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 $r \frac{dx}{dt}$ 
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 $V = a^3$ 

# 2

UNIT

## DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS-2

### 2.1 LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS

A linear differential equation is that in which the dependent variable and its derivatives occur only in the first degree and are not multiplied together. Thus

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + p_1 \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + p_2 \frac{d^{n-2} y}{dx^{n-2}} + \dots + p_{n-1} \frac{dy}{dx} + p_n y = X$$

where  $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n$  and  $X$  are functions of  $x$  only.

A differential equation of the form

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + k_1 \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + k_2 \frac{d^{n-2} y}{dx^{n-2}} + \dots + k_n y = X \quad \dots(1)$$

where  $k_1, k_2, k_3, \dots, k_n$  are constants, is called a linear differential equation with constant coefficients.

$$\text{Let } \frac{d}{dx} = D, \quad \frac{d^2}{dx^2} = D^2, \quad \frac{d^3}{dx^3} = D^3, \quad \dots, \quad \frac{d^n}{dx^n} = D^n$$

where  $D$  is a differential operator.

Then equation (1) becomes

$$(D^n + k_1 D^{n-1} + k_2 D^{n-2} + k_3 D^{n-3} + \dots + k_n) y = X$$

$$\text{or } f(D) Y = X \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{where } f(D) = D^n + k_1 D^{n-1} + k_2 D^{n-2} + \dots + k_n$$

**Example 1:** Solve the following differential equations.

1) Solve  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 7\frac{dy}{dx} - 44y = 0$

**Solution:** The given equation in symbolic form is

$$(D^2 - 7D - 44)y = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Its AE is } D^2 - 7D - 44 = 0$$

$$(D + 4)(D - 11) = 0$$

$$\therefore D = -4, \quad D = 11$$

$\therefore$  Its solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{-4x} + c_2 e^{11x}$$

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

**Solution:** The given equation is  $(D^4 - 5D^2 + 4)y = 0$

$$\text{Its, AE is } D^4 - 5D^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$D^4 - 4D^2 - D^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$D^2(D^2 - 4) - 1(D^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$(D^2 - 4)(D^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore (D - 2)(D + 2)(D - 1)(D + 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore D = 2, -2, 1, -1 \text{ are the roots.}$$

Hence its solution is

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

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

**Solution:** The given equation is

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

$$\text{Its A.E. is } D^3 - 2D^2 - 4D + 8 = 0$$

$$\therefore D^2(D - 2) - 4(D - 2) = 0$$

$$(D - 2)(D - 2)(D + 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore D = 2, 2, -2 \text{ are the roots}$$

$\therefore$  Its solution is

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

4) Solve  $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} - m^4 y = 0$

**Solution:** The given equation is

$$(D^4 - m^4) y = 0$$

$\therefore$  Its AE is  $D^4 - m^4 = 0$

$\therefore (D^2 - m^2) (D^2 + m^2) = 0$

$\therefore (D - m) (D + m) (D - mi) (D + mi) = 0$

$\therefore D = m, -m, mi \text{ and } -mi$

$\therefore$  Its solution is

$$y = c_1 e^{mx} + c_2 e^{-mx} + (c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x)$$

5) Solve  $(D^4 + m^4) y = 0$

**Solution:** The given equation is

$$(D^4 + m^4) y = 0$$

Its AE is  $D^4 + m^4 = 0$

$$D^4 + 2m^2 D^2 + m^4 - 2m^2 D^2 = 0$$

$\therefore (D^2 + m^2)^2 - 2m^2 D^2 = 0$

$\therefore (D^2 + m^2 + \sqrt{2} mD) (D^2 + m^2 - \sqrt{2} mD) = 0$

$\therefore D^2 + \sqrt{2} mD + m^2 = 0, \quad D^2 - \sqrt{2} mD + m^2 = 0$

$\therefore D = -\frac{\sqrt{2}m \pm \sqrt{2m^2 - 4m^2}}{2}; \quad D = \frac{\sqrt{2}m \pm \sqrt{2m^2 - 4m^2}}{2}$

$$= -\frac{m}{\sqrt{2}} \pm \frac{mi}{\sqrt{2}} \quad ; \quad = \frac{m}{\sqrt{2}} \pm \frac{mi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$\therefore$  Its solution is

$$y = e^{-\frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}}} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}} + c_2 \sin \frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + e^{\frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}}} \left( c_3 \cos \frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}} + c_4 \sin \frac{mx}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

## EXERCISE

**Solve the following differential equations.**

1.  $(D^2 + 1)^2 (D^2 + D + 1)y = 0$

**Ans.:**  $y = (c_1 x + c_2) \cos x + (c_3 x + c_4) \sin x$

$$+ e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left( c_5 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_6 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right)$$

2.  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 6 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 11 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + c_3 e^{-3x}$

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

**Ans.:**  $y = (c_1 x^2 + c_2 x + c_3) e^x$

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

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^{(2+\sqrt{3})x} + c_2 e^{(2-\sqrt{3})x}$

5.  $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + 4 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - 5 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 36 \frac{dy}{dx} - 36y = 0$

**Ans.:**  $y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-2x} + c_3 e^{3x} + c_4 e^{-3x}$

## 2.3 INVERSE OPERATOR $\frac{1}{f(D)}$

**Definition:**  $\frac{1}{f(D)} X$  is that function of  $x$ , free from arbitrary constants which when operated upon by  $f(D)$  gives  $X$ .

Thus  $f(D) \left\{ \frac{1}{f(D)} X \right\} = X$ .

$\therefore f(D)$  and  $\frac{1}{f(D)}$  are inverse operators.

Note the following important results:

1.  $\frac{1}{f(D)} X$  is the particular integral of  $f(D) y = X$ .
2.  $\frac{1}{D} X = \int X \, dx$ .
3.  $\frac{1}{D-a} X = e^{ax} \int X e^{-ax} \, dx$ .

## 2.4 RULES FOR FINDING THE PARTICULAR INTEGRAL

Consider the differential equation

$$f(D) y = X$$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{1}{f(D)} X$$

**Type I(A):** When  $X$  is of the form  $e^{ax}$ , where  $a$  is any constant.

$$PI = \frac{1}{f(D)} X = \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax} \text{ . Provided } f(a) \neq 0.$$

**Rule:** In  $f(D)$ , put  $D = a$  and  $PI$  will be calculated, provided  $f(a) \neq 0$ .

**Type I(B):** When  $X$  is of the form  $e^{ax}$  but  $f(D) = 0$  has got 'a' as its root (Failure case of type 1).

$$PI = \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{0} e^{ax} \quad \because f(a) = 0$$

$\therefore$  Our method fails.

Now, since 'a' is a root of  $f(D)$ ,  $(D - a)$  must be a factor of  $f(D)$  which therefore can be written as  $(D - a) \phi(D)$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{1}{(D - a) \phi(D)} e^{ax}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{e^{ax}}{\phi(a)} \frac{1}{(D-a+a)} \{1\} \\
 &= \frac{e^{ax}}{\phi(a)} \frac{1}{D} \{1\} \\
 &= \frac{e^{ax}}{\phi(a)} \cdot x \quad \left( \because \frac{1}{D} = \int \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if  $f(D) = (D-a)^p \phi(D)$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 PI &= \frac{e^{ax}}{\phi(a)} \cdot \frac{1}{D^p} \{1\} \\
 &= \frac{e^{ax}}{\phi(a)} \cdot \frac{x^p}{p!}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Rule:** Put  $D = a$  in those factors of  $f(D)$  which do not vanish for  $D = a$  and then make the question as  $PI$  of a product of  $e^{ax}$  and 1 which is calculated.

