

**OTHER QUESTIONS FROM SEMESTER END  
EXAMINATION**

**Second Order Differential Equation**

1999 Q. No. 4(b); 2001 Q. No. 4(b)

Find the general solution of the differential equation.  $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 2e^x \cos x$ .

**Solution:** Given that,  $y'' - 2y' + 2y = 2e^x \cos x$  ..... (i)

The auxiliary equation of homogeneous part of (i) is,

$$m^2 - 2m + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} = -1 \pm 2i$$

So, its general equation is,

$$y_h(x) = e^{-x}(A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x) \quad \text{..... (ii)}$$

And for the particular solution of (i), let,

$$y_p = 2e^x(c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x) \\ \Rightarrow y_p = 2c_1 e^x \sin x + 2c_2 e^x \cos x \quad \text{..... (iii)}$$

Then,  $y'_p = 2c_1(e^x \cos x + e^x \sin x) + 2c_2(e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x)$

$$\text{And, } y''_p = 2c_1(e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x + e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x) + 2c_2(e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x) \\ \Rightarrow y''_p = 4c_1 e^x \cos x - 4c_2 e^x \sin x$$

Then, the equation (ii) becomes

$$4(c_1 e^x \cos x - c_2 e^x \sin x - c_1 e^x \cos x - c_2 e^x \sin x - c_2 e^x \cos x + c_2 e^x \sin x) = 2e^x \sin x \\ \Rightarrow -2c_1 e^x \sin x - 2c_2 e^x \cos x = e^x \sin x$$

Comparing coefficient on both side then,

$$-2c_1 e^x = e^x \quad \text{and} \quad -2c_2 e^x = 0 \\ \Rightarrow c_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \Rightarrow c_2 = 0.$$

So the equation (iii) becomes,

$$y_p = e^x \sin x$$

Now, general equation of (i) is,

$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p \\ = e^{-x}(A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x) + e^x \sin x$$

#### 2000 Q. No. 4(b)

Find the general solution of the differential equation,  $y'' + 4y' + 3y = \sin x + 2\cos x$ .

**Solution:** Given that,  $y'' + 4y' + 3y = \sin x + 2\cos x$  ..... (i)

The auxiliary equation of homogeneous part of (i) is,

$$m^2 + 4m + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 + 3m + m + 3 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (m+3)(m+1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = -1, -3$$

So, its general equation is,

$$y_h(x) = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-3x} \quad \text{..... (ii)}$$

And for the particular solution of (i), let,

$$y_p = c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x \quad \text{..... (iii)}$$

Then,  $y'_p = -c_3 \sin x + c_4 \cos x$  and  $y''_p = -c_3 \cos x - c_4 \sin x$

So, equation is (i) becomes

$$-c_3 \cos x - c_4 \sin x - (-c_3 \sin x + c_4 \cos x) - 2(c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x) = \sin x + 2\cos x \\ \Rightarrow \cos x (-c_3 - c_4 - 2c_3) + \sin x (-c_4 + c_3 - 2c_4) = \sin x + 2\cos x \\ \Rightarrow \cos x (-3c_3 - c_4) + \sin x (-c_3 + 3c_4) = \sin x + 2\cos x.$$

Comparing the coefficient on both side, then,

$$-3c_3 - c_4 = 2, \quad c_3 - 3c_4 = 1.$$

Solving we get,  $c_3 = \frac{-1}{2}$  and  $c_4 = \frac{-1}{2}$ .

Thus, equation (iii) becomes

$$y_p = \frac{-1}{2}(\cos x + \sin x)$$

Now, general equation of (i) is,

$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p \\ = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-3x} - \frac{1}{2}(\cos x + \sin x)$$

#### 2002 Q. No. 4(b)

Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 4x^2$ .

**Solution:** Given that,  $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 4x^2$  ..... (i)

The auxiliary equation of homogeneous part of (i) is,

$$m^2 + 3m + 2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow m^2 + 2m + m + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (m+2)(m+1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = -1, -2.$$

So, its solution is,

$$y_h(x) = A e^{-x} + B e^{-2x}$$

And for the particular solution of (i), let,

$$y_p = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x + c_3 \quad \text{..... (ii)}$$

Then,  $y'_p = 2c_1 x + c_2$  and  $y''_p = 2c_1$

So that (i) becomes,

$$2c_1 + 3(2c_1 x + c_2) + 2(c_1 x^2 + c_2 x + c_3) = 4x^2 \\ \Rightarrow 2c_1 + 6c_1 x + 3c_2 + 2c_1 x^2 + 2c_2 x + 2c_3 = 4x^2 \\ \Rightarrow 2c_1 x^2 + x(6c_1 + 2c_2) + (2c_1 + 3c_2 + 2c_3) = 4x^2$$

Comparing coefficient on both side then,

$$2c_1 = 4, \quad 6c_1 + 2c_2 = 0, \quad 2c_1 + 3c_2 + 2c_3 = 0.$$

Solving we get,  $c_1 = 2$ ,  $c_2 = -6$ ,  $c_3 = 7$ .

Therefore, (ii) becomes,  $y_p = 2x^2 - 6x + 7$ .

