

1. Find the solution to the given initial value problem.

$$(a) \quad y'' + 10y' + 25y = 0, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = -1.$$

auxiliary eqn:  $(r+5)^2 = 0$   
 $r^2 + 10r + 25 = 0$   
 $r_1 = \frac{-10 + \sqrt{100 - 4(25)}}{2} = -5$  - repeated root

General solution:

$$y(t) = (c_1 + c_2 t) e^{-5t}$$

plug  $y(t)$  into initial conditions:

$$2 = y(0) = c_1 \quad \boxed{c_1 = 2}$$

$$y'(t) = c_2 e^{-5t} - 5(c_1 + c_2 t) e^{-5t}$$

$$-1 = y'(0) = c_2 - 5c_1$$

$$c_2 = -1 + 5c_1$$

$$= \boxed{9 = c_2}$$

solution of IVP:

$$\boxed{y(t) = (2 + 9t) e^{-5t}}$$

$$(b) \quad y'' + 9y = 0, \quad y(0) = -2, \quad y'(0) = 3.$$

auxiliary eqn:  $r^2 + 9 = 0$   
 $r^2 = -9$   
 $r = \pm\sqrt{-9}$   
 $= \pm 3i, \quad r_1 = 3i, \quad r_2 = -3i = \bar{r}_1$   
 $\operatorname{Re}(r_1) = 0, \quad \operatorname{Im}(r_1) = 3$

General solution

$$y(t) = [C_1 \cos(3t) + C_2 \sin(3t)] e^{0 \cdot t}$$

$$-2 = y(0) = C_1 \quad \boxed{C_1 = -2}$$

$$y'(t) = -3C_1 \sin(3t) + 3C_2 \cos(3t)$$

$$3 = y'(0) = 3C_2 \quad \boxed{C_2 = 1}$$

solution of IVP

$$\boxed{y(t) = -2\cos(3t) + \sin(3t)}$$

$$(c) \quad y'' - 2y' + 5y = 0 \quad y(\pi/2) = 0, \quad y'(\pi/2) = 2.$$

auxiliary eqn.

$$r^2 - 2r + 5 = 0$$

$$r_1 = \frac{2 + \sqrt{4 - 5(4)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 + \sqrt{-16}}{2} = 4i$$

$$= 1 + 2i$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(r_1) = 1$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(r_1) = 2$$

General solution:  $y(t) = e^{t} (C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t))$

2. Use the method of reduction of order to find a fundamental set of solutions.

(a)  $t^2 y'' + 2ty' - 2y = 0, \quad t > 0, \quad y_1(t) = t.$

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

Given a solution  $y_1(t)$  of the equation.

Find a second solution.

We look for the general solution of the eqn in the form

$y(t) = v(t)y_1(t)$ , where  $v(t)$  is an unknown function.

Plug  $y, y', y''$  into the equation, and then we'll get an equation for  $v$ .

$$t^2 y'' + 2ty' - 2y = 0, \quad t > 0$$

$$y_1(t) = t$$

$y(t) = t v(t)$   
 $v(t)$  is an unknown function

$$y'(t) = v(t) + t v'(t)$$

$$y''(t) = v'(t) + v'(t) + t v''(t)$$

$$= 2v'(t) + t v''(t)$$

Plug  $y(t), y'(t), y''(t)$  into the eqn.

$$t^2 (2v'(t) + t v''(t)) + 2t (v(t) + t v'(t)) - 2t v(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{t^3 v''(t) + 4t^2 v'(t)}{t^3} = 0$$