Note: In case of  $\sinh ax$  and  $\cosh ax$  we take

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{i) } \sinh ax &= \frac{e^{ax} - e^{-ax}}{2} & \text{ii) } \cosh ax &= \frac{e^{ax} + e^{-ax}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 1:** Solve  $(D^2 + 3D + 5)y = e^{2x}$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 3D + 5)y = e^{2x}$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 3D + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9-20}}{2} = \frac{-3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{11}}{2}i$$

$$\therefore CF = e^{-\frac{3}{2}x} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{11}}{2}x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{11}}{2}x \right)$$

$$\text{And, } PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + 3D + 5} e^{2x}$$

$$\text{Put } D = 2 \text{ in } f(D)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4+6+5} e^{2x} = \frac{1}{15} e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$\therefore y = e^{-\frac{3}{2}x} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{11}}{2} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{11}}{2} x \right) + \frac{1}{15} e^{2x}$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 2 \sinh 2x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4D + 4)y = 2 \sinh 2x$$

$$= \frac{2(e^{2x} - e^{-2x})}{2} = e^{2x} - e^{-2x}$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 4D + 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore (D+2)^2 = 0 \quad \therefore D = -2, -2 \text{ are the roots.}$$

$$\therefore CF = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-2x}$$

$$\text{And } PI \text{ for } e^{2x} = \frac{1}{(D+2)^2} e^{2x} = \frac{1}{(2+2)^2} e^{2x} = \frac{e^{2x}}{16} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Also } PI \text{ for } e^{-2x} = \frac{1}{(D+2)^2} e^{-2x} = \frac{1}{0} e^{-2x}$$

$\therefore$  Our method fails.

Then to find  $PI$  put  $D-2$  for  $D$  in  $f(D)$  and take out  $e^{-2x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore PI &= e^{-2x} \left\{ \frac{1}{(D-2+2)^2} \right\} \{1\} \\ &= e^{-2x} \frac{1}{D^2} \{1\} = e^{-2x} \frac{x^2}{2!} \quad \dots(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI_1 - PI_2$$

$$y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-2x} + \frac{e^{2x}}{16} - e^{-2x} \frac{x^2}{2!}.$$

**Example 3:** Solve  $(D^3 + 3D^2 + 3D + 1)y = e^{-x}$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^3 + 3D^2 + 3D + 1)y = e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^3 + 3D^2 + 3D + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore (D+1)^3 = 0 \quad \therefore D = -1, -1, -1 \text{ are the roots.}$$

$$\therefore CF = (c_1x^2 + c_2x + c_3)e^{-x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } PI &= \frac{1}{(D+1)^3} e^{-x} \\ &= e^{-x} \left\{ \frac{1}{(D-1+1)^3} \right\} (1) \\ &= e^{-x} \frac{1}{D^3} \{1\} = e^{-x} \frac{x^3}{3!} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = (c_1x^2 + c_2x + c_3)e^{-x} + e^{-x} \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

**Example 4:** Solve  $(D^2 + 4D + 3)y = e^{-3x}$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4D + 3)y = e^{-3x}$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 4D + 3 = 0$$

$$(D+1)(D+3) = 0 \quad D = -1, \quad D = -3$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1e^{-x} + c_2e^{-3x}$$

$$PI = \frac{1}{(D+1)(D+3)} e^{-3x}$$

put  $D = -3$  in  $f(D)$  then

$$PI = \frac{1}{0} e^{-3x} \quad \therefore \text{method fails}$$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{e^{-3x}}{(-3+1)(D-3+3)} \{1\} = \frac{e^{-3x}}{(-2)} \frac{1}{D} \{1\} = \frac{e^{-3x}}{-2} x$$

$$G.S. = CF + PI$$



$$y = c_1 e^{-x} + c_2 e^{-3x} - \frac{e^{-3x}}{2} x$$

**Type II(A):** When  $X$  is of the form  $\sin ax$  or  $\cos ax$ .

$$\begin{aligned} PI &= \frac{1}{f(D^2)} \sin ax \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{f(D^2)} \cos ax \\ &= \frac{1}{f(-a^2)} \sin ax \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{f(-a^2)} \sin ax \end{aligned}$$

In this case put the quantity  $-a^2$  in the place of  $D^2$ , we can not put anything for  $D$  as is imaginary.  $D^3$  on substitution shall become  $D^2 \cdot D = -a^2 D$ ,  $D^4$  will be  $D^2 \cdot D^2 = (-a^2)(-a^2)$ .

In other words  $f(D)$  shall be reduced to a linear factor of the form  $lD - m$  or  $D^1 + m$ . Then multiply both numerator and denominator by a conjugate factor  $lD + m$  or  $lD - m$  respectively, the denominator shall be reduced to  $l^2 D^2 - m^2$  in which again put  $D^2 = -a^2$  and it will become a constant i.e.,  $l^2 (-a^2) - m^2 = -a^2 l^2 - m^2$ .

$$\therefore \quad PI = \frac{la \cos ax \pm m \sin ax}{-a^2 l^2 - m^2}$$

**Type II B:** (Failure case)

When  $X$  is of the form  $\sin ax$  or  $\cos ax$  but  $f(D)$  becomes zero when we put  $D^2 = -a^2$ .

$$PI = \frac{1}{f(D^2)} \sin ax \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{f(D^2)} \cos ax$$

Put  $D^2 = -a^2$

$$\therefore \quad PI = \frac{1}{0} \sin ax \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{0} \cos ax$$

$\therefore$  Our method fails

$$\text{Then} \quad PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \sin ax = \frac{x}{2} \int \sin ax \, dx$$

$$\text{and} \quad PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \cos ax = \frac{x}{2} \int \cos ax \, dx$$

**Example 1:** Solve  $(D^2 + D + 1)y = \sin 2x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + D + 1)y = \sin 2x$$

AE is  $D^2 + D + 1 = 0$

$$D = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4}}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$\therefore CF = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x \right)$$

And  $PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} \sin 2x$

Put  $D^2 = -z^2$

$$= \frac{1}{-4 + D + 1} \sin 2x = \frac{1}{D - 3} \sin 2x$$

$$= \frac{(D + 3)}{D^2 - 9} \sin 2x$$

Put again  $D^2 = -2^2$

$$= \frac{D(\sin 2x) + (3 \sin 2x)}{-4 - 9}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos 2x + 3 \sin 2x}{-13}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x \right) - \frac{1}{13} (2 \cos 2x + 3 \sin 2x)$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $(D^2 - 5D + 6)y = \cos 3x$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 - 5D + 6)y = \cos 3x$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 - 5D + 6 = 0$$

$$(D - 2)(D - 3) = 0 \quad \therefore D = 2, 3 \text{ are the roots.}$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$

And  $PI = \frac{1}{D^2 - 5D + 6} \cos 3x$

Put  $D^2 = -3^2$

$$= \frac{1}{-9 - 5D + 6} \cos 3x$$

$$= \frac{-1}{5D + 3} \cos 3x$$

$$= \frac{-(5D - 3)}{25D^2 - 9} \cos 3x$$

Put  $D^2 = -3^2$  again

$$= \frac{-[5D(\cos 3x) - 3(\cos 3x)]}{25 \times (-9) - 9}$$

$$= \frac{[-15 \sin 3x - 3 \cos 3x]}{-234}$$

$$= \frac{-(15 \sin 3x + 3 \cos 3x)}{234}$$

$\therefore G.S. = C.F. + P.I.$

$$y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x} - \frac{1}{234} (15 \sin 3x + 3 \cos 3x)$$

**Example 3:** Solve  $(D^2 + 4)y = \cos 2x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4)y = \cos 2x$$

$\therefore A.E. \text{ is } D^2 + 4 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm 2i$

$$C.F. = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$$

And

$$PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + 4} \cos 2x$$

Put  $D^2 = -2^2$

$$= \frac{1}{0} \cos 2x \quad \therefore \text{Our method fails.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore P.I. &= \frac{1}{D^2 + 4} \cos 2x = \frac{x}{2} \int \cos 2x \, dx \\ &= \frac{x}{2} \frac{\sin 2x}{2} = \frac{x}{4} \sin 2x\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = C.F. + P.I.$$

$$y = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + \frac{x}{4} \sin 2x.$$

**Example 4:** Solve  $(D^2 + 4)(D^2 + 1)y = \cos 2x + \sin x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4)(D^2 + 1)y = \cos 2x + \sin x$$

$$A.E. \text{ is } (D^2 + 4)(D^2 + 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \pm 2i \quad \text{and} \quad D = \pm i$$

$$C.F. = (c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x) + (c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x)$$

$$\text{Now, } P.I. \text{ for } \cos 2x = \frac{1}{(D^2 + 4)(D^2 + 1)} \cos 2x$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-4 + 4)(-4 + 1)} \cos 2x = \frac{1}{0} \cos 2x$$

$$\therefore P.I. = \frac{1}{(-4 + 1)} \frac{\cos 2x}{D^2 + 4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{-3} \frac{x}{2} \int \cos 2x \, dx = -\frac{x}{6} \frac{\sin 2x}{2} = -\frac{x}{12} \sin 2x \quad \dots(1)$$

( $\because$  put  $D^2 = -2^2$  in those factors which do not vanish)

$$\text{And } P.I. \text{ for } \sin x = \frac{1}{(D^2 + 4)(D^2 + 1)} \sin x$$

put  $D^2 = -1^2$  in those factors which do not vanish.

$$= \frac{1}{(-1 + 4)} \frac{x}{2} \int \sin x \, dx = +\frac{1}{3} \frac{x}{2} (-\cos x)$$

$$= -\frac{x}{6} \cos x \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \quad G.S. &= CF + PI_1 + PI_2 \\ y &= c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + c_3 \cos x \\ &\quad + c_4 \sin x - \frac{x}{12} \sin 2x - \frac{x}{6} \cos x\end{aligned}$$

**Type III:** When  $X$  is of the form  $x^m$ .

$$PI = \frac{1}{f(D)} x^m$$

To find the  $PI$  of this type one should remember the following expansions.

