

1.4 Separable Equations

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = H(x, y) = g(x)h(y) = \frac{g(x)}{f(y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = g(x) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{concise notation}}$$

$$f(y)dy = g(x)dx$$

$$\int f(y(x)) \frac{dy}{dx} dx = \int g(x) dx + C$$

$$F(y) = \int f(y) dy = \underbrace{\int g(x) dx + C}_{G(x)}$$

Note

$$D_x[F(y(x))] = F'(y(x)) y'(x) = f(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = g(x) = D_x(G(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow D_x F(y(x)) = D_x G(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(y(x)) = G(x) + C$$

ie $f(y)dy = g(x)dx \xrightarrow{\text{integrate}} F(y) = \int f(y) dy = \underbrace{\int g(x) dx + C}_{G(x)}$

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

Example $x^2 + y^2 = R$

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

$\Rightarrow H(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - R = 0$ is an implicit solution of $x + y y' = 0$ because $y = f(x) = (R - x^2)^{1/2}$ satisfies $H(x, f) = 0$ on an interval $[-\sqrt{R}, \sqrt{R}]$, and $f(x)$ is a solution of $x + y y' = 0$
