

$$r^5 = 32 \Rightarrow r = (32)^{1/5} (1)^{1/5} = 2(e^{i0})^{1/5}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 2(e^{i(0+2\pi k)})^{1/5} = 2e^{2\pi i k/5} = \text{continue simplifying using Euler's formula}$$

for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$

$$r^3 = -27 \Rightarrow r = (27)^{1/3} (-1)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 3(e^{i\pi})^{1/3} = 3(e^{i(\pi+2\pi k)/3}) \quad k = 0, 1, 2$$

= continue simplifying using Euler's formula: $e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$

Note we used: $1 = e^{i(0+2\pi k)}$

and $-1 = e^{i(\pi+2\pi k)}$

Thm 4.1.1 example

$$t y^{IV} - \frac{3y'''}{(t-2)} + \sqrt{t} y = \frac{\ln|t^{-4}|}{t^2-9}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 y^{IV} - \frac{3y'''}{t(t-2)} + \frac{\sqrt{t} y}{t} = \frac{\ln|t^{-4}|}{t(t-3)(t+3)}$$

P_i, g cont $\Leftrightarrow t \neq 0, 2, 3, -3, t \geq 0$ & $t \neq 4$

$\Leftrightarrow t > 0$ & $t \neq 2, 3, 4$

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If $y(5) = y_0 \Rightarrow$ solution valid on $(4, \infty)$

If $y(1) = y_0 \Rightarrow$ " " " $(0, 1)$

Solve III
 $y'' + y' + 3y' + 10y = 0$
 Guess $y = e^{rt}$

Solving polynomial equations:

Example: $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = 0$

Plug in $r = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$ to see if any of these are solns:

$(\pm 1)^3 + (\pm 1)^2 + 3(\pm 1) + 10 \neq 0$

$(\pm 2)^3 + (\pm 2)^2 + 3(\pm 2) + 10 = ?0$

$(-2)^3 + (-2)^2 + 3(-2) + 10 = -8 + 4 - 6 + 10 = 0$

Thus $(r - (-2))$ is a factor of $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10$

Hence $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 + \underline{-1}r + 5)$

$r^2 - 2r^2 = -1r^2$

To find the coefficient of r in the above, you can do so by

(1) long division, (2) inspection, (3) using variable x

$r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 + \underline{x}r + 5)$

$(r + 2)(r^2 + \underline{x}r + 5) = r^3 + (2 + x)r^2 + (2x + 5)r + 10$

$r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10$

Thus $2 + x = 1$ and hence $x = -1$

Check: $2x + 5 = 2(-1) + 5 = 3$

Hence $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 - r + 5) = 0$

Thus $r = -2, \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-20}}{2}$

Thus $r = -2, \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{19}}{2}$

Guessed $y = e^{rt}$

$y = c_1(e^{-2t}) + c_2(e^{\frac{1+i\sqrt{19}}{2}t}) + c_3(e^{\frac{1-i\sqrt{19}}{2}t})$

$y^{(n)} + b = 0$

In special cases, you can use the unit circle.

Ex: $r^4 + 1 = 0$ implies

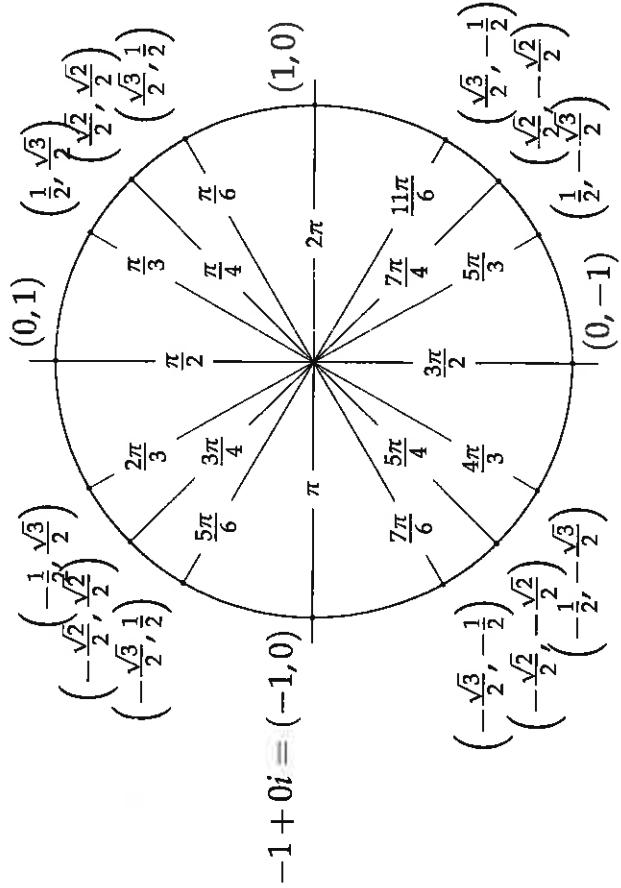
$r = (-1)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (-1 + 0i)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (e^{i\pi})^{\frac{1}{4}} = (e^{i(\pi+2\pi k)})^{\frac{1}{4}}$

