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Further Mathematics
First Order Differential Equations
Past Examination Questions

This booklet consists of 34 questions across a variety of examination topics.
The total number of marks available is 312.

1. (a) Find the general solution of the differential equation (8)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = \cos^3 x,$$

expressing y in terms of x .

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \tan x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sec x} = \sec x.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = \cos^3 x &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \sec x + y \sec x \tan x = \cos^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sec x) = \cos^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec x = \int \cos^2 x \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec x = \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + \frac{1}{2}\right) dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec x = \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{2}x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \cos x \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{2}x + c\right)}}, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalent.

- (b) Find the particular solution for which $y = 2$ when $x = \pi$. (2)

Solution

$$x = \pi, y = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = -1 \left(\frac{1}{2}\pi + c\right) \Rightarrow c = -2 - \frac{1}{2}\pi.$$

Hence

$$\underline{\underline{y = \cos x \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{2}x - 2 - \frac{1}{2}\pi\right)}}.$$

2. (a) Use the substitution $z = x + y$ to show that the differential equation (3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x + y + 3}{x + y - 1} \quad (\dagger)$$

may be written in the form

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{2(z + 1)}{z - 1}.$$

Solution

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x + y + 3}{x + y - 1} &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} - 1 = \frac{z + 3}{z - 1} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{z + 3}{z - 1} + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{z + 3}{z - 1} + \frac{z - 1}{z - 1} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{2z + 2}{z - 1} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{2(z + 1)}{z - 1}, \end{aligned}$$

as required.

- (b) Hence find the general solution of the differential equation (†). (4)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{2(z + 1)}{z - 1} &\Rightarrow \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} dz = 2 dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} dz = \int 2 dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int \frac{(z + 1) - 2}{z + 1} dz = \int 2 dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int \left(1 - \frac{2}{z + 1} \right) dz = \int 2 dx \\ &\Rightarrow z - 2 \ln |z + 1| = 2x + c \\ &\Rightarrow x + y - 2 \ln |x + y + 1| = 2x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y - 2 \ln |x + y + 1| = x + c}}, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalent.

3. (a) Show that

$$\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}}$$

is an integrating factor for the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{1-x^2} = \sqrt{1-x}, \quad |x| < 1.$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{1-x^2} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{1}{1-x} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\ln(1+x) - \ln(1-x)) + c \quad (\text{since } |x| < 1) \\ &= \ln \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} + c \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{1}{1-x^2} dx} = \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}},$$

as required.

(b) Hence find the solution of the differential equation for which $y = 2$ when $x = 0$. Give your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{1-x^2} = \sqrt{1-x} &\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \frac{dy}{dx} + \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \frac{y}{1-x^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \sqrt{1-x} \\ &\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \frac{dy}{dx} + \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \frac{y}{1-x^2} = \sqrt{1+x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(y \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \right) = \sqrt{1+x} \\ &\Rightarrow y \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} = \frac{2}{3} (1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}} \left(\frac{2}{3} (1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + c \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$x = 0, y = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{2}{3} + c \Rightarrow c = \frac{4}{3}$$

and hence

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}} \left(\frac{2}{3}(1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{4}{3} \right),$$

or equivalent.

4. (a) Use the substitution $y = xz$ to find the general solution of the differential equation (6)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = x \cos \left(\frac{y}{x} \right).$$

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = z + x \frac{dz}{dx}$$

and so

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = x \cos \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \Rightarrow x \left(z + x \frac{dz}{dx} \right) - xz = x \cos z$$

$$\Rightarrow xz + x^2 \frac{dz}{dx} - xz = x \cos z$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{dz}{dx} = x \cos z$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dz}{dx} = \cos z$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec z \, dz = \frac{1}{x} \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \sec z \, dz = \int \frac{1}{x} \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln |\sec z + \tan z| = \ln |x| + c$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln |\sec z + \tan z| = \ln |x| + \ln A$$

$$\Rightarrow |\sec z + \tan z| = A|x|$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \sec \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) + \tan \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \right| = A|x|,$$

or equivalent.

- (b) Find the solution of the differential equation for which $y = \pi$ when $x = 4$. (2)

Solution

Using the values for x and y ,

$$\sec \frac{\pi}{4} + \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 4A \Rightarrow A = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$

and so

$$\underline{\underline{\left| \sec \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) + \tan \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \right| = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{4} |x|}}$$

5. The substitution $y = u^k$, where k is an integer, is used to solve the differential equation

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

by changing it into an equation (\ddagger) in the variables u and x .

- (a) Show that equation (\ddagger) may be written in the form

$$\frac{du}{dx} + \frac{3u}{kx} = \frac{1}{k} x u^{k+1}. \quad (4)$$

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(u^k) = \frac{d}{du}(u^k) \times \frac{du}{dx} = k u^{k-1} \frac{du}{dx}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = x^2 y^2 &\Rightarrow x \left(k u^{k-1} \frac{du}{dx} \right) + 3u^k = x^2 (u^k)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow k u^{k-1} x \frac{du}{dx} + 3u^k = x^2 u^{2k} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{du}{dx} + \frac{3u}{kx} = \frac{1}{k} x u^{k+1}}}}, \end{aligned}$$

as required.

- (b) Write down the value of k for which the integrating factor method may be used to solve equation (\ddagger) . (1)

Solution

The RHS needs to be just a function of x and so $k = -1$ is the value that is required.