- i)  $(1 - D)^{-1} = 1 + D + D^2 + D^3 + \dots$
- ii)  $(1 + D)^{-1} = 1 - D + D^2 - D^3 + \dots$
- iii)  $(1 - D)^{-2} = 1 + 2D + 3D^2 + 4D^3 + \dots$
- iv)  $(1 + D)^{-2} = 1 - 2D + 3D^2 - 4D^3 + \dots$
- v)  $(1 - D)^{-3} = 1 + 3D + 6D^2 + 10D^3 + \dots$
- vi)  $(1 + D)^{-3} = 1 - 3D + 6D^2 - 10D^3 + \dots$

**Example 1:** Solve  $2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 5 + 2x$ .

**Solution:** The given equation is

$$(2D^2 + 5D + 2)y = 5 + 2x$$

$$AE \text{ is } 2D^2 + 5D + 2 = 0$$

$$(2D + 1)(D + 2) = 0 \quad \therefore D = -\frac{1}{2}, D = -2$$

$$\therefore C.F. = c_1 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} + c_2 e^{-2x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}PI &= \frac{1}{2D^2 + 5D + 2} (5 + 2x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{(2D^2 + 5D)}{2} \right]^{-1} (5 + 2x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{(2D^2 + 5D)}{2} + \dots \right] (5 + 2x)\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 5 + 2x - \frac{5}{2} \cdot 2 \right]$$

$$= x$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} + c_2 e^{-2x} + x$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = x^2 + e^x - \sin x + 2^x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = x^2 + e^x - \sin x + 2^x$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 2D + 1 = 0$$

$$(D + 1)^2 = 0 \quad \therefore D = -1, -1$$

$$\therefore C.F. = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad PI \text{ for } x^2 &= \frac{1}{(1+D)^2} x^2 \\ &= (1+D)^{-2} (x^2) \\ &= (1 - 2D + 3D^2 - 4D^3 \dots) x^2 \\ &= x^2 - 4x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$ii) \quad PI \text{ for } e^x = \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1} e^x$$

$$\text{Put } D = 1 \quad = \frac{1}{1+2+1} e^x = \frac{1}{4} e^x$$

$$iii) \quad PI \text{ for } \sin x = \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1} \sin x$$

$$\text{Put } D^2 = -1^2, = \frac{1}{-1+2D+1} = \frac{1}{2D} \sin x$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \sin x \, dx = -\frac{1}{2} \cos x \quad \left( \because \frac{1}{D} = \int \right)$$

$$iv) \quad PI \text{ for } 2^x = \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1} 2^x$$

$$= \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1} e^{x \log 2}$$

$$y = c_1 e^{ax} + c_2 e^{-ax} + c_3 \cos ax + c_4 \sin ax - \frac{1}{a^4} \left[ x^4 + \frac{24}{a^4} \right] + \frac{1}{b^4 - a^4} \sin bx$$

**Type IV:** When  $X$  is of the form  $e^{ax}V$ , where  $V$  is any function of  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} PI &= \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} V \\ &= e^{ax} \left\{ \frac{1}{f(D+a)} \right\} V \end{aligned}$$

**Rule:** It means that take out  $e^{ax}$  and in  $f(D)$  write  $D+a$  for every  $D$  so that  $f(D)$  becomes  $f(D+a)$  and then operate  $\frac{1}{f(D+a)}$  with  $V$  alone by previous method.

**Example 1:** Solve  $(D^2 - 4D + 3)y = e^{2x} \sin 3x$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 - 4D + 3)y = e^{2x} \sin 3x$$

$$\therefore \text{A.E. is } D^2 - 4D + 3 = 0$$

$$(D-1)(D-3) = 0 \quad \therefore D = 1, 3$$

$$\therefore \text{C.F.} = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{3x}$$

$$\text{And } PI = \frac{1}{D^2 - 4D + 3} e^{2x} \sin 3x$$

$$= e^{2x} \left\{ \frac{1}{(D+2)^2 - 4(D+2) + 3} \right\} \sin 3x$$

$$= e^{2x} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2 + 4D + 4 - 4D - 8 + 3} \right\} \sin 3x$$

$$= e^{2x} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2 - 1} \right\} \sin 3x$$

$$\text{put } D^2 = -3^2$$

$$= e^{2x} \left\{ \frac{1}{-9-1} \right\} \sin 3x$$

$$= -\frac{1}{10}e^{2x} \sin 3x$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{3x} - \frac{1}{10} e^{2x} \sin 3x$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $(D^2 - 5D + 6)y = x(x + e^x)$

**Solution:**

Given equation is

$$\begin{aligned}(D^2 - 5D + 6)y &= x(x + e^x) \\ &= x^2 + xe^x\end{aligned}$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 - 5D + 6 = 0$$

$$(D - 2)(D - 3) = 0 \quad \therefore D = 2, 3$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$

And

$$\text{i) } PI \text{ for } x^2 = \frac{1}{D^2 - 5D + 6} x^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[ 1 + \frac{(D^2 - 5D)}{6} \right]^{-1} (x^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[ 1 - \frac{(D^2 - 5D)}{6} + \frac{(D^2 - 5D)^2}{6} - \dots \right] (x^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[ 1 - \frac{D^2}{6} + \frac{5D}{6} + \frac{25}{36} D^2 - \dots \right] (x^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[ x^2 - \frac{2}{6} + \frac{10x}{6} + \frac{50}{36} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[ x^2 + \frac{10x}{6} + \frac{19}{18} \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= e^{-x} \left\{ \frac{1}{(D-1+1)^2} \right\} x \sin x \\
&= e^{-x} \frac{1}{D^2} (x \sin x) \\
&= e^{-x} \frac{1}{D} \int x \sin x \, dx \\
&= e^{-x} \frac{1}{D} [x(-\cos x) - (-\sin x)] \\
&= e^{-x} \int (-x \cos x + \sin x) \, dx \\
&= e^{-x} [-x \sin x - (-1)(-\cos x) - \cos x] \\
&= e^{-x} [-x \sin x - 2 \cos x] \\
&= -e^{-x} (x \sin x + 2 \cos x)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-x} - e^{-x} (x \sin x + 2 \cos x)$$

**Example 4:** Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x e^x \cos x$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 - 2D + 1) y = x e^x \cos x$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 - 2D + 1 = 0$$

$$(D-1)^2 = 0 \qquad \therefore D = 1, 1$$

$$\therefore CF = (c_1 x + c_2) e^x$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}
PI &= \frac{1}{(D-1)^2} x e^x \cos x \\
&= e^x \left\{ \frac{1}{(D+1-1)^2} \right\} x \cos x = e^x \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2} \right\} x \cos x \\
&= e^x \cdot \frac{1}{D} \int x \cos x \, dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$= e^x \frac{1}{D} [x \sin x - 1 (-\cos x)]$$

$$= e^x \int (x \sin x + \cos x) dx$$

$$= e^x [x (-\cos x) + \sin x + \sin x]$$

$$= e^x (-x \cos x + 2 \sin x)$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

