

FUNCTIONS REDUCIBLE TO THE LINEAR FORM (3)

BERNOULLI'S EQUATION)

Equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q \cdot y^n \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

where P and Q are constants or functions of x
can be reduced to the linear form on dividing by y^n
and substituting $\frac{1}{y^{n-1}} = z$

on dividing both sides of $\textcircled{1}$ by y^n we get

$$\frac{1}{y^n} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{y^{n-1}} P = Q$$

so that

$$\frac{1}{1-n} \frac{dz}{dx} + Pz = Q$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dz}{dx} + P(1-n)z = Q(1-n)$$

which is a linear equation and
can be solved easily by previous
method.

$$\text{Put } \frac{1}{y^{n-1}} = z$$

$$\text{or } y^{1-n} = z$$

$$(1-n) y^{1-n-1} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dx}$$

$$(1-n) y^n \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dx}$$

$$\frac{(1-n)}{y^n} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dx}$$

Solve the special Bernoulli Equation

$$y' + Ay = -By^2 \Rightarrow (1)$$

(A, B Positive constants)

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + Ay = -By^2$$

here $n=2$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q, y^n$$

$$z = \frac{1}{y^{2-1}} \quad z = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = -y^{-2} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{1}{y^2} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{1}{y^2} [-By^2 + Ay] \rightarrow \text{put from (1)}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = B - \frac{A}{y} \quad \text{here } y=z$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = B - Az$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} + Az = B$$

$$P = A$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I.F.} &= e^{\int A dx} \\ &= e^{Ax} \end{aligned}$$

Linear form
 $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q$

General solution

$$y \cdot [I.F.] = \int Q \cdot [I.F.] dx + C$$

$$y \cdot e^{Ax} = \int B \cdot e^{Ax} dx + C$$

$$y = e^{-Ax} \left[\frac{e^{Ax}}{A} \cdot B + C \right]$$

$$y = ce^{-Ax} + \frac{B}{A}$$

Now the general solution (1) is

$$y = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{\frac{B}{A} + ce^{-Ax}}$$

Answer.