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Lecture - 26
Boundary Value Problems for Second Order Differential Equations

Hello friends, welcome to this lecture. In this lecture will start of a decision of boundary value problems. So, boundary value problems means equation is given and the conditions are defined on the boundary of the domain.

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Linear Boundary Value Problems

Consider the second-order linear differential equation

$$p_0(x)y'' + p_1(x)y' + p_2(x)y = r(x) \tag{1}$$

in the interval $J = [\alpha, \beta]$, where, we assume that the functions $p_0(x), p_1(x), p_2(x)$ and $r(x)$ are continuous in J . Together with the differential equation (1), we shall consider the boundary conditions of the form

$$\left. \begin{aligned} l_1[y] &= a_0y(\alpha) + a_1y'(\alpha) + b_0y(\beta) + b_1y'(\beta) = A \\ l_2[y] &= c_0y(\alpha) + c_1y'(\alpha) + d_0y(\beta) + d_1y'(\beta) = B \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{2}$$

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So let us see, what is the boundary value problem in a precise manner. So, consider the second order linear differential equation $p_0(x) y'' + p_1(x) y' + p_2(x) y = r(x)$ here. So, here coefficient p_0, p_1 and p_2 are continuous in an interval J which is α to β . α, β are any real numbers and $\alpha < \beta$ we will say. Then we assume that function p_0, p_1 and p_2 and $r(x)$ are continuous in J .

So, by existent and unique, we simply say that this solution exist if we are prescribe the initial condition along with this. But now let us consider the differential equation we with the boundary condition like this. So, here we define boundary condition of the form $l_1(y) = A, l_2(y) = B$, where $l_1(y)$ is given as $a_0y(\alpha) + a_1y'(\alpha) + b_0y(\beta) + b_1y'(\beta) = A$ and it is taken as some value that is A .

And second boundary condition is $c_0y(\alpha) + c_1y'(\alpha) + d_0y(\beta) + d_1y'(\beta) = B$. Here A and B are again some real constant.

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where $a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i, i = 0, 1$ and A, B are given constants. Throughout, we will assume that these two conditions are linearly independent, i.e., there does not exist a constant c such that $(a_0, a_1, b_0, b_1) = c(c_0, c_1, d_0, d_1)$.

Definition 1

Boundary value problem (1), (2) is called a nonhomogeneous two point linear boundary value problem, whereas the associated homogeneous differential equation together with the homogeneous boundary conditions

$$l_1[y] = 0, \quad l_2[y] = 0 \quad (3)$$

will be called a homogeneous boundary value problem.

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So, here a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i for $i = 0$ to 1 and A and B are given constant, real constant and throughout we assume that these 2 conditions, the previous 2 conditions are linearly independent. So, we simply say that these are not the precisely the same condition. So, here we are assuming that the vector a_0, a_1, b_0, b_1 are not scale of multiple of c_0, c_1, d_0 and d_1 . So, it means that these 2 vectors are linearly independent vectors.

So, it means that we are precisely working with 2 boundary conditions rather than one boundary condition. So, here I am assuming that there exists no K for which this is true. So, it means that we are assuming that the condition given in 2 are linearly independent boundary conditions. So, it means that now we define the boundary value problems.

So, boundary value problem 1, 2 is called a nonhomogeneous 2-point linear boundary value problem. Whereas, the associated homogeneous differential equation together with the homogeneous boundary condition will be called a homogeneous boundary value problem. So first you just look at here is an equation and a boundary conditions. Because these condition, the define or a 2-point α one end point and β is another end point.

So, we simply say that these $l_1(y)$ and $l_2(y)$ are conditions defined at 2 different point that is α and β . So, we say that $l_1(y)$ and $l_2(y)$ are boundary condition rather than initial condition because it is defined at 2 different point, in fact at the end point of this. So, we call

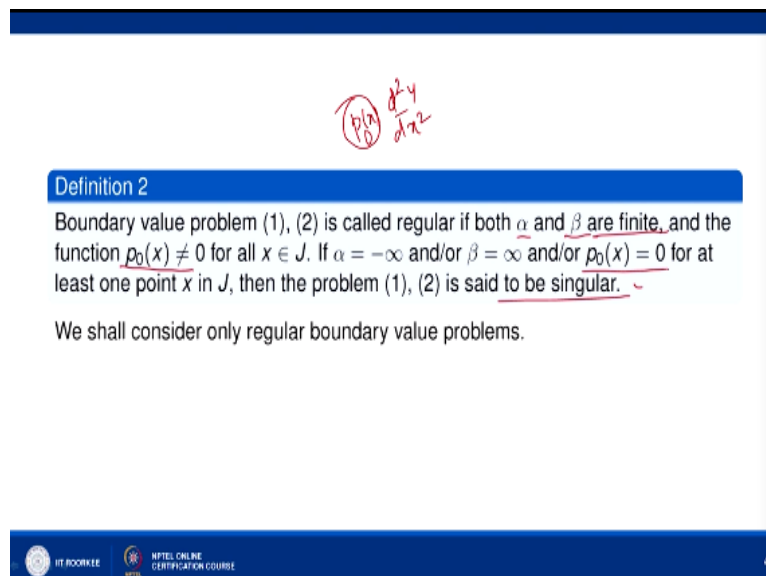
it boundary conditions or 2 point boundary conditions. It may happen that we have some more point on which we may define condition in terms of more points.

But right now it is a 2 point boundary value problem. Now, we define nonhomogeneous equation and nonhomogeneous boundary condition. So, if this $r(x)$ is non-zero for non-zero in the whole interval then we say, call it nonhomogeneous differential equation. And if A and B are non-zero real constant then we call these boundary conditions are nonhomogeneous boundary conditions.

