

Problems on Nonhomogeneous Differential Equations

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#1 $y^{(iv)} - y''' - 3y'' + 5y' - 2y = e^t$
 Characteristic roots $1, 1, 1, -2$.

Thus, $y_h(t) = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t + c_3 t^2 e^t + c_4 e^{-2t}$

1 is of order 3. Hence

$$y_p(t) = A t^3 e^t$$

$$y_p' = 3A t^2 e^t + A t^3 e^t = (3t^2 + t^3) A e^t$$

$$y_p'' = [(6t + 3t^2) + (3t^2 + t^3)] A e^t$$

$$= (6t + 6t^2 + t^3) A e^t$$

$$y_p''' = [(6 + 12t + 3t^2) + (6t + 6t^2 + t^3)] A e^t$$

$$= (6 + 18t + 9t^2 + t^3) A e^t$$

$$y_p^{(iv)} = [(18 + 18t + 3t^2) + (6 + 18t + 9t^2 + t^3)] A e^t$$

$$= [24 + 36t + 12t^2 + t^3] A e^t$$

$$L[y_p] = ([24 + 36t + 12t^2 + t^3]$$

$$+ [-6 - 18t - 9t^2 - t^3]$$

$$+ [-18t - 18t^2 - 3t^3]$$

$$+ [15t^2 + 5t^3] - 2A t^3) A e^t$$

$$= 18A e^t = e^t \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{18}$$

$$\therefore y_p(t) = \frac{1}{18} t^3 e^t$$

#2 $y^{(iv)} - 6y''' + 10y'' - 6y' + 9y = t^2 \cos t - 3t^2 e^t + t e^{3t}$

$$p(r) = r^4 - 6r^3 + 10r^2 - 6r + 9$$

$$p(3) = 81 - 162 + 90 - 18 + 9 = 0 \therefore 3 \text{ is a root}$$

$$p'(r) = 4r^3 - 18r^2 + 20r - 6$$

$$p'(3) = 108 - 162 + 60 - 6 = 0 \therefore 3 \text{ is a double root}$$

$$\frac{p(r)}{(r-3)^2} = r^2 + 1 \therefore \pm i \text{ are roots}$$

$$\therefore y_h(t) = c_1 e^{3t} + c_2 t e^{3t} + c_3 \cos t + c_4 \sin t$$

$\pm i$ are roots of order 1. Thus, $m(\text{multiplicity}) = 1$
 t^2 has degree 2.

Thus, $y_{p1}(t) = t[(At^2 + Bt + C)\cos t + (Dt^2 + Et + F)\sin t]$

1 is not a root
 t^2 has degree 2

Thus, $y_{p2}(t) = (Gt^2 + Ht + I)e^t$

3 is a double root
 t has degree 1.

Thus, $y_{p3}(t) = t^2(Jt + K)e^{3t}$

Thus, $y_p(t) = y_{p1}(t) + y_{p2}(t) + y_{p3}(t)$ (*)

with y_{p1}, y_{p2}, y_{p3} as above. The general sol. of the d.e. is thus,

$$y = c_1 e^{3t} + c_2 t e^{3t} + c_3 \cos t + c_4 \sin t + y_p(t)$$

where $y_p(t)$ is given by (*).