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

**Example 5:** Solve  $e^x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2e^x \frac{dy}{dx} + e^x y = x^2$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x^2 e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 + 2D + 1 = 0$$

$$(D + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore D = -1, -1$$

$$\therefore CF = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-x}$$

And,  $PI = \frac{1}{(D+1)^2} x^2 e^{-x}$

$$= e^{-x} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2} \right\} x^2$$

$$= e^{-x} \frac{1}{D} \int x^2 dx = e^{-x} \frac{1}{D} \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-x}}{3} \int x^3 dx = \frac{e^{-x}}{3} \cdot \frac{x^4}{4}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-x} x^4}{12}$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-x} + \frac{1}{12} e^{-x} x^4$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x + \frac{1}{9} (3x \sin x - 2 \cos x)$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + y = x^2 \sin x$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 1)y = x^2 \sin x$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \pm i$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$$

$$PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + 1} x^2 \sin x$$

$$= \frac{1}{D^2 + 1} \text{ imaginary part of } x^2 e^{ix}$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } e^{ix} \left\{ \frac{1}{(D+i)^2 + 1} \right\} x^2$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } e^{ix} \left\{ \frac{1}{D^2 + 2Di - 1 + 1} \right\} x^2$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } e^{ix} \frac{1}{2Di} \left[ 1 + \frac{D}{2i} \right]^{-1} (x^2)$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } e^{ix} \frac{1}{2Di} \left[ 1 - \frac{D}{2i} + \frac{D^2}{4i^2} \dots \dots \right] (x^2)$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{e^{ix}}{2Di} \left[ x^2 - \frac{2x}{2i} - \frac{2}{4} \right]$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{e^{ix}}{2Di} \left[ x^2 + ix - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{e^{ix}}{2i} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{ix^2}{2} - \frac{x}{2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{e^{ix}}{12i} (2x^3 - 3x + ix^2) \\
&= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{1}{12i} (\cos x + i \sin x) (2x^3 - 3x + i 3x^2) \\
&= \text{Imaginary part of } \frac{1}{12i} [(\cos x) (2x^3 - 3x) - (\sin x) 3x^2 \\
&\quad + i (2x^3 - 3x) \sin x + 3x^2 \cos x] \\
&= -\frac{1}{12} (2x^3 - 3x) \cos x - 3x^2 \sin x
\end{aligned}$$

Taking imaginary part only.

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x - \frac{1}{12} (2x^3 - 3x) \cos x - 3x^2 \sin x.$$

**Example 3:** Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a^2 y = \sec ax$

**Solution:** Given equation is

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

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 + a^2 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm ai$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos ax + c_2 \sin ax$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{And, } PI &= \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \sec ax \\
&= \frac{1}{(D + ai)(D - ai)} \sec ax
\end{aligned}$$

Resolve into partial fractions

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2ai} \left[ \frac{1}{D - ai} - \frac{1}{D + ai} \right] \sec ax \\
&= \frac{1}{2ai} \left[ \frac{1}{D - ai} \sec ax - \frac{1}{D + ai} \sec ax \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 PI &= \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \tan ax = \frac{1}{(D + ai)(D - ai)} \tan ax \\
 &= \frac{1}{2ai} \left[ \frac{1}{D - ai} - \frac{1}{D + ai} \right] \tan ax, \text{ by partial fractions} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2ai} \left[ \frac{1}{D - ai} \tan ax - \frac{1}{D + ai} \tan ax \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } \frac{1}{D - ai} \tan ax &= e^{iax} \int \tan ax e^{-iax} dx \\
 &= e^{iax} \int \tan ax (\cos ax - i \sin ax) dx \\
 &= e^{iax} \int \left( \sin ax - i \frac{\sin^2 ax}{\cos ax} \right) dx \\
 &= e^{iax} \int [\sin ax - i(\sec ax - \cos ax)] dx \\
 &= e^{iax} \left[ -\frac{\cos ax}{a} - \frac{i}{a} \log(\sec ax + \tan ax) + \frac{i \sin ax}{a} \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{a} e^{iax} [(\cos ax - i \sin ax) + i \log(\sec ax + \tan ax)] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{a} e^{iax} [e^{-iax} + i \log(\sec ax + \tan ax)] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{a} [1 + i e^{iax} \log(\sec ax + \tan ax)]
 \end{aligned}$$

Changing  $i$  to  $-i$  we get

$$\frac{1}{D + ai} \tan ax = -\frac{1}{a} [1 - i e^{-iax} \log(\sec ax + \tan ax)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore PI &= \frac{1}{2ai} \left[ -\frac{1}{a} (1 + i e^{iax} \log(\sec x + \tan x)) + \frac{1}{a} (1 - i e^{-iax} \log(\sec ax + \tan ax)) \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{a^2} \log(\sec ax + \tan ax) \cdot \cos ax
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos ax + c_2 \sin ax - \frac{1}{a^2} \cos ax \log (\sec ax + \tan ax)$$

## 2.5 INITIAL VALUE PROBLEMS

**Example 1:** Solve  $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$  given  $y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 1$

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4D + 4)y = 0 \text{ with } x = 0, y = 3 \text{ and } x = 0, y' = 1$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 4D + 4 = 0$$

$$(D + 2)^2 = 0 \quad \therefore D = -2, -2$$

$\therefore$  The solution is

$$y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-2x} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } y' = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{-2x} (-2) + c_1 e^{-2x} \quad \dots(2)$$

Given  $y = 3$  when  $x = 0$  and  $y' = 1$  when  $x = 0$

$$\therefore c_2 = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad c_1 = 7$$

$\therefore$  The complete solution is

$$y = (7x + 3) e^{-2x}$$

**Example 2:** Solve the initial value problem  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y + 2 \cosh x = 0$

given  $y = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$(D^2 + 4D + 5)y = -2 \cosh x$$

$$= \frac{-2(e^x + e^{-x})}{2} = -(e^x + e^{-x})$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 4D + 5 = 0$$

$$D = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2} = -2 \pm i$$

$$\therefore CF = e^{-2x} (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x)$$

$$= \cos a \frac{x}{2} \int \sin x \, dx + \sin a \cdot \frac{x}{2} \int \cos x \, dx$$

$$= -\cos a \cdot \frac{x \cos x}{2} + \sin a \frac{x \sin x}{2}$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x - \frac{1}{2} \cos a \, x \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \sin a \, x \sin x$$

$$\text{and } y' = -c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \cos a \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \cos a \cdot x \sin x \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sin a \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \sin a \cdot x \cos x$$

$$\text{Given } y = 0, y' = 0 \text{ when } x = 0$$

$$\therefore 0 = c_1 \quad \therefore c_1 = 0$$

$$\text{and } 0 = c_2 - \frac{1}{2} \cos a \quad \therefore c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \cos a$$

$\therefore$  The complete solution is

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

**Example 4:** Solve the initial value problem  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$  given

$$y(0) = 0, \frac{dy}{dx}(0) = 15.$$

**Solution:** Given equation is

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

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 + 5D + 6 = 0$$

$$(D + 2)(D + 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore D = -2, -3$$

$$\therefore CF \text{ is } y = c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{-3x}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dy}{dx} = -2c_1 e^{-2x} - 3c_2 e^{-3x}$$

At  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 15$

$$\therefore 0 = c_1 + c_2$$

$$15 = -2c_1 - 3c_2 \quad \text{Solving } c_2 = -15 \text{ and } c_1 = 15$$

$\therefore$  The complete solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 15e^{-2x} - 15e^{-3x} \\ &= 15(e^{-2x} - e^{-3x}) \end{aligned}$$

## 2.6 SIMULTANEOUS DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS OF FIRST ORDER

The differential equation in which there is one independent variable and two or more than two dependent variables are called simultaneous linear differential equations. Here we consider simultaneous linear equation with constant coefficients only.

