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# **1<sup>st</sup> ORDER ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

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**Question 1**

Find a general solution for each of the following differential equations.

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} = 5x^2 - 1$

b)  $(9x^2 + 4) \frac{dy}{dx} + 9xy = 1$

c)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = \frac{\ln x}{x}, x > 0$

$$y = x^3 - x + \frac{A}{x^2 - 1}, \quad 3y\sqrt{9x^2 + 4} = \operatorname{arsinh}\left(\frac{3}{2}x\right) + C, \quad y = \frac{\ln x}{4x} - \frac{1}{16x} + \frac{A}{x^5}$$

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} = 5x^2 - 1$   
 IF =  $e^{\int \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} dx} = e^{\ln|x^2 - 1|} = x^2 - 1$   
 $\frac{d}{dx}(y(x^2 - 1)) = (5x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 1)$   
 $y(x^2 - 1) = \int (5x^4 - 6x^2 + 1) dx$   
 $y(x^2 - 1) = \frac{5}{5}x^5 - 2x^3 + x + A$   
 $y = \frac{5x^5 - 2x^3 + x + A}{x^2 - 1}$   
 $y = x^3 - x + \frac{A}{x^2 - 1}$

b)  $(9x^2 + 4) \frac{dy}{dx} + 9xy = 1$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{9xy}{9x^2 + 4} = \frac{1}{9x^2 + 4}$   
 IF =  $e^{\int \frac{9xy}{9x^2 + 4} dx} = e^{\ln|(9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}}|} = (9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [y(9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}}] = \frac{1}{9x^2 + 4} \times (9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow y(9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \int \frac{\sqrt{4 + 9x^2}}{\sqrt{4 + 9x^2}} dx = \int \frac{1}{3(\frac{4}{9} + x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} dx$   
 $\Rightarrow y(9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \int \frac{1}{3\sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + x^2}} dx$   
 $\Rightarrow y(9x^2 + 4)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{arsinh}\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) + C$   
 $\Rightarrow 3y\sqrt{9x^2 + 4} = \operatorname{arsinh}\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) + C$

c)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = \frac{\ln x}{x}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{5y}{x} = \frac{\ln x}{x^2}$   
 IF =  $e^{\int \frac{5y}{x} dx} = e^{\ln|x^5|} = x^5$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(yx^5) = \frac{\ln x}{x^2} x^5 = x^3 \ln x$   
 $\Rightarrow yx^5 = \int x^3 \ln x dx$   
 $\Rightarrow yx^5 = \frac{1}{4} x^4 \ln x - \int \frac{1}{4} x^3 dx$   
 $\Rightarrow yx^5 = \frac{1}{4} x^4 \ln x - \frac{1}{16} x^4 + \frac{C}{4}$   
 $\Rightarrow y = \frac{\ln x}{4x} - \frac{1}{16x} + \frac{C}{4x^5}$   
 By parts  
 $\int x^3 \ln x dx = \frac{1}{4} x^4 \ln x - \int \frac{1}{4} x^3 dx$

**Question 2**

Find a general solution for each of the following differential equations.

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = 2 \cos x$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan x = \sec^2 x$

c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} \cos^3 x = 1 + y \sin x \cos^2 x$

$y = \sin x + \operatorname{cosec} x$ ,  $y = \sec x (\ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C)$ ,  $y = \sec x \tan x + C \sec x$

Handwritten solutions for the three differential equations:

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = 2 \cos x$   
 I.F.  $= e^{\int \cot x dx} = e^{\ln |\sin x|} = \sin x$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [y \sin x] = 2 \cos x \sin x$   
 $\Rightarrow y \sin x = \int 2 \cos x \sin x dx$   
 $\Rightarrow y \sin x = \sin^2 x + A$   
 $\Rightarrow y = \sin x + \frac{A}{\sin x}$   
 $\Rightarrow y = \sin x + A \operatorname{cosec} x$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan x = \sec^2 x$   
 I.F.  $= e^{-\int \tan x dx} = e^{-\ln |\sec x|} = \frac{1}{\sec x} = \cos x$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (y \cos x) = \sec^2 x \cos x$   
 $\Rightarrow y \cos x = \int \sec x dx$   
 $\Rightarrow y \cos x = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + A$

c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} \cos^3 x = 1 + y \sin x \cos^2 x$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos^3 x} + y \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^3 x}$   
 I.F.  $= e^{-\int \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} dx} = e^{\frac{1}{\cos x}} = \sec x$   
 $\frac{d}{dx} (y \sec x) = \sec^2 x \sec x$   
 $y \sec x = \int \sec^3 x dx$   
 $y \sec x = \tan x + A \sec x$   
 $y = \sec x \tan x + A \sec x$

**Question 3**

Find a general solution for each of the following differential equations.

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tanh x = \sinh 2x$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y}{x} = x \tanh x$

c)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{xy}{\coth x} = \operatorname{sech} x$

$$\boxed{y = 2 \cosh^2 x + A \cosh x}, \quad \boxed{y = x \ln(\cosh x) + Cx}, \quad \boxed{y = \ln|x| + C \operatorname{sech} x}$$

**Question 4**

Find a solution for each of the following differential equations, subject to the boundary conditions given.

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = x$ , subject to  $x=1, y=1$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ , subject to  $x=1, y=0$

c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = e^{x^2}$ , subject to  $x=1, y = \frac{1}{2}e$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{3} \left( x^2 + \frac{2}{x} \right)}, \quad \boxed{y = \frac{1}{x} - 1 + \ln x}, \quad \boxed{y = \frac{e^{x^2}}{2x}}$$

**Question 5**

Find a solution for each of the following differential equations, subject to the boundary conditions given.

a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y}{x} = x^2$ , subject to  $x=1, y=1$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3y}{x} = (x^4 + 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , subject to  $x=1, y=\frac{1}{5}$

c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = e^{-3x}$ , subject to  $x=0, y=1$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{2}x(x+1)}, \quad \boxed{10yx^3 = (x^4 + 3)^{\frac{5}{2}} - 30}, \quad \boxed{y = 2e^{-2x} - e^{-3x}}$$

**Question 6**

Find a solution for each of the following differential equations, subject to the boundary conditions given.

a)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \frac{\sin 2x}{x}$ , subject to  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $y = \frac{8}{\pi^2}$

b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = \sin x$ , subject to  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$

c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan x = 4x^3 \sec x$ , subject to  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 1$

$$y = \frac{1}{2x^2}(1 - \cos 2x) = \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2}, \quad y = \cos x \ln |\sec x|, \quad y = (x^4 + 1) \sec x$$