

**EXERCISE 9.3**

In each of the Exercises 1 to 5, form a differential equation representing the given family of curves by eliminating arbitrary constants  $a$  and  $b$ .

1.  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$
2.  $y^2 = a(b^2 - x^2)$
3.  $y = a e^{3x} + b e^{-2x}$
4.  $y = e^{2x}(a + bx)$
5.  $y = e^x(a \cos x + b \sin x)$
6. Form the differential equation of the family of circles touching the  $y$ -axis at origin.
7. Form the differential equation of the family of parabolas having vertex at origin and axis along positive  $y$ -axis.
8. Form the differential equation of the family of ellipses having foci on  $y$ -axis and centre at origin.
9. Form the differential equation of the family of hyperbolas having foci on  $x$ -axis and centre at origin.
10. Form the differential equation of the family of circles having centre on  $y$ -axis and radius 3 units.
11. Which of the following differential equations has  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x}$  as the general solution?
 

(A)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + y = 0$  (B)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - y = 0$  (C)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 1 = 0$  (D)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 1 = 0$
12. Which of the following differential equations has  $y = x$  as one of its particular solution?
 

(A)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + xy = x$  (B)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + xy = x$

(C)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - xy = 0$  (D)  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + xy = 0$

**9.5. Methods of Solving First Order, First Degree Differential Equations**

In this section we shall discuss three methods of solving first order first degree differential equations.

**9.5.1 Differential equations with variables separable**

A first order-first degree differential equation is of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y) \quad \dots (1)$$

If  $F(x, y)$  can be expressed as a product  $g(x)h(y)$ , where,  $g(x)$  is a function of  $x$  and  $h(y)$  is a function of  $y$ , then the differential equation (1) is said to be of variable separable type. The differential equation (1) then has the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = h(y) \cdot g(x) \quad \dots (2)$$

If  $h(y) \neq 0$ , separating the variables, (2) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{1}{h(y)} dy = g(x) dx \quad \dots (3)$$

Integrating both sides of (3), we get

$$\int \frac{1}{h(y)} dy = \int g(x) dx \quad \dots (4)$$

Thus, (4) provides the solutions of given differential equation in the form

$$H(y) = G(x) + C$$

Here,  $H(y)$  and  $G(x)$  are the anti derivatives of  $\frac{1}{h(y)}$  and  $g(x)$  respectively and  $C$  is the arbitrary constant.

**Example 9** Find the general solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+1}{2-y}$ , ( $y \neq 2$ )

**Solution** We have

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+1}{2-y} \quad \dots (1)$$

Separating the variables in equation (1), we get

$$(2-y) dy = (x+1) dx \quad \dots (2)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (2), we get

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

$$\text{or} \quad 2y - \frac{y^2}{2} = \frac{x^2}{2} + x + C_1$$

$$\text{or} \quad x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y + 2C_1 = 0$$

$$\text{or} \quad x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y + C = 0, \text{ where } C = 2C_1$$

which is the general solution of equation (1).

**Example 10** Find the general solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y^2}{1+x^2}$ .

**Solution** Since  $1+y^2 \neq 0$ , therefore separating the variables, the given differential equation can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{1+y^2} = \frac{dx}{1+x^2} \quad \dots (1)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (1), we get

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

or  $\tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} x + C$

which is the general solution of equation (1).

**Example 11** Find the particular solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -4xy^2$  given that  $y = 1$ , when  $x = 0$ .

**Solution** If  $y \neq 0$ , the given differential equation can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{y^2} = -4x \, dx \quad \dots (1)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (1), we get

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^2} = -4 \int x \, dx$$

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

or  $y = \frac{1}{2x^2 - C} \quad \dots (2)$

Substituting  $y = 1$  and  $x = 0$  in equation (2), we get,  $C = -1$ .

Now substituting the value of  $C$  in equation (2), we get the particular solution of the given differential equation as  $y = \frac{1}{2x^2 + 1}$ .

**Example 12** Find the equation of the curve passing through the point  $(1, 1)$  whose differential equation is  $x \, dy = (2x^2 + 1) \, dx$  ( $x \neq 0$ ).

**Solution** The given differential equation can be expressed as

$$dy^* = \frac{2x^2 - 1}{x} dx^*$$

or 
$$dy = \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) dx \quad \dots (1)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (1), we get

$$\int dy = \int \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) dx$$

or 
$$y = x^2 + \log |x| + C \quad \dots (2)$$

Equation (2) represents the family of solution curves of the given differential equation but we are interested in finding the equation of a particular member of the family which passes through the point (1, 1). Therefore substituting  $x = 1, y = 1$  in equation (2), we get  $C = 0$ .

Now substituting the value of  $C$  in equation (2) we get the equation of the required curve as  $y = x^2 + \log |x|$ .

**Example 13** Find the equation of a curve passing through the point  $(-2, 3)$ , given that the slope of the tangent to the curve at any point  $(x, y)$  is  $\frac{2x}{y^2}$ .

