

1st Order Linear ODEs

Problem Definition:

ODE with constant coefficient, a , and forcing function (input), $f(t)$. If $f(t) \equiv 0$, the system is said to be “source-free” and $(*)$ is the *homogenous equation*.

Given $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = f(t) \quad (*) \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \quad (**) \end{array} \right\}$, find $y(t)$.

Initial Condition (IC)

A Fundamental Theorem of Linear DEs:

Suppose that $y_p(t)$ is any particular integral solution to $(*)$ and $y_c(t)$ is any complementary solution to the homogenous equation. I.e.,

Soln: $y_c(t) = Ke^{-at}$

$$\frac{dy_p(t)}{dt} + ay_p(t) = f(t) \text{ and } \frac{dy_c(t)}{dt} + ay_c(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = y_p(t) + y_c(t) \text{ is also a solution to } (*).$$

NB: This is therefore also a “particular solution”. There are an infinite number of complementary solutions and of particular solutions. It is the I.C. that uniquely identifies the correct solution.

Complete Response

Particular integral solution ($y_p(t)$)

- Sometimes, use forced response, a.k.a. zero-state response (ZSR), the unique particular solution satisfying zero IC.
- Sometimes more convenient to use steady-state (permanent) response.

Complementary solution ($y_c(t)$)

- Sometimes, use natural response, a.k.a. zero-input response (ZIR), the unique complementary solution satisfying the given IC.
- Sometimes more convenient to use transient response (vanishes as $t \rightarrow \infty$).

$$\Rightarrow \text{Complete response} = \boxed{\text{Forced response}} + \boxed{\text{Natural response}}$$

Due to $f(t)$; compute
assuming $y_p(0) = 0$

Due to IC $y_c(0) = y_0$;
take $f(t) \equiv 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Complete response} = \boxed{\text{Steady-state}} + \boxed{\text{Transient}}$$

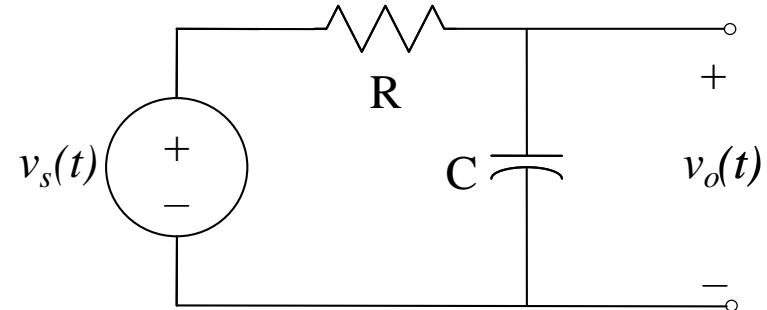
- Periodic (including DC)
- Constant if DC input
 - If Sinusoidal input then sinusoid of same frequency.

Usually combination of
decaying exponentials

Aside: This form
can't be used for
unstable systems.

Example: RC Circuit

Given $v_s(t) = V_s$ for $t \geq 0$ and $v_o(0) = V_0$, determine the steady-state response, the transient response, the ZIR, the ZSR and the complete response (for $t \geq 0$).



$$\text{KCL: } \frac{v_s - v_o}{R} = C \dot{v}_o \Leftrightarrow \dot{v}_o + \frac{1}{RC} v_o = \frac{1}{RC} v_s$$

$$\Rightarrow v_{o,c}(t) = K e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\text{COMPLETE SOLUTION: } v_o(t) = V_s + (V_0 - V_s) e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\text{STEADY-STATE RESPONSE: } v_{o,ss}(t) = V_s$$

$$\text{TRANSIENT RESPONSE: } v_{o,trans}(t) = (V_0 - V_s) e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\text{ZIR: } v_{o,zir}(t) = V_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\text{ZSR: } v_{o,zsr}(t) = V_s (1 - e^{-t/RC})$$

2nd Order Linear ODEs

Problem Definition:

$$\text{Given } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + a_0 y(t) = f(t) \quad (*) \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=t_0} = y'_0 \quad (**) \end{array} \right\}, \text{ find } y(t).$$

As before: $\Rightarrow y(t) = y_p(t) + y_c(t)$ is also a solution to (*).

We focus on the homogenous equation and rewrite DE coeffs:

$$\frac{d^2 y_c(t)}{dt^2} + 2\zeta\omega_0 \frac{dy_c(t)}{dt} + \omega_0^2 y_c(t) = 0 \quad (***)$$

where ζ is damping ratio and ω_0 is natural (undamped) frequency.

Assume $y_c(t) = Ke^{st}$. (***) $\Rightarrow s^2(Ke^{st}) + 2\zeta\omega_0 s(Ke^{st}) + \omega_0^2(Ke^{st}) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Characteristic Equation: } s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_0 s + \omega_0^2 = 0$$

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Roots provide useful information about system qualitative (especially transient) characteristics.

Quadratic equation yields 2 roots (eigenvalues): $s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_0 \pm \omega_0\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$

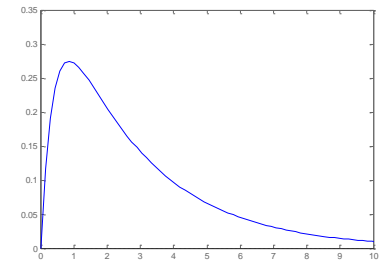
For stable systems, investigate 3 cases of ζ .

Case 1: $\zeta > 1$ (overdamped)

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_0 \pm \omega_0\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$

(two negative real and unequal roots)

Solution has form:
 $y_c(t) = Ae^{s_1 t} + Be^{s_2 t}$

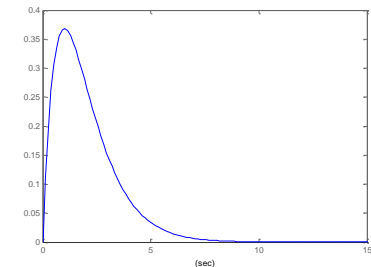


Case 2: $\zeta = 1$ (critically damped)

$$s_{1,2} = -\omega_0$$

(single repeated negative root)

Solution has form:
 $y_c(t) = e^{-\omega_0 t} [A + Bt]$



Case 3: $1 > \zeta > 0$ (underdamped)

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_0 \pm j\omega_0\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$$

$$= \sigma \pm j\omega_d \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Damped frequency:} \\ \omega_d = \omega_0\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} \end{matrix}$$

(complex-conjugate pair of roots)

Solution has form:
 $y_c(t) = e^{\sigma t} C \cos(\omega_d t + \phi)$
 $= e^{\sigma t} [A \cos(\omega_d t) + B \sin(\omega_d t)]$

