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Lecture - 5
Linear Differential Equation of Second Order – Part - 2

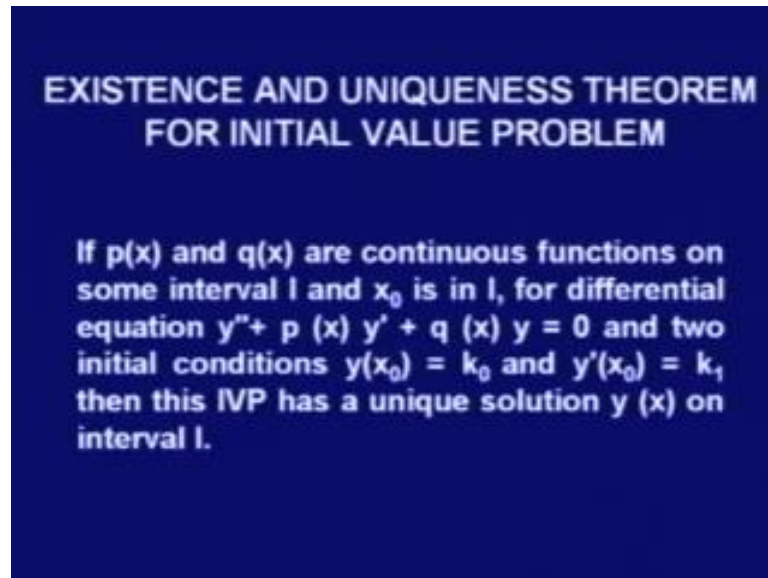
Welcome to lecture series on differential equations for under graduate students. Today's lecture is in continuation of Linear Differential Equations of Second Order. In last lecture, we had learnt about these equations, moreover we have learnt how to solve linear differential equation with constant coefficient of second order. We will learn something more about these equations, as well we will also learn in today's lecture about non-homogeneous equations. So, first we will learn about the existence and uniqueness of the solution of initial value problem.

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Here we are not going to find out, that is what these conditions are rather, we will state a result about under which conditions the solution of initial value problem, does exist, and under what circumstances that solution would be unique.

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So, the result here is Existence and uniqueness theorem for initial value problem. If $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are continuous functions on some interval I , and x_0 is in I . For differential equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$, and two initial conditions, that is function y at x_0 is k_0 . And the derivative of y at x_0 is k_1 , then this initial value problem has a unique solution $y(x)$ on interval I .

We have learnt it that this solution unique solution of this initial value problem, is called the particular solution, and this particular solution, we can obtain, by giving specific value, to the general constants, in the general solution. How we are obtaining those constant values or this, particular solution, what we are doing is, we are putting this initial condition, to the general solution and then find out the values for those constants.

So, now we will learn that one, we had learnt that general solution, for second order equations, contains two linearly independent solutions, those two linearly independent solutions, we are obtaining by some methods. We are checking that those solutions, which we have obtained for the second order equations, whether they are, independent or not, for that, either we had implied the basic definition of linear independents of function or we had learn one more thing, that is those two solutions are not proportional. Today we will learn something more about this, linear independence of solution, which is known as Wronskian or Wronski determinant.

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WRONSKIAN

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$
$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2$$

Linear Independence

The two solution y_1 and y_2 will be linearly independent if $W(y_1, y_2) \neq 0$ some $x \in I$.

What we do call the Wronskian, Wronskian for the, second order equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$. If it has two solutions y_1 and y_2 , then the Wronskian of y_1 and y_2 is being given, as a determinant whose first row contains, y_1 and y_2 the two solutions. And the second row contains the derivative of those two solutions, of course, we do know the is equal to $y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2$, this is called the Wronskian, and how you are checking the linear independence. If this Wronskian is, not 0 for any value of, x naught in the interval I , then we say that, on that interval I , the two solutions y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent.

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Some Properties of Wronskian

Given two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ that are differentiable on some interval I

- 1) if $W(f, g)(x_0) \neq 0$. for some x_0 in I , then $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are linearly independent on I
- 2) If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are linearly dependent on I then $W(f, g) = 0 \forall x$ in I .

Some more properties of this Wronskian, given two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, that are differentiable, on some interval I . The Wronskian of f and g at some point x_0 , is not 0 for some x_0 in I , then we call that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are linearly independent, on I . Moreover, if $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are linearly dependent on I , then this Wronskian of, f and g would be 0 for our x in I , so we see is, that is, if it is linearly dependent we will get, Wronskian of f and g to be, 0 for all x , and if it is linearly independent I could find out, at x_0 some x_0 , where it is not 0. Now, one special property, which we are using for the differential equation that is called Abel's theorem.

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Abel's Theorem

If $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ are two solutions to

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

then the Wronskian of two solutions is

$$W(y_1, y_2)(x) = W(y_1, y_2)(x_0) e^{-\int_{x_0}^x p(x) dx}$$

for some x_0 .

What is that, if y_1 and y_2 are two solutions to the, differential equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$. Then, the Wronskian of the two solution is, at some point x_0 that is, $W(y_1, y_2)(x)$ is equal to $W(y_1, y_2)(x_0)$ into e to the power integral minus 0 to x $p(x) dx$. We can show this result also, so we have going to, proof this.

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Proof} \\ & y'' + p y' + q y = 0 \\ & \square y_1 \text{ \& } y_2 \text{ are two solution} \\ & \therefore y_1'' + p y_1' + q y_1 = 0 \text{ \& } y_2'' + p y_2' + q y_2 = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow (y_2'' y_1 - y_1'' y_2) + p (y_2' y_1 - y_1' y_2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The differential equation $y'' + p y' + q y = 0$, we have been given, that it has two solutions y_1 and y_2 . Since, they are two solutions, so they would satisfy, our differential equation, what it says is that, $y'' + p y' + q y = 0$ and $y_2'' + p y_2' + q y_2 = 0$. Now, from these two equations, if I eliminate, the term containing q , that is I would multiply the first equation by y_2 , and the second equation by y_1 and subtract. Then what we would get, we would get $y_2 y_1'' - y_1 y_2'' + p (y_2 y_1' - y_1 y_2') = 0$.

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$$\begin{aligned} W &= \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2 \\ W' &= y_1' y_2' + y_1 y_2'' - y_1' y_2'' - y_1'' y_2' = y_1 y_2'' - y_1'' y_2' \\ (y_2'' y_1 - y_1'' y_2) + p (y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1') &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow W' + pW &= 0 \\ W(x) &= W(x_0) e^{-\int_{x_0}^x p(x) dx} \end{aligned}$$

Now, let us see what we have obtained, again come back to our Wronskian, it is $y_1 y_2$, that is $y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2$. Now, if I differentiate this function, because this is a function of x , if I differentiate with respect to x , what I would get, $y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2 + y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2 + y_1 y_2$, that is $y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2$. Since, $y_1 y_2 - y_1 y_2$ is, getting cancel it out.

Now we see, what the equation, we had obtained by eliminating q , we had obtained, $y_2 - y_1 - y_2 + p y_1 y_2 - y_2 y_1$ is equal to 0. Now, we see that, the coefficient of p is nothing but, the Wronskian, and what we are getting, here the constant term that is nothing but, the derivative of the Wronskian, now, these are function of x .

So, we can write this equation as, $W' + p w$ is equal to 0, where W' is the derivative of W with respect to x , that says is that, we are getting, a differential equation with respect to w . Now, what we are having is, now this is first order equation, we do know how to solve it, the solution of this, is $W(x) e^{-\int p(x) dx}$. We do know that, the solution we do know, and we do know this is, what we have replaced $W(x)$, as the constant, which we are having, that we had replaced with the particular value, x .

How we could this particular value, if I been given the value of, W at a particular value x , so this is what, we are getting as a solution this we do know, that is what that Abel's theorem says. Now, from here, what we are getting the result that is, if w at some x is not 0, I would get that, $W(x)$ will never be 0, since this whatever we this part, this will never be 0 for any value of x , that says is, for linearly independent I require, $w(x)$ to be not 0 for, only a single point, while when and they are linearly dependent, they would be 0 for all x . Now, let us see one example how we are using this, Wronskian to find out, the linear independence.

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EXAMPLE
Find the general solution of
 $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$

SOLUTION

The characteristic equation:
 $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$

Double root: $\lambda = 1$

The two solutions: $y_1 = e^x$, $y_2 = xe^x$

Find the general solution of, $y'' - 2y' + y = 0$, this is, a linear differential equation with constant coefficients, we do know how to solve it. So, solution let us see, what is the characteristic equation, that would be $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$. Now, we do know, this is nothing but, the $(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0$, so I would the double root $\lambda = 1$. We already know that, the two solutions for this, we are taking as, e^x and $x e^x$. Now, we have wanted to check, that these two solutions are linearly independent and we would imply the method of Wronskian.

