



The Bright Side of Mathematics

Ordinary Differential Equations Exercises 1

Exercise 1. Find the solutions of the following ODEs:

a) $x^2 y' = y^2$ c) $y' = (1-y^2)$

b) $y'(1+x^2) = xy$ d) $y' \sin y = -x$

a) $x^2 y' = y^2$

$y' = f(x)g(y)$ separation of variables

$y' = y^2 \frac{1}{x^2}$ $\frac{dy}{dx} \frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{1}{x^2}$, $\int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \int \frac{1}{x^2} dx$, $-\frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{x} + C$

$y = \frac{x}{1-Cx}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}$

b) $y'(1+x^2) = xy$

$y' = \frac{x}{(1+x^2)} y$

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

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

$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x$

$\ln|y| = \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2) + C$

$e^{\ln|y|} = e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2) + C}$

$\pm y = (1+x^2)^{1/2} \cdot e^C$

$y = \sqrt{1+x^2} \cdot \underbrace{(\pm e^C)}_{\hat{C}}$

$y = \sqrt{1+x^2} \hat{C}$, $\hat{C} \in \mathbb{R}$

c) $y' = 1-y^2$

$y' = f(x)g(y)$

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

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

$\ln \left| \frac{y+1}{y-1} \right| = (x+C)2$

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

① $|y| > 1$, $\frac{y+1}{y-1} = e^{2x+C}$

② $|y| < 1$, $\frac{y+1}{1-y} = e^{2x+C}$

① $y+1 = y e^{2x+C} - e^{2x+C}$

$y(1 - e^{2x+C}) = -1 - e^{2x+C}$

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

$y = \frac{e^{-(x+\frac{C}{2})} + e^{x+\frac{C}{2}}}{e^{x-\frac{C}{2}} - e^{-(x+\frac{C}{2})}}$

$\sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$, $\cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$

$y = \coth(x + \hat{C})$, $|y| > 1$, $\hat{C} \in \mathbb{R}$

② $y+1 = e^{2x+C} - y e^{2x+C}$

$y(1 + e^{2x+C}) = e^{2x+C} - 1$

$y = \frac{e^{x+\frac{C}{2}} - e^{-(x+\frac{C}{2})}}{e^{-(x+\frac{C}{2})} + e^{x+\frac{C}{2}}}$

$y = \tanh(x + \hat{C})$, $|y| < 1$, $\hat{C} \in \mathbb{R}$

d) $y' \sin y = -x$

$y' = -x \frac{1}{\sin y}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} \sin y = -x$

$\int \sin y dy = -\int x dx$

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

$y = \arccos\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - C\right)$, $C \in \mathbb{R}$