

Find a linear homogeneous

constant-coefficient equation

with the given general solution

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S 3.3

$$y(x) = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x + C \cosh 2x + D \sinh 2x$$

$$\text{roots } \pm 2i \quad \parallel \quad C \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2} + D \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2}$$

$$\frac{C+D}{2} e^{2x} + \frac{C-D}{2} e^{-2x} \quad \text{root } 2 \quad \text{root } -2$$

$$\text{Operator } (D^2 + 2^2) \begin{matrix} \cos 2x \\ \sin 2x \end{matrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Operator } (D-2) e^{2x} = 0 \quad \text{Operator } (D+2) e^{-2x} = 0$$

\Rightarrow Operator $P(D) = (D^2 + 2^2)(D-2)(D+2)$ annihilates all functions: $\cos 2x, \sin 2x, e^{2x}$ and e^{-2x} (i.e. $\cosh 2x$ and $\sinh 2x$)

$$\Rightarrow \text{DE is } P(D)y = 0 \quad \text{or } (D^2 + 2^2)(D-2)(D+2)y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (D^2 + 2^2)(D^2 - 2^2)y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (D^2 - 4^2)y = 0 \quad \text{or } (D^2 - 16)y = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$\boxed{y^{IV} - 16y = 0}$$

Recall

$$\cosh 2x = \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2}$$

$$\sinh 2x = \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2}$$

$$P(D)y = 0$$

3.5 Nonhomogeneous Equations. Coefficients Method of Undetermined

Ex How would we solve the following IVP:

$$y'' + y = 15e^{2x}, \quad y(0) = 7, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

We have to find a function $y(x)$ that when acted by operator $D^2 + 1$, we get $15e^{2x}$, i.e.

$$(D^2 + 1)y = 15e^{2x}$$

Let's try $y(x) = e^{-x}$.

$$(D^2 + 1)e^{-x} = e^{-x} + e^{-x} = 2e^{-x} \neq 15e^{2x} \quad \text{N.G.}$$

$$y = \cos x: \quad (D^2 + 1)\cos x = -\cos x + \cos x = 0 \quad \text{N.G.}$$

$$y = e^{2x}: \quad (D^2 + 1)e^{2x} = 4e^{2x} + e^{2x} = 5e^{2x} \quad \text{N.G.}$$

$$y = 3e^{2x}: \quad (D^2 + 1)(3e^{2x}) = 3 \cdot 4e^{2x} + 3e^{2x} = 15e^{2x} \quad \checkmark$$

Q Is $y(x) = 3e^{2x}$ a solution of the above IVP?

No. It satisfies DE $y'' + y = 15e^{2x}$ but DOES NOT

satisfy ICs. We would need a solution that has two arbitrary constants and then we will be able to satisfy ICs.

What about

$$y(x) = 3e^{2x} + C_1 g_1(x) + C_2 g_2(x)$$

We need:

$$(D^2 + 1)y(x) = 15e^{2x}$$

$$(D^2 + 1)[3e^{2x} + C_1 g_1(x) + C_2 g_2(x)] =$$

$$= \underbrace{(D^2 + 1)[3e^{2x}]}_{15e^{2x}} + \underbrace{(D^2 + 1)[C_1 g_1(x) + C_2 g_2(x)]}_{\text{should be } 0}$$

has to be $15e^{2x}$

$$\text{but } (D^2 + 1)[C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x] = 0$$

$\pm i$

solutions of the associated

homogeneous DE

$$\Rightarrow g_1(x) = \cos x, \quad g_2(x) = \sin x \quad \text{or} \quad y'' + y = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad (D^2 + 1)y = 0$$

Hence,

$$y(x) = 3e^{2x} + C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

the general solution of
nonhomogeneous DE

$$y'' + y = 15e^{2x}$$

$$\text{ICs: } y(0) = 7, \quad y'(0) = 1$$

$$y(0) = 7 \Rightarrow 7 = 3e^0 + C_1 \cos 0 + C_2 \sin 0 \Rightarrow 7 = 3 + C_1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 4$$

$$y'(x) = 6e^{2x} - C_1 \sin x + C_2 \cos x$$

$$y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = 6 + C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = -5$$

$$y(x) = 3e^{2x} + 4 \cos x - 5 \sin x$$

solution of IVP

General problem: how to solve

$$P(D)y = R(x)?$$

(a) We need "a" solution $y_p(x)$ free of arbitrary constants such that $P(D)y_p = R(x)$. We call $y_p(x)$ the particular solution.

(b) We need the general solution of the associated homogeneous DE $P(D)y = 0$, call it $y_c(x)$. $y_c(x)$ is the complementary function, and it has n arbitrary constants where n is the order of DE.

