

**ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IA 2014**

**Paper 4 Mathematical Methods**

**Solutions**

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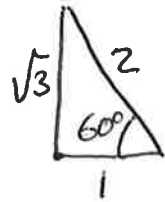
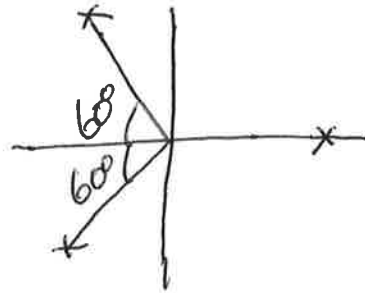
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$$1/a^3 = 1$$

$$1 = e^{j(0+2n\pi)}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2$$

$$a = e^{j\frac{2}{3}n\pi}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Det } A &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a^2 & a \\ 1 & a & a^2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(a^4 - a^2) - 1(a^2 - a) + 1(a - a^2) \\ &= a^4 - 3a^2 + 2a \\ &= 3(a - a^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note } a^2 &= (e^{j2\pi/3})^2 = e^{j4\pi/3} \\ &= (e^{j4\pi/3})^2 = e^{j8\pi/3} = e^{j2\pi/3} \end{aligned}$$

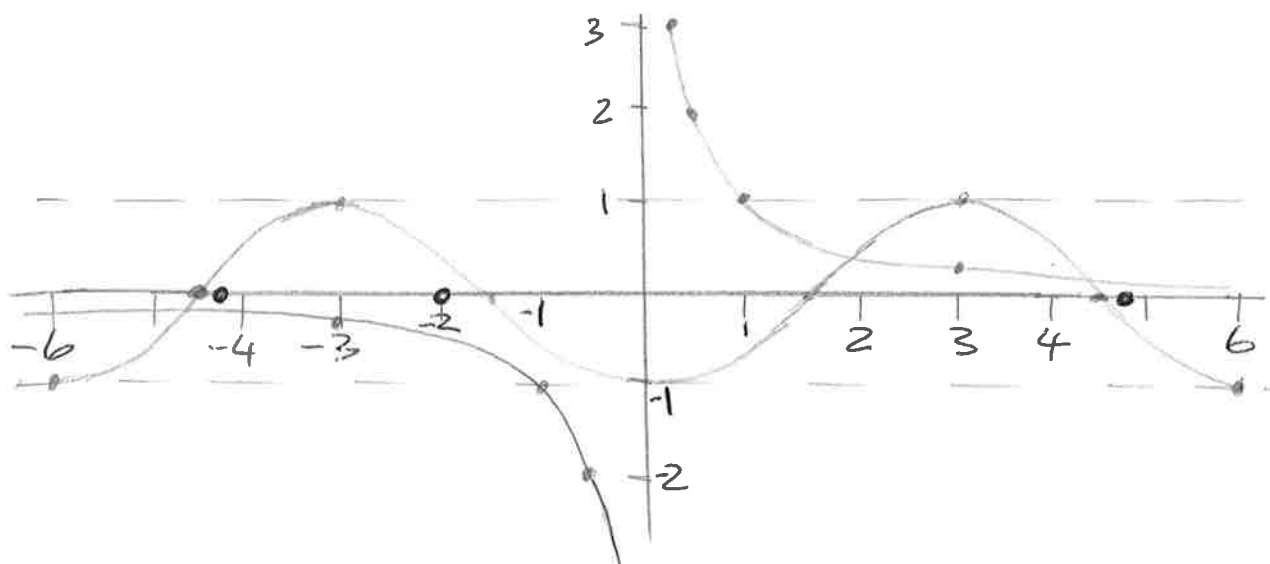
$$a = 1; \text{ Det } A = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a = e^{j2\pi/3}; \text{ Det } A &= 3(e^{j2\pi/3} - e^{j4\pi/3}) \\ &= 3\left(2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)j = 3\sqrt{3}j \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a = e^{j4\pi/3}; \text{ Det } A &= 3(e^{j4\pi/3} - e^{j2\pi/3}) \\ &= -3\sqrt{3}j \end{aligned}$$

