

## Problem 22

Use the method of annihilators to find the form of a particular solution  $Y(t)$  for each of the equations in Problems 13 through 18. Do not evaluate the coefficients.

### Solution

#### Problem 13

$$y''' - 2y'' + y' = t^3 + 2e^t$$

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c''' - 2y_c'' + y_c' = 0 \tag{1}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c' = re^{rt} \rightarrow y_c'' = r^2e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c''' = r^3e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^3e^{rt} - 2(r^2e^{rt}) + re^{rt} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

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

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

$$r = \{0, 1\}$$

Two solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_c = e^t$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $r = 1$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_c = te^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these three.

$$y_c(t) = C_1 + C_2e^t + C_3te^t$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p''' - 2y_p'' + y_p' = t^3 + 2e^t.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^3 - 2D^2 + D)y_p = t^3 + 2e^t$$

$$D(D - 1)^2y_p = t^3 + 2e^t$$

The operator  $D^4$  annihilates  $t^3$ , and the operator  $D - 1$  annihilates  $2e^t$ . Apply the operator  $D^4(D - 1)$  to both sides then.

$$D^4(D - 1)D(D - 1)^2y_p = D^4(D - 1)(t^3 + 2e^t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^5(D-1)^3y_p &= D^4(D-1)(t^3 + 2e^t) \\
 &= (D^5 - D^4)(t^3 + 2e^t) \\
 &= D^5(t^3 + 2e^t) - D^4(t^3 + 2e^t) \\
 &= D^5(t^3) + D^5(2e^t) - D^4(t^3) - D^4(2e^t) \\
 &= 0 + 2e^t - 0 - 2e^t \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D^8 - 3D^7 + 3D^6 - D^5)y_p &= 0 \\
 y_p^{(8)} - 3y_p^{(7)} + 3y_p^{(6)} - y_p^{(5)} &= 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(5)} = s^5 e^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(6)} = s^6 e^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(7)} = s^7 e^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(8)} = s^8 e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^8 e^{st} - 3(s^7 e^{st}) + 3(s^6 e^{st}) - s^5 e^{st} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 s^8 - 3s^7 + 3s^6 - s^5 &= 0 \\
 s^5(s-1)^3 &= 0 \\
 s &= \{0, 1\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Two solutions to equation (2) are  $y_p = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_p = e^t$ . The multiplicity of the  $s = 0$  root is 5, so a second, third, fourth, and fifth solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$ ,  $t^2$ ,  $t^3$ , and  $t^4$ :  $y_p = te^0 = t$  and  $y_p = t^2e^0 = t^2$  and  $y_p = t^3e^0 = t^3$  and  $y_p = t^4e^0 = t^4$ . The multiplicity of the  $s = 1$  root is 3, so a second and third solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$  and  $t^2$ :  $y_p = te^t$  and  $y_p = t^2e^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_p$  is a linear combination of these eight.

$$y_p(t) = C_4 + C_5t + C_6t^2 + C_7t^3 + C_8t^4 + C_9e^t + C_{10}te^t + C_{11}t^2e^t$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_4 = 0$ ,  $C_9 = 0$ , and  $C_{10} = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_5t + C_6t^2 + C_7t^3 + C_8t^4 + C_{11}t^2e^t$$

**Problem 14**

$$y''' - y' = te^{-t} + 2 \cos t$$

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c''' - y_c' = 0 \tag{1}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_c' = re^{rt} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_c'' = r^2e^{rt} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_c''' = r^3e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^3e^{rt} - re^{rt} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

$$r^3 - r = 0$$

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

$$r = \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

Three solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^{-t}$  and  $y_c = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_c = e^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these three.

$$y_c(t) = C_1e^{-t} + C_2 + C_3e^t$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p''' - y_p' = te^{-t} + 2 \cos t.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^3 - D)y_p = te^{-t} + 2 \cos t$$

$$D(D-1)(D+1)y_p = te^{-t} + 2 \cos t$$

The operator  $(D+1)^2$  annihilates  $te^{-t}$ , and the operator  $D^2+1$  annihilates  $2 \cos t$ . Apply the operator  $(D+1)^2(D^2+1)$  to both sides then.

