

Nonhomogeneous linear ODE w/ const. coeff.

$$ay'' + by' + cy = g(t).$$

1) Structure of the general solution:

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + Y(t).$$

where  $y_c(t)$ , called **complementary solution**,  
is **the** general solution to the **homogeneous**

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0 ~~g(t)~~ ;$$

and  $Y(t)$ , called **particular solution**,

is **a** particular solution to the **nonhomogeneous**

$$ay'' + by' + cy = g(t).$$

We learned how to find  $y_c(t)$  in 3.1 ~ 3.4.

To solve our ODE, it suffices to find  $Y(t)$ .

2) Method of Undetermined coefficient.

2.1) First try template:

Panoramic Template:

$$\text{If } g(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t (c_0 + c_1 t + c_2 t^2 + \dots + c_n t^n) \\ + e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t (d_0 + d_1 t + d_2 t^2 + \dots + d_m t^m)$$

$c_i, d_i$  concrete numbers

then we try

$$Y(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2 + \dots + C_r t^r) \\ + e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t (D_0 + D_1 t + D_2 t^2 + \dots + D_r t^r)$$

where  $C_0, \dots, C_r, D_0, \dots, D_r$  undetermined coefficients,  $r = \max(m, n)$ .

Examples:

①.  $g(t) = 2, \quad Y(t) = C$

②.  $g(t) = 6e^{2t}, \quad Y(t) = Ce^{2t}$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad g(t) = 3 \cos 4t, \quad Y(t) = C \cos 4t + D \sin 4t.$$

WARNING:  $\cos$  and  $\sin$  always appear in pair!

$$\textcircled{4} \quad g(t) = \cos t + 3 \sin t, \quad Y(t) = C \cos t + D \sin t.$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad g(t) = \sin bt, \quad Y(t) = C \cos bt + D \sin bt.$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad g(t) = 3t^2 + 1, \quad Y(t) = C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2.$$

WARNING: Powers appearing in  $Y(t)$  starts  
from  $t^0$  all the way up to the highest power

in  $g(t)$ .

$$\textcircled{7} \quad g(t) = t^4, \quad Y(t) = C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2 + C_3 t^3 + C_4 t^4.$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad g(t) = e^t \cos bt, \quad Y(t) = C e^t \cos bt + D e^t \sin bt.$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad g(t) = e^t \cdot t^3, \quad Y(t) = e^t (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2 + C_3 t^3).$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad g(t) = 2t^2 \sin 2t, \quad Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2) \cos 2t \\ + (D_0 + D_1 t + D_2 t^2) \sin 2t.$$

$$\textcircled{11}. g(t) = t \cos t + t^2 \sin t.$$

$$Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2) \cos t + (D_0 + D_1 t + D_2 t^2) \sin t.$$

$$\textcircled{12}. g(t) = t e^{2t} \cos 3t.$$

$$Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t) e^{2t} \cos 3t + (D_0 + D_1 t) e^{2t} \sin 3t.$$

2.2) Characteristic ~~root~~ for  $Y(t)$ .

We say  $\alpha + i\beta$  is the ~~root~~ <sup>character</sup> for

$$Y(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t (C_0 + C_1 t + \dots + C_r t^r) \\ + e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t (D_0 + D_1 t + \dots + D_r t^r).$$

Examples:

$$\textcircled{1}. Y(t) = C_1 = C e^{0t}, \quad \text{char} = 0.$$

$$\textcircled{2}. Y(t) = C e^{2t}, \quad \text{char} = 2.$$

$$\textcircled{3}. Y(t) = C \cos 4t + D \sin 4t, \quad \text{char} = 4i.$$

$$\textcircled{4}. Y(t) = C e^t \cos 6t + D e^t \sin 6t, \quad \text{char} = 1 + 6i.$$

$$\textcircled{5} Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t) \cos t + (D_0 + D_1 t) \sin t,$$

char =  $i$ . Polynomial term does **NOT** matter.

$$\textcircled{6} Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2) e^t \cos 2t + (D_0 + D_1 t + D_2 t^2) e^t \sin 2t.$$

char =  $1 + 2i$

2.3) If the template fails, we multiply  $Y(t)$  by  $t$ , and try a second time. If it fails again, we multiply by another  $t$ , try another time.

Question: Could we tell how many times it fails without trying so many times?

Fact: If the character appears as ~~the~~ a root of the characteristic polynomial ~~for~~ and this root is repeated for  $m$  times, then the first  $m$  tries fail.