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$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & xe^x \\ e^x & e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= e^{2x} + xe^{2x} - xe^{2x} = e^{2x} \neq 0$$

Hence y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent.

$$\frac{y_1}{y_2} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Hence general solution:

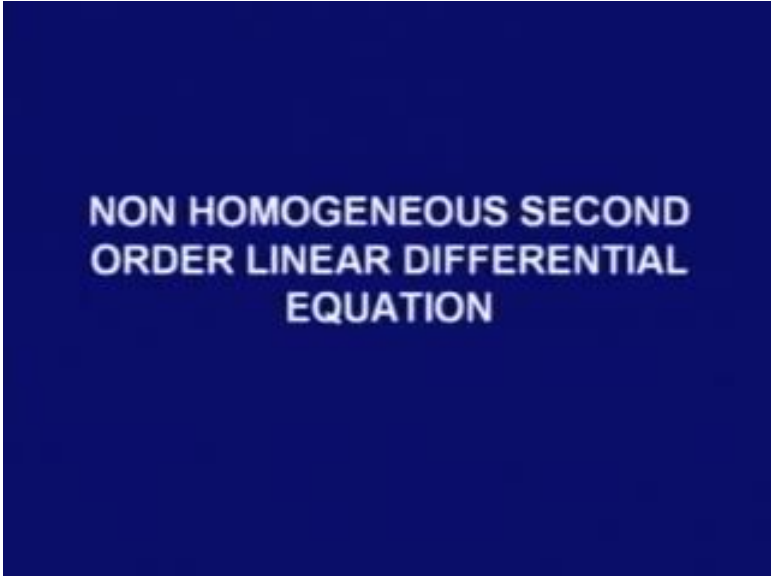
$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$$

So we will find out the, Wronskian determinant for these two solutions, so what it would be, e to the power x that is the first solution, then the second solution x times e to the power x . And second row, the derivative of e to the power x , that is e to the power x , derivative of x times e to the power x , that is e to the power plus x times e to the power x , if I calculate, what is the value of this determinant, that would be e to the power $2x$ plus x times e to the power $2x$ minus x times e to the power $2x$, that is equal to e to the power $2x$.

That is, not 0 for any value of x , this says is that the two solutions e to the power x and x times e to the power x they are linearly independent. We know that, we had already checked it, using the method of constant proportion, so if I take, the ratio of e to the power x and x times e to the power x , that is coming out to be, $1/x$, which is not a constant. So, this also we do know, from the first method, of not proportion that, they are linearly independent.

So, what will be the general solution of this given equation, that would be $c_1 e$ to the power x plus $c_2 x$ times e to the power x . Now, we had learned about the, linear independence by one more method, that is called Wronski determinant or Wronskian, now we will move to the, Non Homogeneous equations.

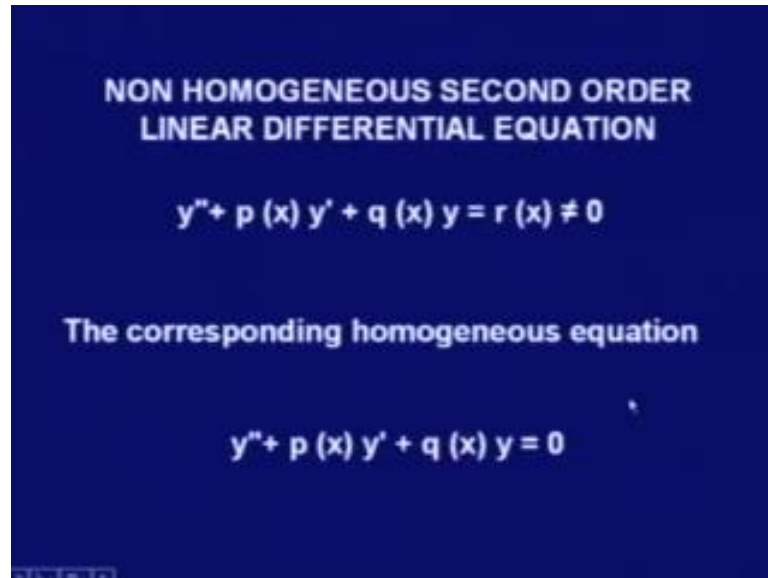
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**NON HOMOGENEOUS SECOND
ORDER LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL
EQUATION**

So, first we will do, non homogenous second order linear differential equations, what they are, we do know that they are, second order linear differential equations, with right hand side not to be 0.

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**NON HOMOGENEOUS SECOND ORDER
LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x) \neq 0$$

The corresponding homogeneous equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

That is, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$ and I should have, that $r(x)$ should not be 0, this we do, now we learn about that is, what we are going to solve this. So, what we say is, one more term we are associating with this, that is corresponding homogenous equation, where I will take the equation as such, but the right hand side as, 0. This is called the corresponding homogenous equation, for this non homogeneous equation, or sometimes it also referred as, associated homogenous equation. So, this equation, we are obtaining as the same equation, but the right hand side $r(x)$, we have made it here 0.

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THEOREM

Suppose $Y_1(x)$ and $Y_2(x)$ are two solution of

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

and $y_1(x)$, $y_2(x)$ are fundamental set of solution of the corresponding homogenous differential equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

Then, $Y_1(x) - Y_2(x)$ is its the solution and can be written as

$$Y_1(x) - Y_2(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$$

What we, get one result, that suppose, capital Y 1 and capital Y 2 are two solutions, of non homogeneous equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$. And, suppose y_1 and y_2 are fundamental set of solution of, corresponding homogeneous differential equation, that is $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$. Here, what we have taken, that is y_1 and y_2 are the fundamental set that means, they are linearly independent solution of, this homogenous equation.

Then capital Y 1 minus Y 2, is also a solution of, this homogenous equation, and since it is a solution of this homogenous equation. It can be written as a linear combination of the fundamental set of solution, that is $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$, that is I could write, capital Y 1 minus capital Y 2, as $c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$. Again, this is again a simple result, which we can show here, by the knowledge, whatever we are knowing, so let us proof it.

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PROOF

$$\square (Y_1(x) - Y_2(x))'' = Y_1''(x) - Y_2''(x),$$

$$(Y_1(x) - Y_2(x))' = Y_1'(x) - Y_2'(x)$$

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

$$Y_1''(x) - Y_2''(x) + p(x)(Y_1'(x) - Y_2'(x)) + q(x)(Y_1(x) - Y_2(x))$$

$$= Y_1''(x) + p(x)Y_1'(x) + q(x)Y_1(x) - (Y_2''(x) + p(x)Y_2'(x) + q(x)Y_2(x)) = r(x) - r(x) = 0$$

$\therefore Y_1(x) - Y_2(x)$ is solution

$\therefore Y_1 - Y_2 = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ for some c_1 & c_2

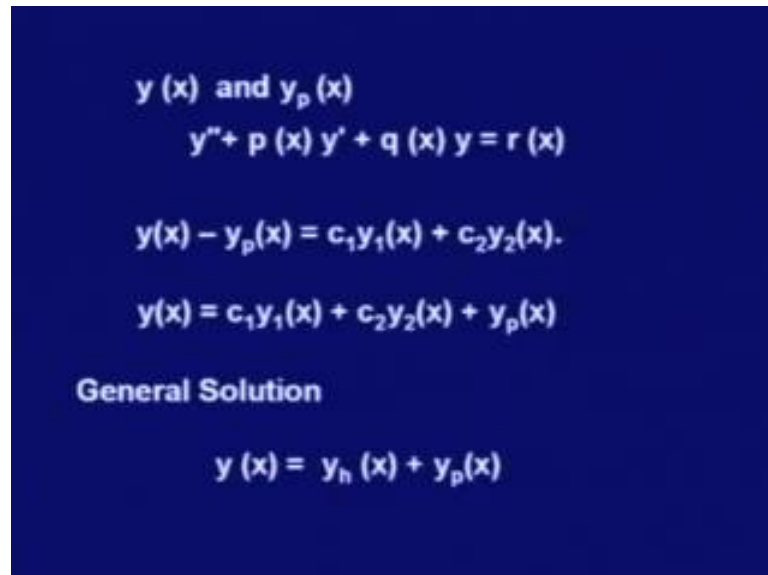
Since $Y_1(x)$ and $Y_2(x)$, second derivative would be nothing but, the second derivative of Y_1 minus second derivative of Y_2 , and the derivative of Y_1 minus Y_2 is nothing but, the derivative of Y_1 minus derivative one of Y_2 . we will substitute this, in our homogeneous equation, that is $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$, since we want to show that, $Y_1 - Y_2$ is a solution of the homogenous equation.

Let us substitute it, what do we get, $Y_1'' - Y_2'' + p(x)(Y_1' - Y_2') + q(x)(Y_1 - Y_2)$. Now, rearrange the terms, first I write the terms, corresponding to Y_1 , that is $Y_1'' + p(x)Y_1' + q(x)Y_1$, then minus $Y_2'' + p(x)Y_2' + q(x)Y_2$. Now, the first term, which we are having this is, since capital Y_1 is the solution of non homogenous equation that means, this first, terms what we are having, that would be, that would be, equal to the right hand side of non homogenous equation, that is $r(x)$.

Similarly, the second term will also be the, non homogenous, solution of non homogenous equation, that is it should also be equal to $r(x)$, that says is $r(x) - r(x)$ will get 0. What it says, if I am substituting in this equation, $Y_1 - Y_2$, I am getting right hand side equal to 0, that says, $Y_1 - Y_2$ is satisfying this equation, which says that, it is a solution. Now, since it is a solution, we can write it is as a, linear combination of, the fundamental set of solutions, that is i could write it as, $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$ for some c

1 and c_2 . Now, from here, what we could get, we could get one more result, see what we could do, let us say.

