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# Chapter 15

## Differential Equations

### 15.1 Simple Differential Equations

Verify that the differential equation in question 1 to 16 has the given function as a solution.

1.  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x^2$ ;  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{c}{x}$

NOTE:  $y = f(x)$  and  $f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}$

*Solution:*

The derivative of  $f$  is  $f'(x) = \frac{2x}{3} - \frac{c}{x^2}$ . Substitute in for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$x \left( \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{c}{x^2} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{c}{x} \right) = x^2.$$

Equation is valid for all  $x$  for which  $f(x)$  is defined, namely  $x \neq 0$ .

2.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2$ ;  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3$

3.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x + 5$ ;  $f(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 5x - 2$

4.  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t-1}}$ ;  $f(t) = 2(\sqrt{t-1} + 1)$

5.  $x^3 y' = x^4 - \sqrt{3}$ ;  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2x^2}$

6.  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = x$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{6}(x^3 + 2x - 2)$

7.  $\frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{ds}{dt} + 10 = 0$ ;  $s = 5t$

8.  $xy' = 2y$ ;  $y = Cx^2$

9.  $y''' - y'' = 0$ ;  $y = C_1 + C_2x$

10.  $y \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2$ ,  $y = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}x^3 + 4}$

11.  $\frac{u}{x} \frac{du}{dx} = 1$ ;  $u = \sqrt{x^2 + k}$

12.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{x^2}$ ;  $y = \frac{x}{1-ax}$

13.  $x(y')^2 - yy' + 1 = 0$ ;  $y = C + \frac{x}{C}$

14.  $\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{x}{t} = \sqrt{t^2 + 1}$ ;  $x = \frac{(t^2+1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C}{3t}$   
 15.  $D_x^2 y - 3xD_x y + 3y = 2 - 3x^2$ ;  $y = x^2 + 3x$   
 16.  $x D_x^2 y - x D_x y = 12x^2 - 6x^3$ ;  $y = 2x^3 + 5$

In problems numbered 17 to 40, find the solution of the differential equation satisfying the initial conditions.

17.  $y' = 2x - 4$ ;  $y = 3$  at  $x = 3$

*Solution:*

$y = \int 2x - 4 dx$  or  $y = x^2 - 4x + C$  where  $C$  is an arbitrary constant.

To determine  $C$  substitute in the initial conditions ( $x = 3$ ,  $y = 3$ )

$$3 = 9 - 12 + C \quad \text{or} \quad C = 6.$$

The answer is  $y = x^2 - 4x + 6$ .

*Comment:*  $y = x^2 - 4x + C$  is the general solution.

$y = x^2 - 4x + 6$  is the particular solution.

18.  $y' = 4x + 7$ ;  $y = 3$  at  $x = 2$   
 19.  $y' = -x^2 - 3$ ;  $y = 4$  at  $x = -1$   
 20.  $\frac{ds}{dt} = 3t - 5$ ;  $s = -3$  at  $t = 2$   
 21.  $F'(t) = 1 - 6t + t^2$ ;  $F(-1) = 4$   $[F(t) = \frac{t}{3} - 3t + t + \frac{25}{3}]$   
 22.  $\frac{dv}{dt} = -2t + 3$ ;  $v = 4$  at  $t = 3$   
 23.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{7}x^3 + 3x - 2$ ;  $y = -5$  when  $x = 0$   
 24.  $y' = ax^2$ ;  $y = a$  when  $x = 1$   
 25.  $\frac{1}{t} \frac{dy}{dt} = 2t^2 + t + 1$ ;  $y = 5$  when  $t = \frac{1}{2}$   
 26.  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{1 - 2t}$ ;  $s = 0$  when  $t = -4$   
 27.  $\frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dx} = 8\sqrt[3]{1 + 2x^2}$ ;  $y = 2$  when  $x = 0$   
 28.  $y' = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{10-x^2}}$ ;  $y = 3$  when  $x = -2$   
 29.  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 12x - 4$ ;  $y = 4$  and  $y' = 3$  at  $x = 2$

*Solution:*

$y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$  so that  $\frac{dy'}{dx} = 12x - 4$  which is considered as a differential equation involving  $y'$  as a function of  $x$  with initial conditions ( $y' = 3$  at  $x = 2$ )

$$y' = \int (12x - 4) dx \quad \text{or} \quad y' = 6x^2 - 4x + C_1$$

When  $x = 2$ ,  $y' = 3$  so  $C_1 = -13$  and  $y' = 6x^2 - 4x - 13$ .

$$y = \int (6x^2 - 4x - 13) dx \quad \text{or} \quad y = 2x^3 - 2x^2 - 13x + C_2.$$

When  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 4$  so  $4 = 16 - 8 - 26 + C_2$  or  $C_2 = 22$

Solution to #29 (cont'd)

The particular solution is  $y = 2x^3 - 2x^2 - 13x + 22$ .

