

## Equations of First Order and First Degree

**2.1.** Differential equation of the first order and first degree.  
A differential equation of the type

$$M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0,$$

where  $M$  and  $N$  are functions of  $x$  and  $y$  or constants, is called a differential equation of the first order and first degree.

We give below some methods of solving such equations.

**2.2.** Solution of the differential equation when variables are separable.

If an equation can be written in such a way that  $dx$  and all the terms containing  $x$  are on one side and  $dy$  and all the terms containing  $y$  on the other side, then this is an equation in which variables are separable. Such equations can therefore be written as  $f_1(x) dx = f_2(y) dy$  and can be solved by integrating directly and adding a constant on either side.

**Ex. 1.** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y^2}{1+x^2}$

**Solution.** Separating the variables the equation becomes

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

Integrating, we get  $\tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} x + A$

or  $\tan^{-1} y - \tan^{-1} x = A$  i.e.,  $\tan^{-1} \frac{y-x}{1+xy} = A = \tan^{-1} C$  (say).

$\therefore y-x = C(1+xy)$   
which is the solution.

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

[Gorakhpur 59 ; Andhra 60 ; Sagar 54]

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

$$e^y dy = (e^x + x^2) dx.$$

Integrating,  $e^y = e^x + \frac{1}{3} x^3 + C$ .

**Ex. 3.** Solve  $\sec^2 x \tan y dx + \sec^2 y \tan x dy = 0$

[Nagpur T.D.C. 61 ; Delhi 51]

**Solution.** Separating the variables, we get

$$\frac{\sec^2 x}{\tan x} dx + \frac{\sec^2 y}{\tan y} dy = 0.$$

Integrating,  $\log \tan x + \log \tan y = A$

or  $\tan x \tan y = e^A = C$ .

**Ex. 4.** Solve  $(y - px)x = y$ . [Saugar 62]

**Solution.** Equation is  $px^2 = y(x-1)$ , i.e.,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(x-1)}{x^2}$ ,

i.e.,  $\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{x-1}{x^2} dx = \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx$ .

Integrating,  $\log y = \log x + \frac{1}{x} + \log A$  or  $\frac{y}{x} = Ae^{1/x}$ .

**Ex. 5.** Solve  $y - x \frac{dy}{dx} = a \left(y^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}\right)$ . [Saugar 63]

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

$$\frac{dx}{x+a} = \frac{dy}{y(1-ay)} = \left(\frac{1}{y} + \frac{a}{1-ay}\right) dy.$$

Integrating,  $x+a = C \frac{y}{1-ay}$ .

**Ex. 6.** Solve

(i)  $(3+2 \sin x + \cos x) dy = (1+2 \sin y + \cos y) dx$ .

(ii)  $(e^y + 1) \cos x dx + e^y \sin x dy = 0$ . [Poona 64]

**2.3. Equations reducible to the form in which variables are separable.**

Equations of the form

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = f(ax+cy+c)$$

can be reduced to an equation in which variables can be separated. What is required is that we put

$$ax+by+c=v,$$

so that  $a+b \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ , i.e.,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{b} \left[ \frac{dv}{dx} - a \right]$ .

Then the equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{dv}{dx} - a \right) = f(v) \text{ or } \frac{dv}{dx} = a + bf(v),$$

in which variables are separable.

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

[Raj. 61; Agra 54; Gujarat 65, 58]

**Solution.** Put  $4x+y+1=v$ , so that  $4+\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dv}{dx}$ .

The equation then reduces to

$$\frac{dv}{dx} - 4 = v^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = v^2 + 4.$$

The variables are now separable and we can write  $\frac{dv}{v^2+4} = dx$ .

$$\text{Integrating } \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{v}{2} \right) = x + C$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{4x+v+1}{2} \right) = x + C \text{ is the solution.}$$

\* Ex. 2. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin(x+y) + \cos(x+y)$ . [Agra B Sc. 67]

**Solution.** Put  $x+y=v$ ,  $1+\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dv}{dx}$ .

∴ equation is  $\frac{dv}{dx} - 1 = \sin v + \cos v$  or  $\frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + \sin v + \cos v$

$$\text{or } dx = \frac{dv}{1 + \sin v + \cos v} = \frac{dv}{2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{2}v + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}v \cos \frac{1}{2}v}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dv}{2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{2}v (1 + \tan \frac{1}{2}v)} = dx \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{1}{2}v dv}{1 + \tan \frac{1}{2}v} = dx.$$

Integrating,  $\log(1 + \tan \frac{1}{2}v) = x + C$ , where  $v = x + y$ .

∴  $\log[1 + \tan \frac{1}{2}(x+y)] = x + C$  is the required solution.

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

[Calcutta Hons. 63; Bihar 61; Vikram 65]

**Solution.** Put  $x-y=v$ , so that  $1-\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dv}{dx}$

∴ equation is  $v^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{dv}{dx} \right] = a^2$  or  $\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v^2 - a^2}{v^2}$

$$\text{or } dx = \frac{v^2}{v^2 - a^2} dv = \left( 1 + \frac{a^2}{v^2 - a^2} \right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $x+C=v+a^2 \frac{1}{2a} \log \frac{v-a}{v+a}$

or  $x+C=(x-y)+\frac{1}{2}a \log \frac{x-y-a}{x-y+a}$  is the solution.

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

[Poona 64; Raj. 63; Delhi Hons. 60; Alld 60]

**Solution.** Put  $x+y=v$ , so that  $1+\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dv}{dx}$

$$\therefore v^2 \left( \frac{dv}{dx} - 1 \right) = a^2, \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + \frac{a^2}{v^2} = \frac{a^2 + v^2}{v^2}$$

$$\therefore dx = \frac{v^2}{a^2 + v^2} dv = \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{a^2 + v^2}\right) dv.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } x + C = v - a \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{a}$$

$$\text{or } x + C = (x + y) - a \tan^{-1} \frac{x + y}{a}$$

$$\text{or } y = C + a \tan^{-1} \frac{x + y}{a} \text{ is the solution.}$$

$$*\text{Ex. 5. Solve } \frac{x dx + y dy}{x dx - y dy} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a^2 - x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}\right)}.$$

[Delhi Hons. 62; Agra B.Sc. 55]

**Solution.** Here we change to polar co-ordinates by putting

$$x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta, x^2 + y^2 = r^2, x dx + y dy = r dr.$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = \tan \theta, \therefore \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2} = \sec^2 \theta d\theta \text{ or } x dy - y dx = r^2 d\theta.$$

$$\therefore \text{the equation becomes } \frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a^2 - r^2}{r^2}\right)}$$

$$\text{Separating the variables, } \frac{dr}{\sqrt{(a^2 - r^2)}} = d\theta.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } \sin^{-1}(r/a) = \theta + C \text{ or } r = a \sin(\theta + C),$$

$$\text{i.e., } \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)} = a \sin[\tan^{-1}(y/x) + C].$$

$$\text{Ex. 6. Solve } x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = \lambda \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)}. \quad [\text{Bombay 61; Agra 56}]$$

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

$$x dy - y dx = x \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)} dx \text{ or } \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2} = \sec^2 \theta d\theta.$$

