

$$y^{(4)} - 5y^{(3)} + 6y'' + 4y' - 8y = 0$$

$$m^4 - 5m^3 + 6m^2 + 4m - 8 = 0$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = m_3 = 2 \text{ \& } m_4 = -1$$

Ans $y(x) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 x + \alpha_3 x^2) e^{2x} + \alpha_4 e^{-x}$

Reduction of orders

This method is used to find a linearly independent solution corresponding to a given solution

Problem $y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0 \quad (1)$

Suppose $y_1(t)$ is one soln of (1).

To find a second solution, let us consider

$$y(t) = v(t)y_1(t)$$

$$\text{then } y'(t) = v'(t)y_1(t) + v(t)y_1'(t)$$

$$y''(t) = v''(t)y_1(t) + 2v'(t)y_1'(t) + v(t)y_1''(t)$$

Now, we substitute the value of $y(t)$, $y'(t)$ & $y''(t)$ in (1) we have

$$[v''(t)y_1(t) + 2v'(t)y_1'(t) + v(t)y_1''(t)] + p(t)[v'(t)y_1(t) + v(t)y_1'(t)] + q(t)v(t)y_1(t) = 0 \quad (2)$$

As y_1 is a solution of (1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow y_1''(t) + p(t)y_1'(t) + q(t)y_1(t) = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$v''(t)y_1(t) + 2v'(t)y_1'(t) + p(t)v'(t)y_1(t) = 0$$

~~$$+ p(t)v(t)y_1'(t) + q(t)v(t)y_1(t) = 0$$~~

$$\Rightarrow y_1(t)v''(t) + (2y_1'(t) + p(t)y_1(t))v'(t) = 0$$

Consider $v'(t) = w(t)$

$$y_1(t)w'(t) + (2y_1'(t) + p(t)y_1(t))w(t) = 0$$

A First order ODE \downarrow

We solve in terms of $w(t)$

Once we obtain $w(t)$, ~~we~~ using $v'(t) = w(t)$,
we get the solution.

- Method is called reduction of order, as an important step of ~~solving~~ ^{solution} is solving a first order ODE.

Q Given that $y_1(t) = t^{-1}$ is a solution of
 $2t^2y'' + 3ty' - y = 0, t > 0$,
find a fundamental set of solutions

Ans

$$y(t) = v(t)t^{-1}$$

$$y'(t) = v'(t)t^{-1} - v(t)t^{-2}$$

$$y''(t) = v''(t)t^{-1} - 2v'(t)t^{-2} + 2v(t)t^{-3}$$

Pulling y, y', y'' into ①,

$$2t^2(v''(t)t^{-1} - 2v'(t)t^{-2} + 2v(t)t^{-3})$$

$$+ 3t(v'(t)t^{-1} - v(t)t^{-2}) - vt^{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2t(v''(t) - 2v'(t)t^{-1} + 2v(t)t^{-3}) + v(4t^{-1} - 3t^{-1} - t^{-1}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2tv''(t) - v' = 0$$

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = \frac{dt}{2t} \Rightarrow \log(v') = \log(t^{1/2}c)$$

Q Prove that if y_1, y_2 have maxima at the same point on I , then they can't be a fundamental set of solutions on that interval where y_1, y_2 are solutions of $y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$ & $p(t)$ & $q(t)$ are continuous on I .

Ans As y_1, y_2 are solutions, they are differentiable. Suppose $t_0 \in I$ is the pt. where y_1, y_2 have either a minimum or maximum.

$$\Rightarrow y_1'(t_0) = 0 = y_2'(t_0)$$

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) = 0$$

$$\text{Hence } W(y_1, y_2) = 0 \quad \forall t \in I$$

& hence y_1, y_2 can't form a fundamental set of solutions

$$\checkmark \quad y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$$

where p & q are continuous functions on an open interval I . Then TFAE:-

- 1) y_1, y_2 form a fundamental set of solutions on I ,
- 2) y_1, y_2 are linearly independent on I
- 3) $W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) \neq 0$ for a $t_0 \in I$.
- 4) $W(y_1, y_2)(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in I$.

Def If y_1, y_2 are 2 solutions of the ODE

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$$

& the $W(y_1, y_2)$ does not vanish everywhere.

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1(t) & y_2(t) \\ y_1'(t) & y_2'(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

then $y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ with arbitrary constants c_1, c_2 is known as "general solution" of the ODE.