*Comment:* Without initial conditions  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  would remain arbitrary and the general solution for the above question would be  $y = 2x^3 - 2x^2 + C_1x + C_2$ .

30.  $F''(t) = -4$ ;  $F(0) = 2$ ,  $F'(0) = 1$

31.  $f''(x) = x$ ;  $f(2) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $f'(2) = 1$

32.  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = g$  ( $g$  const); when  $t = 0$ ,  $s = 12$ , and  $\frac{ds}{dt} = 0$ . [ $y = \frac{1}{2}x^3 - x^2 - 18x + 60$ ]

33.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 3x - 2$ ;  $y = 4$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -2$  at  $x = 4$

34.  $\frac{dy}{dx^2} = -5$ ;  $y = -1$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$  at  $x = -2$

35.  $\frac{d^2u}{dt^2} = -2t^2 + 5$ ;  $u = 4$  and  $\frac{du}{dt} = -2$  at  $t = -1$

36.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{6x+1}$ ;  $y = 1$  when  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

37.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} + 1$ ;  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$  when  $x = 4$ , and  $y = 0$  when  $x = 1$  [ $y = \frac{4}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 6x + \frac{25}{6}$ ]

38.  $f''(x) = 2x$ ;  $f(1) = 2$ ,  $f(-1) = -3$

39.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4e^{2x} + 5e^{-x}$ ; and  $y = 2$  at  $x = 0$

40.  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 5 \log t + 2e^t$ ; and  $x = 3e$  at  $t = 1$

Verify that the differential equations in questions numbered 41 to 48 have the indicated general solutions. Find the particular solution through the given point  $(a, b)$ .

41.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + 1$ ;  $y = \left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)^2 + C$ ;  $a = -1$ ,  $b = 0$

42.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = kx$ ;  $y = Ae^{kx}$ ;  $a = 0$ ,  $b = 1$

43.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$ ;  $y = \ln(Ax)$ ;  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 0$

44.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$ ;  $y = Ax$ ;  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 1$

45.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{x^2}$ ;  $y = \frac{x}{xC+1}$ ;  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 1$

46.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 0$ ;  $y = Ae^{-3x} + Be^{-x}$ ;  $a = 0$ ,  $b = 1$

47.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4y = 0$ ;  $y = A \sin(2x + B)$ ;  $a = 0$ ,  $b = 0$

48.  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$ ;  $y = (A + Bx)e^{-x}$ ;  $a = 0$ ,  $b = 1$

Find the general solution of the following differential equations.

49.  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$  [ $y = \frac{1}{4}x^2 + C$ ]

50.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -x + 5$

51.  $f'(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 10$

52.  $y' = \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}} - x$

53.  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{t^4 - t}{2t^3}$   $\left[ S = \frac{t^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2t} + C \right]$

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

55.  $\sqrt{x} \frac{du}{dx} = (1 - x)^2$

56.  $z' = \frac{3x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

57.  $\frac{1}{t^2} g'(t) = \frac{-7}{(1+t^3)^2}$   $\left[ g(t) = \frac{7}{3(1+t^3)} + C \right]$

58.  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{x^3}$

59.  $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = 0$

60.  $\frac{d^3 s}{dt^3} = -5 + 4e^t$

Find the differential equation of lowest order satisfied by the functions in questions 61 to 72. ( $A, B, C, D$  are arbitrary constants.)

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

62.  $y(x) = x^2 + Ax$

63.  $y(x) = Be^x$

64.  $y(x) = e^{x+B}$

65.  $y(x) = \ln(Ax)$

66.  $y(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$

67.  $y(x) = \frac{x+A}{x+B}$

68.  $y(x) = Ae^{2x} + Be^{-2x} + C$

69.  $y(x) = (A + Bx)e^{3x}$

70.  $y(x) = A \sin(Bx + D)$

71.  $y(x) = A \cos(Bx + D)$

72.  $y = Ae^{-\frac{1}{x}}$

## 15.2 Geometric Aspects of Differential Equations

In problems 73 to 88,

- (a) obtain  $f(x)$  so that  $y = f(x)$  passes through the given point and has the specified slope;
- (b) graph the solution  $y = f(x)$  and one other curve of the family determined by the differential equation which is used.

