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Differential Equations

Remember: A differential equation is an equation that involves a function and some of its derivatives.

Ex. Solve $y' = 6x^2 - 5$

$$y = 2x^3 - 5x + C$$

Ex. Verify that $x = 5$ is a solution to $3x - 2 = 13$.

$$3(5) - 2 = 13$$

$$15 - 2 = 13 \quad \checkmark$$

Ex. Verify that $y = e^{2x}$ is a solution to $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$

$$y' = e^{2x} \cdot 2$$

$$y'' = e^{2x} \cdot 4$$

$$4e^{2x} - 3(2e^{2x}) + 2(e^{2x}) = 0$$

$$4e^{2x} - 6e^{2x} + 2e^{2x} = 0$$

\checkmark

A separable equation can be written

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y)$$

→ To solve, we treat $\frac{dy}{dx}$ as a fraction.

→ Put the y 's on the left with dy , put x 's on the right with dx , and integrate each side.

Ex. Let $\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{t^2}{2P^3}$, find the general solution.

$$\int P^3 dP = \int \frac{1}{2} t^2 dt$$

$$\frac{1}{4} P^4 = \frac{1}{6} t^3 + C$$

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Ex. Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{1+x}$

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

$$e^{\ln|y|} = e^{\ln|1+x| + C}$$

$$|y| = e^{\ln|1+x|} \cdot e^C$$

$$y = D|1+x|$$

$$D = \pm e^C$$

Pract. 1) $\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{t^2}{R}$

$\rightarrow R dR = t^2 dt$

$\frac{1}{2} R^2 = \frac{1}{3} t^3 + C$

$R^2 = \frac{2}{3} t^3 + D$

$R = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} t^3 + D}$

2) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 12y^2$

$\frac{1}{y^2} dy = 12 dx$

$-\frac{1}{y} = 12x + C$

$\frac{1}{y} = -12x + D$

$y = \frac{1}{D - 12x}$

Def. An initial value problem (IVP) is a differential equation and a value of the solution.

Ex. Solve the IVP $\frac{dP}{dt} = 3P$ if $P(0) = 5$.

$$\int \frac{1}{P} dP = \int 3 dt$$

$$e^{\ln|P|} = e^{3t+C}$$

$$|P| = e^{3t} \cdot e^C$$

$$P = D e^{3t}$$

$$5 = D e^{3(0)}$$

$$D = 5$$

$$P = 5e^{3t}$$

Important: A solution must be a function that is differentiable over the largest interval containing the initial value and satisfying the original differential equation.

Ex. Find the solution to $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y}$ if $y(5) = -3$

$$\int y \, dy = \int x \, dx$$

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

$$y^2 = x^2 + D$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{x^2 + D}$$

$$-3 = \pm \sqrt{5^2 + D}$$

$$9 = 25 + D$$

$$D = -16$$

$$y = -\sqrt{x^2 - 16}$$

$$\cancel{(-\infty, 4]} \quad [4, \infty)$$

$$(4, \infty)$$

Ex. Solve the IVP $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y+1}{x}$, $y(1) = 2$, then

sketch the solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{y+1}{x} \\ \frac{1}{y+1} dy &= \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \int \frac{1}{y+1} dy &= \int \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \ln|y+1| &= \ln|x| + C = e^{\ln|x|} \cdot e^C \\ y+1 &= D|x|\end{aligned}$$

$$y = D|x| - 1 \quad \text{~~(-\infty, 2)~~ (0, \infty)$$

$$2 = D|1| - 1$$

$$D = 3$$

$$y = 3|x| - 1$$