- (c) Using this value of k , solve equation (‡) and hence find the general solution of equation (†), giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$. (4)

Solution

If $k = -1$ then the differential equation is

$$\frac{du}{dx} - \frac{3u}{x} = -x.$$

The integrating factor is

$$e^{\int -\frac{3}{x} dx} = e^{-3 \ln x} = x^{-3}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{3u}{x} = -x &\Rightarrow x^{-3} \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{3u}{x^4} = -x^{-2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-3}u) = -x^{-2} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{-3}u = -x^{-1} + c \\ &\Rightarrow u = x^2 + cx^3 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} = x^2 + cx^3 \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{x^2 + cx^3}. \end{aligned}$$

6. The variables x and y are related by the differential equation

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

- (a) Use the substitution $y = ux$, where u is a function of x to transform the differential equation (†) into (3)

$$x \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{2}{u}.$$

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(ux) = u + x \frac{du}{dx}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x^2 + y^2}{xy} &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow u + x \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{2}{u} + u \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{2}{u}}},\end{aligned}$$

as required.

- (b) Hence find the general solution of differential equation (†), giving your answer in the form $y^2 = f(x)$. (4)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}x \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{2}{u} &\Rightarrow u \, du = \frac{2}{x} \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int u \, du = \int \frac{2}{x} \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}u^2 = 2 \ln |x| + c \\ &\Rightarrow u^2 = 4 \ln |x| + 2c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y^2 = x^2(4 \ln |x| + 2c)}},\end{aligned}$$

or any equivalent expression that begins ‘ $y^2 =$ ’. (Note that there is nothing specified in the question about the possible values of x and so we must have the modulus signs in our answer.)

7. Find the solution of the differential equation (9)

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

for which $y = 2$ when $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$. Give your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \cot x \, dx} e^{\ln \sin x} = \sin x$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = 2x &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \sin x + y \cos x = 2x \sin x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (y \sin x) = 2x \sin x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = \int 2x \sin x \, dx.\end{aligned}$$

This requires integration by parts:

$$u = 2x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2 \text{ and } \frac{dv}{dx} = \sin x \Rightarrow v = -\cos x.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}y \sin x = \int 2x \sin x \, dx &\Rightarrow y \sin x = -2x \cos x + \int 2 \cos x \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = -2x \cos x + 2 \sin x + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = -2x \cot x + 2 + c \operatorname{cosec} x.\end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6}, y = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = -2 \times \frac{\pi}{6} \times \sqrt{3} + 2 + 2c \Rightarrow c = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{6}$$

and so

$$\underline{\underline{y = -2x \cot x + 2 + \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{6} \operatorname{cosec} x,}}$$

or equivalent.

8. Solve the differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^4 e^{2x}$$

(8)

for y in terms of x , given that $y = 0$ when $x = 1$.

Solution

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^4 e^{2x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{3}{x}y = x^3 e^{2x}$$

and so

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int -\frac{3}{x} dx} = e^{-3 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^{-3}} = x^{-3}.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{3}{x}y &= x^3 e^{2x} \Rightarrow x^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{3}{x^4}y = e^{2x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(x^{-3}y) = e^{2x} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{-3}y = \int e^{2x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow x^{-3}y = \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = x^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + c \right).\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$x = 0, y = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1}{2} + c \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$$

and so

$$\underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{2}x^3(e^{2x} + 1)}}.$$

9. The differential equation

$$3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y^3 = \frac{\cos x}{x}$$

(8)

is to be solved for $x > 0$. Use the substitution $u = y^3$ to find the general solution for y in terms of x .

Solution

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(y^3) = \frac{d}{dy}(y^3) \times \frac{dy}{dx} = 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned}3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y^3 &= \frac{\cos x}{x} \Rightarrow x \frac{du}{dx} + 2u = \frac{\cos x}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} + \frac{2u}{x} = \frac{\cos x}{x^2}.\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{x} dx} = e^{2 \ln x} = x^2$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dx} + \frac{2u}{x} &= \frac{\cos x}{x^2} \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{du}{dx} + 2xu = \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 u) = \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 u = \sin x + c \\ &\Rightarrow u = \frac{\sin x + c}{x^2} \\ &\Rightarrow y^3 = \frac{\sin x + c}{x^2} \\ &\Rightarrow y = \underline{\underline{\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sin x + c}{x^2}}}}.\end{aligned}$$

10. (a) By using an integrating factor, find the general solution of the differential equation (7)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{4y}{2x+1} = 4(2x+1)^5.$$

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{4}{2x+1} dx} = e^{2 \ln(2x+1)} = (2x+1)^2$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{4y}{2x+1} &= 4(2x+1)^5 \Rightarrow (2x+1)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4(2x+1)y = 4(2x+1)^7 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (y(2x+1)^2) = 4(2x+1)^7 \\ &\Rightarrow y(2x+1)^2 = \int 4(2x+1)^7 dx \\ &\Rightarrow y(2x+1)^2 = \frac{1}{4}(2x+1)^8 + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{4}(2x+1)^6 + c(2x+1)^{-2}}},\end{aligned}$$

or equivalent.

- (b) The gradient of a curve at any point (x, y) on the curve is given by the differential equation (3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{4y}{2x+1} = 4(2x+1)^5.$$

The point whose x -coordinate is zero is a stationary point of the curve. Using your answer to part (a), find the equation of the curve.

