

1. Decide if the UC Method for finding a particular solution applies for the DEs below and, if it does, write the form of your particular solution. You DO NOT have to find the coefficients:

(a)  $y^{(4)} - y^{(2)} - 12y = x^2$   $b(x) = x^2$  so the initial choice for  $y_p$  is  $y_p(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$   
 The characteristic eqn. for the homogeneous equation is  
 $\lambda^4 - \lambda^2 - 12 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (\lambda^2 - 4)(\lambda^2 + 3) = 0$ , so roots are  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm 2$ ,  $\lambda_{3,4} = \pm i\sqrt{3}$   
 The complementary function is  $y_c = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 \cos(\sqrt{3}x) + c_4 \sin(\sqrt{3}x)$ .  
 No "interference" with the initial choice of  $y_p$ . So we'll choose

$$y_p(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$$

(b)  $(\sin x)y'' + (\cos x)y = e^x$

UC Method does not apply since the coefficients of the homogeneous equation (the a's) are not constant.

(c)  $y'' - 4y' + 5y = xe^{2x} \sin x$

$$y_p(x) = (ax + b)e^{2x} \cos x + (cx + d)e^{2x} \sin x$$

or

The initial choice for  $y_p$ :  $y_p = (Ax + B)e^{2x}(C \sin x + D \cos x)$

But we look at the complementary function  
 $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5 = 0$  charact. equation

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2i}{2} = 2 \pm i$$

$$\text{so } y_c = c_1 e^{2x} \cos x + c_2 e^{2x} \sin x$$

So now there is "interference" between our initial choice for  $y_p$  and the complementary function.

(The terms  $b \cdot e^{2x} \cos x$  and  $d \cdot e^{2x} \sin x$  from initial choice of  $y_p$  satisfy the homogeneous equation.)

Thus we adjust the initial choice of  $y_p$  to:

$$y_p = (ax^2 + bx)e^{2x} \cos x + (cx^2 + dx)e^{2x} \sin x$$

with constants  $a, b, c, d$  to be determined

Equivalent form would be:  $y_p = (Ax^2 + Bx)e^{2x}(C \sin x + D \cos x)$

2. Use the VP method to find the general solution of the DE

$$y'' + 6y' + 9y = \frac{e^{-3x}}{x^3}$$

The complementary equation  $y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0$  has characteristic equation  $\lambda^2 + 6\lambda + 9 = 0$  with roots  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -3$ .

Thus the complementary function is

$$y_c = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 x \cdot e^{-3x}$$

Apply the V.P. method to look for a particular soln of the non-homog. eqn of the form  $y_p = c_1(x) y_1 + c_2(x) y_2$ , where  $y_1 = e^{-3x}$ ,  $y_2 = x \cdot e^{-3x}$

From the theory we know that if

$$c_1'(x) = -\frac{b \cdot y_2}{a_2 \cdot W_{y_1, y_2}}, \quad c_2'(x) = \frac{b \cdot y_1}{a_2 \cdot W_{y_1, y_2}}$$

$y_p$  of the form above will be a solution.

Here  $a_2 \equiv 1$  (coef. of  $y''$ ),  $b = \frac{e^{-3x}}{x^3}$ ,  $y_2 = x \cdot e^{-3x}$ ,  $y_1 = e^{-3x}$

$$\text{Wronskian} \rightarrow W_{y_1, y_2} = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-3x} & x \cdot e^{-3x} \\ -3e^{-3x} & e^{-3x}(-3x+1) \end{vmatrix} = e^{-6x} [ -3x+1 + 3x ] = e^{-6x}$$

$$\text{Replacing } c_1'(x) = \frac{-\frac{e^{-3x}}{x^3} \cdot x \cdot e^{-3x}}{e^{-6x}} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \Rightarrow c_1(x) = \int -\frac{1}{x^2} dx = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$c_2'(x) = \frac{\frac{e^{-3x}}{x^3} \cdot e^{-3x}}{e^{-6x}} = \frac{1}{x^3} \Rightarrow c_2(x) = \int \frac{1}{x^3} dx = -\frac{1}{2} x^{-2} = -\frac{1}{2x^2}$$

$$\text{Thus } y_p(x) = \frac{1}{x} \cdot e^{-3x} - \frac{1}{2x^2} \cdot x e^{-3x} = \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2x} \right) e^{-3x} = \frac{1}{2x} e^{-3x}$$

The general solution of the D.E. is:

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 x \cdot e^{-3x} + \frac{1}{2x} e^{-3x}$$

3. Solve the following Cauchy-Euler equation

$$x^3 y''' - 3x^2 y'' + 6xy' - 6y = 0$$

Transformation  $x = e^t$  (Note that  $\frac{dx}{dt} = (e^t)' = e^t = x$ )

By Chain Rule  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot x$ . Thus  $\boxed{x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt}}$  (1)

Taking one more derivative ~~with respect to t~~ with respect to t of both sides of (1) one gets  $\boxed{x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - \frac{dy}{dt}}$  (2) ← was done in class, will not write it again here.

To get the way to replace  $x^3 \cdot \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}$  take one more derivative w.r.t of both sides of (2).

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x^2 \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \quad (\text{we applied product rule for the left side})$$

Now, by chain Rule  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) \cdot \frac{dx}{dt}$ , thus the equality above ~~left side~~ becomes:

$$2x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x^2 \cdot \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} \cdot x = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$$

$$\text{So we get } x^3 \cdot \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - 2x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

Using (2) to replace  $x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$  we get

$$x^3 \cdot \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\boxed{x^3 \cdot \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} - 3 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt}} \quad (3)$$

### Continuation Pb. 3

We use  $\boxed{x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt}} \quad (1) \quad \boxed{x^2 \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - \frac{dy}{dt}} \quad (2) \quad \boxed{x^3 \cdot \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3y}{dt^3} - 3 \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt}} \quad (3)$

and replace in the original equation to get

$$\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} - 3 \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt} - 3 \left( \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - \frac{dy}{dt} \right) + 6 \frac{dy}{dt} - 6y = 0$$

or  $\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} - 6 \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 11 \frac{dy}{dt} - 6y = 0$

Characteristic equation of this is  $\lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 6 = 0$

whose roots are  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 3$

The general solution of the transformed equation is

$$y(t) = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{2t} + c_3 e^{3t}$$

but doing the transformation  $x = e^t$  back (or  $t = \ln x$ )

get the general solution of the original C-E eqn.

$$\boxed{y(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3}$$