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# **ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

An equation containing the derivative of one or more dependent variables, with respect to one or more independent variables, is said to be a differential equation.





All the above equations are second order **PDE**s

# **ORDER AND DEGREE OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

• Differential equations are classified on the basis of two features (i) Order and (ii) Degree



Example 3:



To estimate the order or degree of a D. E. radical should be removed first.

Multiply powers by 6,



#### **SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS**



**Name:** Two coupled 1<sup>st</sup> order equation / System of 1<sup>st</sup> order equations

Example 5:

$$
\frac{dx}{dt} = 5x + 3y + 4z
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dy}{dt} = 2x - 7y - 13z
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dz}{dt} = x + y + z
$$

#### **Name:** Three coupled 1<sup>st</sup> order equation

**Note:** In physics,  $\dot{x}$ ,  $\dot{y}$ ,  $\dot{z}$  (dot notation) is used instead of  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  $dt$  $\frac{dz}{dt}$  $dt$ 

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#### **Degree**

• Power of the highest derivative that appear in the Differential Equation



Example 1:

Example 1: Find the order and degree of the differential equation

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 y}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - \left[1 + \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}\right)\right]^{3/2} = 0
$$

Answer: Let us rewrite the equation in the following form

$$
\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\right]^{\frac{3}{2}} \qquad \text{radical}
$$

To determine the degree the radical should be removed

Let us square the equation on both sides

$$
\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2 = \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^3
$$

On expanding  $d^2y$  $dx^2$ 2  $= 1 +$ dy  $dx$ 3 + 3 dy  $dx$ 2 + 3 dy  $dx$ 4 Highest derivative =  $Order = 2$ </u> Power of the highest derivative  $=$  **Degree**  $= 2$  Example 2: Find the order and degree of the differential equation

$$
x\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} + \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}\right)^{-1} = y^2
$$

Rewriting

$$
x\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{\frac{dy}{dx}} = y^2
$$

Simplifying

$$
x\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}\right)^2 + 1 = y^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}
$$

or

$$
\sqrt{2}
$$
 Power of the highest derivative = Degree = 2

$$
x\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - y\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 1 = 0
$$

 $\triangle$  Highest derivative = **Order = 1** 

#### **HOME WORK**

State the order and Degree of the following Differential equations

1. 
$$
\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^4 + 3\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^6 + 4 = 0
$$

2. 
$$
\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2 = xy
$$

3. 
$$
\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)^{1/2} = \left[1 + \frac{dx}{dy} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{2/3}
$$

4. 
$$
\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \sqrt{x + \frac{dy}{dx}} = 1
$$

$$
5. \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t} = x + 3y \; ; \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = 5x + 3y
$$

# **FORMATION OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

Aim: To construct an DE from the given equation with two variables

Example:

Consider a trigonometric equation  $y = a \sin(x + b)$ , where a and b are parameters. Construct a DE free of those constants.



**Lesson:** By eliminating two constants we end up at 2<sup>nd</sup> order equation

# **FORMATION OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

Example 2 :

Consider the algebraic equation 
$$
x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0
$$
. Construct a differential  
\nequation free of those constants. Assume y is a function of x.  
\nAnswer:  $x^2 + y^2 + 2\theta x + 2\theta y + \theta = 0$  (1)  
\nAnswer:  $x^2 + y^2 + 2\theta x + 2\theta y + \theta = 0$  (2)  
\n $2\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c) = 0$  (3)  
\n $2\frac{d}{dx}(x + y\frac{dy}{dx} + g + f\frac{dy}{dx}) = 0$  (4)  
\n $2\frac{d}{dx}(x + y\frac{dy}{dx} + g + f\frac{dy}{dx}) = 0$  (5)  
\n $2\frac{d}{dx}(1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2 + y\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \theta\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}) + y\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \theta\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \theta\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$  (4)  
\nFrom (3) we express  
\n $f = \frac{-1}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}}\left[1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2 + y\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right] \rightarrow (5)$   $3(\frac{dy}{dx})(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}) + y\frac{d^3y}{dx^2} - \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\left[1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2 + y\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right] = 0$   
\n $\left[3(\frac{dy}{dx})(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}) + y\frac{d^3y}{dx^2}\right] \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \left[1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2 + y\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right] \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = 0$   
\n $\left[1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2\right] \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 3\frac{dy}{dx}(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2})^2 = 0$   $3^{rd}$  order equation  
\n $\left[1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2\right] \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 3\frac{dy}{dx}(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2})^2 = 0$   $$ 



