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1. (20 points) Consider the second order non-homogeneous differential equation

$$y'' + 5y' + 4y = 6e^{-x} + 8x^2 + 3.$$

a. Find two solutions of the homogeneous differential equation $y'' + 5y' + 4y = 0$. Verify they are linearly independent. Give the general homogeneous solution.

$$y = e^{rx} \quad r^2 + 5r + 4 = 0 \quad (r+1)(r+4) = 0 \quad r = -1, -4$$

Two homogeneous solutions are $y_1 = e^{-x}$ $y_2 = e^{-4x}$

Assume $ay_1 + by_2 = 0$ $ae^{-x} + be^{-4x} = 0$ for all x .

$$x = 0: \quad a + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = -a \quad \text{and} \quad a(e - e^4) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a = 0, b = 0$$

$$x = -1: \quad ae + be^4 = 0$$

$$\text{OR} \quad W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{-4x} \\ -e^{-x} & -4e^{-4x} \end{vmatrix} = -4e^{-5x} + e^{-5x} = -3e^{-5x} \neq 0$$

So y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent.

The general homogeneous solution is $y_h = c_1e^{-x} + c_2e^{-4x}$.

b. Use undetermined coefficients to find a particular non-homogeneous solution.

$y_p = Axe^{-x} + Bx^2 + Cx + D$ The x is needed on the first term because $y_1 = e^{-x}$.

$$y_p' = Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x} + 2Bx + C \quad y_p'' = -2Ae^{-x} + Axe^{-x} + 2B$$

$$y_p'' + 5y_p' + 4y_p = 6e^{-x} + 8x^2 + 3 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$(-2Ae^{-x} + Axe^{-x} + 2B) + 5(Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x} + 2Bx + C) + 4(Axe^{-x} + Bx^2 + Cx + D) = 6e^{-x} + 8x^2 + 3$$

$$xe^{-x}(A - 5A + 4A) + e^{-x}(-2A + 5A) + x^2(4B) + x(10B + 4C) + 1(2B + 5C + 4D) = 6e^{-x} + 8x^2 + 3$$

$$e^{-x}(3A) + x^2(4B) + x(10B + 4C) + 1(2B + 5C + 4D) = 6e^{-x} + 8x^2 + 3$$

$$3A = 6 \quad 4B = 8 \quad 10B + 4C = 0 \quad 2B + 5C + 4D = 3$$

$$A = 2 \quad B = 2 \quad C = -5 \quad D = 6$$

$$y_p = 2xe^{-x} + 2x^2 - 5x + 6$$

c. Find the non-homogeneous solution satisfying the initial conditions: $y(0) = 6$ $y'(0) = 3$.

$$y = y_h + y_p = c_1e^{-x} + c_2e^{-4x} + 2xe^{-x} + 2x^2 - 5x + 6 \quad y(0) = c_1 + c_2 + 6 = 6$$

$$y' = -c_1e^{-x} - 4c_2e^{-4x} + 2e^{-x} - 2xe^{-x} + 4x - 5 \quad y'(0) = -c_1 - 4c_2 + 2 - 5 = 3$$

$$\text{Add:} \quad -3c_2 + 3 = 9 \quad c_2 = -2 \quad c_1 = -c_2 = 2$$

$$y = 2e^{-x} - 2e^{-4x} + 2xe^{-x} + 2x^2 - 5x + 6$$

2. (20 points) Consider the second order homogeneous differential equation

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

a. Verify $y_1 = xe^x$ is a solution. (Show your algebra!)

$$\begin{aligned} y_1' &= e^x + xe^x & y_1'' &= 2e^x + xe^x \\ x^2y_1'' + (-2x - 2x^2)y_1' + (2 + 2x + x^2)y_1 &= x^2(2e^x + xe^x) + (-2x - 2x^2)(e^x + xe^x) + (2 + 2x + x^2)(xe^x) \\ &= [x^2(2 + x) + (-2x - 2x^2)(1 + x) + (2 + 2x + x^2)x]e^x \\ &= [(2x^2 + x^3) + (-2x - 2x^2) + (-2x^2 - 2x^3) + (2x + 2x^2 + x^3)]e^x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

b. Use reduction of order (similar to variation of parameters) to find a second solution. (Be careful with your algebra. Nearly everything should cancel.)

$$\begin{aligned} y_2 &= vxe^x & y_2' &= v'xe^x + v(e^x + xe^x) & y_2'' &= v''xe^x + 2v'(e^x + xe^x) + v(2e^x + xe^x) \\ x^2y_2'' + (-2x - 2x^2)y_2' + (2 + 2x + x^2)y_2 &= 0 \\ x^2[v''xe^x + 2v'(e^x + xe^x) + v(2e^x + xe^x)] + (-2x - 2x^2)[v'xe^x + v(e^x + xe^x)] + (2 + 2x + x^2)[vxe^x] &= \end{aligned}$$

