

ODE: Assignment-7

Frobenius method and Bessel function

1. For each of the following, verify that the origin is a regular singular point and find two linearly independent solutions:

(a) $9x^2y'' + (9x^2 + 2)y = 0$

(b) $x^2(x^2 - 1)y'' - x(1 + x^2)y' + (1 + x^2)y = 0$

(T) (c) $xy'' + (1 - 2x)y' + (x - 1)y = 0$

(d) $x(x - 1)y'' + 2(2x - 1)y' + 2y = 0$

Solution:

(a)

The given ODE can be written as

$$y'' + \frac{9x^2 + 2}{9x^2}y = 0$$

Hence $x = 0$ is a regular singular point. Let $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$, $a_0 \neq 0$. This gives

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9(n+r)(n+r-1)a_n x^{n+r} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9a_n x^{n+r+2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n x^{n+r} = 0$$

which can be written as

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9(n+r)(n+r-1)a_n x^{n+r} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 9a_{n-2} x^{n+r} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n x^{n+r} = 0$$

This can be rearranged as (after canceling x^r)

$$\left(9r(r-1) + 2\right)a_0 + \left(9r(r+1) + 2\right)a_1x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(9(n+r)(n+r-1)a_n + 9a_{n-2} + 2a_n\right)x^n = 0$$

This implies

$$\left(9r(r-1) + 2\right)a_0 = 0, \quad \left(9r(r+1) + 2\right)a_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad a_n = -\frac{9a_{n-2}}{9(n+r)(n+r-1) + 2}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

Since $a_0 \neq 0$, we have $9r(r-1) + 2 = 0 \implies r = 2/3 = r_1, r = 1/3 = r_2$. Here $r_1 - r_2 = 1/3$ is not an integer and we have two independent Frobenius series solutions. With $r = r_1$ or $r = r_2$, $9r(r+1) + 2 \neq 0 \implies a_1 = 0$. This leads to $a_{2n+1} = 0, n \geq 0$. Also,

$$a_n = -\frac{9a_{n-2}}{(3n+3r-2)(3n+3r-1)}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

With $r = r_1 = 2/3$ we find

$$y_1(x) = x^{2/3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{2n} x^{2n}, \quad a_0 = 1, \quad a_{2n} = -\frac{3a_{2n-2}}{2n(6n+1)}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

With $r = r_2 = 1/3$ we find

$$y_2(x) = x^{1/3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{2n} x^{2n}, \quad a_0 = 1, \quad a_{2n} = -\frac{3a_{2n-2}}{2n(6n-1)}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

(b)

The given ODE can be written as

$$y'' - \frac{1+x^2}{x(x^2-1)}y' + \frac{1+x^2}{x^2(x^2-1)} = 0$$

Hence $x = 0$ is a regular singular point. Let $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$, $a_0 \neq 0$. This gives

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left((n+r)(n+r-1)a_n(x^{n+r+2} - x^{n+r}) - (n+r)a_n(x^{n+r} + x^{n+r+2}) + a_n(x^{n+r} + x^{n+r+2}) \right) = 0$$

which can be written as

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left((n+r-2)(n+r-3) - (n+r-2) + 1 \right) a_{n-2} x^{n+r} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left((n+r)(n+r-1) + (n+r) - 1 \right) a_n x^{n+r} = 0$$

This can be rearranged as (after canceling x^r)

$$-(r^2 - 1)a_0 - \left((r+1)^2 - 1 \right) a_1 x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left((n+r-3)^2 a_{n-2} - \left((n+r)^2 - 1 \right) a_n \right) x^n = 0$$

This implies

$$(r^2 - 1)a_0 = 0, \quad \left((r+1)^2 - 1 \right) a_1 = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad a_n = \frac{(n+r-3)^2}{(n+r)^2 - 1} a_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

Since $a_0 \neq 0$, we have $r^2 - 1 = 0 \implies r = 1 = r_1, r = -1 = r_2$. Here $r_1 - r_2 = 2$ is an integer and we may or may not have two independent Frobenius series solutions.

