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Learning Outcomes

After studying this module you should be able to

- 1 Identify the types of non-homogeneous terms for which the method of undetermined coefficients can be successfully applied.
- 2 Write the form of trial solutions when non-homogeneous terms are sine or cosine functions.
- 3 Solve the second order linear differential equations with sine or cosine functions as non-homogeneous terms.

Second order Linear Non-homogeneous DE

$$L[y] = ay'' + by' + cy = Q(x) \quad (1)$$

where $a \neq 0$ b c are constants.

Undetermined Coefficients(UDC) -Constant coefficients

$Q(x)$ is of following types:

- 1 exponential functions
- 2 polynomial
- 3 sine or cosine functions
- 4 a combination of terms of types 1,2 and 3 above.

Method of UDC

Steps to solve the particular solution of (1) using UDC method when $Q(x)$ is a sine or cosine function:

- 1 Find the complementary function $y_c(x)$ of homogeneous equation $L[y] = 0$.
- 2 Guess the trial solution $y_p(x)$ of (1) by list all the terms of $Q(x)$ and its derivatives while ignoring the coefficients.
 - When $Q(x) = \sin ax$ (or $\cos ax$); $y_p(x) = A \sin ax + B \cos ax$.

Method of UDC [Continued...]

- 3 If a term of Q , say v , is also a term of the $y_c(x)$ corresponding to a root of $L[y] = 0$ occurring r times, then we multiply by x^r the trial solution $y_p(x)$ obtain from step(2) .
- 4 Compute $y_p''(x)$ $y_p'(x)$ and Substitutue $y_p''(x)$, $y_p'(x)$, $y_p(x)$ in (1).
- 5 Determine constants by comparing like terms on both sides of the given equation (1).
- 6 Plug the values of the constants into y_p .

Hence, $y = y_c + y_p$ is the required general solution of (1).

Note

If $Q(x)$ is linear combination of two or more functions, then due to linearity of (1), $y_p(x) = y_{p_1}(x) + y_{p_2}(x) + \dots y_{p_k}(x)$ (*Principle of Superposition*)

Example (1)

Find the general solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' + 4y = \sin x \quad (2)$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation for the given differential equation is

$$m^2 + 4 = 0 \implies m = 2i, -2i$$

Thus, the complementary function $y_c(x)$ can be expressed as

$$y_c(x) = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$$

Example (Continued...)

$$y_p(x) = A \sin x + B \cos x$$

$$y'_p(x) = A \cos x - B \sin x$$

$$y''_p(x) = -A \sin x - B \cos x.$$

Substituting the value of $y_p(x)$, $y'_p(x)$, $y''_p(x)$ in (2)

$$3A \sin x + 3B \cos x = \sin x$$

Example (Continued...)

Comparing the coefficients and solving we get, $A = \frac{1}{3}$, $B = 0$.

$$\therefore y_p(x) = \frac{1}{3} \sin x,$$

the primitive is $y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = c_1 \sin 2x + c_2 \cos 2x + \frac{1}{3} \sin x$.

Example (2)

Find the general solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' + y = \sin x - \cos x \quad (3)$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation for the given differential equation is

$$m^2 + 1 = 0 \implies m = i, -i$$

Thus, the complementary function $y_c(x)$ can be expressed as

$$y_c(x) = (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x)$$

Example (Continued...)

$$y_p(x) = x(A \sin x + B \cos x)$$

$$y_p'(x) = (A \sin x + B \cos x) + x(A \cos x - B \sin x)$$

$$y_p''(x) = 2(A \cos x - B \sin x) - x(A \sin x + B \cos x)$$

Substituting the value of $y_p(x)$, $y_p'(x)$, $y_p''(x)$ in (3),

$$2A \cos x - 2B \sin x = \sin x - \cos x.$$

Example (Continued...)

