

### 3.1 <sup>nd</sup> order linear and homogenous DE with constant coefficients

- Any <sup>nd</sup> order DE has the form

$$\boxed{\ddot{y} = f(t, y, \dot{y})} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

- The DE (1) is **linear** if  $f$  is linear in  $y$  and  $\dot{y}$ . Otherwise, (1) is **nonlinear**.

- The solution of (1) is  $y(t)$  where

$t$  is the indep. variable  
 $y$  is the depen. variable

- We will focus on the **linear** case of (1) which has the form

$$\boxed{\ddot{y} + p(t)\dot{y} + q(t)y = g(t)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

- If  $g(t) = 0$ , then (2) is called **homogenous DE**
- If  $g(t) \neq 0$ , then (2) is called **nonhomogenous DE**

- More precisely, we will learn how to solve (2) when  $g(t) = 0$  and  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  are constants  $\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{a\ddot{y} + b\dot{y} + cy = 0} \quad \text{--- (3)} \quad y(t_0) = y_0, \dot{y}(t_0) = \dot{y}_0$$

The DE (3) is 2<sup>nd</sup> order linear homogenous with constant coefficients (2<sup>nd</sup> OLHCC)

Question: How to solve the DE (3)?

Answer: To find the solution of (3) => we assume exponential solution of the form:

$y(t) = e^{rt}$  where r is constant

To find r we substitute y, y', y'' in (3) =>

$y'(t) = r e^{rt}$   
 $y''(t) = r^2 e^{rt}$

$a r^2 e^{rt} + b r e^{rt} + c e^{rt} = 0$

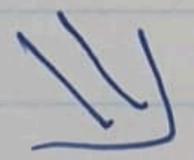
$ar^2 + br + c = 0$  (4) Characteristic Equation (Ch. Eq.)

Compare (4) with (3)

To solve the Ch. Eq. (4) for the roots r<sub>1,2</sub>

$r_{1/2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

So we have three cases for the roots:



① If  $r_1 \neq r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  "Real Different", then

the first solution is  
and the second solution is

$$y_1(t) = e^{r_1 t}$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{r_2 t}$$

the general solution is  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{r_1 t} + c_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

② If  $r_1 = r_2 = r \in \mathbb{R}$  "Real Repeated", then

the first solution is  
and the second solution is

$$y_1(t) = e^{rt}$$

$$y_2(t) = t e^{rt}$$

the general solution is  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{rt} + c_2 t e^{rt}$$

③ If  $r_{1,2} = \lambda \pm \mu i$  "Complex Roots", then

the first solution is

$$y_1(t) = e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t)$$

and the second solution is

$$y_2(t) = e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t)$$

the general solution is

$$y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + c_2 e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t)$$

$\mu > 0$

Exp Find the general solution of the following

① IVP:  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$  ,  $y(0) = 2$  ,  $y'(0) = 3$

Ch. Eq  $r^2 + 5r + 6 = 0$   
 $(r+2)(r+3) = 0$   
 $r_1 = -2$  ,  $r_2 = -3$

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"Real Different"

missing t

$y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$  ,  $y_2(t) = e^{-3t}$

gen. sol.  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$y(t) = c_1 e^{-2t} + c_2 e^{-3t}$  To find  $c_1, c_2 \Rightarrow$

$y(0) = c_1 + c_2 = 2$

$y'(t) = -2c_1 e^{-2t} - 3c_2 e^{-3t}$

$y'(0) = -2c_1 - 3c_2 = 3$

$c_1 = 9$   
 $c_2 = -7$

$y(t) = 9e^{-2t} - 7e^{-3t}$  unique solution

② DE:  $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$

nd  
2 OLHCC

missing t

Ch. Eq.  $r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$   
 $(r-2)(r-2) = 0$   
 $r_1 = r_2 = 2$

"Real Repeated"

$y_1(t) = e^{2t}$  ,  $y_2(t) = t e^{2t}$

gen. sol.  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$y(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 t e^{2t}$

[3] DE:  $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0$

nd  
2 OLHCC

missing t

ch. Eq  $r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0$

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(2)(1)}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4}\sqrt{-1}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i$$

$$y_1(t) = e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) = e^{-t} \cos t$$

$$\lambda = -1, \mu = 1$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t) = e^{-t} \sin t$$

gen. sol.  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$$= c_1 e^{-t} \cos t + c_2 e^{-t} \sin t$$

[4] IVP:  $2y'' + 3y' = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 3$

ch. Eq:  $2r^2 + 3r = 0$

nd  
2 OLHCC

missing t  
missing y

$$r(2r + 3) = 0$$

$$r_1 = 0, r_2 = -\frac{3}{2}$$

"Real Different"

$$y_1(t) = 1, y_2(t) = e^{-\frac{3}{2}t}$$

gen. sol.  $y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$

$$y(t) = c_1 + c_2 e^{-\frac{3}{2}t}$$

$$y'(t) = -\frac{3}{2} c_2 e^{-\frac{3}{2}t}$$

To find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ :

$$y(0) = c_1 + c_2 = 1$$

$$y'(0) = -\frac{3}{2} c_2 = 3$$

$$c_2 = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 3$$

$$y(t) = 3 - 2 e^{-\frac{3}{2}t}$$

[5] DE:  $y'' + 9y = 0$

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missing t

ch. Eq

$$r^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$r^2 = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{r^2} = \sqrt{-9}$$

$$|r| = \sqrt{9} \sqrt{-1}$$

$$|r| = 3i$$

$$r_{1,2} = \pm 3i$$

$$\lambda = 0$$
  
$$\mu = 3$$

$$y_1(x) = e^{\lambda x} \cos \mu x = \cos 3x$$

$$y_2(x) = e^{\lambda x} \sin \mu x = \sin 3x$$

gen. sol.  $y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$   
 $= c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x$

[6] IVP:  $R'' + R = 0$ ,  $R(0) = 3$ ,  $R'(0) = 2$

ch. Eq

$$r^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r_{1,2} = \pm i$$

$$\lambda = 0$$
  
$$\mu = 1$$

$$R_1(x) = \cos x$$

$$R_2(x) = \sin x$$

nd 2 OLTCC

gen. sol.  $R(x) = c_1 R_1(x) + c_2 R_2(x)$   
 $= c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$

To find  $c_1$  and  $c_2 \Rightarrow$

$$R'(x) = -c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$$

$$R(0) = c_1 + 0 = 3 \Rightarrow c_1 = 3$$
  
$$R'(0) = 0 + c_2 = 2 \Rightarrow c_2 = 2$$

$$R(x) = 3 \cos x + 2 \sin x$$