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Identify Linear and non-linear ODE among the following:

1. 
$$
\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \sin \theta = 0
$$

2. 
$$
\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \alpha \frac{dx}{dt} + \beta t - x^3 = 0
$$

3. 
$$
\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0 , \qquad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0
$$

4. 
$$
\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + x\frac{dx}{dt} + x^3 = 0
$$

5. 
$$
\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \sin t = 0
$$

6. 
$$
\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + t^3 + e^t = 0
$$



#### **How to solve these equations and obtain their solutions?** 17

#### **GENERAL SOLUTION OF A DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

A solution of a DE is called as general solution if it contains as many arbitrary constants as the order of the DE.



# **PARTICULAR SOLUTION OF A DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

A particular solution of a DE can be obtained by giving particular values to the arbitrary constants in the general solution of the DE.



Note : Sometimes you may not get the particular solution from the general solution by changing whatever the value of the constants. Such particular solution is called **singular solution.**

# **SINGULAR SOLUTIONS**



# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



**Category 1:** Differential equations with variable separable



• In the above two cases, we can take *x* terms on one side and *y* terms on other side.

Form 1: 
$$
\int f_1(x) dx = -\int f_2(y) dy
$$
  
Form 2:  $\int \frac{dy}{q(y)} = \int p(x) dx$ 

• Each term can be integrated separately.

Example 1: Solve the given DE by separation of variables

Answer :	$x \frac{dy}{dx} = 4y$	Function of <i>x</i> only	
Answer :	$x \frac{dy}{dx} = 4y$	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4y}{x}$	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4}{x}$
Integrating on both sides	$\int \frac{dy}{y} = 4 \int \frac{dx}{x} + \log c$	Function of <i>y</i> only	
$\log y = 4 \log x + \log c$	Function of <i>y</i> only		
$e^{\log y} = e^{4 \log x + \log c} = e^{\log x^4 + \log c} = e^{\log x^4} e^{\log c}$			
$y = x^4 \times c$	$y = cx^4$		
Cross-check:	________		

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = c(4x^3)
$$
 We know  $c = \frac{y}{x^4}$   

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x^4} \times 4x^3 \implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4y}{x}
$$
  $\implies x\frac{dy}{dx} = 4y$  Given equation

Example 2: Solve the given DE  $x^2y' = y(1-x)$   $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$  $dx$  $= y(1 - x)$  $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$ ⅆ Multiply by  $dx \propto x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} dx = y(1-x)dx$   $x^2 dy = y(1-x) dx$ dy  $\mathcal{Y}$ =  $1 - x$  $\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx$  $dy$  $\mathcal{Y}$  $\bm{\mathsf{H}}$ 1  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  – 1  $\mathcal{X}$  $dx$  $\vert$ dy  $\mathcal{Y}$  $=$   $\vert$  $dx$  $\frac{2}{x^2}$  –  $\int$  $dx$  $\chi$  $\log y = -$ 1  $\chi$  $-\log x + \log c$   $\implies$   $\log y + \log x - \log c = -$ 1  $\chi$  $e^{(\log y + \log x - \log c)} = e^{-1/x}$   $\implies$   $e^{\log y} e^{\log x} e^{-\log c} = e^{-1/x}$   $\implies$  y x 1  $\mathcal{C}_{0}$  $= e^{-1/x}$  $Cross-check:$   $y =$  $y =$  $\mathcal{C}_{0}$  $\chi$  $e^{-1/x}$  $\mathcal{C}_{0}$  $\mathcal{X}$  $e^{-1/x}$  $\frac{dy}{y}$  $dx$ =  $-c$  $\frac{c}{x^2}e^{(-1/x)} +$  $\mathcal{C}_{0}$  $\chi$  $e^{(-1/x)}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  $\chi^2$  $\,dy$  $dx$ =  $-c$  $\frac{c}{x^2}e^{(-1/x)} +$  $\mathcal{C}_{0}$  $\frac{c}{x^3}e^{(-1/x)}$ We know  $ce^{(-1/x)} = xy$  dy  $dx$ =  $-xy$  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  +  $xy$  $x^3$  $-y$  $\chi$ +  $\mathcal{Y}$  $\frac{y}{x^2} =$  $\mathcal{Y}$  $\frac{y}{x^2}(1-x)$  $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$  $dx$  $= y(1 - x)$ 24 Integrating on both sides Function of *y* only  $\longrightarrow$  Function of *x* only

# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



**Category 2:** Differential equations reducible to variables separable Suppose a given DE is given in the form Let us define,  $v = ax + by + c$  $\overline{dy}$  $dx$  $= f(ax + by + c)$   $\longrightarrow$  For  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ It can be reduced to variables separable form as follows  $dv$  $dx$  $= a + b$  $\,dy$  $dx$ dy  $dx$ = 1  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $d\nu$  $dx$ −  $\overline{a}$  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $\therefore$  The given ODE becomes 1  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $d\nu$  $dx$ −  $\alpha$  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $=f(v)$ 1  $\boldsymbol{b}$  ${\rm d} v$  $dx$  $= f(v) +$  $\overline{a}$  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $d\nu$  $\left|\frac{a+bf(v)}{v}\right| = dx$ Separable form  $\overline{dy}$  $dx$  $= f(ax + by + c)$   $\longrightarrow$  For  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ We can't separate *x* & *y* variables We can separate the variables  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $\frac{dy}{x}$  $dx$ =  $d\nu$  $dx$  $- a$ 1  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}$  $\mathrm{d}v$  $dx$ =  $bf(v) + a$  $\boldsymbol{b}$  $Ex: \frac{dy}{dx}$  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + e^{x-y}$  $\text{Ex: } \frac{\text{dy}}{\text{dx}}$  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + e^{-y}$ 



# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



#### **Category 3:** Homogenous Differential equations (HDE)

A Differential Equation  $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$  is called a homogenous DE if  $M(x, y)$  and  $N(x, y)$  are both homogenous functions of the same degree in *x* and *y*.

Example 1: 
$$
(x^2 - 2xy) dx + (x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2) dy = 0
$$
  
\n1. It is of the form  $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$  with  $M = x^2 - 2xy$   
\n2.  $(x^2) - 2(xy)$   
\nDegree of  $x = 1$   
\nDegree of  $y = 1$   
\nDegree of  $y = 1$   
\n3.  $x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2$  Degree of each term 2  
\n4. Given DE is Homogenous Differential equation of degree 2  
\nExample 2:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2y}{x^3 + y^3}$  Degree of Dr. =3  
\nGiven equation is HDE of Degree 3

Method of solving: By substituting  $y=xv(x)$  in the given equation we can be brought it to separable form.

Example 1: 
$$
(x^2 - 2xy) dy + (x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2) dx = 0
$$
  
\nAnswer:  $(x^2 - 2xy) \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2) = 0$   $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2)}{(x^2 - 2xy)}$   
\nSubstituting  $y = xv$  &  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$  in (1)  
\n $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{x^2 - 3x(xv) + 2(x^2v^2)}{x^2 - 2(vx)}$   $\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{x^2 - 3x^2v + 2(x^2v^2)}{x^2 - 2(vx)}$   
\n $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{x^2(1 - 3v + 2v^2)}{x^2(1 - 2v)} = -\frac{(1 - 3v + 2v^2)}{(1 - 2v)}$   
\n $x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{(1 - 3v + 2v^2)}{(1 - 2v)} - v = -\frac{(1 - \frac{3}{2}v + 2\frac{6}{2} + \frac{6}{2}v^2)}{1 - 2v}$   
\n $x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{(1 - 2v)}{(1 - 2v)}$   $\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = -1$   
\n $x \frac{dv}{dx} dx = - dx \Rightarrow x dv = -dx \Rightarrow \int dv = -\int \frac{dx}{x}$   
\n $v = -\log x + c \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = -\log x + c \Rightarrow \frac{y}{y} = x(c - \log x)$   
\nH.W: Cross-check the answer

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**H.W :** Solve the differential equation

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x + 4y + 1)^2 + \frac{1}{2}
$$