$$v'' + \frac{4}{t} v' = 0$$

substitution  $w = v'$   
 $w' = v''$

$$w' + \frac{4}{t} w = 0 \quad \text{first-order eqn}$$

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = -\frac{4w}{t}$$

$$\int \frac{dw}{w} = -\int \frac{4dt}{t}$$

$$\ln |w| = -4 \ln |t| + \ln C_1$$

$$v'(t) = w(t) = C_1 t^{-4}$$

$$v(t) = C_1 \int t^{-4} dt$$

$$= C_1 \frac{t^{-3}}{-3} + C_2$$

$$= C_3 t^{-3} + C_2, \quad C_3 = \frac{C_1}{-3} \quad \text{new constant}$$

$$v(t) = C_3 t^{-3} + C_2$$

Plug  $v(t)$  into  $y(t)$ :

$$y(t) = t v(t)$$

$$= t(C_3 t^{-3} + C_2)$$

$$= \underbrace{C_3 t^{-2}}_{y_2(t)} + \underbrace{C_2 t}_{y_1(t)}$$

$$y_2(t) = t^{-2}$$

(b)  $(t-1)y'' - ty' + y = 0, \quad t > 0, \quad y_1(t) = e^t.$

$$y(t) = e^t v(t)$$

$$y'(t) = e^t v(t) + e^t v'(t)$$

$$y''(t) = e^t v(t) + 2e^t v'(t) + e^t v''(t)$$

Plug  $y, y', y''$  into the eqn:

$$(t-1)e^t(v(t) + 2v'(t) + v''(t)) - t e^t(v(t) + v'(t)) + e^t v(t) = 0$$

$$(t-1)v(t) + 2(t-1)v'(t) + (t-1)v''(t) - t v(t) - t v'(t) + v(t) = 0$$

$$(t-1)v''(t) + (t-2)v'(t) = 0$$

substitution  $v' = w$ , then  $v'' = w'$

$$w' = -\frac{t-2}{t-1} w$$

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = -\frac{t-2}{t-1} w$$

$$\int \frac{dw}{w} = -\int \frac{t-2}{t-1} dt$$

$$\frac{t-2}{t-1} = \frac{t-1}{t-1} - \frac{1}{t-1}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{t-1}$$

$$e^{\ln|w|} = e^{-t + \ln|t-1| + \ln C_1}$$

$$v'(t) = w(t) = (t-1)e^{-t} C_1$$

$$v(t) = C_1 \int (t-1)e^{-t} dt \quad \text{by parts } \boxed{\int u dv = uv - \int v du}$$

$$u = t-1 \quad dv = e^{-t}$$

$$du = dt \quad v = -e^{-t}$$

$$= C_1 (-e^{-t}(t-1) - \int (-e^{-t}) dt)$$

$$= C_1 (-e^{-t}(t-1) - e^{-t} + C_2)$$

$$= C_1 (-te^{-t} + C_2)$$

$$= C_3 te^{-t} + C_4 \quad (C_3 = -C_1, C_4 = C_1 C_2)$$

Plug  $v(t)$  into  $y(t)$ :

$$y(t) = e^t v(t)$$

$$= e^t (C_3 te^{-t} + C_4)$$

$$= \underbrace{C_3 t}_{y_2(t)} + \underbrace{C_4 e^t}_{y_1(t)}$$

$$\boxed{y_2(t) = t}$$

3. Verify that the functions  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are solutions of the given differential equation. Do they constitute a fundamental set of solution

(a)  $x^2 y'' - x(x+2)y' + (x+2)y = 0$ ,  $x > 0$   $y_1(x) = x$ ,  $y_2(x) = xe^x$ .

$\{y_1(t), y_2(t)\}$  form the fundamental set of solutions if they are linearly independent

$W[y_1, y_2](t) \neq 0$  at least at one point.

$$W[y_1, y_2] = \begin{vmatrix} y_1(t) & y_2(t) \\ y_1'(t) & y_2'(t) \end{vmatrix} = y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'$$

if  $y_1(t)$  and  $y_2(t)$  are solutions of

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

then

$$W[y_1, y_2] = C e^{-\int p(t) dt}$$

Abel's formula

$$y_1(x) = x, \quad y_2(x) = xe^x$$

$$y_1'(x) = 1, \quad y_2'(x) = e^x + xe^x$$

$$W[x, xe^x] = \begin{vmatrix} x & xe^x \\ 1 & e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= xe^x + x^2 e^x - xe^x$$

$$= x^2 e^x \neq 0 \text{ (since } x > 0)$$

$\{x, xe^x\}$  constitute the fundamental set of solutions.