Examples

$$\textcircled{1}. \quad y'' - 2y' - 3y = e^{2t}.$$

char. root = 3, -1,

$$Y(t) = Ae^{2t}. \quad \text{char} = 2 \notin \{3, -1\}.$$

So it doesn't fail.

$$\textcircled{2}. \quad y'' - 2y' - 3y = e^{3t}.$$

char root = 3, -1.

$$Y(t) = Ae^{3t} \quad \text{char} = 3 \text{ is a single root.}$$

So it fails once, and one should set

$$Y(t) = \underline{At} e^{3t}.$$

$$\textcircled{3}. \quad y'' + 2y' + 2y = e^{-t} \cos t.$$

char. root =  $-1+i$ ,  $-1-i$ .

$$Y(t) = Ae^{-t} \cos t + Be^{-t} \sin t, \quad \text{char} = -1+i \text{ single root.}$$

So it fails once, and one should set

$$Y(t) = (Ae^{-t} \cos t + Be^{-t} \sin t) \underline{t}.$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad y'' + 2y' + y = te^{-t}$$

char. root = -1, -1.

$$Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t) e^{-t} \quad \text{char} = -1 \text{ repeated twice}$$

So it fails twice, one should set

$$Y(t) = \underline{t^2} (C_0 + C_1 t) e^{-t}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad y'' - 4y' + 4y = t^2 e^{2t}$$

char. root = 2, 2.

$$Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2) e^{2t} \quad \text{char} = 2 \text{ repeated twice}$$

So it fails twice.

$$Y(t) = \underline{t^2} (C_0 + C_1 t + C_2 t^2) e^{2t}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad y'' - 2y' + 3y = te^t \cos t$$

char. root =  $1 + \sqrt{2}i$ ,  $1 - \sqrt{2}i$ .

$$Y(t) = (C_0 + C_1 t) e^t \cos t + (D_0 + D_1 t) e^t \sin t$$

char =  ~~$1 + i$~~   $1 + i$  not a root.

So it doesn't fail.

2.4) We dealt with "monomial" cases above. If we have sums ~~of~~ ~~with~~ with different  $\alpha, \beta$ , then we just deal with each term independently.

Example:  $y'' + 2y' = 3 + 4\sin 2t + te^{-2t} + 5e^{t\cos t}$

$\alpha=0$	$\alpha=0$	$\alpha=-2$	$\alpha=1$
$\beta=0$	$\beta=2$	$\beta=0$	$\beta=1$

$= g_1(t) + g_2(t) + g_3(t) + g_4(t)$

~~$Y_1(t) =$~~

$Y_1(t) = C$ ,  $\text{char} = 0$

$Y_2(t) = A\sin 2t + B\cos 2t$ ,  $\text{char} = 2i$

$Y_3(t) = (D + Et)e^{-2t}$ ,  $\text{char} = -2$

$Y_4(t) = Fe^{t\cos t} + Ge^{t\sin t}$ ,  $\text{char} = 1+i$

Since char. roots are  $0, -2$ ,  $Y_1, Y_3$  fails once.

$\Rightarrow Y(t) = \underline{Ct} + A\sin 2t + B\cos 2t + \underline{t(D + Et)}e^{-2t} + Fe^{t\cos t} + Ge^{t\sin t}$



2.5) The following formulas may help with your computation:

$$(fg)' = f'g + fg'$$

$$(fg)'' = f''g + 2f'g' + fg''$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 1 & & 1 \\ & & & & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ & & & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ & & 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 \end{array}$$

In Chap. 4, you'll need the following two:

$$(fg)''' = f'''g + 3f''g' + 3f'g'' + fg'''$$

$$(fg)^{(4)} = f^{(4)}g + 4f^{(3)}g' + 6f''g'' + 4f'g^{(3)} + fg^{(4)}$$

Example: Solve  $y'' + \omega_0^2 y = \sin \omega_0 t$ .

Complementary sol'n:  $y_c(t) = C_1 \cos \omega_0 t + C_2 \sin \omega_0 t$ .

First try template:  $Y(t) = A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t$ .

char =  $\omega_0 i$ , coincide with one root  $\Rightarrow$  fails one.

Set  $Y(t) = t(A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t)$

Use the formula:

$$Y'(t) =$$

From the formulas: (we don't need  $Y''$ )

$$Y''(t) = 0 \cdot (A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t) + 2 \cdot (-\omega_0 A \sin \omega_0 t + \omega_0 B \cos \omega_0 t) \\ + t \cdot (-\omega_0^2 A \cos \omega_0 t + \omega_0^2 B \sin \omega_0 t)$$

$$\text{So } Y'' + \omega_0^2 Y = -2\omega_0 A \sin \omega_0 t + 2\omega_0 B \cos \omega_0 t \\ = \sin \omega_0 t$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\omega_0 A = 1, \quad 2\omega_0 B = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = -\frac{1}{2\omega_0} \\ B = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow Y(t) = -\frac{1}{2\omega_0} t \cos \omega_0 t$$

Gen. sol'n:

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos \omega_0 t + C_2 \sin \omega_0 t - \frac{1}{2\omega_0} t \cos \omega_0 t$$

Variation of Parameters: works for general ODE.

