

20. In a bank, principal increases continuously at the rate of $r\%$ per year. Find the value of r if Rs 100 double itself in 10 years ($\log_e 2 = 0.6931$).
21. In a bank, principal increases continuously at the rate of 5% per year. An amount of Rs 1000 is deposited with this bank, how much will it worth after 10 years ($e^{0.5} = 1.648$).
22. In a culture, the bacteria count is 1,00,000. The number is increased by 10% in 2 hours. In how many hours will the count reach 2,00,000, if the rate of growth of bacteria is proportional to the number present?
23. The general solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x+y}$ is
- (A) $e^x + e^{-y} = C$ (B) $e^x + e^y = C$
 (C) $e^{-x} + e^y = C$ (D) $e^{-x} + e^{-y} = C$

9.5.2 Homogeneous differential equations

Consider the following functions in x and y

$$F_1(x, y) = y^2 + 2xy, \quad F_2(x, y) = 2x - 3y,$$

$$F_3(x, y) = \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right), \quad F_4(x, y) = \sin x + \cos y$$

If we replace x and y by λx and λy respectively in the above functions, for any nonzero constant λ , we get

$$F_1(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda^2 (y^2 + 2xy) = \lambda^2 F_1(x, y)$$

$$F_2(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda (2x - 3y) = \lambda F_2(x, y)$$

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

$$F_4(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \sin \lambda x + \cos \lambda y \neq \lambda^n F_4(x, y), \text{ for any } n \in \mathbf{N}$$

Here, we observe that the functions F_1, F_2, F_3 can be written in the form $F(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda^n F(x, y)$ but F_4 can not be written in this form. This leads to the following definition:

A function $F(x, y)$ is said to be *homogeneous function of degree n* if

$$F(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda^n F(x, y) \text{ for any nonzero constant } \lambda.$$

We note that in the above examples, F_1, F_2, F_3 are homogeneous functions of degree 2, 1, 0 respectively but F_4 is not a homogeneous function.

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

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

We make the substitution $y = v \cdot x$... (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 λx and y by λy , we get

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

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

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