

Class Notes 7:

High Order Linear Differential Equation Homogeneous

MAE 82 – Engineering Mathematics

High Order Differential Equations – Introduction

$$P_n(t) \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + P_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + P_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + P_0(t) y = \begin{cases} 0 \\ G(t) \end{cases}$$

$$P_0(t) \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + P_1(t) \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + P_{n-1}(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + P_n(t) y = \begin{cases} 0 \\ G(t) \end{cases}$$

High Order Differential Equations – General Theory

- An n th order ODE has the general form

$$P_n(t) \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + P_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + P_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + P_0(t)y = G(t)$$

- We assume that P_0, \dots, P_n , and G are continuous real-valued functions on some interval $I = (\alpha, \beta)$, and that P_n is nowhere zero on I .
- Dividing by P_n , the ODE becomes

$$L[y] = \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + p_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + p_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + p_0(t)y = g(t)$$

- For an n th order ODE, there are typically n initial conditions:

$$y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y'_0, \quad \dots, \quad y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(n-1)}$$

Theorem 4.1.1

- Consider the n th order initial value problem

$$\frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + p_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + p_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + p_0(t)y = g(t)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y'_0, \quad \dots, \quad y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(n-1)}$$

- If the functions p_1, \dots, p_n , and g are continuous on an open interval I ,
- then there exists exactly one solution $y = \phi(t)$ that satisfies the initial value problem. This solution exists throughout the interval I .

High Order Differential Equations – Homogeneous Equation

- As with 2nd order case, we begin with homogeneous ODE:

$$L[y] = \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + p_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + p_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + p_0(t)y = 0$$

- If y_1, \dots, y_n are solns to ODE, then so is linear combination
$$y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t) + \cdots + c_n y_n(t)$$
- Every solution can be expressed in this form, with coefficients determined by initial conditions, if we can solve:

$$c_1 y_1(t_0) + \cdots + c_n y_n(t_0) = y_0$$

$$c_1 y'_1(t_0) + \cdots + c_n y'_n(t_0) = y'_0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$c_1 y_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) + \cdots + c_n y_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(n-1)}$$

High Order Differential Equations – Homogeneous Equation & Wronskian

- The system of equations on the previous slide has a unique solution if its determinant, or Wronskian, is nonzero at t_0 :

$$W(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)(t_0) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1(t_0) & y_2(t_0) & \cdots & y_n(t_0) \\ y'_1(t_0) & y'_2(t_0) & \cdots & y'_n(t_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ y_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) & y_2^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \cdots & y_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

- Since t_0 can be any point in the interval I , the Wronskian determinant needs to be nonzero at every point in I .
- As before, it turns out that the Wronskian is either zero for every point in I , or it is never zero on I .

Theorem 4.1.3

- If $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ is a fundamental set of solutions of

$$L(y) = y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = 0$$

on an interval I,

- then $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ are linearly independent on that interval.
- if $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ are linearly independent solutions to the above differential equation,
- then they form a fundamental set of solutions on the interval I

High Order Differential Equations – Nonhomogeneous Equation

- Consider the nonhomogeneous equation:

$$L[y] = \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + p_{n-1}(t) \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + p_1(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + p_0(t)y = g(t)$$

- If Y_1, Y_2 are solutions to nonhomogeneous equation, then $Y_1 - Y_2$ is a solution to the homogeneous equation:

$$L[Y_1 - Y_2] = L[Y_1] - L[Y_2] = g(t) - g(t) = 0$$

- Then there exist coefficients c_1, \dots, c_n such that

$$Y_1(t) - Y_2(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t) + \cdots + c_n y_n(t)$$

- Thus the general solution to the nonhomogeneous ODE is

$$y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t) + \cdots + c_n y_n(t) + Y(t)$$

where Y is any particular solution to nonhomogeneous ODE.

