

(1) (40 points) Find the general solution of the following second order ODE

$$y''(t) + 4y'(t) + 4y(t) = t^{-2}e^{-2t}.$$

**Hint:** Use the method of variation of parameters.

$$y(t) = u_1(t)e^{-2t} + u_2(t) \cdot t \cdot e^{-2t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 + 4r + 4 &= 0 \\ r_{1,2} &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1' \cdot e^{-2t} + u_2' \cdot t \cdot e^{-2t} = 0 \\ u_1'(-2e^{-2t}) + u_2'(e^{-2t} - 2te^{-2t}) = t^{-2}e^{-2t} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1' + u_2' t = 0 \\ -2u_1' + u_2'(1 - 2t) = t^{-2} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1' + u_2' t = 0 \\ -2(u_1' + u_2' t) + u_2' = t^{-2} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow u_2' = \frac{1}{t^2} \rightarrow u_2 = -\frac{1}{t} + C_2$$

$$u_1' = -t \cdot u_2' = -\frac{1}{t}$$

$$\rightarrow u_1 = -\ln t + C_1$$

$$\rightarrow y(t) = -e^{-2t} \ln t - e^{-2t} + C_1 e^{-2t} + C_2 t e^{-2t}$$

- (2) (40 points) A 16-pound weight stretches a spring 2 feet. The medium through which the weight moves offers a resistance equal to 4 times the velocity. Find the position of the point for any  $t$ , if the weight is released from a point one foot below the equilibrium position with zero velocity. Find the (quasi) amplitude.

$$w = 16; L = 2; \gamma = 4; u(0) = 1, u'(0) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow m = \frac{w}{g} = \frac{16}{32} = \frac{1}{2}; k = \frac{w}{L} = 8$$

Thus

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u'' + 4u' + 8u = 0 \\ u(0) = 1, u'(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}r^2 + 4r + 8 = 0 \rightarrow r^2 + 8r + 16 = 0$$

$$(r+4)^2 = 0$$

$$r_{1,2} = -4$$

$$u(t) = C_1 e^{-4t} + C_2 t e^{-4t}; u' = -4C_1 e^{-4t} + C_2 (e^{-4t} - 4t e^{-4t})$$

$$1 = u(0) = C_1; 0 = u'(0) = -4C_1 + C_2$$

$$\rightarrow C_2 = 4$$

$$\boxed{u(t) = e^{-4t} + 4t e^{-4t}}$$

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- (3) (40 points) A mass weighing 3 lbs stretches a spring 3 in. If the mass is pushed upward, contracting the spring by 1 in and set in motion by a downward velocity of 2 ft/sec and if there is no damping, find the position  $u(t)$  at any time  $t$ . Determine the frequency, the period and the amplitude of the motion.

$$w = 3 \text{ lbs} ; L = 3 \text{ in} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ ft}$$

$$u(0) = -1 \text{ in} = -\frac{1}{12} \text{ ft} ; u'(0) = 2$$

$$f = 0$$

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$$\rightarrow m = \frac{w}{g} = \frac{3}{32} ; k = \frac{w}{L} = \frac{3}{\frac{1}{4}} = 12$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{3}{32} u'' + 12u = 0 & \rightarrow r^2 + 128 = 0 \\ u(0) = -\frac{1}{12} ; u'(0) = 2 & r = \pm 8\sqrt{2}i \end{cases}$$

$$u(t) = A \cos(8\sqrt{2}t) + B \sin(8\sqrt{2}t) ;$$

$$-\frac{1}{12} = u(0) = A ; 2 = u'(0) = 8\sqrt{2}B \rightarrow B = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

$$u(t) = -\frac{1}{12} \cos(8\sqrt{2}t) + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \sin(8\sqrt{2}t)$$

$$R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12^2} + \frac{1}{32}} = \dots ; \omega = 8\sqrt{2}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{8\sqrt{2}}$$

(4) (40 points) Compute the Laplace transform of  $t \sin(at)$

Start with  $L(\sin(at)) = \frac{1}{s^2 + a^2}$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \sin(at) dt = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

Take a derivative with respect to  $s$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cdot (-t) \cdot \sin(at) dt = \frac{-2sa}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$$

$$\rightarrow L(t \sin(at)) = \frac{2as}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$$

(5) (40 points) Solve the equation

$$\begin{cases} y'' + y = u_{3\pi}(t) \\ y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(y'') + \mathcal{L}(y) = \mathcal{L}(u_{3\pi}) \quad ; \quad F(s) = \mathcal{L}(y)$$

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

$$\rightarrow F(s) = \frac{1}{1+s^2} + \frac{e^{-3\pi s}}{s(s^2+1)}$$

$$\text{Now } G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+1} = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2+1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(G) = 1 - \cos(t)$$

$$\rightarrow y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F) = \sin t + u_{3\pi}(t) \cdot (1 - \cos(t-3\pi))$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = \sin t + u_{3\pi}(t) \cdot (1 + \cos t)}$$