

$$\text{Ex } \frac{dy}{dx} = 2\sqrt{y} \quad y(0) = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \frac{dy}{dx} dx = 2 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} dy = \int 2 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{y} = 2x + C \quad \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{4} = 0 + C \Rightarrow C = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y = (x+2)^2$$

$$\text{Now, } y(0) = 4 = (0+a)^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = 4 \Rightarrow \underline{a = \pm 2}$$

So, we can

Both work!

write

$$y_+(x) = (x+2)^2$$

$$y_-(x) = (x-2)^2$$

Both work with the I.C! What about the ODE

$$y_+ = (x+2)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy_+}{dx} = 2(x+2) = 2\sqrt{(x+2)^2} \Rightarrow (x+2) = \sqrt{(x+2)^2}$$

$$y_- = (x-2)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy_-}{dx} = 2(x-2) = 2\sqrt{(x-2)^2} \Rightarrow (x-2) = \sqrt{(x-2)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2) = \sqrt{(x+2)^2} \quad \rightarrow (0+2) = \sqrt{(0+2)^2} = \sqrt{2^2} = 2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{Fails} \quad \rightarrow (x-2) = \sqrt{(x-2)^2} \quad \rightarrow 0-2 = \sqrt{(0-2)^2} = 2$$

$$\underline{-2 \neq 2}$$

$$\text{For } x=0, \Rightarrow 2=2 \quad \text{vs} \quad \underline{-2 \neq 2}$$

fails solution

The trick:  $\frac{dy}{dx} + p y = \frac{1}{x} (u y)$

↑ use  
integrating factor!

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + p y = \frac{du}{dx} y + u \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$= u \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{du}{dx} y$$

$$= u \left( \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{u} \frac{du}{dx} y \right)$$

Not quite

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{u} \frac{du}{dx}$$

And

multiply by  $u$

$$\Rightarrow u \left( \frac{dy}{dx} + p y \right) = u \left( \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{u} \frac{du}{dx} y \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} (u y) = \text{a bunch of ducks}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx} (u y) = \int (\text{a bunch of ducks})$$

$$\Rightarrow u y = \int (\text{a bunch of ducks}) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{u} \left( \int \dots \right)$$

The formula is:

$$u = e^{\int p(x) dx}$$

Since

$$\frac{1}{u} \frac{du}{dx} = p(x) \Rightarrow \ln|u| = \int p(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow u = e^{\int p(x) dx}$$

Ex:  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = x^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{4}{x} y = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int \frac{4}{x} dx}$$

$$= e^{4 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^4} = e^{\ln x^4} = x^4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 \left( \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{4}{x} y \right) = x^4 \cdot x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x^3 y = x^5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [x^4 y] = x^5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 y = \int x^5 dx = \frac{1}{6} x^6 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{6} x^2 + C x^{-4}$$

Ex:  $e^x \frac{dy}{dx} = 20 + 3e^x y \quad y(0) = 7$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 20e^{-x} + 3y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 20e^{-x} \rightarrow 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order - lin.}$$

$$P(x) = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int -3 dx} = e^{-3x}$$

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$$\frac{d}{dx} [e^{-3x} y] = 20e^{-x} \cdot e^{-3x} = 20e^{-4x}$$

Integrate

$$\int \frac{d}{dx} [e^{-3x} y] dx = \int 20e^{-4x} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-3x} y = -5e^{-4x} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -5e^{-x} + Ce^x$$

$$\Rightarrow y(0) = -5 + C = 7 \Rightarrow C = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = -5e^{-x} + 12e^x$$

$$= 12e^{3x} - 5e^{-x}$$

Ex:  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \cot(x)y = x \csc(x)$

$$\uparrow \quad p(x) = \cot(x) \Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int \cot(x) dx} = |\sin(x)|$$

So  $\frac{d}{dx} [|\sin(x)| \cdot y] = x$

$$\Rightarrow |\sin(x)| y = \frac{1}{2} x^2 + C \Rightarrow y = \frac{x^2/2 + C}{|\sin(x)|}$$

Ex:  $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 4 \quad y(0) = 3$

$p(x) = -2x \Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int -2x dx} = e^{-x^2}$  ↑  
const. deriv. thing

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}[xy] = \frac{d}{dx}[e^{-x^2}y] = 4e^{-x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^x \frac{d}{ds}[e^{-s^2}y] ds = 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

$$= e^{-s^2}y(s) \Big|_0^x = 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-x^2}y(x) - e^0 y(0) = 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

$$= e^{-x^2}y(x) - 3 = 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x)e^{-x^2} - 3 = 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = e^{x^2} \left( 3 + 4 \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds \right)$$

$$= e^{x^2} [3 + 2\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)]$$