

Math 2C03 - Class #2

2.2: Separable Eqⁿ's

Remark: In sections 2.2-2.5 we will discuss strategies for solving special types of 1st-order DE's.

Defⁿ: A separable eqⁿ is a 1st-order DE of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)h(y)$.

e.g. 1: $y' = \underbrace{x^2}_{g(x)} \underbrace{e^{-y}}_{h(y)}$ is separable.

• $y' = y + \sin x$ is not separable.

Method of Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= g(x)h(y) \\ \frac{1}{h(y)} y' &= g(x) \\ \int \frac{1}{h(y)} dy &= \int g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

this gives us the solution.

Why?: [see next page].

e.g. 1 Solve $y' = \underbrace{x^2}_{g(x)} \underbrace{e^{-y}}_{h(y)}$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-y} y' &= x^2 \\ \int e^{-y} dy &= \int x^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -e^{-y} &= \frac{1}{3} x^3 + c \\ e^{-y} &= -\frac{1}{3} x^3 + c \\ \ln(e^{-y}) &= \ln\left(-\frac{1}{3} x^3 + c\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$-y = \ln\left(-\frac{x^3}{3} + c\right)$$

$$y = -\ln\left(-\frac{x^3}{3} + c\right)$$

$$y = \ln\left(\frac{1}{-\frac{x^3}{3} + c}\right)$$

$$y' = \frac{-1}{-\frac{x^3}{3} + c} \cdot (-x^2) = \frac{x^2}{-\frac{x^3}{3} + c} \cdot c$$

To see where defined need to check where

We need $-\frac{x^3}{3} + c > 0$ in order for y to be defined, & $-\frac{x^3}{3} + c \neq 0$ for y' to be continuous.

$\therefore y = \ln(c - \frac{x^3}{3})$ is a solution on any interval where $c - \frac{x^3}{3} > 0$.

Why do we solve in this way?

Let $\frac{1}{h(y)} =: P(y)$. We begin with $P(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)$.

Suppose $y = \phi(x)$ is a solution of $P(y) y' = g(x)$.

Sub. $y = \phi(x)$.

$$\int P(y) \frac{dy}{dx} dx = \int g(x) dx$$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \phi'(x)$

$$\Rightarrow \int P(\phi(x)) \phi'(x) dx = \int g(x) dx$$

$y = \phi(x) \Rightarrow$

$$\int P(y) dy = \int g(x) dx$$

$dy = \phi'(x) dx$

i.e. $H(y) = G(x) + c$, where $H(y)$ is the antider. of $P(y)$ & $G(x)$ antider. of $g(x)$.

[by implicit diff.: $\frac{d}{dx} H(y) = \frac{d}{dx} (G(x) + c)$

$P(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)$, so $H(y) = G(x) + c$ implicit solution.]

Singular Solutions: Given a separable DE $y' = g(x)h(y)$,

we divide by $h(y)$ & integrate: $\int h(y) dy = \int g(x) dx$. What happens for those

constant functions $y = a$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$ that make $h(y)$ vanish (i.e. $h(a) = 0$)? If $y = a$ & $h(a) = 0$, we have

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, so $y = a$ satisfies the DE ($0 = g(x) \cdot 0$).

$\therefore y = a$ is a solution. But using separation of variables may not produce this solution, & therefore $y = a$ may be a singular solution.

e.g. 7 $y' + 2xy^2 = 0$. Solve this DE.

$$y' = -2xy^2$$
$$\int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \int -2x dx$$

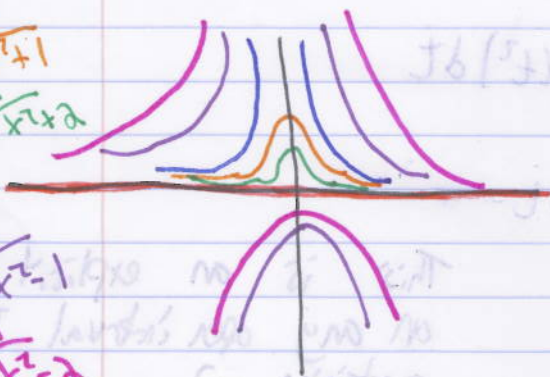
$$-y^{-1} = -x^2 + c$$

$$\frac{1}{y} = x^2 + c$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x^2 + c}$$

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

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



$y=0$

$y=0$ is also a solution, since $y'=0$, so

$$0 + 2x(0)^2 = 0. \checkmark$$

But there's no c we can choose to make $y = \frac{1}{x^2 + c}$ the constant zero function.

$\therefore y=0$ is a singular solution.

