

3.5 Variation of Parameters

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To find a particular solution

Applied Anal.

"undetermined coeffs" :

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(x)$$

(1) a, b, c are constants(2) $f(x)$ must be one of the "12 types" (table on p. 129)

$$a_2(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = f(x)$$

$$(1) \text{ solve } a_2(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = 0$$

Say, the general solution is:

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2$$

(2) To find a particular solution y_p 3.2: Reduction of order $y_p = u(x)y_1$.

$$a_2(x)(uy_1)'' + a_2(x)(uy_1)' + a_0(x)(uy_1) = f(x)$$

$$y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = f(x) - \text{standard form}$$

(1) Assume y_1, y_2 form a fundamental set of solutions for $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$

$$\begin{cases} y_1'' + P(x)y_1' + Q(x)y_1 = 0 & y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 \\ y_2'' + P(x)y_2' + Q(x)y_2 = 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

(2) Let $y_p = u_1(x)y_1 + u_2(x)y_2$ be a particular solution of the (*) for some functions

$$u_1(*), u_2(*)$$

$$\rightarrow (u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2)'' + P(x)(u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2)' + Q(x)(u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2) \dots$$

$$\text{Impose } y_1 u_1' + y_2 u_2' = 0 \quad (2) \quad \dots = f(x)$$

$$y_p' = \cancel{u_1' y_1} + u_1 y_1' + \cancel{u_2' y_2} + u_2 y_2' = u_1 y_1' + u_2 y_2'$$

$$\cancel{Q(x)[u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2]} = f(x)$$

$$y_p'' = u_1 y_1'' + u_1 y_1' + u_2 y_2'' + u_2 y_2'$$

$$(u_1 y_1'' + \cancel{u_1 y_1''} + u_2 y_2'' + u_2 y_2') + P(x)[\cancel{u_1 y_1'} + \cancel{u_2 y_2'}] +$$

$$U_1(y_1'' + P(x)y_1' + Q(x)y_1) = 0$$

$$U_1'y_1' + U_2'y_2' = f(x)$$

So we solve for $U_1(x), U_2(x)$

$$\begin{cases} y_1'U_1' + y_2'U_2' = 0 & \text{(imposed)} \\ y_1'U_1' + y_2'U_2' = f(x) & \text{(DE)} \end{cases}$$

$$U_1' = \frac{W_1}{W}, \quad U_2' = \frac{W_2}{W}, \quad \text{where}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix}, \quad W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 \\ f(x) & y_2' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 \\ y_2 & f(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

Ex. Solve $x^2y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 2x^{-1}$ given
that $y = C_1 x^2 + C_2 x^3$ is the general
solution for the associated homogeneous
eqn $x^2y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 0$

Sol. To find a particular solution y_p

"The undetermined coefficients" cannot be used

$$y_1 = x^2, \quad y_2 = x^3$$

$$y_p = U_1(x)y_1 + U_2(x)y_2$$

Use our formula to find $U_1(x), U_2(x)$

$$U_1' = \frac{W_1}{W}, \quad U_2' = \frac{W_2}{W}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^3 \\ 2x & 3x^2 \end{vmatrix} = 3x^4 - 2x^4 = x^4$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 \\ f(x) & y_2' \end{vmatrix} \quad x^2y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 2x^{-1}$$

$f(x) = ?$ Standard Form

$$y'' - \frac{4}{x^2}y' + \frac{6}{x^2}y = 2x^{-1} \cdot x^{-2} = 2x^{-3}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^3 \\ 2x^{-3} & 3x^2 \end{vmatrix} = -2x^{-3} \cdot x^3 = -2$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 \\ y_2 & f(x) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ 2x & 2x^{-3} \end{vmatrix} = 2x^{-1}$$

$$U_1' = \frac{-2}{x^4} = -2x^{-4} \quad U_1 = \int -2x^{-4} dx = \frac{2x^{-4+1}}{-4+1} = \frac{2}{3}x^{-3}$$

$$U_2' = \frac{2x^{-1}}{x^4} = 2x^{-5} \quad U_2 = \int 2x^{-5} dx = \frac{2x^{-5+1}}{-5+1} = \frac{-2}{4}x^{-4} = -\frac{1}{2}x^{-4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_p &= U_1 y_1 + U_2 y_2 = (\frac{2}{3}x^{-3})(x^2) + (-\frac{1}{2}x^{-4})(x^3) \\ y_p &= (\frac{2}{3})x^{-1} + (-\frac{1}{2})x^{-1} = (\frac{4}{6})x^{-1} - (\frac{3}{6})x^{-1} \\ &= (\frac{1}{6})x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

(3) The general solution is

$$y = C_1 x^2 + C_2 x^3 + \frac{1}{6}x^{-1}$$

Ex. Find the general solution of

$$y'' - 2y' + y = x^3 e^x$$

using variation of parameters

Solution (1) Solve the associated homo.

