

## Exercise 6.10

Find the general solution of the following differential equation

(1)  $y''' - y'' - y' + 2y = 0.$

**Solution:** Given that,  $y''' - y'' - y' + 2y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$m^3 - 2m^2 - m + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2(m - 2) - 1(m - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 2)(m^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 2)(m - 1)(m + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2, 1, -1$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^x + c_3 e^{-x}$$

(2)  $y''' - y' = 0$

**Solution:** Given that,  $y''' - y' = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is  $m^3 - m = 0$

$$m(m^2 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 0, 1, -1$$

So, the general solution of (i) is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 e^x + c_3 e^{-x}$$

(3)  $y^{iv} - 5y'' + 4y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $y^{iv} - 5y'' + 4y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m^4 - 5m^2 + 4 &= 0 \Rightarrow m^4 - 4m^2 - m^2 + 4 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow m^2(m^2 - 4) - 1(m^2 - 4) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (m^2 - 4)(m^2 - 1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (m - 2)(m + 2)(m - 1)(m + 1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow m = 2, -2, 1, -1 \end{aligned}$$

So, the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 e^x + c_4 e^{-x}$$

(4)  $(d^4 + 4)y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + 4y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m^4 + 4 &= 0 \Rightarrow (m^2)^2 + (2)^2 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow m^2 + 2)^2 - 2 \cdot m^2 \cdot 2 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (m^2 + 2)^2 - (2m)^2 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (m^2 + 2m + 2)(m^2 - 2m + 2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for  $m^2 + 2m + 2 = 0$

$$m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4i}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i$$

for  $m^2 - 2m + 2 = 0$

$$m = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4i}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2} = 1 \pm i$$

So, the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = e^{-x} (A \cos x + B \sin x) + e^x (C \cos x + D \sin x)$$

(5)  $(D^3 + 6D^2 + 11D + 6)y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 6 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 11 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m^3 + 6m^2 + 11m + 6 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m^3 + m^2 + 5m^2 + 5m + 6m + 6 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m^2(m+1) + 5m(m+1) + 6(m+1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m^2 + 5m + 6) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m^2 + 2m + 3m + 6) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)\{m(m+2) + 3(m+2)\} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m+2)(m+3) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m = -1, -2, -3 \end{aligned}$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 e^{-3x}$$

(6)  $y''' + 3y'' + 3y' - y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $y''' + 3y'' + 3y' - y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m^3 - 3m^2 + 3m - 1 &= 0 \Rightarrow m^3 - m^2 - 2m^2 + 2m + m - 1 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow m^2(m-1) - 2m(m-1) + 1(m-1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m-1)(m^2 - 2m + 1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m-1)(m-1)^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m-1)^3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m = 1, 1, 1 \end{aligned}$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2)e^x$$

(7)  $y^{iv} + 8y'' + 16y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $y^{iv} + 8y'' + 16y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is,

$$\begin{aligned} m^4 + 8m^2 + 16 &= 0 \Rightarrow (m^2)^2 + 2 \cdot m^2 \cdot 4 + (4)^2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m^2 + 4)^2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{for } m^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 = -4 \Rightarrow m^2 = (\pm 2i)^2 \Rightarrow m = 0 \pm 2i$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x) \cos 2x + (c_3 + c_4 x) \sin 2x$$

(8) If  $\frac{d^4 x}{dt^4} = m^4 x$

Solution: Given that,  $x^{iv} - m^4 x = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equations is,

$$u^4 - m^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (u^2)^2 - (m^2)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (u^2 + m^2)(u^2 - m^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 + m^2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad u^2 - m^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 = (im)^2, \quad \Rightarrow u^2 = m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \pm mi, \quad \Rightarrow u = \pm m$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$x = c_1 e^{mi} + c_2 e^{-mi} + c_3 \cos mt + c_4 \sin mt$$

(9)  $y''' - 7y' - 6y = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $y''' - 7y' - 6y = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is,

$$\begin{aligned} m^3 - 7m - 6 &= 0 \Rightarrow m^3 + m^2 - m^2 - m - 6m - 6 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow m^2(m+1) - m(m+1) - 6(m+1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m^2 - m - 6) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m^2 - 3m + 2m - 6) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)\{m(m-3) + 2(m-3)\} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+1)(m-3)(m+1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m = -1, 3, -2 \end{aligned}$$

So, the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{3x} + c_3 e^{-2x}$$

(10)  $y''' - 4y'' + 4y' = 0$

Solution: Given that,  $y''' - 4y'' + 4y' = 0$  ..... (i)

Its auxiliary equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m^3 - 4m^2 + 4m &= 0 \Rightarrow m(m^2 - 4m + 4) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow m(m-2)^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow m = 0, 2, 2 \end{aligned}$$

So the general solution of (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 + (c_2 + c_3 x)e^{2x}$$