

Summary of sections 3.1, 3, 4: Solve linear homogeneous 2nd order DE with constant coefficients.

Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$. Educated guess $y = e^{rt}$, then

$$ar^2e^{rt} + bre^{rt} + ce^{rt} = 0 \text{ implies } ar^2 + br + c = 0,$$

Suppose $r = r_1, r_2$ are solutions to $ar^2 + br + c = 0$

$$r_1, r_2 = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

If $r_1 \neq r_2$, then $b^2 - 4ac \neq 0$. Hence a general solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

3. If $b^2 - 4ac > 0$, general solution is $y = c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t}$.

3. If $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, change format to linear combination of real-valued functions instead of complex valued functions by using Euler's formula.

general solution is $y = c_1 e^{dt} \cos(nt) + c_2 e^{dt} \sin(nt)$ where $r = d \pm in$

3. If $b^2 - 4ac = 0$, $r_1 = r_2$, so need 2nd (independent) solution: $te^{r_1 t}$

Hence general solution is $y = c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 te^{r_1 t}$.

Examples:

Ex 1: Solve $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 0$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 2$.

If $y = e^{rt}$, then $y' = re^{rt}$ and $y'' = r^2 e^{rt}$.

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$$r^2 - 3r - 4 = 0 \text{ implies } (r - 4)(r + 1) = 0$$

Thus $r = 4, -1$

Hence general solution is $y = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{-t}$

Solution to IVP:

Need to solve for 2 unknowns, c_1 & c_2 ; thus need 2 eqns:

$$y = c_1 e^{4t} + c_2 e^{-t}, \quad y(0) = 1 \text{ implies } 1 = c_1 + c_2$$

$$y' = 4c_1 e^{4t} - c_2 e^{-t}, \quad y'(0) = 2 \text{ implies } 2 = 4c_1 - c_2$$

Thus $3 = 5c_1$ & hence $c_1 = \frac{3}{5}$ and $c_2 = 1 - c_1 = 1 - \frac{3}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$

$$\text{Thus IVP soln: } y = \frac{3}{5} e^{4t} + \frac{2}{5} e^{-t}$$

Ex 2: Solve $y'' - 3y' + 4y = 0$.

If $y = e^{rt}$ implies $r^2 - 3r + 4 = 0$ and hence

$$r = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{9 - 16}}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

Hence general sol'n is $y = c_1 e^{\frac{3}{2}t} \cos(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}t) + c_2 e^{\frac{3}{2}t} \sin(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}t)$

Ex 3: $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$ implies $r^2 - 6r + 9 = (r - 3)^2 = 0$

Repeated root, $r = 3$ implies

general solution is $y = c_1 e^{3t} + c_2 t e^{3t}$

*Plan initial values
Find constants*

3.1 - 3.4: homogeneous Linear DE

Solve: $y'' + y = 0$, $y(0) = -1$, $y'(0) = -3$

$r^2 + 1 = 0$ implies $r^2 = -1$. Thus $r = \pm i$.

Since $r = 0 \pm 1i$, $y = k_1 \cos(t) + k_2 \sin(t)$.

Then $y' = -k_1 \sin(t) + k_2 \cos(t)$

$$y(0) = -1: -1 = k_1 \cos(0) + k_2 \sin(0) \text{ implies } -1 = k_1$$

$$y'(0) = -3: -3 = -k_1 \sin(0) + k_2 \cos(0) \text{ implies } -3 = k_2$$

Thus IVP solution: $y = -\cos(t) - 3\sin(t)$

3. When does the following IVP have unique sol'n:

$$\text{IVP: } ay'' + by' + cy = 0, \quad y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y_1.$$

Suppose $y = c_1 \phi_1(t) + c_2 \phi_2(t)$ is a solution to

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0. \quad \text{Then } y' = c_1 \phi_1'(t) + c_2 \phi_2'(t)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0: \quad y_0 = c_1 \phi_1(t_0) + c_2 \phi_2(t_0)$$

$$y'(t_0) = y_1: \quad y_1 = c_1 \phi_1'(t_0) + c_2 \phi_2'(t_0)$$

To find IVP solution, need to solve above system of two equations for the unknowns c_1 and c_2 .

Note the IVP has a unique solution if and only if the above system of two equations has a unique solution for c_1 and c_2 .

