

1.5 First Order Linear DEs

General 1st order linear DE is

$$\frac{1}{a_1(x)} \left(a_1(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0(x) y \right) = R(x),$$

Aside

$$y = ax + b: \text{linear}$$

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c: \text{quadratic}$$

(1)

$$a_1 \neq 0$$

Canonical form:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

where $P(x) = \frac{a_0(x)}{a_1(x)}$, $Q(x) = \frac{R(x)}{a_1(x)}$

Def A linear DE (1) is homogeneous if $R(x) \equiv 0$.
 Otherwise, this DE is nonhomogeneous.

Method of Integrating Factor

Consider

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

(2)

$$f(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx}$$

: integrating factor

Let

Note

$$\frac{df}{dx} = e^{\int P(x) dx} \cdot P(x)$$

$$\int P(x) dx$$

$$e^{\int P(x) dx} = f(x)$$

Multiply both sides of (2) by

$$\int P(x) dx$$

$$\int P(x) dx$$

$$e^{\int P(x) dx} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + e^{\int P(x) dx} \cdot P(x)y = e^{\int P(x) dx} \cdot Q(x)$$

$$f(x)$$

$$\frac{df}{dx}$$

$$f(x)$$

Note

$$\frac{d}{dx} (p(x)y(x)) = p'(x) \cdot y + p(x) \cdot y'$$

Hence
$$\frac{d}{dx} [p(x)y(x)] = p(x) \cdot Q(x)$$

Solve for $y(x)$. Integrate first.

$$p(x)y(x) = \int p(x)Q(x) dx + C \quad | \quad \frac{1}{p(x)}$$

Then

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{p(x)} \left[\int p(x)Q(x) dx + C \right] \quad : \quad \text{do not memorize}$$

But you should remember

$$p(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx}$$

: integrating factor

$$p \cdot y = \int p Q dx + C$$

: solve for y

Solve

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \underbrace{\frac{2}{x} y}_{P(x)} = \underbrace{x^2}_{Q(x)}$$

$$\int P(x) dx = \int \frac{2}{x} dx = 2 \ln|x| = e^{\ln x^2} = x^2$$

$$P \cdot y = \int P Q dx + C$$

$$x^2 \cdot y(x) = \int x^2 \cdot x^2 dx + C$$

$$x^2 \cdot y(x) = \int x^4 dx + C$$

$$x^2 \cdot y(x) = \frac{x^5}{5} + C \quad | \quad \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{x^3}{5} + \frac{C}{x^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

$$a \ln b = \ln b^a$$

Ex Solve

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^3 e^x, \quad x > 0 \quad \left| \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right.$$

not in canonical form since coeff of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is

not 1.
Divide both sides by x .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{3}{x} y = \underbrace{x^3 e^x}_{Q(x)}$$

$$\int P(x) dx = \int \left(-\frac{3}{x}\right) dx = -3 \ln x = e^{-3 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^{-3}} = x^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$P y = \int P Q dx + C$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} y = \int \frac{1}{x^3} e^x dx + C$$

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$$\frac{1}{x^3} y = e^x + C \quad | \cdot x^3$$

$$y(x) = x^3 (e^x + C)$$

Another form of the method of integrating factor.

$$p(x) = e^{\int_{x_0}^x P(t) dt}$$

$$y(x_0) = y_0: IC$$

$$p(x) y(x) = \int_{x_0}^x p(t) Q(t) dt + \underbrace{p(x_0)}_1 \underbrace{y(x_0)}_{y_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) y(x) = \int_{x_0}^x p(t) Q(t) dt + y_0$$

