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* THE METHOD OF VARIATION OF PARAMETERS *

=> Abstract:

=> In the present study project, the method of variation of parameters is studied in detail with illustration we obtain the particular solution to non-homogeneous differential equation using the method of variation parameters. Some of applications of the method are given.

=> Introduction:

=> Analysis has been the dominant branch of mathematics for 300 years, and differential equations are the heart of analysis. This subject is the natural goal of elementary calculus and the most important part of mathematics for understanding the physical sciences.

=> The primary purpose of differential equations is to serve as a tool for the study of change in the physical world. There is an old American saying: He who lacks a sense of the past is condemned to live in the narrow darkness of his own generations.

=> Mathematics without history is mathematics stripped of its greatness, too like the

Other arts of civilization - it derives its grandeur from the fact of being a human creation.

⇒ An equation involving one dependent variable and its derivatives with respect to one or more independent variables is called a differential equation. Many of the general laws of nature - in physics, chemistry, biology, and astronomy - find their most natural expression in the language of differential equations. Applications also abound in mathematics itself, especially in geometry, and in engineering, economics, and many other fields of applied science.

⇒ An ordinary differential equation is one in which there is only one independent variable. So that all the derivatives occurring in it are ordinary derivatives. Each of these equations is ordinary. The order of a differential equation is the order of the highest derivation present.

⇒ A partial differential equation is one involving more than one independent variable. So that the derivatives occurring in it are partial derivatives.

⇒ The aim of current project is to solve non-homogeneous differential equation using the method of "variation of parameters". Some of the applications so the method are illustrated in this project."

The technique described in section 18 for determining a particular solution of the non-homogeneous equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + Q(x)y = R(x)$$

⇒ has two severe limitations: it can be used only when the coefficients $p(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are constants and even then it works only when the right-hand term $R(x)$ has a particularly simple form with in these limitations, however this procedure is usually the easiest to apply.

⇒ We now develop a more powerful method that always works - regardless of the nature of p, Q, R , - provided only that the general solution of the corresponding homogeneous equation.

$$y'' + p(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$$

⇒ is already known, we assume, then, that is some way the general solution.

$$y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$$

⇒ If y_1, y_2 has been found the method is similar to that discussed in section 16; that is, we replace the constants c_1 and c_2 by unknown functions $v_1(x)$ and $v_2(x)$, and attempt to determine v_1 and v_2 in such a manner that

$$y = v_1 y_1 + v_2 y_2$$

⇒ Will be a solution of (1) with two unknown functions to find, it will be necessary to have two equations relating these functions, we obtain one of these by requiring that (4) be a solution of (1). It will soon be clear what the second equation should be. We begin by computing the derivative of (4) arranged as follows.

$$y' = (v_1 y_1' + v_2 y_2') + (v_1' y_1 + v_2' y_2)$$

⇒ Another differentiation will introduce second derivatives of the unknowns v_1 and v_2 , we avoid this complication by requiring the second expression in parentheses to vanish.

$$v_1' y_1 + v_2' y_2 = 0$$

⇒ This gives.

$$y' = v_1 y_1' + v_2 y_2'$$

$$y'' = v_1 y_1'' + v_1' y_1' + v_2 y_2'' + v_2' y_2'$$

So on substituting (4), (7), (8), into (1), and rearranging we get:

$$v_1 (y_1'' + p y_1' + q y_1) + v_2 (y_2'' + p y_2' + q y_2) + v_1' y_1' + v_2' y_2' = R(x)$$

Since y_1 and y_2 are solutions of (2) the two expressions in parentheses are equal to 0, and (9) collapses to:

$$v_1' y_1' + v_2' y_2' = R(x)$$

Taking (6) and (10) together, we have two equations in two unknowns v_1 and v_2

$$v_1' y_1 + v_2' y_2 = 0$$

$$v_1' y_1' + v_2' y_2' = R(x)$$

These can be solved at once giving.

$$v_1' = -y_2 R(x) / W(y_1, y_2)$$

$$v_2' = y_1 R(x) / W(y_1, y_2)$$

⇒ It should be noted that these formulas are legitimate for the Wronskian in the denominators is nonzero by the linear independence of y_1 and y_2 . All that remains is to integrate formulas (11) to find v_1 and v_2 :

$$v_1 = \int -y_2 R(x) dx \text{ and } v_2 = \int y_1 R(x) dx$$

We can now put everything together and assert that

$$y = y_1 \int -y_2 R(x) dx + y_2 \int y_1 R(x) dx$$

is the particular solution of (1) we are seeking

⇒ The reader will see that this method has disadvantages of its own. In particular, the integrals in (12) may be difficult or impossible to work out. Also, of course it is necessary to work know the general solution of (2) before the process can even be started but this objection is really immaterial because we are unlikely to.

come a bout finding a particular solution of (1) unless the general solution of (2) is already at hand. The method variation of parameters was invented by the French mathematician Lagrange in connection with his epoch-making work in analytical mechanics.

Example 1:

⇒ Find a particular solution of $y'' + y = \cos x$.

⇒ The corresponding homogeneous equation $y'' + y = 0$ has $y(x) = c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$ as its general solution, so $y_1 = \sin x$, $y_1' = \cos x$, $y_2 = \cos x$ and $y_2' = -\sin x$. The wronskian of y_1 and y_2 is

$$W(y_1, y_2) = y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1' = -\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x = -1$$

So by (12) we have

$$v_1 = \int -\cos x \cdot \cos x / -1 dx$$

$$v_1 = \int \cos x / \sin x dx$$

$$v_1 = \log(\sin x)$$

$$v_2 = \int \sin x \cdot \csc x / -1 dx$$

$$v_2 = -x$$

Accordingly:

$$y = \sin x \log(\sin x) - x \cos x$$

is the desired particular solution.

Application of The method

⇒ The method has so many advantages in solving the differential equations in

- * vibration in mechanical and electrical systems.
- * un damped simple harmonic vibrations.
- * Damped vibrations.
- * Forced vibrations.

Results and discussion

⇒ The method of variation of parameters is discussed in detail, The solution to a non-homogeneous differential equation is obtained in this study project, Applications are discussed.

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