Note that in these equations c_1 and c_2 are the unknowns and $y_0, \phi_1(t_0), \phi_2(t_0), y_1, \phi_1'(t_0), \phi_2'(t_0)$ are the constants. We can translate this linear system of equations into matrix form:

$$\begin{cases} c_1 \phi_1(t_0) + c_2 \phi_2(t_0) = y_0 \\ c_1 \phi_1'(t_0) + c_2 \phi_2'(t_0) = y_1 \end{cases}$$

Note this equation has a unique solution if and only if

$$\det \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1' & \phi_2' \end{vmatrix} = \phi_1 \phi_2' - \phi_1' \phi_2 \neq 0$$

Definition: The Wronskian of two differential functions, ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 is

$$W(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \phi_1 \phi_2' - \phi_1' \phi_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1' & \phi_2' \end{vmatrix}$$

Examples:

$$1.) \quad W(\cos(t), \sin(t)) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos(t) & \sin(t) \\ -\sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1 > 0.$$

$$2.) \quad W(e^{dt} \cos(nt), e^{dt} \sin(nt)) =$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^{dt} \cos(nt) & e^{dt} \sin(nt) \\ de^{dt} \cos(nt) - ne^{dt} \sin(nt) & de^{dt} \sin(nt) + ne^{dt} \cos(nt) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^{dt} \cos(nt)(de^{dt} \sin(nt) + ne^{dt} \cos(nt)) - e^{dt} \sin(nt)(de^{dt} \cos(nt) - ne^{dt} \sin(nt))$$

$$= e^{2dt} [cos(nt)(dsin(nt) + ncos(nt)) - sin(nt)(dcos(nt) - nsin(nt))]$$

$$= e^{2dt} [dcos(nt)sin(nt) + ncos^2(nt) - dsin(nt)cos(nt) + nsin^2(nt)]$$

$$= e^{2dt} [ncos^2(nt) + nsin^2(nt)]$$

$$= ne^{2dt} [cos^2(nt) + sin^2(nt)] = ne^{2dt} > 0 \text{ for all } t.$$

Note that $A(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = A\mathbf{x} + A\mathbf{y}$ and $A(c\mathbf{x}) = cA\mathbf{x}$

A system of equations is $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is homogeneous if $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$.

Suppose $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$, $A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$, and $A\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{b}$, then

$$A(c\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{p}) = cA\mathbf{v} + A\mathbf{p} = c(\mathbf{0}) + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}$$

I.e., $\mathbf{x} = c\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{p}$ is a solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ for any c .

homog nonhomog

Solve the following systems of equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\downarrow R_2 - 4R_1 \rightarrow R_2, \quad R_3 - 7R_1 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & -7 & 0 & -6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\downarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$0 \neq -6$, no soln

\downarrow already know sol'n to system b.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\downarrow -\frac{1}{3}R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_1 - 2R_2 \rightarrow R_1$$

We see a zero in Ch 3rd col.
we won't solve in Ch 3rd col.
value

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

homog
non-hom

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & x_1 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & x_2 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} x_3 \\ -2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = x_3 \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{homog}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{no solution}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = x_3 \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

homog non homog soln

Check:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \& \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{array} \right]$$

Compare to solving linear homogeneous differential eqn:

Ex: $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$

Step 1 in Ch 3 & 4

1.) Easily solve homogeneous DE: $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$

$y = e^{rt} \Rightarrow ar^2 + br + c = 0 \Rightarrow y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$ for homogeneous solution (see sections 3.1, 3.3, 3.4).

2.) More work: Find one solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$ (see sections 3.5, 3.6) Step 2 in Ch 3 & 4

If $y = \psi(t)$ is a soln, then general soln to $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$ is

$$y = (c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2) + \psi$$

Check: $a\phi_1'' + b\phi_1' + c\phi_1 = 0$

$$a\phi_2'' + b\phi_2' + c\phi_2 = 0$$

$$a\psi'' + b\psi' + c\psi = g(t)$$

To solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) + g_2(t)$

1.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \Rightarrow y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$ for homogeneous solution.

2a.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) \Rightarrow y = \psi_1$

2b.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_2(t) \Rightarrow y = \psi_2$

General solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) + g_2(t)$ is

$$y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2 + \psi_1 + \psi_2$$

Carries over
non-hom
parts
up to
make
it easier
((More
redundant))

Examples: Find a suitable form for ψ for the following differential equations:

1.) $y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4e^{2t}$

$y = Ae^{2t}$

What is a
good guess
for non
homog
syst

2.) $y'' - 4y' - 5y = t^2 - 2t + 1$

$y = At^2 + Bt + C$

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

Note same guess
for $y'' - 4y' - 5y = t^2$

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

5.) $y'' - 4y' = t^2 - 2t + 1$

6.) $y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4(t^2 - 2t - 1)e^{2t}$

$$11.) y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4\sin(3t) + 5\cos(3t)$$

$$12.) y'' - 4y' - 5y = 4e^{-t}$$

Guess $y = Ate^{-t}$

$$y = e^{-t} \text{ is a homog soln } (Ae^{-t})'' - 4(e^{-t})' - 5(e^{-t}) = 0$$

To solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) + g_2(t) + \dots g_n(t)$ [**]

1.) Find the general solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$:

$$c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$$

2.) For each g_i , find a solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = g_i$:

$$\psi_i$$

This includes plugging guessed solution ψ_i into $ay'' + by' + cy = g_i$.

The general solution to [**] is

$$c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2 + \psi_1 + \psi_2 + \dots \psi_n$$

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).