With $r = r_1, (r+1)^2 - 1 \neq 0 \implies a_1 = 0$. Also,

$$a_n = \frac{(n-2)^2}{n(n+2)} a_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2 \implies a_n = 0, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Hence

$$y_1(x) = x, \quad a_0 = 1.$$

For the other solution, let $y_2 = y_1 u(x) = x u$ (reduction of order technique)

$$x(x^2 - 1)u'' + (x^2 - 3)u' = 0 \implies \frac{u''}{u'} = \frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{3}{x} \implies u' = 1/x^3 - 1/x$$

which integrating again gives

$$u = -\log x - \frac{1}{2x^2}$$

Hence $y_2 = x \ln x + 1/(2x)$ (ignoring the negative sign)

(c)

The given ODE can be written as

$$y'' + \frac{1-2x}{x}y' + \frac{x-1}{x} = 0$$

Hence $x = 0$ is a regular singular point. Let $y = \sum_{n=0} a_n x^{n+r}$, $a_0 \neq 0$. This gives

$$\sum_{n=0} \left((n+r)(n+r-1)a_n x^{n+r-1} + (n+r)a_n(x^{n+r-1} - 2x^{n+r}) + a_n(x^{n+r+1} - x^{n+r}) \right) = 0$$

which can be written as

$$\sum_{n=2} a_{n-2} x^{n+r-1} - \sum_{n=1} \left(2(n+r-1)+1 \right) a_{n-1} x^{n+r-1} + \sum_{n=0} \left((n+r)(n+r-1)+(n+r) \right) a_n x^{n+r-1} = 0$$

This can be rearranged as (after canceling x^{r-1})

$$r^2 a_0 + \left((r+1)^2 a_1 - (2r+1)a_0 \right) x + \sum_{n=2} \left((n+r)^2 a_n - (2(n+r-1)+1)a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} \right) x^n = 0$$

This implies

$$r^2 a_0 = 0, (r+1)^2 a_1 = (2r+1)a_0, (n+r)^2 a_n = (2(n+r)-1)a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}, n \geq 2$$

Now $a_0 \neq 0 \implies r = r_1 = 0, r = r_2 = 0$. Since the indicial equation has double roots, the given equation has only one independent Frobenius series solution. We take $r = 0$ and this gives $a_1 = a_0$. We also have

$$a_n = \frac{2n-1}{n^2} a_{n-1} - \frac{1}{n^2} a_{n-2}, n \geq 2.$$

With $a_0 = 1$ we get $a_1 = 1$. This leads to $a_2 = 1/2!$, $a_3 = 1/3!$. We prove $a_n = 1/n!$ by induction. Clearly the induction hypothesis is true for $n = 1, 2, 3$. Let it be true for $n = k$. For $n = k+1$, we have

$$a_{k+1} = \frac{2k+1}{(k+1)^2} a_k - \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} a_{k-1} = \frac{1}{(k+1)^2 (k-1)!} \left(\frac{2k+1}{k} - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{(k+1)!}$$

Hence

$$y_1(x) = \sum_{n=0} \frac{x^n}{n!} = e^x$$

For other solution let $y_2 = y_1 u(x) = e^x u$. This gives

$$x u'' + u' = 0 \implies u' = 1/x \implies u = \ln x$$

Hence $y_2(x) = e^x \ln x$

(d)

The given ODE can be written as

$$y'' + \frac{2(2x-1)}{x(x-1)} y' + \frac{2}{x(x-1)} y = 0$$

Hence $x = 0$ is a regular singular point. Let $y = \sum_{n=0} a_n x^{n+r}$, $a_0 \neq 0$. This gives

$$\sum_{n=0} \left((n+r)(n+r-1)a_n(x^{n+r} - x^{n+r-1}) + (n+r)a_n(4x^{n+r} - 2x^{n+r-1}) + 2a_n x^{n+r} \right) = 0$$

which can be written as

$$\sum_{n=1} \left((n+r-1)(n+r-2) + 4(n+r-1) + 2 \right) a_{n-1} x^{n+r-1} - \sum_{n=0} \left((n+r)(n+r-1) + 2(n+r) \right) a_n x^{n+r-1} = 0$$