High Order Differential Equations – Homogeneous Equation with Constant Coefficients

- Consider the n th order linear homogeneous differential equation with constant, real coefficients:

$$L[y] = a_n y^{(n)} + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + a_1 y' + a_0 y = 0$$

- As with second order linear equations with constant coefficients, $y = e^{rt}$ is a solution for values of r that make characteristic polynomial $Z(r)$ zero:

$$L[e^{rt}] = e^{rt} \underbrace{[a_n r^n + a_{n-1} r^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 r + a_0]}_{\text{characteristic polynomial } Z(r)} = 0$$

- By the fundamental theorem of algebra, a polynomial of degree n has n roots r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n , and hence

$$Z(r) = a_n (r - r_1)(r - r_2) \cdots (r - r_n)$$

High Order Differential Equations – Homogeneous Equation with Constant Coefficients Cases

$$L[y] = a_n y^{(n)} + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + a_1 y' + a_0 y = 0$$

- a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n – Real constants $a_n \neq 0$

$$y = e^{rt}$$

$$L[e^{rt}] = e^{rt} (a_n r^n + a_{n-1} r^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 r + a_0)$$

- Characteristic Polynomial

$$Z(r) = a_n r^n + a_{n-1} r^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 r + a_0$$

- Characteristic Equation

$$Z(r) = 0$$

High Order Differential Equations – Homogeneous Equation with Constant Coefficients Cases

- $Z(r)$ – {Polynomial of degree n}
 - n zeros, r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n
 - Some of which may be equal

$$Z(r) = a_n(r - r_1)(r - r_2) \cdots (r - r_n)$$

- (1) Real and unequal roots
- (2) Complex roots
- (3) Repeated roots

Case 1: Real & Unequal Roots

- Real and no two are equal  n distinct solutions
- Complimentary Solution (Homogeneous)

$$y = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t} + \cdots + C_n e^{r_n t}$$

Case 1: Real & Unequal Roots – Example

$$y^{(4)} + y''' - 7y'' - y' + 6y = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = 1 \\ y'(0) = 0 \\ y''(0) = -2 \\ y'''(0) = -1 \end{cases}$$

- Assume

$$y = e^{rt}$$

$$r^4 + r^3 - 7r^2 - r + 6 = 0$$

Case 1: Real & Unequal Roots – Example

- Roots

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = 1 \\ r_2 = -1 \\ r_3 = 2 \\ r_4 = -3 \end{cases}$$

- The solution

$$\begin{cases} y = C_1 e^t + C_2 e^{-t} + C_3 e^{2t} + C_4 e^{-3t} \\ y' = C_1 e^t - C_2 e^{-t} + 2C_3 e^{2t} - 3C_4 e^{-3t} \\ y'' = C_1 e^t + C_2 e^{-t} + 4C_3 e^{2t} + 9C_4 e^{-3t} \\ y''' = C_1 e^t - C_2 e^{-t} + 8C_3 e^{2t} - 27C_4 e^{-3t} \end{cases}$$

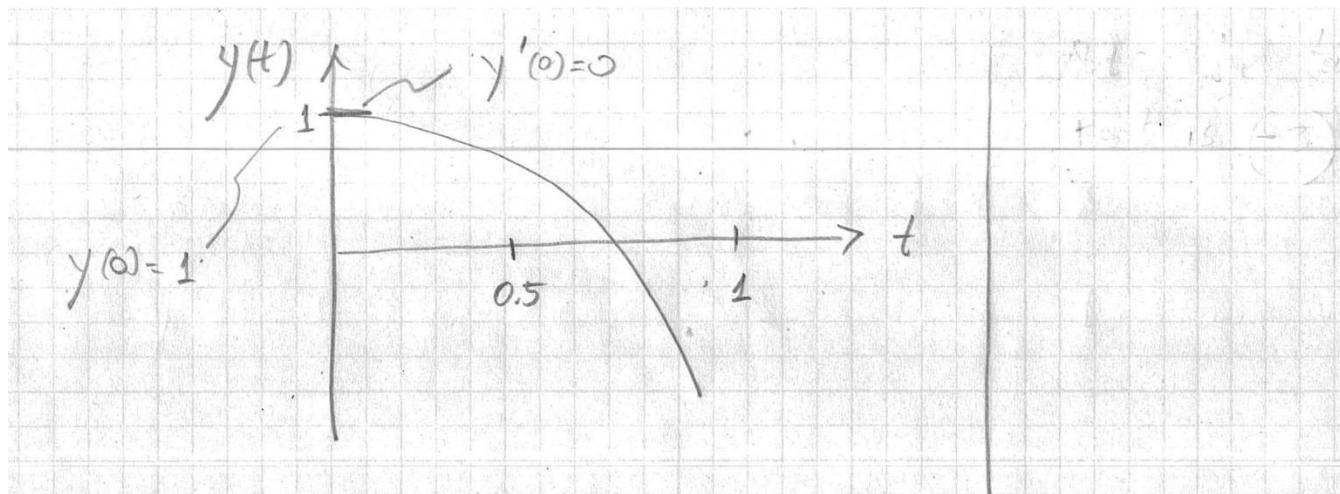
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$$\begin{cases} y(0) = 1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_4 = 1 \\ y'(0) = 0 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 + 2C_3 - 3C_4 = 0 \\ y''(0) = -2 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + 4C_3 + 9C_4 = -2 \\ y'''(0) = -1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 + 8C_3 - 27C_4 = -1 \end{cases}$$