Answer :

$$
2x + 4y + 1 = \tan(4x + 1)
$$

# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



**Category 4:** Exact Equation

A first order differential equation of the form  $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$  is said to be exact form if it satisfies the condition  $M_y = N_x$ 

If the expression  $Mdx + Ndy = 0$  is exact, there exists some function  $f(x,y)$  such that,

#### **(i) Condition for Exact Equation**

Differentials cannot be zero  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ 

$$
Mdx + Ndy = df(x, y) \Rightarrow Mdx + Ndy = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy \Rightarrow \left(M - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) dx + \left(N - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right) dx = 0
$$
\n
$$
\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = M(x, y); \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = N(x, y) \xrightarrow{\text{Cross differentiating}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 0
$$
\n
$$
\text{Since, } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \quad \therefore \quad \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \quad \text{Equation}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = M(x, y) \Rightarrow f = \int M(x, y) dx + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right) \text{Then, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int M dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}
$$
\n
$$
\text{Substituting into, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = N(x, y), \text{ we find, } \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int M dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = N(x, y) \qquad \text{Integration constant}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = N(x, y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int M dx \Rightarrow F = \int \left[N(x, y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\int M dx\right)\right] dy + \int \text{This } f \text{ is called as integral}
$$
\n
$$
f = \int M dx + \int \left[N - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int M dx\right] dy + c \qquad \text{This } f \text{ is called as integral}
$$



# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



#### **Category 5:** Non-Homogenous Differential Equations

Consider differential equations of the form,

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a_1x + b_1y + c_1}{a_2x + b_2y + c_2}
$$
  $a_i, b_i, c_i = \text{constants}$ 

If  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  = 0 We know how to solve. If  $c_1$ ,  $c_2 \neq 0$  How to solve? Introducing the new variable *u* & *v*  $x = u + h$   $y = v + k$  $dx = du$   $dv = dv$  ${\rm d} v$  $du$ =  $a_1(u+h) + b_1(v+k) + c_1$  $a_2(u+h) + b_2(v+k) + c_2$  $dy$  $dx$ =  $d\nu$  $du$  $d\nu$  $du$ =  $a_1 u + b_1 v + a_1 h + b_1 k + c_1$  $a_2u + b_2v + (a_2h + b_2k + c_2)$ Constant. Constants

We can choose *h & k* such that the rounded terms become zero

We can make these constants as zero.

Unknown constants  
\n
$$
\underbrace{(a_1)h}_{k} + \underbrace{(b_1)k}_{k} + c_1 = 0 \longrightarrow (1) \qquad a_2h + b_2k + c_2 = 0
$$

$$
(1) \qquad a_2h + b_2k + c_2 = 0 \longrightarrow (2)
$$

Known constants

 $a_1 h + b_1 k = -c_1$  $a_2h + b_2k = -c_2$ Two equations Two unknowns Solving we get *h* and *k*  $a_1 h + b_1 k + c_1 = 0$  + (1)  $a_2 h + b_2 k + c_2 = 0$  + (2)

Multiply (1) by 
$$
b_2
$$
  $a_1 b_2 h + b_1 b_2 k = -c_1 b_2$ 

Multiply (2) by  $b_1$ 

$$
a_2 b_1 h + b_2 b_2 k = -c_2 b_1
$$

$$
((1) - (2)) \quad (a_1 b_2 h - a_2 b_1)h = c_2 b_1 - c_1 b_2
$$
\n
$$
h = \frac{c_2 b_1 - c_1 b_2}{a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1} \tag{3}
$$

Substituting in (1)

$$
a_1 \times \frac{c_2 b_1 - c_1 b_2}{a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1} + b_1 k = -c_1
$$

$$
b_1k = -c_1 - a_1 \frac{(c_2b_1 - c_1b_2)}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1} = \frac{-a_1c_1b_2 + c_1a_2b_1 - a_1c_2b_1 + a_2c_1b_2}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}
$$

$$
b_1 k = \frac{b_1(c_1 a_2 - a_1 c_2)}{a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1}
$$

$$
k = \frac{c_1 a_2 - a_1 c_2}{a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1} \longrightarrow (4)
$$

