

To solve $ay'' + by' + cy = g(t)$

Step 1 - find general solution of

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0, \text{ get } C_1 y_1(t) + C_2 y_2(t)$$

Step 2 Method of undetermined coefficients

(if g is polynomial, exponential, sin or cos)

a) write down form of trial solution $Y(t)$

b) Plug in $Y(t)$ and solve for unknown coefficients

Step 3 general solution of \star is

$$C_1 y_1(t) + C_2 y_2(t) + Y(t)$$

IF $g(t)$ is

$$a_0 t^n + a_1 t^{n+1} + \dots + a_n) e^{\alpha t} \begin{cases} \sin \beta t \\ \text{or} \\ \cos \beta t \end{cases}$$

then try $Y(t)$ of the form

$$t^s [(A_0 t^n + A_1 t^{n-1} + \dots + A_n) e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t + (B_0 t^n + B_1 t^{n-1} + \dots + B_n) e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t]$$

where s is the smallest integer that ensures that $Y(t)$ is not a solution of the homogeneous problem ($s = 0, 1, 2$)

Ex $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 5t^2$

Solve $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0 \quad y = e^{rt}$

$$r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0$$

$$r = -1, -2$$

$$y = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-2t}$$

Step 1

Step 2: Try $Y = A + Bt + Ct^2$

$$Y' = B + 2Ct$$

Plug $Y'' = 2C$

$$2C + 3(B + 2Ct) + 2(A + Bt + Ct^2) = 5t^2$$

Collect powers of t

$$t^2(2C) + t(2B + 6C) + (2C + 3B + 2A) = 5t^2$$

coeff of t^2 : $2C = 5 \quad C = 5/2$

... $t^1 \quad 2B + 6C = 0 \quad B = -15/2$

$$\dots 1: 2C + 3B + 2A = 0 \quad A = 3S/4$$

$$Y = 3S/4 - 1S/2t + S/2t^2$$

$$y = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-2t} + 3S/4 - 1S/2t + S/2t^2$$

Ex $L[y] = y'' + 4y = 1 + x + x^2 e^x$

How do we find Y ?

Split into 2 problems

$$L[Y_1] = 1 + x$$

$$L[Y_2] = x^2 e^x$$

then $Y = Y_1 + Y_2$

$$L[Y] = L[Y_1 + Y_2] = L[Y_1] + L[Y_2] = 1 + x + x^2 e^x$$

guess

$$Y_1 = Ax + B$$

guess

$$Y_2 = (C + Dx + Ex^2) e^x$$

Ex $[-y'' + y' = \cos \omega t]$

$$\text{Re}[-Y'' + Y'] = e^{i\omega t}$$

$$-\underbrace{(\text{Re } Y)''}_Y + \underbrace{(\text{Re } Y)'}_Y = \underbrace{\text{Re}(e^{i\omega t})}_{\cos \omega t}$$

If the forcing term is $\cos \omega t$, consider instead the problem with $\cos \omega t$ replaced by $e^{i\omega t}$, solve that problem to get Y . Then $y = \text{Re}[Y]$ solves the original problem with $\cos \omega t$ forcing term.

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$$Y' = i\omega Ae^{i\omega t}$$

$$Y'' = (i\omega)^2 Ae^{i\omega t}$$

$$= -\omega^2 Ae^{i\omega t}$$

plug in: $\omega^2 Ae^{i\omega t} - i\omega Ae^{i\omega t} = e^{i\omega t}$

$$A(\omega^2 + i\omega) = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1/(\omega^2 + i\omega)$$

Transfer function

$$Y = \frac{1}{\omega^2 + i\omega} e^{i\omega t}$$

$$y = \operatorname{Re}[Y]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\omega^2 + i\omega} \left(\frac{\omega^2 - i\omega}{\omega^2 - i\omega} \right) \cos \omega t + i \sin \omega t$$

$\omega^2 + \omega^2$

Our books method: Try $y = A \cos \omega t +$

$$y' = -A\omega \sin \omega t + B\omega \cos \omega t$$

$$y'' = -A\omega^2 \cos \omega t - B\omega^2 \sin \omega t$$

$$A\omega^2 \cos \omega t + B\omega^2 \sin \omega t - A\omega \sin \omega t + B\omega \cos \omega t = \cos \omega t$$

$$\text{cos coeff: } A\omega^2 + B\omega = 1$$

$$\text{sin coeff: } B\omega^2 - A\omega = 0 \quad A = B\omega$$

$$B\omega^2 + B\omega = 1$$

$$B = \frac{1}{\omega^2 + \omega}$$

$$y = \frac{\omega}{\omega^2 + \omega} \cos \omega t + \frac{1}{\omega^2 + \omega} \sin \omega t$$