**Example 1:** Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + y = \sin t$ ;  $\frac{dy}{dt} + x = \cos t$

**Solution:** The simultaneous equation are

$$Dx + y = \sin t \quad \dots(1)$$

$$Dy + x = \cos t \quad \dots(2) \quad \text{where } \frac{d}{dt} = D$$

Multiply (1) by  $D$

$$\therefore D^2x + Dy = \cos t \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\therefore Dy + x = \cos t \quad \dots(4)$$

Subtracting (4) from (3) we get

$$D^2x - x = 0$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } (D^2 - 1) = 0 \quad \therefore D = 1, -1$$

$$\therefore x = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t} \quad \dots(1)$$

And  $Dx + y = \sin t$

$$\therefore y = \sin t - \frac{d}{dt} (c_1 e^t - c_2 e^{-t})$$

$$y = \sin t - c_1 e^t - c_2 e^{-t}$$



2. Solve  $(D-2)^2 y = 8(e^{2x} + \sin 2x + x^2)$

**Ans.:**  $y = (c_1 x + c_2) e^{2x} + 4x^2 e^{2x} + \cos 2x + 2x^2 + 4x + 3.$

3. Solve  $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} - y = \cos x \cosh x$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + c_3 \cos x + c_4 \sin x - \frac{1}{5} \cos x \cosh x.$

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

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + \sin x \log \sin x - x \cos x.$

5. Solve  $(D^2 - 4D + 3)y = \sin 3x \cos 2x$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [\sin 5x + \sin x]$$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{3x} + \frac{1}{884} (10 \cos 5x - 11 \sin 5x) + \frac{1}{20} (\sin x + 2 \cos x)$

6. Solve  $(D^2 - 3D + 2)y = 6e^{-3x} + \sin 2x.$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + \frac{3}{10} e^{-3x} + \frac{1}{20} (3 \cos 2x - \sin 2x)$

7. Solve  $(D^2 - 4)y = (1 + e^x)^2$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{-2x} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{3} e^x + \frac{1}{4} x e^{2x}$

8. Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x e^{3x} + \sin 2x$

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + \frac{1}{4} e^{3x} (2x - 3) + \frac{1}{20} (3 \cos 2x - \sin 2x)$

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

**Ans.:**  $y = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x - \cos 2x \log (\sec 2x + \tan 2x)$

**Case VII:** If  $X = e^{ax} (a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n) \sin bx$  or  $\cos bx$  then the particular integral is of the form.

$$y = e^{ax} \{ (A_0 + A_1x + \dots + A_n x^n) \sin bx + (B_0 + B_1x + \dots + B_n x^n) \cos bx \}$$

**Note:** However, when  $X = \tan x$  or  $\sec x$ , this method fails, since the number of terms obtained by differentiating  $X = \tan x$  or  $\sec x$  is infinite.

**Example 1:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients,

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = x^2 + x + 1$$

**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = x^2 + x + 1 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 - 3D + 2 = 0$$

$$(D - 1)(D - 2) = 0 \quad \therefore D = 1, 2$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x}$$

$PI$  is of the form

$$y = A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2$$

$$y' = 0 + A_1 + 2A_2x$$

$$y'' = 0 + 2A_2$$

Substituting in (1)

$$2A_2 - 3(A_1 + 2A_2x) + 2(A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2) = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\therefore 2A_2x^2 + (2A_1 - 6A_2)x + 2A_0 - 3A_1 + 2A_2 = x^2 + x + 1$$

Comparing the coefficients

$$2A_2 = 1, \quad 2A_1 - 6A_2 = 1, \quad 2A_0 - 3A_1 + 2A_2 = 1$$

$$\text{Solving, } A_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad A_1 = 2, \quad A_0 = 3$$

$$\therefore PI = 3 + 2x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + \left( 3 + 2x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right)$$

**Example 2:** Solving by the method of undetermined coefficients the equation  $y'' - 2y' + 5y = e^{2x}$ .

**Solution:** Given equation is

$$y'' - 2y' + 5y = e^{2x} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 - 2D + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore D = 1 \pm 2i$$

$$\therefore CF = e^x (c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x)$$

$PI$  is of the form

$$y = Ae^{2x}$$

$$\therefore y' = 2Ae^{2x} \quad \text{and} \quad y'' = 4Ae^{2x}$$

Substituting in (1)

$$4Ae^{2x} - 2 + 2Ae^{2x} + 5Ae^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore 5A e^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore 5A = 1 \quad \therefore A = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{1}{5} e^{2x}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = e^x (c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x) + \frac{1}{5} e^{2x}$$

**Example 3:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients, the equation  $y'' - 5y' + 6y = \sin 2x$ .

**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$y'' - 5y' + 6y = \sin 2x \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 - 5D + 6 = 0 \quad \therefore D = 2, 3$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$

$PI$  is of the form

$$y = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$$

$$y' = -2A \sin 2x + 2B \cos 2x$$

$$y'' = -4A \cos 2x - 4B \sin 2x$$

Substituting in (1)

$$\therefore PI = -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{3}{10}\sin x - \frac{1}{10}\cos x$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-2x} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{3}{10}\sin x - \frac{1}{10}\cos x$$

**Example 5:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients the equation  $y'' + 4y = x^2 + e^{-x}$ .

**Solution:** The given differential equation is

$$y'' + 4y = x^2 + e^{-x} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 4 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm 2i$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x$$

Particular integral is of the form

$$y = A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + B e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore y' = A_1 + 2A_2 x - B e^{-x}$$

$$y'' = 2A_2 + B e^{-x}$$

Substituting in (1)

$$(2A_2 + B e^{-x}) + 4(A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + B e^{-x}) = x^2 + e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore (4A_0 + 2A_2) + 4A_1 x + 4A_2 x^2 + 5B e^{-x} = x^2 + e^{-x}$$

Equating the coefficients, we get

$$4A_0 + 2A_2 = 0 \quad \text{Solving}$$

$$4A_1 = 0 \quad A_0 = -\frac{1}{8}, \quad A_1 = 0$$

$$4A_2 = 1 \quad A_2 = \frac{1}{4}, \quad B = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore PI = -\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{5}e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos 2x + c_2 \sin 2x - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{5}e^{-x}.$$

**Example 6:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients

$$y'' - y' - 4y = x + \cos 2x$$

**Solution:**

The given differential equation is

$$y'' - y' - 4y = x + \cos 2x \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } D^2 - D - 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+16}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 e^{\frac{(1+\sqrt{17})x}{2}} + c_2 e^{\frac{(1-\sqrt{17})x}{2}}$$

Particular integral is of the form

$$y = A_0 + A_1 x + B_0 \cos 2x + B_1 \sin 2x$$

$$y' = A_1 - 2B_0 \sin 2x + 2B_1 \cos 2x$$

$$y'' = -4B_0 \cos 2x - 4B_1 \sin 2x$$

Substituting in (1)

$$\begin{aligned} (-4B_0 \cos 2x - 4B_1 \sin 2x) - (A_1 - 2B_0 \sin 2x + 2B_1 \cos 2x) \\ - 4(A_0 + A_1 x + B_0 \cos 2x + B_1 \sin 2x) = x + \cos 2x. \end{aligned}$$

Equating the coefficients

$$-4A_0 - A_1 = 0 \quad \text{Solving}$$

$$-4A_1 = 1 \quad A_0 = \frac{1}{16}, \quad A_1 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$-8B_0 - 2B_1 = 1 \quad B_0 = \frac{-2}{17}, \quad B_1 = \frac{-1}{34}$$

$$2B_0 - 8B_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{2}{17}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{34}\sin 2x$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^{\frac{(1+\sqrt{17})x}{2}} + c_2 e^{\frac{(1-\sqrt{17})x}{2}} + \frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{2}{17}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{34}\sin 2x$$

**Example 7:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + y = \sin x.$$

**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$y'' + y = \sin x \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm i$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$$

Note that 'sin x' is common in CF and RHS of the equation and therefore particular integral is of the form

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

$$y' = x(-A \sin x + B \cos x) + (A \cos x + B \sin x)$$

$$y'' = x(-A \cos x - B \sin x) + (-A \sin x + B \cos x) + (-A \sin x + B \cos x)$$

Substituting in (1)

$$-2A \sin x + 2B \cos x = \sin x$$

Equating the coefficients

$$-2A = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad 2B = 0$$

$$\therefore A = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = 0$$

$$\therefore PI = -\frac{1}{2}x \cos x$$

$$\therefore GS = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x - \frac{1}{2}x \cos x$$

**Example 8:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients the equation  $(D^2 + 1)y = 4x - 2 \sin x$ .

**Solution:** The given differential equation is

$$y'' + y = 4x - 2 \sin x \quad \dots(1)$$

$$AE \text{ is } D^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm i$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$$