Comparing the coefficients we get, $A = -\frac{1}{2}$ $B = -\frac{1}{2}$.

$$\therefore y_p(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x(\sin x + \cos x)$$

the primitive is

$$y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x) - \frac{1}{2}x(\sin x + \cos x).$$

Example (3)

Find the general solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' - y' = 5e^x - \sin 2x \quad (4)$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation for the given differential equation is

$$m^2 - m = 0 \implies m = 0, 1$$

Thus, the complementary function $y_c(x)$ can be expressed as

$$y_c(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^x$$

Example (Continued...)

$$y_p(x) = x(Ae^x) + B \sin 2x + C \cos 2x$$

$$y'_p(x) = xAe^x + Ae^x + 2B \cos 2x - 2C \sin 2x$$

$$y''_p(x) = xAe^x + 2Ae^x - 4B \sin 2x - 4C \cos 2x.$$

Substituting the value of $y_p(x)$, $y'_p(x)$, $y''_p(x)$ in (4),

Example (Continued...)

Comparing the coefficients we get, $A = 5$, $B = \frac{1}{5}$ $C = -\frac{1}{10}$.

$$\therefore y_p(x) = 5xe^x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 2x - \frac{1}{10} \cos 2x$$

the primitive is

$$y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^x + 5xe^x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 2x - \frac{1}{10} \cos 2x.$$

If $Q(x) = P_k(x)e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $Q(x) = P_k(x)e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$, then

- ① If $\alpha + i\beta$ is not a root of the characteristic equation corresponding to (1).

The trial solution

$$y_p(x) = [A_0x^k + A_1x^{k-1} + \dots + A_{k-1}x + A_k]e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x \\ + [B_0x^k + B_1x^{k-1} + \dots + B_{k-1}x + B_k]e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$$

- ② If $\alpha + i\beta$ is a root of the characteristic equation corresponding to (1) and say, r — times repeated root then the modified trial solution is

$$y_p(x) = x^r \{ [A_0x^k + A_1x^{k-1} + \dots + A_{k-1}x + A_k]e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x \\ + [B_0x^k + B_1x^{k-1} + \dots + B_{k-1}x + B_k]e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x \}.$$

Example (4)

Find the general solution of the differential equation:

$$y'' - 2y' = e^x \sin x \quad (5)$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation for the given differential equation is

$$m^2 - 2m = 0 \implies m = 0, 2$$

Thus, the complementary function $y_c(x)$ can be expressed as

$$y_c(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^{2x}$$

Example (Contd...)

$$y_p(x) = Ae^x \sin x + Be^x \cos x$$

$$y'_p(x) = Ae^x \sin x + Be^x \cos x + Ae^x \cos x + Be^x \sin x$$

$$y''_p(x) = -2Be^x \sin x + 2Ae^x \cos x.$$

Substituting the value of $y'_p(x)$, $y''_p(x)$ in (5)

$$(-2A - 2B)e^x \sin x + (2A - 2B)e^x \cos x = e^x \sin x.$$

Example (Contd...)

Comparing the coefficients we get,

$$A = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad B = -\frac{1}{4}.$$

$$\therefore y_p(x) = -\frac{1}{4}e^x \sin x - \frac{1}{4} \cos x.$$

the primitive is $y(x) = y_c(x) + y_p(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^x - \frac{1}{4}e^x \sin x - \frac{1}{4} \cos x.$

Example (5)

Write the form of the trial solution:

$$1 \quad y''(x) + 2y' + 3y = x \cos 3x - \sin 3x.$$

$$\text{Solution: } y_p = (A + Bx) \cos 3x + (C + Dx) \sin 3x.$$

Example

Write the form of the trial solution:

$$2 \quad y'' + 2y' + 5y = xe^{-x} \cos 2x$$

$$\text{Solution: } y_p = x[(A + Bx)e^{-x} \cos 2x + (C + Dx)e^{-x} \sin 2x]$$

Example

Write the form of the trial solution :

$$3 \quad y'' - 5y' + 6y = xe^x \cos 2x.$$

$$\text{Solution: } y_p = e^x[(Ax + B) \cos 2x + (Cx + D) \sin 2x]$$

Example

Write the form of the trial solution :

$$4 \quad y'' + y = x^2 \sin x.$$

$$\text{Solution: } y_p = x[(A + Bx + Cx^2) \cos x + (D + Ex + Fx^2) \sin x]$$

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