

Answer on Question #82482 – Math – Differential Equations

Question

Laplace transform to solve the following ode

$$4y'' + y' - 3y = 2e^{-5t} \quad \text{initial conditions} \quad y'(0) = y(0) = 1.$$

Solution

Let $Y(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $y(t)$. Taking the Laplace transform of the differential equation we have:

$$L[4y'' + y' - 3y] = L[2e^{-5t}].$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} L[4y'' + y' - 3y] &= 4L[y''] + L[y'] - 3L[y] = 4 \cdot (s^2 \cdot Y(s) - s \cdot y(0) - y'(0)) + \\ &+ s \cdot Y(s) - y(0) - 3 \cdot Y(s) = 4 \cdot s^2 \cdot Y(s) - 4 \cdot s \cdot 1 - 4 \cdot 1 + s \cdot Y(s) - 1 - 3 \cdot Y(s) = \\ &= Y(s) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3) - 4s - 5; \end{aligned}$$

$$L[2e^{-5t}] = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{s+5} = \frac{2}{s+5}.$$

Then

$$Y(s) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3) - 4s - 5 = \frac{2}{s+5};$$

$$Y(s) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3) = \frac{2}{s+5} + 4s + 5;$$

$$Y(s) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3) = \frac{2 + (4s + 5) \cdot (s + 5)}{s + 5};$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{2 + 4s^2 + 20s + 5s + 25}{(s + 5) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3)};$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{4s^2 + 25s + 27}{(s + 5) \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3)};$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{4s^2 + 25s + 27}{(s + 5) \cdot (s + 1) \cdot (4s - 3)}.$$

We can simplify this expression using the method of partial fractions.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{4s^2 + 25s + 27}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)} &= \frac{A}{s+5} + \frac{B}{s+1} + \frac{C}{4s-3} = \\
&= \frac{A \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3) + B \cdot (s+5) \cdot (4s-3) + C \cdot (s+1) \cdot (s+5)}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)} = \\
&= \frac{A \cdot (4s^2 - 3s + 4s - 3) + B \cdot (4s^2 - 3s + 20s - 15) + C \cdot (s^2 + 5s + s + 5)}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)} = \\
&= \frac{A \cdot (4s^2 + s - 3) + B \cdot (4s^2 + 17s - 15) + C \cdot (s^2 + 6s + 5)}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)} = \\
&= \frac{s^2 \cdot (4A + 4B + C) + s \cdot (A + 17B + 6C) + (-3A - 15B + 5C)}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)};
\end{aligned}$$

$$s^2: \quad 4A + 4B + C = 4,$$

$$s^1: \quad A + 17B + 6C = 25,$$

$$s^0: \quad -3A - 15B + 5C = 27.$$

We have a system:

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{cases} 4A + 4B + C = 4; \\ A + 17B + 6C = 25; \\ -3A - 15B + 5C = 27; \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = 4 - 4A - 4B; \\ A + 17B + 6 \cdot (4 - 4A - 4B) = 25; \\ -3A - 15B + 5C = 27; \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = 4 - 4A - 4B; \\ A + 17B + 24 - 24A - 24B = 25; \\ -3A - 15B + 5C = 27; \end{cases} \Rightarrow \\
\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = 4 - 4A - 4B; \\ -23A - 7B = 1; \\ -3A - 15B + 5C = 27; \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = 4 - 4A - 4 \cdot \left(-\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}\right); \\ B = -\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}; \\ -3A - 15B + 5C = 27; \end{cases} \Rightarrow \\
\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = \frac{64}{7}A + \frac{32}{7}; \\ B = -\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}; \\ -3A - 15 \cdot \left(-\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}\right) + 5 \cdot \left(\frac{64}{7}A + \frac{32}{7}\right) = 27; \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = \frac{64}{7}A + \frac{32}{7}; \\ B = -\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}; \\ -3A + \frac{345}{7}A + \frac{15}{7} + \frac{320}{7}A + \frac{160}{7} = 27; \end{cases} \Rightarrow \\
\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = \frac{64}{7}A + \frac{32}{7}; \\ B = -\frac{23}{7}A - \frac{1}{7}; \\ \frac{644}{7}A = \frac{14}{7}; \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C = \frac{768}{161}; \\ B = -\frac{3}{14}; \\ A = \frac{1}{46}. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4s^2 + 25s + 27}{(s+5) \cdot (s+1) \cdot (4s-3)} = \frac{A}{s+5} + \frac{B}{s+1} + \frac{C}{4s-3} = \frac{1}{46} \cdot \frac{1}{s+5} - \frac{3}{14} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} +$$

$$+ \frac{768}{161} \cdot \frac{1}{4s-3} = \frac{1}{46} \cdot \frac{1}{s+5} - \frac{3}{14} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{768}{161 \cdot 4} \cdot \frac{1}{s-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{46} \cdot \frac{1}{s+5} -$$

$$- \frac{3}{14} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{192}{161} \cdot \frac{1}{s-\frac{3}{4}}.$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{46} \cdot \frac{1}{s+5} - \frac{3}{14} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{192}{161} \cdot \frac{1}{s-\frac{3}{4}};$$

$$\frac{1}{s+5} \rightarrow e^{-5t},$$

$$\frac{1}{s+1} \rightarrow e^{-t},$$

$$\frac{1}{s-\frac{3}{4}} \rightarrow e^{\frac{3}{4}t}.$$

$$Y(s) \rightarrow y(t).$$

One finally gets

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{46} \cdot e^{-5t} - \frac{3}{14} \cdot e^{-t} + \frac{192}{161} \cdot e^{\frac{3}{4}t}.$$

Answer: $y(t) = \frac{1}{46} \cdot e^{-5t} - \frac{3}{14} \cdot e^{-t} + \frac{192}{161} \cdot e^{\frac{3}{4}t}.$