Equating the coefficients

$$2A_2 - 3A_1 + 2A_0 = 0 \quad A_0 = \frac{7}{4}, \quad A_1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2A_2 = 1 \quad A_2 = \frac{1}{2} \quad B = -1$$

$$\therefore PI = \frac{7}{4} + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - xe^x$$

$$\therefore G.S. = CF + PI$$

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + \frac{7}{4} + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - xe^x$$

**Example 10:** Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients the following equations.

i)  $(D^2 + 1)y = 4x \cos x - 2 \sin x \quad \dots(1)$

Hint:  $CF = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$

Since 'cos x and sin x' are common in CF and RHS of (1) particular integral is of the form.

$$y_1 = x [(A_0 + A_1 x) \cos x + (A_2 + A_3 x) \sin x]$$

and  $y_2 = PI \text{ for } 2 \sin 2x$   
 $= x \{B_0 \cos x + B_1 \sin x\}$

$$\therefore y = y_1 + y_2$$

ii)  $(D^2 - 1)y = 10 \sin^2 x$

Hint:  $= \frac{10(1 - \cos 2x)}{2} = 5 - 5 \cos 2x$

PI is of the form

$$y = A_0 + \{B_0 \cos x + B_1 \sin x\}$$

iii)  $(D^2 - 1)y = e^{-x} (2 \sin x + 4 \cos x)$

Hint: PI is of the form

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

iv)  $(D^3 - D)y = 3e^x + \sin x \quad \dots(1)$

Hint:  $D(D^2 - 1) = 0 \quad D = 0, \quad D = 1 \quad D = -1$

$$CF = c_1 + c_2 e^x + c_3 e^{-x}$$

$e^x$  is common in  $CF$  and RHS of (1)

$\therefore PI$  is of the form

$$y = A_0 x e^x + (B_0 \sin x + B_1 \cos x)$$

v)  $(D^2 - 5D + 6)y = e^{2x} + \sin x$

Hint:

$PI$  is of the form

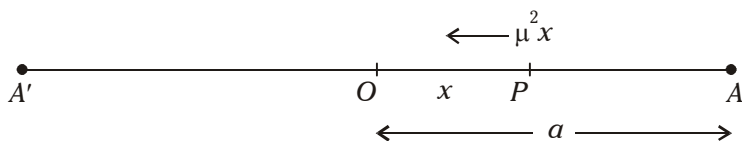
$$y = A x e^{2x} + (B_0 \sin x + B_1 \cos x)$$

## 2.8 APPLICATIONS TO LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

The applications of linear differential equations to various physical problems play a dominant role in unifying seemingly different theories of mechanical and electrical systems just by renaming the variables. This analogy has an important practical application. Since electrical circuits are easier to assemble, less expensive and accurate measurements can be made of electrical quantities.

### A. Simple harmonic motion (S.H.M.)

A particle is said to execute simple harmonic motion if it moves in a straight line such that its acceleration is always directed towards a fixed point in the line is proportional to the distance of the particle from the fixed point.



Let  $O$  be the fixed point in the line  $A'A$ . Let  $P$  be the position of the particle at any time  $t$  where

$$OP = x$$

Since the acceleration is always directed towards  $O$  i.e., the acceleration is in the direction opposite to that in which  $x$  increases, the equation of motion of the particle is

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -\mu^2 x \quad \text{or} \quad (D^2 + \mu^2)x = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{d}{dt} = D \quad \dots(1)$$

which is the linear differential equation with constant coefficient.



∴ The solution of equation (1) is

$$x = c_1 \cos \mu t + c_2 \sin \mu t \quad \dots(2)$$

Velocity of the particle at  $P$  is

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -c_1 \mu \sin \mu t + c_2 \mu \cos \mu t \dots(3)$$

If the particle starts from rest at  $A$ , where  $OA = a$  then from (2) at  $t = 0$ ,  $x = 0$ . ∴  $c_1 = a$ .

and from (3), at  $t = 0$ ,  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$  ∴  $c_2 = 0$

$$\therefore x = -a \mu \sin \mu t \quad \dots(4)$$

and 
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -a\mu \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \mu t} = -a\mu \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}} \quad \dots(5)$$

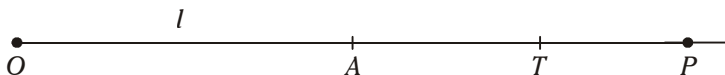
$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = -\mu \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \quad \dots(6)$$

Hence equation (4) gives the displacement of the particle from the fixed point  $O$  at any time  $t$ .

Equation (6) gives the velocity of the particle at any time  $t$ . Equation (6) also shows that the velocity is directed towards  $O$  and decreases as  $x$  increases.

**Example 1:** In the case of a stretched elastic horizontal string which has one end fixed and a particle of mass  $m$  attached to the other, find the equation of motion of the particle given that  $l$  is natural length of the string and  $e$  is its elongation due to a weight  $mg$ . Also find the displacement of the particle when initially  $s = s_0$ ,  $v = 0$ .

**Solution:** Let  $OA = l$  be the elastic horizontal string with the end  $O$  fixed and a particle of mass  $m$  attached at  $A$ .



Let  $P$  be the position of the particle at any time  $t$

Let  $OP = s$  so that the elongation  $AP = s - l$ .

Now, for the elongation  $e$  tension  $= mg$

$$\therefore \text{ For the elongation } (s - l), \text{ tension} = \frac{mg(s-l)}{e}$$

Since tension is the only horizontal force acting on the particle, its equation of motion is

$$m \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = -T$$

$$\therefore m \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = -\frac{mg(s-l)}{e}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = -\frac{g}{e}s + \frac{gl}{e}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{e}s = \frac{gl}{e} \quad \text{or} \quad \left(D^2 + \frac{g}{e}\right)s = \frac{gl}{e} \quad \dots(1) \text{ when } D = \frac{d}{dt}$$

Which is the linear differential equation

$$\text{Its AE is } D^2 + \frac{g}{e} = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{g}{e}}$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{e}} t \right) + c_2 \sin \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{e}} t \right)$$

$$\text{And, } PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + \frac{g}{e}} \cdot \frac{gl}{e} = \frac{gl}{e} \cdot \frac{1}{D^2 + \frac{g}{e}} e^{0t} = \frac{gl}{e} \cdot \frac{1}{g/e} = l$$

$\therefore$  The complete solution of (1) is

$$s = c_1 \cos \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{e}} t \right) + c_2 \sin \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{e}} t \right) + l \quad \dots(2)$$

When  $t = 0$ ,  $s = s_0$  from (2) we get

$$s_0 = c_1 + 0 + l \quad \text{or} \quad c_1 = s_0 - l$$

Also,

## b) Damped Oscillations

If the motion of the mass  $m$  be subject to an additional force of resistance, the oscillations are said to be damped. The damping force may be constant or proportional to velocity. The latter type of damping is important and is usually called viscous damping.

Now, if the damping force be proportional to velocity (say  $= r \frac{dx}{dt}$ ) then the equation of motion becomes

$$\begin{aligned} m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} &= mg - k(e + x) - r \frac{dx}{dt} \\ &= -kx - r \frac{dx}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $\frac{r}{m} = 2\lambda$  and  $\frac{k}{m} = \mu^2$ .

We get

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dx}{dt} + \mu^2 x = 0 \quad \dots(3)$$

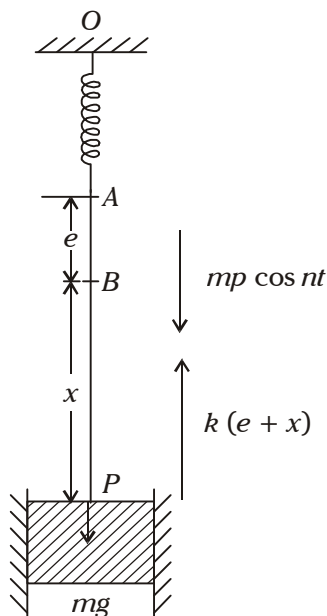
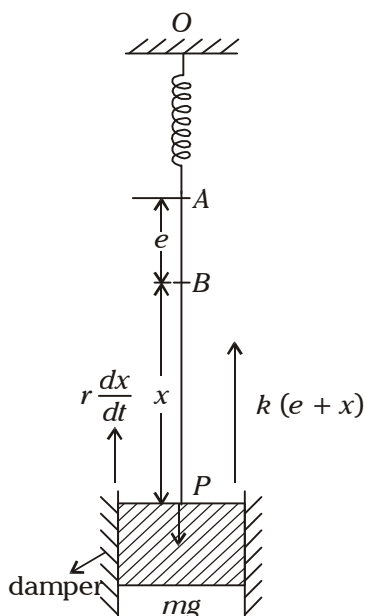
Which is the linear differential equation with constant coefficient.