$$(D+1)^2(D^2+1)D(D-1)(D+1)y_p = (D+1)^2(D^2+1)(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(D^2 + 1)(D - 1)(D + 1)^3 y_p &= (D^2 + 2D + 1)(D^2 + 1)(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= (D^4 + 2D^3 + 2D^2 + 2D + 1)(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= D^4(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) + 2D^3(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) + 2D^2(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &\quad + 2D(te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) + (te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= D^3(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) + 2D^2(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + 2D(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) + 2(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) + (te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= D^2(-e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} - 2 \cos t) + 2D(-e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} - 2 \cos t) \\
 &\quad + 2(-e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} - 2 \cos t) + 2(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + (te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= D(e^{-t} + e^{-t} + e^{-t} - te^{-t} + 2 \sin t) + 2(e^{-t} + e^{-t} + e^{-t} - te^{-t} + 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + 2(-e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} - 2 \cos t) + 2(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + (te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= (-e^{-t} - e^{-t} - e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) + 2(e^{-t} + e^{-t} + e^{-t} - te^{-t} + 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + 2(-e^{-t} - e^{-t} + te^{-t} - 2 \cos t) + 2(e^{-t} - te^{-t} - 2 \sin t) \\
 &\quad + (te^{-t} + 2 \cos t) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D^7 + 2D^6 + D^5 - D^3 - 2D^2 - D)y_p &= 0 \\
 y_p^{(7)} + 2y_p^{(6)} + y_p^{(5)} - y_p''' - 2y_p'' - y_p' &= 0 \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p' = s e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(5)} = s^5 e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(7)} = s^7 e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^7 e^{st} + 2(s^6 e^{st}) + s^5 e^{st} - s^3 e^{st} - 2(s^2 e^{st}) - s e^{st} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 s^7 + 2s^6 + s^5 - s^3 - 2s^2 - s &= 0 \\
 s(s^2 + 1)(s + 1)^3(s - 1) &= 0 \\
 s &= \{-1, 0, 1, -i, i\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Five solutions to equation (2) are  $y_p = e^{-t}$  and  $y_p = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_p = e^t$  and  $y_p = e^{-it}$  and  $y_p = e^{it}$ . The multiplicity of the  $s = -1$  root is 3, so a second and third solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$  and  $t^2$ :  $y_p = te^{-t}$  and  $y_p = t^2 e^{-t}$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_p$  is a linear combination of these seven.

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_p(t) &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 t^2 e^{-t} + C_4 + C_5 e^t + C_6 e^{-it} + C_7 e^{it} \\
 &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 t^2 e^{-t} + C_4 + C_5 e^t + C_6 (\cos t - i \sin t) + C_7 (\cos t + i \sin t) \\
 &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 t^2 e^{-t} + C_4 + C_5 e^t + (C_6 + C_7) \cos t + (-iC_6 + iC_7) \sin t \\
 &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 t^2 e^{-t} + C_4 + C_5 e^t + C_8 \cos t + C_9 \sin t
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_1 = 0$ ,  $C_4 = 0$ , and  $C_5 = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 t^2 e^{-t} + C_8 \cos t + C_9 \sin t$$

**Problem 15**

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

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c^{(4)} - 2y_c'' + y_c = 0 \tag{1}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c' = r e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c'' = r^2 e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c''' = r^3 e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c^{(4)} = r^4 e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^4 e^{rt} - 2(r^2 e^{rt}) + e^{rt} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

$$r^4 - 2r^2 + 1 = 0$$

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

$$r = \{-1, 1\}$$

Two solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^{-t}$  and  $y_c = e^t$ . Since the multiplicity of each root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from each one by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_c = te^{-t}$  and  $y_c = te^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these four.

