

Section 31.4 cont'd

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linear DE of first order

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

example: Are the following DE's linear first order?
If so, give $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$.

d) $yy' + 4 = \sin x$ \Rightarrow $y' + \frac{4}{y} = \frac{\sin x}{y}$ **No!** y is in denom

e) $\frac{d\theta}{dt} + \theta \sin t = e^t$ **Yes!**
with $P(t) = \sin t$
 $Q(t) = e^t$

skillbuilder:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(ye^x) = \frac{dy}{dx}e^x + ye^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(yx^2) = \frac{dy}{dx}x^2 + 2yx = \frac{dy}{dx}x^2 + 2xy$$

how do you solve this type of DE? (linear, first order)

- follow the steps in the handout

full example: solve

$$dy - 3y dx = e^{3x} dx$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = e^{3x}$$

this is linear with $P(x) = -3$
 $Q(x) = e^{3x}$

now, find integrating factor

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IF} &= e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\int -3 dx} \\ &= e^{-3x} \end{aligned}$$

note:
omit +C

then multiply both sides of DE by the integrating factor

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = e^{3x}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} -3x & & -3x & & 3x & -3x & \\ & - & & - & & & \end{array}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} e^{-3x} - 3y e^{-3x} = e^{3x} e^{-3x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (y e^{-3x}) = 1$$

so, then

$$d(y e^{-3x}) = dx$$

(multiply by
dx)

now, integrate

$$\int d(y e^{-3x}) = \int dx$$

$$y e^{-3x} = x + C$$

if you need to give an explicit solution, then

$$y = e^{3x} (x + C)$$