

3.5 Lin Homogeneous Constant Coeff

► The n^{th} -order homogeneous linear differential equation with constant co-efficient is $a_n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0 y = 0$. Here a_i 's are constants.

► Take $y = e^{mx}$ is a solution $\Rightarrow e^{mx}(a_n m^n + \dots + a_1 m + a_0) = 0 \Rightarrow a_n m^n + \dots + a_1 m + a_0$. It is called auxiliary or, characteristic equation of the Ode.

► **Rule 1**: Auxiliary equation has n distinct real roots $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \Rightarrow$ The general solution is $y = c_1 e^{\alpha_1 x} + c_2 e^{\alpha_2 x} + \dots + c_n e^{\alpha_n x}$.

► **Rule 2**: Auxiliary equation has p equal and $n-p$ distinct real roots $\alpha, \dots, \alpha, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-p} \Rightarrow$ The general solution is $y = e^{\alpha x}(c_1 + c_2 x + \dots + c_p x^{p-1}) + d_1 e^{\alpha_1 x} + \dots + d_{n-p} e^{\alpha_{n-p} x}$.

► **Rule 3**: Auxiliary equation has p complex conjugate roots $\alpha_1 \pm i\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_p \pm i\beta_p \Rightarrow$ The general solution is $y = e^{\alpha_1 x}[c_1 \sin(\beta_1 x) + d_1 \cos(\beta_1 x)] + \dots + e^{\alpha_p x}[c_p \sin(\beta_p x) + d_p \cos(\beta_p x)]$.

► **Rule 4**: Auxiliary equation has p equal complex conjugate roots $\alpha \pm i\beta \Rightarrow$ The general solution is $y = e^{\alpha x}[(c_1 + c_2 x + \dots + c_p x^{p-1}) \sin(\beta x) + (d_1 + d_2 x + \dots + d_p x^{p-1}) \cos(\beta x)]$.

Example 3.10. Find the general solution of $4y'' - 12y' + 5y = 0$.

\Rightarrow Let $y = e^{mx}$ be a trial solution of the equation.

So the auxiliary equation is: $4m^2 - 12m + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow (2m - 1)(2m - 5) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 1/2, 5/2$.

Therefore the general solution is $y = c_1 e^{x/2} + c_2 e^{5x/2}$, where c_1, c_2 are arbitrary constants.

[Do It Yourself] 3.56. Solve the Ode's: i) $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$, ii) $y'' + 6y' + 11y = 0$, iii) $16y'' + 32y' + 25y = 0$, iv) $y''' - 3y'' - y' + 3y = 0$, v) $y''' - 6y'' + 12y' - 8y = 0$, vi) $8y''' + 12y'' + 6y' + y = 0$, vii) $y^{(iv)} = 0$, viii) $y^{(iv)} - y = 0$, ix) $y^{(iv)} + 8y'' + 16y = 0$, x) $y^{(v)} - 2y^{(iv)} + y''' = 0$, xi) $y^{(v)} + 5y^{(iv)} + 10y''' + 10y'' + 5y' + y = 0$, xii) $y^{(iv)} + 64y = 0$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.57. Given that $m^4 + 2m^3 + 5m^2 + 4m + 4 = (m^2 + m + 2)^2$, find the general solution of $y^{(iv)} + 2y''' + 5y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.58. The roots of the auxiliary equation are i) $4, 4, 4, 4, 2 + 3i, 2 - 3i, 2 + 3i, 2 - 3i, 2 + 3i, 2 - 3i, 4 + 5i, 4 - 5i$ and ii) $2, 2, 2, -1, -1, 4, 3 + 4i, 3 - 4i, 3 + 4i, 3 - 4i, 3 + 4i, 3 - 4i$. Write the general solution in each case.

3.5.1 Lin Non-Homogeneous Constant Coeff

► Consider n^{th} -order non-homogeneous linear differential equation $a_n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0 y = b(x)$. The solution $y = y_c + y_p$ is called the general solution of this non-homogeneous equation.

► Suppose $a_2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0 y = b(x)$ has a solution ψ and a particular solution ψ_p . Then $[a_2 D^2(\psi - \psi_p) + a_1 D(\psi - \psi_p) + a_0(\psi - \psi_p)] = 0$ i.e. $\psi - \psi_p$ is a solution of the homogeneous equation $\Rightarrow \psi = \text{Homogeneous solution} + \psi_p$.

► We already studied how to find complementary function y_c from the corresponding homogeneous equation. Now we will study some techniques to find the particular integral y_p .