This can be rearranged as (after canceling x^{r-1})

$$(r^2 + r)a_0 - \sum_{n=1} \left((n+r)(n+r+1)a_n - ((n+r-1)(n+r+2) + 2)a_{n-1} \right) x^n = 0$$

This implies

$$(r^2 + r)a_0 = 0, \quad (n+r)(n+r+1)a_n - ((n+r-1)(n+r+2) + 2)a_{n-1} = 0, \quad n \geq 1$$

Now $a_0 \neq 0 \implies r = r_1 = 0, r = r_2 = -1$. Hence $r_1 - r_2 = 1$ is an integer and hence the ODE may or may not have two independent Frobenius series solution.

With $r = r_1 = 0$,

$$n(n+1)a_n = ((n-1)(n+2) + 2)a_{n-1} \implies a_n = a_{n-1} \implies a_n = a_0, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Hence (with $a_0 = 1$)

$$y_1(x) = \sum_{n=0} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

For the other solution, let $y_2 = y_1 u(x)$. This gives

$$xu'' + 2u' = 0 \implies u' = \frac{1}{x^2} \implies u = -1/x$$

Hence (neglecting the negative sign)

$$y_2(x) = \frac{1}{x(1-x)}$$

We can write

$$y_2(x) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{1-x}$$

Since the last term is $y_1(x)$, we can take $y_2(x) = 1/x$

Note: If we continue the Frobenius series method with $r = r_2 = -1$, then from the recurrence relation

$$n(n-1)a_n = n(n-1)a_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

For $n = 1$, the relation is automatically satisfied for any value of a_1 . We may take $a_1 = 0$. This leads to $a_n = 0$ for $n \geq 1$. Then we again get (taking $a_0 = 1$)

$$y_2(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

2. Show that $2x^3y'' + (\cos 2x - 1)y' + 2xy = 0$ has only one Frobenius series solution.

Solution:

We can write the ODE as

$$2x^2y'' + \frac{\cos 2x - 1}{x^2}xy' + 2y = 0$$

Since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos 2x - 1}{x^2} = -2,$$

the indicial equation is

$$2r(r - 1) - 2r + 2 \implies r^2 - 2r + 1 \implies r = 1, 1.$$

Since the indicial equation has double roots, it has only one Frobenius series solution.

3. (T) Reduce $x^2y'' + xy' + (x^2 - 1/4)y = 0$ to normal form and hence find its general solution.

Solution:

Suppose $y(x) = u(x)v(x)$. Hence

$$x^2(u''v + 2u'v' + uv'') + x(u'v + uv') + \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)uv = 0$$

or

$$x^2vu'' + (2x^2v' + xv)u' + \left((x^2v'' + xv' + \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)v)\right)u = 0.$$

To make the 2nd term vanish, we set

$$2x^2v' + xv = 0 \implies 2xv' + v = 0 \implies v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

Using this transformation the given ODE reduces to

$$u'' + u = 0.$$

Thus general solution of the reduced equation is $u = A \sin x + B \cos x$. For the original equation, the general solution is

$$y = A \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{x}} + B \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{x}}.$$

4. Using recurrence relations, show the following for Bessel function J_n :
 (i)(T) $J_0''(x) = -J_0(x) + J_1(x)/x$ (ii) $xJ_{n+1}'(x) + (n+1)J_{n+1}(x) = xJ_n(x)$

Solution:

Useful identities for problems with Bessel's functions:

$$\begin{aligned} (x^\nu J_\nu)' &= x^\nu J_{\nu-1}, & (x^{-\nu} J_\nu)' &= -x^{-\nu} J_{\nu+1}, \\ J_{\nu-1} + J_{\nu+1} &= 2\nu J_\nu/x, & J_{\nu-1} - J_{\nu+1} &= 2J_\nu'. \end{aligned}$$