Solution

Using the differential equation,

$$x = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow y = 1.$$

Now, using part (a),

$$x = 0, y = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1}{4} + c \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{4}$$

and hence

$$\underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{4}(2x + 1)^6 + \frac{3}{4}(2x + 1)^{-2}}}.$$

11. (a) Differentiate $\ln(\ln x)$ with respect to x . (1)

Solution

You may find it easiest to see the answer by writing out a full chain rule statement. Let $y = \ln u$ where $u = \ln x$. Then

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(\ln x)) = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{u} \times \frac{1}{x} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{x \ln x}}}.$$

- (b) (i) Show that $\ln x$ is an integrating factor for the first-order differential equation (2)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x \ln x} y = 9x^2, \quad x > 1.$$

Solution

By part (a),

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx} = e^{\ln(\ln x)} = \underline{\underline{\ln x}},$$

as required.

- (ii) Hence find the solution of this differential equation, given that $y = 4e^3$ when $x = e$. (6)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x \ln x} y &= 9x^2 \Rightarrow \ln x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x} y = 9x^2 \ln x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \ln x) = 9x^2 \ln x \\ &\Rightarrow y \ln x = \int 9x^2 \ln x \, dx.\end{aligned}$$

This requires integration by parts:

$$u = \ln x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = 9x^2 \Rightarrow v = 3x^3.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}y \ln x &= \int 9x^2 \ln x \, dx \Rightarrow y \ln x = 3x^3 \ln x - \int 3x^2 \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \ln x = 3x^3 \ln x - x^3 + c.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$x = e, y = 4e^3 \Rightarrow 4e^3 = 3e^3 - e^3 + c \Rightarrow c = 2e^3$$

and so

$$y \ln x = 3x^3 \ln x - x^3 + 4e^3 \Rightarrow y = \frac{3x^3 \ln x - x^3 + 2e^3}{\ln x},$$

or equivalent.

12. By using an integrating factor, find the general solution of the differential equation

(6)

$$\frac{du}{dx} - \frac{2x}{x^2 + 4} u = 3(x^2 + 4),$$

giving your answer in the form $u = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int -\frac{2x}{x^2+4} dx} = e^{\ln -(x^2+4)} = (x^2 + 4)^{-1}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dx} - \frac{2x}{x^2 + 4}u &= 3(x^2 + 4) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x^2 + 4} \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{2xu}{(x^2 + 4)^2} = 3 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{x^2 + 4} \right) = 3 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{u}{x^2 + 4} = \int 3 dx \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{u}{x^2 + 4} = 3x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{u = (3x + c)(x^2 + 4)}},\end{aligned}$$

or equivalent.

13. (a) Find the particular values of the constants a , b , and c for which $a + b \sin 2x + c \cos 2x$ satisfies the differential equation (4)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 20 - 20 \cos 2x.$$

Solution

$$\frac{d}{dx}(a + b \sin 2x + c \cos 2x) = 2b \cos 2x - 2c \sin 2x$$

and so, substituting into the differential equation gives

$$(2b + 4c) \cos 2x + (4b - 2c) \sin 2x + 4a \equiv 20 - 20 \cos 2x.$$

Hence $a = 5$, $b = -2$, and $c = -4$.

- (b) Hence find the solution of this differential equation, given that $y = 4$ when $x = 0$. (4)

Solution

The 'complementary function' is $y = Ae^{-4x}$ and so the general solution is

$$y = Ae^{-4x} + 5 - 2 \sin 2x - 4 \cos 2x.$$

Since $y = 4$ when $x = 0$ we have $A = 3$ and hence

$$\underline{\underline{y = 3e^{-4x} + 5 - 2 \sin 2x - 4 \cos 2x}}.$$

Note that you can solve this problem using the integrating factor approach: the IF is clearly e^{4x} and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y &= 20 - 20 \cos 2x \Rightarrow e^{4x} \frac{dy}{dx} + 4e^{4x}y = 20e^{4x} - 20e^{4x} \cos 2x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (ye^{4x}) = 20e^{4x} - 20e^{4x} \cos 2x \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{4x} = \int (20e^{4x} - 20e^{4x} \cos 2x) dx \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{4x} = 5e^{4x} + c - 20 \int e^{4x} \cos 2x dx.\end{aligned}$$

You should be able to recognise that this integral is a classic case of having to do integration by parts twice. Let $I = \int e^{4x} \cos 2x dx$. Then

$$u = e^{4x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 4e^{4x} \text{ and } \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos 2x \Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x.$$

So

$$I = \frac{1}{2}e^{4x} \sin 2x - 2 \int e^{4x} \sin 2x dx.$$

Now for the second round of integration by parts:

$$u = e^{4x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 4e^{4x} \text{ and } \frac{dv}{dx} = \sin 2x \Rightarrow v = -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}I &= \frac{1}{2}e^{4x} \sin 2x - 2 \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}e^{4x} \cos 2x + 2 \int e^{4x} \cos 2x dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}e^{4x} \sin 2x + e^{4x} \cos 2x - 4I,\end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$I = \frac{1}{10}e^{4x} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{5}e^{4x} \cos 2x.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}ye^{4x} &= 5e^{4x} + c - 20 \left(\frac{1}{10}e^{4x} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{5}e^{4x} \cos 2x \right) \\ \Rightarrow ye^{4x} &= 5e^{4x} + c - 2e^{4x} \sin 2x - 4e^{4x} \cos 2x \\ \Rightarrow y &= 5 + ce^{-4x} - 2 \sin 2x - 4 \cos 2x,\end{aligned}$$

and we can now find the value of c as before.

