

Miscellaneous Problems
End of Chapter 2

How to solve some 2nd order DE's ?

- If $y(t)$ is a solution for a given DE then t is called independent variable (Indep. Var.) and y is called dependent variable (Dep. Var.)

Now if the 2nd order DE misses the

[A] Dep. Var. y then let $V = y'$ and $V' = y''$
 solve first for V then solve for y

[B] Indep. Var. t then let $V = y' = \frac{dy}{dt}$
 and $V' = y'' = \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dy} y'$
 solve first for V
 then solve for y

$$y'' = \frac{dV}{dy} V$$

Exp Solve the DE :

Q36 / p.134

$$t^2 y'' + 2t y' - 1 = 0, \quad t > 0$$

Missing $y \Rightarrow$ Apply [A] \Rightarrow $y' = V$
 $y'' = V'$

$$t^2 V' + 2t V - 1 = 0$$

$$V' + \frac{2}{t} V = \frac{1}{t^2} \quad \dots B$$

$$M(t) = e^{\int \frac{2}{t} dt} = e^{2 \ln t} = t^2$$

$$V = \frac{1}{M} \left[\int M g dt + c_1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^2} \left[\int t^2 \frac{1}{t^2} dt + c_1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^2} [t + c_1]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{t} + \frac{c_1}{t^2}$$

$$y(t) = \ln t - \frac{c_1}{t} + c_2$$

Exp Solve the IVP:

Q49/p.135

$$y'' - 3y^2 = 0, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = 4$$

Missing $t \Rightarrow$ Apply [B] $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y' = v \\ y'' = \frac{dv}{dy} v \end{cases}$

$$\frac{dv}{dy} v - 3y^2 = 0 \quad \text{"Seperable"}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dy} v = 3y^2$$

$$v dv = 3y^2 dy$$

$$\frac{v^2}{2} = y^3 + c_1$$

$$v^2 = 2y^3 + 2c_1$$

$$(y')^2 = 2y^3 + 2c_1 \quad \text{To find } c_1 \Rightarrow$$

$$(4)^2 = 2(2)^3 + 2c_1$$

$$16 = 16 + 2c_1 \Leftrightarrow c_1 = 0$$

$$(y')^2 = 2y^3$$

$$y' = \pm \sqrt{2y^3}$$

$$4 = \boxed{+} \sqrt{2(2)^3}$$

$$y' = \sqrt{2y^3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \sqrt{2} y^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\int y^{-\frac{3}{2}} dy = \int \sqrt{2} dt$$

$$-2 y^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{2} t + c_2$$

$$\frac{-2}{\sqrt{y}} = \sqrt{2} t + c_2$$

To find $c_2 \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{-2}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}(0) + c_2$$

$$-\frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = c_2$$

$$c_2 = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{-2}{\sqrt{y}} = \sqrt{2} t - \sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{y}}{-2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} t - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{y} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2}(t-1)}$$

$$\sqrt{y} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{1-t}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{2}{(1-t)^2}$$

Exp (Q42) Solve the IVP

$$y \ddot{y} + (\dot{y})^2 = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad \dot{y}(0) = 1, \quad y > 0$$

Missing $t \Rightarrow \dot{y} = v$ and $\ddot{y} = v \frac{dv}{dy}$

$$y \left(v \frac{dv}{dy} \right) + v^2 = 0$$

$$v \left[y \frac{dv}{dy} + v \right] = 0$$

either $v = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{y} = 0$ not possible since $\dot{y}_0 = 1$

$$\text{or } y \frac{dv}{dy} + v = 0 \Rightarrow \int \frac{dv}{v} = - \int \frac{dy}{y}$$

$\ln|v| = -\ln|y| + c_1 \Rightarrow$ To find c_1 we use IC's

$$\ln|\dot{y}| = -\ln y + c_1$$

$$\ln 1 = -\ln 1 + c_1 \Rightarrow 0 = 0 + c_1 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0$$

$$\ln|\dot{y}| = -\ln \dot{y} \Rightarrow |\dot{y}| = \frac{1}{y}$$

either $\dot{y} = -\frac{1}{y}$ not possible since $y_0 = 1 = \dot{y}_0$

$$\text{or } \dot{y} = \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow \int y dy = \int dt$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = t + c_2 \Rightarrow$$
 To find c_2 we use $y(0) = 1$

$$\frac{1}{2} = 0 + c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{2} = t + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y^2 = 2t + 1 \Rightarrow y(t) = \pm \sqrt{2t+1} \Rightarrow y(t) = \sqrt{2t+1} \text{ since } y_0 = 1$$