

Ex: Solve $y = px + p - p^2$

Ans: The given equation $y = px + p - p^2$ --- (1),
is a Clairaut's form.

Differentiating (1) both sides with respect to x ,

$$p = p + x \frac{dp}{dx} + \frac{dp}{dx} - 2p \frac{dp}{dx}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dp}{dx} (x + 1 - 2p) = 0$$

Either $\frac{dp}{dx} = 0$, integrating $p = c$ --- (2),
 c being an arbitrary constant.

$$\text{otherwise } x + 1 - 2p = 0 \quad \text{or } p = \frac{x+1}{2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Eliminating p between (1) and (2) we get the
general or complete solution as

$$y = cx + c - c^2$$

Again eliminating p between (1) & (3) we
get the singular solution as

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)x + \frac{x+1}{2} - \frac{(x+1)^2}{4}$$

$$\text{or } 4y = 2x^2 + 2x + 2x + 2 - x^2 - 2x - 1$$

$$\text{or } 4y = x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$\text{or } 4y = (x+1)^2$$

Ex: Solve $1 - p^2 = \sin^{-1}(px - y)$

Ans: The given equation can be written
as

$$px - y = \sin^{-1}(1 - p^2)$$

$$\text{or } y = px - \sin^{-1}(1 - p^2) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

which is a Clairaut's equation.

Differentiating (1) both sides w.r.t. x we have

$$p = p + \frac{dp}{dx} \cdot x - (-2p) \cos(1-p^2) \frac{dp}{dx}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dp}{dx} \{ x + 2p \cos(1-p^2) \} = 0$$

Either $\frac{dp}{dx} = 0$, integrating, $p = c \dots (2)$
where c being an arbitrary constant.

$$\text{otherwise } x + 2p \cos(1-p^2) = 0 \dots (3)$$

Eliminating p between (1) & (2) we get the general or complete soln, as

$$y = cx - \sin(1-c^2)$$

Eliminating p between (1) & (3) we get the singular solution

Ex: solve the following problems (Home work)

$$1) p = \log(px - y) \quad 2) y = px + \frac{a}{p}$$

$$3) y = px + ap(1-p) \quad 4) py = p^2(x-b) + a$$

$$5) y = px + p^n \quad 6) y = px + \sqrt{a^2 + p^2} + b^2$$

$$7) (x-a)p^2 + (x-y)p - y = 0$$

$$8) (y+1)p - xp^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$9) \cos px \cos y + \sin px \sin y = p$$