

§3.1 Introduction to Second-order Linear Equations

3.1.17 Find the specific function among the given two parameter family that satisfies the initial condition.

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x}, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 2$$

$$y'(x) = 2c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{2x} + 2c_2 x e^{2x}$$

$$0 = y(0) = c_1, \quad 2 = y'(0) = c_2$$

$$y(x) = 2x e^{2x}$$

3.1.25 Solve $y' y'' = 1$ for $y(x)$. 3.1.27 Solve $y'' = 1 + (y')^2$

$$\text{Let } v = y', \quad v' = y''.$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(v^2)' = v v' = 1$$

$$v^2 = 2x + c_1$$

$$y' = \pm \sqrt{2x + c_1}$$

$$\text{Let } v = y', \quad v' = y''.$$

$$v' = 1 + v^2$$

$$(1+v^2)^{-1} v' = 1$$

$$\arctan v = x + c_1$$

$$y' = \tan(x + c_1)$$

$$y(x) = \pm \frac{1}{3}(2x + c_1) + c_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= -\ln|\cos(x+c_1)| + c_2 \\ &= \ln|\sec(x+c_1)| + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

§ 3.2 Fundamental Solutions of the Homogeneous Equation

DEFINITION: Linear Independence and Dependence

Two functions f and g are said to be **linearly dependent** on an interval I if there exist two constants k_1 and k_2 , not both zero, that satisfy

$$k_1 f(x) + k_2 g(x) = 0 \quad (1)$$

for all x in the interval I . Two functions f and g are said to be **linearly independent** on an interval I if they are not linearly dependent on I . That is, Eq. (1) holds for all x in I only for $k_1 = k_2 = 0$.

THEOREM 3.3: Wronskian Test for Linear Independence

Assume that the coefficients $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ in the homogeneous equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0 \quad (5)$$

are continuous on (a, b) and that y_1 and y_2 are two given solutions. If *any one* of the following statements is true, then all of the others are also true.

- y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent solutions on (a, b) .
- $W[y_1, y_2](x) \neq 0$ for all x in (a, b) .
- $W[y_1, y_2](x_0) \neq 0$ for at least one x_0 in (a, b) .

3.2.7 Determine whether the functions f and g are independent on $(-1, 1)$. Compute the Wronskian of f and g .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= e^x \cos x \\ g(x) &= e^{2x} \cos x \end{aligned}$$

$$0 \equiv k_1 f(x) + k_2 g(x) = e^x \cos x (k_1 + k_2 e^x)$$

No choice of k_1, k_2 satisfies $0 \equiv e^x \cos x (k_1 + k_2 e^x)$
 f and g are independent.

$$W[f, g] = \begin{vmatrix} f & g \\ f' & g' \end{vmatrix} = fg' - f'g$$

$$= e^x \cos x (2e^{2x} \cos x - e^{2x} \sin x) - (e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x)(e^{2x} \cos x)$$

$$= e^{3x} \cos x (2\cos x - \sin x - \cos x + \sin x) = e^{3x} \cos^2 x \neq 0 \quad \text{Independent}$$

For Problems 11–20, carry out the following steps.

- Verify that the functions y_1 and y_2 are solutions of the specified differential equation.
- Verify that y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent.
- Find the general solution of the differential equation.
- Find the solution of the indicated initial-value problem.

$$\underline{3.1.17} \quad y'' - y = 0, \quad y_1(x) = \sinh x \quad y_2(x) = \cosh x \quad y(0) = 0 \quad y'(0) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad y_1'' - y_1 &= \sinh x - \sinh x = 0 \\ y_2'' - y_2 &= \cosh x - \cosh x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad W[y_1, y_2] &= \begin{vmatrix} \sinh x & \cosh x \\ \cosh x & \sinh x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \sinh^2 x - \cosh^2 x = -1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \quad y(x) = c_1 \sinh x + c_2 \cosh x$$

$$(d) \quad 0 = y(0) = c_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{y(x) = \sinh x}$$

$$\underline{3.1.19} \quad x^2 y'' + xy' - y = 0, \quad y_1(x) = x \quad y_2(x) = x^{-1} \quad y(1) = 0 \quad y'(1) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad x^2 y_1'' + xy_1' - y_1 &= 0 + x - x = 0 \\ x^2 y_2'' + xy_2' - y_2 &= 2x^2/x^3 - x/x^2 - 1/x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad W[y_1, y_2] &= \begin{vmatrix} x & x^{-1} \\ 1 & -x^{-2} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -x^{-1} - x^{-1} = -2x^{-1} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \quad y(x) = c_1 x + c_2/x$$

$$(d) \quad 0 = y(1) = c_1 + c_2 \rightarrow c_2 = -c_1 \\ 0 = y'(1) = c_1 - c_2 = 2c_1 \quad \boxed{y(x) = 0}$$

