

7. y(x+a) - by(x) = 0.

Solution:

$$y(x) = \Theta(x)b^{x/a},$$

where $\Theta(x) = \Theta(x + a)$ is an arbitrary periodic function with period a.

For $\Theta(x) \equiv \text{const}$, there is a particular solution $y(x) = Cb^{x/a}$, where C is an arbitrary constant.

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