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$y(x)$ and $y_p(x)$
 $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$
 $y(x) - y_p(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$
 $y(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x) + y_p(x)$
General Solution
 $y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p(x)$

Let us consider, the two solutions y and $y_p(x)$, what are they, they are actually, we are taking, this non homogeneous equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$. And let us say, y is a general solution of this non homogeneous equation, and $y_p(x)$ is a particular solution of this non homogeneous equation, so now what we are getting; we are getting, this as c_1y_1 , this as c_2y_2 . The two solutions of non homogeneous equation, then by the previous result, we do know, that $y - y_p$, would be solution of, corresponding homogeneous equation.

Let us say that is, the fundamental set of homogeneous equation, solution of homogeneous equation, would be y_1 and y_2 that means this would be equal to $c_1y_1 + c_2y_2$. Now, from here, I could write, y as $c_1y_1 + c_2y_2 + y_p(x)$, so the first term $c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$ is nothing but, the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous equation. And, $y_p(x)$ is the particular solution of the non homogeneous equation.

That says is, the general solution of non homogeneous equation $y(x)$, I can write as $y_h(x) + y_p(x)$, where $y_h(x)$ is the, solution of homogeneous equation, that is $c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$, this is the general solution of associated homogeneous equation. And $y_p(x)$ is, a particular solution of, the non homogeneous equation, thus we are getting, now you see,

we had already learnt, how to find out, or that is these solutions y_1 and y_2 they are linearly independent. Now, this y_p , which we are saying, if I am keeping this in the general solution, this y_p should also be linearly independent of y_1 and y_2 . So, this is important thing over here, now we come to our, main theorem of non homogeneous equation.

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THE MAIN RESULT

GENERAL SOLUTION

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$
$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p(x)$$

$y_h(x)$ is the general solution of

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

And $y_p(x)$ is a particular solution of

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

This is about general solution, for a second order linear differential equation, which is non homogeneous, that is $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$. It is a solution, general solution can be given as, general solution of associated homogeneous equation plus particular solution of the, non homogeneous equation, that is $y(x)$ can be written as, $y_h(x) + y_p(x)$, where $y_h(x)$ is the general solution of, corresponding homogeneous equation, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ and $y_p(x)$ is a particular solution of, our non homogeneous equation. Now, what will be, the result about the particular solution.

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PARTICULAR SOLUTION

A particular solution of

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

is a solution obtained from

$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p(x)$$

by giving specific values to arbitrary constants c_1 and c_2 in $y_h(x)$.

The particular solution we do know, can be obtained from the, general solution $y_h(x)$ plus $y_p(x)$, by giving this specific values c_1 c_2 in the $y_h(x)$. Since, we do know that, $y_h(x)$ is the, general solution of associated homogeneous equation, $y_p(x)$ is a particular solution, so it is non containing any arbitrary constant. The arbitrary constants are over here, now if I keep this, c_1 and $c_2 = 0$, I will get only $y_p(x)$, that is the particular solution, which we are keeping over here, but that is not the only particular solution. We can obtain some other particular solutions as well, by giving some values to the c_1 and c_2 . So, what will happen to the initial value problem that is from there we will obtain this c_1 and c_2 , by putting the initial values in the general solution.

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The General Solution of Non-Homogeneous Equation Includes All Solutions

if $p(x)$, $q(x)$ and $r(x)$ are continuous on some open interval I , Then every solution of $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$ on I is obtained by giving suitable values to the arbitrary constants in general solution $y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p(x)$.

No Singular Solution!!

So, the general solution of, now one more result over here, the general solution of, non homogeneous equations, include all solutions, what this is what says, this says, if $p(x)$, $q(x)$ and $r(x)$ are continuous, on some open interval I . Then every solution of $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$ on I , is obtained by giving, suitable values to the arbitrary constants, in general solution $y_h(x) + y_p(x)$. That is, every solution of this non homogeneous equation, can be obtained through this general solution, it may imply, there is no singular solution.

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PRACTICAL CONCLUSION

To solve non homogeneous equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

or an initial value problem

➤ Solve the homogeneous equation

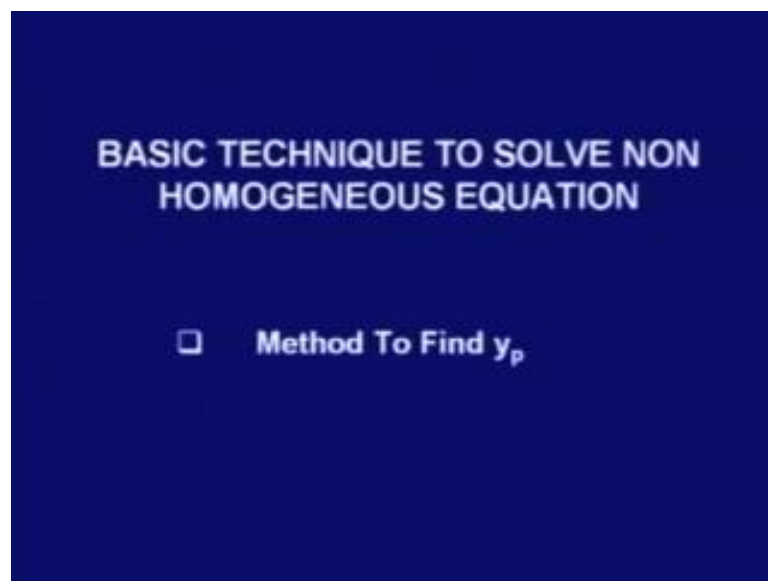
$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

➤ Find a particular solution y_p

Now, what we have drawn the practical conclusion out of these results, we have obtained that, to solve a non homogeneous equation, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$. First, or an initial value problem what we do, first we do, solve the homogeneous equation, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$, and find a particular solution y_p of non homogeneous equation, and then we do, keep it over there. We had, learnt the techniques to solve, homogeneous linear equations of course, there we have not done it, for general $p(x)$ and $q(x)$, we have done only for the, constants $p(x)$ and $q(x)$.

That's says is now, so let us, do first the examples we will do, about this constant, then we will learn about, functions as well. So, we do know this constants, we do know how to solve this homogeneous equations, but the things remain is, how to find out the particular solution for this non homogeneous equation, we will start with the basics.

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So, let us, first Find out that is, basic technique to solve the non homogenous equation, it is, method to find y_p , let us start with the as I said, with basics, so let us, start with an example.

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EXAMPLE

Find the general solution of
 $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 12e^x$

SOLUTION

Corresponding homogeneous equation:
 $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$

Characteristic equation: $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$

Roots: $\lambda = -1, -2$

Find the general solution of $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 12e^x$. We see, this is a linear equation, its coefficients are constants, but the right hand side is not 0 that is, it is non homogeneous. So, what we do is, first we will solve the associated homogeneous equation, what is the corresponding homogeneous equation, $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$. We do know, how to solve it, first we find out the characteristic equation, what is the characteristic equation, $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$. What are its roots of course, it is $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$, so it has two roots, minus 1 and minus 2, they are distinct real numbers. So, what will be the corresponding general solution of the homogeneous equation.

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y_h &= c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} \\ \text{Differential Equation: } & y'' + 3y' + 2y = 12e^x \\ \text{Particular solution } y_p : & \text{ Let, } y_p = A e^x \\ \Rightarrow y_p' &= A e^x \text{ and } y_p'' = A e^x \\ \text{Substitute in given equation:} & \\ A e^x (1 + 3 + 2) &= 12e^x \Rightarrow 6Ae^x = 12e^x \Rightarrow A = 2 \\ \therefore y_p &= 2e^x \quad \text{General Solution:} \\ y(x) &= y_h(x) + y_p(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + 2e^x \end{aligned}$$

That will be $c_1 e^{-x}$ plus $c_2 e^{-2x}$, now the differential equation was, $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 12e^x$. Now, I have to find out the particular solution, particular solution means, is that it should be a solution of this equation, now let us see right hand side we are having, the term e^x . So, now if I experiment with, e^x we do know, it is derivative, as well as double derivative, all are e^x .

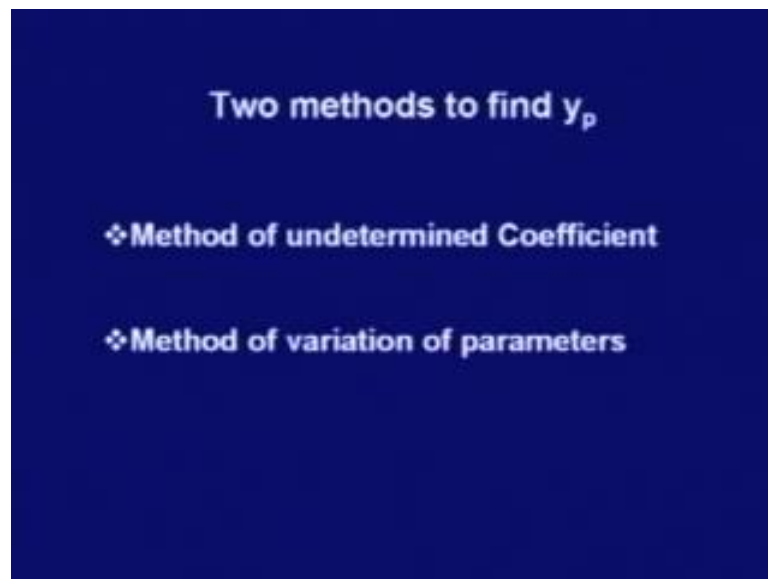
So, if I am substituting, so we can try like this one, so what we are doing is, we are taking particular solution as, $A e^x$. Because, I do not know, what will satisfy this equation that means, it should if I am putting e^x , I should get equal to $12e^x$. So, I have put, I have taken that as a constant, because e^x , I can obtain by, putting e^x , but this constant we have to obtain, so I have put here, a how to obtain this A .