Case 1: Real & Unequal Roots – Example

$$\begin{cases} C_1 = \frac{11}{8} \\ C_2 = \frac{5}{12} \\ C_3 = -\frac{2}{3} \\ C_4 = -\frac{1}{8} \end{cases}$$

$$y = \frac{11}{8}e^t + \frac{5}{12}e^{-t} - \frac{2}{3}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{-3t}$$



Case 2: Complex Roots

- Two complex conjugate roots

$$\alpha = \lambda + i\mu \rightarrow y(x) = e^{\lambda \pm i\mu} = e^{\lambda x} [\cos \mu x + i \sin \mu x]$$

- Solution

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x$$

$$y_2 = e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x$$

$$y(x) = C_1 e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x + C_2 e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x$$

Case 2: Complex Roots – Example

$$y^{(4)} - y = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = \frac{7}{2} \\ y'(0) = -4 \\ y''(0) = \frac{5}{2} \\ y'''(0) = -2 \end{cases}$$

Case 2: Complex Roots

substituting $y = e^{rt}$

$$r^4 e^{rt} - e^{rt} = 0$$

$$e^{rt}(r^4 - 1) = 0$$

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

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} r_1 = 1+0i \\ r_2 = -1-0i \end{array} \right\} \text{real} \rightarrow c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} r_3 = 0+1i \\ r_4 = 0-1i \end{array} \right\} \text{complex} \rightarrow c_3 e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t + c_4 e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t$$

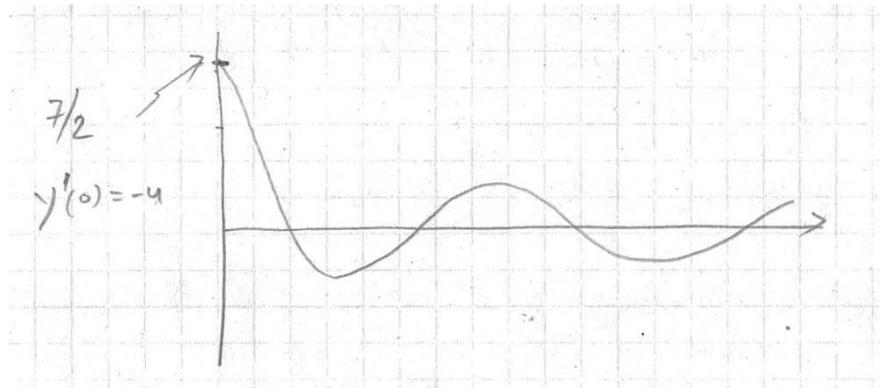
Case 2: Complex Roots

$$\begin{cases} y = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} + c_3 \cos t + c_4 \sin t \\ y' = c_1 e^t - c_2 e^{-t} - c_3 \sin t + c_4 \cos t \\ y'' = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} - c_3 \cos t - c_4 \sin t \\ y''' = c_1 e^t - c_2 e^{-t} + c_3 \sin t - c_4 \cos t \\ y^{(4)} = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} + c_3 \cos t + c_4 \sin t \end{cases}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y(0) = \frac{7}{2} \rightarrow c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = \frac{7}{2} \\ y'(0) = -4 \rightarrow c_1 - c_2 + c_4 = -4 \\ y''(0) = \frac{5}{2} \rightarrow c_1 + c_2 - c_3 = \frac{5}{2} \\ y'''(0) = -2 \rightarrow c_1 - c_2 - c_4 = -2 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = 0 \\ c_2 = 3 \\ c_3 = \frac{1}{2} \\ c_4 = -1 \end{cases}$$

