

# Chap 1. First Order ODEs

## 1.1 Basic Concepts. Modeling

$F(x, y, y') = 0$  or  $y' = f(x, y)$ , where  $y(x)$  is  
 (implicit form) (explicit form) a function of  $x$ .

### Ex 1 (Verification of Solution)

$y = h(x) = c/x$  ( $x \neq 0$ ) is a solution of  $xy' = -y$   
 $\text{[so } y' = h'(x) = -c/x^2, xy' = -c/x = -y, \therefore xy' = -y \text{ ]}$

### Ex 2 (Solution Curves)

$y' = dy/dx = \cos x \Rightarrow y = \int \cos x dx = \sin x + C$  → an arbitrary constant  
 (a family of solutions)

Each value of  $c$  gives one of these curves

### Ex 3 (Exponential Growth. Exponential Decay)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad y &= ce^{3t} \Rightarrow y' = 3ce^{3t} = 3y \quad (\text{Exponential Growth}) \\ \textcircled{2} \quad y' &= -0.2y \Rightarrow y = ce^{-0.2t} \quad (\text{Exponential Decay}) \end{aligned}$$

### Initial Value Problem

$$y' = f(x, y), \quad y(x_0) = y_0$$

### Ex 4 (Initial Value Problem)

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{dy}{dx} = 3y, \quad y(0) = 5.7 \rightarrow \text{the initial value} \\ \Rightarrow y(x) &= ce^{3x}, \quad y(0) = c = 5.7 \\ &\therefore y(x) = 5.7 e^{3x} \rightarrow \text{a particular solution} \\ &\hookrightarrow \text{the general solution} \end{aligned}$$

## Modeling

### Ex 5 (Radioactivity, Exponential Decay)

Step 1:  $\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$ ,  $y(0) = 0.5 \rightarrow$  given amount of radioactive substance

Step 2:  $y(t) = ce^{kt}$ ,  $y(0) = c = 0.5$

$$y(t) = 0.5 e^{kt}$$

$$\text{Check the result: } \frac{dy}{dt} = 0.5 k e^{kt} = k \cdot 0.5 e^{kt} = ky.$$

$$y(0) = 0.5$$

Step 3: Interpretation of the result.  $y(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

### 1.2 Geometric Meaning of $y' = f(x, y)$ . Direction Fields.

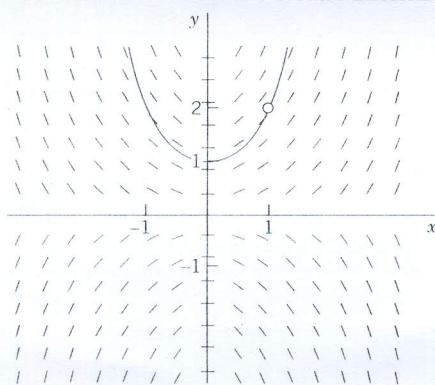
The derivative  $y'(x)$  is the slope of  $y(x)$

A solution curve of  $y' = f(x, y)$  passing through  $(x_0, y_0)$

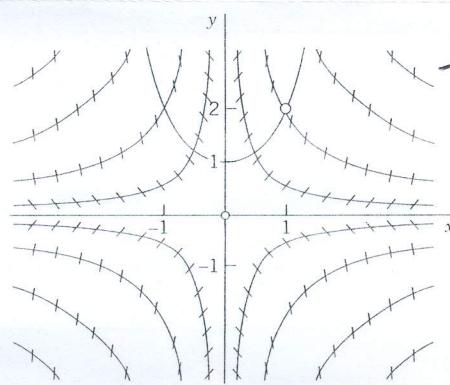
must have at that point the slope  $y'(x_0) = f(x_0, y_0)$ .

Ex:  $y' = xy$

Warning: Isoclines are Not the solution curves!



(a) By a CAS



(b) By isoclines

Using a Computer Algebra System,  
one can draw short line segments  
at the points of a square grid

Isoclines are the curves  
where  $y' = f(x, y) = k = \text{const.}$   
Ex.  $y' = f(x, y) = xy = k = \text{const}$   
(hyperbolars)

### 1.3 Separable ODEs. Modeling

$$g(y) \cdot y' = f(x)$$

$$\int g(y) \cdot y' dx = \int f(x) dx + C$$

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

Ex 1 (a Separable ODE)

$$y' = 1+y^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{1+y^2} = dx, \quad \arctan y = x+C \\ \therefore y = \tan(x+C).$$

### Modeling

Ex 2 (Radioactive Dating) When did the Iceman live and die?

$$y' = ky \Rightarrow y(t) = y_0 \cdot e^{kt}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dy}{dt} = ky, \quad \frac{dy}{y} = kdt, \quad \ln|y| = kt + c, \quad |y| = e^{kt} \cdot e^c \\ y = (\pm e^c) \cdot e^{kt} \quad \boxed{y_0}$$

Half-cycle of  ${}^{14}\text{C}$  is  $H = 5715$

$$y_0 \cdot e^{k \times 5715} = \frac{1}{2} y_0$$

$$k = -(\ln 2)/5715 = -0.0001213$$

In what year, the content will be 52.5%?