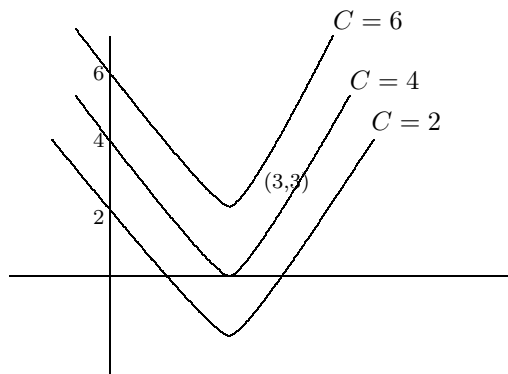
73. Slope =  $2x - 4$ ; through the point  $(3,3)$

*Solution:*  $y = \int(2x - 4)dx = x^2 - 4x + C$

which is the general solution. It is a family of parabolas. At  $(3,3)$   $3 = 9 - 12 + C$ , or  $C = 6$ .

Answer to part (a) is  $y = x^2 - 4x + 6$ .

Answer to part (b) is

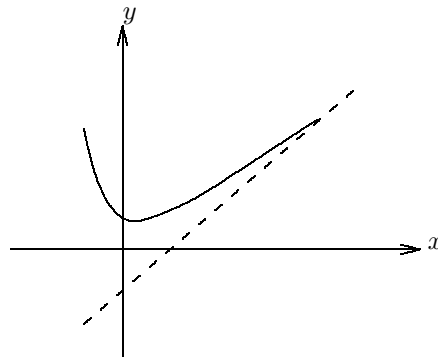


74. Slope =  $x - 2$ ; through the point  $(2,2)$
75. Slope =  $\theta - \theta^2$ ; through the point  $(-1,0)$
76. Slope =  $4x + 4$ ; through the point  $(2, -12)$
77. Slope =  $-6x - 12$ ; through the point  $(1, -22)$  [ $y = -3x^2 - 12x - 7$ ]
78. Slope =  $2/x$ ; through the point  $(1,3)$
79. Slope =  $-4/x^2$ ; through the point  $(-2, -2)$
80.  $\phi'(t) = 1 + 2t^2$ ; through the point  $(4, -2)$
81.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - x$ ; through the point  $(1,0)$  [ $y = 2x - x^2 - \frac{3}{2}$ ]
82.  $\frac{d\phi}{dt} = -t^2$ ; through the point  $(1,0)$
83. Find an equation  $y = g(x)$  of a curve such that  $g''(x) = 3$  at each point  $(x, y)$  on it and passing through  $(2,1)$  with slope  $-1$  there.
84. Find  $f(x)$  so that  $f''(x) = 3$  at all values of  $x$ , and the tangent to the graph of  $y = f(x)$  at  $(2,1)$  is  $y = 6x - 9$ .
85. Find an equation  $y = f(x)$  of a curve such that  $f''(x) = 4x$  at each point  $(x, y)$  on it and crossing the  $x$  axis at  $(-2, 0)$  at a  $45^\circ$  angle. [ $y = \frac{1}{3}(2x^3 - 21x - 26)$ ]
86. Find an equation  $y = f(x)$  of a curve such that  $f''(x) = 3x^2$  at each point  $(x, y)$  on it and passing through  $(1, \frac{9}{4})$  and  $(2,5)$ .
87. Find an equation  $y = F(x)$  of a curve such that  $F''(x) = 1/x^3$  at each point  $(x, y)$  on it and passing through  $(1,6)$ .
88. Find  $f(x)$  so that  $f''(x) = -2$  at all values of  $x$ , and the tangent to the graph of  $y = f(x)$  at  $(-1, 2)$  is parallel to  $4x - 2y = 5$ .

In problems 89 to 104, sketch the direction field and draw a solution through the point indicated.

