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# Homogeneous System

1.10.1. Lemma. For the homogeneous system  $\dot{x} = Ax$  and any basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the *fundamental system* is given by

$$\mathcal{F} = \{e^{At}v_1, \dots, e^{At}v_n\}.$$

To find the fundamental matrix,

- $v_i = e_i$ : The fundamental matrix is  $X(t) = e^{At}$ .
- $v_i = u_i$ : Let  $U = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ .
  - 1. A is diagonalizable:  $\{u_1,\ldots,u_n\}\in\mathbb{R}^n$  is a basis of eigenvectors.  $J=\mathrm{diag}(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)=U^{-1}AU$  is a diagonal matrix. The fundamental matrix is

$$X(t) = Ue^{\operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)t} = (e^{\lambda_1 t}u_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t}u_n).$$

2. A is non-diagonalizable:  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_n\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a basis of **generalized eigenvectors**.  $J = U^{-1}AU$  is a **Jordan matrix**. The fundamental matrix is

$$X(t) = Ue^{Jt}$$
.



# Inhomogeneous System

1.10.4. Theorem. The solution to the IVP

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax + b(t), \qquad x(t_0) = x_0$$

is given by

$$x(t) = e^{A(t-t_0)}x_0 + e^{At} \int_{t_0}^t e^{-As}b(s)ds.$$

# Inhomogeneous System

1.10.5. Theorem. The general solution of the system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax + b(t)$$

is given by

$$x(t; c_1, ..., c_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k x^{(k)}(t) + e^{At} \int e^{-As} b(s) ds,$$

where  $\mathcal{F} = \{x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}\}$  is a fundamental system of the associated homogeneous system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

and  $c_1, \ldots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$  are arbitrary.

# Solving Higher-Order ODEs (Constant A)

1. Transform the ODE into a linear system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax + b(t).$$

- 2. Find eigenvalues and (generalized) eigenvectors of A.
- 3. Construct a fundamental system by  $X(t) = Ue^{Jt}$ .  $(x_{hom}(t))$
- 4. Find  $x_{\text{part}}$ .
  - ► Calculate  $e^{At}$  and  $e^{-As}$ ,

$$x_{\mathrm{part}}(t) = \mathrm{e}^{At} \int \mathrm{e}^{-As} b(s) ds.$$

Use variation of parameters: make ansatz

$$x_{\text{part}}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} c_k(t) x^{(k)}(t)$$

and use Cramer's rule to solve X(t)c'(t) = b(t).

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## The Wronskian

► The Wronskian of *n* solutions of a system.  $x^{(1)}, ..., x^{(n)}$  are *n* arbitrary solutions of the homogeneous system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x.$$

Then the *Wronskian* is given by

$$W_{x_1,...,x_n}(t) := \det(x^{(1)}(t),...,x^{(n)}(t)).$$

▶ 1.10.8. Lemma and Abel's equation.

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = a(t)W, \quad a(t) = \operatorname{tr} A(t), \quad W(t) = W(t_0)e^{-\int_{t_0}^t a(s)ds}.$$

▶ 1.10.9. Corollary. Either W(t) = 0 for all t or  $W(t) \neq 0$  for all t.



# Variation of Parameters for Linear Systems

Problem. Given the fundamental system  $x^{(1)}, \ldots, x^{(n)}$  of the homogeneous equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x, \qquad A: \mathbb{R} \to \mathrm{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{R}),$$

we wish to find the general solution to the inhomogeneous equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x + b(t), \qquad b: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^n.$$

# Variation of Parameters for Linear Systems

#### Method.

1. Make the ansatz

$$x_{\text{part}}(t) = c_1(t)x^{(1)}(t) + \cdots + c_n(t)x^{(n)}(t).$$

2. Find  $c_k(t)$  by

$$c_k(t) = \int \frac{W^{(k)}(\tau)}{W(\tau)} d\tau,$$

#### where

- $W(t) = \det X(t)$  is the Wronskian,
- ▶  $W^{(k)}(t) = \det X^{(k)}(t)$ , where  $X^{(k)}(t)$  is the fundamental matrix where the kth column has been replaced with b.

# IVP for Inhomogeneous Linear Systems

To solve the IVP for an inhomogeneous linear system with variable coefficients

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x + b(t), \qquad x(t_0) = x_0,$$

Find

1.  $x_{\text{hom}}(t)$ :

$$\frac{dx_{\text{hom}}}{dt} = A(t)x_{\text{hom}}, \qquad x_{\text{hom}}(t_0) = x_0,$$

2.  $x_{\text{part}}(t)$ : For some fundamental system  $(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$ ,

$$x_{\text{part}}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} x^{(k)}(t) \int_{t_0}^{t} \frac{W^{(k)}(\tau)}{W(\tau)} d\tau.$$

3.  $x_{inhom}(t)$ :

$$x_{\mathrm{inhom}}(t) = x_{\mathrm{hom}}(t) + x_{\mathrm{part}}(t).$$

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# Linear Second-Order ODEs

Definition. A *linear differential equation of order 2* is of the form

$$r(t)y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t), t \in I.$$

Let r(t) = 1, the equation is equivalent to the linear system

$$\dot{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -q(t) & -p(t) \end{pmatrix} x + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ g(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

with  $x_1 = y$  and  $x_2 = y'$ . The IVP

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t), \quad y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_0) = y'_0$$

has a unique solution y that exists throughout I.

