

# MATH 208



# SECTION 1.2



# SECTION SUMMARY

In this section, we solve differential equations of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \quad (1)$$

and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = g(x) \quad (2)$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are functions of the independent variable  $x$ .

If we integrate both sides of equation (1) we get

$$y(x) = \int f(x) dx + C \quad (3)$$

Equation (3) is called one-parameter family of solutions of the DE (1). We said this because this equation can generate **particular solutions** of the DE (1) with each choice of the parameter (constant)  $C$ .

The general solution of the differential equation  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = g(x)$  is  $y = \int G(x) dx + C_1 x + C_2$

where  $G(x)$  is any antiderivative of  $g(x)$ , that is  $G(x) = \int g(x) dx$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are arbitrary constants.

## • Velocity and Acceleration

The motion of a particle along a straight line (the  $x$ -axis) is described by its **position function**  $x = f(t)$

giving its  $x$ -coordinate at time  $t$ . The velocity of the particle is defined to be  $v(t) = f'(t)$ ; that is,  $v = \frac{dx}{dt}$ .

Its acceleration  $a(t)$  is  $a(t) = v'(t) = x''(t)$ ; in Leibniz notation,  $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$ .

$$a(t) = x''(t)$$

$$v(t) = x'(t)$$

$$a(t)$$

$$v(t) = \int a(t) \cdot dt + C$$

$$x(t) = \int v(t) + C$$

A basic Formula

For  $a > 0$ ,

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} x + C$$

3. If the acceleration of a particle is  $a(t) = 18 \cos(3t)$ , the initial velocity is  $v_0 = 4$ , and the initial position is  $x_0 = -7$ , then  $x\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) =$

$$x(0) = -7$$

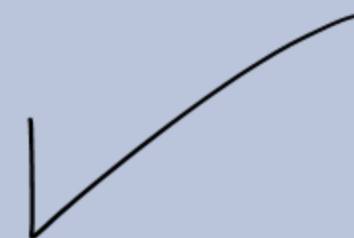
$$v(0) = 4$$

$$x''(t) = 18 \cos(3t), \quad \overset{x'(t)}{v(0) = 4}, \quad \underbrace{x(0) = -7}, \quad \underline{\underline{x\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = ?}}$$

$$\int x''(t) \cdot dt = x'(t) = 6 \sin(3t) + 4$$

$$\int x'(t) \cdot dt = x(t) = -2 \cos(3t) + 4t - 5 \quad \star$$

$$x\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 2\pi - 5$$



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12. If the acceleration of a particle is  $a(t) = \frac{1}{(t+1)^3}$ , the initial velocity is  $v_0 = 0$ , and the initial position is  $x_0 = 0$ , then  $x(1) =$

$$v(0) = 0$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$x''(t) = (t+1)^{-3}$$

$$x'(t) = \frac{(t+1)^{-2}}{-2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$x(1) = \frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$



8. A particle is moving in a straight line with acceleration  $a(t) = 4(t+3)^2$ , and an initial position  $x(0) = 1$ , and an initial velocity  $v(0) = -1$ , then the position function  $x(t)$  of the particle is given by

$$x''(t) = 4(t+3)^2$$

$$x(0) = 1$$

$$v(t) = x'(t) = \frac{4}{3}(t+3)^3 - 37$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{3}(t+3)^4 - 37t - 26$$

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$$(a) \quad x(t) = \frac{1}{3}(t+3)^4 - 37t - 26$$

7. A particle is moving in a straight line with acceleration  $a(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t+9}}$ , and initial position  $x(0) = 4$ , and an initial velocity  $v(0) = 2$ , then  $x(16)$  (the position of the particle at  $t = 16$ ) is

$$x''(t) = (t+9)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x'(t) = 2(t+9)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 4$$

$$x(t) = \frac{4}{3}(t+9)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 4t - 32$$

$$x(t) = \frac{500}{3} - \frac{288}{3}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{212}{3}$$

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$$(a) \frac{212}{3}$$

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3. If  $y = y(x)$  is the solution of the initial-value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad \underline{y(0) = 0}, \quad \text{then } y\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) =$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} x + C$$

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

$$\int y' \cdot dx = \sin^{-1}(x)$$

$$y(x) = \sin^{-1}(x)$$
$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\sin(?) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$



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4. If a particle is moving in a straight line with acceleration  $a(t) = \frac{1}{(t+1)^3}$ , initial-position  $x(0) = 0$ , and an initial velocity  $v(0) = 0$ , then the position of the particle at  $t = \frac{1}{2}$  is

$$x''(t) = (t+1)^{-3}$$

$$x'(t) = \frac{(t+1)^{-2}}{-2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2(t+1)} + \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{4 \times 1}{4 \times 3} + \frac{1 \times 3}{4 \times 3} - \frac{1 \times 6}{2 \times 6} = \frac{4 + 3 - 6}{12}$$

(a)  $\frac{1}{12}$

3. A particle is moving in a straight line with acceleration  $a(t) = 18 \cos(3t)$ , and initial position  $x(0) = -7$ , and an initial velocity  $v(0) = 4$ .

Find  $x(\pi)$  (the position of the particle at  $t = \pi$ ).

$$x''(t) = 18 \cos(3t)$$

$$x'(t) = 6 \sin(3t) + 4$$

$$x(t) = -2 \cos(3t) + 4t - 5$$

$$x(\pi) = -2 \cos(3\pi) + 4\pi - 5$$

$$x(\pi) = (-2 \times (-1)) + 4\pi - 5$$

$$x(\pi) = 2 + 4\pi - 5$$

$$x(\pi) = 4\pi - 3$$



2. A particle is moving in a straight line with acceleration

$$a(t) = 12(t + 1)^2,$$

an initial position  $x(0) = 4$ , and an initial velocity  $v(0) = 5$ .  
Find  $x(1)$  (the position of the particle at  $t = 1$ ).

$$x''(t) = 12(t+1)^2$$

$$x'(t) = 4(t+1)^3 + 1$$

$$x(t) = (t+1)^4 + t + 3$$

$$x(1) = 16 + 1 + 3 = 16 + 4 = 20$$

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2. If  $y = y(x)$  is the solution of the initial-value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x\sqrt{x^2 + 9}, \text{ then } y(4) =$$
$$y(-4) = 0$$

$$y' = x\sqrt{x^2 + 9}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2} \int u^{\frac{1}{2}} du$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3} (x^2 + 9)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{125}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{125}{3} - \frac{125}{3}$$

$$y(4) = 0$$

(a) 0

2. A particle is moving along a straight line with position function  $x(t)$ . If the acceleration of the particle is  $a(t) = 50 \sin(5t)$ , the initial position is  $x(0) = 8$ , and the initial velocity is  $v(0) = -10$ , then  $x\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) =$

- (a) 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (correct)
- (b) 10
- (c) 8
- (d) 12
- (e) 4





# THANKS