Now, if I am assuming that, this is a solution this must satisfy this equation, so now I will, substitute y_p and y_p'' in this equation. So, what is y_p' $A e^x$ and y_p'' , that is again $A e^x$, let us substitute it. We would be getting is, $A e^x$, into $1 + 3 + 2$ is equal to $12e^x$, what it says, that $6A e^x = 12e^x$, which implies that, A must be 2 .

That is the particular solution should be, 2 times e to the power x, we can check that is satisfying this equation, so this is a particular solution. So, now what will be the, general solution of our non homogeneous equation, that would be the general solution of, homogeneous plus the particular solution. So, I get $c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{2x} + 2e^x$, so this is the general solution of homogeneous equation.

We can check, that if I substitute this function and its derivatives in this equation, for any value of c_1 and c_2 , that is take the general constant c_1 and c_2 , I will obtain, that is this will satisfy this equation, so this is a general solution of the non homogeneous equation. So, this is here we have done with, an example and the basic distinct, we have got, that is right hand side we had seen, that it is containing the term e to the power x and we had already experimented from the beginning of this course, with the function e to the power x, so we could do it.

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Now, let us learn, the methods to find out y_p , we will learn here the two methods to find out, this particular solution. The one method, method of undetermined coefficient, that is something like that, what we have done, in this example and there is another method, called method of variation of parameter. So, first we will learn, the method of undetermined coefficients.

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METHOD OF UNDETERMINED COEFFICIENT

- **Applicable: Equations with constant coefficient and $r(x)$ is of special form**
- $r(x) = e^{ax}$ or polynomial
- $r(x) = \cos(bx)$

What this method says is, this method is first let, let us learn, that is where this method is applicable this method is applicable in the equations with constant coefficient c . We would be dealing with, only linear equations with constant coefficients, and right hand side $r(x)$ that is also of a special form, that is special form, that is either $r(x)$ is of the form, e to the power $a x$ or it is a polynomial, or it may be a function of cosine or sine something like that, then only this method is applicable. Now, let us learn, what this method is, this method says is that, if $r(x)$ is of a special form, I would choose that, particular kind of y_p , how we are doing it.

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METHOD OF UNDETERMINED COEFFICIENT

Terms in $r(x)$	Choice of y_p
$ke^{\gamma x}$	$C e^{\gamma x}$
$kx^n (n=0,1,\dots)$	$K_n x^n + K_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + K_1 x + K_0$
$k \cos \omega x$ $k \sin \omega x$	$A \sin \omega x + B \cos \omega x$
$ke^{\alpha x} \cos \omega x$ $ke^{\alpha x} \sin \omega x$	$e^{\alpha x} (A \sin \omega x + B \cos \omega x)$

Let me summarise it, by a table, we say that is, if I do have the $r(x)$ as, k times e to the power γx , that as in our example, I was having 12 times e to the power x , that is γ was one. And, what I have choosed, I have choosed, the $y_p(x)$ e to the power x and a here, that says is that, if $r(x)$ has of the form k times e to the power γx , choose y_p as c times e to the power γx , if my $r(x)$ is containing the polynomials, that is here I have given the example as, k times x to the power n , then choice of y_p will be a polynomial of degree n .

See here, we are not taking, only k times x to the power n , we are taking the complete polynomial $k_0 + k_1 x + \dots + k_n x^n$. So, if it is the polynomial, or if it is some terms of polynomial, in the choice of y_p , we will always choose the complete polynomial of degree n . Then if, the terms in $r(x)$ are cosine or sine, that is k times $\cos(\omega x)$ or k times $\sin(\omega x)$, we would choose y_p as, $a \sin(\omega x) + b \cos(\omega x)$.

Again you see, my $r(x)$ may contain only cosine or only sine, but in the y_p , we would choose, both sine and cosine function. Now, if the term in the $r(x)$ is having, a multiple of e to the power αx and cosine or sine terms, we would be choosing y_p as $e^{\alpha x} (a \sin(\omega x) + b \cos(\omega x))$. That is now, what are the rules to apply this method, so we will learn some basic rules.

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Rules of this method are, first is called the basic rule.

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BASIC RULE

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

- If $r(x)$ is one of the function in the first column of the table .
- Choose corresponding function y_p in second column
- Find the value of undetermined coefficient by putting y_p and its derivatives in

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

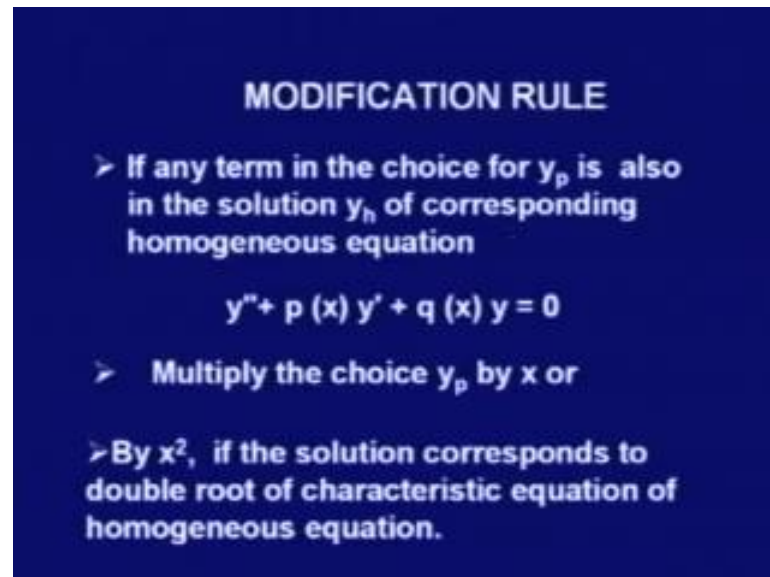
Basic rule, just now as I had explained you, that is for second order linear differential equation, which is non homogeneous $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$. If $r(x)$ is one of the function in the first column of the table, just now as I had explained, I would choose, corresponding function y_p in the second column. And, find the value of, undetermined coefficient by putting y_p and its derivative in the given equation.

So, we had got, that is by using that table, we can choose y_p , and as in our example what we have done, we had find out, the value of A , by putting y_p , y_p' and y_p'' in the equation and then we have determined what is A . So, here, whatever the undetermined coefficients k_1, k_2, k_3 and so on, we could find out, all of them by putting y_p and its derivatives, in the non homogeneous given differential equation, and solve for the, unknown coefficients that is why, it is called the method of, undetermined coefficients.

Now, you do remember, I said that, the general solution contains two things, one is general solution of associated homogeneous equation $y_h(x)$, and another is $y_p(x)$. Now, it would be the general solution that is says is, I should have y_p also linearly independent of the solutions, which we are having as Y_1 and Y_2 of the homogeneous equation. That says, sometimes it may happen, that is whatever I am getting, as the choice of y_p , that may turn out to be, one of the solution of the homogeneous equation.

Then of course, because here I am choosing it a constant time that function, that will not be, linearly independent of, the solutions of homogeneous one. So, how to solve this kind of problem, that says is the second rule, as modification rule.

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MODIFICATION RULE

- If any term in the choice for y_p is also in the solution y_h of corresponding homogeneous equation

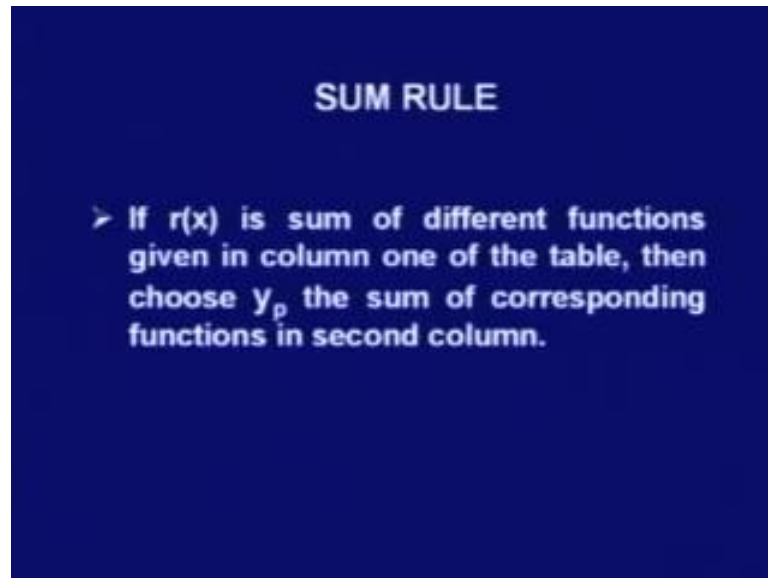
$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

- Multiply the choice y_p by x or
- By x^2 , if the solution corresponds to double root of characteristic equation of homogeneous equation.