So, it means that if we consider nonhomogeneous differential equation with nonhomogeneous boundary condition we call this as a nonhomogeneous 2 point linear boundary value problem. But if we consider that $r(x) = 0$ and $A = 0 = B$, we call it that this is a homogeneous boundary value problem. So, it means that associated homogeneous differential equation together with the homogeneous boundary condition that is $l_1(y) = 0, l_2(y) = 0$ will be called a homogeneous boundary value problem.

So, it means that when $r(x) = 0, A = 0, A = B$ then in this case we call this as homogeneous boundary value problem. But if $r(x)$ is non-zero A and B are all non-zero then we call it nonhomogeneous boundary value problem, okay. In fact, one of A and B has to be non-zero in nonhomogeneous boundary value problem.

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$\textcircled{p(x)}$ $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$

Definition 2

Boundary value problem (1), (2) is called regular if both α and β are finite, and the function $p_0(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in J$. If $\alpha = -\infty$ and/or $\beta = \infty$ and/or $p_0(x) = 0$ for at least one point x in J , then the problem (1), (2) is said to be singular.

We shall consider only regular boundary value problems.



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Now, we define a regular boundary value problem and similar boundary value problem. So, we simply say that boundary value problems 1 and 2 is called regular, if both alpha and beta

are finite and the coefficient $p_0(x)$, coefficient of d^2y/dx square is $p_0(x)$, this is non-zero in the entire interval J . So, if interval is finite and the coefficients are non-zero then we call our boundary value problem as regular boundary value problem.

Otherwise we call our boundary value problem as single boundary value problem. It means that if your alpha is $-\infty$ or beta and or $\beta = \infty$ and or $p_0(x) = 0$ for at least one point in J , then the problem 1 and 2 is set to be a singular boundary value problem and for this particular course we will consider only the regular boundary value problem, it means that we consider that our end points are finite and the coefficient of d^2y/dx square is never 0 in the said interval in finite interval.



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Boundary conditions (2) are quite general and, in particular, include the

- (i) first boundary conditions (Dirichlet conditions) $y(\alpha) = A, y(\beta) = B$, $f_1(x) = a_0(x) + a_1(x) + a_2(x) + \dots + a_n(x)$
- (ii) second boundary conditions (mixed conditions) $y(\alpha) = A, y'(\beta) = B$ or $y'(\alpha) = A, y(\beta) = B$,
- (iii) separated boundary conditions (third boundary conditions)

$$a_0y(\alpha) + a_1y'(\alpha) = A$$

$$d_0y(\beta) + d_1y'(\beta) = B$$
 where both $a_0^2 + a_1^2$ and $d_0^2 + d_1^2$ are different from zero, and
- (iv) periodic boundary conditions $y(\alpha) = y(\beta), y'(\alpha) = y'(\beta)$.



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Now, the boundary condition which we have consider $l_1(y) = A$ and $l_2(y) = B$ are very general boundary conditions and we can summarize and we can write many more boundary condition as a special case of $l_1(y)$ and $l_2(y)$. So, first let us take a special case where $l_1(y)$ is given as y alpha = A. So, here $l_1(y)$ is y only. So here $l_1(y)$ which I am writing as here, we are simply taking $l_1(y)$ is basically, taking only a_0 as 1, rest all 0.

So, we say that the simplest form of $l_1(y)$ is that $a_0 = 1$ rest are all simply 0. So, $l_1(y) =$ simply y only. So, here we simply say $a_0 = 1$, so y alpha and all are 0, $0y$ dash (alpha) + $0y$ (beta) + $0y$ dash (beta). So, it is a particular case of your $l_1(y)$. So, here we simply assume that $A_0 = 1$, rest are all 0. Similarly, you assume that $c_0 = 1$ rest are all 0.

So, we have boundary condition $y(\alpha) = A$ and $y(\beta) = B$. So, we say that it is first boundary condition and sometimes we call it a Dirichlet condition. So, here in first boundary condition or Dirichlet condition your function is given, function is given some value at the endpoint. And then second boundary condition or which we call us mix boundary conditions where function as well as its define at the endpoint.

So here, one kind of mix boundary condition is y alpha is given as A and y dash beta is $= B$. So, it means that one point your function is given and the other point your derivative is given. So, y alpha $= A$, y dash (beta) $= B$ or the other way that is y dash (alpha) $= A$ means at the end of $x = \alpha$ your derivative is given a particular value and the other end the function is define are getting a particular value.

So, this is your second boundary condition or we say mix condition. Now, third that is separated boundary condition. So, it means that here one condition is given in entirely at one point, one end point and other boundary condition is given at the other endpoint. So, here your $l_1(y)$ is define only, say alpha, $x = \alpha$. So, we say $a_0 y(\alpha) + a_1 y'(\alpha) = A$ and $d_0 y(\beta) + d_1 y'(\beta) = B$.

So, here your a_0 a_1 is some non-zero and b_0 and b_1 are 0. Similarly, in $l_2(y)$ your c_0 and c_1 is given as 0 and d_0 and d_1 are non-zero value. So, here we say that your boundary condition, first boundary condition you find only at $x = \alpha$ and the second boundary condition is defined only at the other point that is $x = \beta$. So, your boundary conditions are separated. So, we call these boundary conditions are separated boundary conditions.

