

# Method of undetermined coeffs for $y_p(t)$

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— refined version:

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(t)$$

Step 1: Solve char. eq<sup>n</sup>

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0 \Rightarrow r_1, r_2 \text{ two roots}$$

(we need this for  $y_h$  anyway.)

Step 2: Examine  $f(t)$  to determine the form of  $y_p(t)$ :

— If  $f(t) = (a_n t^n + \dots + a_1 t + a_0) e^{kt}$   
 ( $k=0$  if no exp. term)

then  
fudge factor

$$y_p(t) = \begin{cases} (A_n t^n + \dots + A_1 t + A_0) e^{kt} & \text{if } k \neq r_1 \\ & \neq r_2 \\ t(A_n t^n + \dots + A_1 t + A_0) e^{kt} & \text{if } k = \text{one but} \\ & \text{not both of } r_1, r_2 \\ t^2(A_n t^n + \dots + A_1 t + A_0) e^{kt} & \text{if } k = r_1 = r_2 \end{cases}$$

— increase the degree of polynomial by 1.

— increase the degree by 2.

— If  $f(t) = (a_n t^n + \dots + a_1 t + a_0) e^{kt} \cos \omega t$   
 $+ (b_n t^n + \dots + b_1 t + b_0) e^{kt} \sin \omega t$  ( $\omega \neq 0$ )

then

$$y_p(t) = \begin{cases} (A_n t^n + \dots + A_1 t + A_0) e^{kt} \cos \omega t \\ + (B_n t^n + \dots + B_1 t + B_0) e^{kt} \sin \omega t & \text{if } \frac{k \pm i\omega}{r_1, r_2} \\ t \left[ (A_n t^n + \dots + A_1 t + A_0) e^{kt} \cos \omega t \right. \\ \left. + (B_n t^n + \dots + B_1 t + B_0) e^{kt} \sin \omega t \right] & \text{if } k \pm i\omega = \\ & \text{one of } r_1, r_2 \end{cases}$$

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— If  $f(t) = \text{sum}$ , then  $y_p(t) = \text{sum}$ .

e.g. If  $f(t) = f_1(t) + f_2(t)$ , ~~then~~  $f_1, f_2$  diff type

then  $y_p(t) = y_{1,p}(t) + y_{2,p}(t)$  w7.

$y_{1,p}$  particular sol<sup>n</sup>. for

$$ay'' + by' + cy = \underline{\underline{f_1(t)}}$$

$y_{2,p}$  particular sol<sup>n</sup>. for

$$ay'' + by' + cy = \underline{\underline{f_2(t)}}$$

Final complex note:

$$r = \alpha \pm i\beta \rightsquigarrow e^{\alpha t} (C_1 \cos \beta t + C_2 \sin \beta t)$$

$$\textcircled{k \pm i\omega} \longleftarrow e^{kt} (A \cos \omega t + B \sin \omega t)$$

## Trig identities:

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$$\cos u - \cos v = -2 \sin \frac{u-v}{2} \sin \frac{u+v}{2}$$

Since

$$\cos(a+b) = \cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b$$

$$\cos(a-b) = \cos a \cos b + \sin a \sin b$$

## Connection with Euler's formula:

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(a+b) + i \sin(a+b)$$

$$= e^{i(a+b)} = e^{ia} \cdot e^{ib}$$

$$= (\cos a + i \sin a) (\cos b + i \sin b)$$

$$= [\cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b]$$

$$+ i [\sin a \cos b + \cos a \sin b]$$