

Math 2280-1  
Friday Sept. 19

HW for Monday Sept 29

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- 3.1 1, (2, 4), 5, (11, 13, 17), 27, 29, 30, 31, 33, (34, 35)  
3.2 (2) 5 (9) 11 (13) 21 (22) 25 (26)  
3.3 (3, 10, 14) 21, (22, 29, 33, 37)  
3.4 (4, 5, 6) 13, (15, 19, 23)

finish pages 4-5 Wednesday....

recall, we already discussed theorems 1, 2.

Theorem 1  $L(y) := a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y$  s.t. each  $a_j$  cont. on fixed interval  $I$

then  $L: C^n(I) \rightarrow C(I)$  is linear

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $\{y(x) \mid y, y', \dots, y^{(n)} \text{ are cont. on } I\}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\{z(x) \text{ s.t. } z \text{ cont. on } I\}$

Theorem 2  $L(y) := y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y$ ,  $a_j$  cont on  $I$   $j=0 \dots n-1$

$x_0 \in I$ ,  $f \in C(I)$ ,  $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

then  $\exists!$  sol'n to IVP, defined on all of  $I$ , i.e.  $y \in C^n(I)$ .

$$\text{IVP} \begin{cases} L(y) = f \\ y(x_0) = b_0 \\ y'(x_0) = b_1 \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n-1)}(x_0) = b_{n-1} \end{cases}$$

- proof deferred! -

Theorem 3  $L: V \rightarrow W$  linear,  $b \in W$ .

then if  $L(v_p) = b$ , then the solution set to  $L(v) = b$  is

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$$\begin{aligned} & \{v = v_p + v_H \text{ s.t. } L(v_H) = 0\} \\ & = \{v = v_p + v_H \text{ s.t. } v_H \in \ker(L)\} \end{aligned}$$

the "H" stands for "homogeneous sol'n", since  $L(v) = 0$  is called the homogeneous equation

after page 5 Wed, proceed to page 2 today...

Theorem 4: Let  $L(y)$  be the  $n^{\text{th}}$  order linear operator defined on page 1.

Then the dimension of  $\ker(L) = n$ .

(so if we can find  $n$  linearly ind. sol'ns to  $L(y) = 0$ , they will be a basis for  $\ker(L)$ , i.e. every sol'n will be a linear combo of the basis sol'ns,

$$y_H = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + \dots + c_n y_n$$

Proof:

If  $y(x) \in V$

$$\text{write } \vec{IV}(y) := \begin{bmatrix} y(x_0) \\ y'(x_0) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n-1)}(x_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

By the  $\exists!$  theorem for IVP,  $\exists$  sol'ns  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  to  $L(y) = 0$

such that

$$\vec{IV}(y_j) = \vec{e}_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{entry } j$$

Show  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$  are a basis:

- These sol'ns are linearly independent, because if

$$c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + \dots + c_n y_n \equiv 0 \quad (\forall x \in I)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \Rightarrow c_1 y_1' + c_2 y_2' + \dots + c_n y_n' \equiv 0$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Rightarrow c_1 y_1'' + c_2 y_2'' + \dots + c_n y_n'' \equiv 0$$

$$\vdots$$
  
$$c_1 y_1^{(n-1)} + c_2 y_2^{(n-1)} + \dots + c_n y_n^{(n-1)} \equiv 0$$

called the Wronskian matrix of  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ ; its det is called Wronskian

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \\ y_1' & y_2' & \dots & y_n' \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ y_1^{(n-1)} & y_2^{(n-1)} & \dots & y_n^{(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \quad \forall x \in I$$

Shows linear independence.

In particular, at  $x = x_0$ , the Wronskian matrix (above) is the identity, so  $\vec{c} = \vec{0}$

- These solutions span  $\ker(L)$  because if  $z(x)$  solves  $L(z) = 0$ , then

for  $\begin{bmatrix} z(x_0) \\ z'(x_0) \\ \vdots \\ z^{(n-1)}(x_0) \end{bmatrix} := \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$ , the (other?) sol'n  $y(x) = b_0 y_1(x) + b_1 y_2(x) + \dots + b_{n-1} y_n(x)$  has the same initial value vector!

i.e.  $\vec{IV}(y) = \vec{b}$ .

So, by uniqueness (in  $\exists!$  theorem),  $z \equiv y$ ! ■

example : Let  $L(y) = y'' + y' - 30y$

Find the  $\ker(L)$ , i.e. the general sol'n to  $y'' + y' - 30y = 0$

hint: to find a potential basis try  $y = e^{rx}$

Show linear ind. of you 2 sol'n's  $y_1, y_2$  to show they are a basis.  
(Hint: you could show the Wronskian (det) is non-zero)

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motivation to try  $y = e^{rx}$  for any constant coefficient linear homogeneous DE:  
 $a_j(x) = a_j \text{ const}$

In the example above,

if we write  $D(y) := \frac{dy}{dx}$   
 $I(y) := y$  (identity)

then the  $L$  above can be written as

$$L = D^2 + D - 30I = (D + 6I)(D - 5I) = (D - 5I)(D + 6I)$$

and  $e^{-6x}$  solves  $(D + 6I)y = 0$   
 $e^{5x}$  solves  $(D - 5I)y = 0$

this principle holds in general

["multiplication"  
of operators  
means  
composition  
here!]