

# DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

## MATH2000

### Nonhomogeneous Linear Second Order ODEs solutions.

- (1) To find  $y_H$  use  $y_H = e^{mx}$  so  $m^2 + m - 2 = (m + 2)(m - 1) = 0$  so  $y_H = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^x$ . To find  $y_p$  use table to select  $y = A \sin x + B \cos x$ , so  $y' = A \cos x - B \sin x$  and  $y'' = -A \sin x - B \cos x$ . Sub into equation

$$(-3B + A) \cos x + (-3A - B) \sin x = 10 \cos x + 0 \times \sin x.$$

Which leads to (i)  $-3B + A = 10$  and (ii)  $-3A - B = 0$ . Now  $3 \times$  (i) + (ii) gives  $-10B = 30$  so  $B = -3$  and (i) gives  $3A = -B$  so  $A = 1$ . Thus  $y_p = \sin x - 3 \cos x$  and the general solution is

$$y = y_h + y_p = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^x + \sin x - 3 \cos x.$$

- (2)  $y_H = e^{mx}$  gives  $m^2 - 3m + 2 = (m - 1)(m - 2) = 0$  so  $y_H = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}$ . Now  $r(x)$  is part of  $y_H$  so try  $y_p = A x e^{2x}$ . Now  $y'_p = A e^{2x} + A x e^{2x}$  and  $y''_p = 2A e^{2x} + 2A e^{2x} + 2A x e^{2x}$ . Sub into equation gives

$$A 4x e^{2x} + 4e^{2x} - 3(A e^{2x} + A 2x e^{2x}) + 2A x e^{2x} = A e^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

so  $A = 1$  and general solution is  $y = y_H + y_p = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + x e^{2x}$ . Now  $y(0) = c_1 + c_2 = 2$ , and  $y'(x) = c_1 e^x + 2c_2 e^{2x} + e^{2x} + x e^{2x}$  so  $y'(0) = 0 = c_1 + 2c_2 + 1 = 0$ . Solving gives  $c_2 = -3$  and  $c_1 = 5$  so

$$y = 5e^x - 3e^{2x} + x e^{2x}.$$

- (3) Find  $y_h = e^{mx}$ . Find  $m^2 + 2m = m(m + 2) = 0$  so  $y_h = c_1 e^{0x} + c_2 e^{-2x} = c_1 + c_2 e^{-2x}$ . Note the RHS=1 is part of  $y_h$  so try  $y_p = A x \times 1 + B$  (the  $B$  is not needed).  $y'_p = A$  and  $y''_p = 0$  which means  $y_p$  is a solution if  $2A = 1$  or  $A = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus the general solutions is

$$y = c_1 + c_2 e^{-2x} + \frac{1}{2} x.$$

Because  $y$  does not appear in the original equation you let  $w = y'$  and the equation becomes first-order linear in  $w$ .

- (4) To solve  $y'' - y' - 6y = 1 + 6x^2$ , first solve the homogeneous equation  $y'' - y' - 6y = 0$  for  $y_H$ , then use the method of undetermined coefficients to find  $y_P$ . The general solution will be  $y = y_H + y_P$ .

The equation  $y'' - y' - 6y = 0$  has characteristic equation

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^2 - \lambda - 6 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda &= 3, -2 \\ \Rightarrow y_H &= A e^{3x} + B e^{-2x}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $y_P$ , we make the guess

$$\begin{aligned}y_P &= a + bx + cx^2 \\ \Rightarrow y'_P &= b + 2cx \\ \Rightarrow y''_P &= 2c.\end{aligned}$$

This guess is based on the form of the right hand side of the ODE. Substituting into the nonhomogeneous ODE gives

$$\begin{aligned}y''_P - y'_P - 6y_P &= 2c - b - 2cx - 6a - 6bx - 6cx^2 \\ &= 1 + 6x^2.\end{aligned}$$

Equating the coefficients of 1,  $x$ ,  $x^2$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}-6c &= 6, \\ -2c - 6b &= 0, \\ 2c - b - 6a &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

