

Study Material for

B.Sc. II (Math (Sub/Gen))

Topic: Differential Equation

Subtopic: D.E. of 1st order and
1st degree

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Differential Equation of first order and first degree

Solvable by Separation of Variables

$$\text{d.E.} \quad M dx + N dy = 0$$

where M is functions of x & y or constant
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If we can rearrange the given d.E. in the form $f(x) dx + g(y) dy = 0$, where $f(x)$ is a function of x and $g(y)$ is a function of y , then the rearranged equation is said to have separated variables.

Its general soln is:

$$\int f(x) dx + \int g(y) dy = c$$

where c is an arbitrary constant.

Worked out Examples

1. solve: $(1+x) dy + (1+y) dx = 0$

Soln: $(1+x) dy + (1+y) dx = 0$

or, $(1+x) dy = -(1+y) dx$

or, $\frac{dy}{1+y} = -\frac{dx}{1+x}$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dx}{1+x} + \frac{dy}{1+y} = 0$$

Hence the general soln is

$$\int \frac{dx}{1+x} + \int \frac{dy}{1+y} = C_1$$

$$\text{or, } \log |(1+x)(1+y)| = \log C$$

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[where $\log C = C_1$]

which is the required soln

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

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

$$\text{or, } \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \cdot e^y + x^2 e^y$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dy}{dx} = e^y (e^x + x^2)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dy}{e^{-y}} = (e^x + x^2) dx$$

$$\text{or, } (e^x + x^2) dx - e^{-y} dy = 0$$

Hence the general soln is

$$\int (e^x + x^2) dx - \int e^{-y} dy = C$$

or, $e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + e^{-y} = C$, where C is an integrating constant.

③ Solve: $y + \frac{dy}{dx} (1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x = 0$

Soln: $y + \frac{dy}{dx} (1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x = 0$

or, $\frac{dy}{dx} (1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x = -y$

or, $\frac{dy}{y} = - \frac{dx}{(1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x}$

or, $\frac{dx}{(1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x} + \frac{dy}{y} = 0$

Hence the general soln is .

$$\int \frac{dx}{(1+x^2) \tan^{-1} x} + \int \frac{dy}{y} = C_1$$

or, $\int \frac{dz}{z} + \log |y| = C_1$

Let $\tan^{-1} x = z$

or, $\log |z| + \log |y| = C_1$

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

or, $\log |\tan^{-1} x| + \log |y| = C$, where

where C is an integrating constant.

Homework for students

Solve the following differential equation.

(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x\sqrt{y} - x}{x + \sqrt{y}}$

(ii) $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y + x + 1}{1 + x + y} = 0$

(iii) $\log\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = ax + by$

(iv) $\sec^2 x \tan x dx + \sec^2 y \tan y dy = 0$

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