2.3: Linear Eqⁿ's [1st-order]

Defⁿ: A 1st-order linear DE is an eqⁿ of the form $a_1(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0(x)y = g(x)$.

Solving a Linear 1st-order DE:

1) Put DE in the form $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = F(x)$.

2) The 1-par. family of solutions is given by:

$$y = e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[\int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx \right]$$

e.g.7 Solve $xy' - y = 2x \ln x$.

$$y' + \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)}_{P(x)} y = \underbrace{2 \ln x}_{F(x)}$$

$$\int P(x) dx = \int -\frac{1}{x} dx = -\ln x$$

$$y = e^{\ln x} \left[\int e^{-\ln x} (2 \ln x) dx \right]$$

$$= x \left[\int x^{-1} (2 \ln x) dx \right]$$

$$= x \int 2u du = x [u^2 + c] = x [(\ln x)^2 + c]$$

y is defined on $(0, \infty)$. $y' = (\ln x)^2 + c + x \left[\frac{2 \ln x}{x} \right]$
cont. on $(0, \infty)$.

$\therefore y = x(\ln x)^2 + cx$ - solution on $(0, \infty)$.

Check: $xy' - y = x[(\ln x)^2 + c + 2\ln x] - x(\ln x)^2 - cx$
 $= 2x\ln x. \checkmark$

Idea Behind Solution: One can verify that

$y = e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[\int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx \right] *$ is a solution

of the DE $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$, on an interval I where both $P(x)$ & $F(x)$ are continuous.

Indeed, $y' = \overset{\text{Product rule}}{(-P(x))} e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[\int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx \right]$
 $+ e^{-\int P(x) dx} e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x)$

So y' is $c' \neq P(x)$ & $F(x)$ are cont.

$= -P(x) \underbrace{e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[\int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx \right]}_y + F(x)$

$= -P(x)y + F(x) \Rightarrow y' + P(x)y = F(x). \checkmark$

On the other hand, suppose y is a solution of $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$ on some interval. We will show such a solution y must have the form $*$.

The trick is the following: We begin with $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$. When we multiply both sides of this eqⁿ by $e^{\int P(x) dx}$ something nice happens:

$y' e^{\int P(x) dx} + e^{\int P(x) dx} P(x)y = e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x)$

$\frac{d}{dx} [e^{\int P(x) dx} y]$ by the product rule

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [e^{\int P(x) dx} y] = e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int \frac{d}{dx} [e^{\int P(x) dx} y] dx = \int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^{\int P(x) dx} y = \int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = e^{-\int P(x) dx} \left[\int e^{\int P(x) dx} F(x) dx \right]$$

\square \therefore We showed \ast is a solution to $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$ & all solutions of $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$ have the Form \ast .

Defⁿ: A general solution of a 1st-order DE is a 1-parameter family of solutions s.t. every solution of the DE on I can be obtained from the 1-par. family for an appropriate choice of c .

Theorem [Existence & Uniques of 1st-order Linear IVP's]:

Consider the IVP $y' + P(x)y = F(x)$, $y(x_0) = y_0$. If $P(x)$ & $F(x)$ are continuous on an interval I containing x_0 , then $\exists!$ solution of this IVP on I .

Proof: $y' = \underbrace{-P(x)y + F(x)}_{F(x,y)}$. Apply Theorem 1.2.1 to this IVP:

$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = -P(x)$. Since $P(x)$ & $F(x)$ cont. $\Rightarrow F(x,y)$ & $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}$ cont. on I .

$\Rightarrow \exists$ some interval I_0 with a unique solution. But by

any solution has the form $\phi(x, y) = c$

$x_0 \in I \Rightarrow$ the solution is just a matter of plugging x_0 & y_0 into $\phi(x, y) = c$ & solving for c . i.e. $x_0 \mapsto$ distinct c .

\therefore This interval I_0 of existence & uniqueness is the entire interval I .

2.4: Exact Eqⁿ's:

Notation: If $z = f(x, y)$ has continuous first partials in a region $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$, then its differential is $dz = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$.

Defⁿ: A 1st-order DE of the form $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$ is called an exact eqⁿ if $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = \nabla f$ for some function $f(x, y)$ defined on $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$.

e.g. 7 The DE $(2xy + 6) + (x^2 - 3y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ can be written in the form: $\underbrace{(2xy + 6)}_{M(x, y)} dx + \underbrace{(x^2 - 3y^2)}_{N(x, y)} dy = 0$.

Consider the function $f(x, y) = x^2y + 6x - y^3$.
 $\nabla f = (2xy + 6)dx + (x^2 - 3y^2)dy = M(x, y) + N(x, y)$.
 \therefore The DE is exact.

