

Topic #2 Differential Equations

DE is an equation.

(1) The unknown is a f^n , not a number

ie, a f^n of time 't'

't' is an independent variable

(2) The equation includes one or more derivatives of the f^n

Ex

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = a \cdot y(t)$$

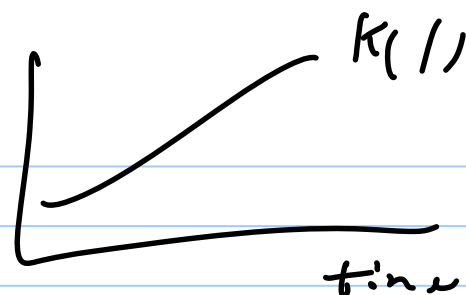
$a, b \Rightarrow \text{constants}$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + a \cdot y(t) = b$$

$$\frac{dk(t)}{dt} = s \cdot f(k(t)) - \lambda \cdot k(t)$$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 2 \cdot t \cdot y(t) = 4 \cdot t$$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = y'(t) = \dot{y}(t)$$



In general, $y'(t) = F(y(t), t)$
 where $y(t)$ is the unknown f^n

$\therefore$ The solⁿ $\Rightarrow y(t)$

The time path of $y(t)$

Note

$$y + 2 = 3$$

2.1 First-order Differential Equations

$\rightarrow$ only the first derivative $\Rightarrow \frac{dy(t)}{dt}$, $\left[\frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right]^2$

→ focus on 'linear' form

no non-linear term such as $y(t) \cdot y'(t)$

The general form

$$y'(t) + u(t) \cdot y(t) = w(t) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$\left. \begin{matrix} u(t) \\ w(t) \end{matrix} \right\}$ are two functions of time t

and could be constants $\rightarrow u(t) = a$

$$w(t) = b$$

2.1.1 Constant coefficient and constant term

From (1), $u(t) = a$ and $w(t) = b$

$$y'(t) + a y(t) = b$$

Solve for the solⁿ of $y(t)$

① Homogeneous Case

$$u = a \quad \text{and} \quad w = b = 0$$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + a \cdot y(t) = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

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

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dt} = -a$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dt} dt = \int (-a) dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = -at + c_2$$

$$\ln|y| + c_1 = -at + c_2$$

$$\ln |y| = -at + C \quad ; \quad C = C_2 - C_1$$

$$e^{\ln |y|} = e^{-at + C}$$

A General Soln

$$y(t) = A \cdot e^{-at} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

where $A = e^C$

A Definite Soln

At $t = 0 \quad y(0) = A$

$$y(t) = y(0) e^{-at} \quad \text{--- (3)'}$$

NOTE Solns are a fⁿ, not a number

$y(t)$ is a fⁿ of t

© The Nonhomogeneous Case

$$u = a \quad \text{and} \quad w = b \quad ; \quad b \neq 0$$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = b \quad - (4)$$

(4) $\Rightarrow$ The complete equation ($b \neq 0$)

(2) $\Rightarrow$ The reduced equation ($b = 0$)

$$y(t) = y_c + y_p$$

$\Rightarrow y_c =$ the complementary fⁿ

y_c is the solⁿ when $b = 0$

$$\therefore y_c = Ae^{-at}$$

$\Rightarrow y_p =$ the particular integral

To find y_p , we set y_p to be a constant $\Rightarrow y_p = k$
 $\Rightarrow y'(t) = 0$

(4) becomes

$$0 + ay_p = b$$

$$\boxed{y_p = \frac{b}{a}}$$

as long as

$$a \neq 0$$

$$\boxed{k = \frac{b}{a}}$$

© A General Solⁿ

$$y(t) = y_c + y_p$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = Ae^{-at} + \frac{b}{a}}$$

— (5)

$$a \neq 0$$

© A Definite Solⁿ

$$\text{At } t=0 \quad y(0) = A + \frac{b}{a}$$

$$A = y(0) - \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-at} + \frac{b}{a}} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$a \neq 0$

Verification of the solⁿ - (6)

Diff (6) w.r.t. t $y'(t) = (-a) \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-at} \quad \text{--- (6)'}$

sub (6)' and (6) $\rightarrow$ LHS of (4)

$$y'(t) + a y(t) = b$$

$$(-a) \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-at} + a \left\{ \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-at} + \frac{b}{a} \right\} = b$$

$$-a \cancel{[]} e^{-at} + a \cancel{[]} e^{-at} + a \left(\frac{b}{a} \right) = b$$

$$b = b$$

Also from (6)

$$\text{At } t=0 \quad y(0) = \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-a \cdot 0} + \frac{b}{a}$$

$$= y(0) - \frac{b}{a} + \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\boxed{y(0) = y(0)}$$

Ex

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + 2y - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2 \quad b = 8$$

$$y(t) = y_c + y_p$$

$$\boxed{\text{not } b = -8}$$

$$y_c = \left[y(0) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-at}$$

$$y_c = \left[y(0) - \frac{8}{2} \right] e^{-2t}$$

$$= (y(0) - 4) e^{-2t}$$

$$y_p = \frac{b}{a} = 4$$

$$y(t) = (y(0) - 4) e^{-2t} + 4$$

Eqn (4) again

$$y'(t) + a y(t) = b \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$b = 0 \Rightarrow$ Homogeneous case $\Rightarrow y_c$

$a = 0 \Rightarrow \rightarrow$ (4) becomes

$y(t) = 0 \quad y = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow$ no dynamics

$$y'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow y_p ?$$

$a = 0 \Rightarrow$ (4) becomes

$$y'(t) = b$$

$$y(t) = b \cdot t + c$$

; $c = \text{constant}$

$$y(t) = y_c + y_p$$

from $y_c = A e^{-rt}$ At $t=0$ $A e^0 = A$

and $y_p = \frac{b}{a} = k$ fails to work

we try $y_p = k \cdot t$

so $y(t) = y_c + y_p$

$$y(t) = c + kt$$

where $k = b$

since we set $y'(t) = 0$
to find y_p ,
this implies $y_p = k$
a constant

$$\text{General Sol}^n \quad y(t) = A + bt \quad a \geq 0 \quad - (7)$$

$$\text{Definite Sol}^n \quad y(t) = y(0) + bt \quad a \geq 0 \quad - (8)$$

2.1.2 Dynamics of Market Price

① Theoretical Framework

$$\begin{aligned} Q_d &= \alpha - \beta P & (\alpha, \beta > 0) \\ Q_s &= -\gamma + \delta P & (\gamma, \delta > 0) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} Q_d &= \alpha - \beta P \\ Q_s &= -\gamma + \delta P \end{aligned}} \right\} - (9)$$

$$P^* = \frac{\alpha + \gamma}{\beta + \delta} \quad - (10)$$

$P(0) = P^* \rightarrow$ the mkt is in the equilibrium

→ no dynamic analysis might not be needed

If $P(0) \neq P^*$

$P(t) \rightarrow P^*$

$P(0) > P^*$

$P(t) < P^*$