

# **Nonhomogeneous DE with Constant Coefficient(2.7) and Euler-Cauchy Equation (2.5)**

# Form Rule

“guessing” the particular solution.

(1)            (2)

Suitable for linear and constant coefficient DE.

$$a_n y^{(n)}(x) + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)}(x) + \cdots + a_1 y'(x) + a_0 y(x) = g(x)$$

(3)  $g(x), g'(x), g''(x), g'''(x), g^{(4)}(x), g^{(5)}(x), \dots$  contain  
finite number of terms.

# Form Rule

Hold on to one principle :

Particular solution always looks like  $g(x)$ .

Please memorize the “rules” listed on the next page

(solve unknowns  $A, B, C, \dots$ )

## Trial Particular Solutions (from text page 143)

$g(x)$	Form of $y_p$
1 (any constant)	$A$
$5x + 7$	$Ax + B$
$3x^2 - 2$	$Ax^2 + Bx + C$
$x^3 - x + 1$	$Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx + E$
$\sin 4x$	$A\cos 4x + B\sin 4x$
$\cos 4x$	$A\cos 4x + B\sin 4x$
$e^{5x}$	$Ae^{5x}$
$(9x - 2)e^{5x}$	$(Ax + B)e^{5x}$
$x^2e^{5x}$	$(Ax^2 + Bx + C)e^{5x}$
$e^{3x}\sin 4x$	$Ae^{3x}\cos 4x + Be^{3x}\sin 4x$
$5x^2\sin 4x$	$(Ax^2 + Bx + C)\cos 4x + (Ex^2 + Fx + G)\sin 4x$
$xe^{3x}\cos 4x$	$(Ax + B)e^{3x}\cos 4x + (Cx + E)e^{3x}\sin 4x$

It comes from the “**form rule.**”

# Explanation of Form Rule

Form Rule:  $y_p$  should be a linear combination of  $g(x)$ ,  $g'(x)$ ,  
 $g''(x)$ ,  $g'''(x)$ ,  $g^{(4)}(x)$ ,  $g^{(5)}(x)$ , .....


In this way, it will not generate **unnecessary** terms when comparing coefficients.

When  $g(x) = x^n$

$$x^n \rightarrow x^{n-1} \rightarrow x^{n-2} \rightarrow x^{n-3} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0$$

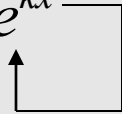
$$y_p = A_n x^n + A_{n-1} x^{n-1} + A_{n-2} x^{n-2} + \dots + A_0$$

When  $g(x) = \cos kx$

$$\cos kx \rightarrow \sin kx$$


$$y_p = A_1 \cos kx + A_2 \sin kx$$

When  $g(x) = \exp(kx)$

$$e^{kx}$$


$$y_p = A \exp(kx)$$

When  $g(x) = x^n \exp(kx)$

$$g'(x) = nx^{n-1}e^{kx} + kx^n e^{kx}$$

$$g''(x) = n(n-1)x^{n-2}e^{kx} + 2n k x^{n-1}e^{kx} + k^2 x^n e^{kx}$$

$$g'''(x) = n(n-1)(n-2)x^{n-3}e^{kx} + 3kn(n-1)x^{n-2}e^{kx} \\ + 3k^2 nx^{n-1}e^{kx} + k^3 x^n e^{kx}$$

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We find that any-order differential of  $g(x)$  only generate s the following terms:

$$x^n e^{kx}, x^{n-1} e^{kx}, x^{n-2} e^{kx}, x^{n-3} e^{kx}, \dots, e^{kx}$$

$$y_p = c_n x^n e^{kx} + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} e^{kx} + c_{n-2} x^{n-2} e^{kx} + \dots + c_0 e^{kx}$$