$$2/ \quad y = \frac{1}{x} - \cos x$$

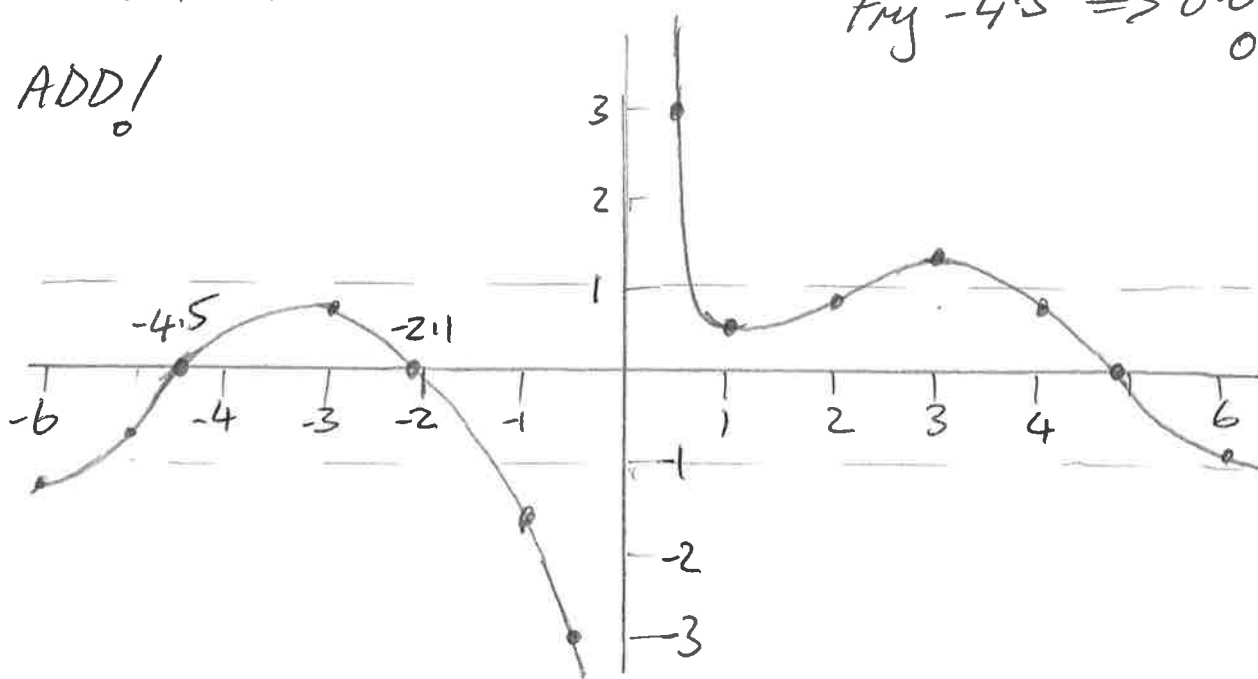
Sketch  $\frac{1}{x}$  &  $\cos x$  on the same axes



Compare ~ likely intersections at  $-2, -4.3$

Check:  $-2 / \frac{1}{-2} - \cos -2 = -0.08$      $-4.3 / \Rightarrow +0.16$   
 ( $\frac{1}{x}$  changes slowly)  
 $-2.1 \Rightarrow 0.03$  OK  
 try  $-4.5 \Rightarrow 0.021$  OK.

ADD!



$$3/a) \underline{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1 = 3$$

$$\underline{u}_1 \times \underline{u}_2 = \underline{u}_3$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\underline{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_2 = 2$$

$$= \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\lambda_3 = 1$$

$$A = U \Lambda U^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) As Ans is Real and Symmetric, it's good.

$$\text{Trace}[A] = 6 = \text{Det } \Lambda$$

ie.  $A^T = A$   
& real

$$A \underline{u}_n = \lambda_n \underline{u}_n, \text{ for all } n$$

$$\text{Det}(A - \lambda_n I) = 0, \text{ for all } \lambda_n$$

All of the above are simple to perform.

