

Bernoulli Equations

Bernoulli equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + p(x)y = q(x)y^n \quad (n \neq 0, 1)$$

Solution:

Take y^n to the other side:

$$y^{-n} \frac{dy}{dx} + p(x)y^{1-n} = q(x) \quad (n \neq 0, 1)$$

Putting $u = y^{1-n}$ gives a linear equation:

$$\frac{1}{1-n} \frac{du}{dx} + p(x)u = q(x)$$