(i)

$$\begin{aligned}2J_0'(x) &= J_{-1}(x) - J_1(x) = -2J_1(x) \\ \implies 2J_0''(x) &= -2J_1'(x) = J_2(x) - J_0(x) = 2J_1(x)/x - 2J_0(x) \\ &\implies J_0''(x) = J_1(x)/x - J_0(x)\end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\left(x^{n+1}J_{n+1}(x)\right)' = x^{n+1}J_n(x) \implies xJ_{n+1}'(x) + (n+1)J_{n+1}(x) = xJ_n(x)$$

5. Express

(i)(T) $J_3(x)$ in terms of $J_1(x)$ and $J_0(x)$ (ii) $J_2'(x)$ in terms of $J_1(x)$ and $J_0(x)$

(iii) $J_4(ax)$ in terms of $J_1(ax)$ and $J_0(ax)$

Solution:

(i) Using the identity $J_{\nu+1} = 2\nu J_\nu/x - J_{\nu-1}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}J_3(x) &= \frac{4}{x}J_2(x) - J_1(x) = \frac{4}{x}\left(\frac{2}{x}J_1(x) - J_0(x)\right) - J_1(x) \\ &= \left(\frac{8}{x^2} - 1\right)J_1(x) - \frac{4}{x}J_0(x)\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Using identities involving Bessel's function, we get

$$\begin{aligned}2J_2'(x) &= J_1(x) - J_3(x) = J_1(x) - \left(\frac{4}{x}J_2(x) - J_1(x)\right) = 2J_1(x) - \frac{4}{x}\left(\frac{2}{x}J_1(x) - J_0(x)\right) \\ \text{Hence } J_2'(x) &= \frac{2}{x}J_0(x) + \left(1 - \frac{4}{x^2}\right)J_1(x)\end{aligned}$$

(iii) Using the identity $J_{\nu+1} = 2\nu J_\nu/x - J_{\nu-1}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}J_4(ax) &= \frac{6}{ax}J_3(ax) - J_2(ax) = \frac{6}{ax}\left(\frac{4}{ax}J_2(ax) - J_1(ax)\right) - J_2(ax) \\ &= \left(\frac{24}{a^2x^2} - 1\right)J_2(ax) - \frac{6}{ax}J_1(ax) \\ &= \left(\frac{24}{a^2x^2} - 1\right)\left(\frac{2}{ax}J_1(ax) - J_0(ax)\right) - \frac{6}{ax}J_1(ax) \\ &= \frac{1}{ax}\left(\frac{48}{a^2x^2} - 8\right)J_1(ax) - \left(\frac{24}{a^2x^2} - 1\right)J_0(ax)\end{aligned}$$

6. Prove that between each pair of consecutive positive zeros of Bessel function $J_\nu(x)$, there is exactly one zero of $J_{\nu+1}(x)$ and vice versa.

Solution:

Let α and β be two consecutive positive zeros of $J_{\nu+1}$. Let $f(x) = x^{\nu+1}J_{\nu+1}$. Then $f(\alpha) = f(\beta) = 0$. Thus there exists $c \in (\alpha, \beta)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$. Taking $\gamma = \nu + 1$ in $[x^\gamma J_\gamma]' = x^\gamma J_{\gamma-1}$, we see that $J_\nu(c) = 0$. Thus there exists a zero of J_ν between

consecutive zeros of $J_{\nu+1}$. Similarly taking $\gamma = \nu$ in $[x^{-\gamma}J_\gamma]' = -x^{-\gamma}J_{\gamma+1}$, we conclude that there exists a zero of $J_{\nu+1}$ between consecutive positive zeros of J_ν . To prove uniqueness, let there exist two zero of J_ν between consecutive zeros α and β of $J_{\nu+1}$. This implies that there exist a zero of $J_{\nu+1}$ between α and β , which contradicts the fact that α and β are consecutive zeroes.

7. Show that the Bessel functions J_ν ($\nu \geq 0$) satisfy

$$\int_0^1 xJ_\nu(\lambda_mx)J_\nu(\lambda_nx) dx = \frac{1}{2}J_{\nu+1}^2(\lambda_n)\delta_{mn},$$

where λ_i are the positive zeros of J_ν .

