
MA205 - Integral Calculus
Lesson 44: Analytic Solutions I - Separation of Variables

Solve the following differential equations *by hand* using separation of variables. When you are finished, check each solution using Mathematica's `DSolve` command.

1. $\frac{dR}{ds} = (Rs)^2$

$$R(1) = 3$$

2. $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 - y$

$$y(0) = 1$$

3. $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{e^{2t}}{4x^3}$

4. $\frac{dy}{dt} = y^{-1}t + y^{-1} \cos(t)$

$$y(0) = -1$$

5. At the time it starts up, a small company has a total of \$150,000 in its accounts. Each year, money is drawn out of the company accounts at a constant rate of \$10,000 per year, due to fixed costs. At the same time, as the company grows, their incoming dollars total 8 percent of their current holdings.

(a) Write down a differential equation that models the above situation. Remember to name your variables!

(b) Find an expression for the amount of money in the company's accounts after t years.

(c) Do you think the company is profitable in the long run?