

Lesson 58 – Homogeneous Differential Equations

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Lesson Objectives

- Review the previous two types of FODEs that we already know how to solve
- Introduce homogeneous DEs and solve using substitution

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(A) Review

- We have seen two simple types of first order Differential Equations so far in this course and have seen simple methods for solving them algebraically:
- (1) Simple DEs in the form of $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)$ wherein we use a simple antiderivative (or integral) to solve the DE
- (2) DEs in the form of $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \times g(y)$ OR $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f(x)}{g(y)}$ wherein we separate the variables in order to solve the DE

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(A) Review - Practice

- Determine the general solution of the following DEs

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{1-x}$

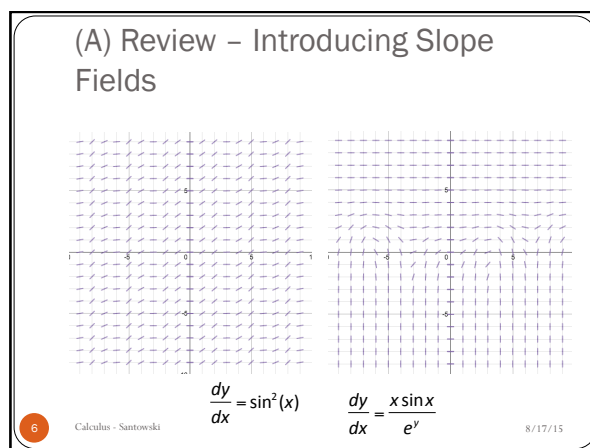
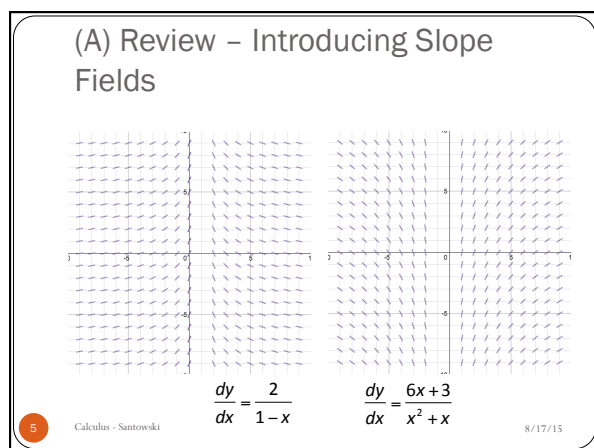
(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x+3}{x^2+x}$

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin^2 x$

(d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x \sin x}{e^y}$

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

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Homogeneous Functions

A function $f(x, y)$ in x and y is called a homogenous function, if the degrees of each term are equal.

Examples:

$g(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2$ is a homogeneous function of degree 2

$f(x, y) = x^3 + 3x^2y + 2y^2x$ is a homogeneous function of degree 3

Homogeneous Differential Equations

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f(x, y)}{g(x, y)}$$

where $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ is a homogeneous functions of the same degree in x and y , then it is called homogeneous differential equation.

Example: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3 + 3xy^2}{x^3}$ is a homogeneous differential equation as

$y^3 + 3xy^2$ and x^3 both are homogeneous functions of degree 3.

(B) Homogeneous DEs

- A FODE in the form of $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x,y)$ is homogeneous if it does not depend on x and y separately, but only the ratio of y/x . Homogeneous DEs are written in the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$
- ALGEBRAIC STRATEGY \rightarrow using a substitution, these DEs can be turned into separable DEs \rightarrow our substitution will be

$$v = \frac{y}{x} \text{ OR } y = vx$$

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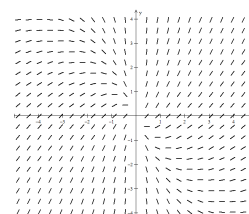
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(C) Example #1

- Let's work with the DE

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

- But first, let's get a visual/graphic perspective from this SLOPE FIELD diagram



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(C) Example #1

- Let's work with the DE $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+y}{x}$
- We will rearrange it (if possible) to a form of y/x

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x+y}{x} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x}{x} + \frac{y}{x} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 + \frac{y}{x} \end{aligned}$$

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(C) Example #1

- Now make the substitution wherein $y = vx$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+y}{x} = 1 + \frac{y}{x} &\Rightarrow \text{let } y = vx \\ \frac{d(vx)}{dx} = 1 + \frac{vx}{x} & \\ \frac{d}{dx}(vx) = 1 + v &\Rightarrow \text{use product rule} \\ v \frac{dx}{dx} + x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + v &\Rightarrow \text{rearrange} \\ v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + v & \\ x \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 & \\ \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} &\Rightarrow \text{simple integral or separate} \end{aligned}$$

