

Differential equations

In each of the Exercises 1 to 10 verify that the given functions (explicit or implicit) is a solution of the corresponding differential equation

Question 1:

$$y = e^x + 1 \quad : \quad y'' - y' = 0$$

Solution

$$y = e^x + 1$$

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x , we get:

$$y' = e^x$$

Now, differentiating equation (1) with respect to x , we get:

$$y'' = e^x$$

Substituting the values of in the given differential equation, we get the L.H.S.

as:

$$e^x - e^x = 0$$

Thus, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 2:

$$y = x^2 + 2x + C \quad : \quad (dy/dx) - 2x - 2 = 0$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x , we get:

$$(dy/dx) = 2x + 2$$

Substituting the value in the given differential equation, we get:

$$\text{L.H.S.} =$$

$$(dy/dx) - 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$= (2x+2) - 2x - 2 = 0$$

= R.H.S.

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 3:

$$y = \cos x + C \quad : \quad (dy/dx) + \sin x = 0$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x, we get:

$$(dy/dx) = -\sin x$$

Substituting the value in the given differential equation, we get:

L.H.S. =

$$(dy/dx) + \sin x$$

$$= -\sin x + \sin x$$

= 0

= R.H.S.

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 4:

$$y = \sqrt{1+x^2} \quad : \quad y' = \frac{xy}{1+x^2}$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of the equation with respect to x, we get:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+x^2}} \frac{d}{dx} (1+x^2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

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

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

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 5:

$$y = Ax : x(dy/dx) = y \quad (x \neq 0)$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides with respect to x, we get:

$$dy/dx = A$$

Substituting the value of in the given differential equation, we get:

LHS

$$=x(dy/dx)$$

$$=Ax$$

$$=y$$

$$=RHS$$

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 6:

$$y = x \sin x : xy' = y + x \sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \quad (x \neq 0 \text{ and } x > y \text{ or } x < -y)$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x, we get:

$$dy/dx = \sin x + x \cos x$$

Substituting the value in the given differential equation, we get:

LHS

$$=x(dy/dx)$$

$$=x(\sin x + x \cos x)$$

$$=x \sin (x) + x^2 \cos (x) \quad \text{---(1)}$$

Now we know that

$$\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$$

$$\cos (x) = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

Now we know that

$$y=x \sin x \quad \text{or} \quad \sin (x) = y/x$$

Therefore

$$\cos (x) = \sqrt{1 - (y/x)^2} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Substituting the value from (2) in (1)

$$=x \sin (x) + x^2 \sqrt{1 - (y/x)^2}$$

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

=RHS

Hence, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 7:

$$xy = \log y + c \quad : \quad dy/dx = y^2 / (1-xy), \quad xy \neq 0$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x, we get:

$$y + x (dy/dx) = (1/y) (dy/dx)$$

$$y^2 + xy (dy/dx) = (dy/dx)$$

or

$$dy/dx = y^2 / (1-xy)$$

Hence, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

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Question 8:

$$y - \cos y = x : (y \sin y + \cos y + x) y' = y$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of the equation with respect to x, we get:

$$(dy/dx) + \sin y (dy/dx) = 1$$

Or

$$dy/dx = 1/(1 + \sin y)$$

Substituting the value of in differential equation

LHS

$$= (y \sin y + \cos y + x) y'$$

$$= (y \sin y + \cos y + y - \cos y) [1/(1 + \sin y)]$$

$$= y(1 + \sin y) [1/(1 + \sin y)]$$

$$= y$$

$$= RHS$$

Hence, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 9:

$$x + y = \tan^{-1} y : y^2 (dy/dx) + y^2 + 1 = 0$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x, we get:

$$1 + (dy/dx) = [1/(1 + y^2)] (dy/dx)$$

$$1 + y^2 (dy/dx) + (dy/dx) + y^2 = (dy/dx)$$

Or

$$y^2 (dy/dx) + y^2 + 1 = 0$$

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 10:

$$y = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \quad x \in (-a, a) \quad : x + y(dy/dx) = 0 \quad (y \neq 0)$$

Solution

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to x, we get:

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\text{Now } y = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

So

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

$$x + y(dy/dx) = 0$$

So, the given function is the solution of the corresponding differential equation.

Question 11:

The numbers of arbitrary constants in the general solution of a differential equation of fourth order are:

- (A) 0
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 4

Solution

We know that the number of constants in the general solution of a differential equation of order n is equal to its order.

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Therefore, the number of constants in the general equation of fourth order differential equation is four.

Hence, the correct answer is D.

Question 12:

The numbers of arbitrary constants in the solution of a differential equation of third order are:

- (A) 3
- (B) 2
- (C) 1
- (D) 0

Solution

In a solution of a differential equation, there are no arbitrary constants.

Hence, the correct answer is D.