Changing to polars as above, the equation becomes

$$x^2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta = xr dx$$

$$\text{or } x \sec^2 \theta d\theta = r dx \text{ or } r \cos \theta \sec^2 \theta d\theta = r dx$$

$$\text{or } \sec \theta d\theta = dx, \text{ variables separated.}$$

$$\text{Integrating, } \log(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = x + \log C.$$

$$\therefore \sec \theta + \tan \theta = ce^x \text{ or } \sqrt{(1 + y^2/x^2)} + y/x = ce^x.$$

$$\text{Ex. 7. Solve } \left(\frac{x+y-a}{x+y-b}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{x+y+a}{x+y+b}\right)$$

[Delhi Hons. 63; Nagpur 55]

$$\text{Solution. Put } x+y=v, \text{ so that } 1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}.$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + \left(\frac{v+a}{v-b}\right) \left(\frac{v-b}{v-a}\right) = \frac{2(v^2 - ab)}{v^2 + (b-a)v - ab}$$

$$\text{or } 2 dx = \left(1 + \frac{b-a}{2} \frac{2v}{v^2 - ab}\right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $2x + C = v + \frac{b-a}{2} \log(v^2 - ab)$   
 or  $2x + C = x + y + \frac{1}{2}(b-a) \log[(x+y)^2 - ab]$  etc.

$$\text{Ex. 8. } \frac{dy}{dx} = (x+y)^2.$$

[Gauhati 62; Delhi 62; Raj. 62]

Hint. Put  $x+y=v$  etc.

### ~~2.4~~ Homogeneous Differential Equations. [Poona 61 (S)]

An equation of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f_1(x, y)}{f_2(x, y)}$  in which  $f_1(x, y)$  and  $f_2(x, y)$  are homogeneous functions\* of  $x$  and  $y$  of the same degree can be reduced to an equation in which variables are separable by putting  $y = vx$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v+x \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

The following few examples will illustrate the method.

Ex. 1. Solve  $(x^2+y^2) dx + 2xy dy = 0$ .

Solution. We have  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x^2+y^2}{2xy}$  (homogeneous).

Putting  $y = vx$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v+x \frac{dv}{dx}$ , the equation becomes

$$v+x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x^2+v^2x^2}{2x \cdot vx} = \frac{1+v^2}{2v}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{v}{1+v^2} \right) = v = -\frac{1+3v^2}{2v} \text{ (variable separable).}$$

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

Integrating,  $\log x + \frac{1}{2} \log(1+3v^2) = \log C$

$$\text{or } x(1+3v^2)^{1/2} = C \quad \text{or } x(1+3y^2/x^2)^{1/2} = C.$$

Ex. 2. Solve  $x^2y dx - (v^3+y^3) dy = 0$ . [Agra B Sc. 54]

Solution. We have  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2y}{x^3+y^3}$  (homogeneous).

Putting  $y = vx$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v+x \frac{dv}{dx}$ , the equation becomes

$$v+x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v}{1+v^3} \quad \text{or} \quad x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v}{1+v^3} - v = -\frac{v^4}{1+v^3}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{1+v^3}{v^4} dv = -\left[ \frac{1}{v^4} + \frac{1}{v} \right] dv.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } \log x = \frac{1}{3v^3} - \log v + C; \log vx = \frac{1}{3v^3} + C$$

\*A function  $f(x, y)$  is called homogeneous of degree  $n$ , if  $f(ax, ay) = a^n f(x, y)$ .

or  $\log v = \frac{x^3}{3y^3} + C$  as  $v = \frac{y}{x}$ .

Ex. 3. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3 + 3x^2y}{x^3 + 3xy^2}$ . [Lucknow Pass 60]

**Solution.** Putting  $y = vx$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ , we get

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dx} - v = \frac{v^3 + 3v}{1 + 3v^2} - v = \frac{2v(1 - v^2)}{1 + 3v^2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2}{x} \frac{dx}{v} = \frac{1 + 3v^2}{2v(1 - v^2)}, \quad dv = \left( \frac{1}{v} - \frac{2}{1+v} + \frac{2}{1-v} \right) dv.$$

Integrating,

$$2 \log x = \log v - 2 \log(1-v) - 2 \log(1+v) + \log C$$

$$\text{or } x^2(1-v)^2(1+v)^2 = Cv. \quad \text{Put } v = y/x \text{ etc.}$$

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

[Delhi Hons. 66; Cal. Hons. 61, 56; Osmania 60; Gujarat 61]

**Solution.** The equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{xy - x^2}$  [homogeneous].

Putting  $y = vx$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ , we get

$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v^2}{v-1} \quad \text{or} \quad x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v^2}{v-1} - v$$

$$\text{or } x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v}{v-1} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{v-1}{v} dv$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dx}{x} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{v}\right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $\log x = v - \log v + \log c$

$$\text{or } \log xv = v + \log c \quad \text{or} \quad xv = ce^v$$

$$\text{or } y = ce^{y/x} \quad \text{as} \quad y = vx.$$

Ex. 5. Solve  $(x^2 + 1)^2 dy = xy dx$ . [Nagpur T.D.C. 1961]

**Hint.** Homogeneous. Put  $y = vx$ . Ans.  $y = Ce^{x^2/2x^2}$

Ex. 6. Solve the following homogeneous equations :

(i)  $y(y^2 - 2x^2) dx + x(2y^2 - x^2) dy = 0$ .

[Karnatak B.Sc. (Sub) 1960]

(ii)  $\frac{1}{2x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{x+y}{x^2+y^2} = 0$ .

[Lucknow Pass 1955]

(iii)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y(x+y)}{x^2} = 0$ .

Ans.  $x^2y - c^2(y+2x)$

[Poona 1964; Nag 58; Kerala 61; Vikram 61]

(iv)  $x^2y dx - x^3 dy = y^3 dy$ .

Ans.  $\log y = \frac{x^2}{3y^2} + C$ .

$$(v) \quad (x^2 - y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = xy.$$

$$(vi) \quad (x+y)^2 = xy \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

[Poona 1964]

$$(vii) \quad x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)}. \quad [\text{Sagar, 1963; Cal. Hons. 62; Raj. 56}]$$

(Cf. Ex. 6 P. 10) Ans.  $x^2 + y^2 = (Cx^2 - y)^2$ .

$$\text{Ex. 7. } \left( x \cos \frac{y}{x} + y \sin \frac{y}{x} \right) y = \left( y \sin \frac{y}{x} - x \cos \frac{y}{x} \right) x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

[Cal. Hons 1962]

$$\text{or } x \cos \frac{y}{x} (y dx + x dy) = y \sin \frac{y}{x} (x dy - y dx).$$

[Raj. 1959; Cal. Hons. 61, 55; Delhi 68, 61]

**Solution.** The equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(\sin y/x + x \cos y/x)}{x(y \sin y/x - x \cos y/x)}$ .

$$\text{Putting } y = vx, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dx} - v = \frac{2v \cos v}{v \sin v - \cos v}$$

$$\text{or } \left( \tan v - \frac{1}{v} \right) dv = 2 \frac{dx}{x}, \quad i.e., \log \frac{\sec v}{v} = \log C + 2 \log x$$

or  $\sec(y/x) = Cxy$  is the solution.

$$\text{Ex. 8. Solve } \left( x \sin \frac{y}{x} \right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \left( y \sin \frac{y}{x} - x \right)$$

