

# Lecture 5

## Plan of Lecture 5:

- very quick review of § 2.4
- § 2.5

Reminder:

1. paper-and-pen HW1 is due April 9th
2. Matlab HW1 is due April 16th

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## Review of § 2.4

- "M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy = 0" is exact

Test

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

- If  $dF = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} dy$   
 $= M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy$

then "Mdx + Ndy = 0" has an implicit  
solution  $F(x,y) = C$

- When " $Mdx + Ndy = 0$ " is exact, how to find  $F$  s.t.  $dF = Mdx + Ndy$ ?

We need to find  $F$  s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = M & \textcircled{1} \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = N & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Integrate  $\textcircled{1}$  w.r.t  $x$  by regarding  $y$  as a constant

Step 2: substitute what we get in st 1 into  $\textcircled{2}$

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## § 2.5 Integrating factor

Q: What if " $Mdx + Ndy = 0$ " is NOT exact? Can we still solve it?

A: For some "nice" non-exact equation, yes!

Indeed, for some non-exact equation

$$M dx + N dy = 0, \quad (1)$$

We can "manually" make it exact by

multiplying some function  $\mu$ . That is,

$$\underbrace{\mu(x,y) M(x,y)}_{M_1} dx + \underbrace{\mu(x,y) N(x,y)}_{N_1} dy = 0 \quad (2)$$

is exact

In this case,  $\mu$  is called an integrating factor of (1)

Q: what the relation between "integrating factor" here and "integrating factor" in § 2.3?

A: we will discuss at the end.

In short, they are different but highly similar in spirit.

First let's consider the following Q:

Q: How to find  $\mu(x, y)$  in (2)?

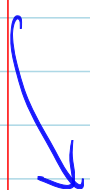
A: Let 
$$\begin{cases} M_1 = \mu M \\ N_1 = \mu N \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \text{ is exact } \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial M_1}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N_1}{\partial x}$$

This means

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [\mu M] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\mu N]$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_y \mu M + \mu \partial_y M = \partial_x \mu N + \mu \partial_x N$$



$$\Rightarrow M \partial_y \mu - N \partial_x \mu = (\partial_x N - \partial_y M) \mu \quad (3)$$

Notations:

$$\partial_x \mu = \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x}$$

$$\partial_y \mu = \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial y}$$

$$\partial_y M = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$$

$$\partial_x N = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

In general, it is very difficult to solve (3)

But in some exceptional cases, we can solve it.

(I) Suppose we can make  $\partial_y \mu = 0$ . Then (3)  $\Rightarrow$

$$-N \partial_x \mu = (\partial_x N - \partial_y M) \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_x \mu = \frac{1}{N} (\partial_y M - \partial_x N) \mu \quad (4)$$

Suppose " $\frac{1}{N} (\partial_y M - \partial_x N)$ " only depends on  $x$ .

Call it  $f(x)$ . Then (4)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{\mu} \frac{d\mu}{dx} = \frac{1}{\mu} \partial_x \mu = f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu} d\mu = f(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{\mu} d\mu = \int f(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln |\mu| = \int f(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mu| = e^{\int f(x) dx} \Rightarrow \mu = \pm e^{\int f(x) dx}$$

only depends  
on  $x$

$\int f(x) dx$

both of " $\pm$ " will work. We always choose the  
"+" one.  $\Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int f(x) dx}$

Summarize:

depends only  
on  $x$

If  $\frac{1}{N} (\partial_y M - \partial_x N)$  depends on  $x$ , then

$$\mu = e^{\int f(x) dx} \text{ works! } \text{only}$$

(II) Suppose we can make  $\partial_x \mu = 0$ . Then

(3) becomes

$$M \partial_y \mu = (\partial_x N - \partial_y M) \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_y \mu = \frac{1}{M} (\partial_x N - \partial_y M) \mu \quad (5)$$

Suppose  $\frac{1}{M} (\partial_x N - \partial_y M)$  depends only on  $y$ ,

Call it  $g(y)$ . (5)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{\mu} \frac{d\mu}{dy} = \frac{1}{\mu} \partial_y \mu = g(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu} d\mu = g(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{\mu} d\mu = \int g(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln|\mu| = \int g(y) dy \Rightarrow$$

$$\mu = \pm e^{\int g(y) dy}$$

we normally take the "+" one  $\Rightarrow$

$$\mu = e^{\int g(y) dy} = e^{\int \frac{1}{M} (\partial_x N - \partial_y M) dy}$$

depends  
only on  $y$

Note this  $\mu$  is a function depending only

$$\text{on } y! \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x} = 0.$$

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Summarize: If  $\frac{1}{M} (\partial_x N - \partial_y M)$  depends only on  $y$ , then  $\mu = e^{\int g dy}$  works!

