

$$f(D)y = 0 \quad \underline{\text{C.F.}}$$

Auxiliary equation  $f(m) = 0$

Roots  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ .

Case I: Roots are real and non-repeated

$$\text{C.F.} = C_1 e^{\alpha_1 x} + C_2 e^{\alpha_2 x} + \dots + C_n e^{\alpha_n x}$$

Case II: Roots are real but repeated, say,

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha; \quad \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\text{C.F.} = (C_1 + C_2 x) e^{\alpha x} + C_3 e^{\alpha_3 x} + \dots + C_n e^{\alpha_n x}$$

Case III: Roots are complex and non-repeated

$$\alpha \pm i\beta, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\text{C.F.} = e^{\alpha x} (C_1 \cos \beta x + C_2 \sin \beta x) + C_3 e^{\alpha_3 x} + \dots + C_n e^{\alpha_n x}$$

Case IV: Roots are complex and repeated

$$\alpha \pm i\beta, \alpha \pm i\beta, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C.F.} = e^{\alpha x} & \left( (C_1 + C_2 x) \cos \beta x + (C_3 + C_4 x) \sin \beta x \right) + C_5 e^{\alpha_5 x} + \dots \\ & \dots + C_n e^{\alpha_n x}. \end{aligned}$$

## Evaluation of C.F. :

Ex. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} - 2 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 5 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 8 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 0$$

In operator form:

$$(D^4 - 2D^3 + 5D^2 - 8D + 4)y = 0$$

Auxiliary equation:  $m^4 - 2m^3 + 5m^2 - 8m + 4 = 0$

Its roots:  $m = 1, 1, 2i, -2i$

The general solution:

$$y = (C_1 + C_2 x) e^x + C_3 \cos 2x + C_4 \sin 2x.$$

Ex. Suppose roots of the auxiliary eq. are

$$1, 2, 2, 1 \pm 2i, 1 \pm 2i$$

GENERAL SOLUTION:

$$y = C_1 e^x + (C_2 + C_3 x) e^{2x} + e^x [(C_4 + C_5 x) \cos 2x + (C_6 + C_7 x) \sin 2x]$$

## Determination of particular Integral:

Diff. Eq.  $f(D)y = X$

$$\boxed{P.I. = \frac{1}{f(D)} \cdot X}$$

### 1. General method of getting P.I.

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{(D-\alpha)} X = e^{\alpha x} \int X e^{-\alpha x} dx}$$

Proof: let  $y = \frac{1}{D-\alpha} X$

On operating  $D-\alpha$  both sides, we get

$$(D-\alpha)y = X$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} - \alpha y = X \quad (\text{linear equation in } y)$$

$$I.F. = e^{\int -\alpha dx} = e^{-\alpha x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y \cdot e^{-\alpha x} = \int X e^{-\alpha x} dx + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y = e^{\alpha x} \int X e^{-\alpha x} dx} + C e^{\alpha x}$$

Ex. Solve  $(D^2 + a^2)y = \sec ax$

Auxiliary equation:  $m^2 + a^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \pm ai$

C.F. =  $C_1 \cos ax + C_2 \sin ax$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \sec ax = \frac{1}{(D - ia)(D + ia)} \cdot \sec ax \\ &= \frac{1}{2ia} \left[ \frac{1}{D - ia} - \frac{1}{D + ia} \right] \sec ax \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $\frac{1}{D - ia} \sec ax = e^{iax} \int \sec ax e^{-iax} dx$

$$\begin{aligned} &= e^{iax} \int \sec ax [\cos ax - i \sin ax] dx \\ &= e^{iax} \int \left( 1 - i \frac{\sin ax}{\cos ax} \right) dx \\ &= e^{iax} \left[ x + \frac{i}{a} \ln |\cos ax| \right] \end{aligned}$$

Similarly  $\frac{1}{D + ia} \sec ax = e^{-iax} \left[ x - \frac{i}{a} \ln |\cos ax| \right]$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{2ia} \left[ e^{iax} \left\{ x + \frac{i}{a} \ln |\cos ax| \right\} - e^{-iax} \left\{ x - \frac{i}{a} \ln |\cos ax| \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2ia} \left[ x (e^{iax} - e^{-iax}) + \frac{i}{a} \ln |\cos ax| (e^{iax} + e^{-iax}) \right] \\ &= \frac{x}{a} \sin ax + \frac{1}{a^2} \ln |\cos ax| \cdot \cos ax. \end{aligned}$$