14. Find the general solution of the differential equation

(7)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \cot 2x = \sin x, \quad 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int 2 \cot 2x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sin 2x} = \sin 2x.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \cot 2x = \sin x &\Rightarrow \sin 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \cos 2x = \sin 2x \sin x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sin 2x) = 2 \sin^2 x \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin 2x = \frac{2}{3} \sin^3 x + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \sin^3 x + 3c}{3 \sin 2x}. \end{aligned}$$

15. Find the general solution of the differential equation

(7)

$$(x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \frac{1}{x},$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

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

Now,

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{x+1} \, dx} = e^{2 \ln(x+1)} = e^{\ln(x+1)^2} = (x+1)^2$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x+1}y &= \frac{1}{x(x+1)} \Rightarrow (x+1)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2(x+1)y = \frac{x+1}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [y(x+1)^2] = \frac{x+1}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [y(x+1)^2] = 1 + \frac{1}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow y(x+1)^2 = x + \ln|x| + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \frac{x + \ln|x| + c}{(x+1)^2}}}.\end{aligned}$$

16. During an industrial process, the mass of salt, S kg, dissolved in a liquid t minutes after the process begins is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{2S}{120-t} = \frac{1}{4}, \quad 0 \leq t < 120.$$

Given that $S = 6$ when $t = 0$,

(a) find S in terms of t ,

(8)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{120-t} dt} = e^{-2 \ln(120-t)} = e^{\ln(120-t)^{-2}} = (120-t)^{-2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{2S}{120-t} &= \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{(120-t)^2} \frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{2S}{(120-t)^3} = \frac{1}{4(120-t)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{S}{(120-t)^2} \right] = \frac{1}{4(120-t)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{S}{(120-t)^2} = \frac{1}{4(120-t)} + c \\ &\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{4}(120-t) + c(120-t)^2.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$S = 6, t = 0 \Rightarrow 6 = 30 + 14400c \Rightarrow c = -\frac{1}{600}$$

and

$$\underline{\underline{S = \frac{1}{4}(120-t) - \frac{1}{600}(120-t)^2}}.$$

- (b) calculate the maximum mass of salt that the model predicts will be dissolved in the liquid at any one time during the process. (4)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} = 0 &\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{300}(120 - t) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{300}(120 - t) = \frac{1}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow 120 - t = 75 \\ &\Rightarrow t = 45 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{S = \frac{75}{8}}}\end{aligned}$$

17. Obtain the general solution of the differential equation (8)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \cos x, \quad x > 0,$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \cos x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x}y = \frac{\cos x}{x}$$

and

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{x} dx} = e^{2 \ln x} = x^2.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x}y &= \frac{\cos x}{x} \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2xy = x \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 y) = x \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 y = \int x \cos x \, dx.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$u = x, \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1, \quad v = \sin x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 y &= \int x \cos x \, dx \Rightarrow x^2 y = x \sin x - \int \sin x \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 y = x \sin x + \cos x + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{x \sin x + \cos x + c}{x^2}.\end{aligned}$$

18.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan x = 2 \sec^3 x.$$

(7)

Giving that $y = 3$ and $x = 0$, find y in terms of x .

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-\int \tan x \, dx} = e^{\ln \cos x} = \cos x.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan x = 2 \sec^3 x &\Rightarrow \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} - y \sin x = 2 \sec^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \cos x) = 2 \sec^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow y \cos x = 2 \tan x + c.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$x = 0, y = 3 \Rightarrow 3 = 0 + c \Rightarrow c = 3$$

and

$$y \cos x = 2 \tan x + 3 \Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \tan x + 3}{\cos x}.$$

19. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x,$$

(7)

to obtain y as a function of x .

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-\int 3 dx} = e^{-3x}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x &\Rightarrow e^{-3x} \frac{dy}{dx} - 3e^{-3x}y = xe^{-3x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(e^{-3x}y) = xe^{-3x} \\ &\Rightarrow e^{-3x}y = \int xe^{-3x} dx.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$u = x, \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = e^{-3x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1, \quad v = -\frac{1}{3}e^{-3x}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-3x}y &= \int xe^{-3x} dx \Rightarrow e^{-3x}y = -\frac{1}{3}xe^{-3x} + \frac{1}{3} \int e^{-3x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow e^{-3x}y = -\frac{1}{3}xe^{-3x} - \frac{1}{9}e^{-3x} + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = -\frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{9} + ce^{3x}}}.\end{aligned}$$

20. (a) Show that the substitution $y = vx$ transforms the differential equation

(3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{3y}{x}, \quad x > 0, \quad y > 0 \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = 2v + \frac{1}{v} \quad (\ddagger).$$

Solution

$$y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{3y}{x} &\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x}{xv} + \frac{3vx}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{v} + 3v \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x \frac{dv}{dx} = 2v + \frac{1}{v}}}.\end{aligned}$$

- (b) By solving differential equation (‡), find a general solution of the differential equation (†) in the form $y = f(x)$. (7)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-2 \int \frac{1}{x} dx} = e^{-2 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^{-2}} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}x \frac{dv}{dx} = 2v + \frac{1}{v} &\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{2v^2 + 1}{v} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{v}{2v^2 + 1} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int \frac{v}{2v^2 + 1} dv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \ln(2v^2 + 1) = \ln x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \ln(2v^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{4}} - \ln x = c \\ &\Rightarrow \ln \left[\frac{(2v^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{x} \right] = c \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(2v^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{x} = e^c \\ &\Rightarrow (2v^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{4}} = x e^c \\ &\Rightarrow 2v^2 + 1 = Ax^4\end{aligned}$$

where $A = e^{4c}$

$$\Rightarrow 2v^2 = Ax^4 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow v^2 = \frac{Ax^4 - 1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{Ax^4 - 1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \sqrt{\frac{Ax^4 - 1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = x\sqrt{\frac{Ax^4 - 1}{2}}}}$$

Given that $y = 3$ and $x = 1$,

(c) find the particular solution of differential equation (†).

