

13.  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + e^{x/2} \left( c_3 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_4 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right) + e^{-x/2} \left( c_5 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_6 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right)$
14.  $y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x + e^{\sqrt{3}x/2} \left( c_3 \cos \frac{x}{2} + c_4 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) + e^{-\sqrt{3}x/2} \left( c_5 \cos \frac{x}{2} + c_6 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right)$
15.  $x = 0$
16.  $y = x^2 e^{-2x}$

### 1.28. THE INVERSE OPERATOR $\frac{1}{f(D)}$

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

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

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

Note 1.  $\frac{1}{D} Q = \int Q dx.$

Note 2.  $\frac{1}{D-a} Q = e^{ax} \int Q e^{-ax} dx.$

### 1.29. RULES FOR FINDING THE PARTICULAR INTEGRAL (P.I.)

Consider the differential equation,  $(D^n + a_1 D^{n-1} + a_2 D^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} D + a_n) y = Q$

It can be written as  $f(D)y = Q$

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

#### 1.29.1. Case I. When $Q = e^{ax}$ (or $e^{ax+b}$ )

Since

$$D e^{ax} = a e^{ax}$$

$$D^2 e^{ax} = a^2 e^{ax}$$

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$$D^{n-1} e^{ax} = a^{n-1} e^{ax}$$

$$D^n e^{ax} = a^n e^{ax}$$

$$\therefore (D^n + a_1 D^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} D + a_n) e^{ax} = (a^n + a_1 a^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} a + a_n) e^{ax}$$

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

or

Operating on both sides by  $\frac{1}{f(D)}$  ;

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

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

Dividing both sides by  $f(a)$ ,  $\frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax}$ , provided  $f(a) \neq 0$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{f(a)} e^{ax}, \text{ provided } f(a) \neq 0.$$

**Case of failure :** If  $f(a) = 0$ , the above method fails.

Since  $f(a) = 0$ ,  $D = a$  is a root of  $f(D) = 0$

$\therefore D - a$  is a factor of  $f(D)$ .

Let  $f(D) = (D - a) \phi(D)$ , where  $\phi(a) \neq 0$

$$\text{Then } \frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{(D - a) \phi(D)} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{D - a} \cdot \frac{1}{\phi(D)} e^{ax}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi(a)} \cdot \frac{1}{D - a} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{\phi(a)} e^{ax} \int e^{ax} \cdot e^{-ax} dx \quad [\text{by Note 2}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi(a)} e^{ax} \int 1 dx = x \cdot \frac{1}{\phi(a)} e^{ax} \quad \dots(2)$$

Differentiating both sides of (1) w.r.t.  $D$ , we get

$$f'(D) = (D - a) \phi'(D) + \phi(D)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$f'(a) = \phi(a)$$

$\therefore$  From (2), we have  $\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = x \cdot \frac{1}{f'(a)} e^{ax}$  provided  $f'(a) \neq 0$

**Another case of failure :**

If  $f'(a) = 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{f(D)} e^{ax} = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{f''(a)} e^{ax}$ , provided  $f''(a) \neq 0$  and so on.

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1.** Find the P.I. of  $(4D^2 + 4D - 3)y = e^{2x}$ .

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{4D^2 + 4D - 3} e^{2x} = \frac{1}{4(2)^2 + 4(2) - 3} e^{2x} \quad (\text{Replacing } D \text{ by } 2) \\ &= \frac{1}{21} e^{2x}. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2.** Find the P.I. of  $(D^3 - 3D^2 + 4)y = e^{2x}$ .

Sol.

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{D^3 - 3D^2 + 4} e^{2x}.$$

Here the denominator vanishes when  $D$  is replaced by 2. It is a case of failure. We multiply the numerator by  $x$  and differentiate the denominator w.r.t.  $D$ .

$$\therefore \text{P.I.} = x \cdot \frac{1}{D^3 - 3D^2 + 4} e^{2x}$$

It is again a case of failure. We multiply the numerator by  $x$  and differentiate the denominator w.r.t.  $D$ .