$$y_c(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^t + C_3 t e^{-t} + C_4 t e^t$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p^{(4)} - 2y_p'' + y_p = e^t + \sin t.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^4 - 2D^2 + 1)y_p = e^t + \sin t$$

$$(D - 1)^2(D + 1)^2 y_p = e^t + \sin t$$

The operator  $D - 1$  annihilates  $e^t$ , and the operator  $D^2 + 1$  annihilates  $\sin t$ . Apply the operator  $(D - 1)(D^2 + 1)$  to both sides then.

$$(D - 1)(D^2 + 1)(D - 1)^2(D + 1)^2 y_p = (D - 1)(D^2 + 1)(e^t + \sin t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (D^2 + 1)(D - 1)^3(D + 1)^2 y_p &= (D - 1)(D^2 + 1)(e^t + \sin t) \\ &= (D^3 - D^2 + D - 1)(e^t + \sin t) \\ &= D^3(e^t + \sin t) - D^2(e^t + \sin t) + D(e^t + \sin t) - (e^t + \sin t) \\ &= D^2(e^t + \cos t) - D(e^t + \cos t) + (e^t + \cos t) - (e^t + \sin t) \\ &= D(e^t - \sin t) - (e^t - \sin t) + (e^t + \cos t) - (e^t + \sin t) \\ &= (e^t - \cos t) - (e^t - \sin t) + (e^t + \cos t) - (e^t + \sin t) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$(D^7 - D^6 - D^5 + D^4 - D^3 + D^2 + D - 1)y_p = 0$$

$$y_p^{(7)} - y_p^{(6)} - y_p^{(5)} + y_p^{(4)} - y_p''' + y_p'' + y_p' - y_p = 0 \quad (2)$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \rightarrow y_p' = se^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(5)} = s^5 e^{st} \rightarrow y_p^{(7)} = s^7 e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^7 e^{st} - s^6 e^{st} - s^5 e^{st} + s^4 e^{st} - s^3 e^{st} + s^2 e^{st} + se^{st} - e^{st} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$s^7 - s^6 - s^5 + s^4 - s^3 + s^2 + s - 1 = 0$$

$$(s^2 + 1)(s + 1)^2(s - 1)^3 = 0$$

$$s = \{-1, 1, -i, i\}$$

Four solutions to equation (2) are then  $y_p = e^{-t}$  and  $y_p = e^t$  and  $y_p = e^{-it}$  and  $y_p = e^{it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = -1$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^{-t}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 1$  root is 3, a second and third linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$  and  $t^2$ :  $y_p = te^t$  and  $y_p = t^2 e^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_p$  is a linear combination of these seven.

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 e^t + C_4 t e^t + C_5 t^2 e^t + C_6 e^{-it} + C_7 e^{it} \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 e^t + C_4 t e^t + C_5 t^2 e^t + C_6 (\cos t - i \sin t) + C_7 (\cos t + i \sin t) \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 e^t + C_4 t e^t + C_5 t^2 e^t + (C_6 + C_7) \cos t + (-iC_6 + iC_7) \sin t \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 t e^{-t} + C_3 e^t + C_4 t e^t + C_5 t^2 e^t + C_8 \cos t + C_9 \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_1 = 0$ ,  $C_2 = 0$ ,  $C_3 = 0$ , and  $C_4 = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_5 t^2 e^t + C_8 \cos t + C_9 \sin t$$

**Problem 16**

$$y^{(4)} + 4y'' = \sin 2t + te^t + 4$$

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c^{(4)} + 4y_c'' = 0 \tag{1}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c' = re^{rt} \rightarrow y_c'' = r^2e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c''' = r^3e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c^{(4)} = r^4e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^4e^{rt} + 4(r^2e^{rt}) = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

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

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

$$r = \{0, -2i, 2i\}$$

Three solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_c = e^{-2it}$  and  $y_c = e^{2it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $r = 0$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_c = te^0 = t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these four.

