

last time

$$y'' + 9y = 0 \quad \text{C.E. } r^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$r = \pm 3i$$

$$y_1 = e^{i3x}, \quad y_2 = e^{-i3x}$$

notice: $y_2 = \overline{y_1} \quad (i \rightarrow -i)$

$$\text{so } y = c_1 e^{i3x} + c_2 e^{-i3x}$$

can also write

$$y = c_1 \operatorname{Re}(y_1) + c_2 \operatorname{Im}(y_1)$$

$$\text{the reason is } \operatorname{Re}(y_1) = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(y_1) = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2i}$$

Ex $y'' + y' + y = 0$

$$\text{C.E. } r^2 + r + 1 = 0 \quad (\text{from guess } y = e^{rx})$$

so

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4}}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

so

$$y = c_1 e^{(-\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})x} + c_2 e^{(-\frac{1}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})x}$$

notice:

$$y_1 = e^{(-\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})x}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} e^{i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left(\underbrace{\cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x}_{\text{real part}} + i \underbrace{\sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x}_{\text{imag. part}} \right)$$

real part

imag. part

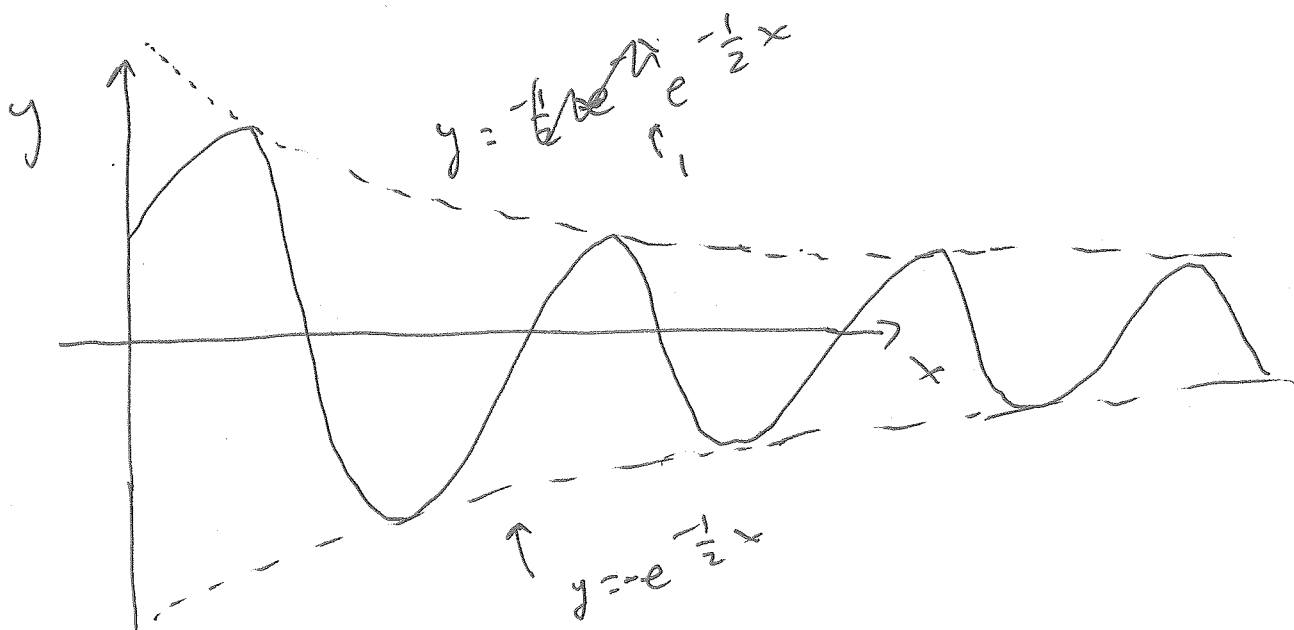
therefore can also write general solution

as

$$y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left[c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x \right]$$

amplitude decay (envelope)

 oscillations



So for case 2, $b^2 - 4ac < 0$,

define $\gamma = \frac{-b}{2a}$, $\omega = \frac{1}{2a} \sqrt{4ac - b^2}$
↑ real

a general solution can be written as

$$y = e^{\gamma x} [c_1 \cos \omega x + c_2 \sin \omega x]$$

=

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} ; b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

$$r = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{1}{2a} \sqrt{(-1)(4ac - b^2)}$$