It is says, if any term, in the choice for y_p is also in the solution, y_h of corresponding homogeneous equation, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$. Then, multiply the choice y_p by x or by x^2 , if the solution corresponds to the, double root of the, characteristic equation of the homogeneous equation, why we are doing it, say we can understand this very well, since, that particular solution is, also coming as, in the solution of homogeneous equation.

So, with a constant coefficient of course, we cannot get it as, linearly independent, so we have to multiply with x . Now, if it is solution corresponding to the double root then we do know that, x times that solution is also, coming as the fundamental solution. So, I have to multiply by x^2 , then there is one more rule, that is called Sum rule.

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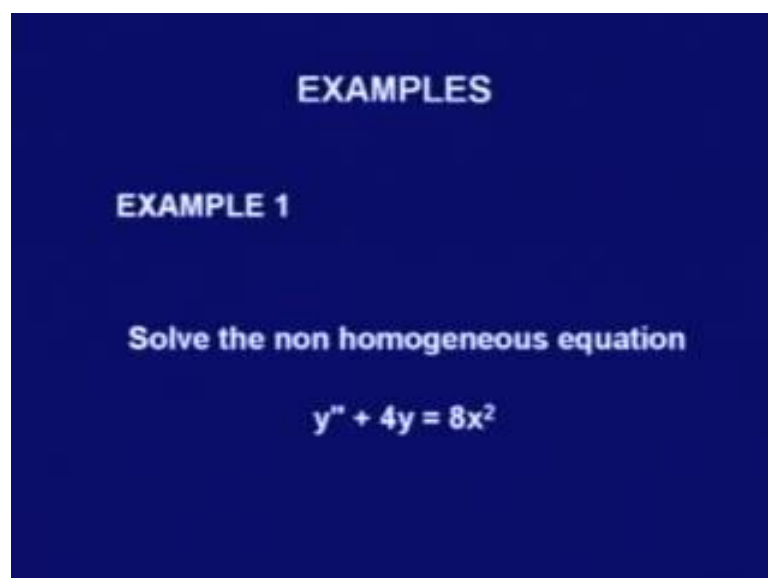


SUM RULE

➤ If $r(x)$ is sum of different functions given in column one of the table, then choose y_p the sum of corresponding functions in second column.

What it says is, I may have $r(x)$, that is $r(x)$ is sum of different functions given in the column one of the table, then choose y_p as the, sum of corresponding functions in the second column. Now, let us see, that is, how to use these rules and how to use this particular method, to find out the general solution of, non homogeneous equation, that we will see through some examples, so let us go with the examples.

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EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE 1

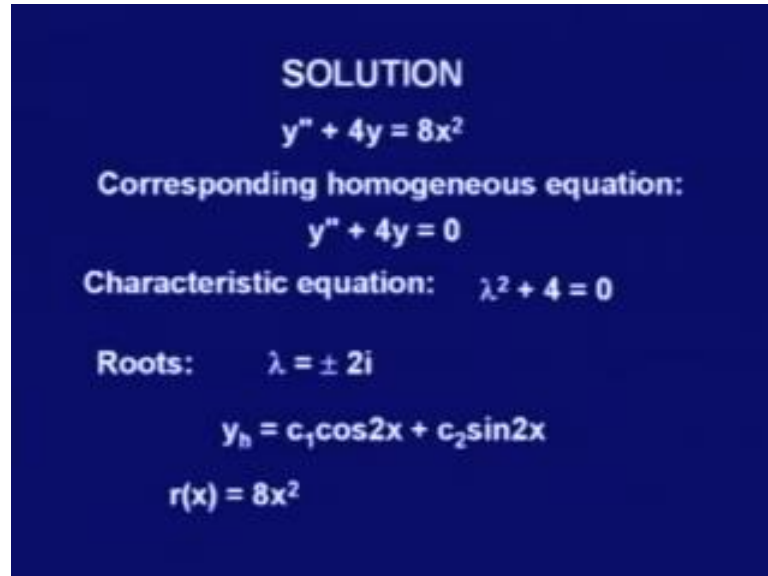
Solve the non homogeneous equation

$$y'' + 4y = 8x^2$$

First example let us say, solve the non homogeneous equation $y'' + 4y = 8x^2$ is equal to $8x^2$, we see this is the second order equation, constant coefficients are

constants, and right hand side is of the special form, that is it is a polynomial, that is 8 times x to the power 2.

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SOLUTION
 $y'' + 4y = 8x^2$
Corresponding homogeneous equation:
 $y'' + 4y = 0$
Characteristic equation: $\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$
Roots: $\lambda = \pm 2i$
 $y_h = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$
 $r(x) = 8x^2$

So, go for the solution, given equation is $y'' + 4y = 8x^2$, the corresponding homogeneous equation will be, $y'' + 4y = 0$, to solve this we require the characteristic equation, what is the characteristic equation, that is $\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$. What will be its root, it is $\lambda^2 = -4$ that means, it will have, complex conjugate roots, the roots would be $\pm 2i$, we do know in this case, what is the general solution of homogeneous equation, that is $c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$.

Now, what is my right hand side, that is $8x^2$, now if you are not remembering, we of course, go back to our table ((Refer Time: 35:13)). We are having $8x^2$, that is here n is equal to 2, so what we would choose, we would choose $k_0 + k_1 x + k_2 x^2$.

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$$\begin{aligned} \because r(x) &= 8x^2 \quad y_p = k_2x^2 + k_1x + k_0 \\ \Rightarrow y_p' &= 2k_2x + k_1 \quad \Rightarrow y_p'' = 2k_2, \quad y'' + 4y = 8x^2 \\ \text{Substituting: } &2k_2 + 4k_2x^2 + 4k_1x + 4k_0 = 8x^2 \\ \text{Equating the coefficients:} \\ 4k_2 &= 8, \quad 4k_1 = 0, \quad 4k_0 + 2k_2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow k_2 &= 2, \quad k_1 = 0, \quad k_0 = -1 \\ \Rightarrow y_p &= 2x^2 - 1 \\ y(x) &= c_1\cos 2x + c_2\sin 2x + 2x^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

❖ One can try with kx^2 only and see that it fails.

So, let us see, since $r(x)$ is $8x^2$, y_p we would choose $k_2x^2 + k_1x + k_0$, now substitute its derivatives in the equation, that is first find out what is y_p' , that is $2k_2x + k_1$, y_p'' would be $2k_2$. Now, substitute this in the given equation, $y'' + 4y = 8x^2$, what we get, we get $2k_2 + 4k_2x^2 + 4k_1x + 4k_0 = 8x^2$. Now, to find out these constants, we will compare the coefficients of different powers.

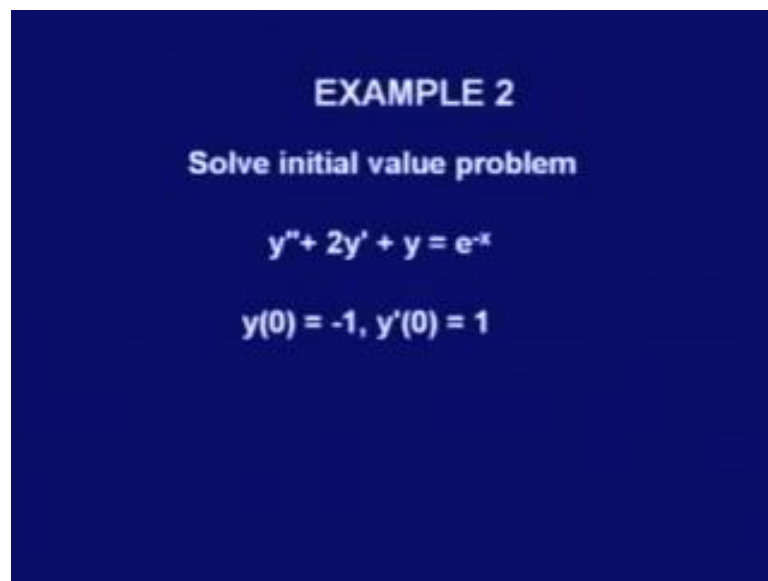
So, equating the coefficients, we get, the coefficient of x^2 on the right hand side is 8, while the coefficient of x^2 on the left hand side is $4k_2$. The first equation, we are getting is $4k_2 = 8$, then we are getting, the right hand side the coefficient of x is 0, while on the left hand side the coefficient of x is $4k_1$. So, I get, $4k_1 = 0$, now right hand side, I do not have any constant term, while in the left hand side, I do have, the constant term $2k_2 + 4k_0$, that says is $2k_2 + 4k_0 = 0$.

Now, from the first equation I am getting, $k_2 = 2$, second equation gives $k_1 = 0$, and the first equation, and the third equation gives me, that $k_0 = -1$. Now, substitute this in our choice of y_p , what I would get, I would get $y_p = 2x^2 - 1$, so what will be the general solution of our equation, $y'' + 4y = 8x^2$, that is $c_1\cos 2x + c_2\sin 2x + 2x^2 - 1$, that is the general solution of, homogeneous equation plus this particular solution, $2x^2 - 1$.

Now, you can again, check with this solution, find out its derivative and double second derivative, substitute in this equation, and check that is, in general if I am taking, only c_1 and c_2 , this will satisfy for, all values of c_1 and c_2 . So, if there is a, this would be the interesting, exercises for you to do, you can check it that, this is a solution of this, non homogeneous equation.