- The solutions y_1, y_2 are said to form a fundamental set of solutions if and only if their Wronskian is non zero.

Q. Show $y_1(t) = e^{r_1 t}$ $y_2(t) = e^{r_2 t}$

are two solutions of eqn

$$L[y] = y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$$

Show they form a fundamental set of solns.

Q $y_1(t) = \sqrt{t}$ & $y_2(t) = t^{-1}$

form a fundamental set of solns of

$$2t^2 y'' + 3ty' - y = 0, t > 0.$$

Question whether for an ODE :-

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$$

always has a fundamental set of solns?

Theorem If y_1, y_2 are solution of 2nd order homogeneous
ODE $Ly = 0$ on I

then $W(y_1, y_2)$ is either identically zero or is
never zero on I .

Proof ^{Suppose}
 $W(y_1, y_2)(x_0) = 0$.

then y_1, y_2 are linearly ~~are~~ dependent.

but then by previous theorem

Wronskian vanishes everywhere.

Eg Wronskian of $y_1(x) := x$ & $y_2(x) := \sin x$ is
 $x \cos x - \sin x$.

This Wronskian is non zero, for eg, at $x = \pi$, then
functions y_1 & y_2 are linearly independent.
However, Wronskian is zero at $x = 0$.

Note x & $\sin x$ can't span solutions
of a second order ODE.

Why?

because by Abel's theorem &

Theorem 3.2.4,

if they were sol, then

$W(y_1, y_2)$ must never be zero

but $W(y_1, y_2) = 0$ at $x = 0$

$$y'' + py' + qy = 0$$

$$p + qx = 0$$

$$-\sin x + p \cos x$$

$$+ q \sin x = 0$$

$$(q-1)\sin x - \frac{q^2 x}{2} = 0$$

$$= 0$$

$$x$$

To find general soln of the ODE

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0 \quad t \in I.$$

- Find 2 fns y_1, y_2 that satisfy the ODE in I .

- There is a pt $t_0 \in I$ st.

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) \neq 0$$

- Then y_1, y_2 form a fundamental set of solns.

General solution is

$$y = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$$

where c_1, c_2 are arbitrary const.

3.4. Complex roots of the characteristic equation

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where a, b, c are given real no.s

If we seek solutions of form $y = e^{rt}$, then r must be a root of the characteristic equation

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

If roots r_1, r_2 are real & distinct, i.e. when

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \text{we have } b^2 - 4ac > 0.$$

then the general solution of (1) is

$$y = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

If $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, then (2) has ~~complex conjugate roots~~
conjugate pair of complex roots

$$r_1 = \lambda + i\mu \quad , \quad r_2 = \lambda - i\mu.$$

where λ, μ are real

$$\text{Then } y_1 = e^{(\lambda + i\mu)t} = e^{\lambda t} (\cos \mu t + i \sin \mu t)$$

$$\& y_2 = e^{(\lambda - i\mu)t} = e^{\lambda t} (\cos \mu t - i \sin \mu t)$$

are complex solutions of the ODE.

- We seek real linearly independent solutions

$$\Rightarrow v'(t) = t^{-1/2} C$$

$$v(t) = C \int t^{-1/2} dt + K$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} C t^{3/2} + K$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = \frac{2}{3} C_1 t^{3/2} + C_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } y(t) &= v(t) y_1(t) \\ &= \frac{2}{3} C_1 t^{1/2} + C_2 t^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$y_1(t) = t^{-1}, \quad y_2(t) = \frac{2}{3} t^{1/2}$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \frac{3}{2} t^{-3/2}, \quad t > 0$$

Hence, y_1 & y_2 form a fundamental set of solutions

For second order linear hom eqn with constant coeff:-

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

let r_1 & r_2 be roots of corresponding characteristic eqn

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0$$

• r_1 & r_2 are real but not equal,
CS $y = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$

• r_1 & r_2 are complex conjugates $\lambda \pm i\mu$
 $y = C_1 e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t + C_2 e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t$

• $r_1 = r_2$ $y = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 t e^{r_1 t}$

3.5 Non homogeneous equation, method of undetermined coefficients

Recall

$$L[y] = y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t), \quad g(t) \neq 0$$

p & q are given (continuous) functions on the open interval I .