Case 2: Complex Roots

$$y = 3e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}\cos t - \sin t$$

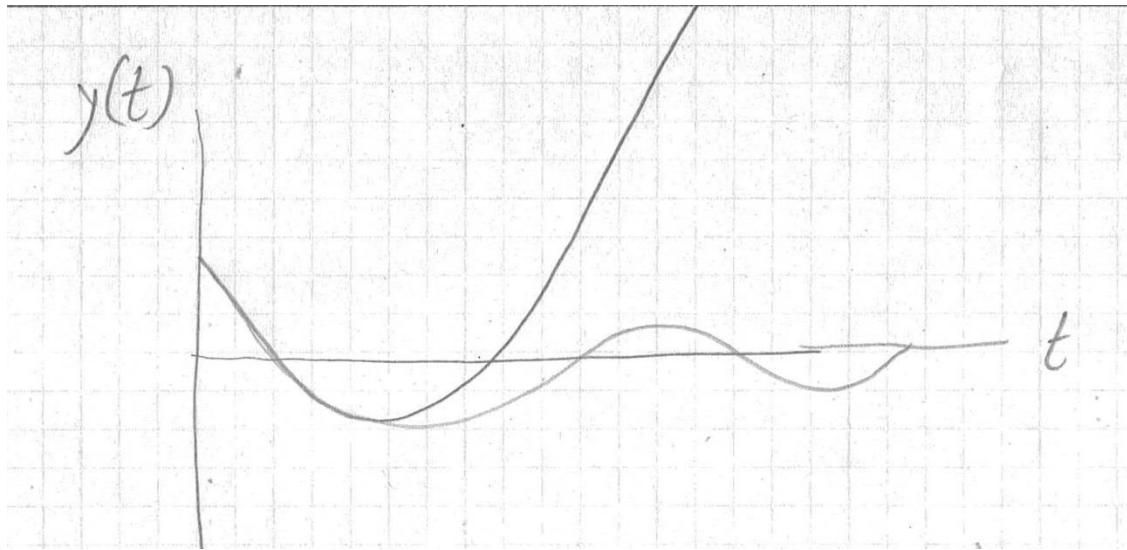


Note – Given the initial conditions $\rightarrow c_1 = 0$

- For the same first IC but with $y'''(0) = -15/8$ instead of $y'''(0) = -2$ the solution is

$$y = \frac{1}{32}e^t + \frac{95}{32}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}\cos t - \frac{17}{16}\sin t$$

Case 2: Complex Roots



e^t dominate the solution even with a small
coef. $1/32$, to large t

change $y'''(0) = -2 \rightarrow y'''(0) = -15/8$

Case 3: Repeated Roots

$$\alpha = \lambda + i\mu \quad y(x) = e^{(\lambda+i\mu)x} = e^{\lambda x} [\cos \mu x \pm i \sin \mu x]$$



$$\begin{cases} y_1 = e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x \\ y_2 = e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x \end{cases}$$

Complex conjugate roots $\alpha = \lambda + i\mu$ (repeated s times)

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x \qquad y_2 = e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x \qquad 0$$

$$y_3 = x e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x \qquad y_4 = x e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x \qquad 1$$

$$y_5 = x^2 e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x \qquad y_6 = x^2 e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x \qquad 2$$

$$y_{2s+1} = x^s e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x \qquad y_{2s+2} = x^s e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x \qquad s$$

