

Linear Differentiation Equation and Separable Equation Examples

1. Solve $ty' + (t+1)y = t$, $y(\log 2) = 1$

Soln:

$$y' + \frac{(t+1)y}{t} = 1$$

$$\mu y' + \frac{\mu(t+1)y}{t} = \mu$$

$$\cancel{\mu y'} + \frac{\mu(t+1)y}{t} = (\mu y)'$$
$$= \mu' y + \cancel{\mu y'}$$

$$\frac{\mu(t+1)y}{t} = \mu' y$$

$$\frac{t+1}{t} = \frac{\mu'}{\mu}$$
$$= (\ln(\mu))'$$

$$\int \frac{t+1}{t} dt = \ln(\mu)$$

$$\int \frac{t}{t} dt + \int \frac{1}{t} dt = \ln(\mu)$$

$$t + \ln(t) + C = \ln(\mu)$$

$$e^{t + \ln(t) + C} = \mu$$

$$\text{Let } c' = e^c$$

$$e^t \cdot t \cdot c' = \mu$$

$$\text{Let } c' = 1.$$

$$\mu = e^t \cdot t$$

$$(\mu y)' = \mu$$

$$(\mu y) = \int \mu dt$$

$$(e^t \cdot t)y = \int e^t \cdot t dt$$

We will solve $\int e^t \cdot t dt$ using integration by parts.

$$\text{Let } u = t$$

$$\text{Let } v = e^t$$

$$u \int v dt - (\int u' (\int v dt) dt)$$

$$= t \int e^t dt - \int (t)' (\int e^t dt) dt$$

$$= te^t - \int 1 \cdot e^t dt$$

$$= te^t - e^t + C_1$$

$$(e^t \cdot t)y = e^t \cdot t - e^t + C_1$$

$$y = \frac{e^t \cdot t - e^t + C_1}{e^t \cdot t}$$

Plug in $\log(2)$ for t and 1 for y .

$$1 = \frac{e^{\log 2} \cdot \log 2 - e^{\log 2} + C_1}{e^{\log 2} \cdot \log 2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \log 2 - 2 + C_1}{2 \log 2}$$

$$2 \log 2 = 2 \log 2 - 2 + C_1$$

$$2 = C_1 \rightarrow y = \frac{e^t \cdot t - e^t + 2}{e^t \cdot t}$$

2. Solve $(\sin t)y' + (\cos t)y = e^t$, $y(1) = a$

Soln:

$$y' + \left(\frac{\cos t}{\sin t}\right)y = \frac{e^t}{\sin t}$$

$$\mu y' + \left(\frac{\cos t}{\sin t}\right)\mu y = \frac{e^t \mu}{\sin t}$$

$$\cancel{\mu}y' + \left(\frac{\cos t}{\sin t}\right)\mu y = (\mu y)'$$

$$= \mu' y + \cancel{\mu}y'$$

$$\left(\frac{\cos t}{\sin t}\right)\mu y = \mu' y$$

$$\frac{\cos t}{\sin t} = \frac{\mu'}{\mu}$$

$$= (\ln(\mu))'$$

$$\int \frac{\cos t}{\sin t} dt = \ln(\mu)$$

$$\text{Let } u = \sin t$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \cos t$$

$$dt = \frac{du}{\cos t}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{u} du$$

$$= \ln |u| + C$$

$$= \ln |\sin t| + C$$

$$\ln(u) = \ln |\sin t| + C$$

$$u = \sin t \cdot e^C$$

$$\text{Let } C' = e^C$$

$$u = \sin t \cdot C'$$

$$\text{Let } C' = 1$$

$$u = \sin t$$

$$(\mu y)' = \frac{e^t \mu}{\sin t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ((\sin t) \cdot y)' &= \frac{e^t (\sin t)}{\sin t} \\ &= e^t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sin t) y &= \int e^t dt \\ &= e^t + C_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = \frac{e^t + C_1}{\sin t}$$

Plug 1 for t and a for y .

$$a = \frac{e' + C_1}{\sin 1}$$

$$C_1 = a \cdot \sin 1 - e \rightarrow y = \frac{e^t + a \cdot \sin 1 - e}{\sin t}$$

3. Solve $y' = \frac{2x}{1+2y}$, $y(2) = 0$

Soln:

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

$$(1+2y) dy = 2x dx$$

$$\int (1+2y) dy = \int 2x dx$$

$$y + y^2 = x^2 + C$$

Plug in 2 for x and 0 for y .

$$0 = (2)^2 + C$$

$$C = -4 \rightarrow y + y^2 = x^2 - 4$$

4. Solve $y' = \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{x^2}$

Soln:

Note: This is a **homogenous equation**.

A first order differential equation is homogeneous if it can be written in this form: $y' = f(\frac{y}{x})$.

Going back to our equation, we see that

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

Since it can be written as $f(\frac{y}{x})$, it is a homogeneous equation.

We can solve this using separable equations, but first, we create a new variable $v = \frac{y}{x}$.

Since $v = \frac{y}{x}$, $y = vx$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= (vx)' \\ &= v'x + vx' \\ &= v + v'x \quad (x' = 1) \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have

$$v + v'x = 1 + v + v^2$$

$$v'x = 1 + v^2$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} x = 1 + v^2$$

$$dv x = (1 + v^2) dx$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + v^2} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+v^2} dv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\arctan(v) = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\arctan(v) - \ln|x| = C \rightarrow \text{Replace } v \text{ with } \frac{y}{x}.$$

$$\arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - \ln|x| = C$$

5. Solve $y' = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy}$

Soln:

$$\frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy} = \frac{x^2}{xy} + \frac{y^2}{xy}$$

$$= \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}$$

$$= \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^{-1} + \frac{y}{x} \leftarrow \text{Homogeneous equation}$$

$$\text{Let } v = \frac{y}{x}$$

This means that $y = vx$.

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= (vx)' \\ &= v'x + vx' \\ &= v'x + v \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v'x + v &= v^{-1} + v \\ v'x &= v^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{v}$$

$$v dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\int v dv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx \rightarrow \frac{v^2}{2} = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\frac{v^2}{2} - \ln|x| = C$$

$$\text{Replace } v \text{ with } \frac{y}{x} \rightarrow \frac{\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}{2} - \ln|x| = C$$