

Solution of Clairaut's Equation.

A differential equation of the form  $y = px + f(p)$  is known as Clairaut's equation

where  $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ .

Now differentiating w.r. to  $x$  the Clairaut's equation (1) we have:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p = p + \left\{ x + f'(p) \frac{dp}{dx} \right\}$$

or,  $\frac{dp}{dx} \{ x + f'(p) \} = 0$  Either  $\frac{dp}{dx} = 0$  (2) or  $\{ x + f'(p) \} = 0$  (3)

integrating  $p = c$  (Const) or  $\{ x + f'(p) \} = 0$

Now putting  $p = c$  in the given eqn.  $y = px + f(p)$  we get  $y = cx + f(c)$  which is the general sol<sup>n</sup>.

Case - II when  $x + f'(p) = 0$  then eliminating  $p$  from the given eqn (1) & eqn (3)

we get another solution which does not contain  $c$  (arbitrary const) is called a singular solution which can not be obtained by giving any particular value of  $c$  in general sol<sup>n</sup>.

EX. Obtain the complete primitive and the singular solution of the equation  $y = px + \sqrt{1+p^2}$

Sol: This equation is in Clairaut's form.

So differentiating w.r. to  $x$  we get

$y = px + \sqrt{1+p^2}$  — (1)  
 diff. w.r. to  $x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p = p + x \frac{dp}{dx} + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \cdot \frac{dp}{dx}$$

or,  $\frac{dp}{dx} \left\{ x + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \right\} = 0$

Case (i)  $\frac{dp}{dx} = 0$  integrating (2)

$$\int dp = \int 0 dx \Rightarrow p = c \dots (3)$$

Case (ii)  $x + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} = 0$  or  $x = -\frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \dots (3)$

eliminating  $p$  between eqn (1) and (2) we get, if we put  $p=c$  in (1)

$y = cx + \sqrt{1+c^2}$  which general sol<sup>n</sup>.

again eliminating  $p$  between (1) and (3) ~~we get~~   
 By squaring (1) and eqn (3) and adding

$$y = px - \frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} + \sqrt{1+p^2}$$

we get,  $x^2 + y^2 = \left( \frac{-p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \right)^2 + \left( px + \sqrt{1+p^2} \right)^2$   
 $= \frac{p^2}{1+p^2} + \left( p^2 x^2 + 2px\sqrt{1+p^2} + 1+p^2 \right)$   
 $= \frac{p^2}{1+p^2} + \left( \frac{-p^2}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} + \sqrt{1+p^2} \right) = \frac{p^2}{1+p^2} + \left( \frac{-p + 1+p^2}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \right)$   
 $= \frac{p^2}{1+p^2} + \frac{1}{1+p^2} = \frac{p^2+1}{1+p^2} = 1$

The required singular sol<sup>n</sup> is  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

EX 2 Solve the diff eqn. ~~Solve~~ the D.E. (diff. eqn)

$$\sin\left(x \frac{dy}{dx}\right) \cos y = \cos\left(x \frac{dy}{dx}\right) \sin y + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Solution. Putting  $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$  we get

$$\sin(xp) \cos y - \cos(xp) \sin y = \frac{dy}{dx} \quad (\sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B = \sin(A-B))$$

or,  $\sin(xp - y) = p$  (1)

$\therefore xp - y = \sin^{-1} p$  or  $y = xp - \sin^{-1} p$  which is in Clairaut's form.

differentiating with respect to  $x$ , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p = x \frac{dp}{dx} + p - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \frac{dp}{dx}$$

or,  $x \frac{dp}{dx} - \frac{dp}{dx} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dx} \left\{ x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \right\} = 0$

Either  $\frac{dp}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow dp = 0$  integrating  $p = C$  (arbitrary const)

Putting  $p = C$  in (1) i.e.  $\sin(cx - y) = C$

$\therefore cx - y = \sin^{-1} C \Rightarrow y = cx - \sin^{-1} C$  is the general sol<sup>n</sup>. (3)

or,  $x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \Rightarrow x^2(1-p^2) = 1$

or,  $x^2 = \frac{1}{1-p^2} \Rightarrow x^2 - x^2 p^2 = 1 \Rightarrow p^2 x^2 = x^2 - 1$

or,  $p^2 = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2} \Rightarrow p = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{x}$  (4)

now eliminating  $p$  between (2) and (4) we get

$$x \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{x} - y = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{x} \right) \Rightarrow y = \sqrt{x^2 - 1} - \sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{x}$$

is the singular solution.

