

4.b: Variation of Parameters

1, 11, 17, 23, 25, 29, 32

1, 11, 17: Solve by variation of parameters.

1. $y'' + y = \sec x.$

$$m^2 + 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow m = \pm i.$$

$$y_c = c_1 \underbrace{\cos x}_{y_1} + c_2 \underbrace{\sin x}_{y_2}.$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \sin x \\ -\sin x & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = 1.$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \sin x \\ \sec x & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = -\sin x \sec x = -\tan x.$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 0 \\ -\sin x & \sec x \end{vmatrix} = \cos x \sec x = 1.$$

$$u_1 = \int -\tan x \, dx = \ln |\cos x|.$$

$$u_2 = \int 1 \, dx = x.$$

$$y_p = \ln |\cos x| \cos x + x \sin x.$$

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + \cos x \ln |\cos x| + x \sin x.$$

11. $y'' + 3y' + 2y = \frac{1}{1+e^x}.$

$$m^2 + 3m + 2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (m+2)(m+1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow m = -2 \text{ or } m = -1.$$

$$y_c = c_1 \underbrace{e^{-2x}}_{y_1} + c_2 \underbrace{e^{-x}}_{y_2}.$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-2x} & e^{-x} \\ -2e^{-2x} & -e^{-x} \end{vmatrix} = -e^{-3x} + 2e^{-3x} = e^{-3x}.$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & e^{-x} \\ \frac{1}{1+e^x} & -e^{-x} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{-e^{-x}}{1+e^x}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} e^{-2x} & 0 \\ 2e^{-2x} & \frac{1}{1+e^x} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{e^{-2x}}{1+e^x}$$

$$\frac{e^{-2x} + e^{-x} - e^{-x}}{1+e^x}$$

$$\frac{e^{-x}(e^x+1) - e^{-x}}{1+e^x}$$

$$u_1 = \int \frac{-e^{-x}}{(1+e^x)e^{-2x}} dx = \int \frac{-e^{-2x}}{1+e^x} dx = \int -e^{-x} + \frac{e^{-x}}{1+e^x} dx$$

$$u = 1+e^x \\ du = e^x dx$$

$$= -e^{-x} + \int \frac{1}{u} du = -e^{-x} + \ln(1+e^x)$$

$$u_2 = \int \frac{e^{-x}}{1+e^x} = \ln(1+e^x)$$

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

17. $3y'' - by' + by = e^x \sec x$. $f(x) = \frac{e^x \sec x}{3}$

$$3m^2 - 6m + b = 0 \Leftrightarrow m^2 - 2m + 2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow m = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2}$$

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

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^x \cos x & e^x \sin x \\ e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x & e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x \end{vmatrix} = e^{2x}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & e^x \sin x \\ \frac{1}{3} e^x \sec x & e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{3} e^{2x} \tan x$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} e^x \cos x & 0 \\ e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x & \frac{1}{3} e^x \sec x \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} e^{2x}$$

$$u_1 = \int -\frac{1}{3} \tan x \, dx = \frac{1}{3} \ln |\cos x| + \dots$$

$$u_2 = \int \frac{1}{3} \, dx = \frac{1}{3} x$$

$$y = c_1 e^x \cos x + c_2 e^x \sin x + \frac{1}{3} \ln |\cos x| e^x \cos x + \frac{x}{3} e^x \sin x$$

23. Find the general solution of $x^2 y'' + x y' + (x^2 - \frac{1}{4}) y = x^{3/2}$, where $y_1 = x^{-1/2} \cos x$ and $y_2 = x^{-1/2} \sin x$ are linearly independent solutions of the assoc. homog. DE on $(0, \infty)$.

$$y_c = c_1 \underbrace{x^{-1/2} \cos x}_{y_1} + c_2 \underbrace{x^{-1/2} \sin x}_{y_2}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} x^{-1/2} \cos x & x^{-1/2} \sin x \\ -\frac{1}{2} x^{-3/2} \cos x - x^{-1/2} \sin x & -\frac{1}{2} x^{-3/2} \sin x + x^{-1/2} \cos x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= x^{-1} \left(y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' + \frac{(x^2 - \frac{1}{4})}{x^2} y = \frac{x^{3/2}}{x^2} \right)$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^{-1/2} \sin x \\ x^{-1/2} & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = -x^{-1} \sin x$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x^{-1/2} \cos x & 0 \\ x^{-1/2} & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = x^{-1} \cos x$$

$$u_1 = \int -\sin x \, dx = \cos x$$

$$u_2 = \int \cos x \, dx = \sin x$$

$$y = c_1 x^{-1/2} \cos x + c_2 x^{-1/2} \sin x + x^{-1/2}$$

25. Solve $y''' + y' = \tan x$ by variation of parameters.

$$m^3 + m = 0 \Leftrightarrow m(m^2 + 1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow m = 0 \text{ or } m = \pm i.$$

$$y_c = c_1 + c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x.$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \sin x \\ 0 & -\sin x & \cos x \\ 0 & -\cos x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix} = 1.$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos x & \sin x \\ 0 & -\sin x & \cos x \\ \tan x & -\cos x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix} = \tan x.$$

$$W_2 = -\tan x \cos x = -\sin x.$$

$$W_3 = \tan x (-\sin x).$$

$$u_1 = \int \tan x dx = -\ln |\cos x|.$$

$$u_2 = \int -\sin x dx = \cos x.$$

$$u_3 = \int \frac{-\sin^2 x}{\cos x} dx = \int \frac{-1 + \cos^2 x}{\cos x} dx = \int -\sec x + \cos x dx \\ = -\ln |\sec x + \tan x| + \sin x.$$

$$y = c_1 + c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x - \ln |\cos x| + \cos x - \sin x \ln |\sec x + \tan x| \\ = c_1 + c_2 \cos x + c_3 \sin x - \ln |\cos x| - \sin x \ln |\sec x + \tan x|.$$