$$\text{equ. } y'' - 2y' + y = 0 \quad (y = e^{mx})$$

$$\text{Auxiliary Eqn} \quad m^2 - 2m + 1 = 0$$

$$(m-1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 = 1, m_2 = 1$$

$$y = C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x$$

$$y_1 = e^x$$

$$y_2 = x e^x$$

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(4)

$$y_p = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 , \quad u_1' = \frac{w_1}{w} , \quad u_2' = \frac{w_2}{w}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & xe^x \\ e^x & e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix} = e^x(e^x + xe^x) - xe^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 \\ f(x) & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & xe^x \\ x^3e^x & e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix} = -x^4 e^{2x}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 \\ y_1' & f(x) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & 0 \\ e^x & x^3e^x \end{vmatrix} = x^3e^{2x}$$

$$u_1' = \frac{w_1}{W} = \frac{-x^4 e^{2x}}{e^{2x}} = -x^4$$

$$u_2' = \frac{w_2}{W} = \frac{x^3 e^{2x}}{e^{2x}} = x^3$$

$$u_1 = -x^5/5$$

$$u_2 = x^4/4$$

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Standard Form $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = f(x)$

Applied Anal.

- (1) Let the general solution of the associated homo. eq'n $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2$$

- (2) Let $y_p = U_1 y_1 + U_2 y_2$ be a particular solution of the non-homo eq'n for functions U_1 and U_2 .

$$U_1' = \frac{w_1}{w}, \quad U_2' = \frac{w_2}{w}$$

$$w = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix}, \quad w_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 \\ f(x) & y_2' \end{vmatrix},$$

$$w_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 \\ y_1' & f(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

Higher-order Equations (3rd - order)

Standard Form

$$y''' + P_2(x)y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_0(x)y = f(x)$$

- (1) Let $y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 + C_3 y_3$ be the general solution of the associated homo. eq'n

$$(*) = f(x)$$

general solution of the associated homo. eq'n

$$y''' + P_2(x)y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_0(x)y = 0$$

- (2) Assume $y_p = U_1 y_1 + U_2 y_2 + U_3 y_3$ is a particular solution of $(*)$ for U_1, U_2, U_3 (functions).

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_1 U_1' + y_2 U_2' + y_3 U_3' = 0 \quad (\text{imposed}) \\ y_1' U_1' + y_2' U_2' + y_3' U_3' = 0 \\ y_1'' U_1' + y_2'' U_2' + y_3'' U_3' = f(x) \quad (\text{DE}) \end{array} \right.$$

(2)

$$U_1' = \frac{W_1}{W}, \quad U_2' = \frac{W_2}{W}, \quad U_3' = \frac{W_3}{W}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \\ y_1' & y_2' & y_3' \\ y_1'' & y_2'' & y_3'' \end{vmatrix}, \quad W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 & y_3 \\ 0 & y_2' & y_3' \\ f(x) & y_2'' & y_3'' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 & y_3 \\ y_1' & 0 & y_3' \\ y_1'' & f(x) & y_3'' \end{vmatrix}, \quad W_3 = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & 0 \\ y_1' & y_2' & 0 \\ y_1'' & y_2'' & f(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

3.6 Cauchy - Euler Equations

n^{th} order :

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

where a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n are constants.

Second order :

$$a x^2 y'' + b x y' + c y = g(x)$$

Solve the associated homo. eq'n.

$$a x^2 y'' + b x y' + c y = 0$$

Try $y = x^m$

$$a x^2 (x^m)'' + b x (x^m)' + c (x^m) = 0$$

$$a x^2 \cdot m(m-1) x^{m-2} + b x m x^{m-1} + c x^m = 0$$

$$a_m (m-1) x^m + b m x^m + c x^m = 0$$

$$a_m (m-1) + b m + c = 0$$

- Auxiliary equ. For
Cauchy - Euler equation

(I) $m_1 \neq m_2$, are distinct real roots :

$$y = C_1 x^{m_1} + C_2 x^{m_2}$$

Ex. Solve $x^2 y'' + 5xy' - 5y = 0$

Solution Cauchy-Euler equation :

($y = x^m$) Auxiliary equation for Cauchy-Euler :

$$m^2 + (5-1)m - 5 = 0, \quad m^2 + 4m - 5 = 0$$

$$(m+5)(m-1) = 0$$

$$m_1 = 1, \quad m_2 = -5$$

$$y = C_1 x + C_2 x^{-5}$$

(II) $m_1 = m_2$ is a repeated real root :

then $y_1 = x^{m_1}$ is a first solution

$$(3.2) \quad y_2 = y_1 \int \frac{e^{-\int p(x) dx}}{y_1^2} dx$$

$$am^2 + (b-a)m + c = 0$$

$$m_1 = \frac{-(b-a) + \sqrt{0}}{2a}$$

$$ax^2 y'' + bxy' + cy = 0$$

Standard Form: $y'' + \frac{b/a}{ax^2} y' + \frac{c}{ax^2} y = 0$

$$P(x) = \frac{b}{ax}$$

$$y_2 = x^{m_1} \int \frac{e^{-\int \frac{b}{ax} dx}}{(x^{m_1})^2} dx$$

$$y_2 = x^{m_1} \int \frac{e^{-\frac{b}{a} \ln x}}{x^{2m_1}} dx \Rightarrow x^{m_1} \int \frac{(e^{\ln x})^{-b/a}}{x^{2m_1}} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x^{m_1} \int \frac{x^{-b/a}}{x^{-b/a} \cdot x} dx \\
 &= x^{m_1} \int \frac{1}{x} dx \Rightarrow x^{m_1} \cdot \ln x
 \end{aligned}$$

