

Solve $y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4\sin(3t)$, $y(0) = 6$, $y'(0) = 7$.

1.) Find the general solution to $y'' - 4y' - 5y = 0$:

Guess $y = e^{rt}$ for HOMOGENEOUS equation:

$$y' = re^{rt}, y'' = r^2e^{rt}$$

$$y'' - 4y' - 5y = 0$$

$$r^2e^{rt} - 4re^{rt} - 5e^{rt} = 0$$

$$e^{rt}(r^2 - 4r - 5) = 0$$

$e^{rt} \neq 0$, thus can divide both sides by e^{rt} :

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

$(r + 1)(r - 5) = 0$. Thus $r = -1, 5$.

Thus $y = e^{-t}$ and $y = e^{5t}$ are both solutions to HOMOGENEOUS equation.

Thus the general solution to the 2nd order linear HOMOGENEOUS equation is

$$y = c_1e^{-t} + c_2e^{5t}$$

2.) Find a solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = 4\sin(3t)$:

Guess $y = A\sin(3t) + B\cos(3t)$

$$y' = 3A\cos(3t) - 3B\sin(3t)$$

$$y'' = -9A\sin(3t) - 9B\cos(3t)$$

$$y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4\sin(3t)$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -9A\sin(3t) & - & 9B\cos(3t) \\ 12B\sin(3t) & - & 12A\cos(3t) \\ -5A\sin(3t) & - & 5\cos(3t) \end{array}$$

$$(12B - 14A)\sin(3t) - (-14B - 12A)\cos(3t) = 4\sin(3t)$$

Since $\{\sin(3t), \cos(3t)\}$ is a linearly independent set:

$$12B - 14A = 4 \text{ and } -14B - 12A = 0$$

Thus $A = -\frac{14}{12}B = -\frac{7}{6}B$ and

$$12B - 14\left(-\frac{7}{6}B\right) = 12B + 7\left(\frac{7}{3}B\right) = \frac{36+49}{3}B = \frac{85}{3}B = 4$$

Thus $B = 4\left(\frac{3}{85}\right) = \frac{12}{85}$ and $A = -\frac{7}{6}B = -\frac{7}{6}\left(\frac{12}{85}\right) = -\frac{14}{85}$

Thus $y = \left(-\frac{14}{85}\right)\sin(3t) + \frac{12}{85}\cos(3t)$ is one solution to the non-homogeneous equation.

Thus the general solution to the 2nd order linear nonhomogeneous equation is

$$y = c_1e^{-t} + c_2e^{5t} - \left(\frac{14}{85}\right)\sin(3t) + \frac{12}{85}\cos(3t)$$

3.) If initial value problem:

Once general solution is known, can solve initial value problem (i.e., use initial conditions to find c_1, c_2).

NOTE: you must know the GENERAL solution to the ODE BEFORE you can solve for the initial values. The homogeneous solution and the one nonhomogeneous solution found in steps 1 and 2 above do NOT need to satisfy the initial values.

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General solution: $y = c_1e^{-t} + c_2e^{5t} - (\frac{14}{85})\sin(3t) + \frac{12}{85}\cos(3t)$

Thus $y' = -c_1e^{-t} + 5c_2e^{5t} - (\frac{42}{85})\cos(3t) - \frac{36}{85}\sin(3t)$

$$y(0) = 6: \quad 6 = c_1 + c_2 + \frac{12}{85} \quad \frac{498}{85} = c_1 + c_2$$

$$y'(0) = 7: \quad 7 = -c_1 + 5c_2 - \frac{42}{85} \quad \frac{637}{85} = -c_1 + 5c_2$$

$$6c_2 = \frac{498+637}{85} = \frac{1135}{85} = \frac{227}{17}. \text{ Thus } c_2 = \frac{227}{102}.$$

$$c_1 = \frac{498}{85} - c_2 = \frac{498}{85} - \frac{227}{102} = \frac{2988-1135}{510} = \frac{1853}{510} = \frac{109}{30}$$

Thus $y = (\frac{109}{30})e^{-t} + (\frac{227}{102})e^{5t} - (\frac{14}{85})\sin(3t) + \frac{12}{85}\cos(3t)$.

Partial Check: $y(0) = (\frac{109}{30}) + (\frac{227}{102}) + \frac{12}{85} = 6$.

$$y'(0) = -\frac{109}{30} + 5(\frac{227}{102}) - \frac{42}{85} = 7.$$

Potential proofs for exam 1:

Proof by (counter) example:

1. Prove a function is not 1:1, not onto, not a bijection, not linear.
 2. Prove that a differential equation can have multiple solutions.
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Prove convergence of a series using ratio test.

Induction proof.

Prove a function is linear.

Theorem 3.2.2: If $y = \phi_1(t)$ and $y = \phi_2(t)$ are solutions to the 2nd order linear ODE, $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$, then their linear combination $y = c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t)$ is also a solution for constants c_1 and c_2 .

Note you may use what you know from both pre-calculus and calculus (e.g., integration and derivatives are linear).