$k = 0: e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} = \cos(\frac{i\pi}{4}) + i\sin(\frac{i\pi}{4}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$k = 1: e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}} = \cos(\frac{3i\pi}{4}) + i\sin(\frac{3i\pi}{4}) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$k = 2: e^{\frac{5i\pi}{4}} = \cos(\frac{5i\pi}{4}) + i\sin(\frac{5i\pi}{4}) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$k = 3: e^{\frac{7i\pi}{4}} = \cos(\frac{7i\pi}{4}) + i\sin(\frac{7i\pi}{4}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$



n th order **LINEAR** differential equation:

Thm 2.4.1: If p and g are continuous on (a, b) and the point $t_0 \in (a, b)$, then there exists a unique function $y = \phi(t)$ defined on (a, b) that satisfies the following initial value problem:

$$1 \quad y' + p(t)y = g(t), \quad y(t_0) = y_0.$$

Thm 3.2.1: If $p : (a, b) \rightarrow R$, $q : (a, b) \rightarrow R$, and $g : (a, b) \rightarrow R$ are continuous and $a < t_0 < b$, then there exists a unique function $y = \phi(t)$, $\phi : (a, b) \rightarrow R$ that satisfies the initial value problem

$$1 \quad y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t), \\ y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y_1$$

Theorem 4.1.1: If $p_i : (a, b) \rightarrow R$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $g : (a, b) \rightarrow R$ are continuous and $a < t_0 < b$, then there exists a unique function $y = \phi(t)$, $\phi : (a, b) \rightarrow R$ that satisfies the initial value problem

$$1 \quad y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = g(t), \\ y(t_0) = y_0, \quad y'(t_0) = y_1, \dots, \quad y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_{n-1}$$

Proof: We proved the case $n = 1$ using an integrating factor. When $n > 1$, see more advanced textbook.

Example 4 from ch 2: $(t^2 - 1)y' + \frac{(t+1)y}{t-4} = \ln|t|$, $y(3) = 6$

This equation is linear, so we know that it has a unique solution as long as p and g are continuous.

$$\frac{(t^2 - 1)y'}{t^2 - 1} + \frac{(t+1)y}{(t-4)(t-1)} = \frac{\ln|t|}{t^2 - 1} \Rightarrow 1y' + \frac{(t+1)}{(t-4)(t-1)}y = \frac{\ln|t|}{t^2 - 1}$$

Note $p(t) = \frac{(t+1)}{(t-4)(t-1)} = \frac{(t+1)}{(t-4)(t+1)(t-1)} = \frac{1}{(t-4)(t-1)}$ is continuous for all $t \neq 1, 4$

Note $g(t) = \frac{\ln|t|}{t^2 - 1} = \frac{\ln|t|}{(t+1)(t-1)}$ is continuous for all $t \neq -1, 0, 1$

Thus $ty' - y = 1$, $y(t_0) = y_0$ has a unique solution as long as $t_0 \neq -1, 0, 1, 4$.



Since for IVP, $(t^2 - 1)y' + \frac{(t+1)y}{t-4} = \ln|t|$, $y(3) = 6$, $t_0 = 3$, this IVP has a unique solution which by Thm 4.1.1 is valid on the interval (1, 4).

NOTE: Theorem 4.1.1 is VERY useful in the real world. Suppose you can't solve the linear differential equation directly. You may be able to instead approximate the solution – see for example ch 5 series solution (guess $y = \sum a_n x^n$), which we won't cover in this class or MATH:3800 Elementary Numerical Analysis.

But your approximation is not of much use unless you know where your approximation is valid.

To solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$

1.) Easily solve homogeneous DE: $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$

$y = e^{rt} \Rightarrow ar^2 + br + c = 0 \Rightarrow y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$ for homogeneous solution (see sections 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 4.1).