GENERAL SOLUTION:

$$y = C_1 \cos ax + C_2 \sin ax + \frac{x}{a} \sin ax + \frac{1}{a^2} \ln |\cos ax| \cos ax$$



## 2. Short Methods for finding P.I. (Proofs: Shanti Narayan)

- $X$  is of the form  $e^{ax}$

$$\text{i) } \boxed{\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax}} \quad \text{where } f(a) \neq 0$$

ii) If  $f(a) = 0$ , then  $f(D)$  must have a factor of the type  $(D-a)^r$ .

Then, 
$$\boxed{\frac{1}{(D-a)^r} e^{ax} = \frac{x^r}{r!} e^{ax}}$$

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^3 - D^2 - D + 1} \cdot e^x \\ &= \frac{1}{(D-1)^2(D+1)} e^x \\ &= \frac{1}{(D-1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} e^x \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2!} \cdot e^x = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^x. \end{aligned}$$

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 5} \cdot 7 \\ &= \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 5} \cdot 7 e^{0x} \\ &= 7 \cdot \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 5} \cdot e^{0x} = \frac{7}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof of:

$$\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax} \quad \text{where } f(a) \neq 0$$

Let  $f(D) = D^n + C_1 D^{n-1} + \dots + C_{n-1} D + C_n$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} f(D) e^{ax} &= [D^n + C_1 D^{n-1} + \dots + C_{n-1} D + C_n] e^{ax} \\ &= [a^n + C_1 a^{n-1} + \dots + C_{n-1} a + C_n] e^{ax} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(D) e^{ax} = f(a) e^{ax}$$

Operating both side by  $\frac{1}{f(D)}$ , we get

$$\frac{1}{f(D)} f(D) e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(D)} (f(a) e^{ax})$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{ax} = f(a) \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax}}$$

•  $X$  is  $\cos ax$  or  $\sin ax$

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{f(D)} \cos ax = \frac{1}{\varphi(D^2)} \cos ax = \frac{1}{\varphi(-a^2)} \cos ax$$

provided  $\varphi(-a^2) \neq 0$

Replace  $D^2$  by  $-a^2$

Ex. 
$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^4 + D^2 + 1} \cos 2x = \frac{1}{(D^2)^2 + D^2 + 1} \cos 2x \\ &= \frac{1}{16 - 4 + 1} \cos 2x = \frac{1}{13} \cos 2x \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 
$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1} \cos 3x \\ &= \frac{1}{-9 - 2D + 1} \cos 3x = \frac{1}{-2D - 8} \cos 3x \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{D+4} \cos 3x \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{D-4}{D^2-16} \cos 3x \\ &= \frac{1}{50} (D-4) \cos 3x \\ &= \frac{1}{50} \cdot (-3 \sin 3x - 4 \cos 3x) \\ &= -\frac{1}{50} (3 \sin 3x + 4 \cos 3x) \end{aligned}$$

If  $\psi(-a^2) = 0$ :

Ex.  $\frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \sin ax$

$$= \text{imag} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \cos ax + i \frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \sin ax \right\}$$

$$= \text{imag} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \cdot e^{iax} \right\}$$

Consider.  $\frac{1}{D^2+a^2} e^{iax} = \frac{1}{(D-ai)(D+ia)} \cdot e^{iax}$

$$= \frac{1}{D-ai} \cdot \frac{1}{2ia} e^{iax}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2ia} \cdot \frac{\pi}{1} \cdot e^{iax}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2ia} \{ \cos ax + i \sin ax \}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2a} \sin ax - i \frac{\pi}{2a} \cos ax$$

P.I. =  $-\frac{\pi}{2a} \cos ax$ ,

Rules:

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \sin ax = -\frac{\pi}{2a} \cos ax}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{D^2+a^2} \cos ax = \frac{\pi}{2a} \sin ax}$$



Ex. Solve  $(D^2+4)y = \sin^2 x$

$$C.F. = C_1 \cos 2x + C_2 \sin 2x$$

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{D^2+4} \sin^2 x$$

$$= \frac{1}{D^2+4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{D^2+4} \cdot \cos 2x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{x}{2 \cdot 2} \sin 2x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} [1 - x \sin 2x]$$

General solution:

$$y = C_1 \cos 2x + C_2 \sin 2x + \frac{1}{8} [1 - x \sin 2x]$$

- $X$  is  $x^m$  or a polynomial of degree  $m$ .

