

Seminar 9

Linear equations with constant coefficients.

General form:

$$(1) \quad y^{(n)} + a_1 \cdot y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_{n-1} \cdot y' + a_n \cdot y = f(x)$$

$$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}, f \in C(\mathbb{I})$$

↳ nonhomogeneous equation.

$$(2) \quad y^{(n)} + a_1 \cdot y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_{n-1} \cdot y' + a_n \cdot y = 0.$$

↳ homogeneous equation.

$$\text{Let } L[y] = y^{(n)} + a_1 \cdot y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_n y$$

$L: C^n(\mathbb{I}) \rightarrow C(\mathbb{I})$ is a linear operator

We have that:

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow L[y] = f$$

$$(2) \Leftrightarrow L[y] = 0.$$

The general solution of (1): $y = y_0 + y_p$, (2)

where y_0 - is the gen. sol of (2)
 y_p - is a particular sol of (1).

(A) Case $L[y]=0$.

→ the characteristic equation:

(3) $r^n + a_1 r^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} r + a_n = 0 \rightarrow \underline{n \text{ roots}}$

- if r is a real root of (3) with the multiplicity μ , then:

$$y_1(x) = e^{rx}$$

$$y_2(x) = x e^{rx}$$

...

$$y_\mu(x) = x^{\mu-1} e^{rx}$$

- if $r = \alpha + i\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ - complex roots of (3) with the multiplicity μ , then:

$$y_1(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x \quad ; \quad y_2(x) = e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

$$y_3(x) = x e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x \quad ; \quad y_4(x) = x e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

...

$$y_{2\mu-1}(x) = x^{\mu-1} e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x \quad ; \quad y_{2\mu}(x) = x^{\mu-1} e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

⇒ $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m\}$ the fundamental system of solutions

$y_0(x) = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + \dots + c_n y_n, \quad c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$

(B) Case $L[y] = f$

We look for $y_p = ?$

y_p can be found using the variation of constants method (see S8), $\forall f(x)$

$\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ f.s.s.

$$\Rightarrow y_p = c_1(x)y_1 + \dots + c_n(x)y_n$$

...

can be found with different formulas
(only in special cases for $f(x)$) :

Special cases of $f(x)$ - (we can avoid the application of the var const meth)

I. $f(x) = P_m(x)$

a) $a_n \neq 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{y_p(x) = Q_m(x)}$

b) $a_n = a_{n-1} = \dots = a_{n-p+1} = 0, a_{n-p} \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_p(x) = x^p \cdot Q_m(x)}$$

$$\text{II } f(x) = e^{rx} \cdot P_m(x)$$

a) if r is not a root of (3)

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = e^{rx} \cdot Q_m(x)$$

b) if r is a root of (3) with multiplicity μ

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = x^\mu \cdot e^{rx} \cdot Q_m(x)$$

$$\text{III } f(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cdot P_m(x) \cdot \cos \beta x \quad \text{or} \quad f(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cdot P_m(x) \cdot \sin \beta x$$

a) if $\alpha + i\beta$ is not a root of (3)

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cdot (Q_m^1(x) \cdot \cos \beta x + Q_m^2(x) \cdot \sin \beta x)$$

b) if $\alpha + i\beta$ is a root of (3) with multiplicity μ

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = x^\mu \cdot e^{\alpha x} \cdot (Q_m^1(x) \cos \beta x + Q_m^2(x) \sin \beta x)$$

Ex 1: $y''' - y = 0$.
 • we write the characteristic eq:

$$\lambda^3 - \lambda^0 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^3 - 1 = 0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\lambda - 1)(\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1) = 0.$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1$$

$$\Delta = -3$$

$$\lambda_{2,3} = \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1 \xRightarrow{\text{A real}} y_1(x) = e^{1 \cdot x} = e^x \quad \checkmark$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_{2,3} = \underbrace{\left[-\frac{1}{2}\right]}_{\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}} \pm i \underbrace{\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right]}_{\beta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \quad (\text{case A complex})$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow y_3(x) = e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) \quad \checkmark$$

Then the general solution: $y = \underline{c_1 \cdot y_1} + \underline{c_2 \cdot y_2} + \underline{c_3 \cdot y_3}$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = c_1 \cdot e^x + c_2 \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) + c_3 \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ex 2: $y''' - y'' = 0$.

