



## Edexcel A Level FM Revision Questions: Solutions

### Differential equations; SHM

#### Solution 1

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{x}{x+1}y = \frac{e^{2x}}{x+1}$$

$$I.F. = e^{\int -\frac{x}{x+1} dx} = e^{\int -1 + \frac{1}{x+1} dx} = e^{-x + \ln(x+1)}$$

$$= e^{\ln(e^{-x}) + \ln(x+1)} = e^{\ln(e^{-x}) + \ln(x+1)} = e^{\ln[e^{-x}(x+1)]} = e^{-x}(x+1)$$

$$e^{-x}(x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} - e^{-x}xy = e^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[e^{-x}(x+1)y] = e^x$$

$$e^{-x}(x+1)y = \int e^x dx$$

$$e^{-x}(x+1)y = e^x + C$$

$$y = \frac{e^x(e^x + C)}{(x+1)}$$

when  $x = 0$  then  $y = -3 \Rightarrow -3 = 1 + C \Rightarrow C = -4$

$$y = \frac{e^x(e^x - 4)}{(x+1)}$$

#### Question 2

(i)

$$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{2}{(t+1)}v = g - \frac{2}{(t+1)}$$

$$IF = e^{\int \frac{2}{(t+1)} dt} = e^{2 \ln(t+1)} = e^{\ln(t+1)^2} = (t+1)^2$$

$$(t+1)^2 \frac{dv}{dt} + 2(t+1)v = g(t+1)^2 - 2(t+1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[(t+1)^2 v] = g(t+1)^2 - 2(t+1)$$

$$(t+1)^2 v = \int g(t+1)^2 - 2(t+1) dt$$

$$(t+1)^2 v = \frac{1}{3}g(t+1)^3 - (t+1)^2 + C$$

$$v = \frac{1}{3}(t+1)g - 1 + C(t+1)^{-2}$$

$$\text{When } t = 0 \text{ then } v = 0 \Rightarrow C = 1 - \frac{1}{3}g$$

$$v = \frac{1}{3}(t+1)g - 1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}g\right)(t+1)^{-2}$$

2 (ii)

$$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{4}{(t+1)}v = g$$

$$IF = e^{\int \frac{4}{(t+1)} dt} = e^{4 \ln(t+1)} = e^{\ln(t+1)^4} = (t+1)^4$$

$$(t+1)^4 \frac{dv}{dt} + 4(t+1)^3 v = g(t+1)^4$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [(t+1)^4 v] = g(t+1)^4$$

$$(t+1)^4 v = \int g(t+1)^4 dt$$

$$(t+1)^4 v = \frac{1}{5}g(t+1)^5 + C$$

$$v = \frac{1}{5}(t+1)g + C(t+1)^{-4}$$

$$\text{When } t = 0 \text{ then } v = 0 \Rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{5}g$$

$$v = \frac{1}{5}(t+1)g - \frac{1}{5}g(t+1)^{-4}$$

### Question 3

(i) *Auxillary equation is*  $m^2 + 25 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow m = \pm 5i$$

*Complementary solution is*  $y = A \cos 5t + B \sin 5t$

*The sytem will exhibit simple harmonic motion SHM with frequency*  $\frac{2\pi}{5}$

(ii) *Let Particular Integral PI be*  $y = P \cos 4t + Q \sin 4t$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = -4P \sin 4t + 4Q \cos 4t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -16P \cos 4t - 16Q \sin 4t$$

$$\text{subst. into } \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 25y = 41 \cos 4t \Rightarrow -16P \cos 4t - 16Q \sin 4t + 25P \cos 4t + 25Q \sin 4t = 41 \cos 4t$$

$$\Rightarrow -16P + 25P = 41 \Rightarrow P = \frac{41}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow -16Q + 25Q = 0 \Rightarrow Q = 0$$

$$\text{Thus PI is } y = \frac{41}{9} \cos 4t$$

$$\text{and the general solution is } y = A \cos 5t + B \sin 5t + \frac{41}{9} \cos 4t$$

$$\text{(iii) when } y = 1 \text{ and } t = 0 \Rightarrow 1 = A + \frac{41}{9} \Rightarrow A = -\frac{32}{9}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -5A \sin 5t + 5B \cos 5t - \frac{41 \times 4}{9} \sin 4t$$

$$\text{when } t = 0 \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\text{Particular solution is } y = \frac{41}{9} \cos 4t - \frac{32}{9} \cos 5t$$

(iv)

The system exhibits oscillations of a combination of two harmonic motions with

frequencies  $\frac{2\pi}{5}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

(v) The Auxillary equation is  $m^2 + 8m + 25 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow m = -4 \pm 3i$$