# Linear Second-Order ODEs with Constant Coefficients Homogeneous.

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0,$$
  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0.$ 

with characteristic polynomial

$$a\lambda^2 + b\lambda + c = 0.$$

#### Solution.

▶  $b^2 \neq 4ac$ . There are two distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  and two corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ .

$$y(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}, \qquad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}.$$

▶  $b^2 = 4ac$ . There is only one eigenvalue  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$y(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 e^{\lambda t} + c_2 t e^{\lambda t}, \qquad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$



# Linear Second-Order ODEs with Constant Coefficients

## Example 1. Find the general solution of the equation

$$y'' - 2y' + y = \frac{e^x}{2x}.$$

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Undamped Free Vibrations.

$$mu'' + ku = 0.$$

Solution.

$$u(t) = A\cos(\omega_0 t) + B\sin(\omega_0 t), \quad A, B \in \mathbb{R}$$
  
=  $R\cos(\omega_0 t - \delta), \quad R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}, \delta = \arctan(B/A),$ 

with natural frequency

$$\omega_0 := \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

## Damped Free Vibrations.

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = 0.$$

#### Solution.

▶ Overdamping.  $\gamma^2 - 4km > 0$ .

$$u(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}, \qquad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

► Critical damping.  $\gamma^2 - 4km = 0$ .

$$u(t) = (c_1 + c_2 t)e^{-\gamma t/(2m)}, \qquad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Damped Free Vibrations.

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = 0.$$

#### Solution.

▶ Underdamping.  $\gamma^2 - 4km < 0$ .

$$u(t) = e^{-\gamma/(2m)t} (A\cos(\mu t) + B\sin(\mu t))$$
  
=  $Re^{-\gamma/(2m)t}\cos(\mu t - \delta)$ ,

where

$$R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$$
,  $\delta = \arctan(B/A)$ ,  $c_1, c_2, A, B \in \mathbb{R}$ .

and

$$\mu = \frac{\sqrt{4km - \gamma^2}}{2m}.$$

Undamped Forced Vibrations.

$$mu'' + ku = F_0 \cos(\omega t), \quad F_0, \omega \in \mathbb{R}.$$

#### Solutions.

► General solution.

$$u(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + c_2 \sin(\omega_0 t) + \frac{F_0}{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)} \cos(\omega t).$$

▶ Initial condition u(0) = u'(0) = 0.

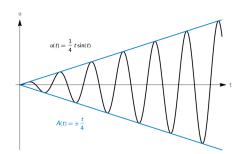
$$u(t) = \frac{F_0}{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)} (\cos(\omega t) - \cos(\omega_0 t))$$
$$= \underbrace{\frac{2F_0}{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)} \sin\frac{(\omega_0 - \omega)t}{2}}_{A(t)} \sin\frac{(\omega_0 + \omega)t}{2}.$$

Undamped Resonance.

$$mu'' + ku = F_0 \cos(\omega_0 t), \qquad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

Solutions.

$$u(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + c_2 \sin(\omega_0 t) + \frac{F_0}{2m\omega_0} t \sin(\omega_0 t).$$



Damped Forced Vibrations.

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = F_0 \cos(\omega_0 t), \qquad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

#### Solutions.

General solution is given by

$$u(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} + R \cos(\omega t - \delta), \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2,$$

where

$$\Delta = \sqrt{m^2(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma^2 \omega^2},$$

and

$$R = \frac{F_0}{\Delta}, \quad \cos \delta = \frac{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}{\Delta}, \quad \sin \delta = \frac{\gamma \omega}{\Delta}.$$



Damped Forced Vibrations.

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = F_0 \cos(\omega_0 t), \qquad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

#### Solutions.

▶ The amplitude *R* of the forced response

$$R(\omega) = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{m^2(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma \omega^2}}.$$

Maximum occurs when

$$\omega_{\mathrm{max}}^2 = \omega_0^2 \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{2km} \right), \quad R(\omega_{\mathrm{max}}) = \frac{F_0}{\gamma \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \gamma^2/(4mk)}}.$$

Damped Forced Vibrations.

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = F_0 \cos(\omega_0 t), \qquad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

#### Solutions.

**Phase angle**  $\delta$ :

$$\delta(\omega) = \arctan \frac{\gamma \omega}{m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}.$$

- 1.  $\omega$  is close to zero,  $\delta(\omega) \approx 0$ . The response  $R\cos(\omega t \delta)$  is nearly in phase with  $F_0\cos(\omega t)$ .
- 2.  $\omega \approx \omega_0, \delta(\omega) \approx \pi/2$ . The phase difference is 1/4 period.
- 3.  $\omega$  increases further. The phase difference increases until it reaches  $\pi$ .