Take out the lowest degree term from  $f(D)$ , so as to reduce it in the form

$$[1 \pm F(D)]^\alpha$$

Take it to numerator and expand it.

Ex. Find  $\frac{1}{D^3 - D^2 - 6D} \cdot (x^2 + 1)$

$$= \frac{1}{-6D \left(1 + \frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}\right)} (x^2 + 1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6D} \left[1 + \left(\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}\right)\right]^{-1} (x^2 + 1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6D} \left[1 - \left(\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{D}{6} - \frac{D^2}{6}\right)^2 - \dots\right] (x^2 + 1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6D} \left[1 - \frac{D}{6} + \frac{D^2}{6} + \frac{D^2}{36} \dots\right] (x^2 + 1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6D} \left[(x^2 + 1) - \frac{1}{6}(2x) + \frac{7}{36} \cdot 2\right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6D} \left[x^2 - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{25}{18}\right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{25}{18}x\right]$$

- $X$  is  $e^{ax} V$ , where  $V$  is any function of  $x$ .

Rule:

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} V = e^{ax} \frac{1}{f(D+a)} V.}$$

Ex.

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{D^2 + 3D + 2} e^{2x} \sin x$$

$$= e^{2x} \cdot \frac{1}{(D+2)^2 + 3(D+2) + 2} \cdot \sin x$$

$$= e^{2x} \cdot \frac{1}{D^2 + 7D + 12} \sin x$$

$$= e^{2x} \cdot \frac{1}{7D + 11} \sin x$$

$$= e^{2x} \cdot \frac{7D - 11}{49D^2 - 121} \sin x$$

$$= e^{2x} \cdot \frac{7D - 11}{-170} \sin x$$

$$= -\frac{e^{2x}}{170} (7 \cos x - 11 \sin x)$$

$$= \frac{e^{2x}}{170} (11 \sin x - 7 \cos x)$$

•  $X$  is  $xV$

Rule

$$\frac{1}{f(D)} (x \cdot V) = x \cdot \frac{1}{f(D)} V - \frac{f'(D)}{\{f(D)\}^2} V$$

Ex.

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1} \cdot x \sin x$$

$$= x \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1} \sin x - \frac{(2D - 2)}{(D^2 - 2D + 1)^2} \sin x$$

$$= x \frac{1}{-2D} \sin x - \frac{(2D - 2)}{(-2D)^2} \sin x$$

$$= + \frac{x}{2} \cos x - \frac{(2D - 2)}{4(-1)} \sin x$$

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

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

$$f(D)y = x$$

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{f(D)} x$$

$$1. \text{ General rule } \frac{1}{D-a} x = e^{ax} \int x e^{-ax} dx$$

2. Short Methods:

$$a) \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax} ; f(a) \neq 0$$

$$a') \text{ If } f(a) = 0 ; \frac{1}{(D-a)^r} e^{ax} = \frac{x^r}{r!} e^{ax} ;$$

$$f(D) = (D-a)^r \bar{f}(D)$$

$$b) \frac{1}{\bar{f}(D^2)} \cos ax = \frac{1}{\bar{f}(-a^2)} \cos ax ; \bar{f}(a^2) \neq 0$$

$$b') \frac{1}{\bar{f}(D^2)} \sin ax = \frac{1}{\bar{f}(-a^2)} \sin ax ; \bar{f}(-a^2) \neq 0$$

$$b'') \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \sin ax = -\frac{x}{2a} \cos ax$$

$$b''') \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \cos ax = \frac{x}{2a} \sin ax$$

$$c) \frac{1}{f(D)} (e^{ax} v) = e^{ax} \frac{1}{f(D+a)} v$$

$$d) \frac{1}{f(D)} (xv) = x \cdot \frac{1}{f(D)} v - \frac{f'(D)}{\{f(D)\}^2} v$$