

MA 341

Exact Equation

$$M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$$

$F(x, y)$  such that

$$F_x = M, \quad F_y = N$$

$$F_{xy} = M_y \quad F_{yx} = N_x$$

$$F_{xy} = F_{yx}$$

$M_y = N_x$  a condition for  
"exactness"

Condition 1

$M$  and  $N$  are defined in a rectangle  
 $a \leq x \leq b$ ,  $c < y < d$ , and  $M, N$   
and their partial derivatives are  
continuous in this rectangle.

Condition 2

$$M_y = N_x$$

Then such  $F(x, y)$  exists.

$$\underline{\text{ex}} \quad \underbrace{(3x^2 + y)}_M dx + \underbrace{(x^2y - x)}_N dy = 0$$

can  
quickly  
check

$$M_y = 1 \neq N_x = 2xy - 1$$

This equation is not exact.

But there is a way to make  
it exact.

### Integrating Factors

$$M(x, y) dx + N(x, y) dy = 0$$

not exact.

Try to find function  $\mu$  such that

$$\mu M(x, y) dx + \mu N(x, y) dy = 0$$

can "tune" eqn into becoming exact

→ ask about physics applications

## Special Cases

1) Assume  $\mu = \mu(x)$  (just function of one of the two vars)

$$\mu(x) M(x, y) dx + \mu(y) N(x, y) dy = 0$$

$$(\mu M)_y = (\mu N)_x$$

$$\mu M_y = \mu_x N + \mu N_x$$

bc  $\mu(x)$

product rule

$$\boxed{\frac{d\mu}{dx} = \frac{M_y - M_x}{N} \mu}$$

IF  $\frac{M_y - N_x}{N}$  does not

depend on  $y$ , then becomes a simple ODE for  $\mu$ .

$$\text{ex)} \quad \frac{M_y - N_x}{N}$$

$$M_y = 1$$

$$N_x = 2xy - 1$$

$$N = x^2y - x$$

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

$$= \frac{2(1-xy)}{x(xy-1)} = -\frac{2}{x} \left( \frac{1-xy}{1+xy} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{2}{x} = \frac{M_y - N_x}{N}}$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dx} = -\frac{2}{x} \mu$$

1) Find  $\frac{d\mu}{dx} = \frac{M_y - N_x}{N} \mu$

2) Solve for  $\mu$ .

$$\frac{d\mu}{dx} = p(x)\mu$$

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

ex)  $\mu = \int^{-2} \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$= e^{-2 \ln(x)} = x^{-2}$$

$$\mu = \boxed{\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$\frac{1}{x^2}$  is an integrating factor.

3) Use I.F.

ex)

$$\left(3 + \frac{y}{x^2}\right) dx + \left(y - \frac{1}{x}\right) dy = 0$$

$$M_y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$N_x = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

exact (for  $x \neq 0$ )

now  
you can  
find

$$F(x, y) \begin{cases} F_x = 3 + \frac{y}{x^2} \\ F_y = y - \frac{1}{x} \end{cases}$$

from  $F_x$ :  $F = \int F_x dx = 3x - \frac{y}{x} + g(y)$

$$F_y = -\frac{1}{x} + g'(y) = y - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$g' = y \rightarrow g = \frac{y^2}{2}$$

$$F(x, y) = 3x - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{y^2}{2}$$

$$3x - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{y^2}{2} = C \quad \text{are solutions}$$

$$x \neq 0$$

Now, <sup>if</sup>  ~~$\mu = \mu(x, y)$~~   $\mu = \mu(y)$ ,

$$\frac{d\mu}{dy} = \frac{N_x - M_y}{M} \mu \quad (*)$$

If this quantity  $\frac{N_x - M_y}{M}$

depends on  $y$  and does not depend on  $x$ , the solution of  $(*)$  is an integrating factor.

$$\mu = e^{\int \frac{N_x - M_y}{M} dy}$$

ex |  $(y^2 + 2xy)dx + (-x^2)dy = 0$

$$\frac{2y + 2x}{M_y} \neq \frac{-2x}{N_x} \quad \text{not exact.}$$

$$N_x - M_y = -2x - 2x - 2y = -4x - 2y$$

$$\frac{N_x - M_y}{M} = \frac{-2(2x + y)}{y(y + 2x)} = -\frac{2}{y}$$

$-\frac{2}{y}$  is a function only of  $y$

$$\mu: \int -\frac{2}{y} dy = -2 \ln(y)$$
$$e^{\mu} = e^{-2 \ln(y)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{y^2} = \mu$$

(bc  $\frac{d\mu}{dy} = -\frac{2}{y} \mu$ )

Solve

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

after multiplying by  $y$   
double check exact:

$$M_y = \frac{-2x}{y^2} = -\frac{2x}{y^2} = N_x$$

Now, solve:



$$y \neq 0$$

$$F_x = 1 + \frac{2x}{y} \longrightarrow F(x, y) = x + \frac{x^2}{y} + g(y)$$

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

$$F_y = \cancel{\frac{x^2}{y^2}} + g'(y) = -\frac{x^2}{y^2}$$

$$g'(y) = 0$$

$$g(y) = c$$

$$F(x, y) = x + \frac{x^2}{y}$$

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

the solutions