

Tues Jan 15

1.5 linear first order differential equations.

Announcements:

- Are there any HW problems you want to discuss?
Due tomorrow!

- Office hours today after class - LCB 204
- today: introduce 6.1.5: how to solve linear 1st order DE's
- then Toricelli (quiz tomorrow: solve a DE -- linear -- separable)

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Warm-up Exercise:

Solve $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dt} = -k y^{1/2} \\ y(0) = 1 \end{cases}$ k a constant.
(this is for Toricelli)

$$y(t) = \left(-\frac{k}{2}t + 1\right)^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$\frac{dy}{y^{1/2}} = -k dt$ ($y \neq 0 \dots y(t) = 0$ is a soln)

$$\int y^{-1/2} dy = \int -k dt$$

$$2 y^{1/2} = -kt + C$$

$$y^{1/2} = -\frac{k}{2}t + C$$

$$y^{1/2} = -\frac{k}{2}t + 1$$

$$y = \left(-\frac{k}{2}t + 1\right)^2$$

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = 0 + C$$

Section 1.5, linear differential equations:

A first order linear DE for $y(x)$ is one that can be (re)written as

$$y' + \underline{P(x)}y = Q(x)$$

Exercise 1 Classify the differential equations for $y(x)$ below as linear, separable, both, or neither. Justify your answers by rewriting the DE (if necessary) so that it is in the standard format for linear or separable differential equations

a) $y' = -2y + 4x^2$

linear

$$y' + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ P(x)}}{2}y = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ Q(x)}}{4x^2}$$

$y' = f(x)g(y)$
not separable

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b) $y' = x - y^2 + 1$

not linear

if y^2 had been y'
then would've been linear

not separable

c) $y' = y - x$

linear

$$y' - y = -x$$

$P(x) = -1, Q(x) = -x$

not separable

d) $y' = \frac{6x - 3xy}{x^2 + 1}$

linear: $y' + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ P(x)}}{\frac{3x}{x^2+1}}y = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ Q(x)}}{\frac{6x}{x^2+1}}$

separable!
 $y' = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ f(x)}}{\frac{3x}{x^2+1}} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ g(y)}}{(2-y)}$

e) $y' = x^2 + y^2$

not linear
(if $y' = x^2 + y$, would've been)

NOPE

f) $y' = x^2 e^{x^3}$

linear: $y' + 0y = x^2 e^{x^3}$

separable
 $y' = (x^2 e^{x^3}) \cdot 1$

Remark: We call these *linear* differential equations because we can rewrite them as

$$L(y) = Q(x)$$

where

$$L(y) := y' + P(x)y$$

is a *linear transformation* (from 2270) !!!

$$\begin{cases} L(y_1 + y_2) = L(y_1) + L(y_2) \\ L(cy) = cL(y) \quad c \text{ const} \end{cases}$$

we shall return to these ideas in Chptr 3!

Exercise 2) (~~This is one of your homework exercises....~~)

Consider exercise 1c above, written in "linear form":

$$y' - y = -x$$

We could explain where soltns in w1.3 came from instead:

$$y' = x - y + 1$$

Multiply both sides by the never-zero exponential function e^{-x} to get an equivalent differential equation - in the sense that solutions to the first DE are also solutions to the second DE, and vice-versa. Why did we choose e^{-x} ? It has nothing to do with the right side of this DE, and everything to do with the left side. That's explained on the next page!

$$e^{-x}(y' - y) = -x e^{-x}.$$

Now, if you're able to cleverly recognize the expression on the left as the derivative of a product, you'll be able to antidifferentiate both sides with respect to x , and find all solutions!

in linear form:

$$y' + y = x + 1$$

equivalent to

$$e^x [y' + y] = (x+1)e^x$$

equivalent DE

magic

$$\frac{d}{dx} [e^x y(x)] = (x+1)e^x !$$

($= e^x y + e^x y'$, by product rule)

int. wrt x :

$$e^x y(x) = \int \underbrace{(x+1)}_u \underbrace{e^x}_{dv} dx = uv - \int v du$$
$$du = dx \quad v = e^x \quad = (x+1)e^x - \int e^x dx$$

$$e^x y(x) = (x+1)e^x - e^x + C$$

$$\div e^x: \quad y = x + 1 - 1 + C e^{-x}$$

$$\boxed{y = x + C e^{-x}}$$

(see w1.3)