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

$$= \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{i}{2a} \sqrt{4ac - b^2}$$

$$= \gamma \pm i\omega$$

then the two solutions would be

$$y_1 = e^{(\gamma + i\omega)x}$$

$$y_2 = e^{(\gamma - i\omega)x}$$

$$y_1 = e^{\gamma x} e^{i\omega x} = e^{\gamma x} \left[\underbrace{\cos \omega x}_{\text{real}} + i \underbrace{\sin \omega x}_{\text{imag}} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y = e^{\gamma x} \left[c_1 \cos \omega x + c_2 \sin \omega x \right]$$

the last case is ~~$\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} = 0$~~

(Case 3)

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

this yields only one soln $y_1 = e^{-\frac{b}{2a}x}$

need to find another l.i. soln

↳ use reduction of order.

EX solve

$$y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0 \tag{6}$$

C.E. $r^2 + 4r + 4 = 0$

$$(r+2)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = -2, -2$$

so we have

$$y_1 = e^{-2x}$$

look for $y_2(x)$ in the form of

$$y_2 = \underbrace{v(x)} y_1 = v(x) e^{-2x} \tag{7}$$

"guess" for reduction of order

and derive ODE for $v(x)$ (will see it is much simpler than original ODE). substitute (7) into (6).

so we compute:

$$\begin{aligned} y_2' &= v' e^{-2x} - 2v e^{-2x} \\ &= e^{-2x} (v' - 2v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2'' &= v'' e^{-2x} - 2v' e^{-2x} \\ &\quad - 2 [v' e^{-2x} - 2v e^{-2x}] \\ &= e^{-2x} [v'' - 4v' + 4v]. \end{aligned}$$

put into (6) and cancel e^{-2x} (never 0):

$$v'' \cdot \left(\cancel{-4v'} + \cancel{4v} \right) + 4 \left[\cancel{v'} - \cancel{2v} \right] + \cancel{4v} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v'' = 0 \quad (\text{much simpler than original})$$

$$\Rightarrow v' = a_1$$

$$v = a_1 x + a_2$$

↑ do we need this?

can take ~~a_2~~ $a_2 = 0$ wlog.

$a_1 = 1$ wlog

$$y_1 = e^{-2x}, \quad y_2 = (a_1 x + a_2) e^{-2x}$$

so general soln is

$$y = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 (a_1 x + a_2) e^{-2x}$$

$$= (c_1 + a_2 c_2) e^{-2x} + a_1 c_2 x e^{-2x}$$

$$= A e^{-2x} + B x e^{-2x}$$

summarize results:

for 2nd order ODE with constant
coeff's (homogeneous)

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

let r_1, r_2 be roots of C.E.

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0.$$

Case 1 r_1, r_2 real, distinct ($b^2 - 4ac > 0$)

$$y_1 = e^{r_1 x}, \quad y_2 = e^{r_2 x}$$

so $y = c_1 e^{r_1 x} + c_2 e^{r_2 x}$ is general soln.

Case 2 : $r_1 = \gamma + i\omega, \quad r_2 = \gamma - i\omega$

($b^2 - 4ac < 0$)

always be complex conjugates if a, b, c are real

then $y_1 = e^{\gamma x} \cos \omega x, \quad y_2 = e^{\gamma x} \sin \omega x.$

$$\Rightarrow y = e^{\gamma x} [c_1 \cos \omega x + c_2 \sin \omega x]$$

is general soln

case 3 r_1, r_2 are equal ($b^2 - 4ac = 0$).

