

Example : The rate of bacteria growth is proportional to the number of bacteria $N(t)$ present. We know that $N(0) = 1000$, and $N(1) = \frac{5}{4}N(0)$. Find the time t at which the number of bacteria is doubled.

Solution : $\frac{dN}{dt} = kN$, $N(0) = 1000$, $N(1) = \frac{5}{4}N(0)$

$$(1) \frac{dN}{dt} - kN = 0, e^{k-t} = e^{-kt}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{-kt} \cdot N) = e^{-kt} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$e^{-kt} \cdot N = \int 0 dt = C, N(t) = Ce^{kt}$$

$$(2) \text{ To find } C \text{ and } k : N(0) = 1000$$

$$Ce^{k \cdot 0} = 1000, C = 1000, N(t) = 1000e^{kt}$$

$$N(1) = \frac{5}{4}(1000) \Rightarrow 1000e^{k \cdot 1} = \frac{5}{4} \times 1000$$

$$e^k = \frac{5}{4}, \ln e^k = \ln(\frac{5}{4}), k = \ln \frac{5}{4}$$

$$N(t) = 1000 e^{t \ln(\frac{5}{4})}$$

$$(3) \text{ Find the time } t \text{ such that } N(t) = 2000$$

$$1000 e^{t \ln(\frac{5}{4})} = 2000$$

$$e^{t \ln(\frac{5}{4})} = 2, t \ln(\frac{5}{4}) = \ln 2$$

$$t \ln(\frac{5}{4}) = \ln 2$$

$$t = \left[\frac{\ln 2}{\ln(\frac{5}{4})} \right].$$

Example:

$X(t)$ - radioactive substance substance at time t , and $X(0) = X_0$. After 2 hours, $X(t)$ decreased by 2%. If the rate of decay is proportional to $X(t)$, find the half-life of the radioactive substance.

Solution: $\frac{dx}{dt} = kx$, $X(0) = X_0$, $X(2) = X_0 - X_0 \cdot 2\%$.

Find the time t (half-life) at which

$$X(t) = \frac{1}{2} X_0$$

$$(1) \frac{dx}{dt} = kx, \quad \frac{dx}{dt} - kx = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{kt} \cdot x) = e^{kt} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$e^{kt} \cdot x = C; \quad x(t) = Ce^{kt}$$

(2) Determine C and k :

$$X(0) = X_0 \rightarrow Ce^{k \cdot 0} = X_0 \quad C = X_0$$

$$X(t) = X_0 e^{kt}$$

$$X(2) = 0.98 X_0 \rightarrow X_0 e^{2k} = 0.98 X_0$$

$$e^{2k} = 0.98, \quad \ln e^{2k} = \ln 0.98, \quad 2k = \ln 0.98$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \ln(0.98); \quad x(t) = X_0 e^{t/2 \ln(0.98)}$$

(3) Find the half-life t_h ; i.e. $X(t_h) = \frac{1}{2} X_0$.

$$X_0 e^{t_h/2 \ln(0.98)} = \frac{1}{2} X_0;$$

$$e^{t_h/2 \ln(0.98)} = \frac{1}{2}; \quad \ln e^{t_h/2 \ln(0.98)} = \ln \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$t_h \cdot \frac{1}{2} \ln(0.98) = \ln \left(\frac{1}{2}\right); \quad t_h = \frac{2 \ln \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\ln 0.98}$$

Carbon dating: to determine the age of a fossil.

Known: half-life of C_{14} = 5600 years

Example

A fossilized bone is found to contain $\frac{1}{1000}$ the original amount of C_{14} . Determine the age of the fossil.