[Delhi Pass 67]

$$\text{Solution. Equation is } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} - \operatorname{cosec} \frac{y}{x}.$$

$$\text{Putting } y = vx, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = x \frac{dv}{dx} + v.$$

$$\text{Equation reduces to } \sin v \ dv = -\frac{dx}{x}.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } -\cos v = -\log Cx$$

$$\text{or } \cos \frac{y}{x} = \log Cx \text{ is the solution.}$$

$$\text{Ex. 9. Solve } (x^2 + 2xy - y^2) dx + (y^2 + 2xy - x^2) dy = 0.$$

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

$$\text{Solution. } \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x^2 + 2xy - y^2}{y^2 + 2xy - x^2}. \quad \text{Put } y = vx.$$

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

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

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

$$= \left( \frac{1}{v+1} - \frac{2v}{v^2+1} \right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $\log x = \log(v+1) - \log(v^2+1) + \log C$

$$\text{or } \frac{x}{v^2+1} = C(v+1) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{x}{y^2/x^2+1} = C \left( \frac{y}{x} + 1 \right)$$

**Ex. 10.** Solve  $2y^3 dx + (x^2 - 3y^2)x dy = 0$ .

[Bombay B.Sc. (Sub.) 1962]

**Solution.** Proceed yourself.

### 2.5. Equation Reducible to Homogeneous Form.

An equation of the type  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax+by+c}{a'x+b'y+c'}$ , when  $\frac{a}{a'} \neq \frac{b}{b'}$  can be reduced to homogeneous form as follows :

Put  $x = X + h$ ,  $y = Y + k$ ; then  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dY}{dX}$ , where  $X$ ,  $Y$  are new variables and  $h$ ,  $k$  are arbitrary constants. The equation now becomes

$$\frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{aX+bY+(ah+bk+c)}{a'X+b'Y+(a'h+b'k+c')}$$

We choose the constants  $h$  and  $k$  in such a way that

$$ah+bk+c=0, \quad a'h+b'k+c'=0.$$

With this substitution the differential equation reduces to  $\frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{aX+bY}{a'X+b'Y}$  which is a homogeneous equation in  $X$ ,  $Y$  and can be solved by putting  $Y = vX$  as earlier.

**Special Case.** When  $\frac{a}{a'} = \frac{b}{b'} = \frac{1}{m}$  (say), then the differential equation can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax+by+c}{m(ax+by)+c}$$

Put  $ax+by=v$ , so that  $a+b \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

(1) then becomes  $\frac{1}{b} \left( \frac{dv}{dx} - a \right) = \frac{v+c}{mv+c}$  in which variables can be separated.

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

[Vikram 60]

**Solution.** Put  $x = X + h$ ,  $y = Y + k$ , where  $h$ ,  $k$  are some constants; then  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dY}{dX}$ . The given equation then becomes

$$\frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{X+2Y+(h+2k-3)}{2X+Y+2h+k-3}$$

Now choose  $h, k$  such that  $h+2k-3=0$  and  $2h+k-3=0$ .  
Solving these we get  $h=1, k=1$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{X+2Y}{2X+Y} \text{ homogeneous in } X \text{ and } Y.$$

Put  $Y=vX$ , so that  $\frac{dY}{dX}=v+X\frac{dv}{dX}$ .

$$\therefore v+X\frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{X+2vX}{2X+vX} = \frac{1+2v}{2+v}, \text{ i.e., } X\frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{1+2v}{2+v} - v$$

or  $\frac{dX}{X} = \frac{2+v}{1-v^2} dv = \left( \frac{1}{1-v^2} + \frac{v}{1-v^2} \right) dv$ .

Integrating,  $\log X = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+v}{1-v} - \frac{1}{2} \log (1-v^2) + \log C$

or  $X = C \frac{1+v}{1-v} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-v^2)}} = C \sqrt{(1+v)} (1-v)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

or  $X^2 (1-v)^3 = C^2 (1+v)$

or  $X^2 \left(1 - \frac{Y}{X}\right)^3 = C^2 \left(1 + \frac{Y}{X}\right)$  as  $v = \frac{Y}{X}$

or  $(X-Y)^3 = C^2 (X+Y)$  but  $x=X+1, y=Y+1$ .  
 $\therefore (x-y)^3 = C^2 (x+y-2)$  is the required solution.

**Ex. 2.** Solve  $(3x-7y-3) \frac{dy}{dx} = 3y-7x+7$ .

[Raj. M.Sc. 61]

**Solution.**  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3y-7x+7}{3x-7y-3}$ .

Put  $x=X+h, y=Y+k$ , where  $h, k$  are some constants. Then  
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dY}{dX}$ . And the given equation becomes

$$\frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{3Y-7X+(3k-7h+7)}{3X-7Y+(3h-7k-3)}$$

Choose  $h, k$  such that  $3h-7k-3=0$  and  $3k-7h+7=0$ , which give  $h=1, k=0$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{3Y-7X}{3X-7Y} \text{ [homogeneous].}$$

Put  $Y=vX, \frac{dY}{dX}=v+X\frac{dv}{dX}$ .

$$\therefore v+X\frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{3vX-7X}{3X-7vX} = \frac{3v-7}{3-7v}$$

or  $X\frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{3v-7}{3-7v} - v = \frac{7(v^2-1)}{3-7v}$

or  $\frac{7}{X} \frac{dX}{(v^2-1)} dv = -\left(\frac{2}{v-1} + \frac{5}{v+1}\right) dv$ .

- Integrating,  $7 \log X = -2 \log(v-1) - 5 \log(v+1) + \log C$   
 or  $X^7 (v-1)^2 (v+1)^5 = C$   
 or  $X^7 \left(\frac{Y}{X}-1\right)^2 \left(\frac{Y}{X}+1\right)^5 = C$  as  $Y=vX$   
 or  $(Y-X)^2 (Y+X)^5 = C$   
 or  $(y-x+1)^2 (y+x-1)^5 = C$  as  $x=X+1, y=Y+0.$

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

[Karnatak B.Sc. (Princ.) 60]

Solution.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+2y+3}{2x+y+3}.$

Put  $x=X+h, y=Y+k$ , where  $h, k$  are constants.

$$dx = dX, \quad dy = dY; \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dY}{dX}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{X+2Y+(h+2k+3)}{2X+Y+(2h+k+3)}.$$

Choose  $h, k$  such that  $h+2k+3=0, 2h+k+3=0$ . Solving these, we get  $h=-1, k=-1.$

$$\therefore \frac{dY}{dX} = \frac{X+2Y}{2X+Y}. \text{ Put } Y=vX, \frac{dY}{dX} = v + X \frac{dv}{dX}.$$

$$\therefore v + X \frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{X+2vX}{2X+vX} \text{ or } X \frac{dv}{dX} = \frac{1+2v}{2+v} - v$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dX}{X} = \frac{2+v}{1-v^2} dv = \left( \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{1-v} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1+v} \right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $2 \log X = -3 \log(1-v) + \log(1+v) + \log C$

$$\text{or } X^2 \frac{(1-v)^3}{1+v} = C \quad \text{or } X^2 \frac{(1-Y/X)^3}{(1+Y/X)} = C$$

$$\text{or } (X-Y)^3 = C(X+Y); \text{ where } x=X-1, y=Y-1$$

$$\text{or } (X-y)^3 = C(x+y-2) \text{ is the solution.}$$

Ex. 4. Solve  $(2x-2y+5) \frac{dy}{dx} = x-y+3.$

[Sagar 63; Agra B.Sc. 61, 52]

Solution. The equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-y+3}{2(x-y)+5}.$

Put  $x-y=v$ , so that  $1 - \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$  or  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{dv}{dx}.$

$\therefore$  The equation becomes

$$1 - \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v+3}{2v+5} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 - \frac{v+3}{2v+5} = \frac{v+2}{2v+5}$$

or  $dx = \frac{2v+5}{v+2} dv = \left( 2 + \frac{1}{v+2} \right) dv$ , separating the variables.