$$\begin{aligned} y_c(t) &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3e^{-2it} + C_4e^{2it} \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3(\cos 2t - i \sin 2t) + C_4(\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + (C_3 + C_4) \cos 2t + (-iC_3 + iC_4) \sin 2t \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_5 \cos 2t + C_6 \sin 2t \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p^{(4)} + 4y_p'' = \sin 2t + te^t + 4.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^4 + 4D^2)y_p = \sin 2t + te^t + 4$$

$$D^2(D^2 + 4)y_p = \sin 2t + te^t + 4$$

The operator  $D^2 + 4$  annihilates  $\sin 2t$ , the operator  $(D - 1)^2$  annihilates  $te^t$ , and the operator  $D$  annihilates 4. Apply the operator  $D(D^2 + 4)(D - 1)^2$  to both sides then.

$$D(D^2 + 4)(D - 1)^2D^2(D^2 + 4)y_p = D(D^2 + 4)(D - 1)^2(\sin 2t + te^t + 4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^3(D^2 + 4)^2(D - 1)^2y_p &= (D^5 - 2D^4 + 5D^3 - 8D^2 + 4D)(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) \\
 &= D^5(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) - 2D^4(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) + 5D^3(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) \\
 &\quad - 8D^2(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) + 4D(\sin 2t + te^t + 4) \\
 &= D^4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) - 2D^3(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) + 5D^2(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad - 8D(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) + 4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &= D^3(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 2D^2(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 5D(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 8(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) + 4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &= D^2(-8 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 2D(-8 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 5(-8 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 8(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &= D(16 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 2(16 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 5(-8 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 8(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &= (32 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 2(16 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 5(-8 \cos 2t + e^t + e^t + e^t + te^t) - 8(-4 \sin 2t + e^t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &\quad + 4(2 \cos 2t + e^t + te^t) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D^9 - 2D^8 + 9D^7 - 16D^6 + 24D^5 - 32D^4 + 16D^3)y_p &= 0 \\
 y_p^{(9)} - 2y_p^{(8)} + 9y_p^{(7)} - 16y_p^{(6)} + 24y_p^{(5)} - 32y_p^{(4)} + 16y_p''' &= 0 \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p' = se^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(5)} = s^5e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(9)} = s^9e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^9e^{st} - 2(s^8e^{st}) + 9(s^7e^{st}) - 16(s^6e^{st}) + 24(s^5e^{st}) - 32(s^4e^{st}) + 16(s^3e^{st}) = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$s^9 - 2s^8 + 9s^7 - 16s^6 + 24s^5 - 32s^4 + 16s^3 = 0$$

$$s^3(s - 1)^2(s^2 + 4)^2 = 0$$

$$s = \{0, 1, -2i, 2i\}$$

Four solutions to equation (2) are then  $y_p = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_p = e^t$  and  $y_p = e^{-2it}$  and  $y_p = e^{2it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 0$  root is 3, a second and third linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$  and  $t^2$ :  $y_p = te^0 = t$  and  $y_p = t^2e^0 = t^2$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 1$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^t$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = -2i$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^{-2it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 2i$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution



can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^{2it}$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_p$  is a linear combination of these nine.

$$\begin{aligned}y_p(t) &= C_7 + C_8t + C_9t^2 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{12}e^{-2it} + C_{13}te^{-2it} + C_{14}e^{2it} + C_{15}te^{2it} \\ &= C_7 + C_8t + C_9t^2 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{12}(\cos 2t - i \sin 2t) + C_{13}t(\cos 2t - i \sin 2t) \\ &\quad + C_{14}(\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) + C_{15}t(\cos 2t + i \sin 2t) \\ &= C_7 + C_8t + C_9t^2 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + (C_{12} + C_{14}) \cos 2t + (-iC_{12} + iC_{14}) \sin 2t \\ &\quad + (C_{13} + C_{15})t \cos 2t + (-iC_{13} + iC_{15})t \sin 2t \\ &= C_7 + C_8t + C_9t^2 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{16} \cos 2t + C_{17} \sin 2t + C_{18}t \cos 2t + C_{19}t \sin 2t\end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_7 = 0$ ,  $C_8 = 0$ ,  $C_{16} = 0$ , and  $C_{17} = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_9t^2 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{18}t \cos 2t + C_{19}t \sin 2t$$

