

Solve for  $z$  in each equation and simplify if possible:

(a)  $\frac{y \cdot 1 - xz}{y^2} + \frac{xz - 1 \cdot y}{x^2} = 2(1 \cdot y + xz)$

(b)  $(-\sin(x^2 + 2y))(2x + 2z) + e^y + xe^yz = 0$

(c)  $e^{\cos x}(-\sin x) + e^{\sin y}(\cos y)(z) = y + xz$

**Solutions on the next page**

$$(a) \frac{y \cdot 1 - xz}{y^2} + \frac{xz - 1 \cdot y}{x^2} = 2(1 \cdot y + xz)$$

Multiply both sides by  $x^2 y^2$  to clear the denominators

$$x^2 y^2 \left[ \frac{y - xz}{y^2} + \frac{xz - y}{x^2} \right] = x^2 y^2 [2(y + xz)]$$

Distribute

$$x^2(y - xz) + y^2(xz - y) = 2x^2 y^2 (y + xz)$$

Distribute more

$$\cancel{x^2 y} - \cancel{x^3 z} + \cancel{x y^2 z} - \cancel{y^3} = \cancel{2x^2 y^3} + \cancel{2x^3 y^2 z}$$

Subtract/keep terms with  $z$  on left, move all others to the right

$$-x^3 \underline{z} + xy^2 \underline{z} - 2x^3 y^2 \underline{z} = 2x^2 y^3 - x^2 y + y^3$$

Factor out  $z$

$$z(-x^3 + xy^2 - 2x^3 y^2) = 2x^2 y^3 - x^2 y + y^3$$

Divide to isolate  $z$

$$z = \frac{2x^2 y^3 - x^2 y + y^3}{-x^3 + xy^2 - 2x^3 y^2}$$

\*Note that the only common factor in the terms in the numerator is a  $y$ , and in the denominator is a  $x$ , so there is no simplifying possible.

$$(b) (-\sin(x^2 + 2y))(2x + 2z) + e^y + xe^y z = 0$$

No fractions to clear

Distribute

$$(2x)(-\sin(x^2 + 2y)) + (2z)(-\sin(x^2 + 2y)) + e^y + xe^y z = 0$$

Careful: Do NOT "distribute" the sine function to its argument, because that's not valid.

$$-2x\sin(x^2 + 2y) - 2z\sin(x^2 + 2y) + e^y + xe^y z = 0$$

Keep terms with z on left, move others to the right

$$-2z\sin(x^2 + 2y) + xe^y z = 2x\sin(x^2 + 2y) - e^y$$

Factor out a z

$$z(-2\sin(x^2 + 2y) + xe^y) = 2x\sin(x^2 + 2y) - e^y$$

Divide to isolate z

$$z = \frac{2x\sin(x^2 + 2y) - e^y}{-2\sin(x^2 + 2y) + xe^y}$$

\* No common factors in all terms, so no simplifying possible

$$(c) e^{\cos x}(-\sin x) + \underline{e^{\sin y}(\cos y)(z)} = y + \underline{xz}$$

No fractions to clear

Everything is already distributed

Move  $z$  terms to left, others to right

Factor out  $z$

$$e^{\sin y}(\cos y)(\underline{z}) - \underline{xz} = y + e^{\cos x}(\sin x)$$

$$\underline{z(e^{\sin y}(\cos y) - x)} = y + e^{\cos x}(\sin x)$$

Divide to isolate  $z$

$$\boxed{z = \frac{y + e^{\cos x}(\sin x)}{e^{\sin y} \cos y - x}}$$

No common factors, so no simplifying possible