

method described [1]

$$xy' + y = \ln x + 1$$

first we solve the homogeneous equation  $xy' + y = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned}xy' + y &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{y} &= -\frac{dx}{x} \\ \ln y &= A - \ln x \\ y &= \frac{C}{x}\end{aligned}$$

now assume that  $C = C(x)$  and substitute  $y = \frac{C(x)}{x}$  into the original equation (for more complex situations see [1]):

$$\begin{aligned}x\left(\frac{C'(x)}{x} - \frac{C(x)}{x^2}\right) + \frac{C(x)}{x} &= \ln x + 1 \\ C'(x) &= \ln x + 1\end{aligned}$$

now, integrating (the  $\ln x$  term is integrated by parts):

$$\begin{aligned}C(x) &= x \ln x - \int \frac{x}{x} dx + x + \hat{C} \\ C(x) &= x \ln x + \hat{C}\end{aligned}$$

so getting back to our  $y$

$$y = \ln x + \frac{\hat{C}}{x}$$

## References

- [1] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Variation\\_of\\_parameters](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Variation_of_parameters)