(II) $m_1 = m_2$ is a repeated real root

$$y = C_1 x^{m_1} + C_2 x^{m_1} \ln x$$

For higher-order equations,

If m_1 is a repeated real root, repeated

K times: $x^{m_1}, x^{m_1} \ln x, x^{m_1} (\ln x)^2, \dots, x^{m_1} (\ln x)^{K-1}$

Ex. Solve $x^2 y'' + 5xy' + 4y = 0$

Solution: (Cauchy-Euler equation) ($y = x^m$)

$$m^2 + (5-1)m + 4 = 0$$

$$m^2 + 4m + 4$$

$$(m+2)(m+2) \rightarrow m_1 = -2$$

$$y = C_1 x^{-2} + C_2 x^{-2} \ln x$$

3.6 Cauchy-Euler Equations

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$$ax^2y'' + bxy' + cy = 0$$

$$y = x^m$$

$$\text{Auxiliary Eqn} \quad m^2 + (b-a)m + c = 0$$

(I) $m_1 \neq m_2$ are distinct real roots.

$$y_1 = C_1 x^{m_1} + C_2 x^{m_2}$$

(II) m_1 is a repeated real root

$$y = C_1 x^{m_1} + C_2 x^{m_1} \ln x$$

(III) $m_1 = \alpha + \beta i$, $m_2 = \alpha - \beta i$ are complex roots

$$y = C_1 x^\alpha (\cos \beta \ln x) + C_2 x^\alpha (\sin \beta \ln x)$$

Ex. Solve $x^2y'' + 5xy' + 5y = 0$

Solution Cauchy-Euler equation $y = x^m$

$$\text{Auxiliary eqn: } m^2 + (5-1)m + 5 = 0$$

$$m = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - (4)(5)}}{2} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$m = \frac{-4 \pm 2i}{2}$$

$$m_1 = -2 + i$$

$$m_2 = -2 - i$$

$$\alpha = -2$$

$$\beta = 1$$

$$y = C_1 x^{-2} \cos(\ln x) + C_2 x^{-2} \sin(\ln x)$$

Ex. Solve $x^3y''' + 5x^2y'' + 7xy' + 8y = 0$

Solution Cauchy-Euler equation $y = x^m$

$$x^3(x^m)''' + 5x^2(x^m)'' + 7x(x^m)' + 8(x^m) = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (x^m)' &= mx^{m-1}, \quad (x^m)'' = m(m-1)x^{m-2} \\ (x^m)''' &= m(m-1)(m-2)x^{m-3} \end{aligned} \right\}$$



(2)

$$x^3 [m(m-1)(m-2)x^{m-3}] + 5x^2 [m(m-1)x^{m-2}] + \dots$$

$$\dots x[mx^m] + 8x^m = 0$$

$$m(m-1)(m-2)x^m + 5m(m-1)x^m + 7mx^m + 8x^m = 0$$

$$m(m-1)(m-2) + 5m(m-1) + 7m + 8 = 0$$

$$m(m^2 - 3m + 2) + 5m^2 - 5m + 7m + 8 = 0$$

$$m^3 - 3m^2 + 2m + 5m^2 - 5m + 7m + 8 = 0$$

$$m^3 + 2m^2 + 4m + 8 = 0, \quad m = -2$$

(by inspection)

$$(m+2)(\ ? \) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} m^2 + 4 \\ \hline (m+2) \overline{)m^3 + 2m^2 + 4m + 8} \\ \cancel{(m+2)} \overline{-m^3 - 2m^2} \\ \hline 0 + 0 + 4m + 8 \\ \hline 4m + 8 \\ \hline \underline{\underline{RQ}} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow (m^2 + 4)(m+2) = 0$$

$$\downarrow m = \pm \sqrt{-4}$$

$$= m_1 = -2$$

$$m_2 = 0 + 2i \quad \alpha = 0$$

$$m_3 = 0 - 2i \quad \beta = 2$$

then...

$$x^\alpha \cos(\beta \ln x) + x^\alpha \sin(\beta \ln x)$$

$$x^\alpha \cos(\beta \ln x) + x^\alpha \sin(\beta \ln x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\cos(2 \ln x) + \sin(2 \ln x)}}$$