**YES**

$$(b) \quad y'' + 4y = 0, \quad y_1 = 2 \sin^2 x - 1, \quad y_2 = 3 \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x - 1.$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} y_1 = 2 \sin^2 x - 1 & y_2 = 3 \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x - 1 \\ y_1' = 4 \sin x \cos x & y_2' = 6 \sin x \cos x - 2 \cos x (-\sin x) \\ & = 8 \sin x \cos x \end{array}$$

$$W[y_1, y_2](x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 \sin^2 x - 1 & 3 \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x - 1 \\ 4 \sin x \cos x & 8 \sin x \cos x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 16 \sin^3 x \cos x - 8 \sin x \cos x - 12 \sin^3 \cos x + 4 \sin x \cos^3 x + 4 \sin x \cos x$$

$$= 4 \sin^3 x \cos x + 4 \sin x \cos^3 x - 4 \sin x \cos x$$

$$= 4 \sin x \cos x (\underbrace{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}_1) - 4 \sin x \cos x$$

$$= 0$$

NO

4. If the Wronskian of  $f$  and  $g$  is  $3e^{4t}$  and  $f(t) = e^{2t}$ , find  $g(t)$ .

$$W[f, g] = 3e^{4t}$$

$$f(t) = e^{2t}$$

Find  $g(t)$ .

$$W[f, g] = \begin{vmatrix} e^{2t} & g(t) \\ 2e^{2t} & g'(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left[ \underbrace{g'(t)e^{2t} - 2e^{2t}g(t)}_{e^{2t}} = 3e^{4t} \right]$$

$$g'(t) - 2g(t) = 3e^{2t} \quad \text{linear, 1st order}$$

integrating factor:

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} = -2\mu$$

$$\int \frac{d\mu}{\mu} = -\int 2dt$$

$$\mu(t) = e^{-2t}$$

$$e^{-2t}g(t) = \int 3e^{2t}e^{-2t} dt$$

$$e^{-2t}g(t) = 3 \int dt$$

$$e^{-2t}g(t) = 3t + C$$

$$\boxed{g(t) = 3te^{2t} + Ce^{2t}}$$



5. If the Wronskian of  $f$  and  $g$  is  $t \cos t - \sin t$ , and if  $u = 2f - 3g$ , and  $v = f + g$ , Find the Wronskian of  $u$  and  $v$ .

$$W[f, g] = t \cos t - \sin t$$

$$W[f, g] = \begin{vmatrix} f & g \\ f' & g' \end{vmatrix} = fg' - f'g$$

$$fg' - f'g = t \cos t - \sin t$$

$$u = 2f - 3g$$

$$v = f + g$$

$$W[u, v] = ?$$

$$u' = 2f' - 3g'$$

$$v' = f' + g'$$

$$W[u, v] = \begin{vmatrix} u & v \\ u' & v' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2f - 3g & f + g \\ 2f' - 3g' & f' + g' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2f - 3g)(f' + g') - (f + g)(2f' - 3g')$$

$$= \cancel{2ff'} + 2fg' - 3gf' - \cancel{3gg'} - \cancel{2ff'} + 3g'f - 2f'g + \cancel{3gg'}$$

$$= 5fg' - 5gf'$$

$$= 5(fg' - gf')$$

$$= 5W[f, g]$$

$$= \boxed{5(t \cos t - \sin t)}$$

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

$$\text{auxiliary eqn: } ar^2 + br + c = 0.$$

$$\text{Case 1. } g(t) = p_0 t^m + p_1 t^{m-1} + \dots + p_{m-1} t + p_m$$

Then

- $y_p(t) = At^m + Bt^{m-1} + \dots + Ct + D$   
not a root of the corresponding aux. eqn
- $y_p(t) = t(At^m + Bt^{m-1} + \dots + Ct + D)$   
if  $r=0$  is one of two roots of the auxiliary eqn.