4 (c) Vectors must meet at the vertex

$$\text{check } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{a} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{b} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{c}$$

$$\underline{b} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{c} = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 6\alpha$$

$$\text{Vol} = \frac{1}{6} |6\alpha| = \alpha$$

(d) Area of base =  $\frac{1}{2} |\underline{b} \times \underline{c}|$

$$|\underline{b} \times \underline{c}| = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -j2\alpha + k\alpha$$

$$\frac{1}{2} |\underline{b} \times \underline{c}| = \frac{1}{2} \alpha \sqrt{5}$$

Height = distance of 1, 3, 0 to opposite face.

$$= \frac{3 \cdot \text{Vol}}{\frac{1}{2} \alpha \sqrt{5}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}$$

4(a)

$$r = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } z = 2y$$

solve:  $z = \lambda$

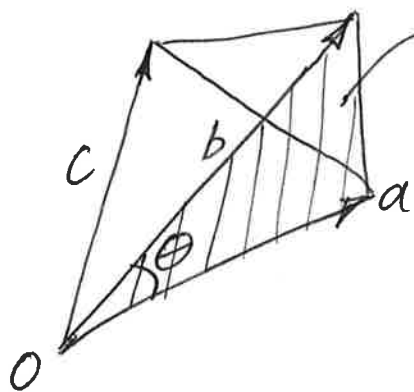
$$y = 3 - \lambda$$

$$z = 2y = 2(3 - \lambda) = \lambda$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or by inspection.}$$

(b)



$$\text{Area } \frac{1}{2} |\underline{a}| |\underline{b}| \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} |\underline{a}| |\underline{b}| \sin \theta \hat{n} = \frac{1}{2} (\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$$

$$\text{Area} = \left| \frac{1}{2} (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \right|$$

$$\text{Height } \underline{c} \cdot \hat{n} = \underline{c} \cdot \frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{b}}{|\underline{a} \times \underline{b}|} \quad (\hat{n} \text{ above})$$

$$\text{Vol} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} |(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})| \cdot \underline{c} \cdot \frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{b}}{|\underline{a} \times \underline{b}|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} |\underline{c} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b}|. \text{ There are other routes.}$$

Avoids handedness

$$5(a) \quad \lambda^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \pm 2i$$

$$\text{C.F. } V = A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t.$$

P.I. Try  $\frac{1}{4}$  - OK.

$$\text{G.S. } V = A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t + \frac{1}{4}$$

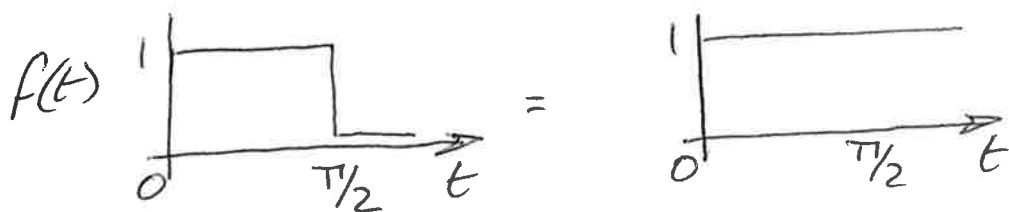
$$\dot{V} = -2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t$$

$$V(0) = 0 \quad \dot{V}(0) = 0$$

$$A = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad B = 0$$

$$V(t) = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \cos 2t) \quad \text{for } 0 < t < T$$

(b) Various methods! This is reliable:



