

- Reduction of order
- Mechanical Vibrations

Suppose we have an ODE of the form:

$$y'' = F(x, y')$$

set $w = y' \Rightarrow w' = y''$

Eqⁿ can be written: $w' = F(x, w)$

Ex. $2t^2 y'' + 3ty' - y = 0, t > 0$

given that $y_1(t) = t^{-1}$ is a hom. solⁿ.

Reduction of order: set $y_2(t) = y_1(t) \cdot v(t)$

$$y_2' = y_1'v + y_1v'$$

$$y_2'' = y_1''v + 2y_1'v' + y_1v''$$

Plug in:

$$0 = 2t^2(y_1''v + 2y_1'v' + y_1v'') + 3t(y_1'v + y_1v') - (y_1v)$$

$$0 = 2t^2 y_1'' v + (4t^2 y_1' + 3t y_1) v' + (2t^2 y_1'' + 3t y_1' - y_1) v$$

$= 0$ since y_1 is a solⁿ!

$$0 = 2t^2 \cdot t^{-1} v'' + (4t^2(-t^{-2}) + 3t t^{-1}) v'$$

$$= 2t v'' + (-4 + 3) v'$$

$$= 2t v'' - v'$$

Stand. Form: $v'' = \frac{1}{2t} v' = F(t, v')$

sub. $w = v', w' = v''$

New eqⁿ:

$$w' = \frac{1}{2t} w \rightarrow \text{separable!}$$

$$\int \frac{dw}{w} = \int \frac{dt}{2t}$$

$$\ln(w) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(t) = \ln(t^{1/2})$$

$$w(t) = t^{1/2}$$

since $w = v', \int w = \int v' = v$

so, $v(t) = \int t^{1/2} = \frac{2}{3} t^{3/2}$

so, $y_2(t) = y_1(t) \cdot v(t) = t^{-1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} t^{3/2} = \frac{2}{3} t^{1/2}$

Hence, $y_1(t) = C_1 t^{-1}$

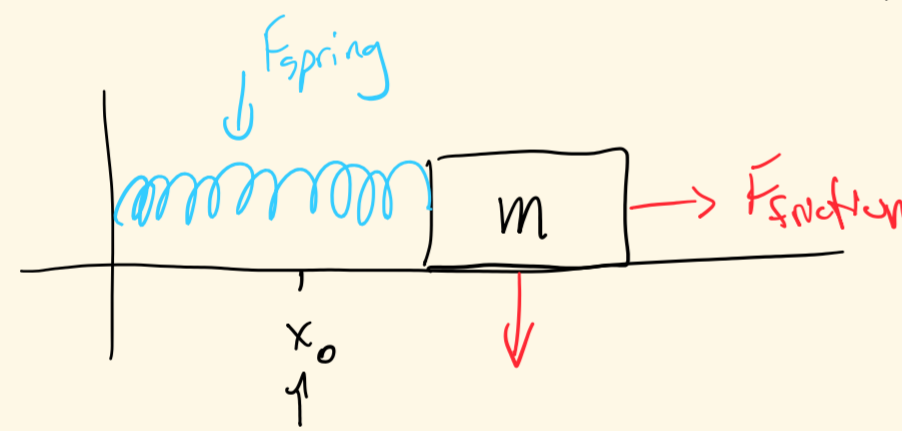
$y_2(t) = C_2 t^{1/2}$

and $y_n(x) = C_1 t^{-1} + C_2 t^{1/2}$

Mechanical Vibrations:

Newton:

$$F = ma$$



Define position from x_0 by $y(t)$.
(when $y = 0$, box is at x_0)

Then, since $y(t)$ - position/displacement
 $\frac{dy}{dt}$ - velocity
 $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$ - acceleration

$$\Rightarrow m \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = F$$

$$= -F_{spring} - F_{friction}$$

$$= -k \cdot y(t) - b \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

It turns out:

Spring \sim displacement

Friction \sim velocity

So: $my'' + by' + ky = 0$
a second order linear const. coeff. eqⁿ!

Always assume: $m > 0, k > 0$
 $b \geq 0$

m - mass
 k - spring constant
 b - coefficient of fric.

When $b = 0 \Rightarrow$ "Free Vibrations". \rightarrow If $b = 0$, char. Eqⁿ is:

$$0 \pm \frac{\sqrt{0 - 4mk}}{2m} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-k}{m}} = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Solⁿ is: $C_1 \cos(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} x) + C_2 \sin(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} x)$
solutions oscillate forever!

3 Cases For Mechanical Vibrations:

Case I: $b^2 - 4mk > 0 \Rightarrow$ overdamped

Case II: $b^2 - 4mk = 0 \Rightarrow$ critically damped

Case III: $b^2 - 4mk < 0 \Rightarrow$ underdamped

Case I: two real, distinct roots: $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4mk}}{2m} < 0$

both NEGATIVE!

\Rightarrow solⁿ $y(t) = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$

and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 0$