(2)

Solution

Now,

$$x = 1, y = 3 \Rightarrow 3 = \sqrt{\frac{A - 1}{2}} \Rightarrow A = 19$$

and

$$\underline{\underline{y = x\sqrt{\frac{19x^4 - 1}{2}}}}$$

21. (a) Show that the substitution $y = \frac{1}{t}$ transforms the differential equation

(4)

$$\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = y^2, \quad 0 < x < \pi \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$\frac{dt}{dx} - t \cot x = -\operatorname{cosec} x, \quad 0 < x < \pi \quad (\ddagger).$$

Solution

$$y = \frac{1}{t} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{t^2} \frac{dt}{dx}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = y^2 &\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{t^2} \sin x \frac{dt}{dx} + \frac{1}{t} \cos x = \frac{1}{t^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \sin x \frac{dt}{dx} - t \cos x = -1 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dt}{dx} - t \cot x = -\operatorname{cosec} x.}}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Solve the differential equation (‡).

(5)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-\int \cot x \, dx} = e^{-\ln \sin x} = e^{\ln(\sin x)^{-1}} = \operatorname{cosec} x$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dt}{dx} - t \cot x = -\operatorname{cosec} x &\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec} x \frac{dt}{dx} - t \operatorname{cosec} x \cot x = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(t \operatorname{cosec} x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow t \operatorname{cosec} x = \cot x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{t = \sin x(\cot x + c).}}\end{aligned}$$

(c) Hence show that

(2)

$$y = \frac{1}{\cos x + c \sin x},$$

where c is an arbitrary constant, is a general solution of the differential equation (†).

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}t = \sin x(\cot x + c) &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} = \sin x(\cot x + c) \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{\sin x(\cot x + c)} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{\cos x + c \sin x}.}}\end{aligned}$$

Given that $y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$,

(d) find the value of y at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}x = \frac{\pi}{4}, y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} &\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt{2}}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{1+c} \\ &\Rightarrow c = 2,\end{aligned}$$

and we have

$$y = \frac{1}{\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

22. (a) Find, in the form $y = f(x)$, the general solution of the equation

(6)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = \sin x, \quad 0 < x < \pi.$$

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \cot x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sin x} = \sin x$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = \sin x &\Rightarrow \sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = \sin^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sin x) = \sin^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sin x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c}{\sin x}.\end{aligned}$$

Given that $y = 1$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$,

(b) show that, at $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$,

(4)

$$y = \frac{(6 - \pi)\sqrt{2}}{8}.$$

Solution

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, y = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \sin \pi + c}{\sin \frac{\pi}{2}} \Rightarrow c = 1 - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{\frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{1}{4} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + 1 - \frac{\pi}{4}}{\sin \frac{\pi}{4}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{4} - \frac{\pi}{8}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{8}(6 - \pi)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \\ &= \frac{(6 - \pi)\sqrt{2}}{8}. \end{aligned}$$

23. (a) Show that the substitution $z = \frac{1}{y^2}$ transforms the differential equation (4)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 4xy^3, y > 0 \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$\frac{dz}{dx} - 2z = -8x \quad (\ddagger).$$

Solution

$$z = \frac{1}{y^2} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{2}{y^3} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 4xy^3 &\Rightarrow -\frac{y^3}{2} \frac{dz}{dx} + y = 4xy^3 \\ &\Rightarrow y^2 \frac{dz}{dx} - 2 = -8xy^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} - \frac{2}{y^2} = -8x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} - 2z = -8x. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Hence find the solution of the differential equation (†) in the form $y = f(x)$.

(7)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-\int 2 dx} = e^{-2x}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dx} - 2z &= -8x \Rightarrow e^{-2x} \frac{dz}{dx} - 2e^{-2x}z = -8xe^{-2x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(ze^{-2x}) = -8xe^{-2x} \\ &\Rightarrow ze^{-2x} = -\int 8xe^{-2x} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$u = -8x, \frac{dv}{dx} = e^{-2x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = -8, v = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2x}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ze^{-2x} &= -\int 8xe^{-2x} dx \Rightarrow ze^{-2x} = 4xe^{-2x} - \int 4e^{-2x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow ze^{-2x} = 4xe^{-2x} + 2e^{-2x} + c \\ &\Rightarrow z = 4x + 2 + ce^{2x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y^2} = 4x + 2 + ce^{2x} \\ &\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{1}{4x + 2e^{-2x} + ce^{2x}} \\ &\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{-4x - 2 + ce^{2x}}}. \end{aligned}$$

The stationary point of the graph of a particular solution of the differential equation (†) is (x_1, y_1) , $x_1 > 0$.

(c) Show that $y_1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x_1}}$.

