

# Practice for Separable ODEs

Why?

**Exercise 1** Solve  $y' = y^3$  for  $y(0) = 1$ .

**Exercise 2** Solve  $x' = \frac{1}{x^2}$ ,  $x(1) = 1$ .

**Exercise 3** Solve  $y' = (y - 1)(y + 1)$  for  $y(0) = 3$ . (Note: Requires partial fractions)

**Exercise 4** Solve  $x' = \frac{1}{\cos(x)}$ ,  $x(0) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**Exercise 5** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{y+1}$  for  $y(0) = 0$ .

**Exercise 6** Solve  $y' = x/y$ .

**Exercise 7** Solve  $y' = x^2 y$ .

**Exercise 8** Consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{y}$$

a) Find the general solution as an implicit function.

b) Find the solution to this differential equation as an explicit function with  $y(1) = 4$ .

c) Find the solution to this differential equation as an explicit function with  $y(0) = -2$ .

**Exercise 9** Solve  $y' = y^n$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer. Hint: You have to consider different cases.

**Exercise 10** Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} = (x^2 - 1)t$ , for  $x(0) = 0$ . (Note: Requires partial fractions)

**Exercise 11** Solve  $\frac{dx}{dt} = x \sin(t)$ , for  $x(0) = 1$ .

Learning outcomes:

**Exercise 12** Solve  $y' = 2xy$ .

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**Exercise 13** Solve  $y' = ye^{2x}$  with  $y(0) = 4$ .

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**Exercise 14** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy + x + y + 1$ . *Hint: Factor the right-hand side.*

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**Exercise 15** Solve  $x' = 3xt^2 - 3t^2$ ,  $x(0) = 2$ .

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**Exercise 16** Find the general solution of  $y' = e^x$ , and then  $y' = e^y$ .

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**Exercise 17** Solve  $xy' = y + 2x^2y$ , where  $y(1) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 18** Find an implicit solution for  $x' = \frac{1}{3x^2 + 1}$ ,  $x(0) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 19** Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2 + 1}{x^2 + 1}$ , for  $y(0) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 20** Find an implicit solution for  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + 1}{y^2 + 1}$ , for  $y(0) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 21** Find an implicit solution to  $y' = \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(y)}$ .

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**Exercise 22** Find an implicit solution for  $xy' = \frac{x^2 + 1}{y^2 - 1}$  with  $y(3) = 2$ .

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**Exercise 23** Find an explicit solution for  $y' = xe^{-y}$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 24** Find an explicit solution to  $xy' = y^2$ ,  $y(1) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 25** Find an explicit solution for  $xy' = e^{-y}$ , for  $y(1) = 1$ .

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**Exercise 26** Find an explicit solution for  $y' = y^2(x^4 + 1)$  with  $y(1) = 2$ .

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**Exercise 27** Find an explicit solution for  $y' = \frac{\cos(x) + 1}{y}$  with  $y(0) = 4$ .

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**Exercise 28** Find an explicit solution for  $y' = ye^{-x^2}$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ . It is alright to leave a definite integral in your answer.

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**Exercise 29** Is the equation  $y' = x + y + 1$  separable? If so, find the general solution, if not, explain why.

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**Exercise 30** Is the equation  $y' = ty^2 + t$  separable? If so, find the general solution, if not, explain why.

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**Exercise 31** Is the equation  $y' = xy^2 + 3y^2 - 4x - 12$  separable? If so, find the general solution, if not, explain why. (Note: Requires partial fractions)

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**Exercise 32** Suppose a cup of coffee is at 100 degrees Celsius at time  $t = 0$ , it is at 70 degrees at  $t = 10$  minutes, and it is at 50 degrees at  $t = 20$  minutes. Compute the ambient temperature.

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**Exercise 33** Take **Normally a reference to a previous example goes here.** with the same numbers: 89 degrees at  $t = 0$ , 85 degrees at  $t = 1$ , and ambient temperature of 22 degrees. Suppose these temperatures were measured with precision of  $\pm 0.5$  degrees. Given this imprecision, the time it takes the coffee to cool to (exactly) 60 degrees is also only known in a certain range. Find this range. Hint: Think about what kind of error makes the cooling time longer and what shorter.

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**Exercise 34** A population  $x$  of rabbits on an island is modeled by  $x' = x - (1/1000)x^2$ , where the independent variable is time in months. At time  $t = 0$ , there are 40 rabbits on the island.

a) Find the solution to the equation with the initial condition.

b) How many rabbits are on the island in 1 month, 5 months, 10 months, 15 months (round to the nearest integer).

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