**Problem 17**

$$y^{(4)} - y''' - y'' + y' = t^2 + 4 + t \sin t$$

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c^{(4)} - y_c''' - y_c'' + y_c' = 0 \quad (1)$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c' = r e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c'' = r^2 e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c''' = r^3 e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c^{(4)} = r^4 e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^4 e^{rt} - r^3 e^{rt} - r^2 e^{rt} + r e^{rt} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

$$r^4 - r^3 - r^2 + r = 0$$

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

$$r = \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

Three solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^{-t}$  and  $y_c = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_c = e^t$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $r = 1$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_c = t e^t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these four.

$$y_c(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 + C_3 e^t + C_4 t e^t$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p^{(4)} - y_p''' - y_p'' + y_p' = t^2 + 4 + t \sin t.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^4 - D^3 - D^2 + D)y_p = t^2 + 4 + t \sin t$$

$$D(D+1)(D-1)^2 y_p = t^2 + 4 + t \sin t$$

The operator  $D^3$  annihilates  $t^2 + 4$ , and the operator  $(D^2 + 1)^2$  annihilates  $t \sin t$ . Apply the operator  $D^3(D^2 + 1)^2$  to both sides then.

$$D^3(D^2 + 1)^2 D(D+1)(D-1)^2 y_p = D^3(D^2 + 1)^2 (t^2 + 4 + t \sin t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^4(D^2 + 1)^2(D + 1)(D - 1)^2y_p &= (D^7 + 2D^5 + D^3)(t^2 + 4 + t \sin t) \\
 &= D^7(t^2 + 4 + t \sin t) + 2D^5(t^2 + 4 + t \sin t) + D^3(t^2 + 4 + t \sin t) \\
 &= D^6(2t + \sin t + t \cos t) + 2D^4(2t + \sin t + t \cos t) + D^2(2t + \sin t + t \cos t) \\
 &= D^5(2 + \cos t + \cos t - t \sin t) + 2D^3(2 + \cos t + \cos t - t \sin t) \\
 &\quad + D(2 + \cos t + \cos t - t \sin t) \\
 &= D^4(-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) + 2D^2(-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &= D^3(-\cos t - \cos t - \cos t - \cos t + t \sin t) \\
 &\quad + 2D(-\cos t - \cos t - \cos t - \cos t + t \sin t) \\
 &\quad + (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &= D^2(\sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + 2(\sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &= D(\cos t + \cos t + \cos t + \cos t + \cos t + \cos t - t \sin t) \\
 &\quad + 2(\sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &= (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - \sin t - \sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + 2(\sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + \sin t + t \cos t) \\
 &\quad + (-\sin t - \sin t - \sin t - t \cos t) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D^{11} - D^{10} + D^9 - D^8 - D^7 + D^6 - D^5 + D^4)y_p &= 0 \\
 y_p^{(11)} - y_p^{(10)} + y_p^{(9)} - y_p^{(8)} - y_p^{(7)} + y_p^{(6)} - y_p^{(5)} + y_p^{(4)} &= 0 \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p' = se^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(5)} = s^5 e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(9)} = s^9 e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(11)} = s^{11} e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^{11}e^{st} - s^{10}e^{st} + s^9e^{st} - s^8e^{st} - s^7e^{st} + s^6e^{st} - s^5e^{st} + s^4e^{st} = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$s^{11} - s^{10} + s^9 - s^8 - s^7 + s^6 - s^5 + s^4 = 0$$

$$s^4(s + 1)(s - 1)^2(s^2 + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$s = \{-1, 0, 1, -i, i\}$$

Five solutions to equation (2) are then  $y_p = e^{-t}$  and  $y_p = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_p = e^t$  and  $y_p = e^{-it}$  and  $y_p = e^{it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 0$  root is 4, a second, third, and fourth linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including factors of  $t$ ,  $t^2$ , and  $t^3$ :  $y_p = te^0 = t$  and  $y_p = t^2e^0 = t^2$  and  $y_p = t^3e^0 = t^3$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = 1$  root is 2, a

second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^t$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = -i$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^{-it}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $s = i$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^{it}$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_p$  is a linear combination of these eleven.

