

## Outline

### I. Method of Undetermined Coefficients.

(a) Sum Rule.

(b) Modification Rule.

Test #2: This Friday  
during lecture  
time.

# I. Method of Undetermined Coefficients

- Good technique for solving to find  $y(x)$  given something like:

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = \underbrace{e^{0.5x} + 40\cos(10x) - 190\sin(10x)}_{N(x)}$$

- Go through 3 steps:
  - ① Solve homogeneous D.E. to find  $y_h(x)$
  - ② Use  $N(x)$ ,  $N'(x)$ ,  $N''(x)$ , ... etc. to construct a particular solution  $y_p(x)$ .
  - ③  $y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p(x)$  and use initial values to find constants.

### (a) The Sum Rule

- Helps you to construct  $y_p(x)$  when  $N(x)$  has several different terms.
- Idea is to create a particular solution for each term in  $N(x)$  and  $y_p(x)$  is the sum of these.

#### Example

Find formula for  $y(x)$  given:

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = e^{0.5x} + 40\cos(10x) - 190\sin(10x)$$

$$y(0) = \frac{1}{6.25} \quad y'(0) = 40 + \frac{0.5}{6.25}$$

## Solution

Step 1: Solve the Homogeneous D.E.

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$$

Char Eqn:  $r^2 + 2r + 5 = 0$

Roots:  $r = -1 + 2i \quad r = -1 - 2i$   
 $\alpha = -1 \quad \beta = 2$

The formula  $y_h(x)$  is:

$$y_h(x) = C_1 e^{\alpha x} \cdot \cos(\beta x) + C_2 e^{\alpha x} \cdot \sin(\beta x)$$

$$y_h(x) = C_1 e^{-x} \cdot \cos(2x) + C_2 e^{-x} \cdot \sin(2x)$$

## Step 2: Create the Particular Solution.

- Sum rule helps us here.

$$N(x) = e^{0.5x} + 40\cos(10x) - 190\sin(10x)$$

- First, pretend that  $N(x) = e^{0.5x}$  and find a particular solution,  $y_{p1}(x)$ .

Function & Derivs

$$N(x) = e^{0.5x}$$

$$N'(x) = 0.5e^{0.5x}$$

What's important

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} e^{0.5x}$$

- For particular solution, use:

$$y_{p1}(x) = \underset{\uparrow}{F} \cdot e^{0.5x}$$

constant.

- Determine value of F by plugging  $y_{p1}(x)$  into non homogeneous D.E. still pretending  $N(x) = e^{0.5x}$ .

$$y_{p1}''(x) + 2y_{p1}'(x) + 5y_{p1}(x) = e^{0.5x}$$

$$(0.25e^{0.5x} + e^{0.5x} + 5e^{0.5x})F = e^{0.5x}$$

$$6.25e^{0.5x} \cdot F = e^{0.5x}$$

$$F = \frac{1}{6.25}.$$

So:

$$y_{p1}(x) = \frac{1}{6.25} e^{0.5x}$$

- Next, find a particular solution pretending that  $N(x) = 40 \cos(10x)$ , called  $y_{p2}(x)$

Function & DerivsWhat's Important

$$N(x) = 40 \cos(10x)$$

 $\cos(10x)$ 

$$N'(x) = -400 \sin(10x)$$

and

$$N''(x) = -4000 \cos(10x) \quad \sin(10x).$$

So:  $y_{p2}(x) = F \cdot \cos(10x) + G \cdot \sin(10x)$

$\nwarrow \qquad \uparrow$   
constants

- To find  $F$  and  $G$ , plug  $y_{p2}(x)$  into the nonhomogeneous D.E. pretending  $N(x) = 40 \cos(10x)$ .

$$y_{p2}''(x) + 2y_{p2}'(x) + 5y_{p2}(x) = 40 \cos(10x)$$

$$-100F \cdot \cos(10x) - 100G \cdot \sin(10x)$$

$$-20F \cdot \sin(10x) + 20G \cdot \cos(10x)$$

$$+ 5 \cdot F \cdot \cos(10x) + 5 \cdot G \cdot \sin(10x)$$

$$= 40 \cdot \cos(10x)$$

Equate coefficients of  
 $\sin(10x)$  and  $\cos(10x)$ :

$$\underline{\sin(10x)}: -100G - 20F + 5G = 0$$
$$-95G - 20F = 0 \dots ①$$

$$\underline{\cos(10x)}: -100F + 20G + 5F = 40$$
$$-95F + 20G = 40 \dots ②$$

$$-475F + 100G = 200$$
$$-\frac{2000}{95}F - 100G = 0$$

$$\left(-475 - \frac{2000}{95}\right)F = 200$$

$$F = \frac{200}{-475 - \frac{2000}{95}}$$

$$G = \frac{4000}{-475(95) - 2000}.$$

So second particular solution is:

$$Y_{P2}(x) = \frac{\frac{200}{-475 - \frac{2000}{95}} \cdot \cos(10x)}{} + \frac{4000}{-475(95) - 2000} \cdot \sin(10x)$$

- Finally, pretend that  $N(x) = -190 \sin(10x)$  and find a particular solution  $Y_{P3}(x)$ .

Get:

$$Y_{P3}(x) = \frac{-200}{-475 - \frac{2000}{95}} \cos(10x) + \left( 2 - \frac{4000}{-475 - 2000} \right) \cdot \sin(10x)$$

$$\underline{y(0) = 0:} \quad \bullet$$

$$\frac{1}{6.25} = C_1 e^{-0} \cdot \cos(0) + C_2 e^{-0} \cdot \sin(0)$$
$$+ \frac{1}{6.25} e^{(0.5)(0)} + 2 \cdot \sin(0)$$

$$\frac{1}{6.25} = C_1 + \frac{1}{6.25}$$

$$\underline{\text{so}} \quad \boxed{C_1 = 0.}$$

$$\underline{y'(0) = 40 + \frac{0.5}{6.25}:}$$

$$40 + \frac{0.5}{6.25} = -\cancel{X} e^{-0} \cdot \cos(0)$$
$$-\cancel{X} e^{-0} \cdot \sin(0) \cdot 2$$
$$+ -C_2 e^{-0} \cdot \sin(0)$$
$$+ C_2 e^{-0} \cdot \cos(0) \cdot 2$$
$$+ \frac{0.5}{6.25} e^0 + 2 \cdot 10 \cdot \cos(0)$$

- The overall particular solution for this problem is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y_p(x) &= Y_{p1}(x) + Y_{p2}(x) + Y_{p3}(x) \\
 &= \frac{1}{6.25} e^{0.5x} + 2 \cdot \sin(10x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 3: Use Initial Conditions.

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(x) &= Y_h(x) + Y_p(x) \\
 &= C_1 e^{-x} \cos(2x) + C_2 e^{-x} \sin(2x) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{6.25} e^{0.5x} + 2 \cdot \sin(10x).
 \end{aligned}$$

- Use  $y(0) = \frac{1}{6.25}$   $y'(0) = 40 + \frac{0.5}{6.25}$  to determine  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

$$40 + \frac{0.5}{6.25} = 2C_2 + \frac{0.5}{6.25} + 20$$

$$C_2 = 10$$

• Putting all of this together:

Final answer:

$$\boxed{y(x) = 10e^{-x} \cdot \sin(2x) + \frac{1}{6.25} e^{0.5x} + 2 \cdot \sin(10x)}$$