

Lecture 13Ordinary differential equations
of the second order

General form

$$F(x, y, y', y'') = 0$$

We are looking on $y = y(x)$ which satisfying this equation.

Simpler form

$$(1) \quad y'' = f(x, y, y')$$

Theorem 1 If f is continuous in rectangular parallelepiped $P \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ containing x_0, y_0, y'_0 , then equation (1) has solution $y = y(x)$ such that

$$y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y'(x_0) = y'_0.$$

Moreover, if $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'}$ are continuous in P , then solution is unique.

Particular cases of (1)

(I)

$$y'' = f(x)$$



$$y' = \int f(x) dx + C_1 = F(x) + C_1$$



$$y = \int F(x) dx + C_1 x + C_2$$

(II)

$$y'' = f(x, y')$$

Put $z = y'$. Then

$$z' = f(x, z) \text{ d.e. of the first order}$$

(III)

Linear differential equation
of the second order

(2)

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

If $r(x) = 0$, then (2) is said to be

homogeneous

If $r(x) \neq 0$, then (2) is said to be

nonhomogeneous

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Homogeneous case

$$(2_H) \quad \underline{y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0}, \quad x \in D$$

Remarks 1. $y=0$ is a solution of homogeneous equation.

2. If y_1 and y_2 are solutions of homogeneous equation, then

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 \quad \forall C_1, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

are also solutions of homogeneous equation.

Def. 1 Two solutions y_1, y_2 of (2_H) are fundamental if the Wronski determinant (Wronskian)

$$\begin{vmatrix} y_1(x) & y_2(x) \\ y'_1(x) & y'_2(x) \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \text{ at some } x \in D$$

y_1, y_2 are linearly independent in D

(B)

THM 2 (fundamental) If y_1, y_2 are fundamental solutions of

$$(2_H) \quad y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0,$$

then

$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 \quad c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

are all solutions of (2_H) .

THM 3 If we know one solution y_1 of (2_H) , then by variation of constant we can find the second one y_2 such that y_1, y_2 are fundamental (and so all solutions).

Proof of Thm 3

Solutions $y_1(x)$ and $c y_1(x)$ are not fundamental

$$\begin{vmatrix} y_1 & c y_1 \\ y'_1 & c y'_1 \end{vmatrix} = c y_1 y'_1 - c y_1 y'_1 = 0.$$

Let us do variation of constant

$$y_1(x), \underbrace{c(x)y_1(x)}_{y_2(x)}$$

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Then

$$y_2''(x) = (c'y_1 + c'y_1')' = c''y_1 + 2c'y_1' + c'y_1''$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2'' + p(x)y_2' + q(x)y_2 &= c''y_1 + 2c'y_1' + c'y_1'' + \\ &\quad \underline{p(x)} [c'y_1 + c'y_1'] + q(x)c'y_1 = \\ &= c''y_1 + 2c'y_1' + p(x)c'y_1 + c \underbrace{[y_1'' + p(x)y_1' + q(x)y_1]}_{=0} \end{aligned}$$

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$$c''y_1 + 2c'y_1' + p(x)c'y_1 = 0$$

since y_1 is the
solution of (2H)

$$c''y_1 = -2c'y_1' - c'p(x)y_1$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{c''}{c'}}_{= -\frac{2y_1'}{y_1} - p(x)}$$

$$(u|c'(x)|)' = -2(u|y_1(x)|)' - p(x)$$

$$u|c'(x)| = -2u|y_1(x)| - \int p(x)dx$$

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we can get $C(x)$.

Ex.1 Equation

(6)

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x}y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y = 0, x \neq 0$$

has solutions $y_1(x) = x$. Find all solutions.

