

$$\frac{d}{dx}(v/x^2) = -1/x^2.$$

Integrate both sides

$$v/x^2 = 1/x + C$$

$$v = x + Cx^2$$

$$y^{-1/3} = x + Cx^2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{(x + Cx^2)^3} = y}$$

**Check.** We see that  $dy/dx = (-3)(x + Cx^2)^{-4}(1 + 2Cx)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} x(dy/dx) + 6y &= \frac{-3(x + 2Cx^2)}{(x + Cx^2)^4} + \frac{6}{(x + Cx^2)^3} \\ &= \frac{-3(x + 2Cx^2)}{(x + Cx^2)^4} + \frac{6(x + Cx^2)}{(x + Cx^2)^4} = \frac{3x}{(x + Cx^2)^4} = 3xy^{4/3}. \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

5. Solve  $(x^2 + 1)\frac{dy}{dx} + 3xy = 6x$ . Express your answer in the form  $y(x)$ .

**Check your answer.**

This is a first order linear DE:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1}y = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1}.$$

The integrating factor is

$$e^{\int \frac{3x}{x^2+1} dx} = e^{3/2 \ln(x^2+1)} = (x^2 + 1)^{3/2}.$$

Multiply both sides by the integrating factor:

$$(x^2 + 1)^{3/2} \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2}y = 6x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2}.$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}((x^2 + 1)^{3/2}y) = 6x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2}.$$

Integrate both sides:

$$(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}y = 2(x^2 + 1)^{3/2} + C$$

$$\boxed{y = 2 + C(x^2 + 1)^{-3/2}}$$

**Check.** We see that  $dy/dx = -(3/2)C(x^2 + 1)^{-5/2}2x = \frac{-3Cx}{(x^2+1)^{5/2}}$ . So,

$$(x^2 + 1)\frac{dy}{dx} + 3xy = (x^2 + 1)\frac{-3Cx}{(x^2 + 1)^{5/2}} + 3x(2 + C(x^2 + 1)^{-3/2}) = 6x \checkmark$$