

Differential Equations

Equation:

Such expression in which equality sign "=" is used is called an equation.

Differential Equation: (DE)

Such an equation in which derivative is involved is called differential equation.

i.e $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x$.

Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE)

If a DE contains only ordinary derivatives of one or more unknown functions with respect to a single independent variable, it is said to be an ODE

i.e $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x - 5y$.

It can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = e^x$$

Partial Differential Equation (PDE)

An equation involving Partial derivatives of one or more Unknown functions of two or more independent variables is called a PDE.

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Order of DE

The highest derivative involve in the DE.

1- $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x \longrightarrow 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order}$

2- $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 3\frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \longrightarrow 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order}$

3- $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 4 \longrightarrow 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ order}$

Degree of DE

The Power of the highest derivative involve in the DE. ie

$$\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y = 4$$

→ order is 2

→ degree is 1.

Linear Ordinary DE

There are three properties:

- 1- Degree of dependent variable always equal to 1 or The power of the derivative of the dependent variable is 1.

- 2- If The dependent variable exists in DE whose degree must be 1. Dependent variable involve separately, with not its derivative.

- 3- The product of dependent variable and its derivative are not allowed.

i- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 4 \rightarrow \text{L.D.E}$

ii- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + x^2y = 4 \rightarrow \text{L.D.E}$

iii- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y = 4 \rightarrow \text{not L.D.E}$

Difference in Equation and Identities

→ Equation is true for few values

→ Identities are equations, but it is true for all values.

$\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$.
~~Equations~~ Solutions satisfies the equation

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^{1/2}, \quad y = \frac{1}{16}x^4, \quad (-\infty, \infty)$$

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= \frac{dy}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d(y)}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d\left(\frac{1}{16}x^4\right)}{dx} \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \frac{d}{dx} \cdot x^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \cdot 4x^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S} &= xy^{1/2} \\ &= x \left(\frac{1}{16}x^4 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= x \cdot \frac{1}{4^{2 \times \frac{1}{2}}} x^{\frac{4 \times 1}{2}} = x \cdot \frac{1}{4}x^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^3 \\ &= \text{L.H.S} \end{aligned}$$