: then solve for $y(x)$

Mixtures

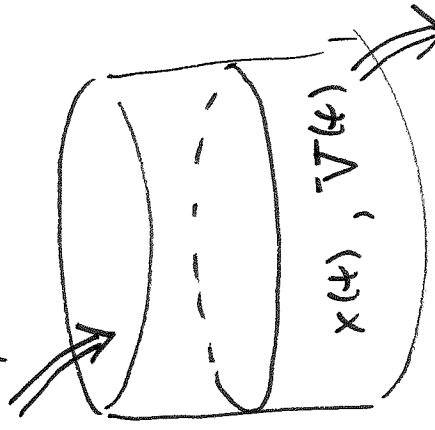
Problem A tank initially contains 60 gallons of brine (water + salt) in which 4 pounds of salt are dissolved. Brine containing 2 lbs of salt per gallon enters the tank at the rate of 3 gallons per minute and the well stirred mixture leaves the tank at the rate of 4 gallons per minute.

(a) How much salt is in the tank at any time?

$x(t)$ - ?

(b) How much salt is in the tank at $t=5$?

(c) What is the salt concentration $c(t)$ at $t=9, 10, 70$?

Mixtures c_{in}, r_{in}  $x(t)$: amount of salt in tank [lbs] $V(t)$: volume of solution [gal] $c(t)$: concentration of salt

$$c(t) = \frac{x(t)}{V(t)} \quad \left[\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{gal}} \right]$$

 c_{out}, r_{out} c_{in} : concentration of solution entering the tank $\left[\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{gal}} \right]$ r_{in} : rate at which solution enters the tank $\left[\frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}} \right]$ $c_{out} = c(t) = \frac{x(t)}{V(t)}$: concentration of solution that leaves the tank $\left[\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{gal}} \right]$ r_{out} : rate at which solution leaves the tank $\left[\frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}} \right]$

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Suppose a population P of rodents satisfies the diff. eqⁿ $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP^2$. Initially, there are $P(0) = 2$ rodents, and their number is increasing at the rate of $\frac{dP}{dt} = 1$ rodent per month when there are $P = 10$ rodents. How long will it take for this population to grow to a hundred rodents? To a thousand?

□ $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP^2$, solution is $P(t) = \frac{1}{C - kt}$ (from #43 or use separation of variables)

$P(0) = 2 \Rightarrow$ at $t=0$ $P(0) = \frac{1}{C - k \cdot 0} \Rightarrow \boxed{C = \frac{1}{2}}$

$\therefore P(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} - kt}$

$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} \Big|_{P=10} = k \cdot 10^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{k = \frac{1}{100}}$

$\frac{100}{50-t} = P(t)$

$P(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{100}t}$

$P(t) = 100$ when $\frac{100}{50-t} = 100 \Rightarrow 50-t = 1$ or $t = 49$ (months)

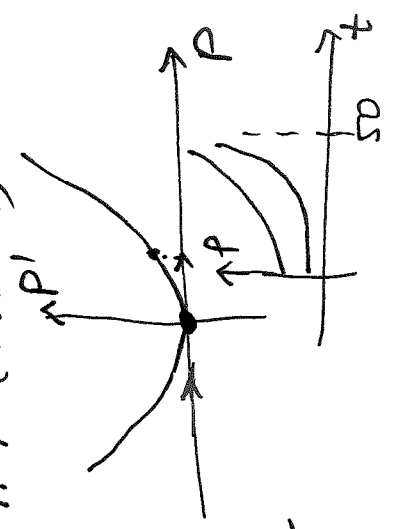
$P(t) = 1000$ when $\frac{100}{50-t} = 1000$ or $50-t = \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow t = 49.9$ (months)

Note As $t \rightarrow 50$, $P(t) \rightarrow \infty$

$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP^2$

$P=0$: unstable equil. solution

$P > 0 \Rightarrow P \uparrow$ as $t \uparrow$



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The line tangent to the graph of g at (x, y) passes through the point $(-z, x)$

tangent line $y - y_0 = k(x - x_0)$, k : slope

here slope $k = \frac{dy}{dx}$, $(x_0, y_0) = (-z, x)$

$$\frac{y - x}{x - (-z)} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow y - x = \frac{dy}{dx} (x + z)$$

