

$$y' = A(t)y + G(t) \quad 1$$

$$y_c(t) = \text{complementary solution} : y_c' = A(t)y_c$$

$$y_p(t) = \text{particular solution} : y_p' = A(t)y_p + G(t)$$

**Review L17-18(4.8, 6.2, 6.4-6.6)**

**4.8 Nonhomogeneous Linear Systems**

$$y'(t) = A(t)y(t) + g(t)$$

(1) **General Solution:**  $y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t)$

(2) **Two Methods of finding  $y_p$ :**

- The Method of Undetermined Coefficients: Find the form of  $y_p$  from  $g(t)$
- The Method of Variation of Parameters

**1. The Method of Undetermined Coefficients:**

The method of undetermined coefficients to find a particular solution  $y_p$  to the nonhomogeneous linear system

$$y'(t) = Ay(t) + g(t)$$

where

(1) the coefficient matrix  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  **constant matrix**, and

(2) the entries of  $g(t)$  are

- (a) Polynomials,
- (b) Exponential functions( $e^{at}$ ),
- (c) Sine/Cosine functions( $\cos(at)/\sin(at)$ ), or finite sums and products of these functions.

For example,

$$y' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} y + g(t) \quad \begin{cases} y_1' = y_2 + g_1 \\ y_2' = y_1 + g_2 \end{cases}$$

①  $y_c : (\lambda = 1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}) (\lambda = -1, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$

$$y_c = c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

② let  $G(t) = \begin{bmatrix} + \\ + \end{bmatrix}$

$$y_p = ? \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_1 t + b_1 \\ a_2 t + b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$g(t)$	$y_p$
$\begin{bmatrix} t \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ polynomial	$y_p = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 t + b_1 \\ a_2 t + b_2 \end{bmatrix} = at + b$
$\begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ exponential	$y_p = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 e^{2t} \\ a_2 e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$
$\begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} \\ t \end{bmatrix}$ exponential and polynomial	$y_p = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 e^{2t} + b_1 t + c_1 \\ a_2 e^{2t} + b_2 t + c_2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Example:** Find the general solution to the nonhomogeneous system

$$\mathbf{y}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Complementary solution:**

$$\mathbf{y}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \quad (\lambda=4, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}) \quad (\lambda=-1, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$$

$$\mathbf{y}_c = c_1 e^{4t} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Particular solution:**

- Look for the particular solution  $\mathbf{y}_p = t\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = t \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$

- Substitute  $\mathbf{y}'_p$  into the system:  $\mathbf{y}'_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_p + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{a} = P(t\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(t\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})' = P(t\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) + t\mathbf{g}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = t(P\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{g}) + P\mathbf{b}$$

$$t\text{-term: } P\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0} \quad \underbrace{P\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{g}}$$

$$\text{const: } P\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}$$

$$\begin{matrix} P & \mathbf{a} & -\mathbf{g} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} & = - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -\frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -\frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{4} \\ \frac{23}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we have

$$\mathbf{y}_p = t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -\frac{5}{2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{4} \\ \frac{23}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

General solution:  $\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{y}_c + \mathbf{y}_p$