Knowing the complementary solution

$$y_c(t) = C_1 y_1(t) + C_2 y_2(t)$$

for the linear ODE

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

One can find a particular solution by setting

$$Y(t) = u_1(t)y_1(t) + u_2(t)y_2(t).$$

and solve the linear equation

$$\begin{cases} y_1 u_1' + y_2 u_2' = 0 \\ y_1' u_1 + y_2' u_2 = g(t) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1' = \dots \\ u_2' = \dots \end{cases}$$

Integrate  $u_1'$ ,  $u_2'$  to get  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$ , and thereby

getting  $Y(t) = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2$ .

Example: Solve  $y'' - 4y' + 4y = \frac{e^{2t}}{1+t^2}$

Notice the RHS does not fall into what we learned from 3.5.

Complementary solution:  $y_c(t) = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 t e^{2t}$ .

Set  $Yy(t) = u_1(t) y_1(t) + u_2(t) y_2(t)$   
 $= u_1(t) \cdot e^{2t} + u_2(t) \cdot t e^{2t}$ .

Form the eqn:

$$\begin{cases} e^{2t} \cdot u_1' + t e^{2t} \cdot u_2' = 0 \\ 2e^{2t} u_1' + (e^{2t} + 2t e^{2t}) u_2' = \frac{e^{2t}}{1+t^2} \end{cases}$$

First eqn  $\Rightarrow u_1' = -t u_2'$

Plug in the second:

$$-2e^{2t} t u_2' + e^{2t} (1 + 2t) u_2' = \frac{e^{2t}}{1+t^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_2' = \frac{1}{1+t^2}, \quad u_1' = \frac{-t}{1+t^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_2 = \arctan t, \quad u_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1+t^2)$$

(again no need to care about the constant)

$$S_0 \quad Y(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1+t^2) e^{2t} + t e^{2t} \arctan t.$$

Gen. sol'n:

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 t e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+t^2) e^{2t} + t e^{2t} \arctan t.$$

Example: Knowing  $y_1 = x$  is a solution to

$$x^2 y'' - x(x+2)y' + (x+2)y = 0.$$

Find the general solution to

$$x^2 y'' - x(x+2)y' + (x+2)y(x) = 2x^3.$$

Step 1: Reduction of order  $\Rightarrow$  complementary sol'n:

$$y'' - \frac{x+2}{x} y' + \frac{x+2}{x^2} y = 0.$$

Form the equation of  $v(x)$  for  $y_2(x) = v(x) y_1(x)$ .

$$v''(x) \cdot x + v'(x) \left( 2 \cdot 1 - \frac{x+2}{x} \cdot x \right) = 0.$$

$$v''(x) \cdot x - v'(x) \cdot x = 0.$$

$$\frac{v''}{v'} = 1 \Rightarrow \int \ln v' = x \Rightarrow v' = e^x \Rightarrow v = e^x \Rightarrow y_2 = x e^x.$$

$$\text{So } y_c(x) = C_1 x + C_2 \cdot x e^x$$

Step 2: Variation of parameter:

$$Y(x) = u_1(x) \cdot x + u_2(x) \cdot x e^x.$$

Form the equations

$$\begin{cases} u_1' \cdot x + u_2' \cdot x e^x = 0 \\ u_1' \cdot 1 + u_2' \cdot (e^x + x e^x) = 2x^3 \end{cases}$$

First eqn  $\Rightarrow u_1' = -u_2' e^x.$

Plug in the second:

$$-u_2' e^x + u_2' e^x + u_2' x e^x = 2x^3.$$

$$u_2' = \frac{2x^3}{e^x} = 2x^3 e^{-x}.$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1' = -2x^3 e^{-x} \cdot e^x = -2x^3.$$

Integrate:  $u_1 = \int -2x^3 dx = -\frac{2}{4} x^4 = -\frac{1}{2} x^4.$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= \int 2x^3 e^{-x} dx = -2x^3 e^{-x} + \int 4x^2 e^{-x} dx \\ &= -2x^3 e^{-x} - 4x^2 e^{-x} + 4 \int x e^{-x} dx \\ &= -2x^3 e^{-x} - 4x^2 e^{-x} - 4e^{-x}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } Y(x) &= \frac{2}{3} x^3 \cdot x + (-2x^2 e^{-x} - 4x e^{-x} - 4e^{-x}) x e^x \\ &= \frac{2}{3} x^4 - 2x^3 - 4x^2 - 4x. \end{aligned}$$

Gen. sol'n:

$$y(x) = C_1 x + C_2 x e^x + \frac{2}{3} x^4 - 2x^3 - 4x^2 - 4x.$$