- the charact eq: $\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 = 0$.

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2(\lambda - 1) = 0.$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_3 = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0 \quad \begin{cases} y_1(x) = e^{\lambda_1 x} = e^{0 \cdot x} = e^0 = 1 \\ y_2(x) = x \cdot e^{0 \cdot x} = x \cdot 1 = x \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_3 = 1 \quad \rightarrow y_3(x) = e^{\lambda_3 x} = e^{1 \cdot x} = e^x$$

\Rightarrow The general solution:

$$y = c_1 \cdot y_1 + c_2 \cdot y_2 + c_3 \cdot y_3$$

$$y = c_1 \cdot 1 + c_2 \cdot x + c_3 \cdot e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^x, \quad c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}}$$

ex 3: $y'' + y = e^x \rightarrow$ nonhomog eq.

\Rightarrow sol: $y = y_0 + y_p$,

where $\begin{cases} y_0 = \text{gen sol of } y'' + y = 0. \\ y_p = \text{a particular solution of } y'' + y = e^x \end{cases}$

st 1: $y'' + y = 0$.

• the charact eq: $\lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \pm i = 0 \pm 1 \cdot i$
 $\alpha=0 \quad \beta=1$

$$\Rightarrow y_1(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cdot \cos \beta x = e^{0x} \cdot \cos(1 \cdot x) = \cos x$$

$$y_2(x) = e^{\alpha x} \cdot \sin \beta x = e^{0x} \cdot \sin(1 \cdot x) = \sin x$$

Follows that $\boxed{y_0 = c_1 \cdot y_1 + c_2 \cdot y_2 = c_1 \cdot \cos x + c_2 \cdot \sin x}$

\rightarrow st 2: $y_p = ?$ We have $f(x) = e^x = \text{case B II}$ $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = e^x = \underbrace{1}_{\text{const}} \cdot e^{1 \cdot x} = P_0(x) \cdot e^{1 \cdot x}$$

const = polynomial
of degree 0

$\rightarrow \lambda = 1 \neq$ root of charact eq.

$$\Rightarrow y_p = Q_0(x) \cdot e^x = \underline{\underline{a \cdot e^x}} \rightarrow \text{constant.}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y_p &= a \cdot e^x \\ y_p' &= a e^x \\ y_p'' &= a e^x \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{- sol of } y_p'' + y_p = e^x \\ \Rightarrow \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a e^x + a e^x &= e^x \\ 2a e^x &= e^x \quad | : e^x \\ 2a &= 1 \quad \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{y_p = \frac{1}{2} e^x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{\text{st 3}}: y &= y_o + y_p \\ \boxed{y(x) &= c_1 \cdot \cos x + c_2 \cdot \sin x + \frac{1}{2} e^x, \quad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}} \\ &\text{the general solution of the initial equation.} \end{aligned}$$

ex 4: $y''' - y'' = x + 1$ nonhomog eq.

→ st 1: $y''' - y'' = 0$.

• the charact eq: $\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 = 0$.

$\lambda^2(\lambda - 1) = 0$.

$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$

$\lambda_3 = 1$

$y_1(x) = e^{0 \cdot x} = \underline{1}$; $y_2(x) = x \cdot e^{0 \cdot x} = \underline{x}$; $y_3(x) = e^{1 \cdot x} = \underline{e^x}$

⇒ $y_0(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^x$, $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$.

→ st 2: $y_p = ?$ here $f(x) = x + 1 = P_1(x)$
(case B. I) $m = 1$

R: here y, y' does not appear in the diff eq.