Integrating,  $x = 2v + \log(v+2) + C$ ,  
 $x = 2(x-y) + \log(x-y+2) + C$  as  $v=x-y$   
or  $2y-x = \log(x-y+2) + C$  is the required solution.

Ex. 5. Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x-4y+3}{3x-2y+1}$

[Poona 64; Karnataka B.Sc. (Princ.) 61]

Solution. Put  $3x-2y=v$ , i.e.,  $3-2\frac{dv}{dx}=\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\therefore \frac{dv}{dx} = 3-2\frac{2v+3}{v+1} = -\frac{v+3}{v+1}.$$

$$\therefore dx = -\frac{v+1}{v+3} dv = -\left(1-\frac{2}{v+3}\right) dv.$$

Integrating,  $x = -v + 2 \log(v+3) + C$   
or  $x = (2y-3x) + 2 \log(3x-2y+3) + C$   
or  $2x-y = \log(3x-2y+3) + \frac{1}{2}C$  is the solution.

Ex. 6. Solve  $(5x-4y+1) \frac{dy}{dx} = (3x-2y+1)$ .

[Karnataka B.Sc. (Sub.) 61]

Solution.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x-2y+1}{2(3x-2y)+1}$ . Put  $3x-2y=v$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dv}{dx} = 3-2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 3-2 \frac{v+1}{2v+1} = \frac{4v+1}{2v+1}$$

or  $dx = \frac{2v+1}{4v+1} dv$  or  $2 dx = \left(1+\frac{1}{4v+1}\right) dv$  etc.

Ex. 7. Solve the following equations :

(i)  $(2x+y+1) dx + (4x+2y-1) dy = 0$ .

[Gujrat B.Sc. (Princ.) 61]

(ii)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x-2y-7}{3x-y+4}$ . [Luck. Pass 56]

(iii)  $(2x-5y+3) dx - (2x+4y-6) dy = 0$ . [Delhi Hons. 61]

(iv)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y-x+1}{y-x-5}$ . [Poona 62; Nag. 62]

(v)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x-4y-2}{2x-4y-3}$ . [Cal. Hons 63]

(vi)  $(3y+2x+4) dx - (4x+6y+5) dy = 0$ . [Karnatak 63]

(vii)  $(2x-5y+3) dx - (2x+4y-6) dy = 0$ . [Delhi Hons. 65]

(viii)  $(x-y-2) dx + (x-2y-3) dy = 0$ . [All. 66]

(ix)  $(4x+2y+1) dy = (2x+y+3) dx$ . [Delhi Pass 67]

Hint. In (i) put  $2x+y=v$ , in (ii) put  $3x-y=v$  and (iii) can be reduced to homogeneous form as usual. In (ix) putting  $v=2x+y$ , variables can be separated.

**Ex. 8.** Solve  $2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+y^2}{x+4y^2}$  [Bombay B.Sc. 61]

**Solution.** Put  $y^2 = v$ ,  $2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

$\therefore \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x+v}{x+4v}$  [homogeneous]. Now put  $v = xz$  etc.

### 2.6. A particular case

A differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax+by+c}{-bx+hy+k}$$

in which coefficient of  $y$  in the numerator is equal to the coefficient of  $x$  in the denominator with sign changed, can be integrated as follows :

The equation (1) can be written as

$$-b(x dy + y dx) + (hy + k) dy - (ax + c) dx = 0.$$

Integrating, we get  $-bxy + (\frac{1}{2}hy^2 + ky) - (\frac{1}{2}ax^2 + cx) = A$ .

**Ex. 1.** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{ax+hy+g}{hx+by+f} = 0$ .

[Raj. B.Sc. 66; Agra B.Sc. 57; Delhi B.A. 57; Raj. M.Sc. 62]

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

$$(hx+by+f) dy + (ax+hy+g) dx = 0$$

$$\text{or } h(x dy + y dx) + (by + f) dy + (ax + g) dx = 0.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } hxy + \frac{1}{2}by^2 + fy + \frac{1}{2}ax^2 + gx = A$$

$$\text{or } ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2fy + 2gx + c = 0, \text{ writing } c = -2A.$$

**Ex. 2.** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x-y+1}{x+2y-3}$  [Agra B.Sc. 59; Nag. 53 (S)]

**Solution.** Here coefficient of  $y$  in numerator is equal to coefficient of  $x$  in the denominator with sign changed. Hence write it as

$$(x+2y-3) dy - (2x-y+1) dx = 0$$

$$\text{or } (x dy + y dx) + (2y-3) dy - (2x+1) dx = 0.$$

$$\text{Integrating, } xy + y^2 - 3y - x^2 - x = C.$$

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

[Bombay B.Sc. (Sub.) 61; Poona 61]

**Solution.** The equation is of above type. Hence regrouping, we have

$$(2x+1) dx + (2y-1) dy - (dx+x dy) = 0$$

$$\text{Integrating, } (x^2 + x) + (y^2 - y) = C$$

which is the solution.

**Ex. 4.** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2x+3y+1}{3x+4y-1} = 0$ . [Delhi Hons. 60]

$3x^{\frac{2}{3}}$

**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  $e^{\int P dx}$

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

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

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

$$ye^{\int P dx} = \int [Qe^{\int P dx}] dx + C,$$

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

$$xe^{\int P dy} = \int [Qe^{\int P dy}] dy + C.$$

(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

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

Hence the solution is

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

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

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

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

Hence the solution is

$$y \cdot x^2 = C + \int x^2 \cdot x \log x dx = C + \int x^3 \log x dx \\ = C + \log x \cdot \frac{x^4}{4} - \int \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{x^4}{4} dx \\ = C + \frac{1}{4} x^4 \log x - \frac{1}{16} x^4$$

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

**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

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

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

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

$$= C + \int \frac{1}{x} dx = C + \log x.$$

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

[Delhi Hons. 1957]

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x} y = ax + b + \frac{c}{x} \text{ [linear].}$$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = e^{\log x} = x.$$

$$\therefore y \cdot x = C + \int \left( ax + b + \frac{c}{x} \right) x dx = C + \int (ax^2 + bx + c) dx \\ = C + \frac{1}{3}ax^3 + \frac{1}{2}bx^2 + cx.$$

**Ex. 5.** If  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = \sin x$  and if  $y=0$  when  $x=\frac{1}{2}\pi$ , express  $y$  in terms of  $x$ . [Poona 1964 ; Nagpur 61]

**Solution.** The equation is linear.

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int 2 \tan x dx} = e^{-2 \log \cos x} = \sec^2 x.$$