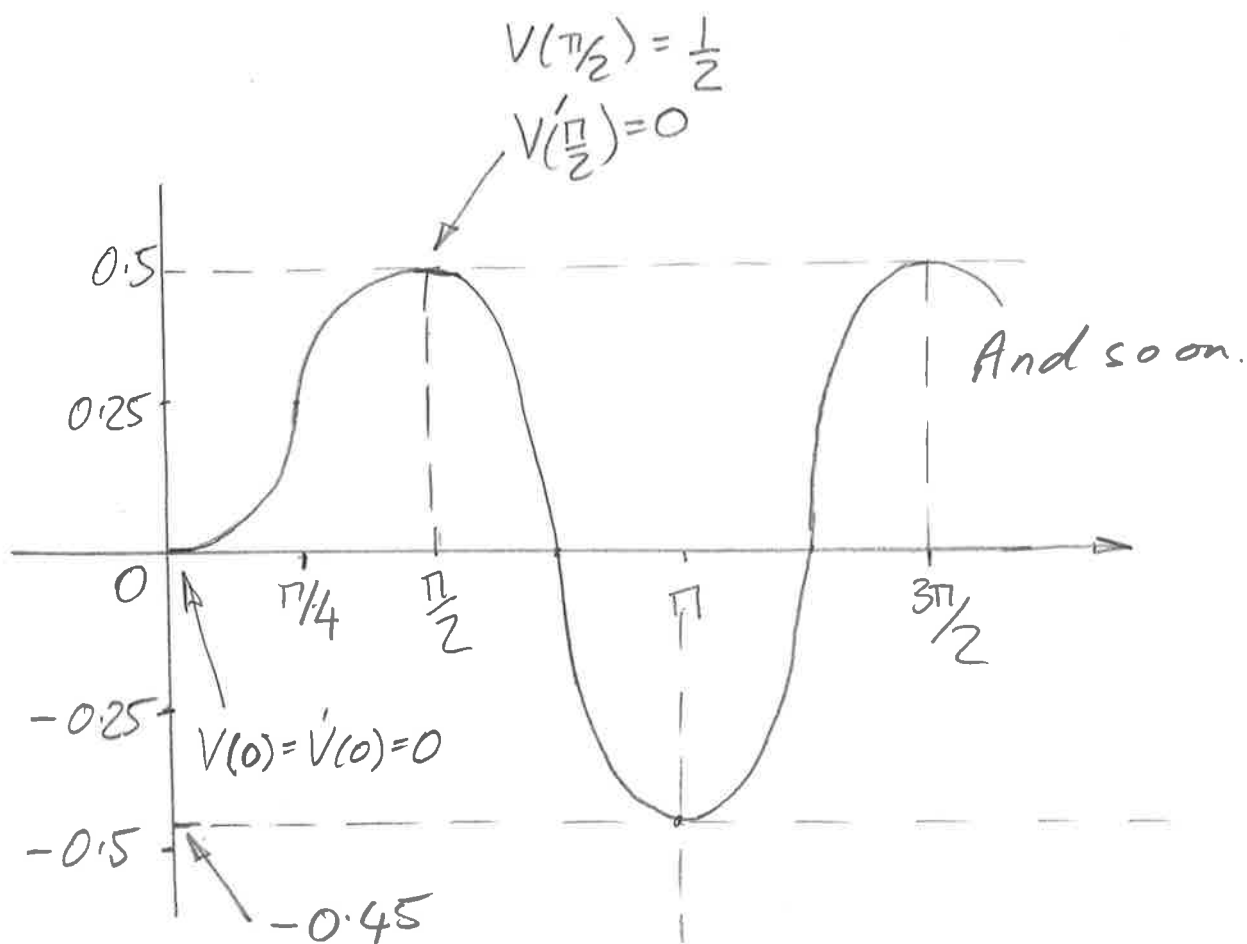
$$V(t) = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \cos 2t) + \left[ \frac{1}{4} (1 - \cos 2(t + \frac{\pi}{2})) \right]_{-1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2t$$

5(c) Now use same method:

$$\begin{aligned} V(t) &= \frac{1}{4}(1 - \cos 2t) - \frac{0.9}{4}(1 - \cos 2(t - \frac{\pi}{2})) \\ &= \frac{1}{40} - \frac{19}{40} \cos 2t \end{aligned}$$

Sketch! Needs care as there are details in the question.



Note method used makes sketching easier!



Section B Crib Paper 4 2014

6. Step response satisfies  $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = 1$

with  $y(0) = \dot{y}(0) = 0$ .