Solution

$$(c \cdot x)'' = (c \cdot x + c)' = c'' \cdot x + c' + c' = c'' \cdot x + 2c'$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' - \frac{1}{x}y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y &= c'' \cdot x + 2c' - \frac{1}{x}(c'x + c) + \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot c \cdot x \\ &= c'' \cdot x + 2c' - c' - \cancel{\frac{c'}{x}} + \cancel{\frac{c}{x}} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$c''x + c' = 0 \rightarrow c''x = -c'$$

$$\frac{c''}{c'} = -\frac{1}{x}$$

$$(k|c'|)' = -\frac{1}{x}$$

$$x \mid x \times k|x| \text{ fundamental}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} k|c'| = -k|x| \\ c'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \\ c(x) = k|x| \end{array} \right\}$$

$x, x|k|x|$ is fundamental

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$$\begin{vmatrix} x & |k|x| \\ 1 & |k|x|+1 \end{vmatrix} = x(|k|x|+1) - x|k|x| = x \neq 0$$

All solutions

$$y_H = Cx + C|x|k|x|$$

Nonhomogeneous case

$$(2) \quad y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x) \quad \forall x \in D$$

THM 4 All solutions of (2) are

$$y(x) = y_H(x) + y_p(x),$$

where y_H are all solutions of homogeneous equation and y_p is a particular solution of nonhomogeneous equation.

Why?

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y &= y_H'' + y_p'' + p(x)[y_H' + y_p'] + q(x)[y_H + y_p] \\ &= \underbrace{y_H'' + p(x)y_H' + q(x)y_H}_{=0} + \underbrace{y_p'' + p(x)y_p' + q(x)y_p}_{r(x)} = r(x). \end{aligned}$$

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Ex. 2 Solve dr. e.

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x}y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y = 1, x \neq 0$$

1° Homogeneous

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x}y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y = 0$$

From Ex. 1 $\underline{y_H = c_1 x + c_2 x \ln|x|}$

2° $y_p(x) = x^2$. We control this

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x}y'_p + \frac{1}{x^2}y_p = \cancel{x} - \frac{1}{x} \cdot \cancel{2x} + \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot x^2 = 1$$

All solutions are OK

$$y = y_H(x) + y_p(x) = \underbrace{c_1 x + c_2 x \ln|x|}_{+ x^2}$$

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Linear differential equations of the second order with constant coefficients.

$$(3) \quad y'' + py' + qy = r(x), \quad p, q \in \mathbb{R}$$

First homogeneous equation

$$(3_H) \quad y'' + py' + qy = 0 \quad p, q \in \mathbb{R}$$

How to find λ ?

$$y' = \lambda e^{\lambda x}, \quad y'' = \lambda^2 e^{\lambda x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + py' + qy &= \lambda^2 e^{\lambda x} + p\lambda e^{\lambda x} + qe^{\lambda x} \\ &= e^{\lambda x} [\lambda^2 + p\lambda + q] = 0 \\ &\neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad \lambda^2 + p\lambda + q = 0 \quad \text{characteristic equation of } (3_H).$$

There are three cases:

- 1° Solutions are real numbers and different
- 2° Solutions are real numbers and equal
- 3° Solutions are complex numbers

$$(3_H) \quad y'' + py' + qy = 0, \quad p, q \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(4) \quad \boxed{\lambda^2 + p\lambda + q = 0}$$

$$(10) \quad \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$$

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda_1 x}, \quad y_2 = e^{\lambda_2 x}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 x} & e^{\lambda_2 x} \\ \lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 x} & \lambda_2 e^{\lambda_2 x} \end{vmatrix} = \lambda_2 e^{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)x} - \lambda_1 e^{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)x} \\ = e^{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)x} \cdot (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) \neq 0$$

linearly independent

$$y = C_1 e^{\lambda_1 x} + C_2 e^{\lambda_2 x}$$

all solutions
of (3_H)

$$(20) \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda x}, \quad y_2(x) = C(x) e^{\lambda x}$$

\downarrow calculate !

$$C(x) = x$$

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda x}, \quad y_2(x) = x e^{\lambda x}$$

