

9.4 Answers

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

9.4.1 Solutions to 9.2 Example

$$y'' + 5y' + 4y = 4$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' + 5y' + 4y = 0$$

$$m^2 + 5m + 4 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$(m + 4)(m + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } m = -4 \text{ or } m = -1$$

Two distinct roots

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

$$\text{For the particular integral, } y = U \text{ so } y' = y'' = 0$$

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

$$0 + 5 \times 0 + 4U = 4$$

$$U = 1$$

The particular integral is $y = 2$

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

$$\text{from which } y' = -4Ae^{-4x} - Be^{-x}$$

$$\text{From the boundary conditions } y'(0) = 1, y(0) = 0$$

$$A + B + 1 = 0 \text{ and } -4A - B = 1$$

Solving these simultaneously...

$$-4A - B = 1$$

$$\text{ADD } A + B = -1$$

$$-3A = 0$$

$$\text{So } A = 0 \text{ and } B = -1$$

The particular solution is,

$$y = 1 - e^{-x}$$

[8 marks]

9.4.2 Solutions to 9.3 Exercise

Answer 1

$$y'' + 7y' - 8y = 72$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' + 7y' - 8y = 0$$

$$m^2 + 7m - 8 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$(m + 8)(m - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } m = -8 \text{ or } m = 1$$

Two distinct roots

$$\therefore \text{ The complementary function is } y = Ae^{-8x} + Be^x$$

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

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

$$0 + 7 \times 0 - 8U = 72$$

$$U = -9$$

The particular Integral is $y = -9$

The general solution is $y = Ae^{-8x} + Be^x - 9$

$$\text{from which } y' = -8Ae^{-8x} + Be^x$$

From the boundary conditions $y'(0) = 18$, $y(0) = 36$

$$-8A + B = 18 \text{ and } A + B - 9 = 36$$

Solving these simultaneously...

$$A + B = 45$$

$$\text{SUBTRACT } -8A + B = 18$$

$$9A = 27$$

$$\text{So } A = 3 \text{ and } B = 42$$

The particular solution is,

$$y = 3e^{-8x} + 42e^x - 9$$

[8 marks]

Answer 2

$$y'' + 12y' + 37y = 10e^{-4x}$$

Obtain the complementary function by solving the homogeneous equation,

$$y'' + 12y' + 37y = 0$$

$$m^2 + 12m + 37 = 0 \text{ is the auxiliary equation}$$

$$m = \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 4 \times 37}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{(-1)(4)}}{2}$$

$$= -6 \pm i \quad (\text{complex roots})$$

$\therefore$ The complementary function is $y = e^{-6x}(A \cos x + B \sin x)$

Particular integral: $y = Ue^{-4x}$ so $y' = -4Ue^{-4x}$ and $y'' = 16Ue^{-4x}$

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

$$16Ue^{-4x} - 48Ue^{-4x} + 37Ue^{-4x} = 10e^{-4x}$$

$$5U = 10$$

$$U = 2$$

The particular integral is $y = 2e^{-4x}$

The general solution is $y = e^{-6x}(A \cos x + B \sin x) + 2e^{-4x}$

from which $y' = e^{-6x}(-A \sin x + B \cos x)$

$$-6e^{-6x}(A \cos x + B \sin x) - 8e^{-4x}$$

From the boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0$, $y(0) = 4$

$$B - 6A - 8 = 0 \text{ and } A + 2 = 4$$

So $A = 2$ and $B = 20$

The particular solution is,

$$y = e^{-6x}(2 \cos x + 20 \sin x) + 2e^{-4x}$$

[9 marks]

Answer 3

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + k^2 y = 0, y = 1 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \text{ at } x = 0$$

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

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

$$m^2 = (ki)^2$$

$$m = \pm ki \quad (\text{complex roots})$$

$\therefore$ The complementary function is $y = A \cos kx + B \sin kx$

Which is also the general solution to the homogeneous differential equation.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -Ak \sin kx + Bk \cos kx$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -Ak^2 \cos kx - Bk^2 \sin kx$$

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

$$-Ak^2 \cos kx - Bk^2 \sin kx + k^2 (A \cos kx + B \sin kx) = 0$$

which is consistent, as it should be

Making use of the boundary conditions,

$$y = A \cos kx + B \sin kx \Rightarrow 1 = A$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -Ak \sin kx + Bk \cos kx \Rightarrow 1 = Bk \text{ so } B = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\therefore y = \cos kx + \frac{1}{k} \sin kx$$

[8 marks]

Answer 4

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 10y = 27e^{-x}$$

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 10y = 0$$

$m^2 + 2m + 10 = 0$ is the auxiliary equation

$$m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4 \times 1 \times 10}}{2}$$

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

$$= -1 \pm 3i \quad (\text{complex roots})$$

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

For a particular integral, $y = Ue^{-x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -Ue^{-x} \text{ and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = Ue^{-x}$$

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

$$Ue^{-x} - 2Ue^{-x} + 10Ue^{-x} = 27e^{-x}$$

$$9U = 27$$

$$U = 3$$

$\therefore$ The particular integral is $y = 3e^{-x}$

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

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(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-x}(-3A \sin 3x + 3B \cos 3x) - e^{-x}(A \cos 3x + B \sin 3x + 3)$

Making use of the boundary conditions, $y = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $x = 0$

$$0 = A + 3 \Rightarrow A = -3$$

$$0 = 3B - A - 3 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

Particular solution: $y = 3e^{-x}(1 - \cos 3x)$

[6 marks]

Answer 5

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 26 \sin 3x$$

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

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$$

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

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

Either $m = 0$ or $m = 2$ (two distinct real roots)

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

For a particular integral try $y = U \cos 3x + V \sin 3x$

$$\text{in which case } \frac{dy}{dx} = -3U \sin 3x + 3V \cos 3x$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -9U \cos 3x - 9V \sin 3x$$

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

$$-9U \cos 3x - 9V \sin 3x + 6U \sin 3x - 6V \cos 3x = 26 \sin 3x$$

$$\text{Matching coefficients of } \cos 3x : -9U - 6V = 0$$

$$-3U - 2V = 0$$

$$\text{Matching coefficients of } \sin 3x : 6U - 9V = 26$$

$$-6U - 4V = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \text{ADD} & 6U - 9V & = 26 \\ \hline & -13V & = 26 \end{array}$$

$$-13V = 26$$

$$V = -2 \text{ and } U = \frac{4}{3}$$

$\therefore$ The particular integral is $y = \frac{4}{3} \cos 3x - 2 \sin 3x$

The general solution is $y = A + B e^{2x} + \frac{4}{3} \cos 3x - 2 \sin 3x$

[8 marks]

(b)
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2Be^{2x} - 4 \sin 3x - 6 \cos 3x$$

Using the boundary conditions that $y = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $x = 0$

$$y = A + Be^{2x} + \frac{4}{3} \cos 3x - 2 \sin 3x \Rightarrow 0 = A + B + \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2Be^{2x} - 4 \sin 3x - 6 \cos 3x \Rightarrow 0 = 2B - 6$$

$$\text{So, } B = 3 \text{ and } A = -\frac{13}{3}$$

$$\text{The particular solution is, } y = -\frac{13}{3} + 3e^{2x} + \frac{4}{3} \cos 3x - 2 \sin 3x$$

[5 marks]