Solution $A(t)$ - amount of C_{14} in the bone

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = KA, \quad A(5600) = \frac{1}{2}A_0; \quad A(0) = A_0$$

Find the time t at which $A(t) = \frac{1}{1000}A_0$

$$(1) \frac{dA}{dt} = KA, \quad d/dt(e^{kt} \cdot A) = e^{kt} \cdot 0 \\ e^{-kt} \cdot A = C; \quad A = C e^{-kt} = 0$$

(2) Determine C and K

$$A(0) = A_0 \Rightarrow C e^{0 \cdot 0} = A_0 \Rightarrow C = A_0$$

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{kt}$$

$$A(5600) = \frac{1}{2}A_0 \Rightarrow A_0 e^{5600k} = \frac{1}{2}A_0$$

$$e^{5600k} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \ln e^{5600k} = \ln \frac{1}{2}, \quad 5600k = \ln \frac{1}{2}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{t \left(\frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

(3) age t : $A(t) = \frac{1}{1000}A_0$

$$A_0 e^{t \left(\frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2} \right)} = \frac{1}{1000} A_0$$

$$e^{t \left(\frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2} \right)} = \frac{1}{1000} \Rightarrow \ln e^{t \left(\frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2} \right)} = \ln \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$t \cdot \frac{1}{5600} \ln \frac{1}{2} = \ln \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$t = 5600 \cdot \frac{\ln \frac{1}{1000}}{\ln \frac{1}{2}}$$

Newton's Law of Cooling :

$T(t)$ - temperature of body

T_m - surrounding medium

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = K(T - T_m).$$

Example: A thermometer of reading 70°F is removed to outside where temperature is 10°F . After $\frac{1}{2}$ minutes the temperature of the thermometer reads 50°F . What is the reading at $t=1$? How long will it take to read 10°F ?

Solution $\frac{dT}{dt} = K(T - T_m)$

$$T_m = 10, \quad T(0) = 70, \quad T(\frac{1}{2}) = 50$$

Find $T(1) = ?$ Find the time t such that $T(t) = 10$

$$(1) \frac{dT}{dt} = K(T - 10), \quad \frac{dT}{dt} - KT = -10K$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{KTt} \cdot T) = e^{KTt} \cdot f(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{KTt} \cdot T) = e^{KTt} \cdot (-10K)$$

$$e^{kt} \cdot (e^{-kt} \cdot T) = \int -10K e^{-kt} dt$$

$$= (10e^{-kt} + C) \cdot e^{kt}$$

$$T = 10 + Ce^{-kt}$$

From previous example:

Solution: (1) $dT/dt = K(T - 10)$, $dT/dt + (-K)T = -10K$
 $d/dt (e^{-\int -K dt} \cdot T) = e^{-\int -K dt} \dots$ (see previous)

(2) Find c and K : $T(t) = 10 + ce^{kt}$

$$T(0) = 70 \Rightarrow 10 + ce^{k \cdot 0} = 70$$

$$10 + c = 70 \quad c = 60 \quad T(t) = 10 + 60e^{kt}$$

$$T(\frac{1}{2}) = 50 \Rightarrow 10 + 60e^{k \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = 50$$

$$60e^{k/2} = 40, e^{k/2} = 40/60 = 2/3$$

$$\ln e^{k/2} = \ln(2/3), \frac{k}{2} = \ln(2/3), k = 2\ln(2/3)$$

$$T(t) = 10 + 60e^{2t \ln(2/3)}$$

$$(3) T(1) = 10 + 60e^{2\ln(2/3)} = 10 + 60(e^{\ln(2/3)})^2 \\ = 10 + 60(2/3)^2$$

$$\text{when } T(t) = 10? \quad 10 + 60e^{2t \ln(2/3)} = 10 \\ 60e^{2t \ln(2/3)} = 0, \quad e^{2t \ln(2/3)} = 0$$

$\ln(2/3) < 0 \Rightarrow e^{2t \ln(2/3)}$, decreases to 0
as $t \rightarrow \infty$

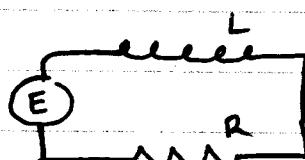
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{2t \ln(2/3)} = 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (1/e^{-2t \ln(2/3)})^t = 0$$

Series Circuits

Kirchhoff's Law:

$$L(\frac{di}{dt}) + Ri = E(t)$$



$i(t) = \text{current}$

A 12V battery connected to series circuit.

Inductance is $\frac{1}{2}$ henry, resistance 10 ohms.

Determine the current i if the initial current is 0.