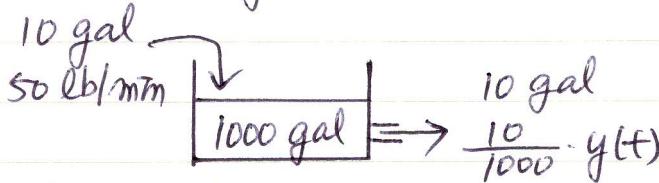
$$y_0 \cdot e^{kt} = 0.525 y_0$$

$$e^{kt} = 0.525$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(0.525)}{-0.0001213} = 5312$$

$\therefore$  The Iceman died about 5300 years ago.

### Ex 3 (Mixing Problem)



$$y(0) = 100 \text{ lb}$$

$$y'(t) = 50 - \frac{1}{100} y(t) \Rightarrow y'(t) + 0.01 y(t) = 5000, \quad y(0) = 100$$

$$100 y' = 5000 - y, \quad y(0) = 100$$

$$\frac{dy}{y-5000} = -0.01 dt \Rightarrow \ln|y-5000| = -0.01t + c^*$$

$$y-5000 = c \cdot e^{-0.01t}$$

$$100-5000 = c \cdot e^0 = c$$

$$y(t) = 5000 - 4900 e^{-0.01t}$$

### Ex 4 (Heating an Office Building)

at 10 PM.  $T = 70^\circ \text{F}$  (The heating is shut off,  $T_A = 50^\circ \text{F}$ )

2 AM  $T = 65^\circ \text{F}$

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6 AM  $T = ?$  when  $T_A = 40^\circ \text{F}$

the outside temperature

$$\text{Step 1: } \frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - T_A)$$

Step 2: We do not know  $T_A$ , thus take the average  $T_A = 45^\circ \text{F}$ .

$$\frac{dT}{T-45} = k dt, \quad \ln|T-45| = kt + c^*, \quad T(t) = 45 + ce^{kt}$$

$$\text{Step 3: } T(0) = 45 + c = 70, \quad c = 25, \quad T_p(t) = 45 + 25e^{kt}$$

$$\text{Step 4: } T(4) = 65$$

$$T_p(4) = 45 + 25e^{4k} = 65 \Rightarrow T_p(t) = 45 + 25e^{-0.056t}$$

$$\text{Step 5: } T_p(8) = 45 + 25e^{-0.056 \times 8} = 61^\circ \text{F at 6 AM}$$

## Extended Method: Reduction to Separable Form

$$y' = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\text{Let } u = \frac{y}{x}, \Rightarrow y = ux, \quad y' = u'x + u$$

$$\Rightarrow u'x + u = f(u)$$

$$\frac{du}{f(u) - u} = \frac{dx}{x} : \text{separable form}$$

Ex 6

$$2xy \cdot y' = y^2 - x^2$$

$$y' = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{2xy} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y}{x} - \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

$$\text{Let } u = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow y = ux, \quad y' = u'x + u$$

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

$$u'x = -\frac{1}{2} \left( u + \frac{1}{u} \right) = -\frac{u^2 + 1}{2u}$$

$$\frac{2u}{1+u^2} du = -\frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\ln(1+u^2) = -\ln|x| + c^*$$

$$1+u^2 = \frac{c}{x}, \quad \text{where } c = \pm e^{c^*}$$

$$1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 = \frac{c}{x},$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = cx \\ \left(x - \frac{c}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 = \frac{c^2}{4} :$$

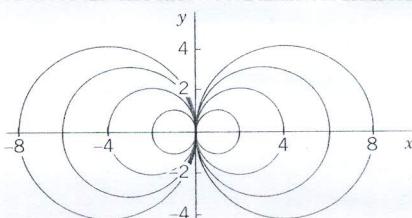


Fig. 12. General solution (family of circles) in Example 6

a family of circles  
passing through  
the origin and centers  
on the x-axis

## 1.4 Exact ODEs. Integrating Factors

$$M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy = 0 \text{ is exact} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