Solution:

We know that $y(t) = J_\nu(t)$ satisfies

$$\ddot{y} + \frac{1}{t}\dot{y} + \left(1 - \frac{\nu^2}{t^2}\right)y = 0, \quad \cdot \equiv \frac{d}{dt}$$

Let $t = \lambda x \implies y(t) = y(\lambda x) = u(x)$. Then $u'(x) = \lambda\dot{y}$ and $u''(x) = \lambda^2\ddot{y}$. Hence $u(x) = J_\nu(\lambda x)$ satisfies

$$u'' + \frac{1}{x}u' + \left(\lambda^2 - \frac{\nu^2}{x^2}\right)u = 0, \quad (1)$$

Similarly, $v(x) = J_\nu(\mu x)$ satisfies

$$v'' + \frac{1}{x}v' + \left(\mu^2 - \frac{\nu^2}{x^2}\right)v = 0. \quad (2)$$

Multiplying (1) by v and (2) by u and subtracting, we find

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x(u'v - uv')] = (\mu^2 - \lambda^2)xuv.$$

Integrating from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$, we find

$$(\mu^2 - \lambda^2) \int_0^1 xuv dx = u'(1)v(1) - u(1)v'(1). \quad (3)$$

Now $u(1) = J_\nu(\lambda)$ and $v(1) = J_\nu(\mu)$. Let us choose $\lambda = \lambda_m$ and $\mu = \lambda_n$, where λ_m and λ_n are positive zeros of J_ν . Then $u(1) = v(1) = 0$ and thus find

$$(\lambda_n^2 - \lambda_m^2) \int_0^1 xJ_\nu(\lambda_mx)J_\nu(\lambda_nx) dx = 0.$$

If $n \neq m$, then

$$\int_0^1 xJ_\nu(\lambda_mx)J_\nu(\lambda_nx) dx = 0.$$

Now from (3), we find [since $u'(x) = \lambda J'_\nu(\lambda x)$ etc]

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 xJ_\nu^2(\lambda x) dx &= \lim_{\mu \rightarrow \lambda} \frac{\lambda J'_\nu(\lambda)J_\nu(\mu) - \mu J_\nu(\lambda)J'_\nu(\mu)}{\mu^2 - \lambda^2} \\ &= \frac{\lambda(J'_\nu(\lambda))^2 - J_\nu(\lambda)J'_\nu(\lambda) - \lambda J_\nu(\lambda)J''_\nu(\lambda)}{2\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

Now if we take $\lambda = \lambda_n$, where λ_n is a positive zero of J_ν , then we find

$$\int_0^1 x J_\nu^2(\lambda_n x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(J'_\nu(\lambda_n) \right)^2.$$

Now from

$$\left(x^{-\nu} J_\nu(x) \right)' = -x^{-\nu} J_{\nu+1}(x) \implies J'_\nu(x) - \frac{\nu}{x} J_\nu(x) = -J_{\nu+1}(x),$$

we find by substituting $x = \lambda_n$

$$J'_\nu(\lambda_n) = -J_{\nu+1}(\lambda_n).$$

Thus, finally we get

$$\int_0^1 x J_\nu^2(\lambda_n x) dx = \frac{1}{2} J_{\nu+1}^2(\lambda_n).$$

Laplace Transform

- Let $F(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $f(t)$. Find the Laplace transform of $f(at)$ ($a > 0$).