Divide by e^x and start expanding:

$$v''x^3 + 2v'(1 + x)x^2 + v(2 + x)x^2 + v'x(-2x - 2x^2) + v(1 + x)(-2x - 2x^2) + vx(2 + 2x + x^2) = 0$$

Group terms by power of v :

$$v''[x^3] + v'[2(1 + x)x^2 + x(-2x - 2x^2)] + v[(2 + x)x^2 + (1 + x)(-2x - 2x^2) + x(2 + 2x + x^2)] = 0$$

Expand:

$$v''[x^3] + v'[0] + v[0] = 0$$

$$\text{So } v'' = 0 \quad v' = C_1 \quad v = C_1x + C_2$$

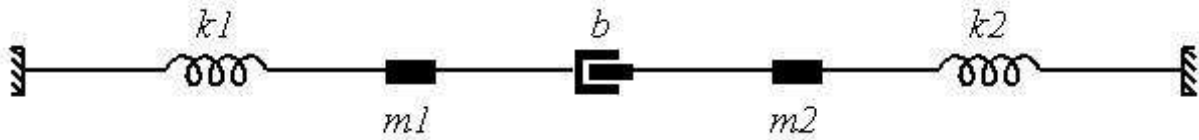
$$y_2 = vxe^x = (C_1x + C_2)xe^x = C_1x^2e^x + C_2xe^x$$

We set $C_2 = 0$ because xe^x reproduces the first solution.

We set $C_1 = 1$ because we only need one solution.

$$\boxed{y_2 = x^2e^x}$$

3. (10 points) Consider the mass-spring-piston system shown in the figure.



The masses are $m_1 = 6$ kg and $m_2 = 8$ kg.

The spring constants are $k_1 = 3$ N/m and $k_2 = 5$ N/m.

The piston pulls in with a force proportional to the velocity with which it is expanding or pushes out with a force proportional to the velocity with which it is contracting with a proportionality constant which is the drag coefficient of $b = 4$ N·sec/m.

Initially, mass m_1 is moved 2 m to the right and given a velocity of 5 m/sec to the left, while mass m_2 is moved 4 m to the left and given a velocity of 3 m/sec to the right.

Let $x(t)$ be the displacement of m_1 from its rest position measured positive to the right.

Let $y(t)$ be the displacement of m_2 from its rest position measured positive to the right.

Set up **second order differential equations** and **initial conditions** for x and y .

Do not solve the equations.

The motion of m_1 is given by:

$$m_1 x'' = -k_1 x + b(y' - x') \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{6x'' = -3x + 4(y' - x')}$$

Here, the coefficient of $k_1 x$ is negative because when m_1 is to the right of its rest position, ($x > 0$) the spring is stretched and pulls to the left.

Similarly, the coefficient of $b(y' - x')$ is positive because when m_2 is moving to the right faster than m_1 , ($y' - x' > 0$) the piston is expanding and the force on m_1 is to the right.

The motion of m_2 is given by:

$$m_2 y'' = -k_2 y - b(y' - x') \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{8y'' = -5y - 4(y' - x')}$$

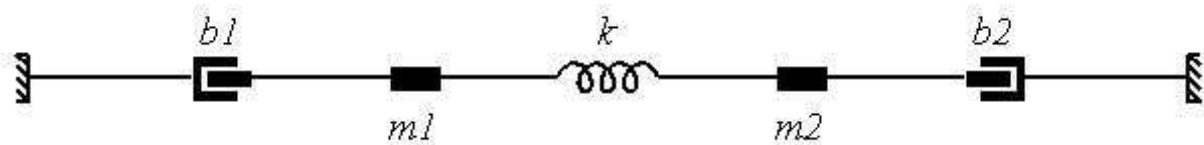
Here, the coefficient of $k_2 y$ is negative because when m_2 is to the right of its rest position, ($y > 0$) the spring is compressed and pushes to the left.

The coefficient of $b(y' - x')$ is negative because when m_2 is moving to the right faster than m_1 , ($y' - x' > 0$) the piston is expanding and the force on m_2 is to the left.

The initial conditions are:

$$\boxed{x(0) = 2 \quad x'(0) = -5 \quad y(0) = -4 \quad y'(0) = 3}$$

4. (10 points) Consider the mass-spring-piston system shown in the figure.



The masses are $m_1 = 1$ kg and $m_2 = 1$ kg. The spring constants is $k = 7$ N/m.

The drag coefficient for the pistons are $b_1 = 5$ N·sec/m and $b_2 = 6$ N·sec/m.

Each piston pulls in with a force proportional to the velocity with which it is expanding or pushes out with a force proportional to the velocity with which it is contracting.