 $\mathrm{d}v$  $du$ =  $a_1 u + b_1 v$  $a_2 u + b_2 v$ (Homogenous equation) Substituting  $v(u) = t u$  ;  $\frac{dv}{dt}$  $du$  $= t + u$  $dt$  $du$  $t+u$  $dt$  $du$ =  $a_1 u + b_1 t u$  $a_2 u + b_2 t u$ =  $a_1 + b_1 t$  $a_2 + b_2 t$  $\overline{u}$  $dt$ du =  $a_1 + b_1 t$  $a_2 + b_2 t$  $-t =$  $a_1 + b_1 t - a_2 t - b_2 t^2$  $a_2 + b_2 t$ =  $a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2$  $a_2 + b_2 t$ Function of *t* alone Separating the variables,  $(a_2 + b_2t) dt$  $\frac{a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2}{a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2} =$  $du$  $\overline{u}$ Integrating,  $(a_2 + b_2t) dt$  $\frac{a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2}{a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2} = \int$  $du$  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}$  $+(c)$  Integrating constant − 1 2  $log[a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t - b_2t^2] +$  $a_2tb_1$ 2  $\vert$  $dt$  $\frac{du}{a_1 + (b_1 - a_2)t + b_2t^2} = \log u + c$ dy  $dx$ =  $a_1 x + b_1 y + c_1$  $a_2 x + b_2 y + c_2 x = u + h; y = v + k$ Transformed to

Substituting  $t = \frac{v}{v}$  $\overline{u}$ and then  $u = x-h$ ,  $v=y-k$  we will obtain the general solution

# **SOLUTION OF FIRST ORDER AND FIRST DEGREE ODEs**



**Category 6:** First order Linear Differential Equation (Leibnitz's Linear DE)



Recall Given equation 
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = 0
$$

Multiplying the given equation by  $e^{\int P dx}$ 

$$
e^{\int P dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y \right) = 0
$$
  
dy  $\int P dx$ 

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} e^{\int P dx} + P(x) y e^{\int P dx} = 0
$$

The above equation can be written as,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big[y\mathrm{e}^{\int P\,\mathrm{d}x}\Big]=0
$$

Multiplying by 
$$
dx
$$
  $\frac{dx}{dx} \left[ y e^{\int P dx} \right] = 0 dx$   $\implies d \left[ y e^{\int P dx} \right] = 0 dx$ 

Upon integrating,

$$
\int d\left(y \, \mathrm{e}^{\int P \, \mathrm{d}x}\right) = c
$$



Given equation 
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = 0
$$

Multiplying the given equation by  $e^{\int P dx}$ , we can rewrite



Perfect differential So, integration becomes trivial

The function which we multiply to get a perfect differential is called an **Integrating factor**. In this case  $e^{\int P dx}$  is the Integrating factor.

#### **Integrating Factor**

An expression  $F(x, y)$  of the variables x, y is called an Integrating factor of the differential equation  $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$  if  $F(x, y)[M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy] = d(u(x, y)),$ where  $u(x, y)$  is some expression of x, y.

#### **Category 6:**

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} + P(x)y = Q(x)
$$

Multiplying both sides by the integrating factor  $e^{\int P dx}$ , we can rewrite

$e^{\int P dx} \frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y e^{\int P dx} = Q(x) e^{\int P dx}$	Function of <i>x</i> only
$\frac{d}{dx} (ye^{\int P dx}) = Q(x) e^{\int P dx}$	Function of <i>x</i> only
Multiplying by $dx$	$dx \frac{d}{dx} (ye^{\int P dx}) = Q(x) e^{\int P dx} dx$
$d (ye^{\int P dx}) = Q(x) e^{\int P dx} dx$	Integration
$\int d (ye^{\int P dx}) = \int Q(x) e^{\int P dx} dx + C$	Integration constant
$y e^{\int P dx} = \int Q(x) e^{\int P dx} dx + c$	Constant
$y = e^{-\int P dx} \left[ \int Q(x) e^{\int P dx} dx + c \right]$	General Solution

**Example 1:** Solve the differential equation

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = x^2
$$

Comparing with 
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)
$$
  
We find 
$$
P(x) = \frac{1}{x} \qquad Q(x) = x^2
$$

Then the integrating factor is  $e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\int (1/x) dx} = e^{\log x} = x$ 