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_p(t) &= C_5e^{-t} + C_6 + C_7t + C_8t^2 + C_9t^3 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{12}e^{-it} + C_{13}te^{-it} + C_{14}e^{it} + C_{15}te^{it} \\
 &= C_5e^{-t} + C_6 + C_7t + C_8t^2 + C_9t^3 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{12}(\cos t - i \sin t) + C_{13}t(\cos t - i \sin t) \\
 &\quad + C_{14}(\cos t + i \sin t) + C_{15}t(\cos t + i \sin t) \\
 &= C_5e^{-t} + C_6 + C_7t + C_8t^2 + C_9t^3 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + (C_{12} + C_{14}) \cos t + (-iC_{12} + iC_{14}) \sin t \\
 &\quad + (C_{13} + C_{15})t \cos t + (-iC_{13} + iC_{15})t \sin t \\
 &= C_5e^{-t} + C_6 + C_7t + C_8t^2 + C_9t^3 + C_{10}e^t + C_{11}te^t + C_{16} \cos t + C_{17} \sin t + C_{18}t \cos t + C_{19}t \sin t
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_5 = 0$ ,  $C_6 = 0$ ,  $C_{10} = 0$ , and  $C_{11} = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_7t + C_8t^2 + C_9t^3 + C_{16} \cos t + C_{17} \sin t + C_{18}t \cos t + C_{19}t \sin t$$

**Problem 18**

$$y^{(4)} + 2y''' + 2y'' = 3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t$$

This is a linear inhomogeneous ODE, so the general solution can be expressed as a sum of  $y_c(t)$  and  $y_p(t)$ , the complementary solution and the particular solution, respectively.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c^{(4)} + 2y_c''' + 2y_c'' = 0 \tag{1}$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_c = e^{rt}$ .

$$y_c = e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c' = re^{rt} \rightarrow y_c'' = r^2e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c''' = r^3e^{rt} \rightarrow y_c^{(4)} = r^4e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^4e^{rt} + 2(r^3e^{rt}) + 2(r^2e^{rt}) = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{rt}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} r^4 + 2r^3 + 2r^2 &= 0 \\ r^2(r^2 + 2r + 2) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Use the zero product theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0 \\ r = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(2)}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i \\ r = \{0, -1 - i, -1 + i\} \end{aligned}$$

Three solutions to equation (1) are then  $y_c = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_c = e^{(-1-i)t}$  and  $y_c = e^{(-1+i)t}$ . Since the multiplicity of the  $r = 0$  root is 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from the first by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_c = te^0 = t$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution for  $y_c$  is a linear combination of these four.

$$\begin{aligned} y_c(t) &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3e^{(-1-i)t} + C_4e^{(-1+i)t} \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3e^{-t-it} + C_4e^{-t+it} \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3e^{-t}e^{-it} + C_4e^{-t}e^{it} \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_3e^{-t}(\cos t - i \sin t) + C_4e^{-t}(\cos t + i \sin t) \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + (C_3 + C_4)e^{-t} \cos t + (-iC_3 + iC_4)e^{-t} \sin t \\ &= C_1 + C_2t + C_5e^{-t} \cos t + C_6e^{-t} \sin t \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p^{(4)} + 2y_p''' + 2y_p'' = 3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t.$$

Apply the method of annihilators to determine  $y_p$ .

$$(D^4 + 2D^3 + 2D^2)y_p = 3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t$$

$$D^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)y_p = 3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t$$

The operator  $D - 1$  annihilates  $3e^t$ , the operator  $(D + 1)^2$  annihilates  $2te^{-t}$ , and the operator  $D^2 + 2D + 2$  annihilates  $e^{-t} \sin t$ . Apply the operator  $(D - 1)(D + 1)^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)$  to both sides then.