Complementary solution is  $y = e^{-4t}(A \cos 3t + B \sin 3t)$

Let Particular Integral PI be  $y = P \cos 4t + Q \sin 4t$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = -4P \sin 4t + 4Q \cos 4t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -16P \cos 4t - 16Q \sin 4t$$

$$\text{subst. into } \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dy}{dt} + 25y = 221 \cos 4t$$

$$\Rightarrow -16P \cos 4t - 16Q \sin 4t - 32P \sin 4t + 32Q \cos 4t + 25P \cos 4t + 25Q \sin 4t = 221 \cos 4t$$

$$\Rightarrow -16Q - 32P + 25Q = 0 \Rightarrow P = \frac{9}{32}Q$$

$$\Rightarrow -16P + 32Q + 25P = 41 \Rightarrow 9P + 32Q = 41$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{369}{1105} \text{ and } Q = \frac{41}{1105}$$

$$\text{Thus PI is } y = \frac{369}{1105} \cos 4t + \frac{1312}{1105} \sin 4t$$

$$\text{and the general solution is } y = e^{-4t}(A \cos 3t + B \sin 3t) + \frac{369}{1105} \cos 4t + \frac{1312}{1105} \sin 4t$$

(vi) *The system exhibits oscillations of combination of two harmonic motions with*

$$\text{frequencies } \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ and } \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

*but the 2nd harmonic motion is damped.*

*(The damping ratio is 0.8 so the damping is subcritical.)*

#### Question 4

**Auxillary equation is  $m^2 + 6m + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow m = -3 \text{ and } -3$**

**Complementary function is  $y = (A + Bx)e^{-3x}$**

Let PI be  $y = \lambda e^{2x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2\lambda e^{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 4\lambda e^{2x}$$

$$\text{subst. into } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6\frac{dy}{dx} + 9 = 5e^{2x} \text{ gives } 4\lambda + 12\lambda + 9\lambda = 5 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{so general solution is } y = (A + Bx)e^{-3x} + \frac{1}{5}e^{2x}$$

$$\text{(ii) when } x = 0 \text{ then } y = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = A + \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow A = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -3(A + Bx)e^{-3x} + Be^{-3x} + \frac{2}{5}e^{2x}$$

$$\text{when } x = 0 \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = -3A + B + \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow B = 2$$

$$\text{so particular solution is } y = \left(\frac{4}{5} + 2x\right)e^{-3x} + \frac{1}{5}e^{2x}$$

#### Question 5

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 2 \frac{dx}{dt} - \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 2 \frac{dx}{dt} - (5x - 4y + 11)$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 2 \frac{dx}{dt} - \left\{ 5x - 4 \left( 2x - \frac{dx}{dt} + 5 \right) + 11 \right\}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dx}{dt} - 3x = 9$$

Auxillary equation is  $m^2 + 2m - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow m = -3$  and  $m = 1$

Complementary solution is  $x = Ae^{-3t} + Be^t$

Let PI be  $x = \lambda \Rightarrow -3\lambda = 9 \Rightarrow \lambda = -3$

General solution is  $x = Ae^{-3t} + Be^t - 3$

$$\text{Now } y = 2x - \frac{dx}{dt} + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2(Ae^{-3t} + Be^t - 3) - (-3Ae^{-3t} + Be^t) + 5$$

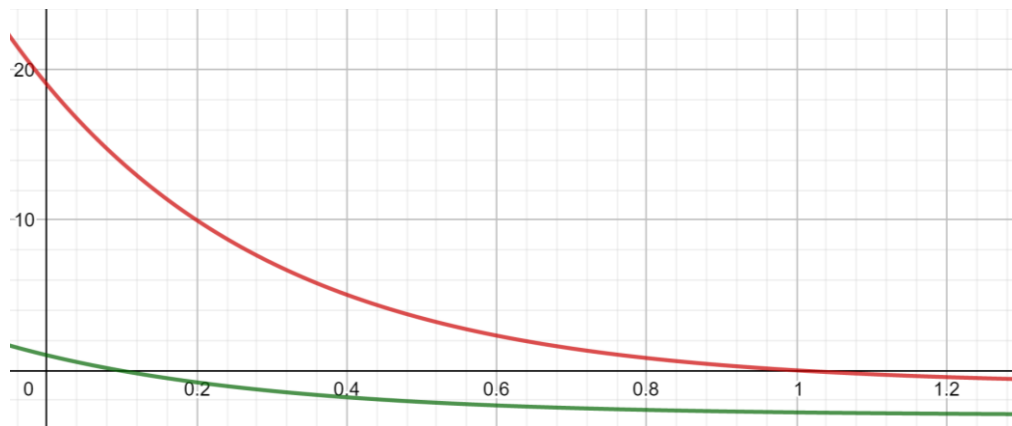
$$\Rightarrow y = 5Ae^{-3t} + Be^t - 1$$

$$x = 1, y = 19 \text{ when } t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = A + B$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 = 5A + B$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 4 \text{ and } B = 0 \Rightarrow x = 4e^{-3t} - 3 \text{ and } y = 20e^{-3t} - 1$$



The particle moves towards  $(-3, -1)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$