

Differential Equations I for Students of Engineering Sciences Sheet 7, Homework

Exercise 1: Consider the initial value problem be given.

$$u''(t) - u'(t) - 2u(t) = e^{2t} \cdot \sin(t), \quad u(0) = u'(0) = 0.$$

- a) Solve the initial value problem with the help of the Laplace transformation.
- b) Determine the solution of the initial value problem without Laplace transformation. Proceed as follows.
 - (i) Determine the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous differential equation with help of the characteristic polynomial.
 - (ii) Rewrite the differential equation as a first order system and provide a fundamental matrix for this system.
 - (iii) Determine the general solution of the inhomogeneous differential equation. Use the method of variation of constants for the corresponding system.
 - (iv) Adjust the coefficients to the initial conditions.

Hint:

- $\int e^{\alpha t} \cdot \sin(t) dt = \frac{e^{\alpha t}}{\alpha^2 + 1} (\alpha \cdot \sin(t) - \cos(t)) + C.$
- Use Part b) as recap and a combination of techniques from the previous sheets!

Exercise 2:

Consider the linear system $\mathbf{u}'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & -2\alpha \\ 0 & -1 + \alpha & 0 \\ -2\alpha & -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}(t).$

Analyze the stability behavior of the stationary point $(0, 0, 0)^T$ depending on the parameter $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$

Exercise 3:

In a two-population model (predator-prey model) $x(t)$ denotes the population of the prey species, $y(t)$ the population of the predator species at time $t.$ The temporal growth of the populations is described by the following system of differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x(x - 1 - y) \\ y' &= y(2x - 3 - y). \end{aligned}$$

- a) Find all equilibrium points of the system.
- b) Analyze the stability of every equilibrium point.

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