

Lec 4

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1.4 Separable equations + applications

We now consider diff equations of form

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

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where the function $H(x, y)$ can be factored

into

$$\left(\text{a function of } x \right) \times \left(\text{a function of } y \right)$$

"* is separable"

write

$$H(x, y) = g(x) h(y)$$

define

$$f(y) = \frac{1}{h(y)}$$

so

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

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(*) becomes

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

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

Define

$$F(y) = \int f(y) dy$$

$$G(x) = \int g(x) dx$$

then x, y are related by

$$F(y) = G(x) + C \quad C = \text{const}$$

(*)

"implicit solution"

[solve * for y to get general solution]

Why it works:

show $F(y) - G(x)$ is constant

$$\text{show } \frac{d}{dx} (F(y) - G(x)) = 0$$

ch rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} F(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F(y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

$$= g(x)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} G(x)$$

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Ex

Solve the problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6e^{2x-y} \quad y(0) = 0$$

Sol

separate the variables

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

So

$$e^y dy = 6e^{2x} dx$$

integrate both sides:

$$\int e^y dy = \int 6e^{2x} dx$$

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$$e^y + \text{const}$$

$$3e^{2x} + \text{const}$$

implicit sol is

$$e^y = 3e^{2x} + C$$

C = const

Find C using $y(0) = 0$:

$$e^0 = 3e^0 + C$$

$$1 = 3 + C$$

$$C = -2$$

$$e^y = 3e^{2x} - 2$$

So

$$y = \ln(3e^{2x} - 2)$$

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Ex

Solve the problem

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy^2 + 3x^2y^2$$

$$y(1) = -1$$

Sol

Write

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x + 3x^2) y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{y^2} = (2x + 3x^2) dx$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^2} = \int (2x + 3x^2) dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = x^2 + x^3 + C$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{x^2 + x^3 + C}$$

Find C using $y(1) = -1$:

$$-1 = \frac{-1}{1 + 1 + C}$$

$$C = -1$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 - x^2 - x^3}$$

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Ex

Pick $0 \neq k \in \mathbb{R}$

Find gen sol for

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = ky$$

Sol

$$\frac{dy}{y} = k dx$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int k dx$$

$$\ln|y| = kx + C_{\text{const}}$$

$$y = C e^{kx} \quad C = \text{const}$$

y exhibits "exponential growth in x " if $k > 0$
.. "exponential decay in x " if $k < 0$

Ex At a bank, a savings account offers an interest rate of 3% "compounded continuously"

You put in \$100

How does the amt grow over time?

Sol let $A(t)$ = # dollars in the acct after t years

So $A(0) = 100$

write

$$r = .03$$

"3 percent"

At any time t and for a short interval of time Δt

$$A(t + \Delta t) = \underbrace{A(t)}_{\text{"principal"}} + \underbrace{r A(t) \Delta t}_{\text{"interest"}}$$

[in limit as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$]

Now $A'(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{A(t + \Delta t) - A(t)}{\Delta t} = rA$

Solving

$$A'(t) = rA$$

we get

$$A(t) = C e^{rt}$$

C const

Find C using

$$A(0) = 100$$

$$100 = C e^0 = C$$

$$A(t) = 100 e^{rt}$$

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Ex A cake is removed from the oven at 210°F
and left to cool at room temp 70°F .

After 30 min the cake is 140°F .

When will the cake be 100°F ?

Sol Define a function

$D(t)$ = the difference between the temp of the cake
after t minutes
and ambient temp 70

so

temp of cake after t min = $D(t) + 70$

From physics (Newton's Law of cooling)

$D'(t)$ is proportional to $D(t)$

so

$$D'(t) = k D(t)$$

$k = \text{const}$

Gen sol is

$$D(t) = C e^{kt}$$

Find C

$$D(0) = C e^0 = C$$

"

$$210 - 70$$

"

$$140$$

$$D(t) = 140 e^{-kt}$$

Find k

$$D(30) = 140 e^{-k30}$$

"

$$140 - 70$$

"

$$70$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-k30}$$

$$-\ln 2 = \ln \frac{1}{2} = -30k$$

$$k = -\frac{\ln 2}{30}$$

Find t s.t.

$$D(t) = 100 - 70$$

Require

$$30 = 140 e^{-kt}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{3}{14}\right) = -kt$$

$$t = \frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{3}{14}\right)$$

$$\approx 66.67 \text{ min}$$

About 66 min + 40 sec

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Ex A tank is shaped like a vertical cylinder



It initially contains water to the depth of 9 feet

A bottom plug is removed and water starts to flow out. After 1 hour the water depth is 4 feet

How long does it take to drain tank?