Solution:

$$\mathcal{L}(f(at)) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(at) dt = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^\infty e^{-(s/a)\tau} f(\tau) d\tau = \frac{1}{a} F(s/a)$$

- Find the Laplace transforms:

(a) $[t]$ (greatest integer function), (b) $t^m \cosh bt$ ($m \in$ non-negative integers),

(T)(c) $e^t \sin at$, (d) $\frac{e^t \sin at}{t}$, (e) $\frac{\sin t \cosh t}{t}$, (f) $f(t) = \begin{cases} \sin 3t, & 0 < t < \pi, \\ 0, & t > \pi, \end{cases}$

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}([t]) &= \int_1^2 e^{-st} dt + 2 \int_2^3 e^{-st} dt + 3 \int_3^4 e^{-st} dt + \dots \\ &= \frac{e^{-s}}{s} (1 + e^{-s} + e^{-2s} + e^{-3s} + \dots) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s(1 - e^{-s})} \quad (s > 0 \implies 0 < e^{-s} < 1) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(t^m) &= \frac{m!}{s^{m+1}} \implies \mathcal{L}(t^m \cosh bt) = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}(e^{bt} t^m + e^{-bt} t^m) \\ &= \frac{m!}{2} \left(\frac{1}{(s-b)^{m+1}} + \frac{1}{(s+b)^{m+1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\mathcal{L}(\sin at) = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \implies \mathcal{L}(e^t \sin at) = \frac{a}{(s-1)^2 + a^2}$$

(d) Use $\mathcal{L}(f(t)/t) = \int_s^\infty F(s) ds$. Now

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\sin at) &= \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \\ \implies \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\sin at}{t}\right) &= a \int_s^\infty \frac{ds}{s^2 + a^2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(s/a) \\ \implies \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{e^t \sin at}{t}\right) &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s-1}{a}\right)\end{aligned}$$

(e) Using result of the previous question

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\sin t}{t}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(s) &\implies \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\cosh t \sin t}{t}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^t \sin t}{t} + \frac{e^{-t} \sin t}{t}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\pi - \tan^{-1}(s-1) - \tan^{-1}(s+1))\end{aligned}$$

(f)

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt = \int_0^\pi e^{-st} \sin 3t dt = \frac{3(1 + e^{-\pi s})}{s^2 + 9}$$

1. Find the Laplace transforms (Hint: use second shifting theorem):

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(a) } f(t) &= \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < t < \pi, \\ 0, & \pi < t < 2\pi, \\ \cos t, & t > 2\pi, \end{cases} \\ \text{(b) } f(t) &= \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < t < 1, \\ \cos(\pi t), & 1 < t < 2, \\ 0, & t > 2 \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

Solution:

(a) Consider $g(t) = u(t) - u(t-\pi) + u(t-2\pi) \cos t = u(t) - u(t-\pi) + u(t-2\pi) \cos(t-2\pi)$

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \mathcal{L}(g(t)) = \frac{1}{s} - e^{-\pi s} \frac{1}{s} + e^{-2\pi s} \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}$$

(b) Consider $g(t) = (u(t-1) - u(t-2)) \cos(\pi t) = -u(t-1) \cos \pi(t-1) - u(t-2) \cos \pi(t-2)$

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \mathcal{L}(g(t)) = - \left(e^{-s} \frac{s}{s^2 + \pi^2} + e^{-2s} \frac{s}{s^2 + \pi^2} \right)$$

2. Find the inverse Laplace transforms of

$$\text{(a) } \tan^{-1}(a/s), \text{ (b) } \ln \frac{s^2 + 1}{(s+1)^2}, \text{ (T)(c) } \frac{s+2}{(s^2 + 4s - 5)^2}, \text{ (d) } \frac{se^{-\pi s}}{s^2 + 4}, \text{ (e) } \frac{(1 - e^{-2s})(1 - 3e^{-2s})}{s^2}.$$

Solution:

(a) Use $\mathcal{L}(-tf(t)) = F'(s)$. Thus,

$$F'(s) = -\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \implies \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F'(s)) = -\sin at \implies f(t) = \frac{\sin at}{t}$$

(b)

$$F'(s) = \frac{2s}{s^2+1} - \frac{2}{s+1} \implies \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F'(s)) = 2(\cos t - e^{-t}) \implies f(t) = \frac{2(e^{-t} - \cos t)}{t}$$

(c)

$$F(s) = \frac{s+2}{(s^2+4s-5)^2} = \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{1}{(s-1)^2} - \frac{1}{(s+5)^2} \right)$$
$$F'(s) = \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{2}{(s+5)^3} - \frac{2}{(s-1)^3} \right) \implies \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F'(s)) = \frac{t^2 e^{-5t} - t^2 e^t}{12}$$

