

(Homogeneous function means power of the variables in each term should be same)

(ii) In the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f(x, y)}{g(x, y)}$ if the power of the variables of $f(x, y)$ is equal to the power of the variables of $g(x, y)$, then the equation is called Homogeneous equation.

Worked Examples

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

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

(The RHS of the above equation is a function of y/x , hence it is a homogeneous differential equation)

Put $\frac{y}{x} = v$, i.e., $y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$

∴ (1) becomes, $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + v + v^2$

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

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

$$\int \frac{dv}{1+v^2} = \int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\tan^{-1} v = \log x + c$$

$$\tan^{-1}(y/x) = \log x + c$$

2. Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} + \sin \frac{y}{x}$

→ $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} + \sin \frac{y}{x}$ ---(1)

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$$\text{Put } \frac{y}{x} = v \text{ i.e., } v = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes, } v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v + \sin v$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \sin v$$

$$\frac{dv}{\sin v} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{dv}{\sin v} = \int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\int \operatorname{cosec} v \, dv = \log x + c$$

$$\log(\operatorname{cosec} v - \cot v) = \log x + c$$

$$\log(\operatorname{cosec}(y/x) - \cot(y/x)) = \log x + c \quad \blacksquare$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 y dx - (x^3 + y^3) dy = 0$$

[This is in the form of $f(x, y) dx + g(x, y) dy = 0$.

Here $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ are homogenous functions of degree three hence, it is homogenous equation]

$$x^2 y dx = (x^3 + y^3) dy$$

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

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

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes, } v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x^2(vx)}{x^3 + (vx)^3} = \frac{x^3 v}{x^3(1+v^3)}$$

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

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

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

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

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{v^4} + \frac{1}{v} \right) dv = -\int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\int \left(v^{-4} + \frac{1}{v} \right) dv = -\log x + c$$

$$\frac{v^{-3}}{-3} + \log v + \log x = c$$

$$-\frac{1}{3v^3} + \log v + \log x = c$$

$$-\frac{1}{3v^3} + \log(vx) = c$$

$$-\frac{1}{3(y/x)^3} + \log y = c$$

$$\therefore \log y - \frac{x^3}{3y^3} = c$$

4. Solve $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y(\log y - \log x + 1)$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = y(\log y - \log x + 1)$$

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

Put $\frac{y}{x} = v$ i.e., $y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$

\therefore (1) becomes $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v(\log v + 1)$

$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v \log v + v$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = v \log v$$

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$$\frac{dv}{v \log v} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{dv}{v \log v} = \int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\text{Put } \log v = t \Rightarrow \frac{1}{v} dv = dt$$

$$\int \frac{dt}{t} = \log x + c$$

$$\log t = \log x + \log c_1$$

$$\log t = \log(c_1 x)$$

$$t = c_1 x$$

$$\log v = c_1 x$$

$$\log\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = c_1 x$$

5. Solve $(x - y \log y + y \log x) dx + x(\log y - \log x) dy = 0$

$$\rightarrow (x - y \log y + y \log x) dx + x(\log y - \log x) dy = 0$$

$$x - y \log y + y \log x dx = -x(\log y - \log x) dy$$

$$[x - y(\log y - \log x)] dx = -x(\log y - \log x) dy$$

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

$$\left[1 - \frac{y}{x} \log\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)\right] = -\log\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\text{Put } \frac{y}{x} = v \text{ i.e., } y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$(1 - v \log v) = -\log v \left[v + x \frac{dv}{dx}\right]$$

$$1 - v \log v = -v \log v - x \log v \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$1 = -x \log v \frac{dv}{dx}$$

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$$\frac{dx}{x} + \log v dv = 0$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x} + \int \log v dv = c$$

$$\log x + v(\log v - 1) = c$$

$$\log x + \frac{y}{x} \left[\log \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) - 1 \right] = c$$

6. Solve $\frac{x dy}{y dx} = \frac{x \cos(y/x) + y \sin(y/x)}{y \sin(y/x) - x \cos(y/x)}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{x dy}{y dx} = \frac{x \cos(y/x) + y \sin(y/x)}{y \sin(y/x) - x \cos(y/x)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{xy \cos(y/x) + y^2 \sin(y/x)}{xy \sin(y/x) - x^2 \cos(y/x)} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

