

Math 2150-01

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Topic 8 continued...

Ex: Solve

$$y'' - y' + y = 2 \sin(3x)$$

Step 1: We did this on Monday.

The general solution to

$$y'' - y' + y = 0$$

← homogeneous equation

is

$$y_h = c_1 e^{\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) + c_2 e^{\frac{x}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

Step 2: We want a particular

solution y_p to

$$y'' - y' + y = \boxed{2\sin(3x)}$$

\leftarrow
 \leftarrow $b(x)$

From our table we guess

$$y_p = A\cos(3x) + B\sin(3x)$$

Let's plug it in. We have:

$$y'_p = -3A\sin(3x) + 3B\cos(3x)$$

$$y''_p = -9A\cos(3x) - 9B\sin(3x)$$

Now plug them into
to get:

$$\begin{aligned} & (-9A\cos(3x) - 9B\sin(3x)) \\ & - (-3A\sin(3x) + 3B\cos(3x)) \\ & + (A\cos(3x) + B\sin(3x)) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} y''_p \\ - y'_p \\ + y_p \end{array} \right]$$

$$= 2 \sin(3x)$$

Thus,

$$\underbrace{[-8A - 3B]}_0 \cos(3x) + \underbrace{[3A - 8B]}_2 \sin(3x) = 2 \sin(3x)$$

We need

$$\begin{cases} -8A - 3B = 0 \\ 3A - 8B = 2 \end{cases}$$

①

②

① gives $A = -\frac{3}{8}B$.

Plugging into ② to get: $3\left(-\frac{3}{8}B\right) - 8B = 2$

Then, $-\frac{73}{8}B = 2$

$$S_0, \quad B = 2 \left(-\frac{8}{73} \right) = \boxed{\frac{-16}{73}}$$

$$\text{Then, } A = -\frac{3}{8} B = \left(-\frac{3}{8} \right) \left(\frac{-16}{73} \right) = \boxed{\frac{6}{73}}$$

Hence,

$$y_p = \frac{6}{73} \cos(3x) - \frac{16}{73} \sin(3x)$$

Step 3: The general solution to

$$y'' - y' + y = 2 \sin(3x)$$

is

$$\begin{aligned} y &= y_h + y_p \\ &= c_1 e^{x/2} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) + c_2 e^{x/2} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{6}{73} \cos(3x) - \frac{16}{73} \sin(3x) \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Solve $y'' + 3y = x e^{3x}$

Step 1: Solve the homogeneous equation $y'' + 3y = 0$.

We want the roots to

$$r^2 + 3 = 0$$

The roots are

$$r = \frac{-0 \pm \sqrt{0^2 - 4(1)(3)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{\pm \sqrt{-12}}{2} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{12} \sqrt{-1}}{2}$$

$\boxed{i = \sqrt{-1}}$ \downarrow

$$= \pm \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2} i$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{3} i$$

$$= \underbrace{0 \pm \sqrt{3}i}_{\alpha \pm \beta i}$$

$$\alpha = 0, \beta = \sqrt{3}$$

Thus,

$$y_h = c_1 e^{\alpha x} \cos(\beta x) + c_2 e^{\alpha x} \sin(\beta x)$$

$$= c_1 e^{0x} \cos(\sqrt{3}x) + c_2 e^{0x} \sin(\sqrt{3}x)$$

$$= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{3}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{3}x)$$



$$e^{0x} = e^0 = 1$$

Step 2: Find a particular solution y_p to $y'' + 3y = x e^{3x}$

We guess

$$y_p = (Ax + B)e^{3x} = \boxed{Axe^{3x} + Be^{3x}}$$

Let's find the derivatives.

$$\begin{aligned} y'_p &= Ae^{3x} + Ax(3e^{3x}) + 3Be^{3x} \\ &= Ae^{3x} + 3Ax e^{3x} + 3Be^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} y''_p &= 3Ae^{3x} + (3Ae^{3x} + 3Ax(3e^{3x})) \\ &\quad + 9Be^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 6Ae^{3x} + 9Ax e^{3x} + 9Be^{3x}$$

Plug this into $y'' + 3y = xe^{3x}$
to get:

$$(6Ae^{3x} + 9Axe^{3x} + 9Be^{3x})$$

y_p''

$$+ 3(Be^{3x} + Axe^{3x}) = xe^{3x}$$

y_p

Combine like terms:

$$(6A + 12B)e^{3x} + \underbrace{(12A)x e^{3x}}_0 = xe^{3x}$$

Need

$$\boxed{6A + 12B = 0} \quad (1)$$

$$12A = 1 \quad (2)$$

(2) gives $A = \frac{1}{12}$

Plug into (1) to get $6\left(\frac{1}{12}\right) + 12B = 0$

We get $\frac{1}{2} + 12B = 0$.

$$\text{So, } B = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{12} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{24}}$$

Thus,

$$y_p = (Ax+B)e^{3x} = \left(\frac{x}{12} - \frac{1}{24}\right)e^{3x}$$

Step 3: The general solution
to $y'' + 3y = xe^{3x}$ is

$$y = y_h + y_p$$

$$= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{3}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{3}x) \\ + \left(\frac{x}{12} - \frac{1}{24}\right) e^{3x}$$