Solution: $E = 12$, $L = \frac{1}{2}$, $R = 1\Omega$, $i(0) = 0$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{di}{dt} + 1\Omega i = 12 \quad i(0) = 0$$

(1) Standard Form $\frac{di}{dt} + 2\Omega i = 24$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = f(x)$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{20t} \cdot i) = e^{20t} \cdot 24$$

$$e^{20t} \cdot i = \int 24 e^{20t} dt \implies 24 \int e^u \cdot \frac{1}{20} du$$

$$= \frac{24}{20} e^u + C \Rightarrow \frac{6}{5} e^{20t} + C$$

$$u = 20t \quad du = 20dt \quad \text{then } \checkmark$$

$$e^{20t} \text{ or } e^{-20t}$$

$$\therefore i(t) = \frac{6}{5} + ce^{-20t}$$

$$(2) i(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{6}{5} + C \cdot e^{-20(0)} = 0$$

$$\frac{6}{5} + C = 0 \quad ; \quad C = -\frac{6}{5}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{6}{5} - \frac{6}{5}e^{-20t}$$

3. Higher-order DE's

Example Solve $x^2y'' + xy' + y = 0$

How to find all of the solutions?

3.1 Linear DE's: Basic Theory

(1) Initial-Value Problem

$$a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = g(x)$$

$$y(x_0) = y_0; \quad y'(x_0) = y_1; \quad y''(x_0) = y_2; \dots; \quad y^{(n-1)}(x_0) = y_{n-1}$$

Where y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} are constants.

Does the given IVP have a solution?

Thm. 3.1 If $a_n(x), a_{n-1}(x), \dots, a_0(x)$ and $g(x)$ are continuous, and $a_n(x) \neq 0$, for every x in an interval I , then the IVP has a unique solution.

Ex. Solve the IVP

$$\begin{aligned} y''' + xy'' - y' + 2y &= 0 \\ y(1) = 0; \quad y'(1) = 0; \quad y''(1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution: 3rd-order linear equation

from thm 3.1, this IVP has a unique solution.

By inspection, $y = 0$ is the solution

Boundary-value problem

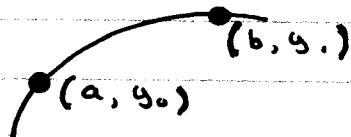
Second-order

$$\text{Solve } a_2(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = g(x)$$

$$\text{Subject to } y(a) = y_0; \quad y(b) = y_1$$

Ex. Solve the boundary value problem:

$$y'' = 2x, \quad y(1) = -1, \quad y(2) = 3$$



Solutions: $(y')' = 2x, \quad y' = \int 2x dx$

$$y' = x^2 + C_1, \quad y = \int x^2 + C_1 dx$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C_1x + C_2$$

Family of solutions

$$y(1) = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad y(2) = 3$$

$$\begin{cases} y_3 + C_1 + C_2 = -1 \\ y_3(2^3) + C_1 \cdot 2 + C_2 = 3 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} y_3 + C_1 + C_2 = -1 \\ 8y_3 + 2C_1 + C_2 = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_1 + C_2 = -1 - \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{4}{3} \quad (1) \\ 2C_1 + C_2 = 3 - \frac{8}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \quad (2) \end{array} \right.$$

$$(2) - (1) \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{1}{3} - (-\frac{4}{3}) = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (1), } C_2 &= -\frac{4}{3} - C_1 = -\frac{4}{3} - \frac{5}{3} \\ &= -\frac{9}{3} = -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{5}{3}x - 3$$

3.1 Linear Equations : Basic Theory

$$a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = 0$$

is called the associated homogeneous eq'n of

$$a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = g(x)$$

Ex. $x^2y'' + xy' + y = \sin x + x^2$

The associated homogeneous eq'n:

$$x^2y'' + xy' + y = 0$$

Thm. 3.2 (Superposition Principle - homo.)

Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k be solutions of the
homo. eq'n: $a_n(x)y^{(n)} + \dots + a_0(x)y = 0$

Then any linear combination

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + \dots + c_k y_k$$

is also a solution to the homo eq'n.

