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Show all work clearly and in order. Please box your answers. 10 minutes.

1. (a) Find the explicit general solution for

$$x^2y' + xy = 1.$$

Standard Form: $y' + \frac{x}{x^2}y = \frac{1}{x^2}$

$$y' + \underbrace{\frac{1}{x}}_{P(x)}y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Integrating Factor: $e^{\int P(x)dx} = e^{\int \frac{1}{x}dx} = e^{\ln|x|} = |x|$
 $= x, \text{ if } x > 0$

Multiply: $x[y' + \frac{1}{x}y] = x[\frac{1}{x^2}]$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[xy] = \frac{1}{x}$$

Integrate: $xy = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$xy = \ln|x| + C$$

$$y = \frac{\ln|x|}{x} + \frac{C}{x}$$

Since we assumed $x > 0$, you can even drop the $|x|$ here.

Explicit Solution: $y = \frac{\ln(x)}{x} + \frac{C}{x}$

- (b) Give the largest interval over which the general solution is defined.

$(0, \infty)$

- (c) Are there any transient terms in the general solution? If yes, what are they?

yes, $\frac{C}{x}$ AND $\frac{\ln(x)}{x}$

Note: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/x}{1} = 0$