That is,  $\exists u(x,y)$  s.t.  $du = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy \right) = M(x,y)dx + N(x,y)dy$

$$du = 0$$

$$u(x,y) = C$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \int M dx + h(y) = \int N dy + l(x)$$

### Ex 1 (An Exact ODE)

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

< Solution >

$$\text{Step 1: } M = \cos(x+y), N = 3y^2 + 2y + \cos(x+y)$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -\sin(x+y) = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} : \text{exact!}$$

$$\text{Step 2: } u = \int M dx + h_1(y) = \sin(x+y) + h_1(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \cos(x+y) + h_1'(y) = N = 3y^2 + 2y + \cos(x+y)$$

$$h_1'(y) = 3y^2 + 2y$$

$$h_1(y) = y^3 + y^2 + C^*$$

$$\therefore u(x,y) = \sin(x+y) + y^3 + y^2 = C$$

$$\text{Step 3: } du = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy$$

$$= \cos(x+y)dx + (\cos(x+y) + 3y^2 + 2y)dy$$

$$= 0 //$$

### Ex 2 (An Initial Value Problem)

$$(\cos y \sinh x + 1)dx - \sin y \cosh x dy = 0, \quad y(1)=2.$$

<solution>

Step 1:  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -\sin y \sinh x = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$  : exact

Step 2:  $u = - \int \sin y \cosh x dy + l(x) = \cos y \cosh x + l(x)$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \cos y \sinh x + l'(x) = M = \cos y \sinh x + 1$$

$$l(x) = x + c^*$$

$$u(x, y) = \cos y \cosh x + x = c$$

$$u(1, 2) = \cos 2 \cosh 1 + 1 = 0.358 = c \Leftarrow y(1)=2$$

$$\therefore u(x, y) = \cos y \cosh x + x = 0.358$$

### Ex 3 Warning! Breakdown in the Case of Nonexactness

$$-ydx + xdy = 0 \text{ is not exact}$$

since  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -1 \neq 1 = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$

$$u = \int M dx + h(y) = -xy + h(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -x + h'(y) \neq x = N$$

$\therefore$  The present method does not work!

## Reduction to Exact Form. Integrating Factors

$-ydx + xdy = 0$  is not exact

But,  $\frac{-ydx + xdy}{x^2} = -\frac{y}{x^2}dx + \frac{1}{x}dy = d\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = 0$   
exact!

Ex 4:  $\frac{-ydx + xdy}{y^2} = -d\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ ,  $\frac{-ydx + xdy}{xy} = -d\left(\ln\frac{x}{y}\right)$

$$\frac{-ydx + xdy}{x^2 + y^2} = d\left(\arctan\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

Given  $P(x, y)dx + Q(x, y)dy = 0$ , multiply by  $\underline{F(x, y)}$

so that  $\underline{F}Pdx + \underline{F}Qdy = 0$  is exact.  $\downarrow$

an integrating factor

How to find  $\underline{F}(x, y)$ ?

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\underline{F}P) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\underline{F}Q)$$

$$\underline{F}_y P + \underline{F} P_y = \underline{F}_x Q + \underline{F} Q_x$$

function in one variable only

To make life easy: Let  $\underline{F} = \underline{F}(x) \Rightarrow \underline{F}_y = 0$

$$\underline{F}_y P = \underline{F}' Q + \underline{F} Q_x$$

$$\frac{1}{\underline{F}} \frac{d\underline{F}}{dx} = \frac{1}{Q} \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \right) = R(x)$$

$$\underline{F}(x) = \exp \int R(x) dx$$

Similarly, if  $\underline{F}^* = \underline{F}^*(y)$ , then  $\underline{F}^* Q_x = \underline{F}^* y P + \underline{F}^* P_y$

$$\frac{1}{\underline{F}^*} \frac{d\underline{F}^*}{dy} = \frac{1}{P} \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) = R^*(y), \quad \underline{F}^*(y) = \exp \int R^*(y) dy$$

Ex 5

$$(e^{x+y} + ye^y)dx + (xe^y - 1)dy = 0, \quad y(0) = -1$$

<solution>

Step 1: Nonexactness

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = e^{x+y} + e^y + ye^y + e^y = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

Step 2: Integrating factor.

$$R = \frac{1}{Q} \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{1}{xe^y - 1} (e^{x+y} + ye^y) = R(x)$$

$$R^* = \frac{1}{P} \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{1}{e^{x+y} + ye^y} (e^y - e^{x+y} - e^y - ye^y) = -1$$

The integrating factor  $\text{F}^* = \exp(R^*(y)dy) = e^{-y}$ .