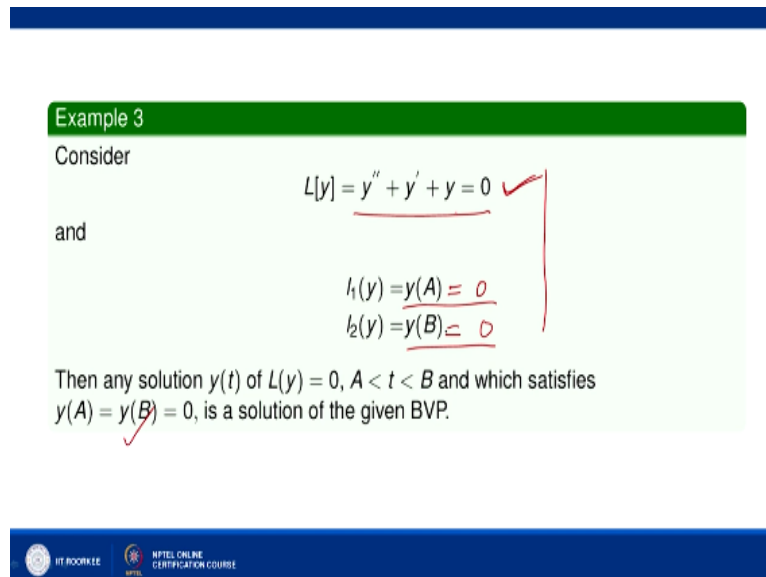
And here we are assuming that not all a_0 a_1 is 0. So, we assume that $a_0^2 + a_1^2$ is square is different from 0 and similarly $d_0^2 + d_1^2$ is square is different from 0 here. Then there is one more very important kind of boundary conditions that is periodic boundary condition. So, it means that the initial point is the same as final point. So, it means that the value are y given at alpha is same as given at beta.

So, y alpha is $= y$ beta and same similarly the derivative. So, derivative is the value of derivative at alpha is same as the value given at the point $x = \beta$. So, here $y(\alpha) = y(\beta)$ and $y'(\alpha) = y'(\beta)$ is these kind of conditions are known as periodic

boundary condition. So, the initial point the value given at initial point is same as the value given at the final point.

So, it means that $y(\alpha) = y(\beta)$ and $y'(\alpha) = y'(\beta)$. So, there are some important boundary conditions which we need to discuss very often.

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Example 3
Consider

$$L[y] = y'' + y' + y = 0$$

and

$$l_1(y) = y(A) = 0$$
$$l_2(y) = y(B) = 0$$

Then any solution $y(t)$ of $L(y) = 0$, $A < t < B$ and which satisfies $y(A) = y(B) = 0$, is a solution of the given BVP.

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Now, let us consider one example. So, let us take differential equations say $y'' + y' + y = 0$ and here boundary conditions are separated boundary condition and it is a Dirichlet kind of boundary condition that is $l_1(y) = y(A)$ and $l_2(y) = y(B)$. So, it is the first kind of boundary condition and it is also a separated boundary condition. And so any solution of this we satisfy the conditions at A and B are simply a solution of this.

So, in particular if I take your $y(A) = 0$ and $y(B) = 0$ we can say the solution of this satisfying this is a solution of the given. So, we simply right it 0. So, it means that any solution we satisfy this and these conditions are known as the solution of this boundary value problem and in fact this is a homogenous boundary value problem.

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Example 4

Consider the following linear homogeneous BVP

$L[y] = y'' + e^t y' + 2y = 0, 0 \leq t \leq 1$ with boundary conditions $y(0) = y(1)$ and $y'(0) = y'(1)$. In this case

$$l_1(y) = y(0) - y(1)$$

$$l_2(y) = y'(0) - y'(1)$$

$$l_1(y) = 0$$

$$l_2(y) = 0$$

Also $L(y) = \sin 2\pi t, 0 < t < 1$, along the boundary conditions $y(0) = y(1)$ and $y'(0) = y'(1)$ constitute a linear non-homogeneous BVP.



Then consider the next example. Here, we have a homogeneous boundary value problem. So, $y'' + e^t y' + 2y = 0$ and t is lying between 0 to 1. Boundary conditions are this, $y(0) = y(1)$ and $y'(0) = y'(1)$. If you recall this is a periodic boundary conditions and here let us write this $y(0), y(1)$ this is a $l_1(y) = y(0) - y(1)$, $l_2(y) = y'(0) - y'(1)$. So, here $l_1(y) = 0$ and $l_2(y) = 0$ give you these periodic boundary condition which is like $y(0) = y(1)$ and $y'(0) = y'(1)$.

So, we can simply say that if you take any say nonhomogeneous boundary value problem that is $L(y) = \sin 2\pi t$ or you can say $y'' + e^t y' + 2y = \sin 2\pi t$ along with the boundary condition that is $y(0) = y(1)$ and $y'(0) = y'(1)$. This will constitute a linear nonhomogeneous boundary value problem.

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Definition 5

A boundary value problem which is not a linear boundary value problem is called a non linear BVP.

Remark 1

The nonlinearity in a boundary value problem may be introduced because

- the differential equation may be nonlinear;
- the given differential equation may be linear but the boundary conditions may not be linear homogeneous.



So, these are example of some boundary value problem and some boundary conditions. Now, we again define the classification of boundary value problem in terms of linear and nonlinear. So, a boundary value problem which is not a linear boundary value problem is called a nonlinear boundary value problem and this is happening because this nonlinearity in a boundary value problem may be introduced because of the following thing.

The first thing is, the differential equation may be nonlinear, right? So here we have 2 components, one is differential equation other component is your boundary conditions. So, your nonlinearity a boundary value problem is said to be linear if both the equation as well as the conditions are linear and if any of these 2 fail then we call this as a nonlinear boundary value problem.

So, it may happen due the differential equation may be nonlinear and the given differential equation may be linear but the boundary condition may not be linear. So, we simply say that nonlinear boundary value problem is maybe because of equation maybe nonlinear or the condition may be nonlinear. So, let us consider some example of nonlinear boundary value problem.

