

Question

Find the solution of the initial value problem

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{2}{3} t \times \frac{1}{x^2}; \text{ with } x(0) = 0$$

Answer

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{2}{3} t \times \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Separable:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2 dx &= \frac{2}{3} t dt \\ \Rightarrow \int x^2 dx &= \frac{2}{3} \int t dt \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} x^3 &= \frac{1}{3} t^2 + \text{constant} \\ \Rightarrow x^3 &= t^2 + \text{constant} \end{aligned}$$

Now $x(0) = 0$, so constant is zero

$$\text{Solution is } x^3 = t^2 \Rightarrow x = t^{\frac{2}{3}}$$