Case 3: Repeated Roots – Example

$$y^{(4)} + 2y'' + y = 0$$

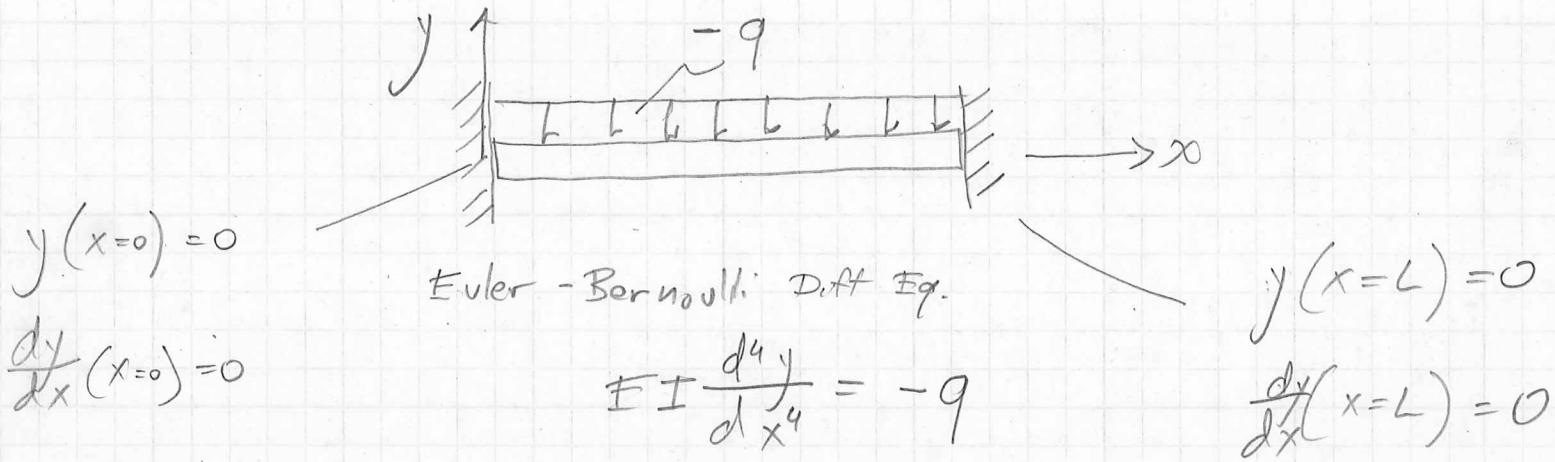
$$r^4 + 2r^2 + 1 = (r^2 + 1)(r^2 + 1) = 0$$

$$r \begin{cases} 0+1i \\ 0+1i \\ 0-1i \\ 0-1i \end{cases}$$

$$y = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + c_2 e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t) + c_3 t e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + c_4 t e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t)$$

$$y = c_1 \cos(t) + c_2 \sin(t) + c_3 t \cos(t) + c_4 t \sin(t)$$

BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM - BEAM



Repeatedly integrating the diff eq. we find the function $y(x)$

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = -\frac{qx}{EI} + C_1$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{qx^2}{2EI} + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{qx^3}{6EI} + \frac{C_1 x^2}{2} + C_2 x + C_3$$

$$y(x) = \frac{qx^4}{24EI} + \frac{C_1 x^3}{6} + \frac{C_2 x^2}{2} + C_3 x + C_4$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y(x=0) = 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx}(x=0) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow y = c_4 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow c_3 = c_4 = 0 \\ \searrow \frac{dy}{dx} = c_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy}{dx}(x=L) = -\frac{qL^3}{6EI} + \frac{c_1 l^2}{2} + c_2 L = 0 \\ y(x=L) = -\frac{qL^4}{24EI} + \frac{c_1 L^3}{2} + \frac{c_2 l^2}{2} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = \frac{qL}{2EI} \\ c_2 = -\frac{qL^2}{12EI} \end{cases}$$

$$y(x) = -\frac{qx^4}{2EI} + \frac{qLx^3}{12EI} - \frac{qL^2x^2}{24EI} = \frac{qx^2}{24EI} (x^2 - 2Lx + L^2) = \frac{qx^2}{24EI} (x-L)^2$$

Max deflection

$$y = \left(\frac{-9}{24EI} \right) x^2 (x-L)^2$$

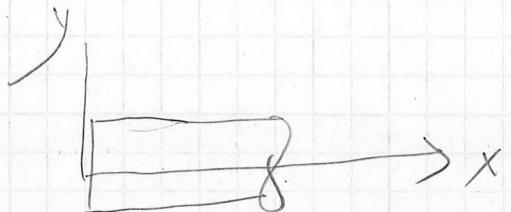
α $f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= [ax^2(x-L)^2]' = 2ax(x-L)^2 + 2ax^2(x-L) \\ &= 2ax(x-L)(x-L+x) \\ &= 2ax(x-L)(2x-L) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{L}{2} \quad \text{max}$$