Theorem 2.4.1 [Criterion for Exact DE]: If $M(x, y)$ & $N(x, y)$ are C^1 in $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$, then $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$ is exact $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$.

For those who took Vector calc., same criterion as a v.f. being a gradient v.f.

Solving Exact DE's: To solve an exact DE,

we want to find the F s.t. $\nabla F = M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy$. Then an implicit solution is given by $F(x,y) = C$.

Let's demonstrate how to find such an F via an example:

Example: Is $(5y - 2x)y' - 2y = 0$ exact? If so, solve it.

Rewrite as: $\underbrace{(5y - 2x)}_{N(x,y)} dy - \underbrace{2y}_{M(x,y)} dx = 0$.

$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -2 = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \Rightarrow$ exact by Theorem 2.4.1, since M & N are C^1 on $(-\infty, \infty)$.

\therefore We know $\exists F(x,y)$ s.t. $\nabla F = M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy$.

i.e. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = M$ & $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = N$.

$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = M \Rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = -2y \Rightarrow F = \int -2y dx \Rightarrow F = -2yx + g(y)$.

$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = N \Rightarrow -2x + g'(y) = 5y - 2x$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dg}{dy} = 5y \Rightarrow g = \int 5y dy$

$\Rightarrow g = \frac{5}{2}y^2 + C$.

$\therefore F = -2yx + \frac{5}{2}y^2$.

\therefore A solution to the DE is $-2yx + \frac{5}{2}y^2 = C$.

F is a function of x & y , so integrating w.r.t. x means a "constant" has y 's & real #'s.

Chose $C=0$...
could choose C to be anything

Integrating Factors: Sometimes an eqⁿ of the form $M(x,y) dx + N(x,y) dy = 0$ is not exact, but we can multiply both sides by an appropriate function $\mu(x,y)$ s.t. $\mu(x,y) M(x,y) dx + \mu(x,y) N(x,y) dy = 0$ is exact. This function $\mu(x,y)$ is called an integrating factor.

• IF $\frac{M_y - N_x}{N}$ is a function of x alone, then $\mu(x) = e^{\int \frac{M_y - N_x}{N} dx}$ is an integrating factor.

• IF $\frac{N_x - M_y}{M}$ is a function of y alone, then $\mu(y) = e^{\int \frac{N_x - M_y}{M} dy}$ is an integrating factor.

By turning our non-exact eqⁿ into an exact one, we can solve this new exact eqⁿ & find an implicit solution for the original eqⁿ.

e.g.7 Solve $\underbrace{(x^2 + y^2 - 5)}_M dx = \underbrace{(y + xy)}_{-N} dy, y(0) = 1.$

This eqⁿ is not exact, since $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2y$ & $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -y$.

$\frac{M_y - N_x}{N} = \frac{2y + y}{-(y + xy)} = \frac{-3y}{y(1+x)} = \frac{-3}{1+x}$ depends on x alone. not same!

$\therefore \int \frac{-3}{x+1} dx = e^{\ln(x+1)^3} = (x+1)^3$

So, $\underbrace{(x+1)^3 (x^2 + y^2 - 5)}_{\tilde{M}} dx - \underbrace{(y + xy)(x+1)^3}_{\tilde{N}} dy = 0$ is exact.

Want. to find an F s.t. $\nabla F = \tilde{M} dx + \tilde{N} dy$.

$$\frac{dF}{dy} = N \Rightarrow F = \int \frac{-y}{(x+1)^2} dy = \frac{-y^2}{2(x+1)^2} + h(x).$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = M \Rightarrow \frac{-y^2}{2} \cdot \frac{-2}{(x+1)^3} + h'(x) = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 5}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(x) = \frac{x^2 - 5}{(x+1)^3} \Rightarrow h(x) = \int \frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} - \frac{5}{(x+1)^3} dx$$

[Using Partial Fractions, can write $\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{C}{(x+1)^3}$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^2 = A(x+1)^2 + B(x+1) + C$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^2 = Ax^2 + (2A+B)x + (A+B+C)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A=1 \text{ \& } 2A+B=0 \text{ \& } A+B+C=0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A=1 \text{ \& } B=-2 \text{ \& } C=1.$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} = \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{-2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^3} - \frac{5}{(x+1)^3} dx$$

$$= \ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} - \frac{4}{2(x+1)^2} + C.$$

$$\therefore F(x,y) = \frac{-y^2}{2(x+1)^2} + \ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2}.$$

$$\therefore \text{An implicit solution is } \frac{-y^2}{2(x+1)^2} + \ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} = C.$$