

Separation of Variables Integration

1) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y-1}{x^2}$ $f(2) = 0$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{y-1} = \frac{dx}{x^2} \quad \int \frac{dy}{y-1} = \int \frac{dx}{x^2}$$

$$\ln|y-1| = -\frac{1}{x} + C \quad f(2) = 0$$

$$\ln|0-1| = -\frac{1}{2} + C \quad 0 = -\frac{1}{2} + C \quad C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$|y-1| = e^{-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}}$$

Either $y-1 = e^{-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}}$ or $y-1 = -e^{-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}}$

Checking

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

$$-1 = e^0 = 1$$

Wrong

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

$$-1 = -e^0 = -1$$

Yes

$$y-1 = -e^{-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow y = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}}$$

2) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+1}{y}$, $f(0) = -2$, find y .

$$ydy = (x + 1)dx \quad \int ydy = \int (x + 1)dx \quad \frac{y^2}{2} = \frac{x^2}{2} + x + C$$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 2x + C \quad f(0) = -2 \quad 4 = C \quad y^2 = x^2 + 2x + 4$$

$$y = -\sqrt{x^2 + 2x + 4}$$

3) $f'(x) = (4 - x)x^{-3}$, $f(1) = 2$, find f .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (4 - x)x^{-3} \quad dy = (4x^{-3} + x^{-2})dx$$

$$\int dy = \int (4x^{-3} + x^{-2})dx$$

$$y = -\frac{4x^{-2}}{-2} - x^{-1} + C \rightarrow y = \frac{2}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x} + C \quad f(1) = 2$$

$$2 = \frac{2}{1} - \frac{1}{1} + C \quad 2 = 2 - 1 + C \quad 1 = C$$

$$y = \frac{2}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x} + 2$$

4) $\frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{1}{25}(W - 300)$, $W(0) = 1400$, find W .

$$\frac{dW}{w-300} = \frac{1}{25} dt \quad \int \frac{dW}{w-300} = \int \frac{dt}{25}$$

$$\ln|W - 300| = \frac{1}{25}t + C$$

$$\ln 1100 = C$$

$$|W - 300| = e^{\frac{t}{25} + \ln 1100}$$

$$W - 300 = e^{\frac{t}{25} + \ln 1100} \quad \text{OR} \quad W - 300 = -e^{\frac{t}{25} + \ln 1100}$$

$$W = 300 + e^{\frac{t}{25} + \ln 1100} \quad \text{OR} \quad W = 300 - e^{\frac{t}{25} + \ln 1100}$$

Check

$$1400 = 300 + 1100e^0$$

Yes.

$$1400 = 300 - 1100e^0$$

No.

$$W = 300 + 1100e^{\frac{t}{25}}$$

5) $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^3, f(1) = 2$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{y^3} = x dx \quad \int \frac{dy}{y^3} = \int x dx \quad \frac{y^{-2}}{-2} = \frac{x^2}{2} + C$$

$$y^{-2} = -x^2 + C \quad \frac{1}{y^2} = -x^2 + C \quad f(1) = 2 \quad \frac{1}{4} = -1 + C \quad C = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{y^2} = -x^2 + \frac{5}{4} \quad \frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{-4x^2 + 5}{4} \quad y^2 = \frac{4}{-4x^2 + 5}$$

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{4}{-4x^2 + 5}}$$

6) $\frac{dy}{dx} = (y - 1)^2 \cos(\pi x)$, $f(1) = 0$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{(y-1)^2} = \cos(\pi x) dx \quad \int \frac{dy}{(y-1)^2} = \int \cos(\pi x) dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{y-1} = \frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi} + C \quad -\frac{1}{-1} = 0 + C \quad 1 = C$$

$$-\frac{1}{y-1} = \frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi} + 1 \quad -\frac{1}{y-1} = \frac{\sin \pi x + \pi}{\pi}$$

$$\frac{1}{y-1} = -\frac{\sin \pi x + \pi}{\pi} \quad y - 1 = -\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi x + \pi}$$

$$y = 1 - \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi x + \pi}$$

7) $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{xy^2}{2}$, $f(-1) = 2$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{y^2} = -\frac{x dx}{2} \quad \int \frac{dy}{y^2} = \int -\frac{x dx}{2} \quad -\frac{1}{y} = -\frac{x^2}{4} + C$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4} + C \quad C = -\frac{1}{4} \quad -\frac{1}{y} = -\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = \frac{-(x^2+1)}{4} \quad y = \frac{4}{x^2+1}$$

8) $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x}{y}, f(1) = -1$, find y .

$$ydy = -2xdx \quad \int ydy = -\int 2xdx \quad \frac{y^2}{2} = -x^2 + C$$

$$y^2 = -2x^2 + C \quad f(1) = -1 \quad (-1)^2 = -2(1)^2 + C$$

$$1 = -2 + C \quad 3 = C \quad y^2 = -2x^2 + 3 \quad y = -\sqrt{-2x^2 + 3}$$

9) $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^4(y - 2), f(0) = 0$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{y-2} = x^4 dx \quad \int \frac{dy}{y-2} = \int x^4 dx \quad \ln|y-2| = \frac{x^5}{5} + C$$

$$\ln 2 = 0 + C \quad \ln 2 = C$$

$$\ln|y-2| = \frac{x^5}{5} + \ln 2 \quad |y-2| = e^{\frac{x^5}{5} + \ln 2}$$

$$|y-2| = 2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}}$$

$$y-2 = 2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}} \quad \text{OR} \quad y-2 = -2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}}$$

$$y = 2 + 2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}} \quad y = 2 - 2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}}$$

$$0 = 2 + 2e^0 = 4$$

$$0 = 2 - 2e^0 = 0$$

NO

Yes

$$y = 2 - 2e^{\frac{x^5}{5}}$$

10) $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2(y-1), f(0) = 3$, find y .

$$\frac{dy}{y-1} = x^2 dx \quad \int \frac{dy}{y-1} = \int x^2 dx \quad \ln|y-1| = \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

$$f(0) = 3 \quad \ln 2 = C \quad \ln|y-1| = \frac{x^3}{3} + \ln 2$$

$$|y-1| = e^{\frac{x^3}{3} + \ln 2} \quad |y-1| = 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}}$$

$$y-1 = 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}} \quad \text{OR} \quad y-1 = -2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}}$$

$$y = 1 + 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}} \quad \text{OR} \quad y = 1 - 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}}$$

$$3 = 1 + 2e^0 = 3 \quad 3 = 1 - 2e^0 = -1$$

Yes

No

$$y = 1 + 2e^{\frac{x^3}{3}}$$

11) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3-x}{y}$, $f(6) = -4$, find y .

$$ydy = (3 - x)dx \quad \int ydy = \int (3 - x)dx$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = 3x - \frac{x^2}{2} + C \quad y^2 = 6x - x^2 + C \quad f(6) = -4$$

$$16 = 6(6) - 36 + C \quad 16 = C$$

$$y^2 = 6x - x^2 + 16 \quad y = -\sqrt{6x - x^2 + 16}$$