

Lecture 12 - Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

Solving constant coefficient linear homogeneous (see lecture 11):

root	solution
r	e^{rt}
$\alpha \pm i\beta$	$e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t, e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t$
r w/ multiplicity k	$e^{rt}, te^{rt}, t^2 e^{rt}, \dots, t^{(k-1)} e^{rt}$

ex. $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0 \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y'(0) = 0$

$$r^2 - 4r + 5 = 0$$

$$r = 2 \pm i \quad \alpha = 2 \quad \beta = 1$$

$$y_1 = e^{2t} \cos t \quad y_2 = e^{2t} \sin t$$

$$y = A e^{2t} \cos t + B e^{2t} \sin t \quad y(0) = A \cdot 1 + B \cdot 0 = 1$$

$$A = 1$$

$$y' = 2A e^{2t} \cos t - A e^{2t} \sin t + 2B e^{2t} \sin t + B e^{2t} \cos t$$

$$y'(0) = 2A + B = 0$$

$$B = -2A = -2$$

$$y = e^{2t} \cos t - 2e^{2t} \sin t$$

Fundamental Theorem of Algebra:

Polynomial $P(r)$ of degree n has n roots counted by multiplicity

If r_i has multiplicity k , $(r - r_i)^k$ is a factor of $P(r)$

ex. $P(r) = (r-2)(r-5)^3(r+7)^4$

degree 8

$$r=2 \quad (\text{simple}) \quad \text{multiplicity } 1$$

$$r=5 \quad \text{multiplicity } 3$$

$$r=-7 \quad \text{multiplicity } 4$$

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ex. $y''' + 3y'' + 3y' + y = 0$

$$r^3 + 3r^2 + 3r + 1 = 0$$

$$(r+1)^3 = 0 \quad r = -1 \quad \text{w/ multiplicity } 3$$

$$y_1 = e^{-t} \quad y_2 = te^{-t} \quad y_3 = t^2 e^{-t}$$

ex. $y''' - 3y' + 2y = 0$ $y(0) = 1$ $y'(0) = 0$ $y''(0) = 1$

$$r^3 - 3r + 2 = 0$$

$r=1$ is root
see prev lecture for factoring

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

$$r=1 \text{ (multiplicity 2)} \quad r=-2$$

$$y_1 = e^t \quad y_2 = te^t \quad y_3 = e^{-2t}$$

$$y = Ae^t + Bte^t + Ce^{-2t}$$

do a bunch of algebra w/ initial conditions to get

$$y = \frac{7}{7}e^t - \frac{1}{3}te^t + \frac{2}{7}e^{-2t}$$

ex. $y^{(4)} + 4y''' + 8y'' + 8y' + 4y = 0$ $P(r) = (r^2 + 2r + 2)^2$

$$r = 1+i \text{ (multiplicity 2)}, \quad r = 1-i \text{ (multiplicity 2)},$$

$$y = Ae^t \cos t + Be^t \sin t + Cte^t \cos t + Dte^t \sin t$$

Operators:

Acts on function, returns another function (derivatives, integrals, multiplying by a function, etc.)

ex. $L_1 = 2 \frac{d}{dt}$ $L_2 = t$

$$L_1 \sin t = 2 \cos t$$

$$L_2 \sin t = t \sin t$$

$$L_1 e^{2t} = 4e^{2t}$$

$$L_2 e^{2t} = te^{2t}$$

$$L_1 t = 2$$

$$L_2 t = t^2$$

Don't commute, order usually matters

ex. $L_1 = 2 \frac{d}{dt}$ $L_2 = t$

$$L_1 L_2 \sin t = L_1 (t \sin t) = 2(\sin t + t \cos t)$$

$$L_2 L_1 \sin t = 2t \cos t$$

Constant Coefficient Differential Operator

$$L = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_1 \frac{d}{dt} + a_0$$

$$y = \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_1 \frac{dy}{dt} + a_0 y = 0$$

$$Ly = 0$$