(c) Finally, the general solution of $P(D)y = R(x)$ is

$$y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x)$$

complementary function
(has n arbitrary constants)
particular solution
(has no arbitrary constants)

Check if $P(D)y \stackrel{?}{=} R(x)$

$$P(D)y(x) = P(D)[y_c(x) + y_p(x)] = \underbrace{P(D)y_c}_{=0} + \underbrace{P(D)y_p}_{R(x)} = R(x) \quad \checkmark \quad \square$$

Ex Solve $y'' + y = 15e^{2x}$
 Associated homogeneous DE is

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$(D^2 + 1)y = 0$$

$\pm i$

$$y_c(x) = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

$y_p(x) = 3e^{2x}$ (found previously - more later)

$$\therefore y(x) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x}_{y_c} + \underbrace{3e^{2x}}_{y_p} : \text{the general solution}$$

Ex Solve $(D^2 + 1)y = 4e^x$

$$y_p = 2e^x$$

$$y_c = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x}_{y_c} + \underbrace{2e^x}_{y_p} : \text{the general solution}$$

Ex Solve $(D^2 - 3D + 2)y = 8$

$$y_p = y$$

$$(D^2 - 3D + 2)y = 0$$

$$(D-1)(D-2)y = 0$$

$$y_c(x) = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x}$$

$\therefore y(x) = \underbrace{C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x}}_{y_c} + \underbrace{4}_{y_p}$: general solution

Method of Undetermined Coefficients

$$P(D)y = R(x) \quad (1)$$

$y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x)$: general solution of (1)

We need to learn how to find y_p .

Ex $y'' + y = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$

$$\underbrace{(D^2 + 1)}_{P(D)} y = \underbrace{6e^x + 5e^{2x}}_{R(x)}$$

We guess our particular solution as
 $y_p(x) = K_1 e^x + K_2 e^{2x}$; candidate for particular
 solution y_p

We substitute y_p into the nonhomogeneous DE

$y'' + y = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$
 to compute coefficients K_1, K_2 , called undetermined
coefficients.

Note We DO NOT use ICs to find undetermined
coefficients.

$$y'' + y = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$$

$$\textcircled{1} y_g = k_1 e^x + k_2 e^{2x}$$

$$y_g' = k_1 e^x + 2k_2 e^{2x}$$

$$\textcircled{1} y_g'' = k_1 e^x + 4k_2 e^{2x}$$

$$(k_1 + k_1)e^x + (k_2 + 4k_2)e^{2x} = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$$

$$2k_1 e^x + 5k_2 e^{2x} = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore 2k_1 = 6 \quad 5k_2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 = 3, \quad k_2 = 1$$

Note we can equate like coefficients because functions e^x and e^{2x} are linearly independent.

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = 3e^x + e^{2x} : \text{particular solution}$$

$$y'' + y = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$$

Associated homogeneous DE is

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$(D^2 + 1)y = 0$$

complementary
function

$$\Rightarrow y_c(x) = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

$$y_p(x) = 3e^x + e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore y(x) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x}_{y_c} + \underbrace{3e^x + e^{2x}}_{y_p}$$

the general solution of

$$y'' + y = 6e^x + 5e^{2x}$$

Note: if ICs are given, only now we can use them to find C_1, C_2 .

3.5 Method of Undetermined Coefficients

Consider

$$(3.1) \quad P(D)y = R(x)$$

The general solution is $y = y_c + y_p$ where y_c is the complementary function (with arbitrary constants) and $P(D)y_c = 0$. y_p is the particular solution (with no arbitrary constants) and $P(D)y_p = R(x)$. Suppose that there is an operator (with constant coefficients) $A(D)$ called an *annihilator* such that $A(D)R(x) = 0$. If we operate on both sides of (3.1) with $A(D)$ we get a higher order equation

$$A(D)P(D)y = A(D)R(x) = 0$$

Consider this new higher order equation

$$(3.2) \quad A(D)P(D)y = 0$$

To find the general solution of (3.2) we need the roots of the polynomial $P(D)A(D)$; they are $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_j, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k$, where r_1, r_2, \dots, r_j are roots of $P(D)$ and q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k are the roots of $A(D)$. Thus the general solution of (3.2) is

$$y = y_c + y_q$$

where y_c is generated by the roots of $P(D)$ and y_q is generated by the roots of $A(D)$.

Note 1. $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_j, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k$ are roots of a (single) polynomial $P(D)A(D)$, thus make sure that if one of the q 's is a repeated root to treat it properly.

Note 2. The general solution of (3.1) is also "a" solution of (3.2)

$$A(D)P(D)[y_c + y_p] = A(D)R(x) = 0$$

Thus, since $y_c + y_p$ is "a" solution of (3.2) and $y_c + y_q$ is "the general solution" of (3.2), $y_c + y_p$ must be contained in $y_c + y_q$, i.e.

$$(y_c + y_p) \subset (y_c + y_q) \quad \text{or} \quad y_p \subset y_q$$

We call y_q the "candidate" for the particular solutions and use the method of undetermined coefficients to evaluate the constants in y_q and thus find y_p .