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

$$u = \int (e^x + y)dx + f(y) = e^x + xy + f(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x + f'(y) = N = x - e^{-y} \Rightarrow f(y) = e^{-y} + C^*$$

$$\underline{u(x, y) = e^x + xy + e^{-y} = c : \text{general solution}}$$

Step 3: Particular solution

$$u(0, -1) = 1 + e = 3.72 = c$$

$$\therefore e^x + xy + e^{-y} = 3.72$$

Step 4: Check by substitution that the answer satisfies the given equation as well as the initial condition.

## 1.5 Linear ODEs. Bernoulli Equation.

$$y' + P(x)y = r(x)$$

Homogeneous Linear ODE:  $y' + P(x)y = 0$

$$\frac{dy}{y} = -P(x)dx \Rightarrow \ln|y| = -\int P(x)dx + c^*$$

$$y(x) = c \cdot e^{-\int P(x)dx}, \text{ where } c = \begin{cases} e^{c^*} & \text{if } y > 0, \\ -e^{c^*} & \text{if } y < 0. \end{cases}$$

$y(x) = 0$  is a trivial solution

Nonhomogeneous Linear ODE.

$$y' + P(x)y = r(x)$$

$$\frac{(Py - r)}{P} dx + \frac{1}{Q} dy = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{F} \frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{1}{Q} \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \right) = P(x)$$

$\therefore F(x) = \exp \int P(x)dx$  : Integrating factor

$$\rightarrow e^{\int Pdx} [y' + Py] = e^{\int Pdx} \cdot r$$

$$e^{\int Pdx} \cdot y = \int (e^{\int Pdx} \cdot r) dx + c$$

$$\therefore y(x) = e^{-\int Pdx} \left[ \int (e^{\int Pdx} \cdot r) dx + c \right]$$

## Ex 1 (First Order ODE, General Solution)

$$y' - y = e^{2x}$$

<solution>

$$p(x) = -1, \quad r(x) = e^{2x} \quad \stackrel{0}{\text{or}}$$

$$f(x) = \int p(x) dx = -x + \alpha = -x \quad (\text{we may take } \alpha=0)$$

$$y(x) = e^{-h} \left[ \int e^h \cdot r dx + c \right]$$

$$= e^x \left[ \int e^{-x} \cdot e^{2x} dx + c \right] \rightarrow \text{we may take}$$

$$= ce^x + e^x [e^x + \beta] \quad \beta=0$$

$$= ce^x + e^{2x}$$

## Ex 2 (First Order ODE, Initial Value Problem)

$$y' + y \tan x = \sin 2x, \quad y(0) = 1$$

<solution>

$$p(x) = \tan x, \quad r(x) = \sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$f(x) = \int p(x) dx = \int \tan x dx = \ln |\sec x|$$

$$e^h = \sec x, \quad e^{-h} = \cos x, \quad e^h \cdot r = 2 \sin x$$

$$y(x) = \cos x \left[ \int 2 \sin x dx + c \right]$$

$$= c \cos x - 2 \cos^2 x.$$

$$y(0) = c - 2 = 1 \Rightarrow c = 3$$

$$\therefore y(x) = \underline{\underline{3 \cos x - 2 \cos^2 x}}$$

the response  
to the initial data

the response to  
the input  $\sin 2x$

## Reduction to Linear Form. Bernoulli Equation

$$y' + p(x)y = g(x)y^a \quad : \text{Bernoulli Equation}$$

$a \rightarrow \text{any real number}$

If  $a=0$  or  $a=1$ , this equation is linear.

Otherwise, it is nonlinear. Then we set

$$u(x) = [y(x)]^{1-a}$$

$$u' = (1-a)y^{-a} \cdot y'$$

$$= (1-a)y^{-a}[g \cdot y^a - py]$$

$$= (1-a)[g - pu]$$

$$\therefore \underline{u' + (1-a)p u = (1-a)g} : \text{Linear ODE}$$

## Ex 4 (Logistic Equation)

$$y' = Ay - By^2$$

<solution>

$$y' - Ay = -By^2 \quad \text{with } a=2 \text{ and } u=y^{1-a}=y^{-1}.$$

$$u' = (1-2) \cdot y^{-2} \cdot y' = -y^{-2}(Ay - By^2) = -Ay^{-1} + B$$

$$u' + Au = B$$

$$u = C e^{-At} + B/A : \text{general solution}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{C e^{-At} + B/A}$$