Now, let us do one more example, one more thing here, you would be worrying that is, why I have chosen this as, I said is we will always choose polynomial. You can try, one more interesting exercise, you can try only with kx^2 , do not choose the complete polynomial. And, see that, what the solution, you are getting, that will not be actual solution of this, non homogeneous equation, this is another interesting exercise, which you can try.

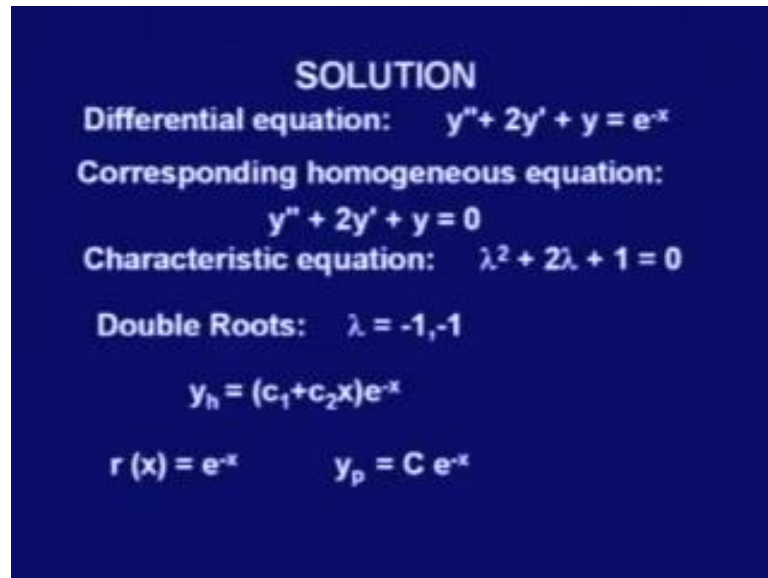
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EXAMPLE 2
Solve initial value problem
 $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$
 $y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 1$

So, let us move to the second example, solve the initial value problem, $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$, where the initial conditions are, that the function at 0 is minus 1, and the derivative at 0 is 1, move to the solution.

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SOLUTION
Differential equation: $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$
Corresponding homogeneous equation:
 $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$
Characteristic equation: $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 1 = 0$
Double Roots: $\lambda = -1, -1$
 $y_h = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x}$
 $r(x) = e^{-x}$ $y_p = C e^{-x}$

The given differential equation is $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$. See again, we are having, the equation has constant coefficients, and right hand side is of a special form, e^{-x} , first find out, the corresponding homogeneous equation, that is $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$. For solving this we require, it is associated characteristic equation, that is $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 1 = 0$.

We see, this is the whole square of $\lambda + 1$ that is we are going to get, the double root $\lambda = -1$ and $\lambda = -1$. We do know, in homogeneous equations, when we are having the double root, the solution is e^{-x} , and the other solution we choose $x e^{-x}$. So, the general solution would be, $c_1 + c_2 x$ times e^{-x} , now right hand side is e^{-x} .

Now, you see, if I am using our table, I would get, y_p as, $a e^{-x}$ or $c e^{-x}$, but this e^{-x} is also coming as, here in the e^{-x} is also a solution of my homogeneous equation. Moreover, this is a solution corresponding to the double root, that is $x e^{-x}$ is also, a solution so we have to apply the modification rule.

So, again I am repeating this, these steps, first we see, from our table, since I do have, e^{-x} , I would choose $c e^{-x}$, that is γ is

minus 1. Since, again this e to the power minus x is coming as, a solution of the homogeneous linear equation.

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MODIFICATION RULE

- If any term in the choice for y_p in also in the solution y_h of corresponding homogeneous equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

- Multiply the choice y_p by x or
- By x^2 , if the solution corresponds to double root of characteristic equation of homogeneous equation.

We do apply the modification rule, the modification rule says is, multiply the choice of y p by x or by x square. So, here my solution, e to the power minus x is, corresponding to the double root, so I have to multiply by x square.

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$$y_p = Ax^2 e^{-x}$$

$$y_p' = 2Axe^{-x} - Ax^2 e^{-x}$$

$$y_p'' = 2Ae^{-x} - 2Axe^{-x} - 2Axe^{-x} + Ax^2 e^{-x}$$

Substituting in: $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$

$$2Ae^{-x} - 4Axe^{-x} + Ax^2 e^{-x} + 2(2Axe^{-x} - Ax^2 e^{-x}) + Ax^2 e^{-x} = e^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2Ae^{-x} = e^{-x} \quad \Rightarrow 2A = 1 \quad \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

General Solution: $y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$

That says is, I should choose my y p as, a times e to the, a times x square times e to the power minus x find out, what is y p dash and y p double dash. So, y p dash it is

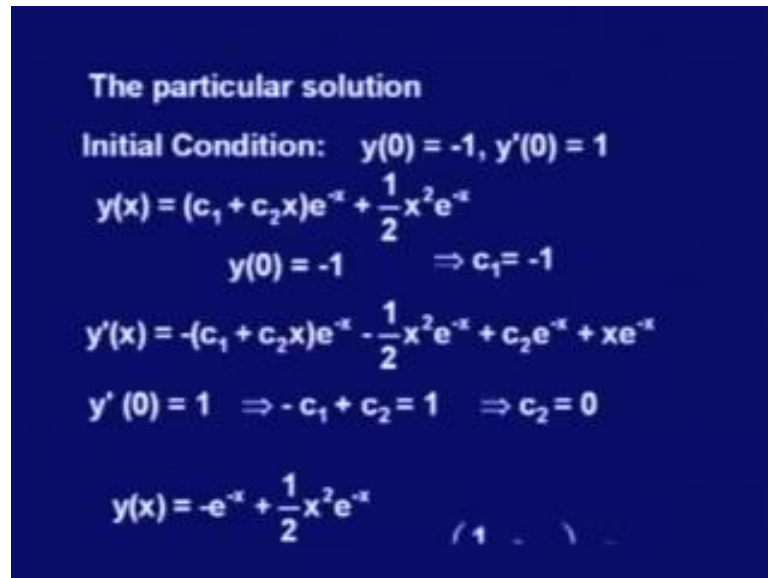
derivative, $2Ax e^{x}$ to the power minus x , minus $Ax^2 e^{x}$ to the power minus x ,
 Second derivative, $2A e^{x}$ to the power minus x , minus $2Ax e^{x}$ to the power minus x ,
 minus $2Ax e^{x}$ to the power minus x , plus $Ax^2 e^{x}$ to the power minus x , that is
 it will be, $2A e^{x}$ to the power minus x minus $4Ax e^{x}$ to the power minus x , plus $Ax^2 e^{x}$
 to the power minus x .

Substitute this in, given equation, that is $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-x}$. Left hand side what we would be getting,
 $2A e^{-x} - 4Ax e^{-x} + Ax^2 e^{-x} + 2(2Ax e^{-x} - Ax^2 e^{-x}) + y = Ax^2 e^{-x}$, this must be
 equal to e^{-x} .

Let us see, in the left hand side, here I am having is minus $4Ax e^{-x}$, this would be plus $4Ax e^{-x}$, that is this term is get cancel it out.
 Here, I am getting is $Ax^2 e^{-x}$, that is x coefficient of $x^2 e^{-x}$, here is A , here is minus $2x^2$, and here is one more A
 plus A , again it is cancelling out. So, what is being left, I have been left with, $2A e^{-x}$ to the
 power minus x is equal to e^{-x} , so comparing the coefficients we get,
 $2A = 1$ or $A = \frac{1}{2}$.

So, what will be my y_p , y_p would be $\frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$, so the
 general solution would be, $c_1 + c_2 x e^{-x}$, that is the general
 solution of homogeneous equation, plus this particular solution $\frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$ to the
 power minus x . Now, you can actually again check with this, solution that you could find
 it out, that substitute these, in this equation and find out this is satisfying this equation,
 and moreover, here, we are getting is e^{-x} , $x e^{-x}$, and $x^2 e^{-x}$, all of them are linearly independent. Now,
 to find out the particular solution, because this is an initial value problem, which we had
 started.

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The particular solution

Initial Condition: $y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 1$

$$y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$$
$$y(0) = -1 \Rightarrow c_1 = -1$$
$$y'(x) = -(c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} - \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-x} + x e^{-x}$$
$$y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow -c_1 + c_2 = 1 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0$$
$$y(x) = -e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$$

So, for finding out the Particular solution, what are the initial conditions given, we have been given that the function at 0 is minus 1, and its derivative at 0 is 1. What the general solution we had got, $c_1 + c_2 x e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$. Now, if I substitute this function, at x as 0, that is I find out the value of the function at 0, that is given as minus 1, from here in this solution, if I am substituting x as 0, I would get only c_1 , so it gives c_1 is equal to minus 1.

Then find out its derivative, derivative is $-(c_1 + c_2 x)e^{-x} - \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-x} + x e^{-x}$. Now, again the second condition is, y' at 0 is 1, so again we are putting x is equal to 0, what I would be left, I would be left, $-c_1 + c_2$, which is equal to 1, from the first result we have got c_1 as minus 1 thus gives, c_2 as 0.