C.F.  $e^{\lambda t} \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + 2)^2 = 0$

$\lambda = 2$  (twice)  $\Rightarrow$  C.F. =  $(At + B)e^{-2t}$

P.I.  $y = \text{const} = \frac{1}{4}$

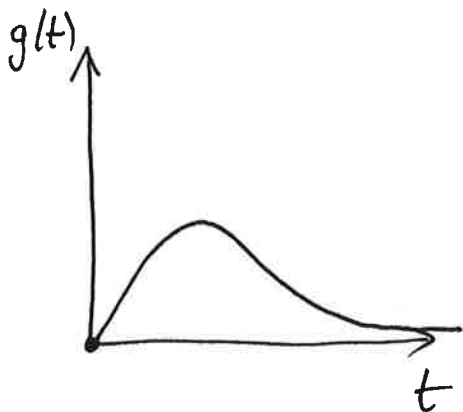
$\therefore y = \frac{1}{4} + (At + B)e^{-2t}$

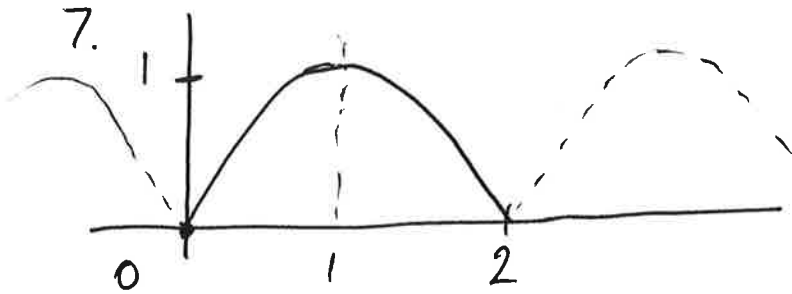
$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + B = 0$        $\dot{y}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow -2(At + B)e^{-2t} + Ae^{-2t} = 0$  @  $t=0$

$\Rightarrow A = 2B$  i.e.  $B = -\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $A = -\frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$  step response  $y = \frac{1}{4} - \left(\frac{t}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)e^{-2t}$

Impulse response is  $\frac{d}{dt}(\text{step resp}) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + 2\left(\frac{t}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)e^{-2t}$   
 $= te^{-2t}$





$$f(x) = 2x - x^2$$

$$(a) \quad f(-x) = f(2-x) = 2(2-x) - (2-x)^2$$

$$= (2-x)[2 - 2 + x] = 2x - x^2 = f(x)$$

$\Rightarrow f$  even function.

This means no odd functions (sine terms) will appear in F.S. for  $f$ .

$$(b) \quad f(x) = d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{2\pi n x}{2} = d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos \pi n x$$

$$d = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 (2x - x^2) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 4 - \frac{8}{3} \right] = \underline{\underline{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

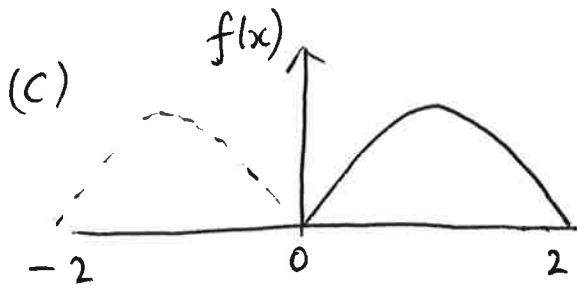
$$a_n = \frac{2}{2} \int_0^2 (2x - x^2) \cos n\pi x dx$$

$$= \left[ \frac{\sin n\pi x}{n\pi} (2x - x^2) \right]_0^2 - \int_0^2 \frac{\sin n\pi x}{n\pi} (2 - 2x) dx$$

$$= 0 + \left[ (2 - 2x) \frac{\cos n\pi x}{n^2 \pi^2} \right]_0^2 - \int_0^2 \frac{\cos n\pi x}{n^2 \pi^2} (-2) dx$$

$$= \left[ -\frac{2 \cos 2n\pi}{n^2 \pi^2} - \frac{2}{n^2 \pi^2} \right] + \frac{2}{n^2 \pi^2} \left[ \frac{\sin n\pi x}{n\pi} \right]_0^2$$

