

Solve  $y'' + y = \delta\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \delta\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$   
 First we solve for the homogeneous or complementary solution:  $y'' + y = 0$ ,  
 $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$   
 Letting  $y = e^{rt}$ ,  $r^2 + 1 = 0$ ,  $r = \pm i$   
 $y_c = a \cos t + b \sin t$   
 Applying the initial conditions:  
 $y(0) = 0 \rightarrow a = 0$  and  $y'(0) = 0 \rightarrow b = 0$ .  
 Thus  $y_c = 0$ .  
 The Green function  $G(t, t_0) = G(t - t_0)$  is

$$G(t, t_0) = \begin{cases} A \cos t + B \sin t, & \text{for } t < t_0 : t^- \\ C \cos t + D \sin t, & \text{for } t_0 < t : t^+ \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Applying the initial conditions to the Green function:  
 $y(0) = 0 \rightarrow G(0, t_0) = 0 \rightarrow A \cos 0 + B \sin 0 = 0 \rightarrow A = 0$ ,  
 $y'(0) = 0 \rightarrow G_t(t, t_0)|_{t=0} = 0 \rightarrow -A \sin 0 + B \cos 0 = 0 \rightarrow B = 0$ .  
 Applying the jump condition to the Green function:  
 $G_t|_{t=t^+} - G_t|_{t=t^-} = \frac{1}{a_2} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  ( $a_2$  is the coefficient of  $y''$ )  
 Thus  $-C \sin t_0 + D \cos t_0 - (-A \sin t_0 + B \cos t_0) = 1$   
 But  $A = 0$  and  $B = 0$ . Thus  $-C \sin t_0 + D \cos t_0 = 1$ .  
 Applying continuity to the Green function  $G(t^+, t_0) = G(t^-, t_0)$ :  
 $C \cos t_0 + D \sin t_0 = A \cos t_0 + B \sin t_0$   
 But  $A = 0$  and  $B = 0$ . Thus  $C \cos t_0 + D \sin t_0 = 0$ .  
 Solving for  $C$  and  $D$  using Cramer's rule, we have  $C = -\sin t_0$  and  $D = \cos t_0$ .  
 Thus

$$G(t, t_0) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } t < t_0 : t^- \\ -\sin t_0 \cos t + \cos t_0 \sin t = \sin(t - t_0), & \text{for } t_0 < t : t^+ \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_0^1 G(t, t_0) f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{t_0} G(t, t_0) f(t) dt + \int_{t_0}^1 G(t, t_0) f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{t_0} 0 \cdot f(t) dt + \int_{t_0}^1 \sin(t - t_0) \left[ \delta\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \delta\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \right] dt \\ &= 0 + \sin\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) U\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \sin\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) U\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where  $U$  is the unit step function.  
 But  $\sin\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \sin t \cos \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = -\cos t$ ,  
 and  $\sin\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \sin t \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} - \cos t \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} = \cos t$ .  
 Thus  $y(t) = -\cos t U\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \cos t U\left(t - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$ .