► The equation $y'' + 2y' + y = x$ can be written as $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = x$, where $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$.

► Now the solution of $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = 0$ gives C.F. y_c .

► The P.I. y_p of $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = x$ can be found by $y_p = \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1}x$.

► **Rule 1**: $\frac{1}{D - a}f(x) = e^{ax} \int e^{-ax} f(x) dx$.

► **Rule 2**: $\frac{1}{f(D)}e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)}e^{ax}$, provided $f(a) \neq 0$.

► **Rule 3**: $\frac{1}{(D - a)^r}e^{ax} = \frac{x^r}{r!}e^{ax}$.

► **Rule 4**: $\frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1}6 = \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1}6.e^{0x} = 6 \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1}e^{0x} = 6 \frac{1}{0^2 + 0 + 1}e^{0x} = 6$.

► **Rule 5**: $\frac{1}{f(D)} \cos ax = \frac{1}{\phi(D^2)} \cos ax = \frac{1}{\phi(-a^2)} \cos ax$, provided $\phi(-a^2) \neq 0$.

► If $f(D) = \phi(D^2) = D^2 + a^2 \Rightarrow \phi(-a^2) = 0$, then we will use next rule.

► **Rule 6**: $\frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \cos ax = \Re[\frac{1}{D^2 + a^2}e^{iax}] = \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{(D + ia)^2 + a^2}(1)] = \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{D^2 + 2Dia}(1)]$

$= \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{2Dia} \frac{1}{(1 + D/2ia)}(1)] = \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{2Dia}(1 - D/2ia + \dots)(1)] = \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{2Dia}(1)]$

$= \Re[e^{iax} \frac{1}{2ia}x] = \Re[\frac{\cos ax + i \sin ax}{2ia}x] = \frac{x}{2a} \sin ax$.

► **Rule 7**: $\frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \sin ax = -\frac{x}{2a} \cos ax$. [Easy Proof]

► **Rule 8**: $\frac{1}{f(D)}e^{ax}g(x) = e^{ax} \frac{1}{f(D + a)}g(x)$.

Example 3.11. Find P.I. of $(D^3 - D^2 - 6D)y = x^2 + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P.I. &= \frac{1}{D^3 - D^2 - 6D}(x^2 + 1) = -\frac{1}{6D} \frac{1}{[1 + (\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6})]}(x^2 + 1) = -\frac{1}{6D}[1 + (\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6})]^{-1}(x^2 + 1) \\ &= -\frac{1}{6D}[1 - (\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}) + (\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6})^2 - \dots](x^2 + 1) = -\frac{1}{6D}[1 - (\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}) + \frac{D^2}{36}](x^2 + 1) \\ &= -\frac{1}{6}[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{25x}{18}]. \end{aligned}$$

[Do It Yourself] 3.61. Find the general solution of : $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 4x^2 + 6e^x$, $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 2xe^{3x} + 3 \sin x$, $y'' - 3y' + 2y = e - x$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = -1$, $y'' + y = \sin^2 x$.
[Ans : $y = (c_1 + c_2x)e^{-2x} + x^2 - 2x + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{3}e^x$, $y = c_1e^x + c_2e^{2x} + xe^{3x} - \frac{3}{2}e^{3x} + \frac{3}{10} \sin x + \frac{9}{10} \cos x$, $6y = -10e^{2x} + 15e^x + e^{-x}$].

[Do It Yourself] 3.62. Find the general solution of : $y'' + y = \sin x + e^{-x}$, $y'' + y = 4x \sin x$, $y'' + 3y' + 2y = e^{-2x} + x^2$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.66. Which of the following Ode is satisfied by functions $y_1(x) = e^{(-1+\sqrt{3})x}$ and $y_2(x) = e^{-2x}$?

- (A) $(D^2 + 5D + 6)y = 0$. (B) $(D^3 + 6D^2 + 11D + 6)y = 0$. (C) $(D^2 + D - 2)y = 0$.
(D) $(D^3 + 4D^2 + 2D - 4)y = 0$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.67. Let $\alpha(t), \beta(t)$ be differentiable functions on \mathbb{R} such that $\alpha(0) = 2$, $\beta(0) = 1$. If $\alpha(t) + \beta'(t) = 1$, $\alpha'(t) + \beta(t) = 1$ for all $t \in [0, \infty)$, find the value of $\alpha(\ln 2)$.

[Hint : Find CF + PI, Ans : 7/2]

3.5.2 Method Of Undetermined Coefficients

► Consider n^{th} -order non-homogeneous linear differential equation $a_n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0 y = b(x)$. The solution $y = y_c + y_p$ is called the general solution of this non-homogeneous equation.

► We already studied the methods to find *P.I* in previous section.

► The method of undetermined coefficients (UC) is an another method to find *P.I* i.e. y_p . This methods can be applied if the function $b(x)$ has certain forms.

► **Rule 1**: $a_n x^n \rightarrow A_0 + A_1 x + \dots + A_n x^n$.

► **Rule 2**: $e^{ax} \rightarrow Ae^{ax}$. If fails, then use Axe^{ax} .

► **Rule 3**: $x^n e^{ax} \rightarrow e^{ax}(A_0 + A_1 x + \dots + A_n x^n)$.

► **Rule 4**: $\sin ax \rightarrow A \sin ax + B \cos ax$. If fails, then use $x(A \sin ax + B \cos ax)$.

► **Rule 5**: $e^{ax} \sin bx \rightarrow e^{ax}(A \sin bx + B \cos bx)$.

► Here we have to find these coefficients to obtain y_p .

Example 3.12. Find *P.I* of $(D^3 - D^2 - 6D)y = x^2 + 1$.

\Rightarrow Let $y_p = A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2$. Therefore, $Dy_p = A_1 + 2A_2 x$, $D^2 y_p = 2A_2$, $D^3 y_p = 0$.

Since y_p is a solution of the given equation. It implies

$-2A_2 - 6(A_1 + 2A_2 x) = x^2 + 1$, Now its impossible to find the coefficients.

Let $y_p = A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + A_3 x^3$.

Therefore, $Dy_p = A_1 + 2A_2 x + 3A_3 x^2$, $D^2 y_p = 2A_2 + 6A_3 x$, $D^3 y_p = 6A_3$.

Since y_p is a solution of the given equation. It implies

$6A_3 - 2A_2 - 6A_3 x - 6(A_1 + 2A_2 x + 3A_3 x^2) = x^2 + 1 \Rightarrow -18A_3 x^2 - (12A_2 + 6A_3)x + 6A_3 - 2A_2 - 6A_1 = x^2 + 1$.

So $A_3 = -\frac{1}{18}$, $12A_2 + 6A_3 = 0 \Rightarrow A_2 = \frac{1}{36}$, $6A_3 - 2A_2 - 6A_1 = 1 \Rightarrow A_1 = -\frac{25}{108}$.

Therefore, $y_p = -\frac{1}{6}[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{25x}{18}]$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.68. Find the general solution of : $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 10 \sin 4x$, $y'' - 2y' - 8y = 4e^{2x}$, $y'' - 4y = 16xe^{2x}$, $y''' + 4y'' + y' - 6y = -18x^2 + 1$.

3.5.3 Variation of Constants Method

► This is more general method than the above two. Here we need to know the solution of corresponding homogeneous equation.

► We will study through an example.

Example 3.13. Solve the Ode: $y'' + y = \tan x$.

$\Rightarrow y_c = c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$.

Let $y_p = v_1 \sin x + v_2 \cos x$, the functions $v_1(x), v_2(x)$ will be determined such that this is a *P.I* of the given system.

Now, $y'_p = v'_1 \sin x + v'_2 \cos x + v_1 \cos x - v_2 \sin x$, we impose the condition, $v'_1 \sin x + v'_2 \cos x = 0$.

So $y'_p = v_1 \cos x - v_2 \sin x \Rightarrow y''_p = v'_1 \cos x - v'_2 \sin x - v_1 \sin x - v_2 \cos x \Rightarrow y''_p + y_p = v'_1 \cos x - v'_2 \sin x$.

So we obtain two equations, $v_1' \sin x + v_2' \cos x = 0$, $v_1' \cos x - v_2' \sin x = \tan x$.

$$v_1' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos x \\ \tan x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix}} = \sin x \Rightarrow v_1 = -\cos x + c_3.$$

$$v_2' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & 0 \\ \cos x & \tan x \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix}} = \cos x - \sec x \Rightarrow v_2 = \sin x - \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + c_4.$$

Therefore, $y_p(x) = c_3 \sin x + c_4 \cos x - \cos x \ln |\sec x + \tan x|$.

The general solution is $y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow y = A \sin x + B \cos x - \cos x \ln |\sec x + \tan x|$.

[Do It Yourself] 3.69. Find the general solution of: $y'' + y = \sec x$, $y'' + y = \tan^3 x$, $y'' + 3y' + 2y = \frac{e^{-x}}{x}$.