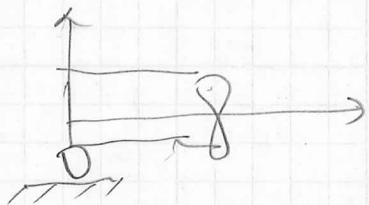
$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{min}$$

$$y_{\max} = y\left(x = \frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{9}{24EI} \left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^2 \left(-\frac{L}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9L^4}{384EI}$$

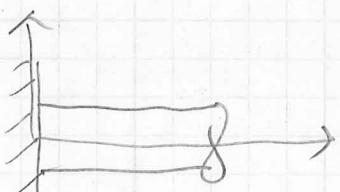


@ $x=0$

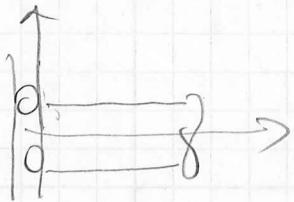
$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial^3 y}{\partial x^3} = 0$$



$$y = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial^3 y}{\partial x^2} = 0$$



$$y = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$



$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial^3 y}{\partial x^3} = 0$$

$y \rightarrow \text{disp}$

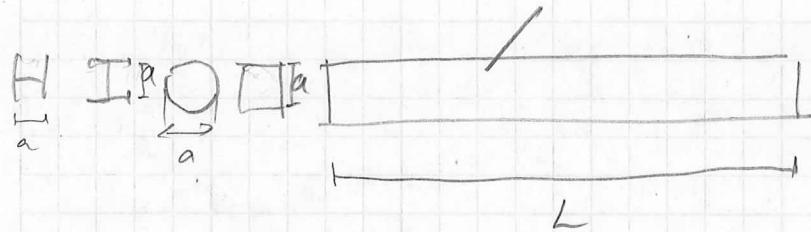
$y' = A$

$y'' \rightarrow M$

$y''' \rightarrow S$

BEAM THEORY

m, I, E



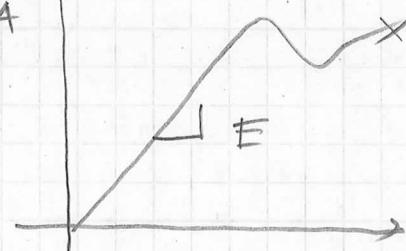
Bernoulli Euler

$$L > 10 \cdot a$$

(E) - Young Modulus

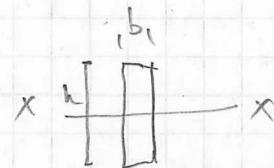
$$\sigma = \frac{\epsilon}{E} \quad \left[\frac{N}{m^2} \right]$$

