# MA 266 Lecture 20

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## Sec 3.5 Nonhomogeneous Equations

#### Method - Variation of Parameters

• If the *nonhomogeneous* equation:

$$L[y] := y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = f(x)$$

• has *complementary* function:

$$y_c(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$$

• The particular solution is :

$$y_p(x) = u_1(x)y_1(x) + u_2(x)y_2(x)$$

• To find  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ , we first solve the following system of equations for  $u'_1$  and  $u'_2$ :

$$u_1'y_1 + u_2'y_2 = 0 \tag{1a}$$

$$u_1'y_1' + u_2'y_2' = f(x).$$
(1b)

• We the find  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  via integration:

$$u_1(x) = \int u'_1(x)dx$$
$$u_2(x) = \int u'_2(x)dx.$$

• The determinant of (1) is the Wronksian of the two linear independent solutions  $y_1$ and  $y_2$ :  $W(y_1, y_2) = W(x)$ .

#### **Theorem - Variation of Parameters**

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• Then a particular solution is given by:

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

• where  $W(x) = W(y_1, y_2)$  is the Wronskian of the two independent solutions  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  of the associated homogeneous equation L[y] = 0.

**Example 1.** Find the particular solution of

 $y'' + 9y = \sin 3x.$ 

• Complementary solution:

• The Wronksian W(x) is

• The desired functions are then

• Particular solution:

**Example 2.** Find the particular solution of

$$y'' - 4y = xe^x.$$

• Complementary solution:

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• Particular solution:

## Sec 3.6 Forced Oscillations

### Forced Mass-Spring System

• In a previous lecture, we derived the differential equation

that models the motion of a mass m that is attached to a spring (with constant k) and a dashpot (with constant c) and is also acted on by an external force F(t).

• Machines with rotating components commonly involve mass-spring systems (or their equivalents) in which the external force is simple harmonic:

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• Consider the external force  $F(t) = F_0 \cos \omega t$  and let c = 0. Then, we have:

$$mx'' + kx = F_0 \cos \omega t,$$

• The *complementary* function is:

$$x_c(t) = c_1 \cos \omega_0 t + c_2 \sin \omega_0 t.$$

• The (circular) *natural frequency* of the mass–spring system is:

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

• Assuming  $\omega \neq \omega_0$ , the *particular* solution is:

$$x_p(t) = \frac{F_0/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \cos \omega t.$$

• The general solution  $x = x_c + x_p$  is given by:

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos \omega_0 t + c_2 \sin \omega_0 t + \frac{F_0/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \cos \omega t,$$

where the constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are determined by the initial values x(0) and x'(0).

• As we saw earlier, this can be rewritten as

$$x(t) = C\cos(\omega_0 t - \alpha) + \frac{F_0/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}\cos\omega t.$$

**Example 3.** Use the method of undetermined coefficients to find the particular solution  $x_p(t)$  of:

$$mx'' + kx = F_0 \cos \omega t.$$

• The *trial* particular solution is:

• Note: No sine term is needed in  $x_p$  because there is no term involving x' on the L.H.S.

of \_\_\_\_\_.

• This gives

 $\bullet\,$  So,

• Particular solution:

**Example 4.** Find the solution  $x(t) = x_c(t) + x_p(t)$  of the following initial value problem:

 $L[x] := x'' + 4x = 5\sin 3t, \qquad x(0) = 0, x'(0) = 0.$ 

• The *complementary* solution:

• The trial *particular* solution:

•  $L[x_p] = 5 \sin 3t$  gives:

• The general solution  $x = x_c + x_p$  is:

• Using the ICs, we find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ :

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• Consider the external force  $F(t) = F_0 \cos \omega t$  and let  $c \neq 0$ . Then, we have:

 $mx'' + cx' + kx = F_0 \cos \omega t,$ 

• The *complementary* function takes one of the three forms depending on:

$$c > c_{cr} := \sqrt{4km}, c = c_{cr}, \text{ or } c < c_{cr}.$$

### Transient solution

• In our previous lectures, we demonstrated that:

$$x_c(t) \to 0 \text{ as } t \to +\infty.$$

- Thus,  $x_c(t)$  is the transient solution of the damped forced motion.
- $\implies x_c(t)$  dies out with the passage of time.

#### Particular solution

• The *particular* function is:

$$x(t) = A\cos\omega t + B\sin\omega t$$

where

$$A = \frac{(k - m\omega^2) F_0}{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}, \quad B = \frac{c\omega F_0}{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}.$$

• We can show that the resulting  $x_p(t)$  corresponds to the steady periodic oscillation:

$$x_p(t) = C\cos(\omega t - \alpha)$$

has amplitude  $C=\sqrt{A^2+B^2}=\frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(k-m\omega^2)^2+(c\omega)^2}}$ 

• Phase angle  $\alpha$ :

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \frac{c\omega}{k - m\omega^2} & \text{if } k > m\omega^2, \\ \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{c\omega}{k - m\omega^2} & \text{if } k < m\omega^2 \end{cases}$$

**Example 5.** Find the particular solution  $x_p(t)$  of:

$$mx'' + cx' + kx = F_0 \cos \omega t.$$

- The method of undetermined coefficients indicates  $\implies$  the *trial* particular function:
- Replacing  $L[x_p] = F_0 \cos \omega t$  gives:
- Two equations:
- The undetermined coefficients:
- If we write:
- Results in the *steady* periodic oscillation:

**Example 6.** Find the steady state periodic solution of the differential equation:

 $x'' + 3x' + 5x = -4\cos 5t.$ 

• Trial particular solution:

• Replacing into the differential equation gives:

• The undetermined coefficients are:

• Write as steady periodic solution:

• Amplitude and angle:

**Example 7.** Find the transient solution and the steady periodic solution of the initial value problem:

$$x'' + 8x' + 25x = 200\cos t + 520\sin t, \qquad x(0) = -30, x'(0) = -10.$$

• Transient solution:

• Steady periodic solution: