

Announcements

- Introduction
- Check out the Discord (link on the Canvas announcement or on the course website)
- Make sure you have access to the textbook and gradescope
 - There is a MATLAB gradescope and a separate course gradescope
- Homework 1 due this Friday (April 9) at 11:59pm PDT
- MATLAB Assignment 1 due next week (April 16)
 - Download MATLAB version 2021a soon!
- Discussion section format:
 - Come to either time (1pm or 2pm PDT) that is more convenient for you
 - Not mandatory to attend
 - I will not be recording these sessions
 - However, these notes will be edited and posted after the discussion sections
 - * Expect these to be released Tuesday evenings
 - * Will be accessible on Canvas under Files and on the course website under Lecture Notes
- Office Hours:
 - Thursday 1pm every week
 - Flexible hour
 - * See *#office-hour-times* on the Discord for more info

Example Problems

1. Find all solutions to the equation $y' = y$

We can see that this is a separable differential equation.

First let's check if $y' = 0$ results in a solution:

Substituting, we get $y = 0$. This function does indeed have a derivative of 0 and therefore solves this equation.

Now, let's restrict ourselves to functions where $y \neq 0$. In this case we can divide both sides of the equation by y and get:

$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$. Since y is a function of x , the expression $\frac{d}{dx}(F(y)) = f(y) \frac{dy}{dx}$ by the chain rule, with

$$F(y) = \int f(y) dy.$$

Therefore, if we take the integral of both sides of $\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$ in terms of x , we get:

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int 1 dx \rightarrow \ln|y| = x + c \rightarrow e^{\ln|y|} = e^{x+c} \rightarrow |y| = e^c * e^x \rightarrow y = (\pm e^c) e^x$$

Notice how we carry the constant c throughout our simplification of our implicit solution when finding the explicit solution for this problem. Also, for any given initial value of y , we will have exactly one constant value for $\pm e^c$, so we can define $C = \pm e^c$ and rewrite our solution as $y = Ce^x$ for simplicity. Since for all $C \neq 0$ this equation results in a function where $y \neq 0$ for all x , we can confirm that this equation fits our initial restriction.

2. Find all solutions for $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 3$

We can see that this is a linear first-order ODE, so first we want to put this equation into the standard

form: $\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)y = \frac{3}{x}$. We therefore must assume that $x \neq 0$.

Now let's find our integrating factor $\mu(x) = e^{\int \frac{2}{x} dx} = e^{2 \ln|x|} = e^{\ln|x|^2} = |x|^2 = x^2$.

Therefore, $y = \frac{\int x^2 \left(\frac{3}{x}\right) dx + c}{x^2} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{c}{x^2}$.

As we can see, this solution is valid for all values of $x \neq 0$.

Typically for a problem like this we will pick some initial value where $x > 0$, and can restrict the domain of y to positive values of x , since y is continuous and differentiable on the entire domain.

3. Find all solutions to $(ye^{xy} + 2) + (xe^{xy}) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

This is a nonlinear equation and it is not separable either, but it might be an exact equation. We have to check if we can find a function $F(x, y)$ such that $ye^{xy} + 2$ is the partial derivative in terms of x and xe^{xy} is the partial derivative in terms of y .

We can take integrals of both functions in terms of x and y , respectively, and see if there is a function $F(x, y)$ that satisfies both integrals.

$$\int (ye^{xy} + 2) dx = e^{xy} + 2x + a(y)$$

$$\int xe^{xy} dy = e^{xy} + b(x)$$

Notice that instead of just adding a constant of integration c , we must add an arbitrary function $a(y)$ or

function $b(x)$ because $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} a(y) = 0$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} b(x) = 0$.

Here, we can choose $a(y) = c$ and $b(x) = 2x + c$ and therefore get the implicit solution:

$$F(x, y) = e^{xy} + 2x + c = 0$$

If we wanted to find a solution for an initial value problem, we would just substitute the x and y values into the above equation and solve for c .

Calculus Review

- Implicit Differentiation

- We have an expression in terms of x and y where y is a function of x
- Therefore we must use the chain rule and/or product rule when finding the derivative in terms of x
- For example, let's implicitly differentiate $e^{xy} + y = 2$:

- * $\frac{d}{dx}(e^{xy} + y) = \frac{d}{dx}(2)$

- * $[y + y'x]e^{xy} + y' = 0$

- Partial Derivatives

- We have an expression in terms of multiple variables, but we are taking the derivative of only one variable at a time. We treat all other variables like constants.

- For example, let's find the partial derivatives of $e^{xy} + y$

- * $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(e^{xy} + y) = ye^{xy}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(e^{xy} + y) = xe^{xy} + 1$

- * Notice that these partial derivatives are not the same as the implicit differentiation above!

