

Recall: Second order linear homogeneous ODE w/ const coeff.

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0, \quad a, b, c \text{ real numbers}$$

Characteristic equation: $ar^2 + br + c = 0$

Characteristic roots: r_1, r_2

Case I: r_1, r_2 real distinct.

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

Case II: $r_1 = r_2 = r$ repeated (automatically real)

General solution $y = C_1 e^{rt} + C_2 t e^{rt}$

Case III: $r_1 \neq r_2$ complex. Write $r_1 = \alpha + i\beta, r_2 = \alpha - i\beta$

General solution $y = C_1 e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t + C_2 e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t$

Leftovers for the previous class: repeated root case. how comes the t factor in the other solution.

Variation of Parameters

Philosophy: If you know one solution y_1 , then since the ODE is linear, $\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{parameter}}}{cy_1}$ will also be a solution for any number c .

Change this numeric parameter into a function, i.e., set $y_2(t) = u(t) \cdot y_1(t)$, then plug it into the ODE to find $u(t)$.

① Application to homogeneous ODE.

Knowing y_1 is a solution to

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

Set $y_2(t) = u(t)y_1(t)$, put it back to the ODE.

\Rightarrow another ODE with order reduced by one that leads to $u(t)$.

$$y_2'' + py_2' + qy_2 = (uy_1)'' + p(uy_1)' + q(uy_1)$$

$$(uy_1)' = u'y_1 + uy_1', \quad (uy_1)'' = u''y_1 + 2u'y_1' + uy_1''$$

$$= u''y_1 + 2u'y_1' + uy_1'' + p(u'y_1 + uy_1') + quy_1$$

$$= u''y_1 + u'(2y_1' + py_1) + u(y_1'' + py_1' + qy_1)$$

$$y_1 \text{ is a sol'n} \Rightarrow y_1'' + py_1' + qy_1 = 0$$

$$= u''y_1 + u'(2y_1' + py_1) = 0 \quad (\text{we set } y_2 \text{ as a sol'n})$$

In other words, if $y_2 = uy_1$ is a solution, then u must satisfy

$$y_1 u'' + (2y_1' + py_1)u' = 0$$

This can be regarded as a first order ODE concerning u' .

More precisely, set $v = u'$, then

$$y_1 v' + (2y_1' + py_1)v = 0$$

We can solve v from this ODE $\Rightarrow u$ (by integration)

$$\Rightarrow y_2 \text{ (by multiplying } u \text{ to } y_1) \Rightarrow \text{Gen. sol'n: } y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2.$$

Example: $y'' - 2ry' + r^2y = 0$. r real number.

Know from char. eqn. that $y = e^{rt}$ is a sol'n.

Set $y_2 = u(t)y_1(t) = u \cdot e^{rt}$. We know from above that u satisfies

$$y_1 u'' + (2y_1' + p y_1) u' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{rt} u'' + (2r e^{rt} - 2r e^{rt}) u' = 0 \Rightarrow e^{rt} u'' = 0 \Rightarrow u'' = 0$$

Integrate: $u' = C_1$

$$u' = 1 \quad (\text{Set } C_1 = 1)$$

Integrate again: $u = C_1 t + C_2$

$$u = t \quad (\text{Set } C_2 = 0)$$

$$y_2 = u y_1 = (C_1 t + C_2) e^{rt} = C_1 t e^{rt} + C_2 e^{rt}$$

$$y_2 = t e^{rt}$$

This means $C_1 t e^{rt} + C_2 e^{rt}$ will be another sol'n for any C_1, C_2 .

When $C_1 = 0, C_2 = 1$, we recover y_1 .

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{Gen. sol'n } y = C_1 t e^{rt} + C_2 e^{rt}$$

$$\text{Gen. sol'n } y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 = C_1 e^{rt} + C_2 t e^{rt}$$

Remarks: ① Normally when solving for $u(t)$, we normally will set those arbitrary constants as concrete numbers so as to simplify the computation. However if you don't do that, then $y_2 = u y_1$ will give the general sol'n.

② When formulating the ODE concerning u , make sure your p comes from the **standard form**. Also notice that q is not used.

Example: $ty'' - y' - 4t^3y = 0$. Knowing $y_1 = \sin(t^2)$ is a sol'n,
Find the general solution.

Std. form: $y'' - \frac{1}{t}y' - 4t^2y = 0$.

Set $y_2 = uy_1$. $y_1 = \sin(t^2)$. $y_1' = 2t \cos(t^2)$ $p = -\frac{1}{t}$

$$\sin(t^2) \cdot u'' + \left(4t \cos(t^2) - \frac{1}{t} \sin(t^2)\right) u' = 0.$$

$$\frac{u''}{u'} = \frac{4t \cos t^2 - \frac{1}{t} \sin(t^2)}{-\sin(t^2)}$$

$$= -\frac{4t \cos(t^2)}{\sin(t^2)} + \frac{1}{t}$$

Integrate: $\ln|u'| = \ln|t| - \int \frac{4t \cos(t^2)}{\sin(t^2)} dt$

$$\int \frac{4t \cos t^2 dt}{\sin t^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} u = \sin(t^2) \\ du = 2t \cos(t^2) dt \end{array} \quad \int \frac{2du}{u} = 2 \ln|u| + C = 2 \ln|\sin(t^2)| + C$$

$$= \ln|t| - 2 \ln|\sin t^2| \quad \text{took } C = 0$$

$$\ln|u'| = \ln\left|\frac{t}{\sin^2(t^2)}\right| \quad \ln a - \ln b = \ln \frac{a}{b}, \quad C \ln a = \ln a^C$$

$$u' = \frac{t}{\sin^2(t^2)}$$

Integrate again: $u = \int \frac{t}{\sin^2(t^2)} dt$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} \int \csc(t^2) \cdot d(t^2)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} \cot(t^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2 t} = \csc^2 t.$$

$$\int \csc^2 t = -\cot t + C.$$

again we don't care about C.

