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## method 2 - variation of parameters

$$DE: y' = ay + f(t) \quad (*)$$

$$DE_{(homo)}: y_h' = ay \rightarrow y_h = ce^{\int a(t) dt} \rightarrow y_h = ce^{A(t)} \quad A(t) = \int a(t) dt$$

pick a homogeneous solution ( $\neq 0$ ) by choosing a value for  $c$

for convenience, we choose  $y_{h1} = e^{A(t)}$ ;  $c=1$

we consider

$$v(t) = \frac{y(t)}{y_{h1}(t)} \rightarrow y(t) = v(t)y_{h1}(t) \quad (1)$$

aka change constant  $c$  to variable function  $v(t)$

$$y'(t) = (v(t)y_{h1}(t))' \\ = v'(t)y_{h1}(t) + v(t)y_{h1}'(t) \quad (2)$$

Take (1) and (2) and plug into (\*)

$$v'(t)y_{h1}(t) + v(t)y_{h1}'(t) = av(t)y_{h1}(t) + f(t)$$

$$v'(t)y_{h1}(t) + (vy_{h1}' - avy_{h1}) = f(t)$$

$$v'(t)y_{h1}(t) + v(y_{h1}' - ay_{h1}) = f(t)$$

$\therefore y_{h1}' = ay_{h1}$  from  $DE_{(homo)}$  so this is 0

$$v'(t)y_{h1}(t) = f(t)$$

$$v'(t) = \frac{f(t)}{y_{h1}(t)}$$

$$v(t) = \int \frac{f(t)}{y_{h1}(t)} dt + C$$

plug back into (1)

$$y(t) = \left( \int \frac{f(t)}{y_{h1}(t)} dt + C \right) y_{h1}(t)$$

$$= e^{A(t)} \int \frac{f(t)}{y_{h1}(t)} dt + Ce^{A(t)}$$

Note: reason why we need  $y_{h1}$  is to make that thing 0  
the reason we chose  $y_{h1}$  is to make our lives easier

ex:  $y' = y + e^{-t}$  ( $a(t)=1$ ,  $f(t)=e^{-t}$ )

$$- y_h' = y \rightarrow y_h = ce^t \rightarrow y_{h1} = e^t$$

$$- \text{let } v(t) = \frac{y(t)}{e^t} \rightarrow v(t)e^t = y(t) \quad (1)$$

$$y'(t) = v'(t)e^t + v(t)e^t \quad (2)$$

$$- v'(t)e^t + v(t)e^t = v(t)e^t + e^{-t}$$

$$v'(t)e^t + \underline{v(t)e^t - v(t)e^t} = e^{-t}$$

$$v'(t) = e^{-2t}$$

$$v(t) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + C$$

$$- y(t) = (-\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + C)e^t = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-t} + ce^t$$

ex:  $y' = y + e^{-t}$   $a(t)=1$   
 $- u(t) = e^{-t}$

$$e^{-t}(y' - y) = e^{-t}(e^{-t})$$

$$e^{-t}y' - e^{-t}y = e^{-2t}$$

$$(e^{-t}y)' = e^{-2t}$$

$$e^{-t}y = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + C$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-t} + ce^t \quad \checkmark$$

variation of parameters

back to method 1

ex:  $y' - y = e^t$  ( $y' - ay = f$ )

find  $u(t)$  st  $u(y' - y) = (uy)'$

$$uy' - uy = u'y + uy'$$

$$u(y' - ay) = uf$$

$$(uy)' = uf$$

$$uy = \int uf dt + c$$

$$y = \frac{1}{a} \int uf dt + c$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^{-1}} \left( \int e^{-t} \cdot e^t dt + c \right)$$

$$= e^t \left( \int e^{-2t} dt + c \right)$$

$$= e^t \left( -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2t} \right) + ce^t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-t} + ce^t$$

$$-uy = u'y$$

$$y(u + u') = 0 \quad \text{for all } y(t)$$

$$\hookrightarrow (u + u') = 0$$

$$u' = -u$$

$$u = e^{-t}$$

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Theorem - the solutions of DE  $y' = ay + f$  are of the form  $y = y_h + y_p$

1)  $y_h$  is a nonzero solution of the homogenous part of DE ( $y = y_h$ )

2)  $y_p$  is a particular solution of  $y' = ay + f$

Remark - if we know  $y_p$  is a solution of  $y' = ay + f$ , the general solution

should be  $y = y_p + y_h$  where  $y_h' = ay_h$

$y = cy_h + y_p$  is a solution