All solutions

$$y_H = C_1 e^{\lambda x} + C_2 x e^{\lambda x}$$

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

$$\underbrace{\lambda^2 + p\lambda + q}_{} = 0 \text{ and } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda = -\frac{p}{2}$$

$$\left(\lambda - \frac{p}{2}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - a)^2 = \lambda^2 - 2a\lambda + a^2$$

$$y_2 = c(x)e^{\lambda x}$$

$$-2a = p \rightarrow a = -\frac{p}{2}$$

$$y_2'' = (c' e^{\lambda x} + c \lambda e^{\lambda x})' = c'' e^{\lambda x} + c' \lambda e^{\lambda x} \\ + \lambda (c' e^{\lambda x} + c \lambda e^{\lambda x})$$

$$y_2'' + py_2' + qy_2 = \dots$$

$$c'' + c' \underbrace{(2\lambda + p)}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$c'' = 0 \Rightarrow c' = \text{const.}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\underline{c(x) = x}$$

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 λ_1, λ_2 complex numbers

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$$\lambda^2 + p\lambda + q = 0, p, q \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta i, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \beta \neq 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = \overline{\lambda_1} = \overline{\alpha + \beta i} = \alpha - \beta i$$

$$y_1 = e^{\lambda_1 x}, y_2 = e^{\lambda_2 x}$$

$$\left\{ e^{iU} = \cos U + i \sin U \right.$$

$$Y = Cy_1 + Dy_2 =$$

$$= C e^{(\alpha + \beta i)x} + D e^{(\alpha - \beta i)x}$$

$$C, D \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$= C e^{\alpha x} [\cos \beta x + i \sin \beta x] + D e^{\alpha x} [\cos \beta x - i \sin \beta x]$$

$$= e^{\alpha x} [(C+D) \cos \beta x + i(C-D) \sin \beta x]$$

$$* C = D = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bullet \quad y_1 = e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$$

$$* C = -D = -\frac{i}{2} \Rightarrow i(C-D) = i\left(-\frac{i}{2} - \frac{i}{2}\right) = i(-i)$$

$$= -i^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore y_2 = e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x & e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x \\ (e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x)' & (e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x)' \end{vmatrix} = \dots = e^{2\alpha x} \cdot \beta \neq 0$$

Homework

$$y_H = C_1 e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x + C_2 e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

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$$+ C_1, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

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$$\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta i, \lambda_2 = \alpha - \beta i \quad | \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \beta \neq 0$$

$$y_H = e^{\alpha x} [C_1 \cos \beta x + C_2 \sin \beta x]$$

Ex. 3

$$y'' - y' - 2y = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y = e^{\lambda x} \\ \end{array} \right.$$

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1 \mp \sqrt{1+8}}{2} \begin{cases} -1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$$

$$y_H = C_1 e^{-x} + C_2 e^{2x}$$

Ex. 4

$$y'' - 2y' + y = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$y_H = C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x$$

Ex. 5

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda^2 = -1$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$$

$$y_H = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

Nonhomogeneous case

(3)

$$(3) \quad y'' + py' + qy = \underline{r(x)}, \quad p, q \in \mathbb{R}$$

All solutions

$$y = y_H + y_p$$

We know

How to find particular solution
of (3)

Equation	Initial GUESS for y_p
$r(x) = k e^{dx}$	$y_p(x) = A e^{dx}$
$r(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_n x^n$	$y_p(x) = A_0 + A_1 x + \dots + A_n x^n$
$r(x) = a_1 \cos bx + a_2 \sin bx$	$y_p(x) = A_1 \cos bx + A_2 \sin bx$

Remark (brothers or sisters)

If $r(x) = 2 \cos 3x$, then $y_p(x) = A_1 \cos 3x + A_2 \sin 3x$
or

$r(x) = 3 \sin 4x$, then $y_p(x) = A_1 \cos 4x + A_2 \sin 4x$.