

Lecture 13 3.1 2nd order linear ODE

HW12 due tonight in MyLab
HW09w, HW10w, HW11w in Gradescope

Euler method failing: $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 \leftarrow$ sol's blow up in finite time.
Euler doesn't even notice!
Sol's appear to go on and on, and get weird as h shrinks.

Easiest 2nd order ODE: $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\sin x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\int \sin x \, dx = -\cos x + C_1$$

$$y = \int (-\cos x + C_1) \, dx + C_2$$

Solⁿ: $y = \underbrace{\sin x}_{\substack{\text{particular} \\ \text{sol}^n \\ y_p}} + \underbrace{C_1 x + C_2}_{\substack{\text{Gen}^l \text{ sol}^n \text{ to } y''=0 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{homog eqn}}}$

2nd order linear ODE:

$$A(x) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + B(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + C(x) y = D(x)$$

Standard Form: Divide by $A(x)$:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + P(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x) y = R(x) \quad (*)$$

↑
1 here.

$$P = \frac{B}{A}, \quad Q = \frac{C}{A}, \quad R = \frac{D(x)}{A(x)}$$

↑ ↑ ↑
zeroes of $A(x)$ dangerous!

E. ε. U. Thm: (*) plus two initial conditions

$$\begin{cases} y(x_0) = y_0 \\ y'(x_0) = y'_0 \end{cases}$$

has a unique solⁿ on any interval
 ↑ solⁿ exists (E.) ↑ (U.)

where $P(x)$, $Q(x)$, and $R(x)$ are all continuous.

EX; $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$



$$F = ma$$

→ y
 0 ← slack position

$$\underbrace{-ky}_{\text{Hooke's law}} - \underbrace{cy'}_{\text{friction}} = my''$$

Could try "Reduction of order" because x is missing:
 $v \frac{dv}{dy} + 3v + 2y = 0$ Ugh!

Hmmm. Try $y = e^{rx}$
 $y' = r e^{rx}$
 $y'' = r^2 e^{rx}$

Plug in; $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$
 $(r^2 e^{rx}) + 3(r e^{rx}) + 2 e^{rx} = 0$ ← want

$$\underbrace{[r^2 + 3r + 2]}_{\text{need } r \text{ to a root of}} e^{rx} \equiv 0$$

↑ e^{rx} never zero

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

← "Characteristic equation"

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

Get two solⁿs: $r=-1, -2$

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

$$y_2 = e^{-2x}$$

Important property of linear homogeneous ($R(x) \equiv 0$) eqns

Superposition principle: If y_1 and y_2 solve the linear homog ODE, then so does $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$.

Why: Write $L[y] = y'' + Py' + Qy$

L is a linear operator meaning that

$$L[c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2] = c_1 \underbrace{L[y_1]}_{\substack{=0 \\ y_1 \text{ sol}^n}} + c_2 \underbrace{L[y_2]}_{\substack{=0 \\ y_2 \text{ sol}^n}} = 0$$

(Note: In the original image, a blue bracket under $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ is labeled "a solⁿ too!")

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Check: } L[c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2] &= (c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2)'' + P(c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2)' + Q(c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2) \\ &= \underline{c_1 y_1''} + \underline{c_2 y_2''} + \underline{c_1 P y_1'} + \underline{c_2 P y_2'} + \underline{c_1 Q y_1} + \underline{c_2 Q y_2} \\ &= c_1 L[y_1] + c_2 L[y_2] \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Aha! $y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x}$ solves prob!

Big question: Is it the gen^l solⁿ?

Equiv quest: Can I solve any and all initial value probs (IVP)?

Hmmm:

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

$$y' = -c_1 e^{-x} - 2c_2 e^{-2x}$$

Can I find c_1 and c_2 so that

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = c_1 e^{-0} + c_2 e^{-2 \cdot 0} = A \\ y'(0) = -c_1 e^{-0} - 2c_2 e^{-2 \cdot 0} = B \end{cases}$$

← any old
A and B

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = A \\ -c_1 - 2c_2 = B \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

Cramer's rule:

$$c_1 = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} A & 1 \\ B & -2 \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{-2A - B}{-1}$$

← not zero!
 $1 \cdot (-2) - 1 \cdot (-1) = -1$

$$c_2 = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & A \\ -1 & B \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{B + A}{-1}$$

Because $\det$ in denom is $\neq 0$, can solve any and all IVPs with $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$! Conclude $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ is the gen^l solⁿ.

General problem: Two sol's y_1, y_2 to homog prob.

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$$

$$y' = c_1 y_1' + c_2 y_2'$$

$$\begin{cases} y(x_0) = c_1 y_1(x_0) + c_2 y_2(x_0) = A \\ y'(x_0) = c_1 y_1'(x_0) + c_2 y_2'(x_0) = B \end{cases}$$

want

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1(x_0) & y_2(x_0) \\ y_1'(x_0) & y_2'(x_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

need $\det \neq 0$

Defⁿ: Wronskian of y_1 and y_2 at x_0 is

$$W = W(x_0) = W[y_1, y_2](x_0) = \det \begin{bmatrix} y_1(x_0) & y_2(x_0) \\ y_1'(x_0) & y_2'(x_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

EX: $W[e^{-x}, e^{-2x}](x)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \det \begin{bmatrix} e^{-x} & e^{-2x} \\ -e^{-x} & -2e^{-2x} \end{bmatrix} = -2e^{-3x} - (-e^{-3x}) \\ &= e^{-3x} \leftarrow \text{never zero!} \end{aligned}$$

Good news: Can solve any and all IVPs at any x_0 with $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$.

Summer: $L[y] = ay'' + by' + cy = 0$

$$L[e^{rx}] = ar^2 e^{rx} + bre^{rx} + ce^{rx} = 0$$

want

$$\underbrace{(ar^2 + br + c)}_{\text{need} = 0} e^{rx} = 0$$

Roots $r_1, r_2 = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

Q! What if $b^2 - 4ac = 0$? Only get one solⁿ.
Don't get gen^l solⁿ.

What if $b^2 - 4ac < 0$? Complex roots!