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Example 6
 Consider a differential equation

$$y'' + |y| = 0, 0 \leq t \leq \pi$$

 with boundary conditions $y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$.
 This BVP is not linear because of the presence of $|y|$.

Example 7
 Consider the following BVP $y'' + 5y = e^t \sin(t)$, $t \in [0, 1]$ along with the boundary conditions $y(0)y(1) = y'(0)y'(1)$ is a nonlinear BVP as boundary conditions are not linear homogeneous.

First problem is $y'' + |y| = 0$. Here t is define from 0 to π here. Our boundary condition is $y(0)=y(\pi) = 0$. So, these are condition which are defined on the boundaries and if you look at these are very simple boundary condition, separated boundary conditions. But if you look at the equation, equation content your modulus y terms. So, it is a nonlinear differential equation.

Your boundary conditions are linear but equation is nonlinear. So, we simply say that it is a nonlinear boundary value problem and I hope that you already know how to check whether it is a linear or nonlinear boundary value problem. For that you define $Ly = y'' + y$ and you check that if $L(\alpha y_1 + \beta y_2) = \alpha L(y_1) + \beta L(y_2)$.

If this holds then we call it linear and if this does not hold we call it nonlinear and if you check that here it is not holding. So, you can check that differential equation is not a linear differential equation. So, we call this problem as nonlinear boundary value problem. Now, look at the next example here boundary value problem is $y'' + 5y = e^t \sin(t)$.

t is again in some interval let us say 0 to 1 along with the boundary condition $y(0) \cdot y(1) = y'(0) = y'(1)$. So, here if you look at your boundary conditions are not linear. So, we simply say that your equation is linear, differential equation is linear but boundary condition is not linear. So, we again call this as a nonlinear boundary value problem.

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Remark 2
The existence and uniqueness theory for BVP is generally more difficult than the that of IVP.

- $y'' + y = 0, y(0) = c_1, y'(0) = c_2$ has a unique solution as $y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$, for any set of values c_1 and c_2 . $y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$
 $y(0) = 0 \implies c_1 = 0$
 $y'(0) = c_2 = \epsilon \implies c_2 = \epsilon$
- $y'' + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y(\pi) = \epsilon (\neq 0)$ has no solution. ✓ $y(x) = c_2 \sin x$
 $y(\pi) = 0 \neq \epsilon$
- $y'' + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y(\beta) = \epsilon (\neq 0), 0 < \beta < \pi$ has a unique solution $y(x) = \epsilon \frac{\sin x}{\sin \beta}$. ✓ $y(x) = c_2 \sin x$
 $\epsilon = c_2 \sin \beta \implies c_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{\sin \beta}$
- $y'' + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y(\pi) = 0$ has an infinite number of solutions $y(x) = c \sin x$, where c is an arbitrary constant. $c_2 = 0$

Now, why again we are discussing the boundary value problem different from initial value problem because we have already discussed the initial value problem, we have discussed the existence and uniqueness theorem and consider several methods to find out the solution of initial value problem. But why we are bothering about boundary value problem?

So, we can say that the existence and uniqueness results of boundary value problem is in general quite difficult than the theory of initial value problem. For example, take very simple example and try to understand why this theory of existence and uniqueness for boundary value problem is say difficult than the initial value problem. So, first let us take simple example $y'' + y = 0$ and take the initial condition $y(0) = c_1$ and $y'(0) = c_2$.

This is a simple initial value problem and we know the solution is given as $y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$ and you can take any c_1, c_2 and you can get your solution in a very nice way and solution is given. But now let us in place of initial condition now let us define boundary condition and see that how this nice solution is change in a difficult solution. So, equation remains the same that is $y'' + y = 0$.

But now your boundary conditions are changed. Your boundary conditions are $y(0) = 0$ and $y(\pi) = \epsilon$. So some value, ϵ may not be that. And we can see that it has no solution at all. Though how we can check that it has no solution. So, what we try to do we try to solve this equation for a general initial condition. So we simply see that your $y(x) =$ general solution of this differential equation is $c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$.

And we want to find out this c_1 and c_2 but not with the help of initial condition but with the help of boundary condition. Now, we look at $y(0) = 0$, this force has to choose $c_1 = 0$, right? Because if you put $x = 0$ then $\sin x$ is 0, so and $\cos x$ is 1. So c_1 has to be 0. And but if you look at $y(\pi) = \epsilon$ then look at here what you have. This is $\epsilon = c_1$ and c_1 is 0. So, it is $c_2 \sin \pi$. So, $\sin \pi$ is simply 0 but here we have a non-zero value.

So, it means that this has no solution, right. So, simply say that when $y(\pi)$ is some non-zero value then it has no solution, right. But suppose you look at this case that here, $y'' + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y(\pi) = 0$. Now, here we have taken the value ϵ . But if you take ϵ may be any value maybe very small but it is still it will have no solution. But if you take ϵ as 0 then we can easily check that it has an infinitely many solutions.

That is quite say very, say strange thing. Because here we just differ our boundary condition by that. So, this ϵ may be very small quantity but it is still in one case we have no solution but in other case we have infinitely many solution and you can easily find out the

infinitely many solution as you here if you look at in place of epsilon if you put 0 then $0 = c_2 \sin \pi$ of course this is 0, this is 0, so I can take any value of c_2 , right?

So, it means that we have infinitely many choices for this c_2 and we can say that our solution is given as $y(x) = c \sin x$ and you can take any value of c and you take different value we have a different solution of this. So, here we say that we have just change the boundary condition a little, but we have in place of no solution now we have infinitely many solutions. So that is very strange for this boundary value problem.