Example  $y'' - y' + y = 2\sin 3x$

Step 1: Find the solution of the associated homogeneous equation

Guess

Step 2: Particular solution

$$y_p = A\cos 3x + B\sin 3x$$

$$y'_p = -3A\sin 3x + 3B\cos 3x$$

$$y''_p = -9A\cos 3x - 9B\sin 3x$$

$$y''_p - y'_p + y_p = (-8A - 3B)\cos 3x + (3A - 8B)\sin 3x = 2\sin 3x$$

$$\begin{cases} -8A - 3B = 0 \\ 3A - 8B = 2 \end{cases} \implies A = 6/73, \quad B = -16/73$$

$$y_p = \frac{6}{73}\cos 3x - \frac{16}{73}\sin 3x$$

Step 3: General solution:

$$y = e^{x/2} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right) + \frac{6}{73}\cos 3x - \frac{16}{73}\sin 3x$$



**Example**  $y'' - 2y' - 3y = 4x - 5 + 6xe^{2x}$

**Step 1:** Find the solution of

$$y'' - 2y' - 3y = 0.$$

$$y_c = c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 e^{-x}$$

**Step 2:** Particular solution

$$y'' - 2y' - 3y = 4x - 5$$

guess

$$y_{p_1} = Ax + B$$

$$y'_{p_1} = A$$

$$y''_{p_1} = 0$$

$$-3Ax - 2A - 3B = 4x - 5$$

$$A = -\frac{4}{3}, \quad B = \frac{23}{9}$$

$$y_{p_1} = -\frac{4}{3}x + \frac{23}{9}$$

$$y'' - 2y' - 3y = 6xe^{2x}$$

guess

$$y_{p_2} = Cxe^{2x} + Ee^{2x}$$

$$y'_{p_2} = 2Cxe^{2x} + Ce^{2x} + 2Ee^{2x}$$

$$y''_{p_2} = 4Cxe^{2x} + 4Ce^{2x} + 4Ee^{2x}$$

$$-3Cxe^{2x} + (2C - 3E)e^{2x} = 6xe^{2x}$$

$$C = -2, \quad E = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$y_{p_2} = -(2x + \frac{4}{3})e^{2x}$$

Particular solution

$$y_p = y_{p_1} + y_{p_2} = -\frac{4}{3}x + \frac{23}{9} - (2x + \frac{4}{3})e^x$$

Step 3: General solution

$$y = y_c + y_p$$

$$y = c_1 e^{3x} + c_2 e^{-x} - \frac{4}{3}x + \frac{23}{9} - (2x + \frac{4}{3})e^{2x}$$

### 4-4-5 Glitch of the method:

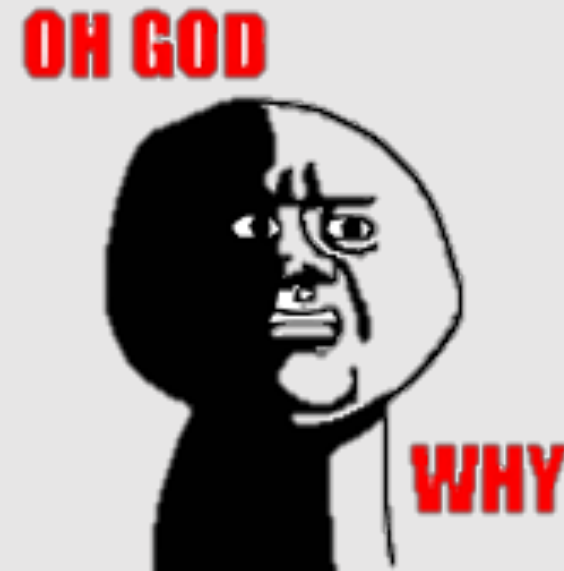
**Example**  $y'' - 5y' + 4y = 8e^x$

Particular solution guessed by Form Rule:

$$y_p = Ae^x$$

$$y_p'' - 5y_p' + 4y_p = Ae^x - 5Ae^x + 4Ae^x = 8e^x$$

$$0 = 8e^x \quad (\text{no solution})$$



### Glitch condition 1:

The **particular solution** we guess belongs to the complementary function.

$$y'' - 5y' + 4y = 8e^x$$

Complementary function  $y_c = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{4x}$   $Ae^x \in y_c$

