

Cauchy Euler Homogeneous Linear Differential Equations

$$a_n x^n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_0 y = \phi(x)$$

Where a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots are constants, is called a homogeneous equation.

Put $x = e^z, \quad z = \log_e x, \quad \frac{d}{dz} = D$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz} \cdot \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dz} \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz} \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = Dy$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dz} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dy}{dz} + \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} \frac{dz}{dx} \\ &= -\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dy}{dz} + \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} - \frac{dy}{dz} \right) = \frac{1}{x^2} (D^2 - D)y \end{aligned}$$

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = (D^2 - D)y$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = D(D-1)y}$$

Similarly, $\boxed{x^3 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = D(D-1)(D-2)y}$

Q.1 Solve : $x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = \cos(\log x) + x \sin(\log x).$

Sol. We have, $x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = \cos(\log x) + x \sin(\log x). \quad \dots(1)$

Putting $x = e^z \Rightarrow z = \log x, D = \frac{d}{dz}$ and $x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = D(D-1)y, x \frac{dy}{dx} = Dy$ in (1), we get

$$[D(D-1) - D + 4]y = \cos z + e^z \sin z$$

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i.e. $(D^2 - 2D + 4)y = \cos z + e^z \sin z$

A.E. is $m^2 - 2m + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{4-16}}{2}$

$\Rightarrow m = 1 \pm \sqrt{3}i$

\therefore C.F. $= e^z [C_1 \cos \sqrt{3} z + C_2 \sin \sqrt{3} z]$... (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{P.I.} &= \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 4} (\cos z + e^z \sin z) \\ &= \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 4} \cos z + \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 4} e^z \sin z \\ &= \frac{1}{-1 - 2D + 4} \cos z + e^z \frac{1}{(D+1)^2 - 2(D+1) + 4} \sin z \\ &= \frac{1}{3 - 2D} \cos z + e^z \frac{1}{D^2 + 2D + 1 - 2D - 2 + 4} \sin z \\ &= \frac{3 + 2D}{9 - 4D^2} \cos z + e^z \frac{1}{D^2 + 3} \sin z = \frac{3 + 2D}{9 + 4} \cos z + e^z \frac{1}{-1 + 3} \sin z \\ &= \frac{3 + 2D}{13} \cos z + e^z \frac{1}{2} \sin z = \frac{1}{2} \sin z = \frac{1}{13} (3 \cos z - 2 \sin z) + \frac{1}{2} e^z \sin z \quad \dots (3) \end{aligned}$$

Complete solution is

$$y = C.F. + P.I.$$

$\Rightarrow y = e^z [C_1 \cos \sqrt{3} z + C_2 \sin \sqrt{3} z] + \frac{1}{13} (3 \cos z - 2 \sin z) + \frac{1}{2} e^z \sin z$... (4)

Replacing $z = \log x$ and $e^z = x$ in (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x [C_1 \cos \sqrt{3} (\log x) + C_2 \sin \sqrt{3} (\log x)] \\ &\quad + \frac{3}{13} \cos (\log x) - \frac{2}{13} \sin (\log x) + \frac{1}{2} x \sin (\log x) \end{aligned} \quad \text{Ans}$$

Legendre's Homogeneous differential Equations

A linear differential equation of the form

$$(a + bx)^n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_1(a + bx)^{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_n y = X \quad \dots(1)$$

Where $a, b, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ are constants and X is a function of x , is called Legendre's linear equation.

Put $a + bx = e^z \quad \Rightarrow \quad z = \log(a + bx)$... (1)

$(a + bx) \frac{dy}{dx} = b Dy$... (2)

$(a + bx)^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = b^2 D(D-1)y$... (3)

$(a + bx)^3 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = b^3 D(D-1)(D-2)y$... (4)

Q.2 Solve $(2x+1)^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2(2x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} - 12y = 6x$.

Sol. Here, we have

$$(2x+1)^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2(2x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} - 12y = 6x \quad \dots(1)$$

Put $2x+1 = e^z \quad \Rightarrow \quad z = \log(2x+1)$

$(2x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 Dy$ and $(2x+1)^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 2^2 D(D-1)y$ in (1), we get

$$4D(D-1)y - 2 \times 2Dy - 12y = 6 \left[\frac{1}{2} (e^z - 1) \right]$$

$$4D^2 y - 4 Dy - 4 Dy - 12y = 3(e^z - 1)$$

A.E. is $4m^2 - 8m - 12 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m^2 - 2m - 3 = 0$

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

$$C.F. = C_1 e^{3z} + C_2 e^{-z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P.I. &= \frac{1}{4D^2 - 8D - 12} (3e^z - 3) \\ &= \frac{1}{4D^2 - 8D - 12} 3e^z - 3 \frac{1}{4D^2 - 8D - 12} e^{(0)z} \\ &= 3 \frac{1}{4(1)^2 - 8(1) - 12} e^z - 3 \frac{1}{0 - 0 - 12} (1) \\ &= \frac{3}{-16} e^z + \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Complete Solution is $y = C.F. + P.I.$

$$\Rightarrow y = C_1 e^{3z} + C_2 e^{-z} - \frac{3}{16} e^z + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = C_1 (2x+1)^3 + C_2 (2x+1)^{-1} - \frac{3}{16} (2x+1) + \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{Ans.}$$