

# MAT303: Calc IV with applications

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Today:

- Ch 1.6 Exact differential equations and Substitution methods

• Changing variables is a common operation

- Can make the equation solvable/simpler
- Can give more insight into the DE
- Can demonstrate similarities between DEs.

From before,  
We know how to solve:

$$* \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)$$

$$* \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y)$$

Separable

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

Linear

a) Yes  
b) No.

Consider a function  $f(x, y)$  of two variables.

$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  means "differentiate with respect to  $x$ "

$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}$  means "differentiate with respect to  $y$ "

Example:  $f(x, y) = x^2y + \sin(x)$

Then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}f = x^2 + 0$

And  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}f = 2xy + \cos x$ .

More notation:

$f_x$  means  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}f$

$f_y$  means  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}f$

$f_{xy}$  means  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f$

$f_{yx}$  means  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f$

Higher order derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f = 2x.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f = 2x$$

$$2xy + \cos x$$

Notice:

$$f_{xy} = f_{yx}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f = 2y - \sin(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f = 0.$$

This is true in general. It's called Clairaut's theorem.

One variable:

$$y = f(g(t))$$

$$\text{If } y = f(g)$$

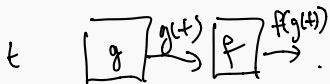
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{df}{dg} \frac{dg}{dt}$$

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Example:

$$y = g(t)^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2g(t) \cdot g'(t)$$



Change in  $f(g(t))$

= change in  $g(t)$

$\times$  rate of change of  $f$  w.r.t.  $g$ .

$$\text{If } y = \beta(x, v), \quad v = v(x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial v} \frac{dv}{dx}$$



$$\text{If } y = g(w, z)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = g_w w_x + g_z z_x$$

$$\text{If } y = g(x, y, z)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = g_x x_t + g_y y_t + g_z z_t$$

Example:

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{d\beta}{dv}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x \sin(x)^2 =$$

$$\text{Here, } \beta(x, v) = x v^2, \quad v(x) = \sin(x)$$

By chain rule,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v^2 + \cos x \cdot 2xv = \sin^2 x + \cos x \cdot 2x \sin x$$

$$\text{By product rule: } \frac{d}{dx} x(\sin x)^2 = (\sin x)^2 + x(2 \sin x \cos x)$$

Example:

$$f(x, y) = x^y, \quad y = y(x)$$

What is  $f'_x$ ?

Don't try to memorize these exact formulas. Just remember the meaning and reasoning.

Example: Solve

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

Using the substitution  $v = x + y + 3$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v^2$$

Need to get rid of  $y$  on RHS.

We have

$$y = v - x - 3$$

So  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx} - 1$

So  $\frac{dv}{dx} - 1 = v^2$

So  $\frac{dv}{dx} = v^2 + 1$

$\rightarrow v \times \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y)$

Separable

$$\frac{1}{v^2+1} dv = dx$$

$$\arctan(v) = x + C$$

$$v = \tan(x + C)$$

Find  $y$ :  $y = \tan(x + C) - x - 3$

Verify:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos^2(x+C)} - 1 = \frac{1 - \cos^2(x+C)}{\cos^2(x+C)} = \frac{\sin^2(x+C)}{\cos^2(x+C)}$$

$$= \tan^2(x+C)$$

$\rightarrow v = \tan(x+C)$

This works whenever you have a differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(ax + by + c)$$

Let  $v = ax + by + c$

$$y = \frac{v - c - ax}{b}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{b} \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(v)$$

$$\frac{1}{b} \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{a}{b} = F(v) \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = bF(v) + a$$

Transforming a differential equation like this is very common in applications.

For homogeneous equations like  $\frac{dy}{dx} = F\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ ,

the substitution

$$v = \frac{y}{x}$$

is useful.