⇒ $y_p = x^2 \cdot Q_1(x) = x^2 \cdot (ax + b) = ax^3 + bx^2$

But y_p is sol of $y_p''' - y_p'' = x + 1$ need $y_p'' > y_p'''$

$$y_p = ax^3 + bx^2$$

$$y_p' = 3ax^2 + 2bx$$

$$y_p'' = 6ax + 2b$$

$$y_p''' = 6a$$

We replace y_p''', y_p'' in the nonhomog eq:

$$\Rightarrow 6a - (6ax + 2b) = x + 1$$

$$-6ax + 6a - 2b = x + 1, \forall x$$

$$\begin{cases} -6a = 1 \\ 6a - 2b = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -1/6$$

$$\Rightarrow b = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_p(x) = -\frac{1}{6}x^3 - x^2 = -\frac{x^2}{6}(x+6)}$$

→ st3: $y = y_0 + y_p$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 e^x - \frac{x^2}{6} \cdot (x+6), c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}.}$$

ex 5: $y'' + y = 4x \cdot e^{-x} + 2 \cdot \cos x.$

→ st 1: $y'' + y = 0.$

• the charact eq: $k^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow k_{1,2} = \pm i = 0 \pm 1 \cdot i$

$\Rightarrow y_1(x) = e^{0x} \cos(1 \cdot x) = \cos x$
 $y_2(x) = \sin x$ } $\Rightarrow y_0(x) = c_1 \cdot \cos x + c_2 \cdot \sin x$
 $\underline{c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$

→ st 2: we look for $y_p = ?$
 Here: $f(x) = \underbrace{4x \cdot e^{-x}}_{f_1} + \underbrace{2 \cdot \cos x}_{f_2} = f_1 + f_2$

(case B. II) (case B. III)

The superposition principle:

For $L[y] = f_1 + f_2$, f_1, f_2 in special cases,
 then we look for $\begin{cases} y_{p1} \text{ a partic. sol of } L[y] = f_1 \\ y_{p2} \text{ a partic sol of } L[y] = f_2 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_p = y_{p1} + y_{p2}}$ is a particular sol.
 of $L[y] = f_1 + f_2$

R: $L[y_p] = L[y_{p1} + y_{p2}] = L[y_{p1}] + L[y_{p2}] = f_1 + f_2$

$$\Rightarrow f_1 = 4x \cdot e^{-x}$$

- we look for y_{p1} sol of $y_{p1}'' + y_{p1} = 4xe^{-x}$ (*)

- here $f_1 = 4x \cdot e^{-x} = P_1(x) \cdot e^{-1 \cdot x} \Rightarrow m=1$
 $h = -1$

is not a root of the charact eq

$$\Rightarrow y_{p1} = Q_1(x) \cdot e^{hx} = (ax+b) \cdot e^{-x}$$

$$y_{p1}' = -e^{-x}(ax+b) + e^{-x} \cdot a$$

$$= e^{-x}(-ax + a - b)$$

$$y_{p1}'' = -e^{-x}(-ax + a - b) + e^{-x}(-a)$$

$$= e^{-x}(ax - 2a + b)$$

- replace y_{p1} & y_{p1}'' in eq (*) :

$$e^{-x}(ax - 2a + b) + e^{-x}(ax + b) = 4x \cdot e^{-x} \quad | : e^{-x}$$

$$2ax - 2a + 2b = 4x \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2a = 4 \Rightarrow a = 2 \\ 2b - 2a = 0 \Rightarrow b = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_{p1} = e^{-x}(2x+2) = 2e^{-x}(x+1)}$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow f_2(x) = 2 \cos x = 2 \cdot \underbrace{e^{0 \cdot x}}_{P_0=2} \cdot \underbrace{\cos(1x)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \alpha=0 \quad \beta=1}}$$

? $\alpha + i\beta = 0 + i \cdot 1 = i$ is a root of charact eq.

