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**ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION  
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**AN INTRODUCTION ON ODE**

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# Introduction to Ordinary Differential Equations (ODE)

Recall basic definitions of ODE,

**\*order**

**\*linearity**

**\*initial conditions**

**\*solution**

**Classify ODE based on( order, linearity, conditions)**

**Classify the solution methods**

# **CLASSIFICATION OF ODE:**

**ODE can be classified in different ways**

## **Order**

**First order ODE**

**Second order ODE**

**N<sup>th</sup> order ODE**

## **Linearity**

**Linear ODE**

**Nonlinear ODE**

## **Auxiliary conditions**

**Initial value problems**

**Boundary value problems**

## **SOLUTIONS:**

**Analytical Solutions to ODE are available for linear ODE and special classes of nonlinear differential equations.**

**Numerical method are used to obtain a graph or a table of the unknown function**

**We focus on solving first order linear ODE and second order linear ODE and Euler equation.**

## **FIRST ORDER LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS:**

**Def: A first order differential equation is said to be *linear* if it can be written**

$$y' + p(x)y = g(x)$$

# Second Order Linear Differential

## Equations:

The general equation can be expressed in the form

$$ay'' + by' + cy = g(x)$$

where a, b and c are constant coefficients

Let the dependent variable  $y$  be replaced by the sum of the two new variables:  $y = u + v$

Therefore

$$[au'' + bu' + cu] + [av'' + bv' + cv] = g(x)$$

If  $v$  is a particular solution of the original differential equation.

$$[au''+bu'+cu]=0$$

### **PURPOSE**

The general solution of the linear differential equation will be the sum of a “complementary function” and a “particular solution”.

# THE COMPLEMENTARY FUNCTION (SOLUTION OF THE HOMOGENEOUS EQUATION):

$$ay''+by'+cy=0$$

Let the solution assumed to be:

$$y = e^{rx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = re^{rx}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = r^2e^{rx}$$

$$e^{rx}(ar^2 + br + c) = 0$$

characteristic equation



- Real, distinct roots
- Double roots
- Complex roots



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