Hence general solution is

$$y \cdot \sec^2 x = C + \int \sin x \sec^2 x dx = C + \int \sec x \tan x dx$$

$$\text{or } y \sec^2 x = C + \sec x.$$

$$\text{When } y=0, x=\frac{1}{2}\pi, \therefore 0=C+\sec \frac{1}{2}\pi \text{ or } C+2=0, C=-2.$$

$$\text{Hence solution is } y \sec^2 x = \sec x - 2,$$

$$y = \cos x - 2 \cos^2 x.$$

**Ex. 6.** Solve  $x(x-1) \frac{dy}{dx} - y = x^2(x-1)^2$ . [Luck. Pass 1958]

**Solution.** Equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{1}{x(x-1)} y = x(x-1)$ .

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{-\int \frac{1}{x(x-1)} dx} = e^{\int \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x-1} \right) dx} = \frac{x}{x-1}.$$

$$\text{Hence } y \cdot \frac{x}{x-1} = C + \int x(x-1) \cdot \frac{x}{x-1} dx = C + \int x^2 dx$$

$$\text{or } y \cdot \frac{x}{x-1} = C + \frac{1}{3}x^3.$$

**Ex. 7.** Solve  $(1+x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = \frac{1+x+x^2}{(1+x)^4}$ .

[Lucknow Pass 1957]

**Solution.** Equation is  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3}{1+x} y = \frac{1+x+x^2}{(1+x)^4}$ .

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

$$\therefore y(1+x)^3 = C + \int \frac{(1+x+x^2)}{(1+x)^4} (1+x)^3 dx$$

$$= C + \int \frac{1+x+x^2}{1+x} dx = C + \int \left( \frac{1}{1+x} + x \right) dx \\ = C + \log(1+x) + \frac{1}{2}x^2.$$

Ex. 8. Solve  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \frac{dy}{dx} + 4$ . [Nagpur T.D.C. 1961 (S)]

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

$$(x-1) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 4 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x-1} y = \frac{4}{x-1}.$$

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

$$y(x-1)^2 = \int \frac{4}{x-1} (x-1)^3 dx + C$$

$y(x-1)^2 = 2(x-1)^2 + C$ , which is the solution.

$$\text{Ex. 9. Solve } x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = x^2 + \sin \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

[Bombay B.A. (Sub.) 1958]

$$\text{Solution. The equation is } \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2}{x} y = x + \frac{1}{x} \sin \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

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

$$\therefore y \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} = C + \int x \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \int \frac{1}{x^3} \sin \frac{1}{x^2} dx.$$

$$= C + \log x - \frac{1}{2} \int \sin t dt, \text{ where } \frac{1}{x^2} = t, \quad \frac{-2}{x^3} dx = dt$$

$$= C + \log x + \frac{1}{2} \cos t$$

$$= C + \log x + \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

$$\text{Ex. 10. Solve } \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cos x = -2 \sin 2x.$$

[Vikram 65; Gujarat B.Sc. (Sub.) 61]

$$\text{Solution. I.F.} = e^{-2 \int \cos x dx} = e^{-2 \sin x}.$$

$\therefore$  Solution is

$$ye^{-2 \sin x} = C - 2 \int \sin 2x e^{-2 \sin x} dx$$

$$= C - 4 \int \sin x \cos x e^{-2 \sin x} dx ; \text{ put } -2 \sin x = t$$

$$= C - \int t e^t dt = C - e^t (t-1).$$

$\therefore y = Ce^{2 \sin x} + (2 \sin x + 1)$  is the solution.

Equations which become linear when  $x$  is treated as dependent variable.

$$\text{Ex. 1. Solve } y \log y dx + (x - \log y) dy = 0.$$

[Poona T.D.C. 61(S)]

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

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

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

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = x + 2y^3 \text{ [linear].}$$

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. I.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

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

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  $f'(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$ .

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{or } \frac{dv}{dx} - 2xv = -2x^3.$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } ve^{-x^2} &= \int -2x^3 e^{-x^2} dx + C \\ &= x^2 (-2x) e^{-x^2} dx + C \end{aligned}$$

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# 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.  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$ . Solution is  $xy = C$ .
2.  $\sin x \cos y \frac{dy}{dx} + \cos x \sin y = 0$ .

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;  
Gujrat 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

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

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \text{ as } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x},$$

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. 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.  $\checkmark (y^4 + 4x^3y + 3x) dx + (x^4 + 4xy^3 + y + 1) dy = 0$

[Karnatak 60]

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

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

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

$$y^4 + x^4 + 3x^2.$$

In  $x^4 + 4xy^3 + y + 1$ , terms free from  $x$  are  $y + 1$  whose integral with respect to  $y$  is  $\frac{1}{2}y^2 + y$ .

Therefore the general solution is

$$y^4 + x^4y + \frac{2}{3}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + y = C.$$

~~Ex 2.~~ Solve  $x(x^2 + y^2 - a^2) dx + y(x^2 - y^2 - b^2) dy = 0$ .

[Nag. 63; Poona 61]

**Solution.** Here  $M = x^3 + xy^2 - a^2x$ ,  $N = yx^2 - y^3 - b^2y$ .

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2xy \text{ and } \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 2xy.$$

Since these are equal, the equation is exact,

Integrating  $M$  w.r.t.  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  
 $\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y^2 - \frac{1}{2}a^2x^2$ .

In  $N$ , terms free from  $x$  are  $-y^3 - b^2y$  whose integral is  
 $-\frac{1}{4}y^4 - \frac{1}{2}b^2y^2$ .

Hence the general solution is

$$\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y^2 - \frac{1}{2}a^2x^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^4 - \frac{1}{2}b^2y^2 = \text{const.}$$

$$\text{or } x^4 - y^4 + 2x^2y^2 - 2a^2x^2 - 2b^2y^2 = C.$$

~~Ex 3.~~ Solve  $(x^2 - 2xy + 3y^2) dx + (4y^3 + 6xy - x^2) dy = 0$ .

[Delhi Hons. 55]

**Solution.** Here  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -2x + 6y$ ,  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 6y - 2x$ .

Since these are equal the equation is exact.

Integrating  $M$ , i.e.  $x^2 - 2xy + 3y^2$  w.r.t.  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  $\frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2y + 3y^2x$

In  $N$ , term free from  $x$  is  $+4y^3$  whose integral is  $y^4$ .

Hence the solution is  $\frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2y + 3y^2x + y^4 = C$ .

~~Ex. 4.~~ Solve  $(x - 2e^y) dy + (y + x \sin x) dx = 0$ .

[Gujrat 61]

**Solution.** Here  $M = y + x \sin x$ ,  $N = x - 2e^y$ .

$$\therefore \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 1, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 1; \text{ therefore equation is exact.}$$

Integrating  $y + x \sin x$  with respect to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  $xy + \int x \sin x dx = xy - x \cos x + \sin x$ .

In  $N$ , term free from  $x$  is  $-2e^y$  whose integral with respect to  $y$  is  $-2e^y$ .

Hence the complete solution is

$$xy - x \cos x + \sin x - 2e^y = C.$$

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

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

[Delhi Hons. 62]

$$\left( x + \frac{a^2y}{x^2 + y^2} \right) dx + \left( y - \frac{a^2x}{x^2 + y^2} \right) dy = 0.$$

Here  $M = x + \frac{a^2 y}{x^2 + y^2}$  and  $N = y - \frac{a^2 x}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

$$\therefore \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{(x^2 + y^2) a^2 - a^2 y \cdot 2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{a^2 (x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{-a^2 (x^2 + y^2) + 2a^2 x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{a^2 (x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}.$$

Since  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , the equation is exact.

