Simultaneous Linear Differential Equations:

The system involving two first order linear differential equations in two dependent variables y_1 and y_2 and one independent variable x is called system of simultaneous linear differential equations.

Write the operator form of following system of LDE:

Problem1.
$$6\frac{dy_1}{dx} + 5\frac{dy_2}{dx} + 3y_1 + y_2 = 0, \frac{dy_2}{dx} - 5y_1 + 3y_2 = e^x$$

Solution. The given system of simultaneous equations is:

$$6\frac{dy_1}{dx} + 5\frac{dy_2}{dx} + 3y_1 + y_2 = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dx} - 5y_1 + 3y_2 = e^x \tag{2}$$

Let $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$, then operator form of given system can be written as:

$$(6D+3)y_1 + (5D+1)y_2 = 0$$
 (3) ×5

$$-5y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = e^x (4) \times (6D+3)$$

Solving these equations:

$$5(6D+3)y_1 - 5(5D+1)y_2 = 0$$

$$-5(6D+3)y_1 + (6D+3)(D+3)y_2 = (6D+3)e^x$$

On adding these equations, we get:

$$[(6D+3)(D+3)-5(5D+1)]y_2 = (6D+3)e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow (6D^2 - 4D + 4)y_2 = 6e^x + 3e^x = 9e^x \tag{5}$$

To find Complimentary Function (C.F.):

$$(6D^2 - 4D + 4) = 0$$
 $\implies D = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}i}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow y_c = e^{\frac{x}{3}} \left(c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} x \right)$$

To find Particular Integral (P.I.):

$$y_{p} = \frac{1}{f(D)} r(x) = \frac{1}{(6D^{2} - 4D + 4)} (9e^{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{p} = 9 \left[\frac{1}{(6D^{2} - 4D + 4)} e^{x} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{p} = 9 \left[\frac{1}{(6(1)^{2} - 4(1) + 4)} e^{x} \right] \qquad (Put D = 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{p} = 9 \left[\frac{1}{6} e^{2x} \right] \qquad \Rightarrow y_{p} = \frac{3}{2} e^{2x}$$

 \therefore General solution is given by: $y_2 = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.}$

i.e.
$$y_2 = y_c + y_p$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = e^{\frac{x}{3}} \left(c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} x \right) + \frac{3}{2} e^{2x}$$

Again from equations (3) and (4):

$$(6D+3)y_1 + (5D+1)y_2 = 0 (3) \times (D+3)$$

$$-5y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = e^x (4) \times (5D+1)$$

Solving these equations:

$$(6D + 3)(D + 3)y_1 + (5D + 1)(D + 3)y_2 = 0$$
$$-5(5D + 1)y_1 + (5D + 1)(D + 3)y_2 = (5D + 1)e^x$$

Subtracting these equations, we get:

$$[(6D+3)(D+3)+5(5D+1)]y_1 = (5D+1)e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow (6D^2 + 46D + 14)y_1 = 6e^x$$

Try it yourself.

Polling Question:

The operator form of $3\frac{dy_1}{dx} + 2y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x}$, $\frac{dy_1}{dx} + \frac{dy_2}{dx} - 2y_1 + 3y_2 = x$ is:

(A)
$$(3D+2)y_1 + y_2 = 0$$
, $(D-2)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = 0$

(B)
$$(3D+2)y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x}, (D-2)y_2 + (D+3)y_1 = x$$

(C)
$$(3D+2)y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x}$$
, $(D-2)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = x$

Problem2.
$$3\frac{dy_1}{dx} + 2y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x}, \frac{dy_1}{dx} + \frac{dy_2}{dx} - 2y_1 + 3y_2 = x$$

Solution. The given system of simultaneous equations is:

$$3\frac{dy_1}{dx} + 2y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x} \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} + \frac{dy_2}{dx} - 2y_1 + 3y_2 = x \tag{2}$$

Let $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$, then operator form of given system can be written as:

$$(3D+2)y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x}$$
 $(3)\times(D+3)$

$$(D-2)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = x$$
 (4)×1

Solving these equations:

$$(3D+2)(D+3)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = (D+3)e^{-x}$$
$$(D-2)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = x$$

Subtracting these equations, we get:

$$[(3D+2)(D+3) - (D-2)]y_1 = (D+3)e^{-x} - x$$

$$\Rightarrow (3D^2 + 10D + 8)y_1 = 2e^{-x} - x$$
 (5)

To find Complimentary Function (C.F.):

$$(3D^2 + 10D + 8) = 0$$
 $\Rightarrow D = -2, -\frac{4}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow y_c = \left(c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{-\frac{4}{3}x}\right)$$

To find Particular Integral (P.I.):

$$y_p = \frac{1}{f(D)}r(x) = \frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)}(2e^{-x} - x)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 2\left[\frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)}e^{-x}\right] - \left[\frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)}x\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 2\left[\frac{1}{(3(-1)^2 + 10(-1) + 8)}e^{-x}\right] - \left[\frac{1}{8\left(1 + \left(\frac{10D + 3D^2}{8}\right)\right)}x\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 2\left[\frac{1}{1}e^{-x}\right] - \frac{1}{8}\left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{10D + 3D^2}{8}\right)\right)^{-1}x\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 2e^{-x} - \frac{1}{8}\left(x - \frac{10}{8}\right)$$

 \therefore General solution is given by: $y_1 = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.}$

i.e.
$$y_1 = y_c + y_p$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \left(c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{-\frac{4}{3}x}\right) + 2e^{-x} + \frac{1}{8}\left(x - \frac{10}{8}\right)$$

Again from equations (3) and (4):

$$(3D+2)y_1 + y_2 = e^{-x} (3) \times (D-2)$$

$$(D-2)y_1 + (D+3)y_2 = x$$
 $(4)\times(3D+2)$

Solving these equations:

$$(3D+2)(D-2)y_1 + (D-2)y_2 = (D-2)e^{-x}$$

$$(3D+2)(D-2)y_1 + (3D+2)(D+3)y_2 = (3D+2)x$$

Subtracting these equations, we get:

$$[(3D+2)(D+3)-(D-2)]y_2 = (3D+2)x-(D-2)e^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3D^2 + 10D + 8)y_2 = (3 + 2x) + 3e^{-x}$$
 (6)

To find Complimentary Function (C.F.):

$$(3D^2 + 10D + 8) = 0 \qquad \Longrightarrow D = -2, -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_c = \left(c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 e^{-\frac{4}{3}x}\right)$$

To find Particular Integral (P.I.):

$$y_p = \frac{1}{f(D)}r(x) = \frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)}(3e^{-x} + (2x + 3))$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 3 \left[\frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)} e^{-x} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{(3D^2 + 10D + 8)} (2x + 3) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 3 \left[\frac{1}{(3(-1)^2 + 10(-1) + 8)} e^{-x} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{8\left(1 + \left(\frac{10D + 3D^2}{8}\right)\right)} (2x + 3) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 3\left[\frac{1}{1}e^{-x}\right] + \frac{1}{8}\left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{10D + 3D^2}{8}\right)\right)^{-1} (2x + 3)\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = 3e^{-x} + \frac{1}{8} \left((2x + 3) - \frac{10}{4} \right)$$

 \therefore General solution is given by: $y_2 = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.}$

i.e.
$$y_2 = y_c + y_p$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = \left(c_3 e^{-2x} + c_4 e^{-\frac{4}{3}x}\right) + 2e^{-x} + \frac{1}{8}\left((2x+3) - \frac{10}{4}\right)$$

