

Lesson 14 Reduction of order (repeated roots) 3.4 HWK due Wed.

Hmmm.
$$\left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)' = \frac{y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1'}{y_1^2} = \frac{W}{y_1^2} = \frac{C e^{-\int P(x) dx}}{y_1^2}$$

How odd! No y_2 on RHS!

What if only know one solⁿ y_1 . Want y_2 .

$$\left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)' = C \frac{e^{-\int P(x) dx}}{y_1^2}$$

$$\frac{y_2}{y_1} = \int m dx = v(x)$$

Then $y_2 = v y_1$.

Method of reduction of order: $A(x)y'' + B(x)y' + C(x)y = 0$

Put in Standard Form: $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$

Suppose we only know one solⁿ $y_1(x)$.

Look for a second solⁿ of the form $y_2 = v y_1$.

Coming soon: A formula for v :

$$v' = \frac{1}{y_1^2} e^{-\int P(x) dx}$$

← Calculate RHS.
Integrate to get v . [Take $C=0$].
Then $y_2 = v y_1$.

Why it works: $L[y] = y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y$

We have y_1 : $L[y_1] = 0$

We want a y_2 . Look for $y_2 = v y_1$ ← y_2 of this form

Step 1: Plug $v y_1$ into ODE and boss it around.

$$(v y_1)'' + P(v y_1)' + Q(v y_1) = 0$$

$$v'' y_1 + 2v' y_1' + \underline{v y_1''} + P v' y_1 + \underline{P v y_1'} + \underline{Q v y_1} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{v L[y_1]}_{=0} = \underbrace{2v' y_1' + P v y_1' + Q v y_1}_{=0}$$

$$v'' y_1 + 2v' y_1' + P v' y_1 = 0$$

$$v'' + \left(\frac{2y_1'}{y_1} + P \right) v' = 0$$

Can solve this! It's a linear first order

ODE in $u = v'$:

↑ "reduction of order"

$$u \left(\frac{du}{dx} + \left(\frac{2y_1'}{y_1} + P \right) u \right) = 0$$

$$[mu]' = 0 \quad mu = C$$

Int. factor: $\mu = e^{\int \frac{2y'}{y_1} + P \, dx}$

$$= e^{\int 2 \frac{d}{dx} \ln|y_1| + P \, dx}$$

$$= e^{2 \ln|y_1| + \int P \, dx}$$

$$= e^{\ln y_1^2} e^{\int P \, dx} = y_1^2 e^{\int P \, dx}$$

Use μ : $\mu(\text{ODE}) = 0$

$$[\mu u]' = 0$$

$$\mu u = C$$

$$u = \frac{C}{\mu} \leftarrow \text{Take } C=1$$

$$u = \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{y_1^2} e^{-\int P(x) \, dx}$$

Done!

$$v' = \frac{1}{y_1^2} e^{-\int P(x) \, dx}$$

EX: $y'' + \underline{4}y' + 4y = 0 \leftarrow \text{Standard Form!}$
So $\underline{P(x)=4}$

Try e^{rx} . Need $r^2 + 4r + 4 = 0$

$$(r+2)^2 = 0 \quad \text{Repeated root!}$$

$$\boxed{r=-2.} \quad \text{Only get one sol}^n$$

$$y_1 = e^{-2x}$$

Book: Try $y_2 = v e^{-2x}$.

Plug into ODE. Get new ODE

$$\frac{du}{dx} + (ccc)u = 0$$

where $u = v'$.

My way: $y_2 = v y_1$ where

$$v' = \frac{1}{y_1^2} e^{-\int P(x) dx}$$

$$v' = \frac{1}{(e^{-2x})^2} e^{-\int 4 dx}$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^{-4x}} e^{-4x} = 1$$

Get $v' = 1$.

Integrate: $v = \int 1 dx = x$

No + C here

Aha! Got $y_2 = v y_1 = x e^{-2x}$
just like Euler did!

I want a 2nd solⁿ,
not all possible.

Euler eqns: $a x^2 y'' + b x y' + c y = 0$ ← not const coeff!

Euler: guess $y = x^r$
 $y' = r x^{r-1}$
 $y'' = r(r-1) x^{r-2}$

Plug in and force it.

$$ax^2 y'' + bxy' + cy = 0$$

$$ax^2 [r(r-1)x^{r-2}] + bx [rx^{r-1}] + cx^r = 0$$

$$\left[\underbrace{ar(r-1) + br + c}_{\text{need } = 0} \right] x^r = 0$$

Good case: Get $r_1, r_2 \neq$ real. $W[x^{r_1}, x^{r_2}] \neq 0$

Then $y = C_1 x^{r_1} + C_2 x^{r_2}$ is gen^l solⁿ.

EX: $x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 2y = 0$

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

$$r^2 + r - 2 = 0$$

$$(r+2)(r-1) = 0 \quad \text{Roots } r=1, -2.$$

$$\text{Gen^l solⁿ } = \boxed{y = C_1 x + C_2 x^{-2}}$$

What if roots are repeated?

EX: $x^2 y'' + 3xy' + y = 0$

$$r(r-1) + 3r + 1 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 2r + 1$$

$$(r+1)^2 = 0 \quad \text{Repeated: } r=-1, -1$$

$$\boxed{y'' + \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y = 0}$$

S. Form \rightarrow $P(x)$

Only get $y_1 = x^{-1} = \frac{1}{x}$

Get $y_2 = v y_1$ where

$$v' = \frac{1}{y_1^2} e^{-\int P(x) dx}$$

$$v' = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2} e^{-\int \frac{3}{x} dx} \leftarrow \text{assume } x > 0$$

$$= x^2 e^{-3 \ln x} = x^2 e^{\ln x^{-3}} = x^2 \cdot x^{-3} = x^{-1}$$

$$\boxed{v' = \frac{1}{x}}$$

So $v = \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x$

Get $y_2 = (\ln x) \cdot x^{-1}$

Could check $W[y_1, y_2]$. see $\neq 0$. Guaranteed though by method.

Gen^d Solⁿ: $y = c_1 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + c_2 \frac{\ln x}{x}$

Euler eqns: Repeated root case: $y_1 = x^{r_1}$
 $y_2 = (\ln x) x^{r_1}$

What about $r = \text{complex root case?}$

$$y = x^{a+bi} = (e^{\ln x})^{a+bi} \leftarrow \text{This is a complex sol}^n \text{!}$$

$$= e^{(a+bi)\ln x} = \underbrace{e^{a\ln x}}_{e^{\ln x^a}} \underbrace{e^{(b\ln x)i}}_{\cos(b\ln x) + i\sin(b\ln x)}$$

$$= \underbrace{x^a \cos(b\ln x)}_{y_1} + i \underbrace{x^a \sin(b\ln x)}_{y_2}$$

From one complex solⁿ, get two real solⁿs.

$$W[y_1, y_2] \neq 0$$

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 \text{ is gen}^l \text{ sol}^n.$$