Let us multiply the given equation by integration factor *x*,

Multiplying by dx  
\n
$$
x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x^3 \implies \frac{d}{dx}[xy] = x^3
$$
\n
$$
dx \frac{dy}{dx}[xy] = x^3 dx \implies \int d(xy) = \int x^3 dx + c \implies xy = \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{4}
$$
\n
$$
\implies xy = \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{4}
$$
\n
$$
\text{Integration}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{y = \frac{x^3}{4} + \frac{c}{x}}{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{4} - \frac{c}{x^2} = \frac{3x^2}{4} - \frac{1}{x^2} \left[ xy - \frac{x^4}{4} \right] = \frac{3x^2}{4} - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{x^2}{4}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - \frac{y}{x} \qquad \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = x^2 \qquad \text{Vertical}
$$

#### **Initial value problem**

To determine the solution of a differential equation subject to some initial conditions is known as initial value problem.

The conditions that are prescribed along with the differential equation are referred to as the Initial Conditions.

For a differential equation of 1<sup>st</sup> order and 1<sup>st</sup> degree only one initial condition is required since the general solution contains only one arbitrary constant.

Example:  
\nSolve 
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = x^2
$$
 given that  $y = \frac{5}{4}$  when  $x = 1$   
\nSolution:  
\n $y = \frac{x^3}{4} + \frac{c}{x}$   
\nSubstituting the Initial Condition,  $y = \frac{5}{4}$  at  $x = 1$   
\n $\frac{5}{4} = \frac{1}{4} + c$   $\implies c = 1$ 

The required particular solution is,

$$
y = \frac{x^3}{4} + \frac{1}{x}
$$
 Arbitrary constant is fixed through initial  
condition

Example 2:

Solve the differential equation  
\n
$$
(x^2 - y^2) dx + 2xy dy = 0
$$
 given that  $y = 1$  when  $x = 1$   
\n  
\nGeneral Solution  
\n $x^2 + y^2 = cx$  (HW)

Substituting tinitial conditions,  $1 + 1 = c$   $\implies$   $c = 2$ 

Particular Solution 
$$
x^2 + y^2 = 2x
$$

#### **More on Integrating factors**

Consider a differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  $\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{y}{x}$  $\mathcal{X}$ . Find out the integrating factors.

Note: The equation is of separable type. We can derive the solution easily.

$$
\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x}
$$
  
log y = log x + log c  

$$
y = c x
$$

#### **Integrating factors**

The aim is to find a function which upon multiplication on the given equation we should able to write the given equation as a perfect differential.



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#### **Lesson:**

1. Integrating factors (I.F.) are many for the given equation.

2. Finding integrating factors is as difficult as solving the given differential equation.

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#### **Method of finding Integrating Factors for first order ODEs**



CASE 1: 
$$
\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{x(y - x)}
$$
  $\iff$   $y^2 dx + x(x - y) dy = 0$   $\longrightarrow$  (1)  
\n
$$
M(x, y) = y^2
$$
;  $N(x, y) = x(x - y)$   
\n
$$
xM(x, y) + yN(x, y) = xy^2 + xy(x - y) = x^2y \neq 0
$$
  
\nMultiplying (1) by  $\frac{1}{x^2y}$   
\n
$$
\frac{1}{x^2y}[y^2 dx + x(x - y) dy] = 0
$$
  