2.) More work: Find one solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = \underline{g(t)}$ (see sections 3.5 = 4.3, 3.6 = 4.4)

If $y = \psi(t)$ is a soln to the nonhomogeneous DE, then general soln to $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$ is

$$y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2 + \psi$$

Check: $a\phi_1'' + b\phi_1' + c\phi_1 = 0$

$$a\phi_2'' + b\phi_2' + c\phi_2 = 0$$

$$a\psi'' + b\psi' + c\psi = g(t)$$

Step 3: If IVP plus in initial values to find c_i 's

Note you can break step 2 into simpler parts. For example: ■

To solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) + g_2(t)$

1.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \Rightarrow y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$ for homogeneous solution.

2a.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) \Rightarrow y = \psi_1$

2b.) Solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g_2(t) \Rightarrow y = \psi_2$

General solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = g_1(t) + g_2(t)$ is

$$y = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2 + \psi_1 + \psi_2$$

$\rightarrow 0 + 0 + y_{g_1} + y_{g_2}$

LAST STEP

When does the following IVP have unique sol'n:

$$\text{IVP: } ay'' + by' + cy = g(t), y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_0) = y_1.$$

Suppose $y = c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t) + \psi(t)$ is a solution to $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$. Then $y' = c_1\phi_1'(t) + c_2\phi_2'(t) + \psi'(t)$

$$y(t_0) = y_0: \quad y_0 = c_1\phi_1(t_0) + c_2\phi_2(t_0) + \psi(t_0)$$

$$y'(t_0) = y_1: \quad y_1 = c_1\phi_1'(t_0) + c_2\phi_2'(t_0) + \psi'(t_0)$$

To find IVP solution, need to solve above system of two equations for the unknowns c_1 and c_2 .

Note the IVP has a unique solution if and only if the above system of two equations has a unique solution for c_1 and c_2 .

Note that in these equations c_1 and c_2 are the unknowns.

$$\text{Let } b_0 = y_0 - \psi(t_0) \text{ and } b_1 = y_1 - \psi'(t_0)$$

We can translate this linear system of equations into matrix form:

$$\begin{cases} c_1\phi_1(t_0) + c_2\phi_2(t_0) = b_0 \\ c_1\phi_1'(t_0) + c_2\phi_2'(t_0) = b_1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note this equation has a unique solution if and only if

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1' & \phi_2' \end{vmatrix} = \phi_1\phi_2' - \phi_1'\phi_2 \neq 0$$

Definition: The Wronskian of two differential functions, ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 is

$$W(\phi_1, \phi_2)^{(t)} = (\phi_1 \phi_2' - \phi_1' \phi_2)^{(t)} = \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1' & \phi_2' \end{vmatrix} (t)$$

Examples:

$$1.) W(\cos(t), \sin(t)) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos(t) & \sin(t) \\ -\sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{vmatrix} \\ = \cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1 > 0.$$

compare to
coeff matrix
when solving
for c's
using
initial
values

$$2.) W(e^{dt} \cos(nt), e^{dt} \sin(nt)) =$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^{dt} \cos(nt) & e^{dt} \sin(nt) \\ de^{dt} \cos(nt) - ne^{dt} \sin(nt) & de^{dt} \sin(nt) + ne^{dt} \cos(nt) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^{dt} \cos(nt) (de^{dt} \sin(nt) + ne^{dt} \cos(nt)) - e^{dt} \sin(nt) (de^{dt} \cos(nt) - ne^{dt} \sin(nt))$$

$$= e^{2dt} [\cos(nt) (d \sin(nt) + n \cos(nt)) - \sin(nt) (d \cos(nt) - n \sin(nt))]]$$

$$= e^{2dt} [d \cos(nt) \sin(nt) + n \cos^2(nt) - d \sin(nt) \cos(nt) + n \sin^2(nt)]]$$

$$= e^{2dt} [n \cos^2(nt) + n \sin^2(nt)]$$

$$= n e^{2dt} [\cos^2(nt) + \sin^2(nt)] = n e^{2dt} > 0 \text{ for all } t.$$

4.1: General Theory of nth Order Linear Eqns

When does the following IVP have a unique soln:

$$\text{IVP: } y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = g(t),$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_0) = y_1, \dots, y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_{n-1}. \quad \text{initial values}$$

Suppose $y = c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t) + \dots + c_n\phi_n(t) + \psi(t)$ is the general solution to DE. Then

$$y(t_0) = y_0:$$

$$y_0 = c_1\phi_1(t_0) + c_2\phi_2(t_0) + \dots + c_n\phi_n(t_0) + \psi(t_0)$$

$$y'(t_0) = y_1:$$

$$y_1 = c_1\phi_1'(t_0) + c_2\phi_2'(t_0) + \dots + c_n\phi_n'(t_0) + \psi'(t_0)$$

⋮

$$y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_{n-1}:$$

$$y_{n-1} = c_1\phi_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) + c_2\phi_2^{(n-1)}(t_0) + \dots + c_n\phi_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) + \psi^{(n-1)}(t_0)$$

To find IVP solution, need to solve above system of equations for the unknowns c_i , $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Note the IVP has a unique solution if and only if the above system of equations has a unique solution for the c_i 's.