$y_1 = e^{r_1 x}$, $y_2 = x e^{r_1 x}$
from reduction of order.

$y = c_1 e^{r_1 x} + c_2 x e^{r_1 x}$

EX 3rd order, distinct roots

find ~~three~~ three l.i. solns of

$y''' - 3y'' - 4y' + 12y = 0$ (one derivative)

hint $y_1 = e^{2x}$ is a solution

could use reduction of order to reduce to 2nd order ODE, or use

synthetic or polynomial division on C.E.

procedure is the same: guess $y = e^{rx}$

So C.E is

$$r^3 - 3r^2 - 4r + 12 = 0$$

from the fact that $y = e^{2x}$ is a solution of ODE, $r-2$ must be a factor of LHS :

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 -2 & 1 & -3 & -4 & 12 \\
 & & -2 & 2 & 12 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -1 & -6 & 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow r^3 - 3r^2 - 4r + 12 = (r-2)(r^2 - r - 6)$$

$$\Rightarrow (r-2)(r-3)(r+2) = 0$$

the roots $r_1 = 2, r_2 = 3, r_3 = -2$.

then the 3 l.i. solutions are :

$$y_1 = e^{2x}, y_2 = e^{3x}, y_3 = e^{-2x}$$

and

wronskian:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 y_1 \\
 y_1' \\
 y_1''
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 e^{4x} \\
 e^{2x} \\
 4e^{2x}
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 e^{3x} \\
 3e^{3x} \\
 9e^{3x}
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 e^{-2x} \\
 -2e^{-2x} \\
 4e^{-2x}
 \end{array}
 \left| \begin{array}{l}
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 \begin{array}{l}
 \\
 = -20e^{3x} \\
 \neq 0
 \end{array}$$

will never be asked of you by me.

Ex (complex roots)

$$y''' - y = 0 \Rightarrow \text{guess } y = e^{rx}$$

$$r^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$r_1 = 1$$

$$r_1^3 = 1 = e^{i \cdot 0}$$

$$r_1 = e^{i \cdot 0/3} = 1$$

$$r_2^3 = 1 = e^{i2\pi}$$

$$r_2 = e^{i2\pi/3}$$

aside:

$$y'' - y = 0$$

$$r^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$r = \pm 1$$

$$r^2 = 1 = e^{i \cdot 0}$$

$$r = e^{i \cdot 0/2} = 1$$

$$r^2 = 1 = e^{i2\pi}$$

$$r = e^{i\pi} = -1$$

$$r_3^3 = 1 = e^{i4\pi}$$

$$r_3 = e^{i4\pi/3}$$

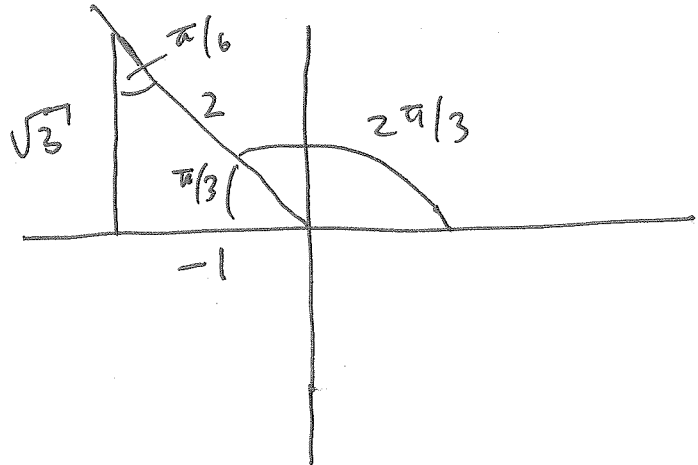
$$r^2 = 1 = e^{i4\pi}$$

$$r = e^{i2\pi} = 1$$

$$r_4^3 = 1 = e^{i6\pi}$$

$$r_4 = e^{i2\pi} = 1 = r_1$$

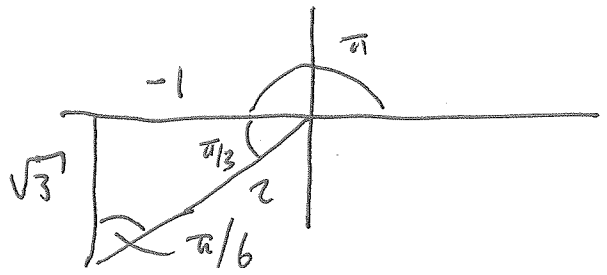
$$r_2 = e^{i2\pi/3} = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3}$$