## c) Forced Oscillations (Without dumping)

If the point of the support of the spring is also vibrating with some external periodic force, then the resulting motion is called the forced oscillatory motion.

Taking the external periodic force to be  $mp \cos nt$  the equation of the motion is

$$\begin{aligned} m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} &= mg - k(e + x) + mp \cos nt \\ &= -kx + mp \cos nt \end{aligned}$$



Taking  $\frac{k}{m} = \mu^2$  the equation becomes

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \mu^2 x = p \cos nt \quad \dots(4)$$

Which is linear differential equation.

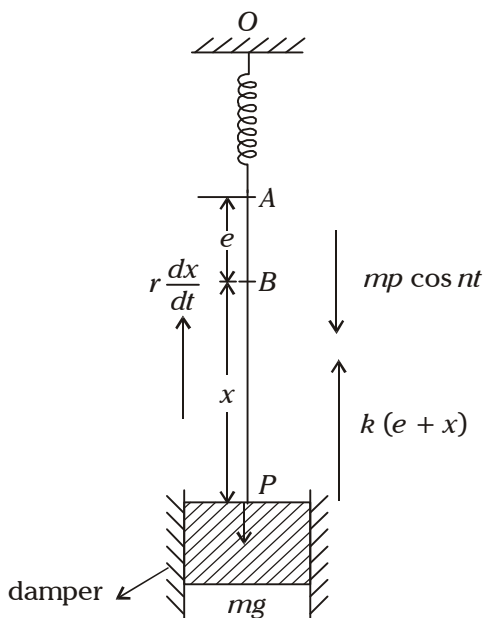
The solution of equation (4) is

$$x = c_1 \cos \mu t + c_2 \sin \mu t + \frac{p \cos nt}{n^2 + \mu^2}$$

#### d) Forced Oscillations (With damping)

If in addition, there is a damping force proportional to velocity (say:  $r \frac{dx}{dt}$ )

then the above equation becomes.



$$\begin{aligned} m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} &= mg - k(e + x) + mp \cos nt - r \frac{dx}{dt} \\ &= -kx + mp \cos nt - r \frac{dx}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $\frac{r}{m} = 2\lambda$  and  $\frac{k}{m} = \mu^2$  then the equation becomes

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dx}{dt} + \mu^2 x = p \cos nt$$

Which is a linear differential equation and its solution is

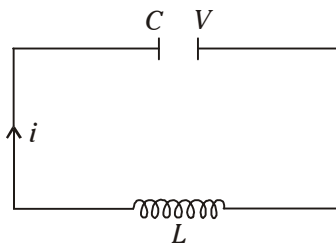
$$x = e^{-\lambda t} \left( c_1 e^{+\sqrt{\lambda^2 - \mu^2} t} + c_2 e^{-\sqrt{\lambda^2 - \mu^2} t} \right) + \frac{p(\mu^2 - n^2) \cos nt + 2\lambda n \sin t}{(\mu^2 - n^2) + 4\lambda^2 n^2}$$

With the increase of time, the free oscillations die away while the forced oscillations continue giving the steady state motion.

## C. Oscillatory Electrical Circuits

### a) L – C Circuit

Consider an electrical circuit containing an inductance  $L$  and capacitance  $C$ .



Let  $i$  be the current and  $q$  be the charge in the condenser plate at any time  $t$  then the voltage drop across

$$L = L \frac{di}{dt} = L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2}$$

and voltage drop across  $C = \frac{q}{C}$

As there is no applied e.m.f. in the circuit, therefore by Kirchoff's first law, we have

$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + \frac{q}{C} = 0$$

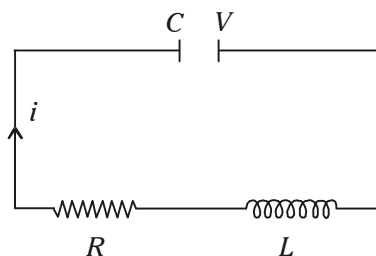
Dividing by  $L$  and taking  $\frac{1}{LC} = \mu^2$  we get

$$\frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + \mu^2 q = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

Which is linear differential equation and it represents free electrical oscillations of the current having period  $\frac{2\pi}{\mu} = 2\pi\sqrt{LC}$ .

### b) $L - C - R$ Circuit

Consider the discharge of a condenser through an inductance  $L$  and the resistance  $R$ . Since the voltage drop across  $L$ ,  $C$  and  $R$  are respectively.



$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2}, \quad \frac{q}{C} \quad \text{and} \quad R \frac{dq}{dt}$$

By Kirchhoff's law, we have

$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{C} = 0$$

Taking  $\frac{R}{L} = 2\lambda$  and  $\frac{1}{LC} = \mu^2$  we get

$$\frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dq}{dt} + \mu^2 q = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

Which is the linear differential equation.

By Kirchhoff's law the equation is

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{C} = p \cos nt$$

Dividing by  $L$

$$\frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{LC} = \frac{p}{L} \cos nt$$

Taking  $\frac{R}{L} = 2\lambda$  and  $\frac{1}{LC} = \mu^2$ , we have

$$\frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dq}{dt} + \mu^2 q = \frac{p}{L} \cos nt$$

Which is the linear differential equation.

**Note:** The  $L - C - R$  circuit with a source of alternating e.m.f. is an electrical equivalent of the mechanical phenomena of forced oscillations with resistance.

**Example 1:** In an  $L - C - R$  circuit, the charge  $q$  on a plate of a condenser is given by

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{C} = E \sin pt$$

The circuit is tuned to resonance so that  $p^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$ . If initially the current  $i$  and the charge  $q$  be zero, show that for small values of  $\frac{R}{L}$ . The current in the circuit at time  $t$  is given by  $\frac{Et}{2L} \sin pt$ .

**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$\left( LD^2 + RD + \frac{1}{C} \right) q = E \sin pt \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\therefore AE \text{ is } LD^2 + RD + \frac{1}{C} = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \frac{-R \pm \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{4L}{C}}}{2L} = \frac{-R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

As  $\frac{R}{L}$  is small, we have

$$D = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm i \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm ip$$

$$\therefore CF = e^{-\frac{Rt}{2L}} (c_1 \cos pt + c_2 \sin pt)$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{Rt}{2L}\right) (c_1 \cos pt + c_2 \sin pt)$$

$$\left( \because \text{rejecting the terms in } \left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 \text{ etc.} \right)$$

And  $PI = \frac{1}{LD^2 + RD + \frac{1}{C}} E \sin pt$

$$= \frac{E \sin pt}{-Lp^2 + RD + \frac{1}{C}} = \frac{E}{R} \int \sin pt \, dt \quad \because p^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$$

$$= -\frac{E}{Rp} \cos pt$$

Thus the complete solution is

$$q = \left(1 - \frac{Rt}{L}\right) (c_1 \cos pt + c_2 \sin pt) - \frac{E}{Rp} \cos pt \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

$$\therefore i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \left(1 - \frac{Rt}{L}\right) (-c_1 \sin pt \times p + c_2 \cos pt \times p)$$

$$+ \left(-\frac{R}{L}\right) (c_1 \cos pt + c_2 \sin pt) + \frac{E}{R} \sin pt \quad \dots(\text{iii})$$



When  $t = 0$ ,  $q = 0$ ,  $i = 0$

$$\therefore \text{ From (ii) } 0 = c_1 - \frac{E}{Rp} \quad \therefore c_1 = \frac{E}{Rp}$$

$$\text{and from (iii) } 0 = c_2 p - c_1 \frac{R}{2L} \quad \therefore c_2 = \frac{Rc_1}{2Lp} = \frac{E}{2Lp^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore i &= \left(1 - \frac{Rt}{L}\right) \left(-\frac{E}{Rp} \sin pt + c_2 \cos pt\right) p \\ &\quad - \frac{R}{2L} \left(\frac{E}{Rp} \cos pt + \frac{E}{2Lp^2} \sin pt\right) + \frac{E}{R} \sin pt \\ &= \frac{Et}{2L} \sin pt \quad \left(\because \frac{R}{L} \text{ is small}\right) \end{aligned}$$

## D. Deflection of Beams

**Example 1:** The deflection of a strut of length  $l$  with one end ( $x = 0$ ) built in and the other supported and subjected to end thrust  $p$  satisfies the equation.

