

Further mathematics for economists
Coursework 2 - Complex numbers/ 2^{nd} -order differential
equations/functions of several variables

1. (10/100) Compute $(1/2 + i\sqrt{3}/2)^4 + (1/\sqrt{2} - i/\sqrt{2})^8$
2. (20/100) Find all the roots of $z^6 = -64$. Write these roots in algebraic form
3. (15/100) Consider the function of two variables $f(x, y) = (x^2 + e^{3y}) \cos(2xy)$
 - (a) Compute the gradient and the Hessian matrix of $f(x, y)$
Hint. remember the properties of mixed derivatives of smooth functions
 - (b) Compute the **total** derivative $df(x, y)/dx$ for $y = 2x$
4. (25/100) Find the specific solution of the second-order differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 2e^x - 5e^{2x}$$

so that $y(0) = 0$ and $dy/dx = 1$ when $x = 0$ (Hint: use $y_p = axe^x + bxe^{2x}$)

5. (30/100) Find the specific solution of the second-order differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8\frac{dy}{dx} + 25y = 16 \sin x + 8 \cos x,$$

so that $y(0) = 1$ and $dy/dx = 0$ if $x = 0$. Write your answer in terms of trigonometric functions

Hints: use

- $y_p = A \cos x + B \sin x$
- $\sin u = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{iu} - e^{-iu})$
- $\cos u = (e^{iu} + e^{-iu})/2$

COURSEWORK 2 - Further maths for economists - Solution ①

①
$$\underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^4}_{z_1} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^8}_{z_2}$$

$$z_1 = 1 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = 1 e^{i\pi/3} \Rightarrow z_1^4 = e^{i4\pi/3} = e^{i(2\pi + \pi/3)}$$

④
$$z_1^4 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$z_2 = 1 \left[\cos \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right] = e^{i7\pi/4}$$

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$$z_2^8 = e^{i14\pi} = 1$$

$$z_1 + z_2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

⑩

②
$$z^6 = -64 = 2^6 e^{i\pi + i2n\pi}$$

$$z = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i2n\pi/6}$$

③ $n=0 \Rightarrow z_1 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \right) = \sqrt{3} + i$

③ $n=1 \Rightarrow z_2 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i\pi/3} = 2 \left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{6} \right) = 2i$

③ $n=2 \Rightarrow z_3 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i2\pi/3} = 2 e^{i5\pi/6} = 2 e^{i(\pi - \pi/6)} = 2 \left(\cos \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) + i \sin \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right) = +2 \left[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \right] = -\sqrt{3} + i$

③ $n=3 \Rightarrow z_4 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i\pi} = -2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \right) = -\sqrt{3} - i$
(c.c. of z_3)

③ $n=4 \Rightarrow z_5 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i4\pi/3} = 2 e^{i\pi/6} e^{i\pi} e^{i\pi/3} = -2i$
(c.c. of z_2)

$$n=5 \Rightarrow z_6 = 2 e^{i\pi/6} \cdot e^{i5\pi/3} = 2 e^{i\pi} \cdot e^{i\pi/6} = -2 e^{i\pi/6} \cdot e^{i2\pi/3}$$

$$\boxed{3} \quad = -z_3 = \sqrt{3} - i \quad (\text{c.c. of } z_1)$$

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$$\textcircled{3} \quad f(x, y) = (x^2 + e^{3y}) \cos(2xy)$$

(a)

$$Df(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x \cos 2xy + (x^2 + e^{3y}) \cdot (-2y \sin(2xy))$$

$$= 2x \cos 2xy - 2y(x^2 + e^{3y}) \sin(2xy)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 3e^{3y} \cos(2xy) + (x^2 + e^{3y}) \cdot (-2x \sin 2xy)$$

$$= 3e^{3y} \cos(2xy) - 2x(x^2 + e^{3y}) \sin 2xy$$

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$$- Df(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \cos 2xy - 2y(x^2 + e^{3y}) \sin(2xy) \\ 3e^{3y} \cos 2xy - 2x(x^2 + e^{3y}) \sin(2xy) \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$D^2 f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2 \cos 2xy - 4xy \sin(2xy) - 4y^2 \cos(2xy)(x^2 + e^{3y})$$

$$- 4xy \sin(2xy) = 2 \cos 2xy - 8xy \sin 2xy - 4y^2(x^2 + e^{3y}) \cdot \cos 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 9e^{3y} \cos(2xy) + 6xe^{3y} \sin(2xy) - 4x^2(x^2 + e^{3y}) \cos 2xy + 6xe^{3y} \sin 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = -4xy(e^{3y} + x^2) \cos 2xy - 4x^2 \sin(2xy) + 2(e^{3y} + x^2) \sin(2xy) - 6e^{3y} y \sin(2xy)$$

(b) $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx}$

3 $y = 2x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = 2x \cos(4x^2) - 4x(x^2 + e^{6x}) \sin(4x^2) + [3e^{6x} \cos(4x^2) - 2x(x^2 + e^{6x}) \sin(4x^2)] \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{df}{dx} = 2(x + 3e^{6x}) \cos 4x^2 - 8x(x^2 + e^{6x}) \sin 4x^2$$