(2)

Solution

So, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 &\Rightarrow y_1 = 4x_1y_1^3 \\ &\Rightarrow 1 = 4x_1y_1^2 \\ &\Rightarrow y_1^2 = \frac{1}{4x_1} \\ &\Rightarrow y_1 = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x_1}}}}.\end{aligned}$$

24. Find the general solution of the differential equation

(7)

$$\sin \frac{dy}{dx} - y \cos x = \sin 2x \sin x,$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\sin \frac{dy}{dx} - y \cos x = \sin 2x \sin x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} - y \cot x = \sin^2 x$$

and

$$\text{IF} = e^{-\int \cot x dx} = e^{-\ln \sin x} = e^{\ln(\sin x)^{-1}} = \frac{1}{\sin x}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} - y \cot x = \sin^2 x &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin x} \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x} y = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{y}{\sin x} \right] = \frac{2 \sin x \cos x}{\sin x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{y}{\sin x} \right] = 2 \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{y}{\sin x} = 2 \sin x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = 2 \sin^2 x + c \sin x}}.\end{aligned}$$

25. (a) Show that the substitution $z = y^{\frac{1}{2}}$ transforms the differential equation

(5)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 4y \tan x = 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$\frac{dz}{dx} - 2z \tan x = 1 \quad (\ddagger).$$

Solution

$$z = y^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}y^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} - 4y \tan x = 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}y^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} \tan x = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dz}{dx} - 2z \tan x = 1.}} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Solve the differential equation (‡) to find z as a function of x . (6)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{-2 \int \tan x \, dx} = e^{-2 \ln \sec x} = e^{\ln(\sec x)^{-2}} = \cos^2 x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dx} - 2z \tan x = 1 &\Rightarrow \cos^2 x \frac{dz}{dx} - 2z \sin x \cos x = \cos^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(z \cos^2 x) = \cos^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(z \cos^2 x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x \\ &\Rightarrow z \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{z = \frac{\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c}{\cos^2 x}.}} \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Hence obtain the general solution of the differential equation (‡). (1)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} z = y^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow y^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c}{\cos^2 x} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + c}{\cos^2 x} \right)^2.}} \end{aligned}$$

26. Find the general solution of the differential equation

(8)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = \frac{\ln x}{x}, \quad x > 0,$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = \frac{\ln x}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{5}{x}y = \frac{\ln x}{x^2}.$$

Now,

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{5}{x} dx} = e^{5 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^5} = x^5$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{5}{x}y &= \frac{\ln x}{x} \Rightarrow x^5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 5x^4y = x^3 \ln x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(x^5y) = x^3 \ln x \\ &\Rightarrow x^5y = \int x^3 \ln x \, dx. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$u = \ln x, \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}, \quad v = \frac{1}{4}x^4$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} x^5y &= \int x^3 \ln x \, dx \Rightarrow x^5y = \frac{1}{4}x^4 \ln x - \int \frac{1}{4}x^3 \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow x^5y = \frac{1}{4}x^4 \ln x - \frac{1}{16}x^4 + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{\frac{1}{4}x^4 \ln x - \frac{1}{16}x^4 + c}{x^5} \\ &\Rightarrow y = \underline{\underline{\frac{\ln x}{4x} - \frac{1}{16x} + \frac{c}{x^5}}}. \end{aligned}$$

27. (a) Show that the substitution $y = vx$ transforms the differential equation

(3)

$$3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = x^3 + y^3 \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$3v^2x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 - 2v^3 \quad (\ddagger).$$

Solution

$$y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} 3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= x^3 + y^3 \Rightarrow 3x(vx)^2 \left(v + x \frac{dv}{dx} \right) = x^3 + (vx)^3 \\ &\Rightarrow 3v^3 x^3 + 3v^2 x^4 \frac{dv}{dx} = x^3 + v^3 x^3 \\ &\Rightarrow 3v^3 + 3v^2 x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + v^3 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{3v^2 x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 - 2v^3.}} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) By solving differential equation (‡), find a general solution of the differential equation (†) in the form $y = f(x)$. (6)

Solution

For this, we need $x > 0$ and $y > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}3v^2 x \frac{dv}{dx} &= 1 - 2v^3 \Rightarrow \frac{3v^2}{1 - 2v^3} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx \\&\Rightarrow \int \frac{3v^2}{1 - 2v^3} dv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx \\&\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1 - 2v^3) = \ln x + c \\&\Rightarrow -\ln(1 - 2v^3) = 2 \ln x + 2c \\&\Rightarrow -\ln(1 - 2v^3) = \ln x^2 + \ln a \quad (\text{where } \ln a = 2c) \\&\Rightarrow -\ln(1 - 2v^3) = \ln(ax^2) \\&\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - 2v^3} = ax^2 \\&\Rightarrow 1 - 2v^3 = \frac{1}{ax^2} \\&\Rightarrow 2v^3 = 1 - \frac{1}{ax^2} \\&\Rightarrow v^3 = \frac{ax^2 - 1}{2ax^2} \\&\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{ax^2 - 1}{2ax^2}} \\&\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = x \sqrt[3]{\frac{ax^2 - 1}{2ax^2}}}}.\end{aligned}$$

Given that $y = 2$ at $x = 1$,

(c) find the value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $x = 1$. (2)

Solution

$$x = 1, y = 2 \Rightarrow 3 \times 1 \times 2^2 \times \frac{dy}{dx} = 1^3 + 2^3 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{4}}}.$$

28. (a) Find, in the form $y = f(x)$, the general solution of the equation (6)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = \sin 2x, 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int 2 \tan x \, dx} = e^{2 \ln \sec x} = e^{\ln \sec^2 x} = \sec^2 x$$

and so

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = \sin 2x \Rightarrow \sec^2 x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \sec^2 x \tan x = \sin 2x \sec^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (y \sec^2 x) = (2 \sin x \cos x) \sec^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sec^2 x = \int 2 \tan x \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sec^2 x = 2 \ln \sec x + c$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \cos^2 x (2 \ln \sec x + c)}},$$

or equivalent.