YES \rightarrow multiplicity $\mu = 1$

$$\Rightarrow y_{p2}(x) = x \cdot \left(\underbrace{Q_0^1(x)}_{\text{const}} \cdot e^{0 \cdot x} \cdot \cos(1 \cdot x) + \underbrace{Q_0^2(x)}_{\text{const}} \cdot e^{0 \cdot x} \cdot \sin x \right)$$

$$y_{p2}(x) = x \cdot (a \cdot \cos x + b \cdot \sin x)$$

y_{p2} is a solution of the eq: $y_{p2}'' + y_{p2} = 2 \cdot \cos x$

- we need y_{p2}'' in order to replace in equation.

$$y_{p2} = x(a \cos x + b \sin x)$$

$$y_{p2}' = a \cos x + b \sin x + x(-a \sin x + b \cos x)$$

$$y_{p2}'' = -a \sin x + b \cos x + (-a \sin x + b \cos x) + x(-a \cos x - b \sin x)$$

$$-2a \sin x + 2b \cos x - x(a \cos x + b \sin x) + x(a \cos x + b \sin x) = 2 \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow -2a \sin x + 2b \cos x = 2 \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -2a = 0 \\ 2b = 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 0 \\ b = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_{p2} = \sin x}$$

$$\text{Thus: } y_p = y_{p1} + y_{p2}$$

$$\boxed{y_p = 2e^{-x}(x+1) + \sin x}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\text{st3:}} \quad y = y_0 + y_p$$

$$\boxed{y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + 2e^{-x}(x+1) + \sin x}$$

$c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$

ex 6: $y'' - y = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}$

→ st 1 : $y'' - y = 0$

• the char eq: $\lambda^2 - 1 = 0$.

$\lambda_1 = 1$ $\lambda_2 = -1$

$y_1 = e^{1 \cdot x} = e^x$; $y_2 = e^{-1 \cdot x} = e^{-x}$

⇒ $y_0 = c_1 \cdot e^x + c_2 \cdot e^{-x}$, $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

→ st 2 : $y_p = ?$ $f(x) = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}$

Here $f(x)$ does not belong to one of the above special cases. We have to apply the variation of the constants method.

We look for a particular solution of the form:

$y_p(x) = c_1(x) \cdot e^x + c_2(x) \cdot e^{-x}$

y_p - sol of $y_p'' - y_p = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}$

$$y_p' = \underline{c_1'(x) \cdot e^x} + c_1(x) \cdot e^x + \underline{c_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x}} - c_2(x) e^{-x}$$

- we impose the cond: $c_1'(x) \cdot y_1 + c_2'(x) y_2 = 0$.
 \rightarrow here $\underline{c_1'(x) \cdot e^x + c_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x} = 0}$

$$\Rightarrow y_p' = c_1(x) \cdot e^x - c_2(x) \cdot e^{-x}$$

$$y_p'' = c_1'(x) \cdot e^x + c_1(x) e^x - c_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x} + c_2(x) e^{-x}$$

- We replace in equation:

$$\underline{c_1'(x) \cdot e^x + c_1(x) e^x} - \underline{c_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x}} + \underline{c_2(x) \cdot e^{-x}} - \underline{c_1(x) e^x} - \underline{c_2(x) \cdot e^{-x}} = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1'(x) e^x - c_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x} = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}$$

Thus, we have the system:

$$\begin{cases} c_1'(x) e^x + c_2'(x) e^{-x} = 0 \\ c_1'(x) e^x - c_2'(x) e^{-x} = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1} \end{cases} \quad (+)$$

$$\frac{2c_1'(x) e^x}{\quad} = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1} \quad | : 2e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C_1'(x) = \frac{1}{e^x - 1}}$$

Follows : $C_2'(x) \cdot e^{-x} = -C_1'(x) \cdot e^x$

$$\boxed{C_2'(x) = -\frac{e^{2x}}{e^x - 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1(x) = \int \frac{dx}{e^x - 1} = \int \frac{1 - e^x + e^x}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$= \int \left(1 + \frac{e^x}{e^x - 1} \right) dx$$

$$= -x + \ln |e^x - 1|$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2(x) = \int -\frac{e^x \cdot e^x}{e^x - 1} dx = \int -\frac{(e^x - 1 + 1)e^x}{e^x - 1} dx =$$

$$= \int -\frac{(e^x - 1)e^x}{e^x - 1} dx - \int \frac{e^x}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$= -\int e^x dx - \int \frac{e^x}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$= -e^x - \ln |e^x - 1|$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = (-x + \ln|e^x - 1|)e^x - 1 - e^{-x} \cdot \ln|e^x - 1|$$

→ st 3: $y = y_0 + y_p$

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