$$L[y] = y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0 \quad (2)$$

is called the homogeneous eqn corresponding to (1)

Theorem

y_1, y_2 solution of (1)

Then $y_1 - y_2$ solution of (2)

If in addition, y_1, y_2 are a fundamental set of solutions, then

$$y_1(t) - y_2(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$$

Theorem

GS of $L[y] = g(t)$ is

$$y = \phi(t) = \underbrace{c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)}_{\text{C.F.}} + \underbrace{\psi(t)}_{\text{P.I.}}$$

eg

Non homogeneous ODE

$$y'' + y = x$$

$$\text{C.F. } y'' + y = 0$$

$$y_c = x_1 \sin x + x_2 \cos x$$

$$\text{PI } y'' + y = x \quad y_p(x) = x$$

Thm Consider ODE

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

whose coeffs ^{p, q} are continuous on some open interval I .
Choose $t_0 \in I$.

Let y_1 be a soln of (1) that also satisfies
 $y_1(t_0) = 1, y_1'(t_0) = 0$

Let y_2 be a soln of (1) that satisfies

$$y_2(t_0) = 0, y_2'(t_0) = 1$$

Then y_1, y_2 form a fundamental set of solns.

Q Find fundamental set of solutions specified by
above theorem for ODE

$$y'' - y = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

using initial pt. $t_0 = 0$.

Ans

$$m^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$m = \pm 1$$

$$y_1(t) = e^t \quad y_2 = e^{-t}$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} \\ e^t & -e^{-t} \end{vmatrix} = -2 \neq 0$$

So y_1, y_2 form a fundamental set of
solutions

NOTE An ODE has more than one fundamental set of solutions - infinitely many fundamental set of solutions

ABEL'S THEOREM

Pf- y_1 & y_2 are solns of the ODE

$$L[y] = y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$$

where p, q are continuous on an open interval I , then

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = c \exp\left[-\int p(t) dt\right]$$

where c is a certain constant that depends on y_1 & y_2 but not on t .

Furthermore,

$W(y_1, y_2)(t)$ is either zero $\forall t \in I$ ($c=0$)

or else is never zero in I ($c \neq 0$)

(Since exponential function is never zero)

Eg $y_1(t) = \sqrt{t}$ & $y_2(t) = t^{-1}$ are solns of

$$2t^2 y'' + 3ty' - y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' + \frac{3}{2t} y' - \frac{1}{2t^2} y = 0$$

$$p(t) = \frac{3}{2t}$$

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = c \exp\left[-\int \frac{3}{2t} dt\right]$$

$$= c \exp\left(-\frac{3}{2} \ln t\right) = c t^{-3/2}$$

They are not fundamental solns indicated by them
 $y_1(0)=1, y_1'(0)=1, y_2(0)=1, y_2'(0)=-1$.

Let us denote

$y_3(t)$ the soln of (1) s.t.

$$y_3(0)=1 \text{ \& } y_3'(0)=0.$$

~~Particular~~ ^{general} soln of (1) is $y = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t}$,
and the ICs are,

$$y_3(0)=1 \Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = 1$$

$$y_3'(0)=0 \Rightarrow c_1 - c_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\boxed{y_3(t) = \frac{e^t + e^{-t}}{2} = \cosh t}$$

$y_4(t)$ is a soln of (1) s.t.

$$y_4(0)=0, y_4'(0)=1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_4(t) = \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{2} = \sinh t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } W(y_3, y_4)(t) &= \cosh^2 t - \sinh^2 t \\ &= 1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore y_3 \& y_4$ form a fundamental set of solutions

$$y'' - 6y' + 25y = 0$$

$$16y'' - 8y' + 145y = 0$$

$$y(0) = -2, y'(0) = 1.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{CF is } 16r^2 - 8r + 145 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{1}{4} \pm 3i$$

$$\text{GS is } y = e^{\frac{1}{4}t} (c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t)$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{4} e^{\frac{1}{4}t} (c_1 \cos 3t + c_2 \sin 3t) + e^{\frac{1}{4}t} (-3c_1 \sin 3t + 3c_2 \cos 3t)$$

$$y(0) = -2 \Rightarrow \boxed{c_1 = -2}$$

$$y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1}{4} c_1 + 3c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} (-2) + 3c_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3c_2 = 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{c_2 = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\therefore y = e^{\frac{1}{4}t} (-2 \cos 3t + \frac{1}{2} \sin 3t) \text{ soln of IVP.}$$

