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

$$\frac{y^2}{x^2} = \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{x^2 y'}{x^2} = \frac{xy}{x^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} \rightarrow y' = \frac{y}{x} + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2$$

Let $u = \frac{y}{x}$

$g(u) = u + u^2$, Step 1: $y_1 = x$, Step 2: $\frac{u'}{g(u)-u} = \frac{1}{x}$, Step 3: $y = uy_1$

Step 2:

$$\frac{u'}{x+u^2-u} = \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \frac{u'}{u^2} = \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \int \frac{u'}{u^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int \frac{1}{x} dx \rightarrow \int u^{-2} du = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\frac{u^{-1}}{-1} = \ln|x| + C = \frac{-1}{u} = \ln|x| + C$$

$$u \cdot \frac{-1}{u} = (\ln|x| + C) \cdot u \rightarrow \frac{-1}{\ln|x| + C} = \frac{(\ln|x| + C) \cdot u}{\ln|x| + C}$$

Step 3: $y = u \cdot y_1, y_1 = x$

$$y = \frac{-1}{\ln|x| + C} \cdot x = \boxed{y(x) = \frac{-x}{\ln|x| + C}}$$

general solution