Goal: Find the least number of solutions
to represent all of the solutions in term
of linear combinations. ($c_1 y_1 + \dots + c_k y_k$)

Def Functions $f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_n(x)$ are
said to be linearly dependent if there
exist constants, not all zero such that:

$$c_1 f_1(x) + c_2 f_2(x) + \dots + c_n f_n(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x.$$

(one of the functions can be written as a
linear combination of the others)

$$\text{Say } c_1 \neq 0, \quad c_1 f_1(x) = (-c_2)f_2(x) + \dots + (-c_n)f_n(x)$$

$$f_1(x) = (-\frac{c_2}{c_1})f_2(x) + (-\frac{c_3}{c_1})f_3(x) + \dots + (-\frac{c_n}{c_1})f_n(x)$$

(2)

Ex. Let $f_1(x) = 2 \sin^2 x$, $f_2(x) = -3 \cos^2 x$, $f_3(x) = 5$
 Show that $f_1(x)$, $f_2(x)$, and $f_3(x)$ are linearly dependent.

Solution $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(2 \sin^2 x) + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)(-3 \cos^2 x) + \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)5$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ c_1 & f_1 & c_2 & f_2 & c_3 & f_3 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}f_1(x) + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)f_2(x) + \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)f_3(x) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}f_1(x) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)f_2(x) + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)f_3(x)$$

$$f_1(x) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)f_2(x) + \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)f_3(x)$$

Thm. 3.3 Criterion for linearly independent solutions

Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n be solutions of a homo. eqn over an interval I. Then y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n are linearly independent.

$\Rightarrow W(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \neq 0$ for all $x \in I$

where $W(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \\ y_1' & y_2' & \dots & y_n' \\ y_1'' & y_2'' & \dots & y_n'' \\ y_1^{(n-1)} & y_2^{(n-1)} & \dots & y_n^{(n-1)} \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{determinant})$$

↓
→ Wronskian of the functions

Ex Show that $\{e^x, e^{2x}\}$ is linearly independent.

Solution By thm. 3.3 $W(e^x, e^{2x})$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & e^{2x} \\ e^x & 2e^{2x} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^x \cdot 2e^{2x} - e^x e^{2x}$$

$$= 2e^{3x} - e^{3x}$$

$$= e^{3x} \neq 0$$

$\therefore W(e^x, e^{2x})$ is linearly independent.

$\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ is called a fundamental set of solutions of $a_n(x)y^{(n)} + \dots + a_0(x)y = 0$ if it is linearly independent.

Thm. 3.4 (Existence of a Fundamental Set)

There exists a fundamental set of solutions.

Thm. 3.5 (General Solution For homo.)

Set y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n be a fundamental set of solutions. The general solution

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 + \dots + C_n y_n$$

Ex. Solve $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$ given that $y_1 = e^x$ and $y_2 = e^{2x}$ are two solutions.

Solution Since $W(e^x, e^{2x}) \neq 0$. As above, $\{e^x, e^{2x}\}$ is a fundamental set of solutions.

The general sol.
$$y = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{2x}$$

Ex. Given that $y_1 = e^x, y_2 = e^{2x}, y_3 = e^{4x}$ are solutions of $y''' - 5y'' + 2y' + 8y = 0$

Find the general solution.

Solution Verify that y_1, y_2, y_3 are linearly independent.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 W(y_1, y_2, y_3) &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{2x} & e^{4x} \\ -e^{-x} & 2e^{2x} & 4e^{4x} \\ e^{-x} & 4e^{2x} & 16e^{4x} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{2x} & e^{4x} \\ 0 & 3e^{2x} & 5e^{4x} \\ e^{-x} & 4e^{2x} & 16e^{4x} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{2x} & e^{4x} \\ 0 & 3e^{2x} & 5e^{4x} \\ 0 & 3e^{2x} & 15e^{4x} \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow e^{-x} \begin{vmatrix} 3e^{2x} & 5e^{4x} \\ 3e^{2x} & 15e^{4x} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= e^{-x} (45e^{4x} - 15e^{4x}) \\
 &= e^{-x} \cdot 30(e^{4x}) = 30(e^{5x}) = 0 \\
 \therefore \text{they are linearly independent} \\
 y &= c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 e^{4x}
 \end{aligned}$$