Integrating  $M$  w.r.t.  $x$  regarding  $y$  as constant, we get

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 + a^2 y \frac{1}{y} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y} \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}x^2 + a^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}.$$

In  $N$ , term free from  $x$  is  $y$  whose integral is  $\frac{1}{2}y^2$ .

Hence the solution is  $\frac{1}{2}x^2 + a^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y} + \frac{1}{2}y^2 = \text{const.}$

$$\text{or } x^2 + y^2 + 2a^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y} = C.$$

$$\text{Ex. 5. (b)} \quad \text{Solve } x dx + y dy + \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2 + y^2} = 0.$$

The equation is exact; proceed as in the above example.

\*Ex. 6. Solve  $(1 + e^{x/y}) dx + e^{x/y} (1 - x/y) dy = 0.$  immediate batch  
[Karnatak 61; Bombay 50; Gujrat 59; Poona 61]

**Solution.** Here  $M = 1 + e^{x/y}$  and  $N = e^{x/y} (1 - x/y)$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = e^{x/y} \left( -\frac{x}{y^2} \right)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = e^{x/y} \frac{1}{y} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{y} \right) + e^{x/y} \left( -\frac{1}{y} \right) = e^{x/y} \left( -\frac{x}{y^2} \right).$$

Since  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , the equation is exact.

Now integrating  $1 + e^{x/y}$  with respect to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant,

$$\text{we get } x + \frac{e^{x/y}}{1/y} \text{ i.e., } x + y e^{x/y}$$

In  $N$  i.e., in  $e^{x/y} (1 - x/y)$  there is no term free from  $x$ .

Hence the required solution is  $x + y e^{x/y} = C$ .

$$\text{Ex. 7. } [\cos x \tan y + \cos(x+y)] dx$$

$$+ [\sin x \sec^2 y + \cos(x+y)] dy = 0.$$

[Bombay 61; Gujrat 61]

**Solution.** Here  $M = \cos x \tan y + \cos(x+y)$ ,  
and  $N = \sin x \sec^2 y + \cos(x+y)$ .

$$\text{Now } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \cos x \sec^2 y - \sin(x+y),$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \cos x \sec^2 y - \sin(x+y).$$

Since these are equal, the equation is exact.

Now integrating  $M$ , i.e.  $\cos x \tan y + \cos(x+y)$  with respect to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get

$$\sin x \tan y + \sin(x+y)$$

In  $N$ , there is no term free from  $x$ .

Hence the general solution is

$$\sin x \tan y + \sin(x+y) = C.$$

**Ex. 8.**  $(\cos x \tan y - \sin x \sec y) dx$

$$+ (\sin x \sec^2 y + \cos x \tan^2 y \operatorname{cosec} y) dy = 0.$$

[Bombay B. A. (Sub.) 58]

**Solution.** We have  $M = \cos x \tan y - \sin x \sec y$ ,

and  $N = \sin x \sec^2 y + \cos x \tan^2 y \operatorname{cosec} y$ .

$$\therefore \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \cos x \sec^2 y - \sin x \sec y \tan y$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \cos x \sec^2 y - \sin x \tan y \sec y.$$

$$\text{as } \tan^2 y \operatorname{cosec} y = \tan y \sec y.$$

Since  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , the equation is exact,

Integrating  $M$  i.e.  $\cos x \tan y - \sin x \sec y$  with regard to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant we get

$$\sin x \tan y + \cos x \sec y.$$

In  $N$  there is no term free from  $x$ .

Hence the general solution is

$$\sin x \tan y + \cos x \sec y = C.$$

**Ex. 9.** Solve  $(\sin x \cos y + e^{2x}) dx$

$$+ (\cos x \sin y + \tan y) dy = 0.$$

[Poona 59]

**Solution.** Here  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -\sin x \sin y$ ,  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -\sin x \sin y$ .

Since these are equal, the equation is exact.

Integrating  $M$  i.e.,  $\sin x \cos y + e^{2x}$  w.r.t.  $x$ , keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  $-\cos x \cos y + \frac{1}{2}e^{2x}$ .

Also in  $N$  the term free from  $x$  is  $\tan y$  whose integral w.r.t.  $y$  is  $\log \sec y$ .

Hence the solution is

$$-\cos x \cos y + \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + \log \sec y = C.$$

**Ex. 10.** Solve the following equations (which are exact) :

$$(2x^3 + 3y) dx + (3x + y - 1) dy = 0.$$

[Poona 93]

$$\text{Ans. } \frac{1}{2}x^4 + 3x^2y - \frac{1}{2}y^2 - y - C$$

$$(ii) (x^2 - 4xy - 2y^2) dx + (y^2 - 4xy - 2x^2) dy.$$

$$\text{Ans. } x^3 + y^3 - 6xy(x+y) = C.$$

$$(iii) \cos x (\cos x - \sin a \sin y) dx$$

$$+ \cos y (\cos y - \sin a \sin x) dy = 0.$$

$$\text{Ans. } 2(x+y) \sin 2x + \sin 2y - 4 \sin a \sin x \sin y = C.$$

$$(iv) (2xy + y - \tan y) dx + (x^2 - x \tan^2 y + \sec^2 y) dy = 0.$$

[Poona 1964]

$$\text{Ans. } x^2y + xy - x \tan y + \tan y = C.$$

$$(v) (2x^2y + 4x^3 - 12xy^2 + 3y^2 - xe^y + e^{2x}) dy$$

$$+ (12x^2y + 2yx^2 + 4x^3 - 4y^3 + 2ye^{2x} - e^y) dx = 0. \quad [\text{Poona 64}]$$

$$\text{Ans. } 4x^3y + x^2y^2 + x^4 - 4y^3x + ye^{2x} - xe^y + y^3 = C.$$



### Integrating factors.

If an equation becomes exact after it has been multiplied by a function of  $x$  and  $y$ , then such a function is called an integrating factor [Karnatak 61]

### 3.5. Number of integrating factors.

To show that there is an infinite number of integrating factors for an equation.

$$M dx + N dy = 0.$$

[Karnatak 61]

To prove this let  $\mu$  be an integrating factor; then

$$\mu(M dx + N dy) = du.$$

Integrating,  $u = c$  is a solution.

Now multiplying both the sides by  $f(u)$ , a function of  $u$ , we get  $\mu f(u) [M dx + N dy] = f(u) du$ .

Expression on the right is directly integrable and therefore so must be the left hand side.

Hence  $\mu f(u)$  is also an integrating factor. Since  $f(u)$  is an arbitrary function of  $u$ , the number of integrating factors is infinite.