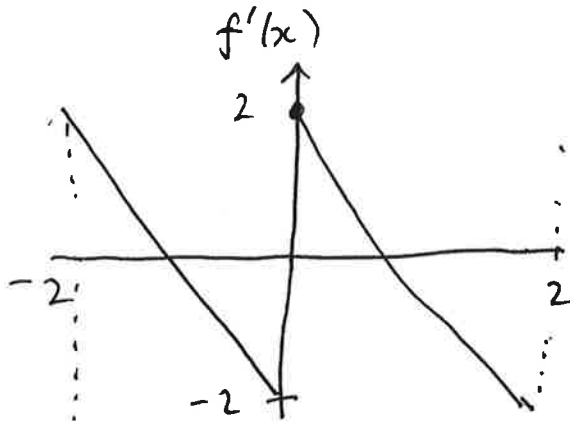
$$= \underline{\underline{-\frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2}}}$$



For  $0 < x < 2$

$$f = 2x - x^2 \quad \text{even fn}$$

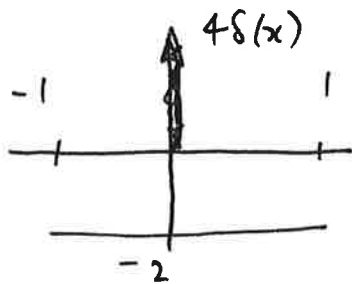
$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 2 - 2x \quad \& \text{ odd fn}$$



$$\Rightarrow f''(x) = -2 \quad \& \text{ even function}$$

+  $4\delta(x)$  to account for jump @ origin  
+ jumps at 2, -2, etc.

$$\therefore \text{For } -1 < x < 1 \quad f''(x) = 4\delta(x) - 2$$



Using  $-1 < x < 1$  as range

$$f'' \text{ is even fn } \& \int f'' dx = 0$$

$$\therefore f''(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos n\pi x$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{2}{2} \int_{-1}^1 [4\delta(x) - 2] \cos n\pi x dx$$

$$= 4 - 2 \left[ \frac{\sin n\pi x}{n\pi} \right]_{-1}^1 = 4$$

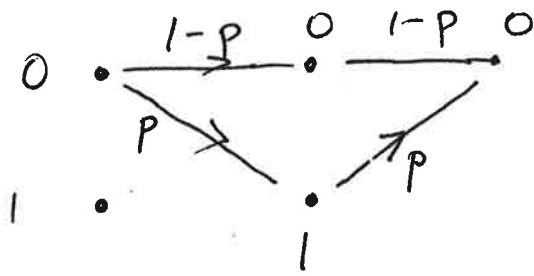
$$\therefore f''(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4 \cos n\pi x$$

(d) Integrating  $f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin n\pi x + \text{const}$  & d.c. value for  $f' = 0 \Rightarrow \text{const} = 0$

"  $f(x) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2\pi^2} \cos n\pi x + d$  & d as above

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(a) By symmetry probability of returning to 0 if it starts in 0 is the same as that of returning to 1 if it starts in 1. Therefore, only need to consider one of these.

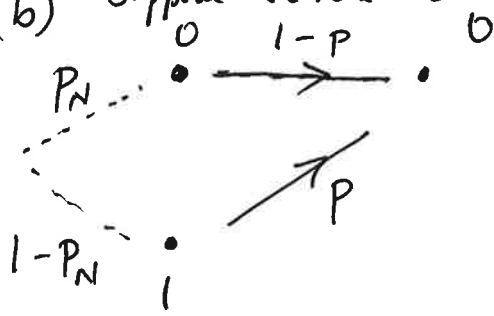


Bit remains at 0 for 2 cycles with probs  $(1-p)^2$

Bit transitions to 1 & returns with probs  $p^2$

$\therefore$  Probability =  $p^2 + (1-p)^2$

(b) Suppose started at 0



$$P_{N+1} = (1-p)P_N + p(1-P_N)$$

$$= p + (1-2p)P_N$$

9.  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 4xy + 2y^2 - 6x - 8y$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x + 4y - 6$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 4x + 4y - 8$$

At a stationary pt  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y = 3$$

$$2x + 2y = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x = 1, y = 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 4$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 4$$

