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Note Title

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$$y'' + p y' + q y = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

•  $p, q$  are continuous.

Abel's theorem: If  $y_1$  &  $y_2$  are solutions of  $\textcircled{1}$ , then

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = c \exp\left(-\int_{t_0}^t p(s) ds\right)$$

for some  $t_0 \in I$ .

Theorem. If  $y_1$  &  $y_2$  are solutions of  $\textcircled{1}$ , then  $W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) = 0 \Rightarrow W(y_1, y_2)(t) = 0 \forall t$ . Consequently,  $y_1$  &  $y_2$  are linearly dependent on  $I$ .

Proof. The first statement follows from Abel's theorem.

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{vmatrix} y_1(t_0) & y_2(t_0) \\ y_1'(t_0) & y_2'(t_0) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  The homogeneous system

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1(t_0) & y_2(t_0) \\ y_1'(t_0) & y_2'(t_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

will have atleast one non-zero solution.

Let  $c_1$  &  $c_2$  denote that non-zero solution.

claim.  $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 = 0$  on  $I$ .

$$\text{Let } y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t).$$

Then  $y$  is a solution of  $\textcircled{1}$ .

$$\bullet y(t_0) = 0 \text{ \& } y'(t_0) = 0$$

$\therefore y$  satisfies the IVP  $y'' + p y' + q y = 0, y(t_0) = 0, y'(t_0) = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  By existence & uniqueness  $y(t) = 0 \forall t \in I$

$$\text{i.e., } c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t) = 0 \forall t \in I.$$

$$y'' + p y' + q y = 0 \text{ where } p \& q \text{ are constants.}$$

$\rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

• Suppose we know one solution of  $\textcircled{2}$ , say  $y_1$ .

$$y_2(t) = u(t) y_1(t).$$

$$y_2'(t) = u'(t) y_1(t) + u(t) y_1'(t)$$

$$y_2''(t) = u''(t) y_1(t) + u'(t) y_1'(t) + u'(t) y_1'(t) + u(t) y_1''(t)$$

$$u''(t) y_1(t) + 2u'(t) y_1'(t) + u(t) y_1''(t) + p u'(t) y_1(t) + q u(t) y_1(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u''(t) y_1(t) + 2u'(t) y_1'(t) - \cancel{u(t) y_1''(t)} - \cancel{u(t) y_1''(t)} + p u'(t) y_1(t) + \cancel{p u(t) y_1'(t)} + q u(t) y_1(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u''(t) y_1(t) + 2u'(t) y_1'(t) + p u'(t) y_1(t) = 0$$

Let  $v = u'(t)$ . Then

$$v'(t) y_1(t) + v(t) [2y_1'(t) + p y_1(t)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v'(t)}{v(t)} = \frac{-2y_1'(t) + p y_1(t)}{y_1(t)} \quad \text{where } y_1(t) \neq 0 \quad \forall t \in I.$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = \frac{1}{y_1(t)^2} \exp\left(-\int p(t) dt\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{y_1(t)^2} \exp(-pt)$$

•  $y'' + ay' + by = 0$ , where  $a$  &  $b$  are constants.

$$y(t) = e^{mt}$$

$$m^2 e^{mt} + am e^{mt} + be^{mt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + am + b = 0 \quad \text{— characteristic equation}$$

let  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  two roots of  $m^2 + am + b = 0$ .  
 Case 1)  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  are distinct. Auxiliary equation

$$y_1(t) = e^{m_1 t} \quad y_2(t) = e^{m_2 t}$$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{m_1 t} + c_2 e^{m_2 t}$$

Case ii)  $m_1 = m_2 = m = -a/2$

$$y_1(t) = e^{mt}$$

$$u(t) = t \Rightarrow y_2(t) = t e^{mt}$$

$$y_2(t) = u(t) y_1(t)$$

$$u''(t) + u'(t) + [-a + a] + u(t) [\cancel{m^2 + am + b}] = 0$$

$$u''(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u'(t) = c$$

$$\Rightarrow u(t) = ct$$

$$\therefore y(t) = c_1 e^{mt} + c_2 t e^{mt}$$

Case iii)  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  are complex

If  $m_1 = \alpha + i\beta$  then  $m_2 = \alpha - i\beta$

$$= e^{(\alpha+i\beta)t} = e^{\alpha t} (\cos \beta t + i \sin \beta t) \quad e^{(\alpha-i\beta)t} = e^{\alpha t} (\cos \beta t - i \sin \beta t)$$

As these two are solutions, their linear combinations are also solutions.

$$\therefore \text{Let } y_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t \quad \& \quad y_2(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t.$$

$$\therefore y(t) = c_1 e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t + c_2 e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t.$$

Examples 1)  $y'' + y' - 6y = 0$   
 $y(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-3t}$