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

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes, } v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x(vx) \cos\left(\frac{vx}{x}\right) + (vx)^2 \sin\left(\frac{vx}{x}\right)}{x(vx) \sin\left(\frac{vx}{x}\right) - x^2 \cos\left(\frac{vx}{x}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 [v \cos v + v^2 \sin v]}{x^2 [v \sin v - \cos v]}$$

$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v \cos v + v^2 \sin v}{v \sin v - \cos v}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v \cos v + v^2 \sin v}{v \sin v - \cos v} - v$$

$$= \frac{v \cos v + v^2 \sin v - v^2 \sin v + v \cos v}{v \sin v - \cos v}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{2v \cos v}{v \sin v - \cos v}$$

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$$\frac{v \sin v - \cos v}{v \cos v} dv = 2 \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int \left(\frac{v \sin v}{v \cos v} - \frac{\cos v}{v \cos v} \right) dv = 2 \int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\int \left(\tan v - \frac{1}{v} \right) dv = 2 \log x + c$$

$$\log(\sec v) - \log v = \log x^2 + \log c_1 \quad [c = \log c_1]$$

$$\log \left[\frac{\sec v}{v} \right] = \log(c_1 x^2)$$

$$\frac{\sec v}{v} = c_1 x^2$$

$$\sec v = c_1 x^2 v$$

$$\sec \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) = c_1 x^2 \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$\therefore \sec \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) = c_1 xy \quad \blacksquare$$

7. Solve $[x \sin(y/x) - y \cos(y/x)] dx + x \cos(y/x) dy = 0$

$$\rightarrow [x \sin(y/x) - y \cos(y/x)] dx + x \cos(y/x) dy = 0$$

$$x \cos(y/x) dy = -[x \sin(y/x) - y \cos(y/x)] dx$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{[x \sin(y/x) - y \cos(y/x)]}{x \cos(y/x)}$$

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

$$\text{Put } \frac{y}{x} = v \text{ i.e. } y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes, } v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\tan v + v$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\tan v$$

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$$\frac{dv}{\tan v} = -\frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int \cot v dv = -\int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\log(\sin v) = -\log x + c$$

$$\log(\sin v) + \log x = \log c_1, \text{ where } \log c_1 = c$$

$$\log(x \sin v) = \log c_1$$

$$x \sin v = c_1$$

$$x \sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = c_1 \quad \blacksquare$$

8. Solve $[x \tan(y/x) - y \sec^2(y/x)] dx + x \sec^2(y/x) dy = 0$

$$\Rightarrow [x \tan(y/x) - y \sec^2(y/x)] dx + x \sec^2(y/x) dy = 0$$

$$x \sec^2(y/x) dy = -[x \tan(y/x) - y \sec^2(y/x)] dx$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \sec^2(y/x) - x \tan(y/x)}{x \sec^2(y/x)} = \frac{y}{x} - \frac{\tan(y/x)}{\sec^2(y/x)} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$\text{Put } \frac{y}{x} = v \text{ i.e., } y = vx \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes, } v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v - \frac{\tan v}{\sec^2 v}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{\tan v}{\sec^2 v}$$

$$\frac{\sec^2 v}{\tan v} dv = -\frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{\sec^2 v}{\tan v} dv = -\int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

$$\text{Put } \tan v = t \Rightarrow \sec^2 v dv = dt$$

$$\therefore \int \frac{dt}{t} = -\log x + c$$

$$\log t = -\log x + c$$

$$\log t + \log x = c$$

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$$\log(xt) = \log c_1$$

$$xt = c_1$$

$$x \tan v = c_1$$

$$x \tan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = c_1$$

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

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

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

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

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{xy - x^2} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

Which is a homogeneous equation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\int \frac{v-1}{v} dv = \int \frac{dx}{x} + c$$

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$$\int \left(1 - \frac{1}{v}\right) dv = \log x + c$$

$$\therefore v - \log v = \log x + c$$

$$v = \log v + \log x + c$$

$$v = \log(vx) + c$$

$$y/x = \log y + c$$

10. Solve $y - x \frac{dy}{dx} = x + y \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\rightarrow y - x \frac{dy}{dx} = x + y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$y - x = y \frac{dy}{dx} + x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$y - x = (x + y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

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

(1) becomes $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{vx - x}{x + vx} = \frac{(v-1)x}{(1+v)x}$

$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v-1}{v+1}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v-1}{v+1} - v$$

$$= \frac{v-1-v(v+1)}{v+1} = \frac{v-1-v^2-v}{v+1}$$

$$= \frac{-1-v^2}{1+v}$$

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

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