Now, general equation of (i) is,

$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p$$

$$y(x) = Ae^{-x} + Be^{-2x} + 2x^2 - 6x + 7.$$

#### 2004 Fall; 2006 Fall Q. No. 4(b) OR

Solve by the method of variation of parameters:  $y'' + y = \tan x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is,  $y'' + y = \tan x$ . ... (i)

This is second order non-homogeneous equation. Then its solution is,

$$y(x) = y_h(x) + y_p \quad \dots (ii)$$

where  $y_h$  be the solution of homogeneous part of (i) and  $y_p$  be the particular solution of (i).

Here, the homogeneous equation of (i) is,

$$y'' + y = 0$$

Its auxiliary equation is

$$m^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \pm i$$

So, its solution is,

$$y_h(x) = (A \cos x + B \sin x)$$

And, for particular solution,

We have,

$$y_1 = \cos x \quad \text{and} \quad y_2 = \sin x,$$

$$\text{then, } y_1' = -\sin x \quad \text{and} \quad y_2' = \cos x$$

$$R = \sec x$$

So, the Wronskian is,

$$\begin{aligned} W(y_1, y_2) &= y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1' \\ &= \cos x \cdot \cos x - \sin x(-\sin x) = \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} y_p &= -y_1 \int \frac{y_2 R}{W} dx + y_2 \int \frac{y_1 R}{W} dx \\ &= -\cos x \int \frac{\sin x \tan x}{1} dx + \sin x \int \frac{\cos x \cdot \tan x}{1} dx \\ &= -\cos x \int \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x} dx + \sin x \int \sin x dx \\ &= -\cos x \int \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\cos x} dx + \sin x (-\cos x) \\ &= -\cos x \int (\sec x - \cos x) dx - \sin x \cdot \cos x \\ &= -\cos x \{ \log(\sec x + \tan x) - \sin x \} - \sin x \cdot \cos x \\ &= -\cos x \{ \log(\sec x + \tan x) \} + \cos x \sin x - \sin x \cdot \cos x \\ &= -\cos x \{ \log(\sec x + \tan x) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Now (ii) becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= y_h(x) + y_p \\ &= A \cos x + B \sin x - \cos x \{ \log(\sec x + \tan x) \}. \end{aligned}$$

#### Similar Question for Practice from Final Exam:

2006 Spring Q. No. 4(b)

$$\text{Solve: } y'' - 4y' + 4y = x^2 + e^{2x}$$

2007 Fall Q. No. 4(b)

$$\text{Solve the equation } y'' - 5y' + 6y = e^{2x}$$

2008 Spring Q. No. 4(b)

$$\text{Find the general solution of the differential equation: } y'' - 4y' + 4y = 6 + \frac{e^{2x}}{x}.$$

2010 Spring Q. No. 4(b)

$$\text{Solve: } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 3e^{2x}.$$

2011 Fall Q. No. 4(b)

$$\text{Solve } y'' + 2y' + 2y = 4e^{-x} \sec^3 x.$$

#### Extra Questions (Long Questions)

1999; 2001 Q. No. 5(b)

Solve the following initial value, problem  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = -3$

**Solution:** Given equation is,  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 0$  ... (i)

$$y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -3 \quad \dots (ii)$$

So, its auxiliary equation is,

$$m^2 + 5m + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 + 2m + 3m + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + 2)(m + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -2, -3$$

Therefore, the general solution of given equation (i) is,

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{-3x} \quad \dots (iii)$$

By (ii), we have,  $2 = c_1 + c_2$  ... (A)

Differential equation (iii) w. r. t.  $x$ , then,

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

By (ii), we have,  $-3 = -2c_1 - 3c_2$  ... (B)

Solving the equations (A) and (B) we get,

$$c_1 = 3, c_2 = -1.$$

Now, equation (iii) becomes,

$$y(x) = 3e^{-2x} - e^{-3x}$$

**Similar Question for Practice from Final Exam:****2000; 2004 Fall Q. No. 5(b)**Solve the following initial value problem,  $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$ **2007 Fall Q. No. 3(b)**Solve the following initial value problem,  $y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = -3$ .**2002 Q. No. 5(b)**Solve the following initial value problem.  $y'' + 2y' - 3y = 6e^{-2t}$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = -14$ .**2003 Fall Q. No. 5(b)**Solve  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = \sin t$ ;  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 3$ .**2008 Spring Q. No. 5(b)**Solve the initial value problem:  $y'' + y' - y = 14 + 2x - 2x^2$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$ .**2010 Spring Q. No. 5(b)**Solve the initial value problem:  $y'' + y = 2\cos x$ , where  $y(0) = 3$  and  $y'(0) = 4$ .**2006 Fall Q. No. 5(b)**Solve the initial value problem  $y'' - y' - 2y = 3e^{2x}$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = -2$ **SHORT QUESTIONS****1999; 2001:** Find the roots of the characteristic equation of the differential equation  $y'' + \pi^2 y = 0$ .**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$y'' + \pi^2 y = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

The characteristic equation of (i) is

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

$$\Rightarrow m = \pm \pi i$$

These are required root of characteristic equation of (i).

**2000:** Find the roots of the characteristic equation of the differential equation:  $y'' - 2y' + 10y = 0$ .**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$y'' - 2y' + 10y = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

The characteristic equation of (i) is

$$m^2 - 2m + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 40}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-36}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(6i)^2}}{2} = 1 \pm 3i$$

These are required root of the characteristic equation of (i).