Now, look at next example that is $y'' + y = 0$, $y(0) = 0$ and $y(\beta) = \epsilon$. Here, β is any number between 0 to π and you can say that it has a unique solution and solution is given as $y(x) = \epsilon \sin x \sin \beta$, that also you can get it from this. So, you can say that $y(0) = 0$ means $c_1 = 0$. So, it means that now we have $y(x) = c_2 \sin x$ and $y(\beta) = \epsilon$ is given. So, $\epsilon = c_2 \sin \beta$.

So, $c_2 \sin \beta$ you can get, so c_2 is what? $\epsilon / \sin \beta$. So, solution is given as $y(x) = \epsilon \sin x \sin \beta$ and this is a unique solution. So, it means that if you change your boundary condition a bit and you have all the cases that no solution unique solution and infinitely many solutions. So, it means that here we have to look at our existence and uniqueness theory in a very careful manner.

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Theorem 8

Consider the differential equation



$$p_0(x)y'' + p_1(x)y' + p_2(x)y = 0 \quad (4)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} l_1[y] &= a_0y(\alpha) + a_1y'(\alpha) + b_0y(\beta) + b_1y'(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow l_1(y) = 0 \\ l_2[y] &= c_0y(\alpha) + c_1y'(\alpha) + d_0y(\beta) + d_1y'(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow l_2(y) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

and let $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ be any two linearly independent solutions of the differential equation. Then the homogeneous boundary value problem (4), (5) has only the trivial solution if and only if

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} l_1[y_1] & l_1[y_2] \\ l_2[y_1] & l_2[y_2] \end{vmatrix} \neq 0. \quad (6)$$



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So, now let us start with the simplest possible cases, the simplest possible is the homogenous equation with homogenous boundary condition and we know that a homogenous boundary

value problem has a trivial solution that is 0 solution. So, we say that consider the differential equation this $p_0(x) y'' + p_1(x) y' + p_2(x) y = 0$ with the boundary condition $l_1(y)$ which is define like this.

So, $l_1(y)$ is define as $a_0 y(\alpha) + a_1 y'(\alpha) + b_0 y(\beta) + b_1 y'(\beta) = 0$. So, we can summarize it to right $l_1(y) = 0$. Similarly, this as $l_2(y) = 0$. So, we have a homogenous differential equation and homogenous boundary condition and you already know that 0 solutions satisfy this. But we are interested in finding the non-trivial solution. In trivial solution already exists that is 0 solution.

How to find out non-trivial solution? So, we try to first find out the condition under which we have a non-trivial solution for this homogenous boundary value problem. So for that let y_1 and $y_2(\beta)$ any 2 linearly independent solution of the differential equation then the homogenous boundary value problem 4 and 5 has only the trivial solution if and only if this term is, this quantity is different from 0.

If this quantity is = 0 then we may have more than one solution but in case when this quantity Δ is non-zero then we have only and only trivial solution. So, let us prove this.

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Theorem 8

Consider the differential equation $p_0(x)y'' + p_1(x)y' + p_2(x)y = 0$ (y1, y2) both linear in y (4)

with

$l_1[y] = a_0 y(\alpha) + a_1 y'(\alpha) + b_0 y(\beta) + b_1 y'(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow l_1(y) = 0$

 $l_2[y] = c_0 y(\alpha) + c_1 y'(\alpha) + d_0 y(\beta) + d_1 y'(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow l_2(y) = 0$ (5)

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So, proof is quite simple. You simply say that your general solution is written as $y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$ because it is already given that y_1 and y_2 are 2 linearly independent solutions. So, general solution you can easily find out, so general solution given then. Now,

we can find out c_1, c_2 using the boundary condition. So, if you use boundary condition then $l_1[c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2]$ is $c_1 l_1[y_1] + c_2 l_1[y_2] = 0$.

Please look at here your boundary condition which is define as $l_1(y)$ and $l_2(y)$ this is a linear form, I will say. It means that this is a linear, in terms of your y alpha, y dash alpha, y beta and y dash beta. So, it means that I can easily check, in fact I request you to check that $l_1(y)$ and $l_2(y)$ are linear, are linear in argument that is y here. How you can check? You look at here.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 l_1(x) &= a_0 x(\alpha) + a_1 x'(\alpha) + b_0 x(\beta) + b_1 x'(\beta) \\
 l_1(r_1 x_1 + r_2 x_2) &= r_1 l_1(x_1) + r_2 l_1(x_2) \\
 &= a_0 (r_1 x_1 + r_2 x_2)(\alpha) + a_1 (r_1 x_1 + r_2 x_2)'(\alpha) + b_0 (r_1 x_1 + r_2 x_2)(\beta) \\
 &\quad + b_1 (r_1 x_1 + r_2 x_2)'(\beta) \\
 &= r_1 [a_0 x_1(\alpha) + a_1 x_1'(\alpha) + b_0 x_1(\beta) + b_1 x_1'(\beta)] \\
 &\quad + r_2 [a_0 x_2(\alpha) + a_1 x_2'(\alpha) + b_0 x_2(\beta) + b_1 x_2'(\beta)] \\
 &= r_1 l_1(x_1) + r_2 l_1(x_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

So, let me write it 1, $l_1(y) = a_0 y(\alpha) + a_1 y'(\alpha) + b_0 y(\beta) + b_1 y'(\beta)$ and we want to check whether it is linear in terms of y or not. For that you write $l_1(y)$ alpha $y + \beta$, alpha is we have already taken, so let us use some other, so let us say you say r_1 and r_2 . So, let us say $r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2$. And we want to check whether it is $r_1 l_1(y_1) + r_2 l_1(y_2)$. If it is then we say that l_1 is a linear in terms of y .