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a^2 y = \frac{a^2 R}{p}(l - x)$$

Prove that the deflection curve is  $y = \frac{R}{p} \left( \frac{\sin ax}{a} - l \cos ax + l - x \right)$  and

$$al = \tan al.$$

**Solution:** Given differential equation is

$$(D^2 + a^2)y = \frac{a^2 R}{p}(l - x) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\therefore \text{ Its AE is } D^2 + a^2 = 0 \quad \therefore D = \pm ai$$

$$\therefore CF = c_1 \cos ax + c_2 \sin ax$$

$$\text{And} \quad PI = \frac{1}{D^2 + a^2} \frac{a^2 R}{p}(l - x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\frac{w}{2EIa^2} \left(1 - \frac{D^2}{a^2}\right)^{-1} (x^2 - lx) \\
 &= -\frac{w}{2p} \left(x^2 - lx + \frac{2}{a^2}\right) \text{ where } p = EIa^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the complete solution of (1) is

$$y = c_1 \cosh ax + c_2 \sinh ax - \frac{w}{2p} \left(x^2 - lx + \frac{2}{a^2}\right) \quad \dots(ii)$$

At the end  $O$ ,  $t = 0$  when  $x = 0$

$$\therefore \text{ (ii) gives } O = c_1 - \frac{w}{pa^2} \quad \therefore c_1 = \frac{w}{pa^2}$$

At the end  $A$ ,  $y = 0$  when  $x = l$

$$\therefore \text{ (ii) gives, } O = c_1 \cosh al + c_2 \sinh al - \frac{w}{pa^2}$$

$$\therefore c_2 \sinh al = \frac{w}{pa^2} (1 - \cosh al) \quad \therefore c_2 = \frac{w}{pa^2}$$

$$\therefore c_1 = \frac{-w}{pa^2} \tanh \frac{al}{2}$$

Substituting in (ii)

$$y = \frac{w}{pa^2} \left( \cosh ax - \tanh \frac{al}{2} \sinh ax \right) - \frac{w}{2p} \left( x^2 - lx + \frac{2}{a^2} \right)$$

Which is the deflection of the beam at  $N$ .

Thus the central deflection =  $y \left( \text{at } x = \frac{l}{2} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{w}{pa^2} \left( \cosh \frac{al}{2} - \tanh \frac{al}{2} \sinh \frac{al}{2} - 1 \right) + \frac{wl^2}{8p} \\
 &= \frac{w}{pa^2} \left( \sec h \frac{al}{2} - 1 \right) + \frac{wl^2}{8p}
 \end{aligned}$$

Also the bending moment is maximum at the point of maximum deflection  $\left(x = \frac{l}{2}\right)$ .

$\therefore$  The maximum bending moment

$$\begin{aligned} EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \left( \text{at } x = \frac{l}{2} \right) &= py + \frac{w}{2} (x^2 - lx) \left( \text{at } x = \frac{l}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{w}{a} \left( \operatorname{sech} \frac{al}{2} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

## EXERCISES

1. A particle is executing simple harmonic motion with amplitude 20 cm and time 4 seconds. Find the time required by the particle in passing between points which are at distance 15 cm and 5 cm from the centre of force and are on the same side of it.

**Ans.:** 0.38 sec.

2. An elastic string of natural length  $a$  is fixed at one end and a particle of mass  $m$  hangs freely from the other end. The modulus of elasticity is  $mg$ . The particle is pulled down a further distance  $l$  below its equilibrium position and released from rest. Show that the motion of the particle is simple harmonic and find the periodicity.

3. The differential equation of a simple pendulum is

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + w_0^2 x = F_0 \sin nt, \text{ where } w_0 \text{ and } F_0 \text{ are constants. If initially } x = 0,$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 0 \text{ determine the motion when } w_0 = n.$$

**Ans.:**  $x = \frac{F_0}{2n^2} (\sin nt - n \cos nt)$

4. An e.m.f.  $E \sin pt$  is applied at  $t = 0$  to a circuit containing a capacitance

$C$  and inductance  $L$ . The current  $i$  satisfies the equation  $L \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int i dt$

## 2.9 QUESTION BANK

**A. Choose the correct answer from the given alternatives.**

- A general solution of a linear differential equation of  $n^{\text{th}}$  order contains.
  - one constant
  - $n$ -constants
  - zero constants
  - two constants
- The solution of the differential equation  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  is
  - $y = c_1x + c_2e^{3x}$
  - $y = c_1 + c_2e^{3x}$
  - $y = (c_1 + c_2x)e^{3x}$
  - $c_1x = c_2$
- The solution of the differential equation  $(D^2 + a^2)y = 0$  is
  - $y = c_1e^{ax} + c_2e^{-ax}$
  - $y = c_1 \cos ax + c_2 \sin ax$
  - $y = (c_1x + c_2) \cos ax$
  - $y = e^x (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x)$
- The solution of the differential equation  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$  is
  - $y = c_1e^{-x} + c_2e^x$
  - $y = (c_1x + c_2)e^x$
  - $y = (c_1x - c_2)e^{-x}$
  - $y = e^x (c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x)$
- The complementary function of  $y'' + 2y' + y = xe^{-x} \sin x$  is
  - $c_1e^x + c_2e^{-x}$
  - $(c_1x + c_2)e^{-x}$
  - $(c_1x + c_2)e^x$
  - $c_1 + e_2e^x$
- Particular integral of the differential equation  $(D^2 + 5D + 6)y = e^x$  is
  - $e^x$
  - $\frac{e^x}{12}$
  - $\frac{e^x}{30}$
  - $\frac{e^x}{6}$
- Particular integral of the differential equation  $(D^2 + 4)y = \sin 2x$  is
  - $\frac{x}{2} \sin 2x$
  - $-\frac{x}{4} \cos 2x$
  - $\frac{x}{2} \cos 2x$
  - $\frac{x}{4} \cos 2x$
- When  $X = e^{ax}V$  where  $V$  is any function of  $x$  then particular integral is

18. Solve  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - 3\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0$
19. Solve  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + y = 0$
20. Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + 10y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 4$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$

### C. Questions carrying six marks

21. Solve  $(D^3 + 1)y = \cos(2x - 1)$
22. Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + 2x + 4$
23. Solve  $(D - 2)^2 y = 8(e^{2x} + \sin 2x + x^2)$
24. Solve  $(D^2 - 4D + 3)y = \sin 3x \cos 2x$ .
25. Solve  $(D^2 - 2D + 1)y = xe^x \sin x$ .
26. Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a^2 y = \sec ax$
27. Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 8x^2 e^{2x} \sin 2x$
28. Solve the following simultaneous equations
- $$\frac{dx}{dt} = 7x - y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2x + 5y.$$
29. Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + y = \sin t$ ;  $\frac{dy}{dt} + x = \cos t$  given  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 0$  when  $t = 0$ .
30. Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} + 5x - 2y = 5$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2x + y = 0$  given  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , when  $t = 0$ .

$$(26) \quad y = c_1 \cos ax + c_2 \sin ax + \frac{1}{a} x \sin ax + \frac{1}{a^2} \cos ax \log \cos ax$$

$$(27) \quad y = (c_1 + c_2 x) e^{2x} - e^{2x} [4x \cos 2x + (2x^2 - 3) \sin 2x]$$

$$(28) \quad x = e^{6t} [c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t]$$

$$y = e^{6t} [(c_1 - c_2) \cos t + (c_1 + c_2) \sin t]$$

$$(29) \quad x = e^t + e^{-k}, \quad y = e^{-t} - e^t + \sin t$$

$$(30) \quad x = -\frac{1}{27}(1+6t)e^{-3t} + \frac{1}{27}(1+3t)$$

$$y = \frac{-2}{27}(2+3t)e^{-3t} + \frac{2}{27}(2-3t)$$
  
  

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