

Solutions to Suggested Problems - Section 5.5
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• Section 5.5: 32, 33, 39, 53, 54

32. $y'' + 3y' + 2y = e^x, y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 3$

• General solution

• Homogeneous: $y_c'' + 3y_c' + 2y_c = 0$

• Characteristic equation: $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0$

$(r+1)(r+2) = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = -1, r_2 = -2$

$y_c = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x}$

• Particular: $y_p'' + 3y_p' + 2y_p = e^x$

Try $y_p = Ae^x$

$y_p' = Ae^x$

$y_p'' = Ae^x$

Plug in: $Ae^x + 3Ae^x + 2Ae^x = e^x$

$6Ae^x = e^x$

$6A = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1/6$

So $y_p = 1/6 e^x$

$y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + 1/6 e^x$

• Find c_1, c_2 : $y' = -c_1 e^{-x} - 2c_2 e^{-2x} + 1/6 e^x$

$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = c_1 + c_2 + 1/6 \rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = -1/6$

$y'(0) = 3 \Rightarrow 3 = -c_1 - 2c_2 + 1/6 \rightarrow -c_1 - 2c_2 = 17/6$

$-c_2 = 16/6 = 8/3 \Rightarrow c_2 = -8/3$

$c_1 = -1/6 - c_2 = -1/6 + 8/3 = 15/6 = 5/2$

$y = (5/2)e^{-x} - (8/3)e^{-2x} + (1/6)e^x$

33. $y'' + 9y = \sin(2x), y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$

• General solution

• Homogeneous: $y_c'' + 9y_c = 0$

• Characteristic equation: $r^2 + 9 = 0$

$r = \pm 3i$

$y_c = c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x)$

(over \Rightarrow)

• Particular: $y_p'' + 9y_p = \sin 2x$

Try $y_p = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$

$$y_p' = -2A \sin 2x + 2B \cos 2x$$

$$y_p'' = -4A \cos 2x - 4B \sin 2x$$

Plug in: $-4A \cos 2x - 4B \sin 2x + 9(A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x) = \sin 2x$

$$5A \cos 2x + 5B \sin 2x = \sin 2x$$

Equate coefficients: $5A = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$

$$5B = 1 \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{5}$$

So $y_p = \frac{1}{5} \sin 2x$

$$y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow y = C_1 \cos 3x + C_2 \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 2x$$

• Find C_1 and C_2 : $y' = -3C_1 \sin 3x + 3C_2 \cos 3x + \frac{2}{5} \cos 2x$

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = C_1$$

$$y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 3C_2 + \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow C_2 = -\frac{2}{15}$$

So $y = \cos 3x - \left(\frac{2}{15}\right) \sin 3x + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) \sin 2x$

39. $y''' + y'' = x + e^{-x}$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$, $y''(0) = 1$

• General solution

• Homogeneous: $y_c''' + y_c'' = 0$

characteristic equation: $r^3 + r^2 = 0$

$$r^2(r+1) = 0$$

$r = 0$ (double root), -1

$$y_c = C_1 + C_2 x + C_3 e^{-x}$$

• Particular: split into 2 parts

$$y_{p1}''' + y_{p1}'' = x$$

Try $y_{p1} = (Ax+B)(Ax+B)x = Ax^2 + Bx$
 $= (Ax+B)x^2 = Ax^3 + Bx^2$

$$y_{p1}' = 3Ax^2 + 2Bx$$

$$y_{p1}'' = 6Ax + 2B$$

$$y_{p1}''' = 6A$$

Plug in: $6A + (6Ax + 2B) = x$

$$6Ax + 6A + 2B = x$$

Equate coeffs: $6A = 1 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{6}$

$$6A + 2B = 0 \Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y_{p2}''' + y_{p2}'' = e^{-x}$$

Try $y_{p2} = Ae^{-x} + Axe^{-x}$

$$y_{p2}' = -Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x}$$

$$y_{p2}'' = 2Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x}$$

$$y_{p2}''' = -3Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x}$$

Plug in:

$$-3Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x} + (2Ae^{-x} - Axe^{-x}) = e^{-x}$$

$$Ae^{-x} = e^{-x} \Rightarrow A = 1$$

So $y_{p1} = \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2$, $y_{p2} = xe^{-x}$

$y_p = y_{p1} + y_{p2} \Rightarrow y_p = \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xe^{-x}$

$y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow y = C_1 + C_2x + C_3e^{-x} + \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xe^{-x}$

• Find C_1, C_2, C_3 : $y' = C_2 - C_3e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - x + e^{-x} - xe^{-x}$

$y'' = C_3e^{-x} + x - 1 - 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x}$

$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = C_1 + C_3 \Rightarrow C_1 = 1 - C_3 = -3$

$y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = C_2 - C_3 + 1 \Rightarrow C_2 - C_3 = -1 \Rightarrow C_2 = -1 + C_3 = 3$

$y''(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = C_3 - 1 - 2 \Rightarrow C_3 = 4$

So $y = -3 + 3x + 4e^{-x} + \left(\frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xe^{-x}\right)$

53. $y'' + 9y = 2\sec 3x$

• Homogeneous: $y_c'' + 9y_c = 0$

$\Rightarrow y_c = C_1 \cos 3x + C_2 \sin 3x$ (see # 33)

• Particular: $y_p'' + 9y_p = 2\sec 3x$

Must use variation of parameters.

$y_p = -y_1(x) \int \frac{y_2(x)f(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx + y_2(x) \int \frac{y_1(x)f(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx$

$y_1 = \cos 3x, y_2 = \sin 3x, f(x) = 2\sec 3x$

$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos 3x & \sin 3x \\ -3\sin 3x & 3\cos 3x \end{vmatrix}$

$= 3\cos^2 3x + 3\sin^2 3x$

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

So $y_p = -\cos 3x \int \frac{\sin 3x (2\sec 3x)}{3} dx + \sin 3x \int \frac{\cos 3x (2\sec 3x)}{3} dx$

$= -\frac{2}{3} \cos 3x \int \frac{\sin 3x}{\cos 3x} dx + \frac{2}{3} \sin 3x \int 1 dx$

$= \frac{2}{9} \cos 3x \ln |\cos 3x| + \frac{2}{3} x \sin 3x$

$y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow y = C_1 \cos 3x + C_2 \sin 3x + \frac{2}{9} \cos 3x \ln |\cos 3x| + \frac{2}{3} x \sin 3x$

54. $y'' + y = \csc^2 x$

• Homogeneous: $y_c'' + y_c = 0$

• characteristic equation: $r^2 + 1 = 0$
 $r = \pm i$

$$y_c = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x$$

• Particular: $y_p'' + y_p = \csc^2 x$

Must use variation of parameters

$$y_p = -y_1(x) \int \frac{y_2(x) f(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx + y_2(x) \int \frac{y_1(x) f(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx$$

$$y_1(x) = \cos x, y_2(x) = \sin x, f(x) = \csc^2 x$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \sin x \\ -\sin x & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = -\cos x \int \frac{\sin x (\csc^2 x)}{1} dx + \sin x \int \frac{\cos x (\csc^2 x)}{1} dx$$

$$= -\cos x \int \csc x dx + \sin x \int \cos x \sin^{-2} x dx$$

$$= -\cos x \cdot \ln |\csc x - \cot x| + \sin x (-\sin^{-1} x)$$

$$= -\cos x \ln |\csc x - \cot x| - 1$$

$$y = y_c + y_p \Rightarrow \boxed{y = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x - \cos x \ln |\csc x - \cot x| - 1}$$