

Practice for Solving Exact ODEs

Why?

Exercise 1 Solve the following exact equations, implicit general solutions will suffice:

a) $(2xy + x^2) dx + (x^2 + y^2 + 1) dy = 0$

b) $x^5 + y^5 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

c) $e^x + y^3 + 3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

d) $(x + y) \cos(x) + \sin(x) + \sin(x)y' = 0$

Exercise 2 Solve the following exact equations, implicit general solutions will suffice:

a) $\cos(x) + ye^{xy} + xe^{xy}y' = 0$

b) $(2x + y) dx + (x - 4y) dy = 0$

c) $e^x + e^y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

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

Exercise 3 Solve the differential equation $(2ye^{2xy} - 2x) + (2xe^{2xy} + \cos(y))y' = 0$

Exercise 4 Solve the differential equation $(-y \sin(xy) - 2xe^{x^2}) + (-x \sin(xy) + 1)y' = 0$

Exercise 5 Solve the differential equation $(2x + 3y \sin(xy)) + (3x \sin(xy) - e^y)y' = 0$ with $y(2) = 0$.

Exercise 6 Solve the differential equation $x + yy' = 0$ with $y(0) = 8$. Write this as an explicit function and determine the interval of x values where the solution is valid.

Exercise 7 Solve the differential equation $2x - 2 + (8y + 16)y' = 0$ with $y(2) = 0$. Write this as an explicit function and determine the interval of x values where the solution is valid.

Exercise 8 Find the integrating factor for the following equations making them into exact equations. You can either use the formulas in this section or guess what the integrating factor should be.

a) $e^{xy} dx + \frac{y}{x} e^{xy} dy = 0$

b) $\frac{e^x + y^3}{y^2} dx + 3x dy = 0$

c) $(4x^5 + 9x^4y^2 + 10\frac{y}{x}) dx + (6x^5y + 3x^2y^2 - 5) dy = 0$

d) $2 \sin(y) dx + x \cos(y) dy = 0$

Learning outcomes:

Exercise 9 Find the integrating factor for the following equations making them into exact equations:

a) $\frac{1}{y} dx + 3y dy = 0$

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

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

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

Exercise 10 Suppose you have an equation of the form: $f(x) + g(y)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

a) Show it is exact.

b) Find the form of the potential function in terms of f and g .

Exercise 11 Suppose that we have the equation $f(x) dx - dy = 0$.

a) Is this equation exact?

b) Find the general solution using a definite integral.

Exercise 12 Find the potential function $F(x, y)$ of the exact equation $\frac{1+xy}{x} dx + (1/y + x) dy = 0$ in two different ways.

a) Integrate M in terms of x and then differentiate in y and set to N .

b) Integrate N in terms of y and then differentiate in x and set to M .

Exercise 13 A function $u(x, y)$ is said to be a harmonic function if $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$.

a) Show if u is harmonic, $-u_y dx + u_x dy = 0$ is an exact equation. So there exists (at least locally) the so-called harmonic conjugate function $v(x, y)$ such that $v_x = -u_y$ and $v_y = u_x$.

Verify that the following u are harmonic and find the corresponding harmonic conjugates v :

b) $u = 2xy$

c) $u = e^x \cos y$

d) $u = x^3 - 3xy^2$

Exercise 14

a) Show that every separable equation $y' = f(x)g(y)$ can be written as an exact equation, and verify that it is indeed exact.

b) Using this rewrite $y' = xy$ as an exact equation, solve it and verify that the solution is the same as it was in **Normally a reference to a previous example goes here..**