

**Solution.** The equation is of the above type and can be written as  
 $(3x+4y-1) dy + (2x+3y+1) dx = 0$ ,  
 i.e.,  $3(x dy + y dx) + (4y-1) dy + (2x+1) dx = 0$ .

Integrating,  $3xy + 2y^2 - y + x^2 + x = C$  is the solution.

### 2.7. Linear Differential Equations

[Poona 63, 61; Nagpur 62, 61; Guj. 61]

A differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q,$$

where  $P, Q$  are functions of  $x$  or constants, is called the *linear differential equation of the first order*.

To solve this equation, multiply both the sides by  $e^{\int P dx}$

$$\text{Then it becomes } e^{\int P dx} \frac{dy}{dx} + Py e^{\int P dx} = Q e^{\int P dx}.$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d}{dx} [y e^{\int P dx}] = Q e^{\int P dx}.$$

Integrating both the sides, w.r.t.  $x$ , we get

$$y e^{\int P dx} = \int [Q e^{\int P dx}] dx + C,$$

which is the required solution.

**Integrating factor (I.F.).** It will be noticed that for solving (1), we multiplied it by a factor  $e^{\int P dx}$  and the equation became readily (directly) integrable. Such a factor is called the *integrating factor*.

**Note.** Sometimes a differential equation takes linear form if we regard  $x$  as *dependent variable* and  $y$  as *independent variable*.

The equation can then be put as  $\frac{dx}{dy} + Px = Q$ , where  $P, Q$  are functions of  $y$  or constants.

The integrating factor in this case is  $e^{\int P dy}$  and solution is

$$x e^{\int P dy} = \int [Q e^{\int P dy}] dy + C.$$

(See Ex. 1 to 4 pages 21 and 22).

**Ex. 1.** Solve  $(1-x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} - xy = 1$ .

[Delhi 68 : Nag. 61]

**Solution.** The equation can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{x}{1-x^2} y = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$$

This is now expressed in the linear form

$$P = -\frac{x}{1-x^2}, \quad \text{I.F.} = e^{\int P dx} = e^{\int \frac{-x}{1-x^2} dx} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \log(1-x^2)} = \sqrt{1-x^2}.$$

Hence the solution is

$$y \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \sqrt{1-x^2} dx + C.$$

Ex. (2.) (a) Solve  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^3 \log x$ . [Lucknow 52]

Solution. The equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} y = x^2 \log x$ .

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int (2/x) dx} = e^{2 \log x} = x^2.$$

Hence the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y \cdot x^2 &= C + \int x^2 \cdot x \log x dx = C + \int x^3 \log x dx \\ &= C + \log x \cdot \frac{x^4}{4} - \int \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{x^4}{4} dx \\ &= C + \frac{1}{4} x^4 \log x - \frac{1}{4} x^4 \end{aligned}$$

or  $y = Cx^{-2} + \frac{1}{4} x^2 (\log x - \frac{1}{2}).$

Ex. 2. (b) Solve  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^4$ .

[Bombay B.Sc. 61]

Solution. Equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} y = x^3$ . I.F. =  $x^2$  as above.

$$\text{Solution is } y \cdot x^2 = C + \int x^3 \cdot x^2 dx = C + \frac{1}{6} x^6.$$

Ex. 3. Solve  $(x^3 - x) \frac{dy}{dx} - (3x^2 - 1) y = x^5 - 2x^3 + x$ .

[Gujrat B.Sc. (Sub.) 1961]

Solution. The equation is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{3x^2 - 1}{x^3 - x} y = (x^2 - 1).$$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{-\int \frac{(3x^2 - 1)}{x^3 - x} dx} = e^{-\log(x^3 - x)} = \frac{1}{x^3 - x}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Solution is } y \cdot \frac{1}{x^3 - x} &= C + \int \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^3 - x} dx \\ &= C + \int \frac{1}{x} dx = C + \log x. \end{aligned}$$

Ex 4. Sol. e  $xp + y = ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ .

[Delhi Hons. 1957]



**Solution.** Write the equation as

$$\frac{dx}{dy} + \frac{1}{y \log y} x = \frac{1}{y}.$$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{1}{y \log y} dy} = e^{\log (\log y)} = \log y.$$

$$\therefore x \log y = C + \int \frac{1}{y} \log y dy \\ = C + \frac{1}{2} (\log y)^2 \text{ is the solution.}$$

**Ex. 2.** Solve  $dx + x dy = e^{-y} \log y dy$ .

[Poona 61]

**Solution.** The equation can be written as

$$\frac{dx}{dy} + x = e^{-y} \log y, \text{ I.F.} = e^y.$$

$$\therefore x e^y = C + \int e^{-y} \log y \cdot e^y dy \\ = C + \int \log y dy = C + \log y \cdot y - \int y \cdot \frac{1}{y} dy \\ = C + y \log y - y.$$

**Ex. 3.** Solve  $(1+y^2) dx + (x - \tan^{-1} y) dy = 0$ .

[Gujrat 65;

Delhi Hons. 65; Pb. 62; Cal. Hons. 62; Agra 67, 58]

**Solution.** The equation can be written as

$$\frac{dx}{dy} + \frac{1}{1+y^2} x = \frac{\tan^{-1} y}{1+y^2}.$$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{1}{1+y^2} dy} = e^{\tan^{-1} y}.$$

$$\therefore x e^{\tan^{-1} y} = \int \frac{\tan^{-1} y}{1+y^2} e^{\tan^{-1} y} dy + C$$

$$= \int t e^t dt + C \text{ where } t = \tan^{-1} y$$

$$= e^t (t-1) + C = e^{\tan^{-1} y} (\tan^{-1} y - 1) + C.$$

Hence  $x = (\tan^{-1} y - 1) + C e^{-\tan^{-1} y}$  is the solution.

**Ex. 4.** Solve  $(x+2y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = y$ .

[Agra B.Sc. 1956; Raj B.Sc. 56]

**Hint.** The equation can be written as

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = x + 2y^2 \text{ [linear].}$$

Ans.  $x = y^3 + Cy$ .

**2.8. Equations reducible to linear form**

\*I. Bernoulli Equation\*.  $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Qy^n$ ,

\*Known after James Bernoulli. The method of solution was discovered by Leibnitz.

where  $P$  and  $Q$  are functions of  $x$  or constants.

[Nag. T.D.C. 1961; Poona T.D.C. 61; Gujrat B.Sc. (Prin.) 58; Poona B.A. (Gen.) 60]

Dividing both the sides by  $y^n$  we have

$$y^{-n} \frac{dy}{dx} + P y^{-n+1} = Q \quad \dots(1)$$

Now put  $y^{-n+1} = v$  so that  $(1-n) y^{-n} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

Then (1) becomes  $\frac{1}{1-n} \frac{dv}{dx} + Pv = Q$

$$\text{or } \frac{dv}{dx} + P(1-n)v = (1-n)Q$$

which is a linear equation in  $v$  and  $x$ .

II. Equation  $f'(y) \frac{dy}{dx} + Pf(y) = Q$ ,

where  $P$  and  $Q$  are functions of  $x$  or constants.

Put  $f(y) = v$  so that  $f'(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

$\therefore$  equation becomes  $\frac{dv}{dx} + Pv = Q$ .

which is a linear equation in  $v$  and  $x$ .

Note. In each of these equations, single out  $Q$  (function or on the right) and then make suitable substitution to reduce the equation in linear form.

Ex. 1. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 y^3 - xy$ .

[Karnatak B.Sc. (Prin.) 1960, 62; Agra 61; Bihar 62; Gujrat B.Sc. (Sub.) 61]

Solution. The equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} + xy = x^2 y^3$ .

Dividing by  $y^3$ ;  $\frac{1}{y^3} \frac{dy}{dx} + x \cdot \frac{1}{y^2} = x^2$ .

Put  $\frac{1}{y^2} = v$ , so that  $-\frac{2}{y^3} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ , i.e.,  $\frac{1}{y^3} \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

$\therefore$  equation becomes  $-\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv}{dx} + xv = x^2$

$$\text{or } \frac{dv}{dx} - 2x \cdot v = -2x^2.$$

Linear, I. F. =  $e^{\int -2x dx} = e^{-x^2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } v e^{-x^2} &= \int -2x^2 e^{-x^2} dx + C \\ &= \int x^2 (-2x) e^{-x^2} dx + C \end{aligned}$$



### 3

## Equations of First Order and First Degree

Exact Differential Equations and Reduction to Exact Equations

3.1. Exact Differential Equations. [Bombay 61; Karnatak 60]

Study the following two differential equations :

1.  $x dy + y dx = 0$ . Solution is  $xy = C$ .

2.  $\sin x \cos y dy - \cos x \sin y dx = 0$ .

Solution is  $\sin x \sin y = C$ .