Given that $y = 2$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$,

- (b) find the value of y at $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$, giving your answer in the form $a + k \ln b$ where a and b are integers and k is rational. (4)

Solution

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, y = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{1}{4}(2 \ln 2 + c) \Rightarrow c = 8 - \ln 4.$$

Hence

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow y = \frac{3}{4} \left(2 \ln \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} + 8 - \ln 4 \right) = \underline{\underline{6 - \frac{3}{4} \ln 3}}.$$

29. (a) Find the general solution of the differential equation (5)

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

Solution

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

and hence

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{x} \, dx} = e^{2 \ln x} = e^{\ln x^2} = x^2.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x}y &= 4x \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + xy = 4x^3 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(yx^2) = 4x^3 \\ &\Rightarrow yx^2 = \int 4x^3 dx \\ &\Rightarrow yx^2 = x^4 + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \underline{\underline{\frac{x^4 + c}{x^2}}},\end{aligned}$$

or equivalent.

- (b) Find the particular solution for which $y = 5$ at $x = 1$, giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$. (2)

Solution

$$x = 1, y = 5 \Rightarrow 5 = \frac{1 + c}{1} \Rightarrow c = 4$$

and hence

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

- (c) (i) Find the exact values of the coordinates of the turning points of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$, making your method clear. (2)

Solution

$$y = x^2 + 4x^{-2} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 8x^{-3}.$$

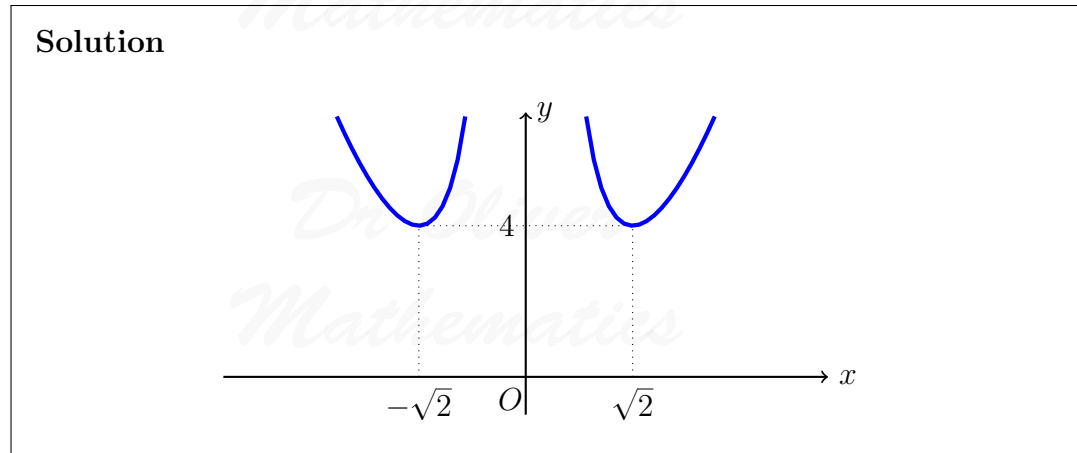
So

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 &\Rightarrow 2x - 8x^{-3} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x^4 = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{2}.\end{aligned}$$

So the coordinates of the stationary points are

$$\underline{\underline{(\sqrt{2}, 4)}} \text{ and } \underline{\underline{(-\sqrt{2}, 4)}}.$$

- (ii) Sketch the curve with equation $y = f(x)$, showing the coordinates of the turning points. (3)



30. (a) Show that the substitution $v = y^{-3}$ transforms the differential equation (5) (5)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 2x^4 y^4 \quad (\dagger)$$

into the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{3v}{x} = -6x^3. \quad (\ddagger)$$

Solution

$$v = y^{-3} \Rightarrow y = v^{-\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3} v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dx}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 2x^4 y^4 &\Rightarrow x \left(-\frac{1}{3} v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dx} \right) + v^{-\frac{1}{3}} = 2x^4 v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \\ &\Rightarrow x v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dx} - 3v^{-\frac{1}{3}} = -6x^4 v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \\ &\Rightarrow v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{3}{x} v^{-\frac{1}{3}} = -6x^3 v^{-\frac{4}{3}} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{3v}{x} = -6x^3}}, \end{aligned}$$

as required.

- (b) By solving the differential equation (\ddagger) , find a general solution of differential equation (\dagger) in the form $y^3 = f(x)$. (6)

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int -\frac{3}{x} dx} = e^{-3 \ln x} = x^{-3}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{3v}{x} &= -6x^3 \Rightarrow x^{-3} \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{3v}{x^4} = -6 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(x^{-3}v) = -6 \\ &\Rightarrow x^{-3}v = c - 6x \\ &\Rightarrow v = cx^3 - 6x^4 \\ &\Rightarrow y^{-3} = cx^3 - 6x^4 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y^3 = \frac{1}{cx^3 - 6x^4}}}. \end{aligned}$$

31. (a) Find the general solution of the differential equation

(6)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = e^{4x} \cos^2 x, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

giving your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int 2 \tan x dx} = e^{2 \ln(\sec x)} = e^{\ln(\sec^2 x)} = \sec^2 x.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x &= e^{4x} \cos^2 x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \sec^2 x + 2y \tan x \sec^2 x = e^{4x} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sec^2 x) = e^{4x} \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec^2 x = \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \cos^2 x \left(\frac{1}{4} e^{4x} + c \right)}}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the particular solution for which $y = 1$ at $x = 0$.

