

Homogeneous DE

An equation of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f(x,y)}{g(x,y)}$ in which $f(x,y)$ and $g(x,y)$ are homogeneous functions of x and y of the same degree is called homogeneous first order differential equation.

Examples:

- (i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3 + 3x^2y}{x^3 + 3xy^2}$
 (ii) $(x^2 + y^2)dy = xydx$

Structure:

We can solve it using Separation of Variables by putting $y = vx$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ [use **uv** rule]

Now put the value of $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ in the given DE then using variable separation we get the solution.

<p>Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy}$</p> <p>Taking $y = vx$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$</p> <p>Now put the value of $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ in the given DE we get</p> $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + (vx)^2}{x \cdot vx}$ $\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1 + v^2}{v}$ $\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1 + v^2}{v} - v$ $\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{v}$ $\Rightarrow vdv = \frac{1}{x} dx \text{ [variable separation]}$	<p>Then integrate this we get</p> $\int vdv = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$ $\Rightarrow \frac{v^2}{2} = \ln x + c$ $\Rightarrow v^2 = 2(\ln x + c)$ $\Rightarrow v^2 = 2(\ln x + \ln c) \text{ [taking } c = \ln c]$ $\Rightarrow v^2 = 2(\ln cx)$ $\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2(\ln cx)}$ $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \sqrt{2(\ln cx)}$ $\Rightarrow y = x\sqrt{2(\ln cx)}$
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<p>Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(x-y)}{x^2}$</p> <p>Taking $y = vx$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$</p> <p>Now put the value of $\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \frac{dv}{dx}$ in the given DE we get</p> $v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{vx(x-vx)}{x^2}$ $\Rightarrow v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = v(1 - v)$ $\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = v(1 - v) - v$ $\Rightarrow x \frac{dv}{dx} = -v^2$ $\Rightarrow -\frac{dv}{v^2} = \frac{1}{x} dx \text{ [variable separation]}$	<p>Then integrate this we get</p> $\int -\frac{dv}{v^2} = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{v} = \ln x + c$ $\Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{\ln x + c}$ $\Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{\ln x + \ln c}$ <p>[taking $c = \ln c$]</p> $\Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{(\ln cx)}$ $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{(\ln cx)}$ $\Rightarrow y = \frac{x}{(\ln cx)}$
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Exercise :

- (i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2+y^2}{2xy}$
(ii) $(x^2 + y^2)dx + 2xydy = 0$
(iii) $(x^2 + y^2)dy = xydx$
(iv) $(x^2 - y^2)\frac{dy}{dx} = xy$

Answer

- (i) $x = c(x^2 - y^2)$
(ii) $x \left(1 + \frac{3y^2}{x^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = c$
(iii) $x^2 = 2y^2 (\ln y + c)$
(iv) $\ln \frac{y}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{y^2} = \ln x + c$