Back substitution then gives  $c = -1 \Rightarrow b = 1/3 \Rightarrow a = -5/9$ . Therefore the general solution is

$$y(x) = y_H + y_P = Ae^{3x} + Be^{-2x} - \frac{5}{9} + \frac{1}{3}x - x^2.$$

The first derivative is

$$y' = 3Ae^{3x} - 2Be^{-2x} + \frac{1}{3} - 2x.$$

We now impose the initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}y(0) &= \frac{1}{3} = A + B - \frac{5}{9} \\ y'(0) &= \frac{4}{3} = 3A - 2B + \frac{1}{3}\end{aligned}$$

which yields  $A = 5/9$ ,  $B = 1/3$ . The solution to the I.V.P. is then

$$y(x) = \frac{5}{9}e^{3x} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-2x} - \frac{5}{9} + \frac{1}{3}x - x^2.$$

- (5) The general solution is of the form  $y = y_H + y_P$  where  $y_H$  is the general solution to  $y'' + y = 0$ . This has characteristic equation

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^2 + 1 &= 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm i \\ \Rightarrow y_H &= A \cos x + B \sin x.\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sin x$  appears on the right hand side of the ODE *and* in  $y_H$ , we guess that  $y_P$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}y_P &= ax \cos x + bx \sin x \\ \Rightarrow y'_P &= a \cos x - ax \sin x + b \sin x + bx \cos x \\ \Rightarrow y''_P &= -a \sin x - a \sin x - ax \cos x + b \cos x + b \cos x - bx \sin x.\end{aligned}$$

Now substitute this into  $y'' + y = \sin x$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow -2a \sin x - ax \cos x + 2b \cos x - bx \sin x + ax \cos x + bx \sin x &= \sin x \\ \Rightarrow -2a \sin x + 2b \cos x &= \sin x \\ \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}, \quad b = 0 \\ \Rightarrow y_P &= -\frac{1}{2}x \cos x\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the general solution is

$$y(x) = y_H + y_P = A \cos x + B \sin x - \frac{1}{2}x \cos x.$$

To impose the initial conditions, we need the first derivative which is

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= -A \sin x + B \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \cos x + \frac{1}{2}x \sin x \\ \Rightarrow y(0) = 1 &= A \\ \text{and } y'(0) = 0 &= B - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the solution to the I.V.P. is

$$y(x) = \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \sin x - \frac{1}{2}x \cos x.$$

- (6) The homogeneous equation is  $i'' + 4i' + 8i = 0$ , with  $i = e^{mt}$  we have  $m^2 + 4m + 8 = 0$ , now  $b^2 - 4ac = -16 < 0$  so  $m = -2 \pm 2i$ . So

$$i_h = c_1 e^{-2t} \cos(2t) + c_2 e^{-2t} \sin(2t)$$

- (a) Since RHS=0 the general solution is  $i(t) = i_h \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .  
 (b) We try the solution  $i_p = A$ , which gives us  $8A = 1$  or  $A = 1/8$ . Thus

$$i(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} \cos(2t) + c_2 e^{-2t} \sin(2t) + \frac{1}{8}.$$

As  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $i(t) \rightarrow 1/8$ .

- (c) We try the solution  $i_p = A \cos(2t) + B \sin(2t)$  so  $i'_p = -2A \sin(2t) + 2B \cos(2t)$ ,  $i''_p = -4A \cos(2t) - 4B \sin(2t)$ . Sub into equation

$$(-4A + 8B + 8A) \cos(2t) + (-4B - 8A + 8B) \sin(2t) = 20 \cos(2t) + 0 \sin(2t).$$

Solving the second equation gives  $B = 2A$ , which gives from the first equation  $16A + 4A = 20$  or  $A = 1$ .

$$i(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} \cos(2t) + c_2 e^{-2t} \sin(2t) + \cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t)$$

As  $t \rightarrow \infty$  we have

$$i(t) = \cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t)$$

which is the steady state current.