\n
$$
-d(\frac{y}{x}) + d(\log y) = 0
$$

On integrating

$$
-\frac{y}{x} + \log y = c \implies e^{-y/x} \cdot e^{\log y} = c'
$$
  

$$
e^{-y/x} \cdot e^{\log y} = c'
$$
  

$$
y \cdot e^{-y/x} = c'
$$
  

$$
y = c'e^{y/x}
$$

Implicit solution

#### **Method of finding Integrating Factors for first order ODEs**



CASE 2: Solve : 
$$
(x^3y^2 + x) dy + (x^2y^3 - y) dx = 0
$$
  
\n
$$
M(x,y) = x^3y^2 - y; \qquad N(x,y) = x^2y^3 + x
$$
\n
$$
xM - yN = -2xy \neq 0
$$
\n
$$
I.F = \frac{1}{xM(x,y)-yN(x,y)} = \frac{1}{2xy}
$$
\nMultiplying (1) by  $-\frac{1}{2xy}$ ,  $-\frac{1}{2xy}[y(x^2y^2 - 1) dx + x(x^2y^2 + 1) dy] = 0$   
\n
$$
-\frac{1}{2}(x^2y - \frac{1}{x})dx - \frac{1}{2}(x^2y + \frac{1}{y})dy = 0
$$
\n
$$
-\frac{1}{2}xy(ydx + x dy) + \frac{1}{2}(\frac{dx}{x} - \frac{dy}{y}) = 0 \implies -\frac{1}{4}\frac{d}{dx}(xy)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dx}(\log x - \log y) = 0
$$
\nOn integrating,  
\n
$$
-\frac{1}{4}(xy)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\log x - \log y) = c
$$
\n
$$
-\frac{1}{4}(xy)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\log \frac{x}{y} = c
$$
\n
$$
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$$

#### **Method of finding Integrating Factors for first order ODEs**



**CASE 3:** Solve :  $(x^2 + y^2 + x) dx + xy dy = 0$ 

Find out the IF and the solution.

**H.W**

**CASE 4:** Solve :  $y dx + (y^2 - x) dy = 0$ 

**H.W**

Find out the IF and the solution.

## **Method of finding Integrating Factors for first order ODEs**



# **APPLICATIONS**

Application 1:

Bacteria Culture

In a laboratory, it is observed that the rate of increase of a bacteria in a certain culture is proportional to the number of bacteria present. If the number doubles in  $t_d$  hours, how many bacterial be expected at the end of  $nt_d$  hours?



$$
\frac{dx}{dt} = k x
$$

$$
\frac{dx}{x} = k dt \longrightarrow \log x = kt + \log c \longrightarrow \log \frac{x}{c} = kt
$$

 $= e^{kt}$ 

 $x(t) = ce^{kt}$ 

 $\mathcal{X}$ 

 $\mathcal{C}_{0}$ 

There are two arbitrary constants  $\overline{\qquad}$  one arbitrary constant present in the solution. We have to fix them from the given information

Step 1: Fixing the constant *c*

In the second information *x* has been written in terms of  $t_d$ .

Let us express  $x$  in terms of  $t_d$ .

Let  $N_0$  be the number of bacteria originally present in the culture.

At 
$$
t = 0
$$
  $x = N_0$  In that case  $N_0 = ce^{k(0)}$   $N_0 = c$ 

$$
\therefore \ \ x = N_0 e^{kt}
$$

General solution with

Step 2: Fixing the constant *k*



How many bacteria be expected at the end of  $n t_d$  hours?

Answer: We have to find *x* at  $t = n t_d$ *n*  $t_d$ (log 2)/ $t_d$ 



# **APPLICATIONS**

Application 2:

Electronic circuit

A resistance R and an inductance L are connected in series with a voltage supply  $E(t)$ . Find current in the circuit when  $E = E_0 \sin \omega t$  is a  $E_0$  is a constant.

Step 1: Set up the DE with *i* as an unknown variable.

Step 2: Integrate and find the expression for *i*

Step 1: The desired equation can be obtained by applying Kirchoff's voltage law to the circuit





$$
\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{R}{L}i = \frac{1}{L}E(t)
$$
  
It is of the form  

$$
\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x) \qquad P(x) = \frac{R}{L} = \text{constant}
$$
  
Answer :  

$$
Q(x) = \frac{1}{L}E(t)
$$

$$
y = e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[ \int Q(x)e^{\int P(x)} dx + c \right]
$$

$$
= e^{-(R/L)x} \left[ \frac{1}{L} \int E(x)e^{(R/L)x} dx + c \right]
$$
  
Current in the circuit  

$$
i = e^{-(R/L)x} \left[ \frac{1}{L} \int E(t)e^{(R/L)x} dx + c \right]
$$
In terms of  
original variable

Substitute  $E = E_0 \sin \omega t$ 

$$
i = e^{-(R/L)x} \left[ \frac{1}{L} \int E_0 \sin \omega t \, e^{(R/L)t} \, dx + c \right]
$$

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