We summarize the above to the following theorem:

Thm. Given  $Mdx + Ndy = 0$  (\*)

(I) If  $\frac{1}{N}(\partial_y M - \partial_x N)$  depends only on  $x$

(that is, does not depend on  $y$ ), then

$$\mu = \mu(x) = e^{\int \frac{1}{N}(\partial_y M - \partial_x N) dx}$$

is an integrating factor of (\*)

(means " $\mu M dx + \mu N dy = 0$ " is exact)

(II) If  $\frac{1}{M}(\partial_x N - \partial_y M)$  only depends on

$y$  (that is, does not depend on  $x$ ), then

$$\mu = \mu(y) = e^{\int \frac{1}{M}(\partial_x N - \partial_y M) dy}$$

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Remark: only use the above theorem when

(\*) is not exact.

E.g. Solve

$$(2x^2 + y)dx + (x^2y - x)dy = 0. \quad (6)$$

A: Note  $\begin{cases} M = 2x^2 + y \\ N = x^2y - x \end{cases}$

Step 1: check the exactness of (6).

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 1 \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 2xy - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \neq \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \text{not-exact!}$$

Step 2. Can we use the theorem?

Need to check!

(I) Compute

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{N} (\partial_y M - \partial_x N) \\ &= \frac{1 - (2xy - 1)}{x^2y - x} = \frac{-2(xy - 1)}{x(xy - 1)} = \frac{-2}{x} \end{aligned}$$



It only depends on  $x$ !

Hence, yes, we can use Theorem (I).

The integrating factor

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int -\frac{2}{x} dx}$$

$$= e^{-2 \ln|x| + C}$$

Choose  $C = 0$

$$= \frac{1}{|x|^2} = \frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$$

Step 3. Multiply both sides by  $\mu(x)$

$$x^{-2} (2x^2 + y) dx + x^{-2} (x^2 y - x) dy = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(2 + \frac{y}{x^2}\right) dx + \left(y - \frac{1}{x}\right) dy = 0$$

This new D.E is exact!

← use last lecture

Step 4. We next find  $F$  s.t

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2 + \frac{y}{x^2} & \textcircled{1} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = y - \frac{1}{x} & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Integrating ① and regarding  $y$  as a constant

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow F &= \int \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx = \int \left(2 + \frac{y}{x^2}\right) dx \\ &= 2x - \frac{y}{x} + \boxed{g(y)} \text{ constant term}\end{aligned}$$

Substitute into ②  $\Rightarrow$

$$-\frac{1}{x} + g'(y) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = y - x^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(y) = y \Rightarrow g(y) = \frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$\text{Hence } F = 2x - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{1}{2}y^2$$

the soln to the D.E is  $(F = C)$

$$2x - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{1}{2}y^2 = C.$$

§ 2.5

Q = What the relation between "integrating factor" here and "integrating factor" in § 2.3?

Recall "integrating factor" in § 2.3:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + p(x)y = Q(x)$$

The integrating factor  $\mu(x) = e^{\int p(x)dx}$

Sometimes you can both of the "integrating factor" methods to solve a D.E.

E.g. Solve

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{x}}_{p(x)} y = \underbrace{2}_{Q(x)}, \quad x > 0. \quad (7)$$

Way 1: (Use § 2.3)

$$\text{Note } \begin{cases} p(x) = \frac{3}{x} \\ Q(x) = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = e^{\int p(x)dx} = e^{\int \frac{3}{x} dx} = x^3$$

"  $e^{3 \ln|x|}$

Multiply  $\mu$  to both sides  $\Rightarrow$

$$x^3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2 y = 2x^3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^3 y = \int 2x^3 dx = \frac{1}{2} x^4 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2} x + \frac{C}{x^3}$$

way 2 (use today's lecture)

Reduce (7) to the form " $M dx + N dy = 0$ "

$$(7) \Rightarrow dy = (2 - \frac{3y}{x}) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow (\frac{3y}{x} - 2) dx + dy = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} M = \frac{3y}{x} - 2 \\ N = 1 \end{cases}$$

Step 1: check exactness

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{3}{x} \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \neq \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

$\Rightarrow$  not exact!

Step 2. Try to use the theorem.

Check which case it is ((I) or (II))

Check (I): Compute

$$\frac{1}{N} (\partial_y M - \partial_x N)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1} \left( \frac{3}{x} - 0 \right) = \frac{3}{x}$$

It only depends on  $x$ !

Use Case (I).

$$\mu = e^{\int \frac{3}{x} dx} = e^{3 \ln|x|} = |x|^3 = x^3$$

Multiply (8) by  $\mu \Rightarrow$

$$(3x^2y - 2x^3) dx + x^3 dy = 0$$

This new P.E is exact!

We will find  $F$  s.t

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 3x^2y - 2x^3 & (1) \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = x^3 & (2) \end{cases}$$

Integrating (1)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \int (3x^2y - 2x^3) dx \\ &= x^3y - \frac{1}{2}x^4 + g(y) \end{aligned}$$

Substitute  $F$  into (2)

$$x^3 + g' = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow g' = 0 \Rightarrow g = C$$

$$\text{choose } C = 0 \Rightarrow g = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F = x^3y - \frac{1}{2}x^4$$

The soln to the D.E is

$$x^3 y - \frac{1}{2} x^4 = C$$