**Solution** We know that the slope of the tangent to a curve is given by  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

so, 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{y^2} \quad \dots (1)$$

Separating the variables, equation (1) can be written as

$$y^2 dy = 2x dx \quad \dots (2)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (2), we get

$$\int y^2 dy = \int 2x dx$$

or 
$$\frac{y^3}{3} = x^2 + C \quad \dots (3)$$

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\* The notation  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  due to Leibnitz is extremely flexible and useful in many calculation and formal transformations, where, we can deal with symbols  $dy$  and  $dx$  exactly as if they were ordinary numbers. By treating  $dx$  and  $dy$  like separate entities, we can give neater expressions to many calculations.

Refer: Introduction to Calculus and Analysis, volume-I page 172, By Richard Courant, Fritz John Spinger – Verlog New York.

Substituting  $x = -2$ ,  $y = 3$  in equation (3), we get  $C = 5$ .

Substituting the value of  $C$  in equation (3), we get the equation of the required curve as

$$\frac{y^3}{3} = x^2 + 5 \quad \text{or} \quad y = (3x^2 + 15)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

**Example 14** In a bank, principal increases continuously at the rate of 5% per year. In how many years Rs 1000 double itself?

**Solution** Let  $P$  be the principal at any time  $t$ . According to the given problem,

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \left(\frac{5}{100}\right) \times P$$

or 
$$\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{5}{100} dt \quad \dots (1)$$

separating the variables in equation (1), we get

$$\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{5}{100} dt \quad \dots (2)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (2), we get

$$\log P = \frac{5t}{100} + C_1$$

or 
$$P = e^{\frac{5t}{100}} \cdot e^{C_1}$$

or 
$$P = C e^{\frac{5t}{100}} \quad (\text{where } e^{C_1} = C) \quad \dots (3)$$

Now 
$$P = 1000, \quad \text{when } t = 0$$

Substituting the values of  $P$  and  $t$  in (3), we get  $C = 1000$ . Therefore, equation (3), gives

$$P = 1000 e^{\frac{5t}{100}}$$

Let  $t$  years be the time required to double the principal. Then

$$2000 = 1000 e^{\frac{5t}{100}} \Rightarrow t = 20 \log_e 2$$

#### EXERCISE 9.4

For each of the differential equations in Exercises 1 to 10, find the general solution:

1. 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}$$

2. 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{4 - y^2} \quad (-2 < y < 2)$$

3.  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 1$  ( $y \neq 1$ )
4.  $\sec^2 x \tan y \, dx + \sec^2 y \tan x \, dy = 0$
5.  $(e^x + e^{-x}) \, dy - (e^x - e^{-x}) \, dx = 0$
6.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (1 + x^2)(1 + y^2)$
7.  $y \log y \, dx - x \, dy = 0$
8.  $x^5 \frac{dy}{dx} = -y^5$
9.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin^{-1} x$
10.  $e^x \tan y \, dx + (1 - e^x) \sec^2 y \, dy = 0$

For each of the differential equations in Exercises 11 to 14, find a particular solution satisfying the given condition:

11.  $(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x^2 + x$ ;  $y = 1$  when  $x = 0$
12.  $x(x^2 - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$ ;  $y = 0$  when  $x = 2$
13.  $\cos\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = a$  ( $a \in \mathbf{R}$ );  $y = 2$  when  $x = 0$
14.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y \tan x$ ;  $y = 1$  when  $x = 0$
15. Find the equation of a curve passing through the point  $(0, 0)$  and whose differential equation is  $y' = e^x \sin x$ .
16. For the differential equation  $xy \frac{dy}{dx} = (x + 2)(y + 2)$ , find the solution curve passing through the point  $(1, -1)$ .
17. Find the equation of a curve passing through the point  $(0, -2)$  given that at any point  $(x, y)$  on the curve, the product of the slope of its tangent and  $y$  coordinate of the point is equal to the  $x$  coordinate of the point.
18. At any point  $(x, y)$  of a curve, the slope of the tangent is twice the slope of the line segment joining the point of contact to the point  $(-4, -3)$ . Find the equation of the curve given that it passes through  $(-2, 1)$ .
19. The volume of spherical balloon being inflated changes at a constant rate. If initially its radius is 3 units and after 3 seconds it is 6 units. Find the radius of balloon after  $t$  seconds.



We also observe that

$$F_1(x, y) = x^2 \left( \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{2y}{x} \right) = x^2 h_1 \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$

or

$$F_1(x, y) = y^2 \left( 1 + \frac{2x}{y} \right) = y^2 h_2 \left( \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

$$F_2(x, y) = x^1 \left( 2 - \frac{3y}{x} \right) = x^1 h_3 \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$

or

$$F_2(x, y) = y^1 \left( 2 \frac{x}{y} - 3 \right) = y^1 h_4 \left( \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

$$F_3(x, y) = x^0 \cos \left( \frac{y}{x} \right) = x^0 h_5 \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$F_4(x, y) \neq x^n h_6 \left( \frac{y}{x} \right), \text{ for any } n \in \mathbf{N}$$

or

$$F_4(x, y) \neq y^n h_7 \left( \frac{x}{y} \right), \text{ for any } n \in \mathbf{N}$$

Therefore, a function  $F(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $n$  if

$$F(x, y) = x^n g \left( \frac{y}{x} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad y^n h \left( \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

A differential equation of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y)$  is said to be *homogenous* if  $F(x, y)$  is a homogenous function of degree zero.