We see that these differential equations can be obtained by directly differentiating their solutions. Differential equations of this type are called exact equations and bear the following property :

*An exact differential equation can always be obtained from its primitive directly by differentiation, without any subsequent multiplication, elimination etc.*

\*3.2. Necessary and Sufficient Condition

*To find the necessary and sufficient condition for a differential equation of first degree being exact.*

[Poona 63, 61; Delhi Hons. 57, 55; Nag. 63; Gujarat 59; Bombay 61]

Let the equation be  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ . ... (1)

Let  $u = C$  be its primitive. ... (2)

If (1) is exact, it can be obtained by directly differentiating its primitive.

Differentiating (2), we have  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ . ... (3)

Comparing (1) and (3) we get  $M = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  and  $N = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ , so that

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y}.$$

Hence the condition is  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ .

That the condition is necessary has been proved. Now we prove that it is sufficient also, i.e. if  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , then we show that  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  or  $M dx + N dy = 0$  is an exact equation.

Let  $\int M dx = U$ , then  $\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = M$ , so that  
 $\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$  as  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ ,  
 i.e.  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)$

Integrating,  $N = \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} + f(y)$ , where  $f(y)$  is a function of  $y$  free from  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore M + N \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \left[ \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} + f(y) \right] \frac{dy}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ U + \int f(y) \frac{dy}{dx} dx \right] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} [U + F(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  is an exact equation.

### 3.3. Working Rule (Remember it).

If the equation  $M dx + N dy = 0$  satisfies the condition

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x},$$

then it is exact. To integrate it,

- (i) integrate  $M$  with regard to  $x$  regarding  $y$  as constant;
- (ii) find out those terms in  $N$  which are free from  $x$  and integrate them with regard to  $y$ ;
- (iii) add the two expressions so obtained and equate the sum to an arbitrary constant.

This gives the general solution of the given exact equation.

**Ex. 1.**  $(y^4 + 4x^3y + 3x) dx + (x^4 + 4xy^3 + y + 1) dy = 0$  [Karnatak 60]

**Solution** Here  $M = y^4 + 4x^3y + 3x$  and  $N = x^4 + 4xy^3 + y + 1$ .

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 4y^3 + 4x^3 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 4x^3 + 4y^3.$$

Since these are equal, the equation is exact.

To find solution of the differential equation, integrating  $M$  i.e.  $y^4 + 4x^3y + 3x$  w.r.t.  $x$ , keeping  $y$  as constant, we get

$$x^4y + x^4y^2 + \frac{3}{2}x^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int -te^t dt + C \text{ where } t = x^2 \\ = -te^t + e^t + C = -e^{x^2}(x^2 - 1) + C \\ \text{Hence } y = 1 - x^2 + Ce^{x^2} \text{ or } \frac{1}{y} = 1 - x^2 + Ce^{x^2} \end{aligned}$$

[Karnatak 1960]

Ex. 2. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} + xy = xy^3$ .

Solution. Dividing by  $y^3$ ,  $y^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx} + xy^{-3} = x$ .

Put  $y^{-3} = v$ , so that  $-y^3 \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dx}$ .

$\therefore$  equation is  $\frac{dv}{dx} - xv = -x$ .

I. F. =  $e^{\int -x dx} = e^{-x^2/2}$ .

$\therefore v e^{-x^2/2} = C - \int x e^{-x^2/2} dx$   
 $= C + \int e^t dt$ , where  $- \frac{1}{2} x^2 = t$ ,  $-x dx = dt$

or  $y^3 e^{-x^2/2} = C + e^t = C + e^{-x^2/2}$

or  $y^3 = C e^{x^2/2} + 1$  is the solution.

Ex. 3. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} y = \frac{y^3}{x^3}$ . [Nag. 1958]

Solution. Dividing by  $y^3$ ,  $y^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} y^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3}$ .

Put  $y^{-3} = v$ , so that  $-2y^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

$\therefore$  equation becomes  $-\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{2}{x} v = \frac{1}{x^3}$

or  $\frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{4}{x} v = -\frac{2}{x^3}$ .

I. F. =  $e^{\int (-4/x) dx} = e^{-4 \log x} = \frac{1}{x^4}$ .

$\therefore v \frac{1}{x^4} = \int -\frac{2}{x^3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} dx + C = C + \frac{1}{3x^3}$

or  $\frac{1}{y^3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} = \frac{1}{3x^3} + C$  is the solution.

Ex. 4. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} (x^2 y^2 + xy) = 1$ .

[Sagar 1962; Raj. 63; Cal. Hons. 62; Luck. 63]

Solution. The equation can be written as

$$\frac{dx}{dy} - xy = x^2 y^2.$$