$$\Rightarrow \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \Rightarrow r_2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$r_3 = e^{i4\pi/3} = \cos \frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{3}$$



$$\cos \frac{4\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad \sin \frac{4\pi}{3} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$r_3 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (\text{complex conj. of } r_2)$$

so $y_1 = e^x, \quad y_2 = e^{(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2})x}$
 $y_3 = e^{(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2})x}$

general solution

$$y_0 = c_1 e^x + e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left[c_2 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + c_3 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x \right]$$

IC's: $y(t_0) = p_0, \quad y'(t_0) = v_0, \quad y''(t_0) = a_0$

↳ solve 3x3 system for c_1, c_2, c_3

Ex (repeated roots).

$$y''' + 3y'' + 3y' - y = 0$$

guess $y = e^{rx}$

$$r^3 - 3r^2 + 3r - 1 = 0$$

$$(r - 1)^3 = 0 \Rightarrow r = 1, 1, 1$$

$$y_1 = e^x, \quad y_2 = x e^x, \quad y_3 = x^2 e^x$$

then $y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + c_3 y_3$ is

general soln.

same for 4th order etc...

Back to reduction of order

recall example: $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$

found one soln $y_1 = e^{-2x}$

guessed at form $y_2 = v(x)y_1 = v(x)e^{-2x}$

derived ODE for $v(x)$ that was simpler than original ODE.

this idea of obtaining second solution from the first also work for non-constant

coeff's. ie.

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

Ex $y'' - \frac{x}{x-1}y' + \frac{1}{x-1}y = 0$

find y_2 , given $y_1 = e^x$

guess $y_2 = v(x)e^x$,

$$y_2' = v'e^x + ve^x$$

$$y_2'' = v''e^x + 2v'e^x + ve^x$$

sub into ODE:

$$\cancel{e^x} \left[v'' + 2v' + v - \left(\frac{x}{x-1}\right)(v' + v) + \frac{1}{x-1}v \right] = 0$$

always always: the zeroth derivative term will cancel

indeed: $\cancel{e^x} \left[-\frac{x}{x-1} + \frac{1}{x-1} \right] = \frac{x-1-x+1}{x-1} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow v'' + 2v' - \frac{x}{x-1}v = 0$$

$$v'' + \frac{x-2}{x-1}v' = 0$$

look like second order, but effectively
 it is a first order equation (difference
 between highest order deriv and lowest
 is 1)

let $u = v'$, then

$$u' + \frac{x-2}{x-1}u = 0 \quad (\text{separable, linear...})$$

first order equation for u

$$\frac{du}{dx} = - \left(\frac{x-2}{x-1} \right) u.$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u} = - \int \frac{x-2}{x-1} dx$$

$$\int \frac{x-2}{x-1} dx = \int \frac{x-1-1}{x-1} dx = \int 1 - \frac{1}{x-1} dx$$

$$= x - \log(x-1).$$

$$\Rightarrow \log u = -x + \log(x-1) + C.$$

Ans

$$u = C \left[e^{-x + \log(x-1)} \right].$$

$$= C e^{-x} (x-1)$$

require $v = \int u dx$

$$v = \int -x e^{-x} + C \quad (\text{integration by parts})$$

then

$$y_2 = v e^x = (-x e^{-x} + C) e^x$$

$\uparrow c=0$ wlog.

$$= -x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y_2 = x}$$