$$\sigma = \frac{E \epsilon}{A}$$



$$\epsilon = \frac{AL}{L}$$

(I) - Moment of Inertia

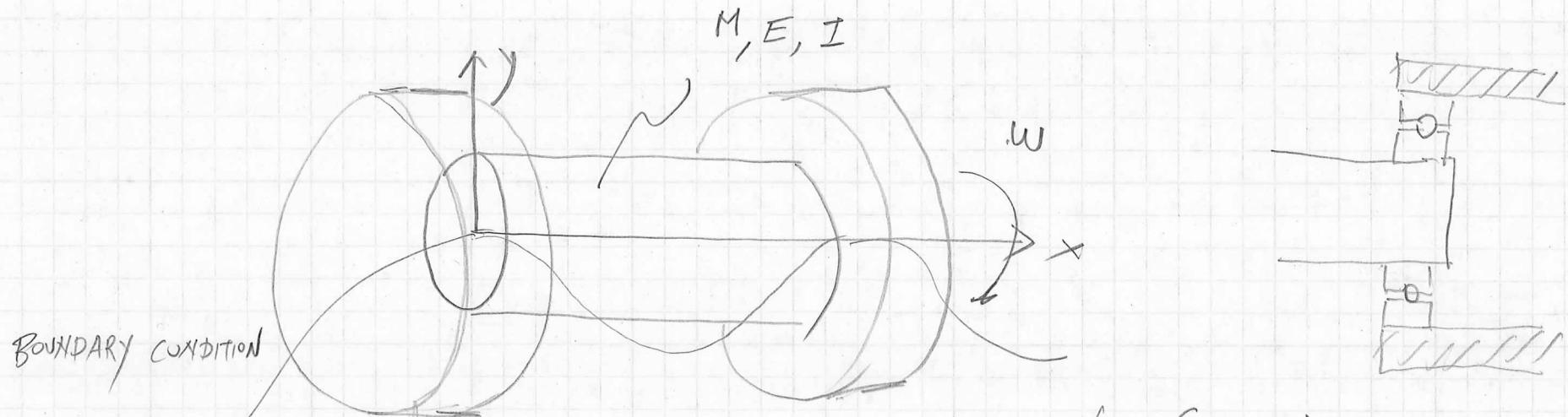


$$I_{xx} = \frac{bh^3}{12}$$



$$I = \frac{\pi}{4} r^4$$

ROTATION OF A SHAFT



$$\begin{cases} y(x=0) = 0 \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(x=0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = w \frac{M}{L} y$$

$$\begin{cases} y(x=L) = 0 \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(x=L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - \alpha^4 y = 0$$

$$\alpha^4 = \frac{\omega^2 M}{EI L}$$

Assume solution, $y = e^{st}$

The characteristic eq. $s^4 - \alpha^4 = 0$

$$(s^2 - \alpha^2)(s^2 + \alpha^2) = 0$$

$$s_1 = \alpha$$

$$s_2 = -\alpha$$

$$s_3 = \alpha i$$

$$s_4 = -\alpha i$$

$$y(x) = \underbrace{c_1 e^{\alpha x} + c_2 e^{-\alpha x}}_{\pm \alpha} + \underbrace{c_3 \cos(\alpha x) + c_4 \sin(\alpha x)}_{\pm i\alpha}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = C_1 \alpha e^{\alpha x} - C_2 \alpha e^{-\alpha x} - C_3 \alpha \sin \alpha x + C_4 \alpha \cos \alpha x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = C_1 \alpha^2 e^{\alpha x} + C_2 \alpha^2 e^{-\alpha x} - C_3 \alpha^2 \cos \alpha x - C_4 \alpha^2 \sin \alpha x$$

$$y(x=0) = 0 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3 = 0$$

$$\frac{dy^2}{dx^2}(x=0) = 0 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 - C_3 = 0$$

$$y(x=L) = 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} C_1 e^{\alpha L} + C_2 e^{-\alpha L} + C_3 \cos \alpha L + C_4 \sin \alpha L = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx^2}(x=L) = 0 \rightarrow C_1 e^{\alpha L} + C_2 e^{-\alpha L} - C_3 \cos \alpha L - C_4 \sin \alpha L = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} C_1 = 0 \\ C_2 = 0 \\ C_3 = 0 \\ C_4 \sin \alpha L = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

+ the case $c_4 = 0$ corresponds to the trivial solution

$y = 0$. In this case the shaft remains undeformed

+ A meaningful solution exists for $c_4 \neq 0$ Then the following solution is valid

$$\sin \alpha L = 0$$

$$\alpha L = \pi n \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$y(x) = c_4 \sin(\alpha x) = c_4 \sin\left(\frac{\pi n}{L} x\right)$$

The rotating shaft starts to bend at $\alpha L = \pi n$
taking the form of a sin wave

The minimum critical frequency ω_c which causes instability is given for $n = 1$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi n}{L} \stackrel{n=1}{=} \frac{\pi}{L}$$

by definition $\alpha^4 = \frac{\omega_c^2 M}{EI L} = \left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^4$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_c = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{LM}}$$

For a shaft (solid Rod) $\rightarrow I = \frac{M a^2}{4L}$

$$\omega_c = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{LM}} = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{E}{LM} \cdot \frac{M a^2}{4L}} = \frac{\pi^2 a}{2L^2} \sqrt{E}$$