

## Section 9.1: Differential Equations

**Definition:** We say a differential equation is *separable* if it can be written in the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y)$$

Here, we say our *independent* variable is  $x$  and our *dependent* variable is  $y$ . Your goal is to try and solve the differential equation for the *dependent* variable,  $y$ , in this case.

To separate a separable differential equation, you must get it in the form

$$p(y)dy = q(x)dx$$

Once the differential equation is separated, integrate both sides.

1. Solve the differential equation:

a.)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x + \sin x}{3y^2}$

b.)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+x}{xy}, y(1) = -4$

c.)  $\frac{du}{dt} = e^{u+2t}, u(0) = 1$

d.)  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 1 + t - x - xt$

2. Find the equation of the curve that passes through the point  $(2, 1)$  and whose slope at each point  $(x, y)$  is  $x^3y$

3. A tank contains 100L of pure water. Brine that contains .05 kg of salt per liter enters the tank at a rate of 5 liters per minute. Brine that contains .04 kg of salt per liter enters the tank at a rate of 10 liters per minute. The solution is kept mixed and drains from the tank at a rate of 15 liters per minute. How much salt is in the tank after  $t$  minutes?

4. Below is the direction field for the differential equation  $y' = x^2 + y^2 - 1$ . Sketch the solution curve that passes through the origin.

