

## Equations of the form $y' = g(x, y)$ (continued)

Example :  $y' = \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{xy} = \frac{x}{y} + 1 + \frac{y}{x}$

Let  $z = \frac{y}{x}$ , then  $y = xz$  so

$$y' = z + xz' = \frac{1}{z} + 1 + z$$

$$\Rightarrow xz' = \frac{1}{z} + 1 = \frac{1+z}{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = x^{-1} \frac{1+z}{z}$$

i.e.  $\frac{z}{1+z} dz = \frac{dx}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \int \frac{dx}{x} &= \int \frac{z}{1+z} dz = \int \frac{1+z-1}{1+z} dz \\ &= \int \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+z}\right) dz \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\ln|x| + C = z - \ln|1+z|$$

i.e.  $\ln|x(1+z)| = z - C$

i.e.  $x(1+z) = \pm e^z e^{-C} = Ke^z$

With  $z = \frac{y}{x}$ , we have

$$x \left(1 + \frac{y}{x}\right) = k e^{y/x}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{x + y = k e^{y/x}}$$

Check: Differentiate both sides with respect to  $x$ :

$$1 + y' = k e^{y/x} \left( \frac{y'}{x} - \frac{y}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 1 + y' = (x + y) \left( \frac{y'}{x} - \frac{y}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y' \left(1 - \frac{x+y}{x}\right) = -1 - \frac{y}{x^2} (x+y)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow y' = \frac{x}{y} \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{x^2} = \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{xy} \quad \checkmark$$

### 3. Linear equations

$$y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

$$y' f(x) + y g(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (y f)$$

$$= y' f + y f'$$

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

$$p(x) h(x) = h'(x) = \frac{dh}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dh}{h} = p(x) dx$$

$$\ln |h| = \int p(x) dx + C$$

$$h(x) = \pm e^C \exp \left( \int p(x) dx \right)$$

Pick  $h(x) = \exp \left( \int p(x) dx \right)$

Then  $\exp \left( \int p(x) dx \right) (y' + p(x) y)$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left( y \exp \left( \int p(x) dx \right) \right)$$

Go back to linear equation

$$y' + p(x)y = q(x)$$

Multiply by  $h(x) = \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right)$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) (y' + p(x)y) \\ = q(x) \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) \end{aligned}$$

Realize that the left-hand-side is an exact derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) (y' + p(x)y) \\ = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) y \right) \end{aligned}$$

So the ode reads

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) y \right) = q(x) \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right)$$

Integrate:

$$\exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) y = \int q(x) \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) dx + C$$

Solve for  $y$ :

$$y = \frac{\int q(x) \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) dx + C}{\exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right)}$$

$$= \exp\left(-\int p(x) dx\right) \int q(x) \exp\left(\int p(x) dx\right) dx + C \exp\left(-\int p(x) dx\right)$$

What to know: if the equation is first order & linear,

$$y' + p(x)y = q(x)$$

remember that multiplying the ode by the exponential of the antiderivative of  $p$  makes the left-hand-side an exact derivative. Then solve.

Example: RL circuit

$$L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI = E(t)$$

Linear, first order ode.

$$\frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{R}{L} I = \frac{E(t)}{L}$$

Multiply by  $\exp\left(\int p(t) dt\right) = \exp\left(\frac{R}{L}t\right)$

then:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\frac{R}{L}t\right) \frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{R}{L} \exp\left(\frac{R}{L}t\right) I \\ = \frac{E(t)}{L} \exp\left(\frac{R}{L}t\right) \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( I e^{Rt/L} \right) = \frac{E(t)}{L} e^{Rt/L}$$

Integrate:

$$I e^{Rt/L} = \int_0^t \frac{E(s)}{L} e^{Rs/L} ds + C$$

$$\text{i.e. } I(t) = C e^{-Rt/L} + e^{-Rt/L} \int_0^t \frac{E(s)}{L} e^{Rs/L} ds$$

If  $E$  is constant,  $E(t) = E_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } I(t) &= C e^{-Rt/L} + e^{-Rt/L} \int_0^t \frac{E_0}{L} e^{Rs/L} ds \\ &= C e^{-Rt/L} + \frac{E_0}{L} e^{-Rt/L} \left[ \frac{L}{R} e^{Rs/L} \right]_0^t \\ &= C e^{-Rt/L} + \frac{E_0}{R} e^{-Rt/L} (e^{Rt/L} - 1) \\ &= \tilde{C} e^{-Rt/L} + \frac{E_0}{R} \end{aligned}$$