89.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x - y$

Solution :



90.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$ ;  $(0, 0)$

91.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$ ;  $(1, 1)$

92.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2$ ;  $(0, 1)$

93.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y - 1$ ;  $(1, 1)$

94.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{y}$ ;  $(0, 2)$

95.  $y' = -\frac{y}{x}$ ;  $(1, 1)$

96.  $y' = \frac{y}{x}$ ;  $(1, 1)$

97.  $y' = \frac{x}{y}$ ;  $(2, 1)$

98.  $y' = 2x + y$ ;  $(0, 1)$

99.  $y' = y^2$ ;  $(0, 1)$

100.  $y' = y^2 + x$ ;  $(0, 1)$

101.  $y' = xy$ ;  $(0, 1)$

102.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y$ ;  $(0, 0)$

103.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$ ;  $(1, 1)$

104.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x+y}{x-2y}$ ;  $(1, 1)$

## 15.3 Solving Differential Equations

Variables Separable — Find solutions of the differential equations numbered 105 to 128.

105.  $x^2 dy + y^2 dx = 0$

106.  $x dy - y dx = 0$

107.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-1}{y}$

108.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2$

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

110.  $(1 - x^2)dy + (1 + y^2)dx = 0$

111.  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{t^2+3}{s^3}$

112.  $(y + y^2)y' = x^2 - 3$

113.  $y \sec x dy + \sqrt{1 - y^2} dx = 0$

114.  $dy + y \tan x dx = 0$

115.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3y^{\frac{2}{3}}$

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

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

118.  $\sec x dy + \sec y dx = 0$



119.  $\theta^2 r \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 1 + \theta^2$

120.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y^2}{(x+a)^4}$

121.  $xy dy + (x^2 + 1)dx = 0$

122.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-xy^2}{x^2y-y}$

123.  $(1+x)\frac{dx}{dt} = tx^3$

124.  $y' = \frac{3}{y+\sqrt{y}}$

125.  $(xy-x)y' = y^2 \quad \left[ x = Aye^{\frac{1}{y}} \right]$

126.  $y\sqrt{2x^2-3} \frac{dy}{dx} + x\sqrt{6+y^2} = 0$

127.  $y' = \frac{2}{\sqrt{y'}}$

128.  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = x^2$

For the differential equations in problems numbered 129 to 132, find a solution satisfying the given boundary condition.

129.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{y}; y = -3 \text{ and } x = 0$

130.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2; y = 5 \text{ when } x = 2$

131.  $x^2(3+2y)y' = 1; y = 1 \text{ when } x = -2$

132.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{(x^2-1)^2y}; y = 5 \text{ when } x = 0$

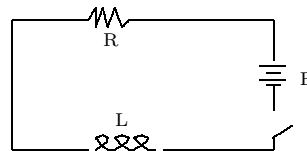
## PROBLEMS

Set up the differential equation and solve the problem.

133. A bacterial population increases at a rate proportional to the population. If the population triples in one hour, in how many hours will it be 100 times its original size?
134. Radioactive carbon has a half-life of approximately 5600 years. In how many years will it decay to 20% of its original amount? To 10%?
135. The half-life of a certain radioactive isotope is 100 years. How long does it take to decay to 10 per cent of its initial amount?
136. A tank contains 100 gal. of pure water. Brine, containing 0.2 lb. of salt per gallon, runs into the tank at the rate of 2 gal/min, and the mixture runs out at the same rate. What is the amount of salt in the tank at the end of  $t$  min? 50 min?
137. If a certain radioactive substance loses 15% of its radioactivity in three days, what is its half-life?
138. In the above problem, how long will it take for the substance to be 95% dissipated?
139. A tank contains 100 gal. of brine containing 0.05 lb. of salt per gallon. Pure water begins to run in at the rate of 1 gal/min from one tap, brine containing 0.25 lb. of salt per gallon runs in from another tap at the rate of 2 gal/min, and the mixture runs out at the rate of 3 gal/min. What is the amount of salt in the tank at the end of  $t$  min?
140. If brakes on a car apply a constant deceleration of a ft/sec<sup>2</sup>, find a formula for velocity and distance if initially the velocity is  $v_0$  and the distance  $x_0$ .
141. Since a thermometer is itself a physical body, it is subject to Newton's law of cooling. A thermometer is taken from inside a house, where the temperature is 80°, to the outdoors where the temperature is 40°. Five minutes later it reads 50°. What will it read 15 minutes after it is taken outdoors?