EX ③ use the transformation  $u = \tilde{x}$  and  $v = \tilde{y}$  to reduce the diff. Eqn<sup>n</sup>.  $xy p^2 - (\tilde{x} + \tilde{y} - 1)p + xy = 0$  in Clairant's eqn<sup>n</sup> and then solve it.

Sol<sup>n</sup>. Since  $u = \tilde{x}$  and  $v = \tilde{y}$  so  $du = 2x dx$  and  $dv = 2y dy$  therefore  $\frac{dv}{du} = \frac{2y dy}{2x dx} = \frac{y}{x} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$

Now put  $q = \frac{dv}{du}$  then  $\frac{y}{x} p = q$  ( $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ )

or  $p = \frac{xq}{y}$  putting the value of  $p$  in eqn<sup>n</sup> ①

we get  $xy \frac{xq}{y^2} - (\tilde{x} + \tilde{y} - 1) \frac{xq}{y} + xy = 0$  dividing by  $xy$

or we get  $\frac{xq}{y^2} - (\tilde{x} + \tilde{y} - 1) \frac{q}{y} + 1 = 0$

or,  $\tilde{x}q - (\tilde{x} + \tilde{y} - 1)q + \tilde{y} = 0$  (now putting  $\tilde{x} = u$  and  $\tilde{y} = v$ )

$uq - (u + v - 1)q + v = 0 \Rightarrow uq - uq - vq + q + v = 0$

or,  $v(1 - q) - uq(1 - q) + q = 0$

or,  $v(1 - q) = uq(1 - q) - q$

or,  $v = uq + \frac{q}{q-1}$  ②

like  $v = px + f(p)$  here  $v = qu + f(q)$

which is Clairant's form.

Therefore the general solution will be obtained by putting  $q = c$  in ② i.e.  $v = uc + \frac{c}{c-1}$ ,  $c$  is arbitrary constant, restoring the values of  $u$  &  $v$ ; we get the general solution as  $\tilde{y}^2 = c\tilde{x} + \frac{c}{c-1}$

EX do yourself! Solve the diff. eqn<sup>n</sup> by reducing to Clairant's form by putting  $\tilde{x} = u$ , and  $\tilde{y} = v$ , the diff.

Eqn<sup>n</sup>  $(Px - y)(x - Py) = 2P$ .

Ex 4) Reduce the equation  $(px^2 + y^2)(px + y) = (p+1)^2$  in Clairaut's form by using the substitution  $u = xy$ , and  $v = x+y$  and find Complete primitive

Sol: Putting  $u = xy$  and  $v = x+y$

$$\therefore \frac{du}{dx} = y + x \frac{dy}{dx} = y + xp$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + p \quad \left( p = \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

now there for  $\frac{y + xp}{p+1} = \frac{du}{dv} = q \quad \text{--- (1)}$

the given eqn'  $(px^2 + y^2)(px + y) = (p+1)^2$  becomes

(now  $px^2 + y^2 = (px + y)(x+y) - xy(p+1)$ )

so  $\{(px + y)(x+y) - xy(p+1)\}(px + y) = (p+1)^2$

or  $(px + y)^2(x+y) - xy(p+1)(px + y) = (p+1)^2$

$\left(\frac{px + y}{p+1}\right)^2(x+y) - \frac{(px + y)xy}{p+1} = 1$  dividing by  $(p+1)^2$

or  $q^2 v - q u = 1$  of using  $u = xy, v = x+y$

or,  $u = qv - \frac{1}{q} = \text{--- (2)}$

which is in Clairaut's form.

the diff w.r.t  $v$  we get  $\frac{du}{dv} = v + \frac{1}{q^2} \frac{dq}{dv}$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = q + v \frac{dq}{dv} + \frac{1}{q^2} \frac{dq}{dv}$$

$$q = q + v \frac{dq}{dv} + \frac{1}{q^2} \frac{dq}{dv} \Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dv} \left( v + \frac{1}{q^2} \right) = 0$$

hence  $\frac{dq}{dv} = 0 \Rightarrow dq = 0$  integrating  $q = C$  (arbitrary const.)

Putting  $q = C$  in (2) we get  $u = Cv - \frac{1}{C}$  Now  $(u = xy, v = x+y)$

then the general primitive is  $xy = C(x+y) - \frac{1}{C}$

or  $Cxy = C^2(x+y) - 1$  is the required sol<sup>n</sup>.