

Calculus 2 Lecture 22

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First order differential equations

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x)y = R(x)$$

Second order differential equations

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P(x)\frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x)y = R(x)$$

Solution will be

$y = C_1 E_1 + C_2 E_2$, where C_1 and C_2 are constants and E_1 and E_2 are linearly independent functions of x .

Initial value problem Use

$$y(t_0) = p_0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=t_0} = v_0$$

to determine C_1 and C_2 .

Boundary value problem Use

$$y(t_0) = p_0 \text{ and } y(t_1) = q_1$$

to determine C_1 and C_2 .

Homogeneous 2nd order differential equations

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P(x)\frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x)y = 0.$$

Constant coefficient homogeneous 2nd order differential equations: ②

$$a \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + b \frac{dy}{dx} + cy = 0.$$

The discriminant is $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$.

(a) If $\Delta \neq 0$ then the solutions are

$$y = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 x} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 x}, \text{ where } c_1 \text{ and } c_2 \text{ are constants}$$

$$\text{and } aD^2 + bD + c = a(D - \lambda_1)(D - \lambda_2)$$

(b) If $\Delta = 0$ then the solutions are

$$y = c_1 e^{\lambda x} + c_2 x e^{\lambda x}, \text{ where } c_1 \text{ and } c_2 \text{ are constants}$$

$$\text{and } aD^2 + bD + c = a(D - \lambda)^2.$$

Example 6.3 Solve $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 7 \frac{dy}{dx} + 12y = 0$.

Solution: $D^2 + 7D + 12 = (D + 3)(D + 4)$.

So $y = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{-4x}$, where c_1 and c_2 are constants.

Check: let $y = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{-4x}$. Then

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -3c_1 e^{-3x} - 4c_2 e^{-4x} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 9a e^{-3x} + 16c e^{-4x} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 7 \frac{dy}{dx} + 12y &= 9a e^{-3x} + 16c e^{-4x} \\ &\quad + (-21)4e^{-3x} - 28c e^{-4x} \\ &\quad + 12a e^{-3x} + 12c e^{-4x} \\ &= 0 e^{-3x} + 0 c e^{-4x} = 0 \quad // \end{aligned}$$

Example 6.4 Solve $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$.

Solution Since $D^2 + 2D + 1 = (D+1)^2$ the solutions are

$$y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x}, \quad \text{where } c_1 \text{ and } c_2 \text{ are constants.}$$

Check: Let $y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= -c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 (e^{-x} + x(-1)e^{-x}) \\ &= (-c_1 + c_2) e^{-x} - c_2 x e^{-x}, \quad \text{and} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= -(-c_1 + c_2) e^{-x} - c_2 (e^{-x} - x e^{-x}) \\ &= (c_1 - c_2) e^{-x} - c_2 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x} \\ &= (c_1 - 2c_2) e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y &= (c_1 - 2c_2) e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x} \\ &+ 2(c_1 - c_2) e^{-x} - 2c_2 x e^{-x} \\ &+ c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 x e^{-x} \\ &= 0 e^{-x} + 0 x e^{-x} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Example 6.5 Solve $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 13y = 0$ with $y(0) = -1$ and $y'(0) = 2$.

Solution: $D^2 - 4D + 13 = (D - (2+3i))(D - (2-3i))$
since the quadratic formula gives

$$\frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4 \cdot 13}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4(-9)}}{2} = 2 \pm 3i$$

So $y = c_1 e^{(2+3i)x} + c_2 e^{(2-3i)x}$, where c_1 and c_2 are constants.

Since

$$-1 = y(0) = c_1 e^0 + c_2 e^0 = c_1 + c_2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = \left. \left((2+3i)c_1 e^{(2+3i)x} + (2-3i)c_2 e^{(2-3i)x} \right) \right|_{x=0} \\ &= (2+3i)c_1 e^0 + (2-3i)c_2 e^0 \\ &= (2+3i)c_1 + (2-3i)c_2 = 2(c_1 + c_2) + 3i(c_1 - c_2). \end{aligned}$$

then

$$2 = 2(-1) + 3i(c_1 - c_2) \quad \text{and}$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_1 - c_2 = \frac{4}{3i} = -\frac{4}{3}i$$

$$\text{So } 2c_1 = (c_1 + c_2) + (c_1 - c_2) = -1 - \frac{4}{3}i \quad \text{and} \quad c_1 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}i$$

$$2c_2 = (c_1 + c_2) - (c_1 - c_2) = -1 + \frac{4}{3}i \quad \text{and} \quad c_2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3}i$$

Note: $c_2 = \bar{c}_1$.

Write c_1 in polar form: $c_1 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}i = r e^{i\theta}$

$$\text{where } r = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{4}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{36}} = \frac{5}{6} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{-2/3}{-1/2}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{4}{3}\right).$$

then

$$y = c_1 e^{(2+3i)x} + c_2 e^{(2-3i)x}$$

$$= e^2 (c_1 e^{3ix} + c_2 e^{-3ix})$$

$$= e^2 (r e^{i\theta} e^{3ix} + r e^{-i\theta} e^{-3ix})$$

$$= r e^2 (e^{i(3x+\theta)} + e^{-i(3x+\theta)})$$

$$= 2r e^2 \frac{1}{2} (e^{i(3x+\theta)} + e^{-i(3x+\theta)})$$

$$= 2r e^2 \cos(3x+\theta)$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{5}{6} e^2 \cos(3x+\theta)$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} e^2 \cos\left(3x + \arctan\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right)$$