

Problem 20

In each of Problems 15 through 20, find the solution of the given initial value problem.

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

Solution

Because this ODE is linear, the general solution can be expressed as a sum of the complementary solution $y_c(t)$ and the particular solution $y_p(t)$.

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$$

The complementary solution satisfies the associated homogeneous equation.

$$y_c'' + 2y_c' + 5y_c = 0 \tag{1}$$

This is a homogeneous ODE with constant coefficients, so the solution is of the form $y_c = e^{rt}$.

$$y_c = e^{rt} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_c' = r e^{rt} \quad \rightarrow \quad y_c'' = r^2 e^{rt}$$

Substitute these expressions into the ODE.

$$r^2 e^{rt} + 2(r e^{rt}) + 5(e^{rt}) = 0$$

Divide both sides by e^{rt} .

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 + 2r + 5 &= 0 \\ r &= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(1)(5)}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 4i}{2} = -1 \pm 2i \\ r &= \{-1 - 2i, -1 + 2i\} \end{aligned}$$

Two solutions to equation (1) are then $y_c = e^{(-1-2i)t}$ and $y_c = e^{(-1+2i)t}$. By the principle of superposition, the general solution is a linear combination of these two.

$$\begin{aligned} y_c(t) &= C_1 e^{(-1-2i)t} + C_2 e^{(-1+2i)t} \\ &= C_1 e^{-t-2it} + C_2 e^{-t+2it} \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} e^{-2it} + C_2 e^{-t} e^{2it} \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} [\cos(-2t) + i \sin(-2t)] + C_2 e^{-t} [\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)] \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} [\cos(2t) - i \sin(2t)] + C_2 e^{-t} [\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)] \\ &= C_1 e^{-t} \cos 2t - i C_1 e^{-t} \sin 2t + C_2 e^{-t} \cos 2t + i C_2 e^{-t} \sin 2t \\ &= (C_1 + C_2) e^{-t} \cos 2t + (-i C_1 + i C_2) e^{-t} \sin 2t \\ &= C_3 e^{-t} \cos 2t + C_4 e^{-t} \sin 2t \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the particular solution satisfies

$$y_p'' + 2y_p' + 5y_p = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t.$$

Since both even and odd derivatives are present, we would use the trial solution $e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)$ rather than $Ae^{-t} \cos 2t$. However, $e^{-t} \cos 2t$ and $e^{-t} \sin 2t$ satisfy equation

(1), so an extra factor of t is needed. The trial solution is thus $y_p(t) = te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)$. Substitute this into the ODE to determine A and B .

$$[te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)]'' + 2[te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)]' + 5[te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)] = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) - te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + te^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t)]' \\ & + 2[e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) - te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + te^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t)] \\ & + 5[te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)] = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [-e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + e^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t) - e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) \\ & - te^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t) + e^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t) \\ & - te^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t) + te^{-t}(-4A \cos 2t - 4B \sin 2t)] \\ & + 2[e^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) - te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t) + te^{-t}(-2A \sin 2t + 2B \cos 2t)] \\ & + 5[te^{-t}(A \cos 2t + B \sin 2t)] = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t. \\ & -4Ae^{-t} \sin 2t + 4Be^{-t} \cos 2t = 4e^{-t} \cos 2t \end{aligned}$$

For this equation to be true, A and B must satisfy the following system of equations.

$$\begin{aligned} -4A &= 0 \\ 4B &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Solving it yields $A = 0$ and $B = 1$, which means

$$\begin{aligned} y_p(t) &= te^{-t}(0 \cos 2t + \sin 2t) \\ &= te^{-t} \sin 2t. \end{aligned}$$

The general solution is then

$$y(t) = C_3 e^{-t} \cos 2t + C_4 e^{-t} \sin 2t + te^{-t} \sin 2t.$$

Take a derivative of it with respect to t .

$$y'(t) = -C_3 e^{-t} \cos 2t - 2C_3 e^{-t} \sin 2t - C_4 e^{-t} \sin 2t + 2C_4 e^{-t} \cos 2t + e^{-t} \sin 2t - te^{-t} \sin 2t + 2te^{-t} \cos 2t$$

Apply the initial conditions now to determine C_3 and C_4 .

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) &= C_3 = 1 \\ y'(0) &= -C_3 + 2C_4 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solving this system of equations yields $C_3 = 1$ and $C_4 = 1/2$. Therefore,

$$y(t) = e^{-t} \cos 2t + \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} \sin 2t + te^{-t} \sin 2t.$$