

## Answer on Question #58664 – Math – Differential Equations

### Question

Solve the initial value problem

$$(\cos y)dy/dx - \sin y = x, y(0) = 0$$

### Solution

1) We have an equation

$$\cos y \cdot y' - \sin y = x,$$

that is,

$$(\sin y)' - \sin y = x.$$

Denote

$$u = \sin y.$$

We get a linear equation with respect to  $u$  :

$$u' - u = x. \quad (1)$$

2) Multiplying the equation (1) by  $e^{-x}$  we have

$$e^{-x}u' - e^{-x}u = xe^{-x},$$

which is equivalent to

$$(e^{-x}u)' = xe^{-x}.$$

Integrating both parts with respect to  $x$

$$e^{-x}u = \int xe^{-x} dx + C,$$

hence

$$e^{-x}u = -xe^{-x} - e^{-x} + C$$

and multiplying the equality by  $e^x$

we get

$$u = -x - 1 + Ce^x.$$

3) Substituting  $u = \sin x$  we have

$$\sin y = -x - 1 + Ce^x$$

and using initial conditions  $x = 0, y = 0$  we get  $C = 1$ .

Finally obtain

$$\sin y = -x - 1 + e^x.$$

**Answer:**  $\sin y = -x - 1 + e^x$ .