

Pre-class Warm-up!!!



One of the following functions is a solution to the differential equation

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{3x}$$

Just by guessing what seems reasonable, which function do you think it probably is?

a. $y = \sin 3x$

b. $y = 1 - 3x + 2x^2$

c. $y = \sin x e^{3x}$

d. $y = \frac{1}{2} e^{3x}$ ✓

Section 5.5: Non-homogeneous equations

We learn:

- how to find a particular solution to an equation $a_n y^{(n)} + \dots + a_0 y = f(x)$ where $f(x)$ is a function made up of polynomials, exponentials and sin, cos
- the method of undetermined coefficients
- The method of variation of parameters

We know already:

- the general solution is then $y_c + y_p$ where
- y_p is a particular solution, and
- y_c is a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation

Question like 5.5: 1-20

Find a particular solution to the equation

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{3x}$$

Solution: We guess a solution $y = Ae^{3x}$

$$y' = 3Ae^{3x} \quad y'' = 9Ae^{3x} \quad \text{Substitute}$$
$$(9A - 9A + 2A)e^{3x} = e^{3x}$$

$$2A = 1$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}$$

Like questions 31-40

Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{3x}, \quad y(0) = 2\frac{1}{2}, \quad y'(0) = 4\frac{1}{2}$$

Solution. Step 1: find a particular solution

$$y_p = (1/2) e^{3x} \quad \text{done!}$$

Step 2: find a general complementary function

$$y_c = A y_1 + B y_2$$

Step 3: Apply the initial conditions to

$y = y_p + y_c$ to find A and B.

Step 2: solve the homogeneous equation

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$$

Characteristic equation $r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0$,

$$(r-1)(r-2) = 0, \quad r = 1 \text{ or } 2 \quad y_c = Ae^x + Be^{2x}$$

Step 3: Apply initial conditions to

$$y = y_p + y_c = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} + Ae^x + Be^{2x}$$

$$y(0) = \frac{1}{2} + A + B = 2\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y' = \frac{3}{2}e^{3x} + Ae^x + 2Be^{2x}, \quad y'(0) = \frac{3}{2} + A + 2B = 4\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{cases} A+B=2 \\ A+2B=3 \end{cases} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} + e^x + e^{2x}$$

Question like 5.5: 1-20

How would you do: ?

Find a particular solution to the equation

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{3x}$$

Try $y = A e^{3x}$

$$2x + 3x^2$$

$$y = A + Bx + Cx^2$$

$$\sin x$$

$$y = A \sin x + B \cos x$$

$$x^2 e^{3x}$$

$$y = Ax^2 e^{3x} + Bx e^{3x} + C e^{3x}$$

$$\sin x e^{3x}$$

$$y = A \sin x e^{3x} + B \cos x e^{3x}$$

$$x \sin x$$

$$y = Ax \sin x + Bx \cos x + C \sin x + D \cos x$$

$$e^x$$

$$y = A e^x$$

What functions should we try to get a solution to the non-homogeneous equation?

Question like 5.5: 1-20

Find a particular solution to the equation

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^x$$

Attempt: Try $y = Ae^x$, $y' = Ae^x = y''$

Substitute: $Ae^x - 3Ae^x + 2Ae^x = e^x$
 $0 = e^x$

Solution: Try $y = Axe^x + \underbrace{Be^x}_{\text{not needed}}$

$$y' = A(e^x + xe^x) \quad y'' = Ae^x + Ae^x + Axe^x$$
$$= 2Ae^x + Axe^x$$

Substitute:

$$2Ae^x + \checkmark Axe^x - 3Ae^x - 3\checkmark Axe^x + 2\checkmark Axe^x$$
$$= -Ae^x = e^x$$

Thus $A = -1$

$y = -xe^x$ is a particular solution

The problem with trying $y = Ae^x$ is that e^x is a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation, so we get 0 when we substitute it into the left side.

The answer is to try $y = Axe^x$ instead.
But what if both e^x and xe^x are solutions of the homogeneous equation?

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If we write $\cos 3t - 2 \sin 3t = C \cos(\omega t - \alpha)$

what is $\tan \alpha$?

- a. $-1/2$
- b. 4
- c. 2
- d. -2 ✓
- e. None of the above.

What is C ?

- a. 5
- b. $\sqrt{5}$ ✓
- c. $\sqrt{3}$
- d. -1
- e. None of the above

On Friday March 29 this class will be held in **Murphy Hall 130**

On Monday April 1, I will teach this class remotely, on Zoom, with a link I will send you.

The quiz tomorrow is on sections 4.7-5.4
4.7 is about abstract vector spaces.

Question like 5.5: 21-30

What is the appropriate form of a particular solution to the following equation?

$$y^{(5)} + y^{(3)} = 1 + 2x + 3x^2$$

Solution: Char polynomial $r^5 + r^3 = r^3(r^2 + 1)$

has roots 0 (3 times), $\pm i$.

General solution: $A + Bx + Cx^2 + D\cos x + E\sin x$
to the homogeneous equation.