To solve a homogenous differential equation of the type

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y) = g \left( \frac{y}{x} \right) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{We make the substitution} \quad y = v \cdot x \quad \dots (2)$$

Differentiating equation (2) with respect to  $x$ , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx} \quad \dots (3)$$

Substituting the value of  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  from equation (3) in equation (1), we get



$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = g(v)$$

or 
$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = g(v) - v \quad \dots (4)$$

Separating the variables in equation (4), we get

$$\frac{dv}{g(v) - v} = \frac{dx}{x} \quad \dots (5)$$

Integrating both sides of equation (5), we get

$$\int \frac{dv}{g(v) - v} = \int \frac{1}{x} dx + C \quad \dots (6)$$

Equation (6) gives general solution (primitive) of the differential equation (1) when

we replace  $v$  by  $\frac{y}{x}$ .

**Note** If the homogeneous differential equation is in the form  $\frac{dx}{dy} = F(x, y)$

where,  $F(x, y)$  is homogenous function of degree zero, then we make substitution

$\frac{x}{y} = v$  i.e.,  $x = vy$  and we proceed further to find the general solution as discussed

above by writing  $\frac{dx}{dy} = F(x, y) = h\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ .

**Example 15** Show that the differential equation  $(x - y) \frac{dy}{dx} = x + 2y$  is homogeneous and solve it.

**Solution** The given differential equation can be expressed as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x + 2y}{x - y} \quad \dots (1)$$

Let

$$F(x, y) = \frac{x + 2y}{x - y}$$

Now

$$F(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{(\lambda x + 2\lambda y)}{(\lambda x - \lambda y)} = F(x, y)$$

Therefore,  $F(x, y)$  is a homogenous function of degree zero. So, the given differential equation is a homogenous differential equation.

**Alternatively,**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left( \frac{1 + \frac{2y}{x}}{1 - \frac{y}{x}} \right) = g\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad \dots (2)$$

R.H.S. of differential equation (2) is of the form  $g\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$  and so it is a homogeneous function of degree zero. Therefore, equation (1) is a homogeneous differential equation. To solve it we make the substitution

$$y = vx \quad \dots (3)$$

Differentiating equation (3) with respect to,  $x$  we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx} \quad \dots (4)$$

Substituting the value of  $y$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in equation (1) we get

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

or

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

or

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

or

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

Integrating both sides of equation (5), we get

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

or

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{2v - 1}{v^2 - v + 1} dv = -\log|x| + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \frac{2v-1}{v^2-v-1} dv = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{v^2-v-1} dv = \log|x| + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \log|v^2-v-1| = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{v-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} dv = \log|x| + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \log|v^2-v-1| = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \frac{2v-1}{\sqrt{3}} = \log|x| + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \log|v^2-v-1| = \frac{1}{2} \log x^2 - \sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \frac{2v-1}{\sqrt{3}} + C_1 \quad (\text{Why?})$$

Replacing  $v$  by  $\frac{y}{x}$ , we get

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \log \left| \frac{y^2}{x^2} - \frac{y}{x} - 1 \right| = \frac{1}{2} \log x^2 - \sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \frac{2y-x}{\sqrt{3}x} + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \log \left| \left( \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{y}{x} + 1 \right) x^2 \right| = \sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2y+x}{\sqrt{3}x} \right) + C_1$$

$$\text{or } \log|(y^2+xy+x^2)| = 2\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2y+x}{\sqrt{3}x} \right) + 2C_1$$

$$\text{or } \log|(x^2+xy+y^2)| = 2\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+2y}{\sqrt{3}x} \right) + C$$

which is the general solution of the differential equation (1)

**Example 16** Show that the differential equation  $x \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} = y \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x$  is homogeneous and solve it.

**Solution** The given differential equation can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x}{x \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)} \quad \dots (1)$$

It is a differential equation of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y)$ .

Here 
$$F(x, y) = \frac{y \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x}{x \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $\lambda x$  and  $y$  by  $\lambda y$ , we get

$$F(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{\lambda \left[ y \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x \right]}{\lambda \left( x \cos\frac{y}{x} \right)} = \lambda^0 [F(x, y)]$$

Thus,  $F(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree zero.

Therefore, the given differential equation is a homogeneous differential equation. To solve it we make the substitution

$$y = vx \quad \dots (2)$$

Differentiating equation (2) with respect to  $x$ , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx} \quad \dots (3)$$

Substituting the value of  $y$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in equation (1), we get

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

or

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v \cos v + 1}{\cos v} - v$$

or

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

or

$$\cos v \, dv = \frac{dx}{x}$$

Therefore

$$\int \cos v \, dv = \int \frac{1}{x} \, dx$$