29. Discuss how methods of undetermined coef. & variation of parameters can be combined to solve $3y'' - 6y' + 30y = 15 \sin x + e^x \tan(3x)$.

$$3m^2 - 6m + 30 = 0 \Leftrightarrow m^2 - 2m + 10 = 0 \Leftrightarrow m = 2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 40}$$

$$y_c = e^x [c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x)] = 1 \pm 3i. \quad a=1, b=3.$$

Use undetermined coef. to solve $3y'' - 6y' + 30y = 15 \sin x$.

$$(D^2 + 1)(3D^2 - 6D + 30)y = 0$$

$$m = \pm i \text{ or } \pm (1 + 3i)$$

$$y_p = c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x$$

$$y_p' = -c_3 \sin x + c_4 \cos x$$

$$y_p'' = -c_3 \cos x - c_4 \sin x$$

$$15 \sin x = -3c_3 \cos x - 3c_4 \sin x + 6c_3 \sin x - 6c_4 \cos x + 30c_3 \cos x + 30c_4 \sin x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 27c_3 - 6c_4 = 0 \quad \& \quad 27c_4 + 6c_3 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow c_4 = \frac{27}{6} c_3 = \frac{9}{2} c_3. \quad \frac{255}{2} c_3 = 15 \Rightarrow c_3 = \frac{2}{17} \Rightarrow c_4 = \frac{9}{17}$$

$$\therefore y_p = \frac{2}{17} \cos x + \frac{9}{17} \sin x$$

Use variation of par. to solve $3y'' - 6y' + 30y = e^x \tan(3x)$.

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x \tan(3x)}{3}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^x \cos(3x) & e^x \sin(3x) \\ e^x \cos(3x) - 3e^x \sin(3x) & -e^x \sin(3x) + 3e^x \cos(3x) \end{vmatrix} = 3e^{2x}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & e^x \sin(3x) \\ \frac{1}{3} e^x \tan(3x) & \dots \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{3} e^{2x} \sin(3x) \tan(3x)$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} e^x \cos(3x) & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} e^x \tan(3x) & \frac{1}{3} e^{2x} \sin(3x) \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} e^{2x} \sin(3x)$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{27} \sin x - \frac{1}{27} \ln |\sec x + \tan x|$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{9} \int \sin(3x) dx = -\frac{1}{9} \cos(3x)$$

$$y_{P2} = e^x \cos(3x) \left[\frac{1}{27} \sin x - \frac{1}{27} \ln |\sec x + \tan x| - \frac{1}{9} \cos(3x) \right]$$

$$\therefore y = e^x (c_1 \cos(3x) + c_2 \sin(3x)) + y_{P1} + y_{P2}$$

32. Find the general solution of $x^4 y'' + x^3 y' - 4x^2 y = 1$
 given $y_1 = x^2$ solution to assoc. homog. eqⁿ.

By reduction of order with $y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' - \frac{4}{x^2} y = \frac{1}{x^4}$
 we have $y_2 = x^2 \int \frac{e^{-\ln x}}{x^4} dx$
 $= x^2 \int x^{-5} dx = x^2 \left[-\frac{1}{4} x^{-4} \right] = -\frac{1}{4} x^{-2}$

$$\text{So, } y_c = c_1 \underbrace{x^2}_{y_1} + c_2 \underbrace{x^{-2}}_{y_2}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^{-2} \\ 2x & -2x^{-3} \end{vmatrix} = -2x^{-1} - 2x^{-1} = -4x^{-1}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^{-2} \\ x^{-4} & -2x^{-3} \end{vmatrix} = -x^{-6} \quad u_1 = \int x^{-5} dx = -\frac{1}{16} x^{-4}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ 2x & x^{-4} \end{vmatrix} = x^{-2} \quad u_2 = -\frac{1}{4} \int x^{-1} dx = -\frac{1}{4} \ln x$$

Sol. $y_p = -\frac{1}{16}x^{-2} - \frac{1}{4}x^{-2} \ln x$

∴ The general solution is:

$y = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^{-2} - \frac{1}{16}x^{-2} - \frac{1}{4}x^{-2} \ln x$

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

$0 = x^m [m(m-1) - m + 1] x^{m-2} = 0$

$m^2 - m = 0 \Rightarrow m(m-1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 0, 1$

General solution is $y = c_1 x^0 + c_2 x^1$

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

$0 = x^m [m(m-1) + m - 1] x^{m-2} = 0$

General solution is $y = c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 \sin(x)$

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

$0 = d - (s-m)(m-s) = 0 = [d - (s-m)(m-s)] x^m$

∴ $m = 0, 1$ are roots. $y = c_1 + c_2 x$

$(m-1)(m+1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 1, -1$

$d - m^2 + 2ms - s^2 = 0$

General solution is

$\frac{d-m^2}{d-m^2}$

$y = c_1 x^2 + c_2 \cos(x) + c_3 \sin(x)$