(2)

Solution

$$x = 0, y = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1}{4} + c \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{4}$$

and so

$$\underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{4} \cos^2 x (e^{4x} + 3)}}.$$

32. Find, in the form $y = f(x)$, the general solution of the differential equation

(6)

$$\tan x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 3 \cos 2x \tan x, \quad 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Solution

$$\tan x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 3 \cos 2x \tan x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = 3 \cos 2x$$

and we have

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \cot x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sin x} = \sin x.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = 3 \cos 2x &\Rightarrow \sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = 3 \cos 2x \sin x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sin x) = 3 \cos 2x \sin x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = \int 3 \cos 2x \sin x \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = \int 3(2 \cos^2 - 1) \sin x \, dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = 3\left(-\frac{2}{3} \cos^3 x + \cos x\right) + c \\ &\Rightarrow y \sin x = -2 \cos^3 x + 3 \cos x + c \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{-2 \cos^3 x + 3 \cos x + c}{\sin x}. \end{aligned}$$

33.

$$p \frac{dx}{dt} + qx = r, \quad \text{where } p, q, \text{ and } r \text{ are constants.}$$

(a) Given that $x = 0$ when $t = 0$,

(i) find x in terms of t ,

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Solution

$$p \frac{dx}{dt} + qx = r \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{q}{p}x = \frac{r}{p}$$

and

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{q}{p} \, dx} = e^{\frac{q}{p}t}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{q}{p}x &= \frac{r}{p} \Rightarrow e^{\frac{q}{p}t} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{q}{p}e^{\frac{q}{p}t}x = \frac{r}{p}e^{\frac{q}{p}t} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(xe^{\frac{q}{p}t}) = \frac{r}{p}e^{\frac{q}{p}t} \\ &\Rightarrow xe^{\frac{q}{p}t} = \int \frac{r}{p}e^{\frac{q}{p}t} dt \\ &\Rightarrow xe^{\frac{q}{p}t} = \frac{r}{q}e^{\frac{q}{p}t} + c \\ &\Rightarrow x = \frac{r}{q} + ce^{-\frac{q}{p}t}.\end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$x = 0, t = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{r}{q} + c \Rightarrow c = -\frac{r}{q}$$

and we have

$$\underline{\underline{x = \frac{r}{q} - \frac{r}{q}e^{-\frac{q}{p}t}}}.$$

(ii) find the limiting value of x as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

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Solution

$$t \rightarrow \infty, \underline{\underline{x \rightarrow \frac{r}{q}}}.$$

(b)

(7)

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} + 2y = \sin \theta.$$

Given that $y = 0$ when $\theta = 0$, find y in terms of θ .

Solution

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int 2 d\theta} = e^{2\theta}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{d\theta} + 2y &= \sin \theta \Rightarrow e^{2\theta} \frac{dy}{d\theta} + 2e^{2\theta}y = e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\theta}(ye^{2\theta}) = e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} = \int e^{2\theta} \sin \theta d\theta.\end{aligned}$$

Now, we are going to have to apply integration by parts twice:

$$u = e^{2\theta}, \frac{dv}{d\theta} = \sin \theta \Rightarrow \frac{du}{d\theta} = 2e^{2\theta}, v = -\cos \theta,$$

$$u = 2e^{2\theta}, \frac{dv}{d\theta} = \cos \theta \Rightarrow \frac{du}{d\theta} = 4e^{2\theta}, v = \sin \theta,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ye^{2\theta} &= \int e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \, d\theta \Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} = -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + \int 2e^{2\theta} \cos \theta \, d\theta \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} = -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + \left[2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta - \int 4e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \, d\theta \right] \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} = -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + 2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta - 4 \int e^{2\theta} \sin \theta \, d\theta \\ &\Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} = -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + 2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta - 4ye^{2\theta} + c \\ &\Rightarrow 5ye^{2\theta} = -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + 2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta + c. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$y = 0, \theta = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = -1 + c \Rightarrow c = 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 5ye^{2\theta} &= -e^{2\theta} \cos \theta + 2e^{2\theta} \sin \theta + 1 \\ \Rightarrow ye^{2\theta} &= \frac{1}{5}e^{2\theta}(2 \sin \theta - \cos \theta) + \frac{1}{5} \\ \Rightarrow y &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{5}(2 \sin \theta - \cos \theta) + \frac{1}{5}e^{-2\theta}}}. \end{aligned}$$

34. (a) Find, in the form $y = f(x)$, the general solution of the equation

(8)

$$\cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \sin x = 2 \cos^3 x \sin x + 1, 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Solution

$$\cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \sin x = 2 \cos^3 x \sin x + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \tan x = 2 \cos^2 x \sin x + \sec x$$

and we have

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \tan x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sec x} = \sec x.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \tan x &= 2 \cos^2 x \sin x + 1 \Rightarrow \sec x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \sec x \tan x = 2 \cos x \sin x + \sec^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \sec x) = 2 \cos x \sin x + \sec^2 x \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec x = \int (\sin 2x + \sec^2 x) dx \\ &\Rightarrow y \sec x = -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + \tan x + c \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \cos x \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + \tan x + c\right)}}.\end{aligned}$$

Given that $y = 5\sqrt{2}$ when $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$,

- (b) find the value of y when $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$, giving your answer in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$, where a and b are rational numbers to be found. (3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}5\sqrt{2} &= \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + \tan \frac{\pi}{4} + c\right) \\ \Rightarrow 5\sqrt{2} &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(0 + 1 + c) \\ \Rightarrow 10 &= 1 + c \\ \Rightarrow c &= 9 \\ \Rightarrow y &= \cos x \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + \tan x + 9\right)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}x = \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow y &= \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \tan \frac{\pi}{6} + 9\right) \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} + 9\right) \\ \Rightarrow y &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{35}{8}\sqrt{3}}}.\end{aligned}$$