Thus,

$$f(t) = t \frac{e^t - e^{-5t}}{12}$$

(d)

$$\frac{se^{-\pi s}}{s^2+4} = e^{-\pi s} \mathcal{L}(\cos 2t) = \mathcal{L}(u(t-\pi) \cos 2(t-\pi))$$

Thus,

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{se^{-\pi s}}{s^2+4} \right) = u(t-\pi) \cos 2t$$

(e)

$$\frac{(1-e^{-2s})(1-3e^{-2s})}{s^2} = \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{4e^{-2s}}{s^2} + \frac{3e^{-4s}}{s^2}$$

Thus,

$$f(t) = t - 4u(t-2)(t-2) + 3(t-4)u(t-4)$$

3. Using convolution, find the inverse Laplace transforms:

(T)(a) $\frac{1}{s^2-5s+6}$, (b) $\frac{2}{s^2-1}$, (c) $\frac{1}{s^2(s^2+4)}$, (d) $\frac{1}{(s-1)^2}$.

Solution:

(a)

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2-5s+6} = \frac{1}{(s-3)(s-2)}$$

Now

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{3t}) = \frac{1}{s-3}, \quad \mathcal{L}(e^{2t}) = \frac{1}{s-2}.$$

Hence,

$$f(t) = \int_0^t e^{3\tau} e^{2(t-\tau)} d\tau = e^{2t} \int_0^t e^\tau d\tau = e^{3t} - e^{2t}$$

(b)

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

Now

$$\mathcal{L}(e^t) = \frac{1}{s-1}, \quad \mathcal{L}(e^{-t}) = \frac{1}{s+1}.$$

Hence,

$$f(t) = 2 \int_0^t e^\tau e^{-(t-\tau)} d\tau = 2e^{-t} \int_0^t e^{2\tau} d\tau = e^t - e^{-t} = 2 \sinh t$$

(c)

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s^2} \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$$

Now

$$\mathcal{L}(t) = \frac{1}{s^2}, \quad \mathcal{L}(\sin 2t) = \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}.$$

Hence,

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (t - \tau) \sin(2\tau) d\tau = \frac{2t - \sin 2t}{8}$$

(d)

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

Now

$$\mathcal{L}(e^t) = \frac{1}{s - 1}.$$

Hence,

$$f(t) = \int_0^t e^\tau e^{t-\tau} d\tau = e^t \int_0^t d\tau = te^t$$

6. Use Laplace transform to solve the initial value problems:

(a) $y'' + 4y = \cos 2t$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 1$.

(T)(b) $y'' + 3y' + 2y = \begin{cases} 4t & \text{if } 0 < t < 1 \\ 8 & \text{if } t > 1 \end{cases}$ $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$

(c) $y'' + 9y = \begin{cases} 8 \sin t & \text{if } 0 < t < \pi \\ 0 & \text{if } t > \pi \end{cases}$ $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 4$

(d) $y_1' + 2y_1 + 6 \int_0^t y_2(\tau) d\tau = 2u(t)$, $y_1' + y_2' = -y_2$, $y_1(0) = -5$, $y_2(0) = 6$

Solution:

(a) Taking Laplace Transform on both sides and simplifying ($Y(s) = \mathcal{L}[y(t)]$)

$$Y(s) = s/(s^2 + 4)^2 + 1/(s^2 + 4)$$

Using convolution [or any other technique]

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \sin(2\tau) \cos(2(t - \tau)) d\tau + \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \\ &= \frac{t \sin 2t}{4} + \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let $r(t) = 4(u(t) - u(t - 1))t + 8u(t - 1) = 4u(t - 0)t + 4u(t - 1)(1 - (t - 1))$. Taking Laplace Transform on both sides of the ODE, we get

$$(s^2 + 3s + 2)Y(s) = R(s) \implies Y(s) = \frac{4}{s^2(s + 1)(s + 2)} + e^{-s} \frac{4(s - 1)}{s^2(s + 1)(s + 2)}$$

