t and e^{-t} .

$$4. \quad y''' - y' = t$$

$$r^3 - r = 0$$

$$r(r^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$r(r-1)(r+1) = 0$$

$$y_h(t) = C_1 + C_2 e^t + C_3 e^{-t}$$

Undetermined coefficients:

$$\text{Guess } Y(t) = At + B$$

but B is a homog. soln. So, guess instead

$$Y(t) = At^2 + Bt$$

$$Y' = 2At + B$$

$$Y'' = 2A$$

$$Y''' = 0$$

$$Y''' - Y' = -(2At + B) = t$$

$$\text{so } -2A = 1 \Rightarrow A = -1/2$$

$$\text{and } B = 0.$$

The general solution is

$$y(t) = C_1 + C_2 e^t + C_3 e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2} t^2$$

$$5. \quad y''' - y'' + y' - y = \sec t$$

$$r^3 - r^2 + r - 1 = 0$$

$$r^2(r-1) + 1(r-1) = 0$$

$$(r^2+1)(r-1) = 0$$

$$r = \pm i, r = 1$$

$$y_1 = \cos t$$

$$y_2 = \sin t$$

$$y_3 = e^t$$

$$W(y_1, y_2, y_3) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & \sin t & e^t \\ -\sin t & \cos t & e^t \\ -\cos t & -\sin t & e^t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^t(\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t) - e^t(-\cos t \sin t + \cos t \sin t) + e^t(\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t) = 2e^t$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{vmatrix} = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1.$$

$$W(y_1, y_3) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & e^t \\ -\sin t & e^t \end{vmatrix} = e^t(\cos t + \sin t)$$

$$W(y_2, y_3) = \begin{vmatrix} \sin t & e^t \\ \cos t & e^t \end{vmatrix} = e^t(\sin t - \cos t)$$

Variation of Parameters says the solution is:

$$y(t) = y_1(t) \underbrace{\int \frac{W(y_2, y_3) g(t)}{W(y_1, y_2, y_3)} dt}_{I_1} - y_2(t) \underbrace{\int \frac{W(y_1, y_3) g(t)}{W(y_1, y_2, y_3)} dt}_{I_2} + y_3(t) \underbrace{\int \frac{W(y_1, y_2) g(t)}{W(y_1, y_2, y_3)} dt}_{I_3}$$

$$I_1 = \int \frac{e^t (\sin t - \cos t) \sec t}{2e^t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\sin t}{\cos t} - 1 dt = \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec t| - \frac{1}{2} t + C_1$$

$$I_2 = \int \frac{e^t (\sin t + \cos t) \sec t}{2e^t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\sin t}{\cos t} + 1 dt = \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec t| + \frac{1}{2} t + C_2$$

$$I_3 = \int \frac{1 \sec t}{2e^t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int e^{-t} \sec t dt \quad \text{This is not nice! So leave it.}$$

Then the solution is

$$y(t) = \cos t \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec t| - \frac{1}{2} t + C_1 \right) - \sin t \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec t| + \frac{1}{2} t + C_2 \right) + e^t \left(\frac{1}{2} \int e^{-t} \sec t dt + C_3 \right)$$

or

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t + C_3 e^t + \frac{1}{2} \cos t \ln |\sec t| - \frac{1}{2} \sin t \ln |\sec t| - \frac{1}{2} t \cos t + \frac{1}{2} t \sin t + \frac{e^t}{2} \int e^{-t} \sec t dt$$