T
9 ft
↓

$t=0$



T
4 ft
↓

$t=1$

(hrs)

Sol

Define

$y(t)$ = depth of water in tank after t hours

so

$$y(0) = 9,$$

$$y(1) = 4$$

Define

$V(t)$ = volume of water in tank after t hours

$$V(t) = y(t) \pi r^2$$

r = radius of tank

From physics (Torricelli's Law)

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water leaves the tank at a rate proportional
to the square root of the depth above the hole

So $\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = -k\sqrt{y(t)}$ k const

obs

$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = \pi r^2 \frac{dy}{dt}$$

So

$$\pi r^2 \frac{dy}{dt} = -k\sqrt{y} \quad (\text{separable})$$

Find y

$$\frac{dy}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{-k}{\pi r^2} dt$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y}} = \int \frac{-k}{\pi r^2} dt$$

$$2\sqrt{y} = \frac{-k}{\pi r^2} t + \text{const}$$

$$\sqrt{y} = \frac{-k}{2\pi r^2} t + C$$

To find C use $y(0) = 9$

$$3 = \sqrt{9} = 0 + C$$

$$\sqrt{y} = \frac{-k}{2\pi r^2} t + 3$$

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to find k use $y(1) = 4$

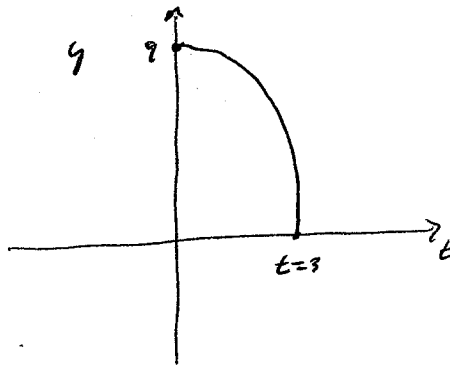
$$\sqrt{4} = \frac{-k}{2\pi r^2} \cdot 1 + 3$$

$$k = 2\pi r^2$$

now

$$\sqrt{y} = 3 - t$$

$$y(t) = (3 - t)^2$$



$$y(t) = 0 \text{ when } t = 3$$

water is gone after 3 hours

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Ex

Find all sols to

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2$$

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Sol: Sep vars

$$\frac{dy}{y^2} = dx$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^2} = \int dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = x + C$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{x + C}$$

C const

But we can see directly that

$$y = 0$$

is a sol to *

View this as case "C = ∞"

Gen sol is

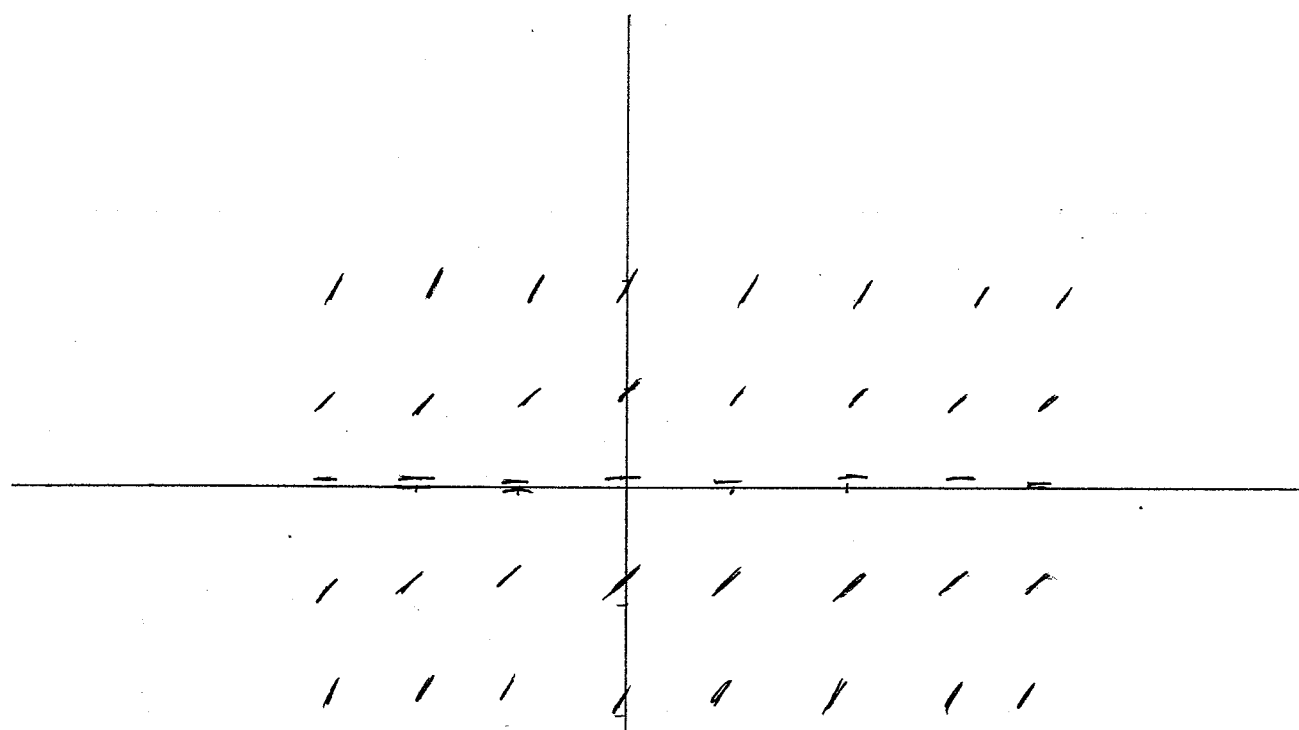
$$y = \frac{-1}{x + C}$$

C ∈ ℝ ∪ ∞

the slope field is

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Each curve is a particular solution