$\therefore$

$$P.I. = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6D-6} e^{2x} = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6(2)-6} e^{2x} = \frac{x^2}{6} e^{2x}.$$

**Example 3.** Find the P.I. of  $(D+1)^3 y = e^{-x}$ .

**Sol.**

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{(D+1)^3} e^{-x} = x \cdot \frac{1}{3(D+1)^2} e^{-x}$$

| Case of failure

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

| Again case of failure

$$= x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} e^{-x} = \frac{x^3}{6} e^{-x}.$$

**Example 4.** Solve :

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

(ii)  $(D-2)^3 y = 17e^{2x}$ .

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**Sol.** (i) Auxiliary equation is

$$m^3 - 2m^2 + 4m - 8 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow m = 2, \pm 2i$$

$\therefore$

$$C.F. = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x$$

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{D^3 - 2D^2 + 4D - 8} (8e^{0x})$$

|  $\because e^{0x} = 1$

$$= \frac{1}{(0)^3 - 2(0)^2 + 4(0) - 8} (8e^{0x}) = -1$$

Hence the complete solution is

$$y = C.F. + P.I. = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 \cos 2x + c_3 \sin 2x - 1$$

where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

(ii) Auxiliary equation is

$$(m-2)^3 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$m = 2, 2, 2$$

$\therefore$

$$C.F. = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2) e^{2x}$$

$$P.I. = \frac{1}{(D-2)^3} 17e^{2x}$$

| Case of failure

$$= 17x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{3(D-2)^2} e^{2x} \right]$$

| Again case of failure

$$= \frac{17}{3} x^2 \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{2(D-2)} e^{2x} \right]$$

| Again a case of failure

$$= \frac{17}{3} x^3 e^{2x}$$

Hence the complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2) e^{2x} + \frac{17}{6} x^3 e^{2x}$$

where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

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**Example 5.** Solve :  $2 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = e^x$ .

**Sol.** The auxiliary equation is

$$2m^3 - m^2 + 4m - 2 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{2}, \pm \sqrt{2} i$$

$$\therefore \text{C.F.} = c_1 e^{x/2} + c_2 \cos \sqrt{2} x + c_3 \sin \sqrt{2} x$$

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{2D^3 - D^2 + 4D - 2} e^x = \frac{1}{2(1)^3 - (1)^2 + 4(1) - 2} e^x = \frac{1}{3} e^x$$

Hence the complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = c_1 e^{x/2} + c_2 \cos \sqrt{2} x + c_3 \sin \sqrt{2} x + \frac{1}{3} e^x$$

where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

**Example 6.** Solve  $(D^3 - 6D^2 + 11D - 6)y = e^{-2x} + e^{-3x}$ .

**Sol.** Auxiliary equation is

$$m^3 - 6m^2 + 11m - 6 = 0$$

or

$$(m - 1)(m - 2)(m - 3) = 0$$

whence

$$m = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\therefore \text{C.F.} = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 e^{3x}$$

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{D^3 - 6D^2 + 11D - 6} (e^{-2x} + e^{-3x})$$

$$= \frac{1}{D^3 - 6D^2 + 11D - 6} e^{-2x} + \frac{1}{D^3 - 6D^2 + 11D - 6} e^{-3x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-2)^3 - 6(-2)^2 + 11(-2) - 6} e^{-2x} + \frac{1}{(-3)^3 - 6(-3)^2 + 11(-3) - 6} e^{-3x}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{60} e^{-2x} - \frac{1}{120} e^{-3x} = -\frac{1}{120} (2e^{-2x} + e^{-3x})$$