④ $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 2e^x - 5e^{2x} \quad (*)$

• General solution : $y = y_p + z$
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 Particular solution solution of the associated homogeneous equation

• Find y_p :

$y_p = Ax e^x + Bx e^{2x}$

$\frac{dy_p}{dx} = Ae^x + Ax e^x + Be^{2x} + 2Bx e^{2x}$

$\frac{d^2y_p}{dx^2} = Ae^x + Ae^x + Ax e^x + 2Be^{2x} + 2Be^{2x} + 4Bx e^{2x}$
 $= (2A + Ax) e^x + (4B + 4Bx) e^{2x}$

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Inserting into (*):

$2Ae^x + Ax e^x + 4Be^{2x} + 4Bx e^{2x} - 3Ae^x - 3Ax e^x - 3Be^{2x} - 6Bx e^{2x} + 2Ax e^x + 2Bx e^{2x} = 2e^x - 5e^{2x}$

$(\overbrace{2A - 3A}^{-A})e^x + (\cancel{3Ax} - \cancel{3Ax})e^x + (\overbrace{4B - 3B}^B)e^{2x} - \cancel{4Bx}e^{2x} + \cancel{4Bx}e^{2x}$
 $= 2e^x - 5e^{2x}$

$-A = 2 ; B = -5 \Rightarrow y_p = -2x e^x - 5x e^{2x}$

• Complementary solution:

$\frac{d^2z}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dz}{dx} + 2z = 0$

$z = e^{\alpha x}$

$\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow z = Ae^x + Be^{2x}$

$\alpha_1 = \frac{+3 + \sqrt{9-8}}{2} = 2$

$y = -2x e^x - 5x e^{2x} + Ae^x + Be^{2x}$

$\alpha_2 = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{9-8} = 1$

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• Specific solution:

$$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A + B = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -2e^x - 2xe^x - 5e^{2x} - 10xe^{2x} + Ae^x + 2Be^{2x}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = -2 - 5 + A + 2B = 1$$

$$A + 2B = 8$$

$$-B + 2B = 8 \Rightarrow B = 8$$

$$A = -8$$

$$y = -2xe^x - 5xe^{2x} + 8e^{2x} - 8e^x$$

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$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8\frac{dy}{dx} + 25y = 16\sin x + 8\cos x \quad (*)$$

$y = y_p + z$
particular solution \rightarrow solution of associated homogeneous equation

• Particular solution: $y_p = A\sin x + B\cos x$

$$\frac{dy_p}{dx} = A\cos x - B\sin x$$

$$\frac{d^2y_p}{dx^2} = -A\sin x - B\cos x$$

Inserting in (*)

$$-A\sin x - B\cos x - 8A\cos x + 8B\sin x + 25A\sin x + 25B\cos x = 16\sin x + 8\cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow (24A + 8B)\sin x + (24B - 8A)\cos x = 16\sin x + 8\cos x$$

$$24A + 8B = 16 \quad | : 8 \quad 3A + B = 2$$

$$24B - 8A = 8 \quad | : 8 \Rightarrow 3B - A = 1$$

$$B = 2 - 3A \Rightarrow 6 - 9A - A = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1/2, B = 1/2$$

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$$y_p = \frac{1}{2} \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \cos x$$

Complementary solution:

$$\frac{d^2 z}{dx^2} - 8 \frac{dz}{dx} + 25z = 0$$

Ausatz: $z = e^{\alpha x}$

$$\alpha^2 - 8\alpha + 25 = 0$$

$$\alpha = 4 \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{64 - 100}$$

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$$\alpha = 4 \pm 3i \Rightarrow z = A e^{4x + 3ix} + B e^{4x - 3ix}$$

$$y = z + y_p = A e^{(4+3i)x} + B e^{(4-3i)x} + \frac{1}{2} (\sin x + \cos x)$$

* Specific solution:

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow A + B + \frac{1}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow A = -B + 1/2$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = (4+3i)A e^{(4+3i)x} + (4-3i)B e^{4x-3ix} + \frac{1}{2} (\cos x - \sin x)$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = (4+3i)A + (4-3i)B + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$(4+3i)(-B + 1/2) + (4-3i)B + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$-6iB + \frac{1}{2}(4+3i+1) = 0$$

$$-6iB = -\frac{5}{2} - \frac{3i}{2}$$

$$B = \frac{3}{12} + \frac{5}{12i}$$

$$A = \frac{6}{12} - \frac{3}{12} - \frac{5}{12i} = \frac{3}{12} - \frac{5}{12i}$$

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$$y = e^{4x} \left[\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5}{12i} \right) e^{3ix} + \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{12i} \right) e^{-3ix} \right] + \frac{1}{2} (\sin x + \cos x)$$

$$= e^{4x} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^{3ix} + e^{-3ix}}{2} \right) + \frac{5}{6} \left(\frac{e^{3ix} - e^{-3ix}}{2i} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} (\sin x + \cos x)$$

$$= e^{4x} \left[\frac{1}{2} \cos 3x - \frac{5}{6} \sin 3x \right] + \frac{1}{2} (\sin x + \cos x)$$

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