Let $b_k = y_k - \psi^{(k)}(t_0)$. Note that in these equations the c_i are the unknowns

Translating this linear system of eqns into matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n'(t_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \phi_2^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note this equation has a unique solution if and only if

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n'(t_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \phi_2^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

*Before taking det
Evaluated at t_0
this is coef matrix used to find c_i*

Defn: The Wronskian of the functions, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$ is

$$W(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n)(t) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t) & \phi_2(t) & \dots & \phi_n(t) \\ \phi_1'(t) & \phi_2'(t) & \dots & \phi_n'(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1^{(n-1)}(t) & \phi_2^{(n-1)}(t) & \dots & \phi_n^{(n-1)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: $\{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$ is a linearly independent set of fns if $W(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n)(t_0) \neq 0$ for some t_0

In other words if ϕ_i are homogeneous solutions to an n th order linear DE,

$$y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = 0$$

and $W(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n)(t_0) \neq 0$ for some t_0 .

iff $\{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$ is a basis for the solution set of this homogeneous equation.

In other words any homogeneous solution can be written as a linear combination of these basis elements:

$$y = c_1\phi_1 + \dots + c_n\phi_n$$

Moreover, the general soln to the non-homogeneous eqn

$$y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = g(t)$$

is just the translated version of the general homogeneous solution:

$$y = c_1\phi_1 + \dots + c_n\phi_n + \psi$$

where ψ is a non-homogeneous solution.

Abel's theorem: if ϕ_i are homogeneous solutions to an n th order linear DE,

$$y^{(n)} + p_1(t)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + p_{n-1}(t)y' + p_n(t)y = 0$$

then $W(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n)(t) = ce^{-\int p_1(t)dt}$ for some constant c

FYI

ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n are linearly independent

iff

$c_1\phi_1(t) + \dots + c_n\phi_n(t) = 0$ has a unique solution (that works for all t).

iff

the following system of equations has a unique solution

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_1\phi_1(t) + c_2\phi_2(t) + \dots + c_n\phi_n(t) = 0 \\
 c_1\phi_1'(t) + c_2\phi_2'(t) + \dots + c_n\phi_n'(t) = 0 \\
 \vdots \\
 c_1\phi_1^{(n-1)}(t) + c_2\phi_2^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + c_n\phi_n^{(n-1)}(t) = 0
 \end{array}$$

take derivative

iff the following system of equations has a unique solution

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 \phi_1(t) & \phi_2(t) & \dots & \phi_n(t) \\
 \phi_1'(t) & \phi_2'(t) & \dots & \phi_n'(t) \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 \phi_1^{(n-1)}(t) & \phi_2^{(n-1)}(t) & \dots & \phi_n^{(n-1)}(t)
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 c_1 \\
 c_2 \\
 \vdots \\
 c_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 0 \\
 0 \\
 \vdots \\
 0
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note this equation has a unique solution if and only if for some t_0

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_0) & \phi_2(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n(t_0) \\ \phi_1'(t_0) & \phi_2'(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n'(t_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \phi_2^{(n-1)}(t_0) & \dots & \phi_n^{(n-1)}(t_0) \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

iff $W(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n)(t_0) \neq 0$,

Example: Determine if $\{1 + 2t, 5 + 4t^2, 6 - 8t + 8t^2\}$ are linearly independent:

Method 1:

$$\text{Solve } c_1(1 + 2t) + c_2(5 + 4t^2) + c_3(6 - 8t + 8t^2) = 0$$

Or equivalently,

$$\text{solve } c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Or equivalently, solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Method 2: Check the Wronskian

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 2t & 5 + 4t^2 & 6 - 8t + 8t^2 \\ 2 & 8t & -8 + 16t \\ 0 & 8 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

if $= 0 \Rightarrow$ lin dep
 $\neq 0 \Rightarrow$ lin indep