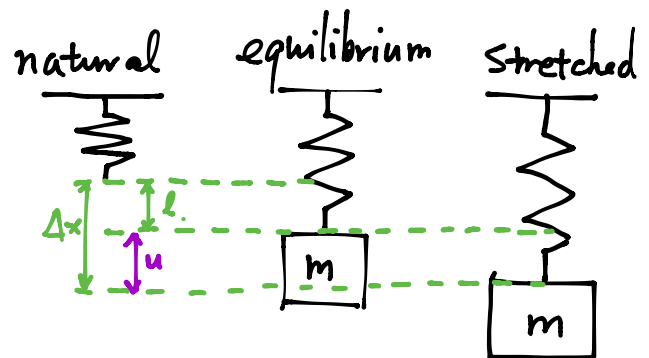
$$y_2 = u y_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \cot(t^2) \cdot \sin(t^2) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(t^2)$$

General solution: $y = C_1 \sin(t^2) + C_2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos(t^2)\right)$

$$= C_1 \sin(t^2) + C_2 \cos(t^2).$$

Free Vibrations.

A mass is attached with a spring vertically. The mass is subject to:



- ① gravity = mg
- ② force of the spring = $k \Delta x$ $\Delta x =$ displacement of the spring from the natural length.
(Hooke's law)
- ③ Damping force = $\gamma u'$ with direction **opposite** to the direction of motion and being proportional to the velocity.

Let u be the displacement of the mass **from the equilibrium**.
Take **downside** to be the positive direction.

$$m \frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} = mg - k \Delta x - \gamma u'$$

Since $mg = kl$, $mg - k \Delta x = kl - k \Delta x = -k(\Delta x - l) = -ku$.

$$\Rightarrow m u'' = -ku - \gamma u' \Rightarrow m u'' + \gamma u' + ku = 0.$$

Case 1: Undamped case: $\gamma = 0$.

The ODE becomes: $mu'' + ku = 0$

Char. eqn: $mr^2 + k = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 = -\frac{k}{m} \Rightarrow r = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \cdot i$

Gen. soln: $u = C_1 \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right) + C_2 \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right)$

Write $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$. Gen. soln = $C_1 \cos \omega t + C_2 \sin \omega t$.

With initial value specified, we can solve C_1, C_2 as concrete numbers.

$$u = C_1 \cos \omega t + C_2 \sin \omega t$$

$$= \sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2} \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$$

Natural frequency: $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ Period: $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$

Amplitude: $A = \sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2}$

Phase: φ , determined by the angle of (C_1, C_2) on the plane.

Example: $mg = 10 \text{ lb}$,

$$10 \text{ lb} = k \cdot 2 \text{ in.} = k \cdot \frac{1}{6} \text{ ft.}$$

$$u(0) = 2 \text{ in} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ ft}$$

$$u'(0) = -1 \text{ ft/s.}$$

ODE: $mu'' + ku = 0$ $m = \frac{10 \text{ lb}}{32 \text{ ft/s}^2} = \frac{5}{8} \text{ lb} \cdot \text{s}^2 / \text{ft}$, $k = 60 \text{ lb/ft}$.

$$\frac{5}{8} u'' + 60u = 0 \Rightarrow u'' + 96u = 0, u(0) = \frac{1}{6}, u'(0) = -1.$$

Char. roots: $r = \pm \sqrt{96} i = \pm 4\sqrt{6} i$

Gen. soln: $u = C_1 \cos(4\sqrt{6} t) + C_2 \sin(4\sqrt{6} t)$

$$u(0) = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{1}{6}. \quad u'(0) = -1 \Rightarrow 4\sqrt{6} C_2 = -1 \Rightarrow C_2 = -\frac{1}{4\sqrt{6}}.$$

$$\text{Sol'n: } u = \frac{1}{6} \cos(4\sqrt{6}t) - \frac{1}{4\sqrt{6}} \sin(4\sqrt{6}t)$$

$$\text{Amplitude: } \sqrt{\frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{96}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6 \times 6} + \frac{1}{16 \times 6}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{8} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12} \cdot \left(\frac{11}{24} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \sqrt{\frac{11}{2}}$$

Stays constant \Rightarrow steady oscillation.

$$\text{Nat. Freq.} = 4\sqrt{6}. \quad \text{Period} = \frac{2\pi}{4\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\text{Phase: } \varphi = \arctan \frac{6}{4\sqrt{6}} = \arctan \frac{3}{2\sqrt{6}} = \arctan \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}$$

H/W. Skip 3, 4, 5. 1a.

Attendance Quiz: Knowing $y_1 = \frac{1}{t}$ is the sol'n of $t^2 y'' + 3ty' + y = 0$

Find the general sol'n.

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