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$$\text{Case 2. } g(t) = e^{at}(p_0 t^m + p_1 t^{m-1} + \dots + p_{m-1} t + p_m)$$

Then

- $y_p(t) = e^{at}(At^m + Bt^{m-1} + \dots + Ct + D)$   
if  $r=a$  is not a root of the corresponding aux. eqn
- $y_p(t) = te^{at}(At^m + Bt^{m-1} + \dots + Ct + D)$   
if  $r=a$  is one of two roots of the auxiliary eqn
- $y_p(t) = t^2 e^{at}(At^m + Bt^{m-1} + \dots + Ct + D)$   
if  $r=a$  is a repeated root of the aux. eqn.

6. Find the general solution to the following equations

(a)  $y'' - y' = t$

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

General solution of the nonhomogeneous eqn

$$y(t) = y_h(t) + y_p(t)$$

where  $y_h(t)$  is the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous eqn

$y_p(t)$  is a particular solution of the nonhomogeneous eqn.

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$$y'' - y' = t$$

corresponding homogeneous eqn:  $y'' - y' = 0$

auxiliary eqn:  $r^2 - r = 0$

$$r(r-1) = 0$$

$$r_1 = 0, r_2 = 1$$

General solution of the homogeneous eqn is

$$y_h(t) = C_1 + C_2 e^t$$


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Particular solution of the non homogeneous eqn.

$$g(t) = t$$

polynomial of degree 1

$$y_p(t) = t(A + B)$$

polynomial of degree 1 with unknown coefficients

$r=0$   
is a root  
of the auxiliary  
eqn

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$$y_p(t) = At^2 + Bt$$

$$y_p' = 2At + B$$

$$y_p'' = 2A$$

plug  $y_p, y_p', y_p''$  into the nonhomogeneous eqn.

$$\underbrace{2A}_{y_p''} - \underbrace{2At + B}_{-y_p'} = t$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} t: -2A = 1 \\ 1: 2A - B = 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A = -1/2 \\ \hline B = -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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

General solution of the non homogeneous eqn:

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

$$(c) \quad y'' - 2y' - 3y = -3e^{-t}.$$

$y'' - 2y' - 3y = 0$  corresponding homogeneous eqn.

$r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$  - auxiliary eqn.

$$(r-3)(r+1) = 0$$

$$r_1 = -1, r_2 = 3$$

$$y_h(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{3t}$$

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$$g(t) = -3e^{-t} \rightarrow a = -1$$

constant = polynomial of degree 0.

$$y_p(t) = tAe^{-t}$$

$$y_p' = Ae^{-t} - tAe^{-t}$$

$$y_p'' = -Ae^{-t} - Ae^{-t} + tAe^{-t} \\ = -2Ae^{-t} + tAe^{-t}$$

Plug  $y_p, y_p', y_p''$  into the eqn:

$$\underbrace{-2Ae^{-t} + tAe^{-t}}_{y_p''} - 2 \underbrace{(Ae^{-t} - tAe^{-t})}_{y_p'} - \underbrace{3tAe^{-t}}_{y_p} = -3e^{-t}$$

$$-4Ae^{-t} = -3e^{-t}$$

$$A = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$y_p(t) = \frac{3}{4} te^{-t}$$

$$\text{General solution: } \boxed{y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{3t} + \frac{3}{4} te^{-t}}$$

$$(b) \quad y'' - 2y' - 3y = 3te^{2t}.$$

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

$$r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$$

$$r_1 = -1, \quad r_2 = 3$$

$$g(t) = 3te^{2t} \rightarrow a=2 \text{ (not a root of the aux. eqn)}$$

polynomial of degree 1

$$y_p(t) = (At+B)e^{2t}$$