

Q. Solve $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - (x^2 + 2x) \frac{dy}{dx} + (x+2)y = x^3 e^x$

Soln

The given equation

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

It is of the form

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P \frac{dy}{dx} + Q y = R.$$

$$\text{Here, } P = -\frac{x^2 + 2x}{x^2} = -\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)$$

$$Q = \frac{x+2}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2}$$

$$R = x e^x$$

(2)

$$\text{Now, } P + Qx = -\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right) + x\left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2}\right) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow u = x$ is a part of the eq. (1).

Let $y = uv$ — (3) be the general soln.

$\Rightarrow v$ is given by

$$\frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + \left(P + \frac{2}{u} \frac{du}{dx}\right) \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{R}{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + \left[-\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right) + \frac{2}{x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dx}\right] \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x e^x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + \left[-\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right) + \frac{2}{x} \right] \frac{dv}{dx} = e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} - \frac{dv}{dx} = e^x \quad \text{put } \frac{dv}{dx} = z$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} - z = e^x \quad \text{which is a linear eqn.}$$

$$\text{IF} = \frac{e^{-\int dx}}{e^{-x}} = e^{-x}$$

$$\text{Hence soln is } z \cdot \text{IF} = \int e^x \cdot \text{IF} \cdot dx$$

$$\Rightarrow z \cdot e^{-x} = \int e^x \cdot e^{-x} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow z e^{-x} = x + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow z = x e^x + C_1 e^x \quad \text{But } z = \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = x e^x + C_1 e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow dv = (x e^x + C_1 e^x) dx \quad \text{Integrating w.r.t } dx$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \int x e^x dx + C_1 \int e^x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow v = x \int e^x dx + \int \left[\frac{d(x)}{dx} \int e^x dx \right] dx + C_1 e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow v = x e^x + \int e^x dx + C_1 e^x + C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow v = (x - 1 + C_1) e^x + C_2$$

Hence $y = uv$ is the soln where $u = x$ and

$$v = (x - 1 + C_1) e^x + C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x (x - 1 + C_1) e^x + C_2 x \quad \text{is the complete soln.}$$