### 3.6. Integrating factor by inspection.

Sometimes an integrating factor can be found by inspection. For this the reader should study the following results :—

#### Group of terms

#### I.F.

#### Exact Differential

$$x dy - y dx \quad \frac{1}{x^2} \quad \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2} = d\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$x dy - y dx \quad \frac{1}{y^2} \quad \frac{y dx - x dy}{-y^2} = d\left(-\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

$$x dy - y dx \quad \frac{1}{xy} \quad \frac{dy}{y} - \frac{dx}{x} = d\left(\log \frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$x dy - y dx \quad \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} \quad \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}$$

$$x dy - y dx \quad \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} \quad \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2 + y^2} = d\left[\tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}\right]$$

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Groups of terms	I.F.	Exact Differential
$x \, dy + y \, dx$	$\frac{1}{(xy)^n}$	$\frac{x \, dy + y \, dx}{xy} = d[\log(xy)]$ for $n=1$
$x \, dx + y \, dy$	$\frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^n}$	$\frac{x \, dx + y \, dy}{(x^2+y^2)^n} = d\left[-\frac{1}{2(n-1)(x^2+y^2)^{n-1}}\right]$ or $= \frac{x \, dx + y \, dy}{x^2+y^2} = d[\frac{1}{2} \log(x^2+y^2)]$ if $n=1$ .

**Ex. 1.** Solve  $(x+y^2) \, dy + (y-x^2) \, dx = 0$ .

[Nagpur 61]

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

$$\begin{aligned} & x \, dy + y \, dx + y^2 \, dy - x^2 \, dx = 0, \\ \text{or } & d(xy) + y^2 \, dy - x^2 \, dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating,  $xy + \frac{1}{3}y^3 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 = A$  or  $y^3 - x^3 + 3xy = c$ .

**Ex. 2.** Solve  $y \, dx - x \, dy + 3x^2y^2e^{x^3} \, dx = 0$ .

[Nagpur 61]

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

$$\frac{y \, dx - x \, dy}{y^2} + 3x^2e^{x^3} \, dx = 0,$$

$$d\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + e^{x^3} d(x^3) = 0.$$

Integrating,  $\frac{x}{y} + e^{x^3} = c$ .

**Ex. 3.** Solve  $x \, dy - y \, dx - x(x^2-y^2)^{1/2} \, dx = 0$ . [Delhi Hons. 61]

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

$$\frac{x \, dy - y \, dx}{(x^2-y^2)^{1/2}} - x \, dx = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{x \, dy - y \, dx}{\sqrt{x^2 - \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}} = dx, \text{ put } \frac{y}{x} = t, \text{ then } \frac{x \, dy - y \, dx}{x^2} = dt$$

$$\text{i.e., } \sqrt{\frac{dt}{(1-t^2)}} = dx \text{ or } x+c = \sin^{-1} t = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right).$$

**Ex. 4.** Solve  $a(x \, dy + 2y \, dx) = xy \, dy$ .

**Solution** The equation can be written as

$$(a-y) x \, dy + 2ay \, dx = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{a-y}{y} \, dy + \frac{2a}{x} \, dx = 0.$$

Integrating,  $a \log y - y - 2a \log x = C_1$

$$\text{or } \log yx^2 = \frac{y}{a} + \log C \quad \text{or} \quad yx^2 = Ce^{y/a},$$

**Ex. 5.** Solve  $y dx - x dy + \log x dx = 0$ .

**Solution.** The equation is  $x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = \log x$

$$\text{or } \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{1}{x} y = \frac{\log x}{x}. \quad \text{Linear, I.F.} = e^{-\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\therefore y \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \int \frac{1}{x^2} \log x dx - C$$

$$= -\frac{1}{x} (1 + \log x) - C$$

or  $y + \log x + Cx + 1 = 0$  is the solution.

**Ex. 6.** Solve  $(1+xy) y dx + (1-xy) x dy = 0$ .

[Bihar 62]

**Solution.** Write the equation as

$$y dx + x dy + xy(y dx - x dy) = 0$$

$$\text{or } d(xy) + xy(y dx - x dy) = 0.$$

We readily find that  $\frac{1}{x^2 y^2}$  is the I.F. So the equation becomes

$$\frac{d(xy)}{x^2 y^2} + \frac{y dx - x dy}{xy} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d(xy)}{(xy)^2} + \left( \frac{dx}{x} - \frac{dy}{y} \right) = 0.$$

Integrating,  $-\frac{1}{xy} + \log x - \log y = C_1$  or  $x = Cy e^{1/xy}$ .

**Ex. 7.** Solve  $(x^4 e^x - 2mxy^2) dx + 2mx^2 y dy = 0$ .

**Solution.** Equation is  $2y \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2y^2}{x} + \frac{x^2 e^x}{m} = 0$ .

Putting  $y^2 = z$ , the equation becomes  $\frac{dz}{dx} - \frac{2}{x} z + \frac{x^2 e^x}{m} = 0$ .

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{-\int \frac{2}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x^2}, \text{ etc.}$$

**Ex. 8.** Solve  $y(2xy + e^x) dx - e^x dy = 0$ . [Vikram 61]

**Solution.** The equation is  $e^x \frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy^2 + ye^x$

$$\text{or } -y^{-2} \frac{dy}{dx} + y^{-1} = -2xe^{-x}. \quad \text{Put } y^{-1} = v, -y^{-2} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$\therefore$  the equation is  $\frac{dv}{dx} + e^{-x} = -2xe^{-x}$ . I.F. =  $e^x$  etc.

Solution is  $v^{-1} e^x = -x^2 + C$ .

### 3.7. Rules for finding the integrating factor.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

**Rule I.** If  $\frac{\partial y}{N} - \frac{\partial x}{M} = f(x)$ , a function of  $x$  only, then  $e^{\int f(x) dx}$  is an integrating factor. [Delhi Hons. 64]

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

**Rule II.** If  $\frac{\partial y}{M} - \frac{\partial x}{N} = g(y)$  is a function of  $y$  alone, then  $e^{\int -g(y) dy}$  is an integrating factor.

We give below some examples to illustrate these rules.

**Ex. 1.** Solve  $(x^2 + y^2 + x) dx + xy dy = 0$ .

**Solution.**  $M = x^2 + y^2 + x, N = xy$ .

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2y, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = y, \text{ equation is not exact.}$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

However,  $\frac{\partial y}{N} - \frac{\partial x}{M} = \frac{2x - y}{xy} = \frac{1}{x}$ , a function of  $x$  alone.

$$\text{Hence I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = e^{\log x} = x.$$

Multiplying by I.F., the equation becomes

$$(x^3 + xy^2 + x^2) dx + x^2 y dy = 0, \text{ exact now (check up).}$$

Integrating,  $x^3 + xy^2 + x^2$  with regard to  $x$ , keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  $\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3$ .

and in  $x^2y^2$  there is no term free from  $x$ . Therefore the solution is  $\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 = C'$  or  $3x^4 + 4x^3 + 6x^2y^2 = C$ .

**Ex. 2.** Solve  $(x^2 + y^2 + 1) dx - 2xy dy = 0$ .

**Solution.**  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2y, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -2y, \text{ not exact.}$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

However,  $\frac{\partial y}{N} - \frac{\partial x}{M} = \frac{2x - 2y}{x^2 + y^2 + 1} = -\frac{2}{x}$  function of  $x$  alone.

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

Multiplying by  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  the equation becomes

$$\left(1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx - \frac{2y}{x} dy = 0, \text{ exact now.}$$

Integrating,  $1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2}$  with regard to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant,

we get  $x - \frac{y^2}{x} - \frac{1}{x}$ .

and in  $\frac{2y}{x}$  there is no term free from  $x$ .

Hence the solution is

$$x - \frac{y^2}{x} - \frac{1}{x} = C \text{ or } x^2 - y^2 = Cx + 1.$$

~~Ex. 3.~~ Solve  $(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy = 0$ .

