

8.3 Answers

Further A-Level Pure Mathematics, Core 2 Differential Equations II

8.3.1 Solutions to 8.2 Exercise

Answer 1

$$y'' + 2\sqrt{2}y' + 2y = 10$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' + 2\sqrt{2}y' + 2y = 0$$

$$m^2 + 2\sqrt{2}m + 2 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$(m + \sqrt{2})^2 = 0$$

$$m = -\sqrt{2}$$

We have a repeated root

$$\therefore \text{The complementary function is } y = (A + Bx)e^{-\sqrt{2}x}$$

For the particular integral, $y = U$, giving $y' = y'' = 0$

Substitute these into the question's differential equation...

$$0 + 2 \times 0 + 2U = 10$$

$$U = 5$$

$\therefore$ The particular integral is $y = 5$

The general solution is $y = (A + Bx)e^{-\sqrt{2}x} + 5$

[5 marks]

Answer 2

$$y'' - y' - 12y = 144x$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' - y' - 12y = 0$$

$$m^2 - m - 12 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$(m + 3)(m - 4) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } m = -3 \text{ or } m = 4$$

We have two distinct real roots

$$\therefore \text{The complementary function is } y = Ae^{-3x} + Be^{4x}$$

For a particular integral try $y = Ux + V$ (note the “V” is needed)

$$\text{in which case } y' = U \text{ and } y'' = 0$$

Substitute these into the question's differential equation...

$$0 - U - 12(Ux + V) = 144x$$

$$-U - 12Ux - 12V = 144x$$

$$\text{Coefficients of } x : -12U = 144 \text{ gives } U = -12$$

$$\text{Terms independent of } x : -U - 12V = 0 \text{ gives } V = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{The particular integral is } y = -12x + 1$$

$$\text{The general solution is } y = Ae^{-3x} + Be^{4x} - 12x + 1$$

[6 marks]

Answer 3

$$y'' - 7y' + 10y = x e^x$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' - 7y' + 10y = 0$$

$$m^2 - 7m + 10 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$(m - 2)(m - 5) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } m = 2 \text{ or } m = 5$$

We have two distinct real roots

$$\therefore \text{ The complementary function is } y = A e^{2x} + B e^{5x}$$

$$\text{For the particular integral, } y = (Ux + V) e^x$$

$$y' = (Ux + V) e^x + U e^x$$

$$= (Ux + U + V) e^x$$

$$y'' = (Ux + U + V) e^x + U e^x$$

$$= (Ux + 2U + V) e^x$$

Substitute these into the question's differential equation...

$$(Ux + 2U + V) e^x - 7(Ux + U + V) e^x + 10(Ux + V) e^x = x e^x$$

$$4Ux - 5U + 4V = x$$

$$\text{Matching coefficients of } x : 4U = 1 \text{ giving } U = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Terms independent of } x : -\frac{5}{4} + 4V = 0 \text{ giving } V = \frac{5}{16}$$

$$\therefore \text{ The particular integral is } y = \left(\frac{x}{4} + \frac{5}{16} \right) e^x$$

$$\text{The general solution is } y = A e^{2x} + B e^{5x} + \left(\frac{x}{4} + \frac{5}{16} \right) e^x$$

[10 marks]

Answer 4

(i) $y = Ue^{2x} \Rightarrow y' = 2Ue^{2x} \Rightarrow y'' = 4Ue^{2x}$

Substituting these into $y'' - 4y' + 13y = e^{2x}$ gives,

$$4Ue^{2x} - 4 \times 2Ue^{2x} + 13 \times Ue^{2x} = e^{2x}$$

$$4U - 8U + 13U = 1$$

$$9U = 1$$

$$U = \frac{1}{9}$$

[4 marks]

(ii) Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' - 4y' + 13y = 0$$

$m^2 - 4m + 13 = 0$ is the auxiliary equation

$$m = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \times 1 \times 13}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{(-1)(36)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \pm 6i}{2}$$

$$= 2 \pm 3i$$

We have two complex roots

$\therefore$ The complementary function is $y = e^{2x} (A \cos 3x + B \sin 3x)$

The general solution is $y = e^{2x} (A \cos 3x + B \sin 3x) + \frac{1}{9} e^{2x}$

[4 marks]

Answer 5

(i) $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 4e^{2x}$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$$

$$m^2 - 4m + 4 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

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

$$m = 2$$

We have a repeated root

$$\therefore \text{The complementary function is } y = (A + Bx) e^{2x}$$

[3 marks]

(ii) Both Ue^{2x} and $Ux e^{2x}$ are part of the complementary function.

[2 marks]

(iii) For the particular integral $y = Ux^2 e^{2x}$

$$y' = Ux^2(2)e^{2x} + 2Ux e^{2x}$$

$$= (2Ux^2 + 2Ux) e^{2x}$$

$$y'' = (2Ux^2 + 2Ux)2e^{2x} + (4Ux + 2U) e^{2x}$$

$$= (4Ux^2 + 8Ux + 2U) e^{2x}$$

Substitute these into the question's differential equation...

$$(4Ux^2 + 8Ux + 2U) e^{2x} - 4(2Ux^2 + 2Ux) e^{2x} + 4Ux^2 e^{2x} = 4e^{2x}$$

$$2U = 4$$

$$U = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{The particular integral is } y = 2x^2 e^{2x}$$

$$\text{The general solution is } y = (A + Bx + 2x^2) e^{2x}$$

[6 marks]

Answer 6

(i) $y = U \sin 2x \Rightarrow y' = 2U \cos 2x \Rightarrow y'' = -4U \sin 2x$

Substituting these into $y'' + y = 3 \sin 2x$ gives,

$$-4U \sin 2x + U \sin 2x = 3 \sin 2x$$

$$-4U + U = 3$$

$$-3U = 3$$

$$U = -1$$

[4 marks]

(ii) Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$m^2 + 1 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$m^2 = -1$$

$$= \pm i$$

We have two complex roots

$\therefore$ The complementary function is $y = e^{0x} (A \cos x + B \sin x)$

The general solution is $y = (A \cos x + B \sin x) - \sin 2x$

[4 marks]