For a solution to $\dots = 1 + 2x + 3x^2$ we try

$$y = Ax^3 + Bx^4 + Cx^5. \text{ Here } 5 = 2 + 3$$

exp of x^2 times rep'd

$$\text{Substitute: } C \cdot 120 + 6A + 24Bx + 60Cx^2 = 1 + 2x + 3x^2$$

$$\text{Coeff of } x^2: 60C = 3, C = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$x: 24B = 2, B = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$1: 6A = -5, A = -\frac{5}{6}$$

$$y = -\frac{5}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{12}x^4 + \frac{1}{20}x^5 \text{ is a particular solution.}$$

What about

$$y^{(5)} + y^{(3)} = \sin x$$

-b. works
a solution of homog. eqn.

$$x \sin x$$

d. works b. doesn't work.

$$e^x \sin x \quad A e^x \sin x + B e^x \cos x?$$

To get a particular solution, we should try

a. $A \sin x + B \cos x$

b. $A x \sin x + B x \cos x$

c. $A x^2 \sin x + B x^2 \cos x$

d. $A x \sin x + B x \cos x + C x^2 \sin x + D x^2 \cos x$

e. None of the above.

Question like 5.5, 47-56.

Use the method of variation of parameters to find a particular solution to the equation.

51. $y'' + 4y = \cos 3x$

Idea. Char poly is $r^2 + 4$, roots $\pm 2i$

General soln for homog. eqn: $A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$

We try a particular solution of form

$y = u \cos 2x + v \sin 2x$ where u, v are functions of x .

Calculate $y' = u(2 \sin 2x) + v(2 \cos 2x) + u' \cos 2x + v' \sin 2x$.

Idea: put $u' \cos 2x + v' \sin 2x = 0$

Next $y'' = u(\quad) + v(\quad) + u'(-2 \sin 2x) + v'(2 \cos 2x)$

Substitute in $y'' + 4y = \cos 3x$.

All terms disappear except for the terms in u', v' .

Get two equations for u', v' .

Solve. Do $u = \int u'$ $v = \int v'$.

Question like 5.5, 47-56.

Use the method of variation of parameters to find a particular solution to the equation.

$$51. y'' + 4y = \cos 3x$$

Solution: We have solutions $\cos 2x, \sin 2x$ to $y'' + 4y = 0$.

Try for a solution $y = u \cos 2x + v \sin 2x$ where u, v are functions of x . Then

$$y' = -2u \sin 2x + 2v \cos 2x + u' \cos 2x + v' \sin 2x$$

It works if we put the pink terms

$$u' \cos 2x + v' \sin 2x = 0$$

Next

$$y'' = -4u \cos 2x - 4v \sin 2x - 2u' \sin 2x + 2v' \cos 2x$$

Substitute in the original equation. Some cancellation takes place (no accident):

$$y'' + 4y = -2u' \sin 2x + 2v' \cos 2x = \cos 3x$$

We get a system of linear equations for u', v'

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos 2x & \sin 2x \\ -2\sin 2x & 2\cos 2x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 3x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W(\cos 2x, \sin 2x)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2\cos 2x & -\sin 2x \\ 2\sin 2x & \cos 2x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \cos 3x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -\sin 2x \cos 3x \\ \cos 2x \cos 3x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u = -\frac{1}{2} \int \sin 2x \cos 3x \, dx = -\frac{1}{2} \int (\sin 5x - \sin x) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \cos 5x - \frac{1}{2} \cos x$$

$$v = \frac{1}{2} \int \cos 2x \cos 3x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int (\cos 5x + \cos x) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \sin 5x + \frac{1}{2} \sin x$$

$$y = \left(\frac{1}{10} \cos 5x - \frac{1}{2} \cos x \right) \cos 2x + \left(\frac{1}{10} \sin 5x + \frac{1}{2} \sin x \right) \sin 2x$$

Question:

What is the best form of function to try in solving

$$y'' + y = x \sin x ?$$

a. $ax \sin x + bx \cos x$

b. $ax \sin x + bx \cos x + c \sin x + d \cos x$

c. $ax \sin x + bx \cos x + cx^2 \sin x + dx^2 \cos x$ ✓

d. $a \sin x + b \cos x + cx^2 \sin x + dx^2 \cos x$

e. None of the above.

Note that $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ are solutions to

$$y'' + y = 0.$$

Worked example:

Find a particular solution for

$$y'' + y = x \sin x$$

Solution: observe $y_c = \sin x$ and

$y_c = \cos x$ solve $y'' + y = 0$.

Try *these cancel*

$$y = x^2(a \sin x + b \cos x) + x(c \sin x + d \cos x)$$

$$y' = x^2(a \cos x - b \sin x) + 2x(a \sin x + b \cos x) + x(c \cos x - d \sin x) + c \sin x + d \cos x$$

$$y'' = x^2(-a \sin x - b \cos x) + 4x(a \cos x - b \sin x) + 2(a \sin x + b \cos x) + x(-c \sin x - d \cos x) + 2(c \cos x - d \sin x)$$

$$y'' + y = 4x(a \cos x - b \sin x) + (2c + 2b) \cos x + (2a - 2d) \sin x = x \sin x$$

$$\text{Thus } -4b = 1 \quad a = 0 = d = 2c + 2b$$

$$b = -\frac{1}{4} \quad c = +\frac{1}{4}$$

$$y_p = -\frac{1}{4} x^2 \cos x + \frac{1}{4} x \sin x$$