- Integration Techniques

- u-Substitution

- * When integrating an expression of the form $\int f'(x)g(f(x))dx$, we can define $u = f(x)$. Therefore, $du = f'(x)dx$, and we can substitute to get $\int f'(x)g(f(x))dx = \int g(u)du$ to solve.

- * For a definite integral, you must remember to convert the bounds of integration from $[x_0, x_1]$ to $[u_0 = f(x_0), u_1 = f(x_1)]$

- * Example: $\int_{x=1}^{x=2} e^{x+5} dx \rightarrow u(x) = x + 5 \rightarrow du = dx \rightarrow \int_{u=6}^{u=7} e^u du = e^7 - e^6$

- Integration by Parts

- * When integrating an expression of the form $\int a(x)b(x)dx$, we can take advantage of the product rule for differentiation to find a simpler integral to evaluate:

- $\frac{d}{dx}[u(x)v(x)] = u'v + uv'$

- Rearranging and integrating gives us: $\int uv' dx = uv - \int u'v dx$

- So if we can make suitable choices for $u(x)$ and $v'(x)$ such that the derivative of u is a function that is simpler to integrate and/or the function v is simpler to integrate (or at least not more complicated), then the integral on the right side of this equation should be easier to solve.

- Sometimes you will need to check multiple possibilities for u and v

- * Example:

- $\int xe^x dx \rightarrow u = x, v' = e^x \rightarrow u' = 1, v = e^x$
- So $\int xe^x dx = xe^x - \int e^x dx = xe^x - e^x + c$

Differential Equations Terminology

- What is a differential equation?
 - Equation that relates derivatives of a function or functions
 - * Usually found when discussing physical processes: for example, air resistance is a change in acceleration that is a function of the velocity of an object
 - Ordinary differential equations only involve functions of one variable – usually $y(x)$
 - Partial differential equations can relate functions of multiple variables
 - * We will not be covering these equations in this class
 - Typically, we want to find a solution to a differential equation
 - * A function that, when substituted into the original equation, makes that equation true – it can be simplified to $0 = 0$
 - For ordinary differential equations, we can represent them with either:
 - * Leibniz notation: $\frac{dy}{dx}, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}, \dots$
 - * Prime notation: y', y'', \dots
 - The *order* of an ODE is the value of the highest derivative in the equation
 - * A first order equation only has $\frac{dy}{dx}$, while a second order equation includes a $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ term, etc
- Linear/Non-linear ODE
 - A differential equation of the form $a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} \dots a_1y' + a_0(x)y = g(x)$ is called *linear* and we have special techniques to help solve these equations
 - Anything else is nonlinear, these are typically more difficult to solve
- Implicit/Explicit Solution
 - A solution to an ODE of the form $f(x) = y$ is called an explicit solution
 - A solution to an ODE of the form $F(x, y) = 0$ is called an implicit solution
 - * Sometimes we can't solve for y
- Initial Value Problems
 - Differential equations can have infinitely many solutions
 - Once we define initial conditions, that narrows down the number of possible solutions
 - For the functions in this class, typically this can be reduced to only one unique solution
 - * See theorem 1 in the textbook for a special case

Separable Differential Equations

- Formula
 - $y' = \frac{a(x)}{b(y)}$

- Method of Solution
 - First check if $y' = 0$, solve for y and see if this equation is a solution
 - * For example $y' = y^2 - 4$ has the solutions $y = 2, y = -2$
 - Then we can rearrange the equation to: $b(y)dy = a(x)dx$ and integrate

Linear First-Order Equations

- Formula
 - $a_1(x)y' + a_2(x)y = g(x)$
 - First rearrange by dividing by $a_1(x)$ on both sides, making sure it is not zero
 - * This becomes the standard form $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$
- Method of Solution
 - We want to find a function $\mu(x)$ such that

$$[\mu*y]' = \mu*y' + y*\mu' = \mu*y' + y*\mu*P(x) = \mu[y' + P(x)y]$$
 - Therefore, if we multiply both sides of the equation by $\mu(x)$, we can easily integrate both sides in terms of x and then divide by $\mu(x)$ to find an explicit solution
 - * This means $\mu(x) \neq 0$ must be true
 - The choice $\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x)dx}$ satisfies both of these conditions
 - So $y = \frac{\int \mu(x)Q(x)dx + C}{\mu(x)}$

Exact Equations

- Formula
 - $M(x, y) + N(x, y)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
- Method of Solution
 - If we have a nonlinear ODE with $M(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}F(x, y)$ and $N(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}F(x, y)$, then the derivative in terms of x of some equation $F(x, y) = c$ provides us with the formula above.
 - So we can check $\int M(x, y)dx = \int N(x, y)dy = F(x, y)$
 - Then solve for y , if possible, to get an explicit solution