Repeated roots, reduction of order

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \quad (1)$$

Characteristic eqn is $ar^2 + br + c = 0$

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2}$$

When $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$\text{then } r_1 = r_2 = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

Both the roots are same & results in soln $y_1(t) = e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$

FF a second solution

Assume

$$y(t) = v(t) y_1(t) \\ = v(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

[Since $y_1(t)$ is a solution
 $cy_1(t)$ is also a solution
Basic idea - generalize
this observation by replacing
 c by a function $v(t)$ so
that $v(t)y_1(t)$ is also

— (V) — that $v(t)y_1(t)$ is also a solution

$$y'(t) = v'(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + \left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right) v(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

$$y''(t) = v''(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + \left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right) v'(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} \\ + \left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right) v'(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} v(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

$$= v''(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} - \frac{b}{a} v'(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} v(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

Substitute y, y', y'' into (1),

$$a \left(v'' - \frac{b}{2a} v' + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} v \right) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

$$+ b \left(v' - \frac{b}{2a} v \right) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + c v e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow av'' - \cancel{bv'} + \frac{b^2}{4a} v + \cancel{bv'} - \frac{b^2}{2a} v + cv = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow av'' - \frac{b^2}{4a} v + cv = 0$$

$$\text{Since } b^2 - 4ac = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{b^2}{2a}$$

$$\text{Hence, } av'' - cv + cv = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = c_1 + c_2 t$$

$$\text{Hence } y(t) = v(t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

$$= (c_1 + c_2 t) e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$$

$$= \underline{c_1 e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}} + c_2 t \underline{e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}}$$

$\therefore y$ is a linear combination of the two solutions $e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$ & $te^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}$

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} & te^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} \\ -\frac{b}{2a}e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} & (1 - \frac{bt}{2a})e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \cancel{\left(1 - \frac{bt}{2a}\right)} e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} \neq 0$$

Hence, y_1 & y_2 form a fundamental set of solutions

& general soln is

$$\boxed{y = c_1 e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t} + c_2 t e^{-\frac{b}{2a}t}}$$

- If m is a repeated root, then e^{mt} is one solution
- Now, using existing solution $u_1 = e^{mt}$, we find a linearly independent solution $e^{mt} v(t)$ for a suitable choice of v .
- $v(t) = t$ & te^{mt} is a l.i. solution.
- For three repeated roots e^{mt} , te^{mt} & $t^2 e^{mt}$ are l.i. solutions

Q $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$

CE is $m^2 - 6m + 9 = 0$

Two repeated roots $m_1 = m_2 = 3$

Corresponding solution is e^{3x}

L.I solution - $x e^{3x}$.

general solution $y(x) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 x) e^{3x}$

Q $y^{(3)} - 4y'' - 3y' + 18y = 0$

CE $m^3 - 4m^2 - 3m + 18 = 0$

$m_1 = m_2 = 3$

$m_3 = -2$

$e^{3x} \quad e^{-2x}$

General sol $y(x) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 x) e^{3x} + \alpha_3 e^{-2x}$

We can get it from linear combinations of y_1, y_2 .

- Sum the above two complex solutions & divide by 2

$$y_1 + y_2 = 2e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t$$

to obtain $\boxed{u(t) = e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t}$

- Similarly, on subtraction & dividing by $2i$, we get

$$y_1 - y_2 = 2ie^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t$$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{v(t) = e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t}$

$$W(u, v)(t) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t & e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t \\ \lambda e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t & \lambda e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t \\ -\mu e^{\lambda t} \sin \mu t & +\mu e^{\lambda t} \cos \mu t \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \mu e^{2\lambda t} \neq 0$$

Thus, as long as $\mu \neq 0$, the Wronskian W is not zero.

So $u(t)$ & $v(t)$ are real linearly independent solutions

& general solution is given by

$$y(t) = e^{\lambda t} (c_1 \cos \mu t + c_2 \sin \mu t),$$

where c_1 & c_2 are arbitrary constants

2 ODE $y'' + y = 0$

CE is $m^2 + 1 = 0$

$$m_1 = i \quad m_2 = -i$$

General solution is $y(t) := \alpha_1 \sin t + \alpha_2 \cos t$