And that you can easily check that it is actually satisfying this. Let me write it here. So, this is what this I am writing as $a_0 y(\alpha) + a_1 y'(\alpha) + b_0 y(\beta) + b_1 y'(\beta)$ define at $(\alpha) + a_1 (r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2)'(\alpha) + b_0 (r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2)(\beta) + b_1 (r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2)'(\beta) =$, now this if you simplify it is what? Here, $r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2$ given at alpha is what? $r_1 y_1(\alpha) + r_2 y_2(\alpha)$.

So, we can simplify and we can write it r_1 and here we have $a_0 y_1(\alpha)$ that you can easily check. So, this we are taking and here we are taking. So, here $a_1 y_1'(\alpha) +$ look at this term. Here we have $b_0 y_1(\beta) +$ here we have $b_1 y_1'(\beta) +$ look at r_2 . So, here r_2 look at the last term. So, here if you look at this then we have $a_0 y_2(\alpha) +$ look at this

term, so it is $y_2''(\alpha) * a_1 +$ this term that is $b_0 y_2(\beta) +$ this term, that is $b_1 y_2'(\beta)$.

So, this is what r_1 and if you look at this is what l_1 in terms of $y_1 + r_2$. Now, look at this, this is what $l_1(y_2)$. So, we have proved or we have shown that $l_1 r_1 y_1 + r_2 y_2 = r_1 l_1 y_1 + r_2 l_1 y_2$. So, it means that l_1 similarly we can prove that l_2 also is a linear in terms of y . So, we are going to utilize this.

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Proof.

Any solution of the differential equation can be written as

$$y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x).$$

This is a solution of the problem (4), (5) if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ l_1 & l_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 &= c_1 h_1 y_1 + c_2 h_1 y_2 = 0 \\ l_1 c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 &= c_1 l_1 y_1 + c_2 l_1 y_2 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

System (7) has only the trivial solution if and only if $\Delta \neq 0$. □

So, here we simply say that $l_1 (c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2)$ now using linear what $c_1 l_1 y_1 + c_2 l_1 y_2 = 0$ and $l_2 (c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2) = c_1 l_2 (y_1) + c_2 l_2 (y_2) = 0$. Now, to find out a non-trivial solution we must have that we should have a non-trivial value of c_1 and c_2 . Non-trivial values of c_1 c_2 means non-zero values of c_1 and c_2 . So, here we have this and l_1 , so we simply say that we will get a non-zero value provided the c_1 let me write this equation, right.

So, this is what $ax = b$ kind of thing. So, here we have c_1 c_2 and here we have what $l_1(y_1)$ $l_1(y_2)$ $l_2(y_1)$ $l_2(y_2)$ and here we have 0 0 . So, we have $ax = 0$ kind of thing. So, here this will have an only a trivial solution provided that determined of this coefficient is basically non-zero. So, we say that this system has an only a trivial solution provided that determinant is non-zero, right.

So, that is the contain of this theorem that this homogenous boundary value problem will have a trivial solution if and only if this quantity delta is non-zero. Determinant of this value is non-zero. So that is one, so if it is 0 then we may have more than one solution.

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Corollary 9
 The homogeneous boundary value problem (4), (5) has an infinite number of nontrivial solutions if and only if $\Delta = 0$. ✓

Example 10
 Consider the following BVP
 $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0$, along with the boundary conditions
 $y(0) = 0, y(\pi) = 0$.

This BVP has an infinite number of solutions $y(x) = ce^{-x} \sin x$

Handwritten notes:
 $y_1 = e^{-x} \sin x, y_2 = e^{-x} \cos x$
 $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} \sin x + c_2 e^{-x} \cos x$
 $\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} \dots \end{bmatrix}$
 $(m^2 + 2m + 2)e^{mx} = 0$
 $[(m+1)^2 + 1]e^{mx} = 0$

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In fact, we may have infinitely many solutions. So, that is the contain of this that the homogenous boundary value problem has an infinite number of non-trivial solution if and only if delta is = 0. So, we have just taken the half way, you have to prove the remaining part. So, we say that if delta that quantity is 0 then we have infinitely many solutions if delta is non-zero then we have only at this. But it will always have a solution.

So, let us consider one example, that is $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0$. Boundary condition is given as $y(0) = 0$ and $y(\pi) = 0$ and to find out the solution here we simply first find out the general solution of this for finding the general solution of this we can use, we can find out the solution by given method. So, here you can simply say that here solution is given as $e^{-x} \sin x$, you can call it y_1 and y_2 as $e^{-x} \cos x$.

And that you can simply check that it is what you can write it. Your auxiliary equation is $(m^2 + 2m + 2)e^{mx} = 0$ and it is $(m+1)^2 + 1 e^{mx} = 0$ when you put y as e^{mx} as a solution here then you will get this as a solution. So, this quantity has to be 0 and using the boundary condition you can fix it. But if you look at here I just want to go aback again.

Because here, if you look at this is depending on the boundary condition basically, it is not depending on say solutions. you take y_1 and y_2 are any 2 linearly independent solutions but this delta is depending on the boundary condition rather than its specific initial, its specific

solution of this boundary value problem. So, it is very much centric about the boundary condition rather than your solutions.

So, here you can take any 2 linearly independent solutions and you can easily check this. So, let me take solutions as e to power $-x \sin x$ and e to power $-x \cos$ of x and that you can easily check. So, general solution you can find out $y(x) = c_1 e$ to power $-x \sin(x) + c_2 e$ to power $-x \cos(x)$. Now, we have already condition, $l_1(y) = 0$. So, you can look at the delta here, delta is what? l_1 . So let me write it, what is l_1 here?

