

HW 4: Dyn mod in Bio

1. Give an example of a second-order linear differential equation, with two specific functions that are solutions and verify that their sum also satisfies that same differential equation.

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y_1(x) = \sin(x) \\ y_2(x) = \cos(x) \end{array} \right\} \text{sol'n's}$$

verify each is a sol'n

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(x) &= \sin(x) \\ y_1'(x) &= \cos(x) \\ y_1''(x) &= -\sin(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + y &= 0 \\ -\sin(x) + \sin(x) &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(x) &= \cos(x) \\ y_2'(x) &= -\sin(x) \\ y_2''(x) &= -\cos(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + y &= 0 \\ \cos(x) - \cos(x) &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_3(x) &= \sin(x) + \cos(x) \\ y_3'(x) &= \cos(x) - \sin(x) \\ y_3''(x) &= -\sin(x) - \cos(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$y'' + y = -\sin(x) - \cos(x) + \sin(x) + \cos(x) = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \checkmark$$

2. Verify that $y_1(t) = t^2$ satisfies the differential equation

$$y'(t)^2 - 4y(t) = 0$$

Would you expect the function $y_2(t) = 2y_1(t) = 2t^2$ to also be a solution? (after all it is a constant multiple of $y_1(t)$). Explain. Verify that indeed $y_2(t)$ is **not** a solution.

$$y_1(t) = t^2$$

$$y_1'(t) = 2t$$

verify it is a sol'n

$$(y_1'(t))^2 - 4y_1(t) = 0$$

$$(2t)^2 - 4(t^2) = 0$$

$$4t^2 - 4t^2 = 0$$

$$0 = 0 \checkmark$$

$y_1(t)$ is a sol'n

Verify: is it a sol'n?

$$y_2(t) = 2y_1(t) = 2t^2$$

$$y_2'(t) = 4t$$

$$(y_2'(t))^2 - 4y_2(t) = 0$$

$$(4t)^2 - 4(2t^2) = 0$$

$$16t^2 - 8t^2 \neq 0 \quad \times$$

$y_2(t)$ is not a sol'n

3. Give an example of a second-order linear recurrence equation, with two specific sequences that are solutions and verify that their sum also satisfies that same recurrence equation.

$$a_n = -a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} \quad (n \geq 2)$$

$$z^2 = -z + 2$$

$$z^2 + z - 2 = 0$$

$$(z+2)(z-1) = 0$$

$$z = \{-2, 1\} \rightarrow \text{the roots}$$

$$\text{gen sol'n: } a_n = C_1(-2)^n + C_2$$

call the two sol'ns: $u_n = 1^n = 1$ and $v_n = (-2)^n$

Verify u_n is a sol'n:

$$a_n = -u_{n-1} + 2u_{n-2} = -1 + 2 = 1 = u_n \checkmark$$

Verify v_n is a sol'n:

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= -v_{n-1} + 2v_{n-2} = -(-2)^{n-1} + 2(-2)^{n-2} \\ &= (-2)^{n-2}(-(-2)^1 + 2) \\ &= (-2)^{n-2}(2+2) \\ &= 4(-2)^{n-2} = (-2)^n = v_n \end{aligned}$$

$$w_n = u_n + v_n = 1 + (-2)^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Using linearity} \rightarrow -w_{n-1} + 2w_{n-2} &= -(u_{n-1} + v_{n-1}) + 2(u_{n-2} + v_{n-2}) \\ &= -u_{n-1} + 2u_{n-2} + v_{n-1} - 2v_{n-2} \\ &= u_n + v_n \\ &= w_n \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{gen sol'n: } a_n = C_1(-2)^n + C_2$$

4. Consider the non-linear recurrence

$$a(n) = a(n-1)^2, n \geq 0.$$

Check that both sequences

$$a_1(n) := 2^{2^n}, \quad a_2(n) := 3^{2^n},$$

are solutions. Does it follow that the new sequence

$$a_3(n) := a_1(n) + a_2(n) = 2^{2^n} + 3^{2^n},$$

check $a_1(n) := 2^{2^n}$

$$a(n) = a(n-1)^2 = (2^{2^{n-1}})^2 = 2^{2 \cdot 2^{n-1}} = 2^{2^n} = a_1(n) \checkmark$$

check $a_2(n) := 3^{2^n}$

$$a(n) = a(n-1)^2 = (3^{2^{n-1}})^2 = 3^{2 \cdot 2^{n-1}} = 3^{2^n} = a_2(n) \checkmark$$

$$a_3(n-1)^2 = (a_1(n-1) + a_2(n-1))^2 = a_1(n-1)^2 + 2a_1(n-1)a_2(n-1).$$

$a_1(n) + a_2(n) = a_3(n)$, extra term $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ that isn't generally $= 0$.

for example: $n=0 \quad a_1(0)=2, a_2(0)=3 \rightarrow a_3(0)=5$

the recurrence predicts $a_3(1) = 5^2 = 25$, but $a_1(1) + a_2(1) = 2^2 + 3^2 = 13 \neq 25$

The failure is b/c the recurrence is non-linear, so superposition doesn't hold.

5. Write the Maple commands to solve each of the following problems, and give the Maple output.

a. Solve the Initial Value Problem Differential Equation

$$y''(x) + y(x) = 0 \quad , \quad y(0) = 1 \quad , \quad y'(0) = 1 \quad .$$

input: $\text{dsolve}(\{\text{diff}(y(x), x\$2) + y(x) = 0, y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 1\}, y(x));$

output: $y(x) = \sin(x) + \cos(x)$

b. Solve the Initial Value Problem Difference Equation

$$a(n) - 3a(n-1) + a(n-2) = n \quad a(0) = 1, a(1) = 3 \quad .$$

input: $\text{rsolve}(\{a(n) - 3 \cdot a(n-1) + a(n-2) - n = 0, a(0) = 1, a(1) = 3\}, a(n));$

output:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right)\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{3}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{10} + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \frac{(\sqrt{5}+1)\sqrt{5}\left(-\frac{2}{-3-\sqrt{5}}\right)^n}{5(-3-\sqrt{5})} - \frac{(\sqrt{5}-1)\sqrt{5}\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}-3}\right)^n}{5(\sqrt{5}-3)} - n - 1$$

c. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

with (LinearAlgebra)

input: $A := \text{matrix}([[3, 4], [2, 4]]);$

output: $A := \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Input: $\text{eigenvals}(A)$;

output $\left\{ \frac{7}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}, \frac{7}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2} \right\}$

Input: $\text{eigenvecs}(A)$;

output: $\left[\frac{7}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}, 1, \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{8} \right] \right\} \right], \left[\frac{7}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}, 1, \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{8} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{8} \right] \right\} \right]$