§ 3.4 Homogeneous Equations with Constant Coefficients: Real Roots

3.1.9 $2y'' - 3y' + y = 0$

$$2\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1 = 0$$

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

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

$$(2\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 1) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}, 1$$

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{x/2} + c_2 e^x$$

3.1.18 $4y'' - 4y' - 3y = 0, y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1$

$$\lambda = \frac{-4/8 \pm \sqrt{16+48}}{8} / 8 = \frac{1}{2} \pm 1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-x/2} + c_2 e^{3x/2}$$

$$0 = y(0) = c_1 + c_2 \rightarrow c_1 = -c_2$$

$$1 = y'(0) = -\frac{1}{2}c_1 + \frac{3c_2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}c_2 + \frac{3c_2}{2} = 2c_2 \rightarrow c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x/2} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-x/2}$$

For Problems 1–19, find the general solution of the given differential equation. When initial conditions are given, find the solution that satisfies the stated conditions.

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| 1. $y'' = 0$ | 6. $y'' - y' - 2y = 0$ |
| 2. $y'' - y' = 0$ | 7. $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$ |
| 3. $y'' - 9y = 0$ | 8. $4y'' - 4y' + y = 0$ |
| 4. $4y'' - y = 0$ | 9. $2y'' - 3y' + y = 0$ |
| 5. $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$ | 10. $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$ |
| 11. $y'' - 8y' + 16y = 0$ | |
| 12. $y'' - 25y = 0$ | $y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0$ |
| 13. $y'' + y' - 2y = 0$ | $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$ |
| 14. $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$ | $y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1$ |
| 15. $y'' - 9y = 0$ | $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$ |
| 16. $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$ | $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$ |
| 17. $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$ | $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 1$ |
| 18. $4y'' - 4y' - 3y = 0$ | $y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1$ |
| 19. $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$ | $y(1) = 0, y'(1) = 1$ |

§ 3.5 Homogeneous Equations with Constant Coefficients: Complex Roots

3.5.13 $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$

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

$$(\lambda + 1)^2 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = -1 \text{ repeated}$$

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of complex roots

3.5.11 $y'' + 4y = 0$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = -1$

$$\lambda^2 + 4 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \pm 2i \rightarrow y(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= y(0) = c_1 \\ -1 &= y'(0) = 2c_2 \end{aligned} \rightarrow y(x) = \cos 2x - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$$

3.5.17 Solve $y''(x) = y(-x)$

$$y'''(x) = y'(-x) \rightarrow y^{(4)}(-x) = y(-x)$$

$$y^{(4)}(x) = y''(-x) \quad y^{(4)}(t) = y(t) \quad t = -x$$

$$\lambda^4 = 1 \rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1, \pm i$$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} + c_3 \cos t + c_4 \sin t$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} - c_3 \cos t - c_4 \sin t &= y''(t) \\ c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^t + c_3 \cos t - c_4 \sin t &= y(-t) \end{aligned} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 &= c_2 = c_3 = 0 \\ c_4 &= c_4 \text{ free} \end{aligned}$$

$$y(x) = C \sin x$$

For Problems 1-15, determine the general solution of the given differential equation. If initial conditions are given, find the solution satisfying the stated conditions.

1. $y'' + 9y = 0$
2. $y'' + y' + y = 0$
3. $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$
4. $y'' + 2y' + 8y = 0$
5. $y'' + 2y' + 4y = 0$
6. $y'' - 4y' + 7y = 0$
7. $y'' - 10y' + 26y = 0$
8. $3y'' + 4y' + 9y = 0$
9. $y'' - y' + y = 0$
10. $y'' + y' + 2y = 0$
11. $y'' + 4y = 0 \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y'(0) = -1$
12. $y'' - 4y' + 13y = 0 \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y'(0) = 0$
13. $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0 \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y'(0) = 0$
14. $y'' - y' + y = 0 \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y'(0) = 0$
15. $y'' - 4y' + 7y = 0 \quad y(0) = -1 \quad y'(0) = 0$