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The slide contains the following handwritten mathematical work:

$$\begin{aligned}
 l_1(y) &= y(0) = 0 \\
 l_2(y) &= y(\pi) = 0 \\
 y(x) &= c_1 \frac{e^{-x} \cos x}{x_1} + c_2 \frac{e^{-x} \sin x}{x_2} \\
 l_1(y_1) &= 1 & l_2(y_1) &= -e^{-\pi} \\
 l_1(y_2) &= 0 & l_2(y_2) &= 0 \\
 \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} l_1(y_1) & l_1(y_2) \\ l_2(y_1) & l_2(y_2) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -e^{-\pi} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Additional notes on the right side of the slide:

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_1 &= 0 \\
 y(0) &= 0 \\
 y(\pi) &= 0 = c_2 e^{-\pi} \sin \pi \\
 c_2 &= ?? \\
 K &\in \mathbb{R}
 \end{aligned}$$

So here $l_1(y)$ is basically $y(0)$, right and $l_2(y)$ is $y(\pi)$ and it is given as 0. And $y(x)$ is already given $c_1 e$ to power $-x \cos$ of $x + c_2 e$ to power $-x \sin$ of x . So, we can easily check $l_1(y_1)$ is basically what y_1 is this y_2 is this. Let me see whether it where I have defined, okay. So, you can easily check your what is $l_1(y_1)$. So, let me write it y_1 is this y_2 is this. So, $l_1(y_1)$ is basically what? e to power $-x \cos x$ defines at 0. So, that is going to be what?

It is going to be one only. Is that okay? Now, $l_1(y_2)$ is what? $l_1(y_2)$ is going to be 0. So, this is going to be 0. Then $l_2(y_1)$ means this define at π . So, it is e to power $-\pi \cos$ of π is -1 , so it is $-e^{-\pi}$. $l_2(y_2)$ is going to be again 0. So, now look at the determinant, determinant is $l_1(y_1) l_1(y_2) l_2(y_1) l_2(y_2)$ that determinant that this is your delta.

So, this $l_1(y_1)$ is basically 1, $l_1(y_2)$ is 0 and this is what e to power $-\pi \cos \pi$ and this is 0 and you can see that it is having what? It is 0 basically. So, it means that this delta is

coming out to be 0. So, it means that our theory says that it has infinitely many number of solution and you can easily check that your infinitely many solution is given by $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} \sin x$. How can you check that?

So, this theorem simply says that it has infinite number of solution. How to find out? That is up to you, means you have a general solution and you have boundary condition you can easily find out the solution. Let me say that here your condition, your general solution is this then $y_0 = 0$ means here you simply say that c_1 has to be 0, using $y_0 = 0$. Now, $y(\pi) = 0$ let us use this and how to see then this is what c_1 is 0 means only c_2 is there.

So, $c_2 e^{-\pi} \sin \pi$ here and $\sin \pi$ is simply 0. So, $0 = c_2 * 0$. So, c_2 you can take any value. So, let us say K belongs to \mathbb{R} . So, here we simply say that your solution is $c_2 e^{-x} \sin x$ and c_2 is coming from \mathbb{R} . So, we can say that here we have infinitely many solution and given by this and this we have checked using delta. Here delta is coming out to be 0 and so we have infinitely many solutions.

So, we have seen that in the homogenous boundary value problem when we have a one solution, trivial solution or a non-trivial solution, infinite number of non-trivial solution. Now, let us look at the nonhomogeneous boundary value problem with nonhomogeneous boundary condition.

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Theorem 11

The nonhomogeneous boundary value problem

$$p_0(x)y'' + p_1(x)y' + p_2(x)y = r(x)$$

with nonhomogeneous boundary conditions

$$l_1[y] = a_0y(\alpha) + a_1y'(\alpha) + b_0y(\beta) + b_1y'(\beta) = A$$

$$l_2[y] = c_0y(\alpha) + c_1y'(\alpha) + d_0y(\beta) + d_1y'(\beta) = B$$

has a unique solution if and only if the homogeneous boundary value problem (4), with homogeneous boundary conditions (5) has only the trivial solution.

So, the nonhomogeneous boundary value problem $p_0(x)y'' + p_1(x)y' + p_2(x)y = r(x)$ and nonhomogeneous boundary condition is given $l_1(y) = a$ and $l_2(y) = b$. This

has a unique solution, if and only if the homogenous boundary value problem with homogenous boundary conditions has only the trivial solution.

So, that is why whatever we have discussed is going to be very useful in finding the unique solution for nonhomogeneous boundary value problem. So, if we have a homogenous boundary value problem has a trivial solution then nonhomogeneous boundary value problem will have a unique solution. So, let us see how the proof goes.

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Proof.
 Let $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ be any two linearly independent solutions of the differential equation (4) and $z(x)$ be a particular solution of (1). Then the general solution of (1) can be written as

$$y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + z(x). \quad (10)$$

This is a solution of the problem (6.6), (32.1) if and only if $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 l_1(y_1) + c_2 l_1(y_2) = 0 \\ c_1 l_2(y_1) + c_2 l_2(y_2) = 0 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} l_1[c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + z] &= c_1 l_1[y_1] + c_2 l_1[y_2] + l_1[z] = A \\ l_2[c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + z] &= c_1 l_2[y_1] + c_2 l_2[y_2] + l_2[z] = B. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

However, nonhomogeneous system (11) has a unique solution if and only if $\Delta \neq 0$, i.e., if and only if the homogeneous system (7) has only the trivial solution and $\Delta \neq 0$ is equivalent to the homogeneous boundary value problem (4), (5) having only the trivial solution. $\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} l_1(y_1) & l_1(y_2) \\ l_2(y_1) & l_2(y_2) \end{bmatrix} \neq 0 \quad c_i = 0 \quad c_2$

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So, let us look at y_1 and y_2 be any 2 linear independent solution of the differential equation 4 means your homogeneous part and $z(x)$ be a particular solution of nonhomogeneous equation that is this. So, $z(x)$ is a particular solution of this nonhomogeneous boundary value problem, this and it will satisfy this. So, it means that then the general solution of 1 can be written as $y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + Z(x)$.