142. Newton's law of cooling states that the time rate of change of the temperature  $T$  of a body is proportional to the difference,  $T - T_0$ , between its temperature and that of its environment,  $T_0$ . If a body initially at  $212^\circ\text{F}$  (boiling water) cools to  $152^\circ\text{F}$  in 20 min. when the air is at  $32^\circ\text{F}$ , find the temperature after  $t$  min. of a body initially at  $100^\circ\text{F}$ .
143. In a simple series circuit with resistance  $R$  ohms, inductance  $L$  henrys and electromotive force  $E$  volts, the time rate of change of current  $i$  (in amperes) is

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = E,$$



where the time  $t$  is in seconds. Find the current at time  $t$  if no current is flowing when the switch is closed at  $t = 0$ .

144. A tank contains 50 gal. of brine containing 25 lb. of dissolved salt. If water runs in at the rate of 2 gal/min and the mixture runs out at the same rate, find the salt concentration after  $t$  minutes.
145. To what rate of interest, payable annually, is 6% interest, compounded continuously, equivalent?
146. A spherical drop of liquid evaporated at a rate proportional to its surface area. If a given drop evaporates to one-eighth its original volume in five minutes, in how many minutes will it evaporate completely?
147. A mathematics instructor finds the body of Professor  $Y$  murdered. He notes that the temperature of the professor's office is  $21^\circ\text{C}$ . He finds the temperature of the body to be  $31^\circ\text{C}$ . One hour later the body temperature is down to  $29^\circ\text{C}$ . Assuming the professor's body temperature was  $37^\circ\text{C}$ . When he died, find approximately how long after death the body was discovered.

**P.S.** Professor  $X$  who has taken over Professor  $Y$ 's lectures insists this problem be a final exam question since the murderer will likely reveal himself by giving the correct answer to the problem without working it out using Newton's law of cooling.

## 15.4 Exact Equations

148.  $d(xy) = 0$
149.  $d(xy) + dy + dx = 0$
150.  $d(xy) + y dy + x dx = 0$
151.  $y dx + x dy = 0$
152.  $(y + 4)dx + (x - 4)dy = 0$
153.  $(y - 7)dx + (x + 10)dy = 0$
154.  $(y + x)dx + (x - y)dy = 0$
155.  $(y + x^3)dx + (x + \sqrt{y})dy = 0$
156.  $(y + \sin x)dx + (x - \cos y)dy = 0$
157.  $(y + e^x)dx + (x + e^y)dy = 0$
158.  $\frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2} = 0$
159.  $(3x^2y^2 + x^2)dx + (2x^3y + y^2)dy = 0$
160.  $y \cos x dx + \sin x dy = 0$
161.  $\cos x \cos y dx - \sin x \sin y dy = 0$
162.  $\cos x \sin y dx + \sin x \cos y dy = 0$
163.  $\sin x \cos y dx + \cos x \sin y dy = 0$
164.  $\cos x dy - y \sin x dx = 0$
165.  $2x \sin y dx + x^2 \cos y dy = 0$
166.  $e^x e^y dx + e^x e^y dy = 0$
167.  $ye^x dx + e^x dy = 0$
168.  $(ye^x + y)dx + (e^x + x)dy = 0$
169.  $2x - y + (y^2 - x) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

170.  $\sin y + (x \cos y + y \cos y + \sin y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

172.  $(x + y)dx + (x + 2y)dy = 0$

174.  $(ye^{xy} + 2xy)dx + (xe^{xy} + x^2)dy = 0$

176.  $1 + r \cos \theta + \sin \theta \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0$

178.  $y \sec^2 x dx + \tan x dy = 0$

180.  $(e^x \sin y + y) \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \cos y$

171.  $2xy dx + (x^2 - y^2)dy = 0$

173.  $ye^x - x(e^x + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

175.  $(r + e^\theta)d\theta + (\theta + e^r)dr = 0$

177.  $ye^x - y + (e^x + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

179.  $\ln(y^2 + 1) + \frac{2xy}{y^2 + 1} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