So  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} > 0$

$$\& \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} - \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right)^2 = 2 \cdot 4 - 4^2 < 0$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{(1, 1) \text{ is a saddle pt}}$

$$10. \quad (a) \text{ L.T. of } f(t) e^{-at} = \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-at-st} dt$$

$$\text{L.T. of } f(t) = \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt = F(s)$$

$$\therefore \text{L.T. of } f(t) e^{-at} \text{ is } F(s+a)$$

(b) Taking L.T.

$$s Y(s) - y(0) + Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + 1}$$

$$\therefore Y = \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + 1} \right\} \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$= \frac{s^2 + 2s + 3}{(s^2 + 2s + 2)(s+1)}$$

$$= \frac{As+B}{s^2+2s+2} + \frac{C}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore s^2 + 2s + 3 = (As+B)(s+1) + C(s^2 + 2s + 2)$$

Equating coefficients

$$s^2: \quad 1 = A + C \quad (a)$$

$$s^1: \quad 2 = A + B + 2C \quad (b)$$

$$s^0: \quad 3 = B + 2C \quad (c)$$

$$\text{Subtracting (b) from (c)} \Rightarrow 1 = -A \Rightarrow C = 2 \text{ \& } B = -1$$

$$\therefore Y = \frac{-(s+1)}{(s+1)^2 + 1} + \frac{2}{s+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y(t) = 2e^{-t} - e^{-t} \cos t}$$

$$(c) \quad L(f * g) = F(s) G(s)$$

$$\text{Taking } F(s) = G(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \Rightarrow f(t) = g(t) = \sin t$$

$$\text{then inverse transform} = \int_{\tau=0}^t f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{\tau=0}^t \sin \tau \sin(t-\tau) d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\tau=0}^t [\cos(2\tau-t) - \cos t] d\tau$$

$$= -\frac{\cos t}{2} [\tau]_0^t + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin(2\tau-t)}{2} \right]_0^t$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [\sin t - \sin(-t)] - \frac{t \cos t}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\sin t - t \cos t)$$


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(d) Taking L.T.

$$s^2 Y - \underset{0}{s y_0} - \underset{0}{\dot{y}_0} + 2(sY - \underset{0}{y_0}) + 2Y = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = \frac{1}{[(s+1)^2 + 1]^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{which appeared in part (c)} \\ \text{but } s \rightarrow s+1 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore y(t) = \frac{e^{-t}}{2} (\sin t - t \cos t)$$


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### Crib 1

- (a) The `bool` value indicates whether the quadratic equation has real roots or not. If not, the solutions in `s1` and `s2` are invalid. [2]
- (b) The `&` signs indicate *call by reference* as opposed to *call by value*. If they were omitted, the function would store the two roots in local copies of `s1` and `s2` instead of the actual parameters passed by the calling routine. The calling routine would have no way of accessing the roots. [3]
- (c) This is *subtractive cancellation*. When we subtract two similar numbers `a` and `b`, the intended result may be of comparable magnitude to the truncation errors when storing `a` and `b` to finite precision, and therefore subject to significant error. We could correct the error by changing the variable types from `float` to `double` and/or obtaining `s1` instead using the known product of the roots: `s1 = c/(a*s2)`. [5]

### Crib 2

- (a) The first code segment calculates the transpose of the  $n \times n$  matrix `m1`, storing the result in the  $n \times n$  matrix `m2`. It has complexity  $O(n^2)$ . The second code segment calculates the sum of the  $n$ -element vectors `v1` and `v2`, storing the result in the  $n$ -element vector `v3`. It has complexity  $O(n)$ . The third code segment calculates the product of the  $n \times n$  matrices `m2` and `m1` (in the order `m2*m1`), storing the result in the  $n \times n$  matrix `m3`. It has complexity  $O(n^3)$ . [7]
- (b) The key point here is to ignore the first two code segments, whose execution times are negligible compared with the third. Given the cubic complexity, when `n` doubles we would expect the execution time to increase by a factor of eight to 8 s. (Most likely it will take even longer than this, because of cache misses, but Part IA students are not expected to appreciate this subtlety.) [3]