

## Lesson 9 Exact equations

HWK 3 due Wed

Exam 1 in class next Monday 9/16  
covering up to today's material 2.6

Problem: Find an ODE solved by family of curves

$$x^2 y + y^3 = C$$

← defines fcn  $y$  of  $x$  implicitly. Write  $y(x)$ .

Take  $\frac{d}{dx}$  of eqn and use implicit

diff'n:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 y) + \frac{d}{dx}(y^3) = \frac{d}{dx}(C)$$

$$\left(2x \cdot y + x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\boxed{2xy + (x^2 + 3y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0}$$

← first order ODE!

Want to go other way!

Prob:  $\boxed{M(x, y) + N(x, y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0}$

Hmmm: Chain rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} \phi(u, v) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial u} \frac{du}{dx} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial v} \frac{dv}{dx}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \phi(x, y) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} \leftarrow y = \text{fcn of } x$$

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Above

$$\phi(x, y) = C$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0}$$

Aha! Could we cook up  $\phi$  so that  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = M$ ,  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = N$ ?

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Famous problem: Given  $M(x,y) + N(x,y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ ,

can we find  $\phi(x,y)$  such

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = M & (A) \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = N & (B) \end{cases}$$

If yes, then  $\phi(x,y) = C$  gives sol<sup>n</sup>s implicitly!

Familiar problem: Given a force field  $\vec{F} = M\hat{i} + N\hat{j}$ , cook up a potential function  $\phi$  such that  $\vec{F} = \nabla \phi$ .

In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\vec{F} = \nabla \phi \Leftrightarrow \vec{F}$  is conservative  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Curl } \vec{F} = 0$ .

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ : " "  $\Leftrightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 0}}$

How to remember condition  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 0$  :

If  $\nabla \phi = M\hat{i} + N\hat{j}$ , then  $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = M & (A) \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = N & (B) \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (A) &= \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (B) &= \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

Aha! If  $\phi$  is  $C^2$ -smooth,  
then MA 261 says  
 $\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial x}$

We see that if  $Q$  solves (A) and (B), then  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$ .

MA 261 showed reverse is true.

Notation and how to remember:  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

Multiply by  $dx$ :  $\underline{M} dx + \underline{N} dy = 0$  ← differential 1-form

$dQ = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} dy$  ← total differential of  $Q$

Def<sup>n</sup>:  $Mdx + Ndy$  is called exact if it is equal to  $dQ$  for some  $Q$ .

How to remember condition  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \underbrace{\text{Thing by } dy}_{N} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \underbrace{\text{Thing by } dx}_{M} \right]$$

EX:  $\underbrace{(y^2 + \cos x)}_M + \underbrace{(2xy + \sin y)}_N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 2y + 0 \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2y + 0 \quad \checkmark \text{ yes!}$$

Can find  $Q$  such that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = M = y^2 + \cos x & (A) \\ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} = N = 2xy + \sin y & (B) \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Use (A) :

$$\phi = \int y^2 + \cos x \, dx$$

"Partial  
Integration"  
Treat  $y$  like  
a constant  
in  $\int$

$$\boxed{\phi(x,y) = y^2 \cdot x + \sin x + C(y)}$$

an arbitrary  
fcn of  $y$ !

(A) is used up.)

Step 2: Use (B) in a totally different way!

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} 2xy + \sin y \quad (B)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xy^2 + \sin x + C(y)) \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} 2xy + \sin y$$

$$2xy + 0 + C'(y) = 2xy + \sin y$$

Miracle! All  $x$ 's cancel!

(because of Curl=0  
condition!)

$$C'(y) = \sin y$$

$$\text{So } C(y) = \int \sin y \, dy = -\cos y$$

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here.

Step 3: Got  $C(y)$ ! Get  $\phi$  from red box

$$\phi(x,y) = xy^2 + \sin x + \underbrace{(-\cos y)}_{C(y)} = K$$

Just want one  
 $\phi(x,y)$

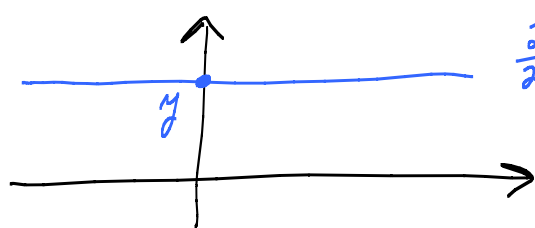
gives sol<sup>n</sup>s.

Step 4: Solve for  $y$  if possible. (Use initial conditions first.)

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Prob: Find all  $\Psi(x,y)$  such  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} = 6xy$ .

Lemma: If  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \equiv 0$ , then  $f$  is a fcn of  $y$  alone.



$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \equiv 0 \Rightarrow f = \text{const along horiz lines.}$   
call it  $C(y)$ .

Conversely, if  $f = C(y)$ , then  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \equiv 0$ .

Sol<sup>n</sup>: Want  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} = 6xy$  Let  $f = \int 6xy \, dx = 3x^2y$  ← take one  
Notice that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 6xy$  ✓

Aha!  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 6xy - 6xy \equiv 0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\underbrace{\Psi - 3x^2y}_{\text{must be a fcn } C(y) \text{ of } y.}) \equiv 0$$

✓

All possible  $\Psi$ 's:  $3x^2y + C(y)$

EX:  $\underbrace{(ye^{xy} + 2x)}_M + \underbrace{(xe^{xy} - y)}_N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} = \left( 1 \cdot e^{xy} + x \cdot e^{xy} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xy)}_y \right) - 0$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \left( 1 \cdot e^{xy} + y \cdot e^{xy} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy)}_x \right) + 0$$

← = ✓

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = ye^{xy} + 2x & (A) \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = xe^{xy} - y & (B) \end{cases}$$

$$(A) \quad \varphi = \int ye^{xy} + 2x \, dx = e^{xy} + x^2 + C(y)$$

$$(B) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( e^{xy} + x^2 + C(y) \right) \overset{\text{want}}{=} xe^{xy} - y$$

$$C'(y) = -y$$

$$C(y) = -\frac{y^2}{2}$$

$$\varphi(x, y) = e^{xy} + x^2 - \frac{1}{2}y^2 = K$$