## 15.5 Linear Equations of First Order

181.  $y' + y = x$

183.  $y' + y = e^x$

185.  $y' + xy = x$

187.  $y' + by = c$

189.  $xy' - 3y = x^2$

191.  $x dy + y dx = \sin x dx$

193.  $y' - \frac{y}{x} = x \sin x$

195.  $y' + y \tan x = \sec x$

197.  $y' = e^{ax} + ay$

199.  $y' - ay = f(x)$

201.  $\cosh x dy + (y \sinh x + e^x)dx = 0$

203.  $(x - 2y)dy + y dx = 0$

182.  $y' + y = e^{-x}$

184.  $2y' - y = e^{\frac{x}{2}}$

186.  $y' - 2y = 3$

188.  $y' + 2y = x$

190.  $xy' + 3y = \frac{\sin x}{x^2}$

192.  $x dy + y dx = y dy$

194.  $y' + y \tan x = \sin x$

196.  $y' = e^{2x} + 3y$

198.  $y' \sin x + y \cos x = 1$

200.  $(x - 1)^3 y' + 4(x - 1)^2 y = x + 1$

202.  $e^{2y} dx + 2(xe^{2y} - y)dy = 0$

204.  $(y^2 + 1)dx + (2xy + 1)dy = 0$

## 15.6 Homogeneous Linear Equations with Constant Coefficients

In problems 205 to 215 find the general solution.

Note when the operator  $D$  is used it is implied that the independent variable is  $x$ .

205.  $(D^2 - D - 2)y = 0$

207.  $(D^2 - D - 6)y = 0$

209.  $(D^3 + 2D^2 - 15D)y = 0$

211.  $(D^3 - D^2 - 4D + 4)y = 0$

206.  $(D^2 + 3D)y = 0$

208.  $(D^2 + 5D + 6)y = 0$

210.  $(D^3 + 2D^2 - 8D)y = 0$

212.  $(D^3 - 3D^2 - D + 3)y = 0$

213.  $(4D^3 - 13D + 6)y = 0$

214.  $(10D^3 + D^2 - 7D + 2)y = 0$

215.  $\{D^2 - (a + b)D + ab\}y = 0, \quad a \neq b$

In problems 216 to 222 find the required particular solution.

216.  $(D^2 - 2D - 3)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 0$  and  $y' = -4$

217.  $(D^2 - D - 6)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 0$  and when  $x = 1, y = e^3$

218.  $(D^2 - 2D - 3)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 4$  and  $y' = 0$

219.  $(D^3 - 4D)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 0, y' = 0$  and  $y'' = 2$

220.  $(D^2 - D - 6)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 3$  and  $y' = -1$

221.  $(D^2 + 3D - 10)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 0$  and when  $x = 2, y = 1$

222.  $(D^3 - 2D^2 - 5D + 6)y = 0$ ; when  $x = 0, y = 1, y' = -7$  and  $y'' = -1$

In problems 223 to 249 find the general solution.

223.  $(4D^2 - 4D + 1)y = 0$

224.  $(D^2 + 6D + 9)y = 0$

225.  $(D^3 - 4D^2 + 4D)y = 0$

226.  $(9D^3 + 6D^2 + D)y = 0$

227.  $(2D^4 - 3D^3 - 2D^2)y = 0$

228.  $(2D^4 - 5D^3 - 3D^2)y = 0$

229.  $(D^3 + 3D^2 - 4)y = 0$

230.  $(4D^3 - 27D + 27)y = 0$

231.  $(D^3 + 3D^2 + 3D + 1)y = 0$

232.  $(D^3 + 6D^2 + 12D + 8)y = 0$

233.  $(D^5 - D^3)y = 0$

234.  $(D^5 - 16D^3)y = 0$

235.  $y'' - y = 2$

236.  $y'' - y = x$

237.  $y'' - y = x + 1$

238.  $y'' - y = x^2$

239.  $y'' - 2y = 2$

240.  $y'' - 4y = 1$

241.  $y'' - y' = x$

242.  $y'' - y' = x^2$

243.  $y'' - y' = x^2 + 2x$

244.  $y'' + y' = x$

245.  $y'' - 5y' + 4y = x^2 - 2x + 1$

246.  $y'' + y' - 6y = 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 7x + 2$

247.  $y'' - 4y = x^3$

248.  $y'' - 2y' - 3y = 4 - 8x - 6x^2$

249.  $y'' - y' = x$

250. For the equation  $(D^3 + D^2)y = 4$  find the solution whose graph has at the origin a point of inflection with a horizontal tangent line.

251. For the equation  $(D^2 - D)y = 2 - 2x$  find a particular solution which has at some point (to be determined) on the  $x$ -axis an inflection point with a horizontal tangent line.