Example: Solve for y:

$$2xy \frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^2 + 3y^2$$

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

where  
 $F(p) = \frac{2}{p} + \frac{3}{2}p$

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

Then

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{v} + \frac{3}{2}v$$

$$y = vx$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dx}x + v \quad (\text{not } v).$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx}x + v = \frac{2}{v} + \frac{3}{2}v$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \left( \frac{2}{v} + \frac{1}{2}v \right)$$

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$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{2}{v} + \frac{1}{2}v\right)} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\frac{2v}{4+v^2} dv = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{2v}{4+v^2} dv = \log|x| + C$$

$$\log|4+v^2| = \log|x| + C$$

$$4+v^2 = C|x|$$

$$4 + \frac{y^2}{x^2} = C|x|$$

$$\frac{y^2}{x^2} = C(|x| - 4)$$

$$y^2 = C(|x|x^2 - 4x^2)$$

For the Bernoulli equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)y^n \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{dy}{dx}} \right\} \text{non-linear}$$

You should take  $v = y^{1-n}$  which turns it into

$$\frac{dv}{dx} + (1-n)P(x)v = (1-n)Q(x). \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{dv}{dx}} \right\} \leftarrow \text{linear.}$$

Example:

$$2xyy' = 4x^2 + 3y^2$$

Example:

$$\frac{d}{dx} y^2 x = y^2 + 2yy' x$$

$$2x + y^2 + 2xyy' = 0$$

Notice that

$$2x + y^2 + 2xyy' = \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + y^2 x)$$

The differential equation becomes

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + y^2 x) = 0$$

Solve:

$$x^2 + y^2 x = C \quad (C \text{ is arbitrary})$$

Want:

$$y + 3xy' =$$

Definition: A DE  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  is **exact** if we can find  $f(x, y)$  such that

~~$f_x = M$  and  $f_y = N$ .~~  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} f$

Is the following DE exact or not?

$$y + 3x \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} (f(x, y))$$

Clairauts:

$$f_{xy} = f_{yx}$$

$$f_{xy} = 1$$

$$f_x + f_y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} (f(x, y))$$

$$f_{yx} = 3$$

Is the following DE exact or not?

multivariable  
chain  
rule

Test for exactness: A DE  $M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  can only be exact if  $M_y = N_x$ .



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If we know an equation is exact, it is easy to figure out what  $f$  is.

$$\overbrace{(6xy - y^3)}^M dx + \overbrace{(4y + 3x^2 - 3xy^2)}^N dy = 0$$

1)  $\overbrace{(6xy - y^3)}^M + \overbrace{(4y + 3x^2 - 3xy^2)}^N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$   
 check if it's exact.

a) yes  
 b) No.  
 $M_y = 6x - 3y^2$   
 $N_x = 6x - 3y^2$

Want:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x,y)) = M + N \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x,y)) = f_x + f_y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

a)  $3x^2y - xy^3$  ✓  
 b)  $3x^2y - xy^3 + 2$  ✓  
 c)  $3x^2y - xy^3 + e^y \sin y$  ✓  
 d) I don't know

1st constraint:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f_x = 6xy - y^3$$

So

$$f(x,y) = 3x^2y - xy^3 + g(y) \quad \text{arbitrary func. of } y.$$

2nd constraint:

$$f_y = \cancel{3x^2} - \cancel{3xy^2} + g'(y) = 4y + \cancel{3x^2} - \cancel{3xy^2}$$

$$g'(y) = 4y$$

$$g(y) = 2y^2 + C$$

So  $f(x,y) = 3x^2y - xy^3 + 2y^2 + C.$

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$$f_x = M \text{ and } f_y = N.$$

Test for exactness:

exact only if  $M_y = N_x$

i.e.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(3x^2y - xy^3 + 2y^2) = 0.$$

So  $3x^2y - xy^3 + 2y^2 = C.$

(implicitly solution).

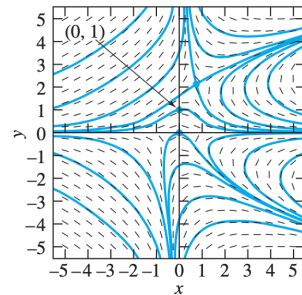


FIGURE 1.6.7. Slope field and solution curves for the exact equation in Example 9.

- Differential equations can often be transformed into different forms
  - Useful to reduce one problem to another problem
  - Useful when using a computer to solve the differential equation

Exact equations:

$$Mdx + Ndy = 0$$

- 1) Check that its exact:  $M_y = N_x$
- 2) Find  $f$  such that
$$df = Mdx + Ndy \quad (f_x = M, f_y = N)$$
- 3) Solution is
$$f(x, y) = C$$

(implicit solution).

$$M + N \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$