Using partial fraction and shifting theorem we get

$$Y(s) = \left(-\frac{3}{s} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{4}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+2} \right) + e^{-s} \left(\frac{5}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{8}{s+1} + \frac{3}{s+2} \right)$$

$$\implies y(t) = -3 + 2t + 4e^{-t} - e^{-2t} + u(t-1) \left(5 - 2(t-1) - 8e^{-(t-1)} + 3e^{-2(t-1)} \right)$$

(c) Let $r(t) = 8(u(t) - u(t - \pi)) \sin t = 8u(t) \sin t + u(t - \pi) \sin(t - \pi)$. Taking Laplace Transform on both sides of the ODE, we get

$$(s^2 + 9)Y(s) = R(s) + 4 \implies Y(s) = \frac{4}{s^2 + 9} + \frac{R(s)}{s^2 + 9}$$

We can explicitly write $R(s)$ and then use partial fraction technique.

$$Y(s) = \frac{4}{s^2 + 9} + (1 + e^{-\pi s}) \frac{8}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 9)} = \frac{4}{s^2 + 9} + (1 + e^{-\pi s}) \left(\frac{1}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{s^2 + 9} \right)$$

This gives

$$y(t) = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t + \left(\sin t - \frac{1}{3} \sin 3t \right) + u(t - \pi) \left(\sin(t - \pi) - \frac{1}{3} \sin 3(t - \pi) \right)$$

$$= \sin t + \sin 3t + u(t - \pi) \left(\frac{1}{3} \sin 3t - \sin t \right)$$

(Otherwise, use convolution as follows

$$y(t) = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t + \frac{1}{3} \int_0^t r(\tau) \sin 3(t - \tau) d\tau$$

Thus for $0 < t < \pi$, we get

$$y(t) = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t + \frac{8}{3} \int_0^t \sin \tau \sin 3(t - \tau) d\tau = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t + \sin t - \frac{1}{3} \sin 3t = \sin 3t + \sin t$$

and for $t > \pi$, we get [since $r(t) = 0$]

$$y(t) = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t + \frac{8}{3} \int_0^\pi \sin \tau \sin 3(t - \tau) d\tau + \frac{1}{3} \int_\pi^t 0 \sin 3(t - \tau) d\tau = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t$$

This solution matches with that obtained earlier.)

(d) Taking Laplace transform, we get

$$(s + 2)Y_1 + \frac{6Y_2}{s} = \frac{2}{s} - 5$$

$$sY_1 + (s + 1)Y_2 = 1$$

Solving

$$Y_1(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{12}{5} \frac{1}{s-1} - \frac{18}{5} \frac{1}{s+4}$$

$$Y_2(s) = \frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{24}{5} \frac{1}{s+4}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}y_1(t) &= 1 - \frac{12}{5}e^t - \frac{18}{5}e^{-4t} \\y_2(t) &= \frac{6}{5}e^t + \frac{24}{5}e^{-4t}\end{aligned}$$

7. Solve the integral equations:

(a) $y(t) + \int_0^t y(\tau) d\tau = u(t-a) + u(t-b)$

(b) $e^{-t} = y(t) + 2 \int_0^t \cos(t-\tau)y(\tau) d\tau$

(c) $3 \sin 2t = y(t) + \int_0^t (t-\tau)y(\tau) d\tau$

Solution:

(a) Taking Laplace Transform, we get

$$Y(s) = \frac{e^{-as}}{s+1} + \frac{e^{-bs}}{s+1} \implies y(t) = u(t-a)e^{-(t-a)} + u(t-b)e^{-(t-b)}$$

(b) Taking Laplace Transform, we get

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

Thus,

$$y(t) = e^{-t}(t-1)^2$$

(c) Taking Laplace Transform, we get

$$Y(s) = -\frac{2}{s^2+1} + \frac{8}{(s^2+4)} \implies y(t) = -2 \sin t + 4 \sin 2t$$