

The inhomogeneous linear differential equation with constant coefficients

$$y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_2y'' + a_1y' + a_0y = g(x)$$

The solutions $y(x)$ are obtained using the theorem: $y = y_h + y_p$.

The number $\underline{\lambda}$ in the middle column is the $\underline{\mu}$ -fold solution of the characteristic equation.

For certain $g(x)$, the approach you should take for y_p can be found below.

Perturbation $g(x)$	λ	Approach for y_p
1) $g(x) = ae^{rx}$	r	$y_p(x) = Ax^\mu e^{rx}$
2) $g(x) = a\cos\beta x + b\sin\beta x$	βi	$y_p(x) = x^\mu (A\cos\beta x + B\sin\beta x)$
3) $g(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$	0	$y_p(x) = x^\mu (A_0 + A_1x + \dots + A_nx^n)$
4) $g(x) = P(x)e^{rx}\cos\beta x + Q(x)e^{rx}\sin\beta x$ $P(x), Q(x)$ - Polynomials	$r + \beta i$	$y_p(x) = x^\mu (U(x)e^{rx}\cos\beta x + V(x)e^{rx}\sin\beta x)$ $U(x), V(x)$ – polynomials whose degree is equal to the maximum degree of the polynomials $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$
5) Linear Combination of 1)-4)		Linear Combination of 1)-4)

The unknown coefficients for $y_p(x)$ are obtained by comparing coefficients.

For other perturbations, Green's function are typically used.