Initially, mass m_1 is moved 1 m to the right and given a velocity of 2 m/sec to the right, while mass m_2 is moved 3 m to the left and given a velocity of 4 m/sec to the left.

Let $x(t)$ be the displacement of m_1 from it's rest position measured positive to the right.

Let $y(t)$ be the displacement of m_2 from it's rest position measured positive to the right.

The second order differential equations and initial conditions for x and y are

$$m_1 x'' = -b_1 x' + k(y - x) \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{x'' = -5x' + 7(y - x)} \quad \boxed{x(0) = 1 \quad x'(0) = 2}$$

$$m_2 y'' = -b_2 y' - k(y - x) \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{y'' = -6y' - 7(y - x)} \quad \boxed{y(0) = -3 \quad y'(0) = -4}$$

Let $p = x'$ and $q = y'$.

Set up **first order differential equations** $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$ for $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \\ y \\ q \end{pmatrix}$ and **initial conditions** for $\vec{x}(0)$.

Do not solve the equations.

$$\vec{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ p' \\ y' \\ q' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ x'' \\ q \\ y'' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ -5x' + 7(y - x) \\ q \\ -6y' - 7(y - x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ -5p + 7(y - x) \\ q \\ -6q - 7(y - x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -7 & -5 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 & -7 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \\ y \\ q \end{pmatrix} = A\vec{x} \quad \text{where} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -7 & -5 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 & -7 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ p(0) \\ y(0) \\ q(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. (20 points) Consider the first order differential equations $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$

$$\text{where } \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \\ y \\ q \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the **eigenvalues** and **eigenvectors** of A .

Then find the **general solution** of the differential equation. (Vector form is OK.)

HINT: Two of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors are:

$$r = -2 \quad \vec{u}_{-2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad r = -3 \quad \vec{u}_{-3} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - r\mathbf{1}) = \begin{vmatrix} -r & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -3-r & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -r & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -3-r \end{vmatrix} = r^4 + 6r^3 + 11r^2 + 6r = r(r+1)(r+2)(r+3)$$

$r = 0$:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \vec{u}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$r = -1$:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \vec{u}_{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{x} = c_0\vec{u}_0 + c_1e^{-t}\vec{u}_{-1} + c_2e^{-2t}\vec{u}_{-2} + c_3e^{-3t}\vec{u}_{-3}}$$

Not required:

$$x = c_0 + c_1e^{-t} + c_2e^{-2t} - c_3e^{-3t}$$

$$p = -c_1e^{-t} - 2c_2e^{-2t} + 3c_3e^{-3t}$$

$$y = c_0 + c_1e^{-t} - c_2e^{-2t} - c_3e^{-3t}$$

$$q = -c_1e^{-t} + 2c_2e^{-2t} + 3c_3e^{-3t}$$

6. (20 points) Consider the first order **non-homogeneous** system of differential equations

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{f} \quad \text{where} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \\ y \\ q \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -t \\ 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix}.$$

The general solution of the corresponding homogeneous differential equation is

$$\vec{x} = c_0\vec{u}_0 + c_1e^{-t}\vec{u}_1 + c_2e^{-2t}\vec{u}_2 + c_3e^{3t}\vec{u}_3 \quad \text{where}$$

$$\vec{u}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Use undetermined coefficients to determine a **particular solution**.

HINTS: Look for a solution of the form $\vec{x}_p = \vec{a} + t\vec{b}$.

First solve for \vec{b} and keep the arbitrary constant. Then solve for \vec{a} .

If you have time check your answer in the differential equation.

$$\text{Let } \vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We substitute into the non-homogeneous equation:

$$\vec{x}'_p = \vec{b} = A\vec{x}_p + \vec{f} = A\vec{a} + tA\vec{b} + \vec{c} + t\vec{d}$$

We equate coefficients of t and 1:

$$0 = A\vec{b} + \vec{d} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{b} = A\vec{a} + \vec{c}$$

We solve $A\vec{b} = -\vec{d}$ for \vec{b} and then $A\vec{a} = \vec{b} - \vec{c}$ for \vec{a} :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 3 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} b_1 - b_3 = -1 \\ b_2 = 0 \\ b_4 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} s-1 \\ 0 \\ s \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & s-4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & s \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & s-4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & s \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & s-4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & s \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 3 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 3s \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & s-4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & s \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6s+12 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} a_1 - a_3 = 3s \\ a_2 = s - 4 \\ a_4 = s \\ 0 = -6s + 12 \end{array} \Rightarrow s = 2$$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} r+6 \\ -2 \\ r \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{x}_p = \vec{a} + t\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} r+6 \\ -2 \\ r \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Pick any } r.$$

Check:

$$\vec{x}'_p = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x}_p + \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} r+6 \\ -2 \\ r \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -t \\ 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$