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# Linear Second-Order ODEs with Variable Coefficients

For a linear second-order differential equation

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t),$$

We have

 $\triangleright y_{\text{hom}}(t)$ :

$$y_{\text{hom}}(t; c_1, c_2) = c_1 y^{(1)}(t) + c_2 y^{(2)}(t).$$

 $ightharpoonup y_{\text{part}}(t)$ :

$$y_{\text{part}}(t) = -y^{(1)}(t) \int \frac{g(t)y^{(2)}(t)}{W(y^{(1)}(t), y^{(2)}(t))} dt + y^{(2)}(t) \int \frac{g(t)y^{(1)}(t)}{W(y^{(1)}(t), y^{(2)}(t))} dt.$$

 $y_{\text{inhom}}(t)$ :  $y_{\text{inhom}}(t; c_1, c_2) = y_{\text{hom}}(t; c_1, c_2) + y_{\text{part}}(t)$ .

## Reduction of Order

# Finding homogeneous solutions. (Variable coefficients.)

1. Given solution  $y_1$  of

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0,$$

let

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

2. Plug  $y_2$  into the original equation, simplify it to and solve

$$y_1v'' + (2y_1' + py_1)v' = 0$$

to obtain v.

3. Find  $y_2(t)$  using

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

# Linear Second-Order ODEs with Variable Coefficients

Example 2 (Legendre's Equation). Verify that y(x) = x solves

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0,$$
  $-1 < x < 1,$ 

and find another independent solution of the equation.

# Linear Second-Order ODEs with Variable Coefficients

Example 3 (*Bessel's Equation*). Use the reduction of order to find the general solution of the following differential equation. A solution  $y_1$  is given.

$$t^2y'' + ty' + \left(t^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)y = 0, \qquad y_1(t) = \frac{\sin t}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

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Constant coefficients and homogeneous.

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0,$$
  $q, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0.$ 

- 1. Solve  $a\lambda^2 + b\lambda + c = 0$ .
- 2.  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ :
  - $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$y^{(1)}(x) = e^{\lambda_1 x}, \qquad y^{(2)}(x) = e^{\lambda_2 x}.$$

 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ :

$$y^{(1)}(x) = \cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda_i x)e^{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_i x}, \quad y^{(2)}(x) = \sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda_i x)e^{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_i x}.$$

3.  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$y^{(1)}(x) = e^{\lambda x}, \qquad y^{(2)}(x) = xe^{\lambda x}.$$



Constant coefficients and inhomogeneous.

$$ay'' + by' + cy = g(x),$$
  $q, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0.$ 

1. Solve the homogeneous equation

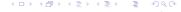
$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0,$$

and obtain  $y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}$ . Then  $y_{\text{hom}} = c_1 y^{(1)} + c_2 y^{(2)}$ .

2. Find particular solution by letting  $y_{\text{part}} = c_3(x)y^{(1)} + c_4(x)y^{(2)}$ . Find  $c_3$ ,  $c_4$  through Cramer's rule and

$$y_{\text{part}} = -y^{(1)} \int \frac{gy^{(2)}}{W} + y^{(2)} \int \frac{gy^{(1)}}{W}.$$

3.  $y_{\text{inhom}} = c_1 y^{(1)} + c_2 y^{(2)} + y_{\text{part}}$ .



Example 4. Find the general solution to

$$y''' + 3y'' + 3y' - 7y = 0.$$

#### Note.

- Initial conditions are satisfied by the homogeneous solutions.
- ▶ The inhomogeneity g(x) is satisfied by the particular solution.
- ▶ To incorporate the initial conditions  $y(x_0) = y_0, y'(x_0) = y'_0,$ 
  - ▶ Fit the initial condition in the homogeneous solution in Step 1.
  - Use the definite integral  $\int_{x_0}^{x}$  in Step 2.

Then plugging in  $x = x_0$ ,

$$y_{\text{inhom}}(x_0) = \underbrace{y_{\text{hom}}(x_0)}_{y_0} - \underbrace{y^{(1)} \int_{x_0}^{x_0} \frac{gy^{(2)}}{W} ds}_{0} + \underbrace{y^{(2)} \int_{x_0}^{x_0} \frac{gy^{(1)}}{W} ds}_{0},$$
$$y'_{\text{inhom}}(x_0) = \underbrace{y'_{\text{hom}}(x_0)}_{y'_0} - \underbrace{y^{(1)} \cdot \frac{gy^{(2)}}{W}}_{x=x_0} + y^{(2)} \cdot \frac{gy^{(1)}}{W} \Big|_{x=x_0}.$$

Example 5. (Assignment 4.3.) Find the solution to the initial value problem

$$y''' + y' = \sec t \tan t$$
,  $y''(0) = y'(0) = y(0) = 0$ .

Thanks for your attention!