

## Undetermined Coefficients-Superposition Approach

The method to find particular solution of the second-order ODE where

$$r(x) = \{\text{constant}, \text{polynomial function}, \text{exponential function } e^{\alpha x}, \sin \beta x, \cos \beta x\}$$

or finite sums and product of these functions. Then the trial particular solutions  $y_p$  are:

$r(x)$	$y_p$
$k$	$C$
$k_0 + k_1 x$	$C_0 + C_1 x$
$k_0 + k_1 x + k_2 x^2$	$C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2$
$k_0 + k_1 x + k_2 x^2 + \dots + k_n x^n$	$C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2 + \dots + C_n x^n$
$e^{\alpha x}$	$C e^{\alpha x}$
$\sin \beta x$ or $\cos \beta x$	$C_1 \cos \beta x + C_2 \sin \beta x$
$x^2 e^{\alpha x}$	$(C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2) e^{\alpha x}$
$e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$	$e^{\alpha x} (C_1 \cos \beta x + C_2 \sin \beta x)$
$x^2 \sin \beta x$ or $x^2 \cos \beta x$	$(B_0 + B_1 x + B_2 x^2) \cos \beta x$ $+ (C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2) \sin \beta x$
$x^2 e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $x^2 e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$	$(B_0 + B_1 x + B_2 x^2) e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$ $+ (C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2) e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$
$\sum_{i=0}^n k_i x^i e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $\sum_{i=0}^n k_i x^i e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$	$\sum_{i=0}^n B_i x^i e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x + \sum_{i=0}^n C_i x^i e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$

Assume  $y_p$ . Solve for  $L(y_p) = r(x)$ . Equate the coefficients and identify the constants.

## Undetermined Coefficients-Annihilator Approach

$r(x)$	<b>Annihilator <math>A(D)</math></b>
$k$	$D$
$x^2$	$D^3$
$x^n$	$D^{n+1}$
$k_0 + k_1 x + k_2 x^2 + \dots + k_n x^n$	$D^{n+1}$
$e^{\alpha x}$	$D - \alpha$
$\sin \beta x$ or $\cos \beta x$	$D^2 + \beta^2$
$x^n e^{\alpha x}$	$(D - \alpha)^{n+1}$
$e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$	$(D - \alpha)^2 + \beta^2$
$x^n e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$ or $x^n e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$	$[(D - \alpha)^2 + \beta^2]^{n+1}$

Find the roots of the  $A(D)L(D) = 0$ . Identify the roots of  $L(D)$  and write the general solution  $y_h$ , then identify the roots of  $L(D)$  and write the particular solution  $y_p$  with constants. Differentiate the particular solution and use them in  $L(y_p) = r(x)$ , equate the coefficients and remove constants.

**Green's function:** From method of variation of parameters

$$y_p = -y_1(x) \int \frac{y_2(x)r(x)}{W} dx + y_2(x) \int \frac{y_1(x)r(x)}{W} dx$$

$$y_p = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{-y_1(x)y_2(t)r(t)}{W} dt + \int_{x_0}^x \frac{y_2(x)y_1(t)r(t)}{W} dt = \int_{x_0}^x G(x,t)r(t)dt$$

$$G(x,t) = \frac{y_2(x)y_1(t) - y_1(x)y_2(t)}{W}$$

**Green's function for IVP:** From method of variation of parameters

$$y_p = \int_{x_0}^x G(x, t) r(t) dt, G(x, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{y_2(x)y_1(t)}{W(t)} & t \in [x_0, x] \\ \frac{y_1(x)y_2(t)}{W(t)} & t \in [x, x_1] \end{cases}$$

**Power Series:**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + \dots$$

$$S_N(x) = \sum_{n=0}^N a_n(x - x_0)^n = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + \dots + a_N(x - x_0)^N$$

A power series is **convergent** at a specified value of  $x$  if its sequence of partial sums  $S_N(x)$  converges. That is,  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N(x)$  exists.

**Interval of Convergence:** interval of convergence is the set of all real numbers  $x$  for which the series converges. It converges definitely at  $x_0$ .

**Radius of convergence:**

The radius  $R$  of the interval of convergence of a power series is called its **radius of convergence**. If  $R > 0$  then a power series converges for  $|x - x_0| < R$  and diverges for  $|x - x_0| > R$ . If the series converges only at its center  $x_0$ , then  $R = 0$ . If the series converges for all  $x$ , then  $R = \infty$ . Recall, the absolute-value inequality is equivalent to the simultaneous inequality  $x_0 - R < x < x_0 + R$ . A power series may or may not converge at the endpoints of this interval.

**Absolute Convergence:**

Within its interval of convergence, a power series **converges absolutely**. In other words, if  $x$  is in the interval of convergence and is not an endpoint of the interval, then the series of absolute values  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n$  converges.

**Ratio Test:**

Suppose  $a_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$  in  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n$  and that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{c_{n+1}(x - x_0)^{n+1}}{c_n(x - x_0)^n} \right| = |x - x_0| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{c_{n+1}}{c_n} \right| = L$$

If  $L < 1$ , the series converges absolutely,  $L > 1$  diverges and if  $L = 1$  the test is inconclusive.

**Analytic at a Point:** A function  $f$  is said to be analytic at a point  $x_0$  if it can be represented by a power series in  $x - x_0$  with either a positive or an infinite radius of convergence. In calculus it is seen that infinitely differentiable functions.

**Ordinary and Singular Points**

A point  $x = x_0$  is said to be an **ordinary point** of the differential of the differential equation  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$  if both coefficients  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  are analytic at  $x_0$ . A point that is *not* an ordinary point of  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$  is said to be a **singular point** of the DE.

**Regular and Irregular Singular Points:**

A singular point  $x = x_0$  is said to be a **regular singular point** of the differential equation  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$  if the functions  $(x - x_0)p(x)$  and  $(x - x_0)^2q(x)$  are both analytic at  $x_0$ . A singular point that is not regular is said to be an **irregular singular point** of the equation.