Recall that the method for solving separable differential equations via differentials was actually using the differentiation chain rule "backwards" to antidifferentiate and find the solution functions. *The algorithm for solving linear DEs is a method to use the differentiation product rule backwards, after replacing the differential equation with its multiple by a non-zero "integrating factor" exponential function.* Here's how it goes in general!

$$y' + \underbrace{P(x)} y = Q(x)$$

Let $\int P(x) dx$ be any antiderivative of P . Multiply both sides of the DE by its exponential to yield an equivalent DE:

IF integrating factor $e^{\int P(x) dx}$ ✓

$$e^{\int P(x) dx} (y' + P(x)y) = e^{\int P(x) dx} Q(x)$$

This makes the left side a derivative (check via product rule):

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(e^{\int P(x) dx} y \right) = e^{\int P(x) dx} Q(x)$$

So you can antidifferentiate both sides with respect to x :

$$e^{\int P(x) dx} y = \int e^{\int P(x) dx} Q(x) dx + C$$

Dividing by the positive function $e^{\int P(x) dx}$ yields a formula for $y(x)$.

Remark: If we abbreviate the function $e^{\int P(x) dx}$ by renaming it $G(x)$, then the formula for the solution $y(x)$ to the first order DE above is

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{G(x)} \int e^{\int P(x) dx} Q(x) dx + \frac{C}{G(x)}$$

If x_0 is a point in any interval I for which the functions $P(x)$, $Q(x)$ are continuous, then $G(x)$ is positive and differentiable, and the formula for $y(x)$ yields a differentiable solution to the DE. By adjusting C to solve the IVP $y(x_0) = y_0$, we get a solution to the DE IVP on the entire interval. And, rewriting the DE as

$$y' = -P(x)y + Q(x)$$

we see that the existence-uniqueness theorem implies this is actually the only solution to the IVP on the interval (since $f(x, y)$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) = P(x)$ are both continuous). These facts would not necessarily be true for separable DE's...and we've seen how separable DE solutions may not exist or be unique on arbitrarily large intervals.

Exercise 3 Verify that our work in Exercise 2 was following this recipe.

$$y' + y = x$$

$$P(x) = 1$$

$$\int 1 dx = x$$

$$e^x [y' + y] = e^x x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [e^x y] = e^x x$$

$$(fg)' = f'g + fg'$$

$$= (e^{\int P(x) dx} P(x)) y + e^{\int P(x) dx} y'$$

$$= e^{\int P(x) dx} [P(x)y + y']$$

$$e^x y = \int x e^x dx$$

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Exercise 4: Find all solutions to the linear (and separable) DE

$$y'(x) = \frac{6x - 3xy}{x^2 + 1}$$

Hint: as you can verify below via Wolfram alpha, the general solution is $y(x) = 2 + C(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$. Notice that the right side of this differential equation satisfies the existence-uniqueness theorem for the rectangle which is all of \mathbb{R}^2 , and our unique solutions exist on all of \mathbb{R} , $-\infty < x < \infty$ (in contrast to what can happen for general separable differential equations).

$$y' + \frac{3x}{x^2+1} y = \frac{6x}{x^2+1}$$

$$\int \frac{3x}{x^2+1} dx = \frac{3}{2} \ln(x^2+1)$$

$$(u = x^2+1)$$

$$IF = e^{\frac{3}{2} \ln(x^2+1)}$$

$$= [e^{\ln(x^2+1)}]^{3/2}$$

$$= (x^2+1)^{3/2}$$

$$(x^2+1)^{3/2} \left[y' + \frac{3x}{x^2+1} y \right] = \frac{6x}{x^2+1} (x^2+1)^{3/2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[(x^2+1)^{3/2} y \right] = 6x (x^2+1)^{1/2}$$

$$(x^2+1)^{3/2} y = \int 6x (x^2+1)^{1/2} dx$$

$$(x^2+1)^{3/2} y =$$

$$(x^2+1)^{3/2} y = 2 (x^2+1)^{3/2} + C$$

$$\div (x^2+1)^{3/2}$$

$$y = 2 + \frac{C}{(x^2+1)^{3/2}}$$

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

$$\int P(x) dx$$

$$IF = e^{\int P(x) dx}$$

$$e^{\int P(x) dx} [y' + P(x)y] = e^{\int P(x) dx} Q(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{\int P(x) dx} y \right] = //$$
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Input:

$$y'(x) = \frac{6x - 3xy(x)}{x^2 + 1}$$

Differential equation solution:

$$y(x) = \frac{c_1}{(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}} + 2$$