- (7) Solution will be of the form  $y = y_H + y_P$ , where  $y_H$  solves the homogeneous part ( $y'' + 4y = 0$ ) and  $y_P$  is the particular solution.  $y_H$  has the characteristic equation:

$$\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0 \pm 2i$$

$$\Rightarrow y_H = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$$

Since  $\cos 2x$  appears in  $y_H$  and the right hand side of the ODE, we guess that the solution  $y_P$  is of the form

$$y_P = ax \cos 2x + bx \sin 2x$$

$$y'_P = a \cos 2x - 2ax \sin 2x + b \sin 2x + 2bx \cos 2x$$

$$y''_P = -4a \sin 2x - 4ax \cos 2x + 4b \cos 2x - 4bx \sin 2x$$

Substituting this into the ODE:

$$-4a \sin 2x + 4b \cos 2x = \cos 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0, b = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_P = \frac{1}{4}x \sin 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x + \frac{1}{4}x \sin 2x$$

Now using the initial conditions:

$$y(0) = 2 = A$$

$$y' = -2A \sin 2x + 2B \cos 2x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{2}x \cos 2x$$

$$y'(0) = 2 = 2B$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = 2 \cos 2x + \sin 2x + \frac{1}{4}x \sin 2x$$

- (8) Solution will be of the form  $y = y_H + y_P$ , where  $y_H$  solves the homogenous part ( $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$ ) and  $y_P$  is the particular solution.  $y_H$  has the characteristic equation:

$$(\lambda - 3)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow y_H = Ae^{3x} + Bxe^{3x}$$

Since the double root  $\lambda = 3$  appears in  $y_H$ , we guess that  $y_P$  has the form

$$y_P = ax^2 e^{3x} + b \cos x + c \sin x$$

$$y'_P = 2axe^{3x} + 3ax^2 e^{3x} - b \sin x + c \cos x$$

$$y_P'' = 2ae^{3x} + 12axe^{3x} + 9ax^2e^{3x} - b\cos x - c\sin x$$

Substituting this into the ODE:

$$2ae^{3x} + (8b - 6c)\cos x + (8c + 6b)\sin x = 4e^{3x} + 14\cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2, b = \frac{28}{25}, c = -\frac{21}{25}$$

$$y(x) = Ae^{3x} + Bxe^{3x} + 2x^2e^{3x} + \frac{28}{25}\cos x - \frac{21}{25}\sin x$$

$$y'(x) = 3Ae^{3x} + Be^{3x} + 3Bxe^{3x} + 4xe^{3x} + 6x^2e^{3x} - \frac{28}{25}\sin x - \frac{21}{25}\cos x$$

$$y(0) = A + \frac{28}{25} = 4 \Rightarrow A = \frac{72}{25}$$

$$y'(0) = 3A + B - \frac{21}{25} = 5 \Rightarrow B = -\frac{14}{5}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{72}{25}e^{3x} - \frac{14}{5}xe^{3x} + 2x^2e^{3x} + \frac{28}{25}\cos x - \frac{21}{25}\sin x$$

(9) Assuming  $y_H = x^\lambda$ , we get:

$$\lambda(\lambda - 1)x^\lambda + \lambda x^\lambda - n^2x^\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - n^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \pm n$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = x^n, y_2 = x^{-n}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_H = Ax^n + \frac{B}{x^n}$$

Using variation of parameters,  $r = x^{m-2}$  and  $W = y_1y_2' - y_2y_1' = -\frac{2n}{x}$ , so:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= - \int \frac{y_2 r}{W} dx \quad (\text{lectures}) \\ &= \int \frac{x^{-n} x^{m-2} x}{2n} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2n} \int x^{m-n-1} dx \\ &= \frac{x^{m-n}}{2n(m-n)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
v &= - \int \frac{y_1 r}{W} dx \quad (\text{lectures}) \\
&= \int \frac{x^n x^{m-2} x}{2n} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2n} \int x^{m+n-1} dx \\
&= \frac{x^{m+n}}{2n(m+n)} \\
\Rightarrow y_p &= uy_1 + vy_2 \\
&= \frac{x^{m-n} x^n}{2n(m-n)} - \frac{x^{m+n} x^{-n}}{2n(m+n)} \\
&= \frac{x^m}{m^2 - n^2}
\end{aligned}$$

So now we have  $y = y_H + y_P$

$$y = Ax^n + \frac{B}{x^n} + \frac{x^m}{m^2 - n^2}$$

(10) Solution will be of the form  $y = y_H + y_P$ , where  $y_H$  solves the homogenous part ( $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$ ) and  $y_P$  is the particular solution.  $y_H$  has the characteristic equation:

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \quad (\text{double root})$$

$$\Rightarrow y_H = Ae^x + Bxe^x$$

To find  $y_P$ , we use variation of parameters, where we set  $y_P = u(x)y_1 + v(x)y_2$ . From lectures, Wronskian,  $W$ , is:

$$y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1' = e^{2x} + xe^{2x} - xe^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

And using the formulae for  $u$  and  $v$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= - \int \frac{y_2 r}{W} dx \\
&= - \int \frac{xe^x e^x}{e^{2x} x^3} dx \\
&= - \int \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{x} \\
v &= \int \frac{e^x e^x}{e^{2x} x^3} dx \\
&= - \int \frac{1}{x^3} dx \\
&= -\frac{1}{2x^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow y_P &= \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)e^x + \left(-\frac{1}{2x^2}\right)xe^x \\ &= \frac{e^x}{2x}\end{aligned}$$

So the general solution is

$$y = Ae^x + Bxe^x + \frac{e^x}{2x}.$$

- (11) Since RHS is not of a simple form use method of V of P's. Try  $y_h = e^{mx}$  which gives  $m^2 - 2m + 1 = (m - 1)^2 = 0$  so  $y_1 = e^x$  and  $y_2 = xe^x$ . Find  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  such that  $y_p = u_1y_1 + u_2y_2$  satisfies the equation. Note  $W(x) = y_1y_2' - y_1'y_2 = e^x(e^x + xe^x) - xe^xe^x = e^{2x}$  so

$$\begin{aligned}u_1 &= - \int \frac{y_2r(x)}{W(x)}dx = - \int \frac{xe^xx^{\frac{3}{2}}e^x}{e^{2x}}dx = - \int x^{\frac{5}{2}}dx = -\frac{2}{7}x^{\frac{7}{2}} + c_1 \\ u_2 &= \int \frac{y_1r(x)}{W(x)}dx = \int \frac{e^xx^{\frac{3}{2}}e^x}{e^{2x}}dx = \int x^{\frac{3}{2}}dx = \frac{2}{5}x^{\frac{5}{2}} + c_2\end{aligned}$$

So

$$y_p = u_1y_1 + u_2y_2 = e^x\left(-\frac{2}{7}x^{\frac{7}{2}} + c_1\right) + xe^x\left(\frac{2}{5}x^{\frac{5}{2}} + c_2\right) = \frac{4}{35}x^{\frac{7}{2}}e^x + c_1y_1 + c_2y_2,$$

which is the general solution since we incorporated the constants  $c_i$ .

- (12) For  $y_H$ , solve  $y'' + y = 0$ . This has characteristic equation  $\lambda^2 + 1 = 0$ , so that  $\lambda = \pm i$ . Therefore,

$$y_H = A \cos x + B \sin x.$$

We use variation of parameters, with

$$\begin{aligned}y_1 &= \cos x, & y_2 &= \sin x \\ r &= \cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \\ W = y_1y_2' - y_1'y_2 &= \cos x \cos x - (-\sin x) \sin x = 1. \\ \Rightarrow u &= - \int \frac{y_2r}{W}dx = - \int \sin x \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}dx \\ &= - \cos x dx = - \sin x, \\ \text{and } v &= \int \frac{y_1r}{W}dx = \int \cos x \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}dx \\ &= \int \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin x}dx \\ &= \int \frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\sin x}dx \\ &= \int \frac{dx}{\sin x} - \int \sin x dx \\ &= \int \frac{\sin x}{\sin^2 x}dx + \cos x \\ &= \int \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos^2 x}dx + \cos x.\end{aligned}$$

We make the substitution  $t = \cos x \Rightarrow$  in the integral  $dt = -\sin x dx$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow v &= -\int \frac{dt}{1-t^2} + \cos x \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dt}{1-t} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dt}{1+t} + \cos x \text{ (partial fractions)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \ln |1-t| - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1+t| + \cos x \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1-t}{1+t} \right| + \cos x \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x} \right| + \cos x \\
 \Rightarrow y_P &= -\cos x \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \sin x \ln \left| \frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x} \right| + \sin x \cos x \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sin x \ln \left| \frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x} \right|.
 \end{aligned}$$

The general solution is then

$$y = A \cos x + B \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \sin x \ln \left| \frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x} \right|.$$