Solution : multiplied by  $x$

$$y_p = Axe^x \quad y'_p = Axe^x + Ae^x$$

$$y''_p = Axe^x + 2Ae^x$$

$$y''_p - 5y'_p + 4y_p = -3Ae^x = 8e^x \implies A = -8/3$$

$$y_p = -\frac{8}{3}xe^x$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{4x} - \frac{8}{3}xe^x$$

Example  $y'' - 2y' + y = e^x$

$$y_c = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$$

From Form Rule, the particular solution is  $Ae^x$

$$Ae^x \in y_c$$

$$Axe^x \in y_c$$

If multiplying by  $x$  is not enough, multiply by  $x^2$

$$y_p = Ax^2 e^x$$

$$y'_p = (Ax^2 + 2Ax)e^x$$

$$y''_p = (Ax^2 + 4Ax + 2A)e^x$$

$$y''_p - 2y'_p + y_p = 2Ae^x = e^x \implies A = 1/2$$

$$y_p = x^2 e^x / 2$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x + x^2 e^x / 2$$

## Example

$$y'' + y = 4x + 10\sin x \quad y(\pi) = 0 \quad y'(\pi) = 2$$

Step 1

$$y_c = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$$

Step 2

$$y_p = Ax + B + Cx \sin x + Ex \cos x$$

$$y_p = 4x - 5x \cos x$$

Note : both  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  should be multiplied by  $x$

Step 3

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + 4x - 5x \cos x \quad (\text{solve IVP at the end})$$

Step 4

Solving  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  by initial conditions

$$y(\pi) = -c_1 + 4\pi + 5\pi = 0 \implies c_1 = 9\pi$$

$$y' = -c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x + 4 - 5 \cos x + 5x \sin x$$

$$y'(\pi) = -c_2 + 9 = 2 \implies c_2 = 7$$

$$y = 9\pi \cos x + 7 \sin x + 4x - 5x \cos x$$

$$y = e^{\alpha x} (c_1 \cos \beta x + c_2 \sin \beta x)$$

**Glitch condition 2:**  $g(x), g'(x), g''(x), g'''(x), g^{(4)}(x), g^{(5)}(x), \dots$   
contain **infinite number of terms**.

If  $g(x) = \ln x$

$$\ln x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \frac{1}{x^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{x^3} \rightarrow \dots$$

If  $g(x) = \exp(x^2)$

$$g'(x) \rightarrow 2xe^{x^2}$$

$$g''(x) \rightarrow (4x^2 + 2)e^{x^2}$$

$$g'''(x) \rightarrow (8x^3 + 12x)e^{x^2}$$

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## Euler-Cauchy Equation (2.5)

$$x^2y'' + axy' + by = 0$$

$$\text{let } y = x^m, y' = mx^{(m-1)} \dots$$

$$x^2m(m-1)x^{m-2} + amx^{m-1} + bx^m = 0$$

$$\text{Auxiliary function: } m^2 + (a-1)m + b = 0$$



# Three Cases

- Real different roots

$$y = c_1 x^{m_1} + c_2 x^{m_2}$$

- A real double root

$$y = (c_1 + c_2 \ln x) x^{m_2}$$

- Complex roots
  - Same as real different roots

## Example

$$x^2y'' + xy' - y = 0$$

$$m(m-1) + m - 1 = 0$$

$$m^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$y = c_1x + c_2/x$$

# Alternative Thinking

$$x^2y'' + axy' + by = 0$$

$$\text{let } x = e^z, z = \ln x$$

$$dy/dx = (1/x) \cdot dy/dz$$

$$d^2y/dx^2 = (1/x^2) \cdot (d^2y/dz^2 - dy/dz)$$

$$y'' + (a-1)y' + by = 0 \text{ differentiate w.r.t } z$$

1.  $y'' - 3y' + 2y = xe^{2x}$

2.  $y'' - 3y' + 2y = x^2(e^x + e^{-x}),$

Write down the correct form of its particular solution, don't solve it.

3.  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = \sin^2 t$ , find  $y_p(t)$     4.  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = e^{-2t}$ , find  $y_p(t)$

5. *Solve*  $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 2e^{3x} + 9x + 3$

6.  $x^2y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$ , *find*  $y_c$

$$7. x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 3y = 0$$