

**Theorem.** The general solution to the homogeneous linear differential equation  $y' + p(x)y = 0$  is

$$y = ce^{-P(x)}$$

where  $P'(x) = p(x)$ .

Note that applying the theorem requires that  $p(x)$  be integrable; thus there are situations in which the theorem doesn't help.

1. Find the general solution to the differential equation  $(1 + x^2)y' = 2xy$ .

**Theorem.** The general solution to the linear differential equation  $y' + p(x)y = f(x)$  is  $y = uy_1$  where

a)  $y_1$  is any particular solution to the complementary equation  $y' + p(x)y = 0$  and

b)  $u = \int \frac{f(x)}{y_1(x)} dx$  (add a constant here).

2. Solve the IVP:  $y' + 2xy = x$ ,  $y(1) = 1$ .