**Solution.** Just as in the above example, I.F. =  $\frac{1}{x^2}$ .

Hence multiplying by  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  the equation becomes

$$\left(1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) dx - \frac{2y}{x} dy = 0, \text{ exact.}$$

$\therefore$  Solution is  $x - \frac{y^2}{x} = c$  or  $x^2 - y^2 = cx$ .

~~Ex. 4.~~ Solve  $(x^2 + y^2 + 2x) dx + 2y dy = 0$ .

[Vikram 1959 ; Alld. 59]

**Solution.**  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2y, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 0$ , not exact.

$$\text{However, } \frac{\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}}{N} = \frac{2y}{2y} = 1.$$

$\therefore$  I.F. =  $e^x$ .

Multiplying by  $e^x$ , the equation becomes

$$e^x (x^2 + y^2 + 2x) dx + 2ye^x dy = 0, \text{ now exact.}$$

This can be written as

$$(x^2 + 2x)e^x dx + (y^2 e^x dx + e^x \cdot 2y dy) = 0$$

$$\text{or } d(x^2 e^x) + d(y^2 e^x) = 0.$$

$\therefore$  Integrating,  $x^2 e^x + y^2 e^x = C$  or  $(x^2 + y^2) e^x = C$

Aliter. The equation can also be written as

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

Putting  $y^2 = r$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} + r = -(x^2 + 2x)$ . Linear, I.F. =  $e^x$  etc

\*Ex. 5. Solve  $\frac{3}{2}r^2 + r^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^2) dx + \frac{1}{2}(x + x_1)^2 dy = 0$ ,

[Delhi Hons. 1965 ; Agra M.Sc. 63 ; Banaras 56]

**Solution.**  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 1 + y^2, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + y^2)$ , not exact.

$$\text{However, } \frac{\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}}{N} = \frac{(1 + y^2) - \frac{1}{2}(1 + y^2)}{\frac{1}{2}x(1 + y^2)} = \frac{3}{x},$$

a function of  $x$  alone.

$$\therefore \text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{3}{x} dx} = e^{3 \log x} = x^3.$$

Multiplying by  $x^3$ , the equation becomes

$$(x^3 y + \frac{1}{3} x^3 y^3 + \frac{1}{5} x^5) dx + \frac{1}{3} (x^4 + x^4 y^2) dy = 0, \text{ exact now.}$$

Integrating  $x^3 y + \frac{1}{3} x^3 y^3 + \frac{1}{5} x^5$  with respect to  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get  $\frac{1}{4} x^4 y + \frac{1}{12} x^4 y^3 + \frac{1}{12} x^6$ .

In  $\frac{1}{3} (x^4 + x^4 y^2)$  there is no term free from  $x$ .

$$\therefore \text{the solution is } \frac{1}{4} x^4 y + \frac{1}{12} x^4 y^3 + \frac{1}{12} x^6 = \text{constant}$$

or

$$3x^4 y + y^3 x^4 + x^6 = C.$$

**Ex. 6.** Is the differential equation  $(x^3 - 2y^2) dx + 2xy dy = 0$  exact? Solve the equation. [Cal. Hons. 1963]

Solution. The equation is not exact; however we have

$$\frac{1}{N} \left\{ \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right\} = \frac{-4y - 2y}{2xy} = -\frac{3}{x}; \quad \therefore \text{I.F.} = e^{\int -3 dx/x} = \frac{1}{x^3}.$$

Proceed as above.

$$\checkmark \text{ Ex. 7. } (2x^3 y^2 + 4x^2 y + 2xy^2 + x^4 + 2y) dx + 2(y^3 - x^2 y + x) dy = 0.$$

Solution. Equation is not exact.

$$\frac{1}{N} \left\{ \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right\} = 2x. \quad \text{I.F.} = e^{\int 2x dx} = e^{x^2}.$$

The solution is  $(2x^2 y^3 + 4xy + y^4) e^{x^2} = C$ .

**Ex. 8.** Solve  $(y^4 + 2y) dx + (xy^3 + 2y^4 - 4x) dy = 0$ .

[Cal. Hons. 1962, 61]

Solution.  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 4y^3 + 2, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = y^3 - 4$ , not exact.

$$\text{However, } \frac{\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}}{M} = \frac{4y^3 + 2 - (y^3 - 4)}{y^4 + 2y} = \frac{3}{y} \text{ a function of } y \text{ alone.}$$

$$\therefore \text{I.F.} = e^{-\int \frac{3}{y} dy} = e^{-3 \log y} = \frac{1}{y^3}.$$

Multiplying by  $1/y^3$ , the equation becomes

$$\left( y + \frac{2}{y^2} \right) dx + \left( x + 2y - \frac{4x}{y^3} \right) dy = 0, \text{ exact now.}$$

Integrating  $y + \frac{2}{y^2}$  w.r.t.  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we have

$$yx + \frac{2}{y^2} x.$$

In  $x + 2y - \frac{4x}{y^3}$ , the term free from  $x$  is  $2y$ . So integrating  $2y$  w.r.t.  $y$ , we get  $y^2$ .

Therefore the solution is  $yx + \frac{2}{y^2}x + y^2 = C$ .

Ex. 9. Solve  $(3x^2y^4 + 2xy) dx + (2x^3y^3 - x^2) dy = 0$ .

[Cal. Hons. 54, 53]

**Solution.** Here  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 12x^2y^3 + 2x$ ,  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 6x^2y^3 - 2x$ .

Now  $\frac{\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}}{M} = \frac{6x^2y^3 + 4x}{y(3x^2y^3 + 2x)} = \frac{2}{y}$  function of  $y$  alone.

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

Multiplying by  $\frac{1}{y^2}$ , the equation becomes

$$\left(3x^2y^2 + \frac{2x}{y}\right) dx + \left(2x^3y - \frac{x^2}{y^2}\right) dy = 0, \text{ exact now.}$$

Integrating  $3x^2y^2 + \frac{2x}{y}$  w.r.t.  $x$  keeping  $y$  as constant, we get

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

In  $2x^3y - \frac{x^2}{y^2}$ , there is no term free from  $x$ .

Hence the solution is  $x^3y^2 + \frac{x^2}{y} = C$

or  $x^3y^3 + x^2 = Cy$ .

Ex. 10.  $(2xy^4e^y + 2x^3y^3 + y) dx + (x^2y^4e^y - x^2y^2 - 3x) dy = 0$ .

**Solution.** We have  $\frac{1}{M} \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{4}{y}$ .  $\therefore \text{I.F.} = \frac{1}{y^4}$ .

Solution is  $x^2e^y - \frac{x^2}{y^3} - \frac{x}{y^3} = C$ .

### 3.8. Rule III.

If  $M dx + N dy = 0$  is homogeneous and  $Mx + Ny \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{Mx + Ny}$  is an integrating factor.

### Rule IV.

[Delhi Hons. 61]

If the equation can be written in the form

$$yf(xy) dx + xg(xy) dy = 0, f(xy) \neq g(xy),$$

then  $\frac{1}{x^n [f(xy) - g(xy)]} = \frac{1}{Mx - Ny}$  is an integrating factor.

Ex. 1. Solve  $x^2y dx - (x^3 + y^2) dy = 0$ .

**Solution.** The equation is homogeneous and