So, it means that this is the general solution of this along with boundary condition. Now, since it satisfy the boundary condition, so we write $l_1(c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + z) = A$ and $l_2(c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + z) = B$. Because if, okay so, it satisfy this condition because y is a general solution of the nonhomogeneous boundary value problem. So, if you simplify this you simply say that since $l_1(z) = A$ and $l_2(z) = B$.

So, this equation number 11 deal through this $c_1 l_1(y_1) + c_2 l_2(y_2) = 0$ and $c_1 l_2(y_1)$, sorry this is $a(l_1) + c_2 l_2(y_2) = 0$ and remember this is precisely the term we say that this = 0 means this implies that the homogenous part has a trivial solution provided that this delta which is

given as $l_1(y_1) l_1(y_2), l_2(y_1) l_2(y_2)$ this determinant is non-zero. So, if this determinant is non-zero then you may have $c_1 = c_2$, we have a trivial solution for homogenous part.

When you put a trivial solution for homogeneous part then this will simply say that this will cancel and we have $y(x) = z(x)$ as the only solution. So, we say that nonhomogeneous system (11) has a unique solution if and only if Δ is non-zero. Because if Δ is non-zero then we have $c_1 = c_2 = 0$ and we have only solution given as $y(x) = z(x)$.

So, we can say that this nonhomogeneous system has unique solution if and only Δ is non-zero and we can say that if and only if the homogeneous system has only the trivial solution and $\Delta \neq 0$ is the equivalent to the homogeneous boundary value problem having only the trivial solution. That is what we want to conclude from this equation.

So from 11, you can conclude that trivial solution for homogeneous boundary value problem is equivalent to say that we have a unique solution for nonhomogeneous boundary value problem with nonhomogeneous boundary condition. So, let us take one example based on this.

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Example

Example 14



Consider the boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 y'' + 7xy' + 3y &= 0 \\ y(1) &= 1 \\ y(2) &= 2 \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Solution: General solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 x^{-3+\sqrt{6}} + c_2 x^{-3-\sqrt{6}} \quad (16)$$

Now, $y(1) = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = 1$ and $y(2) = 2 \Rightarrow c_1 2^{-3+\sqrt{6}} + c_2 2^{-3-\sqrt{6}} = 1$.



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So let us consider this example, consider the boundary value problem $x^2 y'' + 7xy' + 3y = 0$ with the nonhomogeneous boundary condition that is $y(1) = 1$ and $y(2) = 2$. And we can simply say that since it is an equation we can easily find out our solution is given in terms of x to power R kind of thing.

So, for which values of R, x to power R is a solution that we have already discussed and we can easily see that $y(x) = c_1 x^{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}}+3} + c_2 x^{2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}}$ is a general solution of this. So, this I am leaving it to you that how to find out a general solution of this. Now, let us proceed further and we want to find out $y_1 = 1$ and if you use the condition $y_1 = 1$ then $c_1 + c_2 = 1$ and $y_2 = 2$ means $c_1 2^{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}}+3} + c_2 2^{2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}} = 1$ and we want to find out the c_1 and c_2 for which it has a solution.

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On solving, we get

$$c_1 = \frac{2 - 2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}}{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}} = \frac{16 - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}}{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}} - 2}{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}} = \frac{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 16}{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}}$$

By putting these values in (16), we find the solution of (15) as

$$y(x) = \frac{16 - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}}{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}} x^{-3+\sqrt{6}} + \frac{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 16}{2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}} x^{-3-\sqrt{6}}$$

So, you just look at the value of c_1 . c_1 is here you can simply say $c_1(x)^{1-3}$ to put it back and you can simplify. So, here you can get c_1 as $2 - 2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}$ / this quantity and if you simplify or you simply say that take this term out, 2^{-3} common then you will get that c_1 is $16 - 2^{-\sqrt{6}} / 2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}$.

Similarly, in c_2 also we take 2^{-3} out and you will get c_2 as $2^{\sqrt{6}} - 16$ upon $2^{\sqrt{6}} - 2^{-\sqrt{6}}$. And once we have c_1 and c_2 you can write on the solution general solution as this $y(x) =$ this and since now c_1 and c_2 are particular values then we can call this as a solution of the initial value problem and you can say that this is a unique solution of the boundary value problem here.

And this we simply say that since we are getting a unique solution because the homogenous boundary value problem has a trivial solution. How we can check? You put $y_1 = 0$ and $y_2 = 0$ and when you put $y_1 = 0$ and $y_2 = 0$ then we have $c_1 + c_2 = 0$ and $c_1 2^{2^{-3+\sqrt{6}}+3} + c_2 2^{2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}} = 0$. So, here we can easily check that this is what 1 and $2^{-3+\sqrt{6}}$ and $2^{-3-\sqrt{6}}$ this is your delta, right.

And if you look at the value is going to be what, this delta is not coming out to be, this is coming out to be non-zero value. So, we simply say that since homogeneous boundary value problem has a trivial solution then nonhomogeneous boundary value problem has a unique solution and we have not only prove that it has a unique solution we also have find out the unique solution here.

So, with this we conclude our lecture here. In next class will continue our study of boundary value problem. Thank you for listening us, thank you.