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(C) Example #1

- Now we simply integrate and simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dv}{dx} &= \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \text{simple integral or separate} \\ \therefore v &= \ln|x| + C \Rightarrow \text{but recall what } v \text{ equals?} \\ \therefore \frac{y}{x} &= \ln|x| + C \Rightarrow \text{replace } C \text{ with } \ln C \\ \therefore \frac{y}{x} &= \ln|Cx| \\ \therefore y &= x \ln|Cx| \end{aligned}$$

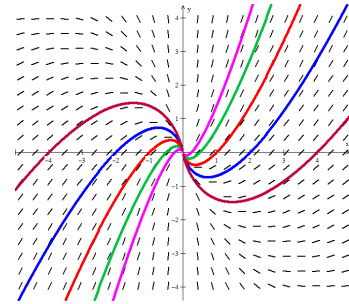
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(C) Example #1 – Graphic Solns

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



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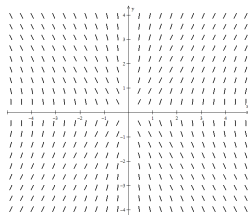
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(D) Example #2

- Let's work with the DE

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

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(D) Example #2

- Let's work with the DE $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy}$

- We will rearrange it (if possible) to a form of y/x

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x^2}{xy} + \frac{y^2}{xy} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)} + \frac{y}{x} \end{aligned}$$

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(D) Example #2

- Now make the substitution wherein $y = vx$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)} + \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow \text{now let } y = vx$$

$$\frac{d(vx)}{dx} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{vx}{x}\right)} + \frac{vx}{x}$$

$$\text{now use product rule } \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(vx) = \frac{1}{v} + v$$

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

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

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{v} \Rightarrow \text{rearrange \& separate}$$

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

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(D) Example #2

- Now we simply integrate and simplify

$$v dv = \frac{1}{x} dx \Rightarrow \text{simply integrate}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} v^2 = \ln|x| + C \Rightarrow \text{replace C with } \ln C$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} v^2 = \ln|x| + \ln C \Rightarrow \text{but recall what } v \text{ equals?}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 = \ln|Cx|$$

$$\therefore y^2 = 2x^2 \ln|Cx|$$

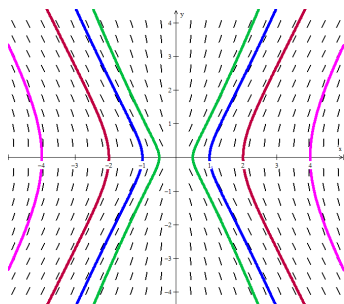
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(D) Example #2 – Graphic Solns

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



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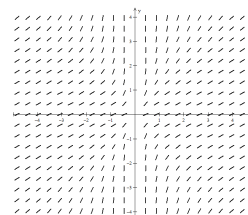
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(E) Example #3

- Let's work with the DE

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

- But first, let's get a visual/graphic perspective from this SLOPE FIELD diagram



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(E) Example #3

- Let's work with the DE $2x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$

- We will rearrange it (if possible) to a form of y/x

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

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

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

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

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(E) Example #3

- Now make the substitution wherein $v = y/x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)^2 \right) \Rightarrow \text{now let } v = y/x$$

$$\frac{d(vx)}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + v^2)$$

$$\text{now use product rule } \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(vx) = \frac{1}{v} + v$$

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

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

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

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

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

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(E) Example #3

- Now we simply integrate and simplify

$$\frac{2dv}{(1-v)^2} = \frac{1}{x} dx \Rightarrow \text{simply integrate}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{1-v} = \ln|x| + \ln C = \ln|Cx|$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{\ln|Cx|} = 1 - v$$

$$\therefore v = \frac{y}{x} = 1 - \frac{2}{\ln|Cx|}$$

$$\therefore y = x - \frac{2x}{\ln|Cx|}$$

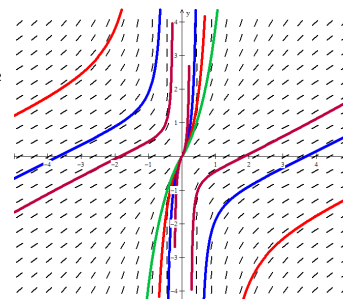
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(E) Example #3 – Graphic Solns

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



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(F) Practice Problems

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

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

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

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

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

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

(g) $\left(x + ye^{\frac{y}{x}}\right)dx - \left(xe^{\frac{y}{x}}\right)dy = 0$

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(G) Video Resources

- From patrickJMT:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vEtEAYi2cIA>

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-in3FyX6rtM>

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOhjUwiQIG4>

- From Mathispower4u

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V_rKXsUliIs

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