So, we have got the particular solution that is I will put, c_1 is equal to minus 1 and c_2 is equal to 0, in our general solution of homogeneous equation. So, I would get the solution of, initial value problem as, $-e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{-x}$. We can check that, this is satisfying both initial conditions, that is the function value at 0 is minus 1, and the function derivative of the function at 0 is plus 1.

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EXAMPLE 3
Find the general solution of
 $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$
SOLUTION
Corresponding homogeneous equation:
 $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 0$
Characteristic equation: $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = 0$
Roots: $\lambda = -1, \lambda = 4$
 $y_h = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{4x}$
 $r(x) = 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$

Let us do, one more example over here, find the general solution of $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$. Now, we see, our right hand side is actually, sum of many functions, which are in our table, e^{2x} , e^{-x} , $\sin x$ and so on. So, it says is that, we have to use the, sum rule.

Let us see, if we have to use some other rules also, so first we go for the solution, what is the corresponding homogeneous equation, $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 0$. To solve this, we require the characteristic equation, what is the characteristic equation $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = 0$. We do find it out, that it is nothing but, $(\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 1) = 0$ the factors, so it will have two roots, -1 and 4 , they are real and distinct.

So, the general solution of homogeneous equation will be, $c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{4x}$. Now, we see right hand side, right hand side $r(x)$ we have $3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$, now so if I just go with the our table, if you do remember something that is, $e^{\gamma x}$ we do take, $c e^{\gamma x}$. So, here if I do take I have to choose, one p as e^{-x} .

And, that is here again, as a solution corresponding to the 1 root, that means, we have to use the modification rule, that is, in this one we would be going to use, the sum rule as well as the modification rule. For the sum rule we require, which functions we have to choose, we have here function of, e to the power gamma x and sine x, so let us consent our table ((Refer Time: 47:54)), e to the power gamma x choice means, I have to use constant times, e to the power gamma x, and sine omega x, I have to use the function, which is having a constant times sine omega x, and a constant times cosine omega x, with plus.

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The choice of y_p :

$$y_p = Ae^{2x} + B_1 \sin x + B_2 \cos x + D x e^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p' = 2Ae^{2x} + B_1 \cos x - B_2 \sin x - Dxe^{-x} + De^{-x}$$

$$y_p'' = 4Ae^{2x} - B_1 \sin x - B_2 \cos x + Dxe^{-x} - De^{-x} - De^{-x}$$

Substituting: $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$

$$-6Ae^{2x} - (5B_1 - 3B_2)\sin x - (5B_2 + 3B_1)\cos x - 5De^{-x}$$

$$= 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$$

So, let us see, what will be our choice of y_p , the choice of y_p would be, A times e to the power 2 x plus B 1 sine x plus B 2 cos x plus D x times e to the power minus x, why I had chosen here since, e to the power minus x was already a solution. So, I have to modify it as, x times e to the power minus x, so here I had used the modification rule, and in this complete one, I had use the sum rule. So, we have got this as, the choice of y_p .

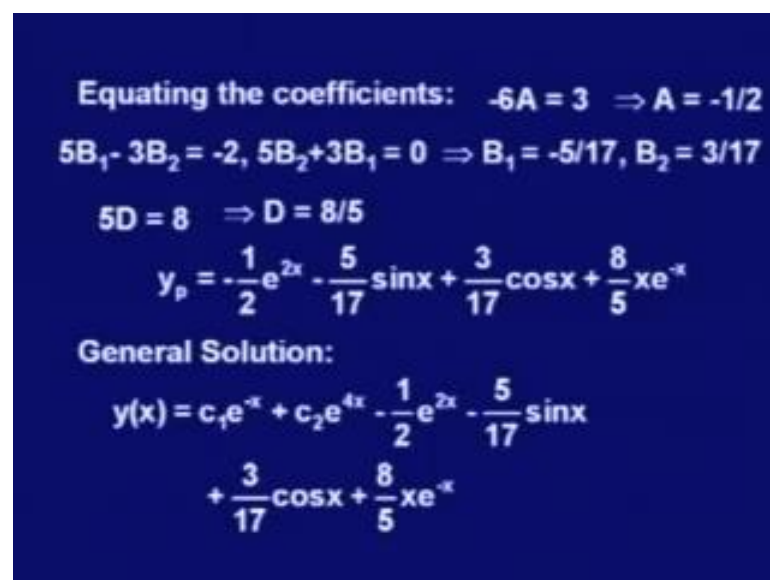
Now, find out it is derivative, 2 A e to the power 2 x plus B 1 cosine x minus B 2 sine x minus D x e to the power minus x plus D times e to the power minus x. Second derivative, 4 A e to the power 2 x minus B 1 sine x derivative of sine x is cosine x, so B 2 cosine x, derivative of D x e to the power minus x is plus D x e to the power minus x

minus $D e^{-x}$ and the derivative of this is $-D e^{-x}$.

Now, substitute this in the given equation, what was the equation, equation was $y'' - 3y' - 4y = 3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$. So, substituting it, and of course, the calculations you can check it, we get $-6A e^{2x} - 5B_1 \sin x - 3B_2 \sin x - 5B_2 \cos x + 3B_1 \cos x - 5D e^{-x}$, this should be equal to the right hand side, that is $3e^{2x} + 2\sin x - 8e^{-x}$.

Now, equate the coefficients, we get the coefficient of e^{2x} , it is coefficient here is $-6A$, here is 3 . So, I would be equating this as this one, the coefficient of $\sin x$ here is, $-5B_1 - 3B_2$, and here is 2 , so I would get $5B_1 - 3B_2 = 2$. The cosine x term, we do not have over here, so the $5B_2 + 3B_1 = 0$, the coefficient of e^{-x} is $-5D$ here, here it is -8 , so I would get $5D = 8$.

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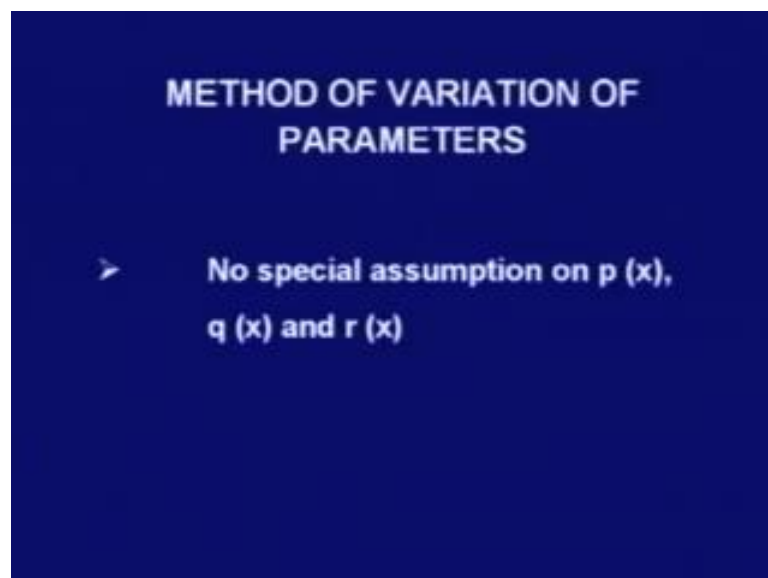
Equating the coefficients: $-6A = 3 \Rightarrow A = -1/2$
 $5B_1 - 3B_2 = 2, 5B_2 + 3B_1 = 0 \Rightarrow B_1 = -5/17, B_2 = 3/17$
 $5D = 8 \Rightarrow D = 8/5$
 $y_p = -\frac{1}{2}e^{2x} - \frac{5}{17}\sin x + \frac{3}{17}\cos x + \frac{8}{5}xe^{-x}$
General Solution:
 $y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{4x} - \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} - \frac{5}{17}\sin x + \frac{3}{17}\cos x + \frac{8}{5}xe^{-x}$

So, equating the coefficient, I am getting $-6A = 3$, which gives me $A = -1/2$. Second, what we are getting for cosine and sine, $5B_1 - 3B_2 = 2$ and $5B_2 + 3B_1 = 0$, solving these equations we get, $B_1 = -5/17$ and $B_2 = 3/17$ and last one, we are getting $5D = 8$,

gives me D is equal to $\frac{8}{5}$. So, what will be our particular solution substitute this A B 1 B 2 and D , minus half e to the power $2x$ minus $\frac{5}{17} \sin x$ plus $\frac{3}{17} \cos x$ plus $\frac{8}{5}$ times x into e to the power minus x .

So, the general solution would be, this is the general solution of, homogeneous equation $c_1 e^{-x}$ plus $c_2 e^{4x}$, this particular solution, that is same thing I have written here. And, of course, we get is that is, since here it is e to the power minus x here, I am getting is x times e to the power minus x , so now, this is what is the, general solution of this homogeneous equation, where now we had used, all the three rules, that is we have seen the basic rule, then we have seen the modification rule, we had used the sum rule also.

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Now, we will learn the second method, of finding the particular solution that is, method of variation of parameters. This method is more general, it does not require in a special conditions, on your equation, neither it requires any condition, on your right hand side $r(x)$. It is more general, but little bit more complicated, let us see what this method says, is that is, may have $p(x)q(x)$ as any, this no special assumptions on this, how this method is working, or what is this method.