Hence the complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{2x} + c_3 e^{3x} - \frac{1}{120} (2e^{-2x} + e^{-3x})$$

where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

**Example 7.** Solve :  $(D^2 - a^2)y = e^{ax} - e^{-ax}$ .

**Sol.** Auxiliary equation is

$$m^2 - a^2 = 0$$





$$m = \pm a$$

$$\text{C.F.} = c_1 e^{ax} + c_2 e^{-ax}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 - a^2} (e^{ax} - e^{-ax}) = \frac{1}{D^2 - a^2} (e^{ax}) - \frac{1}{D^2 - a^2} (e^{-ax}) \\ &= x \cdot \frac{1}{2D} (e^{ax}) - x \cdot \frac{1}{2D} (e^{-ax}) = \frac{x}{2} \frac{e^{ax}}{a} - \frac{x}{2} \left( \frac{e^{-ax}}{-a} \right) \\ &= \frac{x}{2} \left( \frac{e^{ax} + e^{-ax}}{a} \right) = \frac{x}{a} \cosh ax \end{aligned}$$

The complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = c_1 e^{ax} + c_2 e^{-ax} + \frac{x}{a} \cosh ax$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

**Example 8.** Solve :  $(D^2 + D + 1)y = (1 + e^x)^2$ .

**Sol.** Auxiliary equation is

$$m^2 + m + 1 = 0$$

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

$$\text{C.F.} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} (1 + e^x)^2 = \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} (1 + e^{2x} + 2e^x) \\ &= \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} (e^{0x}) + \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} (e^{2x}) + \frac{1}{D^2 + D + 1} (2e^x) \\ &= \frac{1}{(0)^2 + (0) + 1} e^{0x} + \frac{1}{(2)^2 + (2) + 1} e^{2x} + \frac{2}{(1)^2 + (1) + 1} e^x = 1 + \frac{1}{7} e^{2x} + \frac{2}{3} e^x \end{aligned}$$

Hence complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \left( c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x \right) + 1 + \frac{1}{7} e^{2x} + \frac{2}{3} e^x$$

where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

**Example 9.** Solve :  $(D + 2)(D - 1)^2 y = e^{-2x} + 2 \sinh x$ .

**Sol.** Auxiliary equation is

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

$$\text{C.F.} = c_1 e^{-2x} + (c_2 + c_3 x) e^x$$

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{(D + 2)(D - 1)^2} (e^{-2x} + 2 \sinh x)$$

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

$$\left[ \because \sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{1}{(D+2)(D-1)^2} e^{-2x} = \frac{1}{D+2} \left[ \frac{1}{(D-1)^2} e^{-2x} \right] = \frac{1}{D+2} \left[ \frac{1}{(-2-1)^2} e^{-2x} \right] \quad | \text{ Case of failure}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{D+2} e^{-2x}$$

$$= \frac{x}{9} e^{-2x}$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} e^x = \frac{1}{6} x^2 e^x$$

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

$$\therefore \text{P.I.} = \frac{x}{9} e^{-2x} + \frac{x^2}{6} e^x + \frac{1}{4} e^{-x}$$

Hence the complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = c_1 e^{-2x} + (c_2 + c_3 x) e^x + \frac{x}{9} e^{-2x} + \frac{x^2}{6} e^x + \frac{1}{4} e^{-x}$$

where  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

**Example 10.** Solve the differential equation

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

**Sol.** The given equation is

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

or

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

Auxiliary equation is

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

$$\therefore \text{C.F.} = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2) e^x$$

$$\text{P.I.} = \frac{1}{(D-1)^3} (e^x + 2) = \frac{1}{(D-1)^3} e^x + \frac{1}{(D-1)^3} (2e^{0x})$$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{3(D-1)^2} e^x + \frac{1}{(0-1)^3} (2e^{0x}) = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} (e^x) - 2$$

$$= x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} (e^x) - 2 = \frac{x^3}{6} e^x - 2$$

$\therefore$  The complete solution is

$$y = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.I.} = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2) e^x + \frac{x^3}{6} e^x - 2$$

where  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  are arbitrary constants of integration.