$$\begin{aligned} (D - 1)(D + 1)^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)D^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)y_p &= (D - 1)(D + 1)^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) \\ D^2(D^2 + 2D + 2)^2(D - 1)(D + 1)^2y_p &= (D^5 + 3D^4 + 3D^3 - D^2 - 4D - 2)(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) \\ &= D^5(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) + 3D^4(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) \\ &\quad + 3D^3(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) - D^2(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) \\ &\quad - 4D(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) - 2(3e^t + 2te^{-t} + e^{-t} \sin t) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Expand the left side.

$$\begin{aligned} (D^9 + 5D^8 + 11D^7 + 11D^6 - 12D^4 - 12D^3 - 4D^2)y_p &= 0 \\ y_p^{(9)} + 5y_p^{(8)} + 11y_p^{(7)} + 11y_p^{(6)} - 12y_p^{(4)} - 12y_p''' - 4y_p'' &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Since each term on the left has constant coefficients, the solution is of the form  $y_p = e^{st}$ .

$$y_p = e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p' = se^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(5)} = s^5 e^{st} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_p^{(9)} = s^9 e^{st}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$s^9 e^{st} + 5(s^8 e^{st}) + 11(s^7 e^{st}) + 11(s^6 e^{st}) - 12(s^4 e^{st}) - 12(s^3 e^{st}) - 4(s^2 e^{st}) = 0$$

Divide both sides by  $e^{st}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} s^9 + 5s^8 + 11s^7 + 11s^6 - 12s^4 - 12s^3 - 4s^2 &= 0 \\ s^2(s + 1)^2(s - 1)(s^2 + 2s + 2) &= 0 \\ s &= \{-1, 0, 1, -1 - i, -1 + i\} \end{aligned}$$

Five solutions to equation (2) are then  $y_p = e^{-t}$  and  $y_p = e^0 = 1$  and  $y_p = e^t$  and  $y_p = e^{(-1-i)t}$  and  $y_p = e^{(-1+i)t}$ . Since every root except  $s = 1$  is of multiplicity 2, a second linearly independent solution can be obtained from each of them by including a factor of  $t$ :  $y_p = te^0 = t$  and  $y_p = te^{-t}$  and  $y_p = te^{(-1-i)t}$  and  $y_p = te^{(-1+i)t}$ . By the principle of superposition, the general solution is a linear combination of these nine.

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + C_{12} e^{(-1-i)t} + C_{13} t e^{(-1-i)t} + C_{14} e^{(-1+i)t} + C_{15} t e^{(-1+i)t} \\ &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + C_{12} e^{-t-it} + C_{13} t e^{-t-it} + C_{14} e^{-t+it} + C_{15} t e^{-t+it} \\ &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + C_{12} e^{-t} e^{-it} + C_{13} t e^{-t} e^{-it} + C_{14} e^{-t} e^{it} + C_{15} t e^{-t} e^{it} \\ &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + C_{12} e^{-t} (\cos t - i \sin t) + C_{13} t e^{-t} (\cos t - i \sin t) \\ &\quad + C_{14} e^{-t} (\cos t + i \sin t) + C_{15} t e^{-t} (\cos t + i \sin t) \\ &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + (C_{12} + C_{14}) e^{-t} \cos t + (-iC_{12} + iC_{14}) e^{-t} \sin t \\ &\quad + (C_{13} + C_{15}) t e^{-t} \cos t + (-iC_{13} + iC_{15}) t e^{-t} \sin t \\ &= C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_9 + C_{10} t + C_{11} e^t + C_{16} e^{-t} \cos t + C_{17} e^{-t} \sin t + C_{18} t e^{-t} \cos t + C_{19} t e^{-t} \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to  $y_c(t)$ , we set  $C_9 = 0$ ,  $C_{10} = 0$ ,  $C_{16} = 0$ , and  $C_{17} = 0$  so that no terms are shared in common.

$$y_p(t) = C_7 e^{-t} + C_8 t e^{-t} + C_{11} e^t + C_{18} t e^{-t} \cos t + C_{19} t e^{-t} \sin t$$