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Non Homogeneous Equation:
$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

with $p(x), q(x)$ and $r(x)$ being arbitrary and continuous functions on I .
associated homogeneous equation:
$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

The basis of solution: $\{y_1, y_2\}$
$$y_h = c_1y_1 + c_2y_2$$

Let us say, a non homogeneous equation, $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$, where I do have that, $p(x), q(x)$ and $r(x)$ are arbitrary, but continuous only, that is we require the condition only, that this coefficients on the right hand side has to be continuous and and some interval I . We also require, to know the, basis solutions of the corresponding homogeneous equation, so associated homogeneous equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$. Let us say, that is the fundamental set of system or the basis of solution, if y_1 and y_2 . Then how we are finding the particular solution, this would be the general solution of homogeneous equation.

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$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

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

Substitute $y_p, y_p',$ and y_p''
we get the system
$$u_1'y_1 + u_2'y_2 = 0$$

$$u_1'y_1' + u_2'y_2' = r(x)$$

The particular solution we are saying is another function, as $u_1 y_1$ plus $u_2 y_2$, that is we had obtained, corresponding homogeneous equation, it is general solution. Then for particular solution, we had chosen $u_1 y_1$ plus $u_2 y_2$, where this $u_1 x$ and $u_2 x$ are, any arbitrary functions of x only continuous on differentiable. How to obtain this u_1 and u_2 , for this what we are doing is, we are substituting this y_p y_p dash and y_p double dash in this given equation.

So, when we substitute it, we do use this condition also, that is y_1 and y_2 is the solution of corresponding homogeneous equation, all those things when we do, we can find out this $u_1 u_2$, as the solution of the system of, this system. That is u_1 dash y_1 plus u_2 dash y_2 is equal to 0, u_1 dash y_1 dash plus u_2 dash y_2 dash is equal to $r x$, you see, here I am getting the two equations, which are having $y_1 y_1$ dash y_2 and y_2 dash.

But, they are both are having u_1 dash and u_2 dash, that is I would get, the solution of this, system of linear equation, as the u_1 dash and u_2 dash, and then u_1 and u_2 , we can obtain as, integral of them, so what will be that solution.

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Solution:

$$u_1(x) = - \int \frac{y_2(x)r(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx$$

$$u_2(x) = \int \frac{y_1(x)r(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx$$

$W(y_1, y_2)$ is the Wronskian of fundamental solution y_1 and y_2 .

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

Let us see here, $u_1 x$ is minus integral $y_2 x r x$ upon, wronskian of $y_1 y_2$ W of $y_1 y_2$ is the wronskian of the solution y_1 and y_2 , $y_1 y_2$ are the general solution, the fundamental set of solution of associated homogeneous equation, this integrated with respect to x . And, u_2 is $y_1 x r x$ upon wronskian of $y_1 y_2$, integrated upon, with respective x , these are the two solutions, so what I will get that particular solution, we

would get, so here, this is being written that, wronskian of y_1 and y_2 is the wronskian of the fundamental solutions y_1 and y_2 , $y_1 y_2$ we would get minus, that is $y_1 y_2$.

So, minus y_1 integral $y_2 r x$ upon, wronskian of y_1 and y_2 , plus y_2 times integral $y_1 r x$ upon wronskian of y_1 and y_2 , integrated with respect to x . You see here, that we are now, there we had learnt the wronskian, and we said is we are using it for, showing the linear independence of the solution now you find it out, if they are linearly independent, we do know that this wronskian cannot be 0. Since, it cannot be 0, so in the division it would, create any problem, and we are seeing now here, that is how we are using wronskian, to find out the particular solution of non homogeneous equation.

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EXAMPLE

Find the general solution of

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = \frac{e^{2x}}{x}$$

SOLUTION

The associated homogeneous equation:

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$$

Characteristic equation: $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = 0$

Double roots: $\lambda = 2, 2$

Basis of solution: $y_1(x) = e^{2x}, y_2(x) = xe^{2x}$

let us try to learn, that how to use this method, so let us learn one with one example, find the general solution of, $y'' - 4y' + 4y = \frac{e^{2x}}{x}$. You see of course, we do not require any special conditions on the, coefficients of the differential equation, but since, till now we had learnt, only to find out the solution of linear differential equations, with constant coefficients.

So, in this example I have taken this, coefficients to be constant, but the right hand side is not of the, form in which I could use the, undetermined coefficient, that is method of undetermined coefficient. Since, what I am having in the right hand side, e^{2x} upon x , now it is not coming as the sum of any known functions, because it is the

ratio of two functions, which are in that table. So, I cannot use that method, so I do not have any option, other than to use this method of variation of parameter.

So, let us try to solve this, first we will find out, associated homogeneous equation, that is $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$, to solve it, we require, the characteristic equation, that will be $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = 0$. Now, we see this is nothing but, $(\lambda - 2)^2$ that is again we are getting, the double root λ is equal to 2 and 2. What will be the general solution of, this or what will be the fundamental set of solutions, the fundamental set of solutions would be e^{2x} and $x e^{2x}$.

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$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{2x} & x e^{2x} \\ 2e^{2x} & 2x e^{2x} + e^{2x} \end{vmatrix} = e^{4x} \neq 0$$

$$y_h = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x}$$

and for y_p $r(x) = \frac{e^{2x}}{x}$

$$u_1 = - \int \frac{y_2(x) r(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx = - \int \frac{x e^{2x} \cdot \frac{e^{2x}}{x}}{e^{4x}} dx = -x$$

Now, so what should be the Wronskian of this fundamental solutions, that is I have got two solutions, e^{2x} and $x e^{2x}$. So, wronskian, first row is as such, second row the derivative, that is $2x e^{2x} + e^{2x}$, when we solve this determinant, we get since here we would be getting is $2x e^{4x} + e^{4x} - 2x e^{4x} = e^{4x}$, which is not 0.

Since, these are linearly independent, I am getting this is not 0 for any value of x , so we have got e^{4x} , as the wronskian. So, what will be now, my u_1 and u_2 rather than, using that putting $u_1 y_1$ in those once and finding out, what it is we would be using the formulae's directly, y_h is $c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x}$

the power $2x$, for $y_1(x)$ is e^{2x} . So, now what will be my u_1 , the formula says, minus integral $y_2(x)r(x)$ upon, wronskian of y_1, y_2 integrated to respective x .

Substitute this values of $y_2(x)$ and so on, y_2 is $x e^{2x}$, $r(x)$ is e^{-2x} to the power $2x$ upon x , wronskian $W(y_1, y_2)$ is e^{4x} . Let us substitute, $x e^{2x}$ into e^{-2x} to the power $2x$ upon x upon e^{4x} , we are getting is, that this x is being cancel out by this, e^{-2x} to the power $4x$ is being cancelled out with this. Am getting is integral $d x$, that is the constant with respect to x I would get, minus x , so u_1 I have got minus x .

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$$u_2 = \int \frac{y_1(x)r(x)}{W(y_1, y_2)} dx = \int \frac{e^{2x} \frac{e^{-2x}}{x}}{e^{4x}} dx = \ln x$$

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

$$y_p = -xe^{2x} + \ln(x)xe^{2x}$$

General solution:

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x} - x e^{2x} + x \ln x e^{2x}$$

$$y(x) = (c_1 + (c_2 - 1 + \ln x) x) e^{2x}$$

What will be u_2 , u_2 is $y_1(x)r(x)$ upon, wronskian of y_1, y_2 integrated with respect to x , y_1 is e^{2x} , $r(x)$ is e^{-2x} to the power $2x$ upon x ; wronskian is e^{4x} . What I am getting is e^{-2x} to the power $4x$ x is cancelling out, I would be getting integral of 1 by x $d x$, which we do know is, $\log x$. So, what will be my particular solution, $u_1 y_1$ plus $u_2 y_2$, u_1 we have got minus x , and what was y_1 , e^{2x} , so minus $x e^{2x}$, u_2 is x times e^{2x} , Why we have got, $\log x$.

So, we are getting $\log x$ times $x e^{2x}$, so what will be the general solution, general solution would be $c_1 e^{2x}$, plus $c_2 x$ times e^{2x} , minus x times e^{2x} , plus $x \log x e^{2x}$. Now, we can rewrite it, because we are having e^{2x} , all the places, so we can rewrite it as, c_1 plus

$c_2 x^{-1} + \log x$, whole multiplied with x , then whole multiplied with, e to the power $2x$.

So, this is what is, now here we have learnt, one method, which says is method of variation of parameter, how we are obtaining, the particular solution, when the right hand side is, not of the special form, and we are not getting, that as from the undetermined coefficients. Of course we have learnt, only about differential equations, which have constant coefficients, now this is what, all about we had learnt about, linear differential equations, with constant coefficients, homogeneous equations, we had learnt, how to solve them.

We had learnt about, non homogeneous equations as well, where we had learnt, that is all the methods which we had learnt, in the non homogeneous equations, they were applicable, both with whether the coefficients are constant, or the coefficients are, not constant. They are general functions, they are not changing, but all the examples, which we had done, they were having all the coefficients as constants, why, since we had learnt in the, linear differential equations only to solve the constant coefficients.

That is why, in the non homogeneous, we could not do any example, where the coefficients are, not constants. So, next lecture, we would learn about, the linear differential equations, which have the coefficients as, non constant that is, $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ were, are functions rather than the constants. So, that is all for the today's lecture.

Thank you for this.