

Try to work this one backwards..

$$xy dx + (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20) dy = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = xy$$

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

treat  $y$  as a constant

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} x^2 + g'(y) = (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20)$$

solve for  $g'$

$$g'(y) = ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20 - \frac{1}{2} x^2 = \frac{3x^2}{2} + 3y^2 - 20$$

this is a function of  $x$  and  $y$   
so there is a problem...

Multiply by an integrating factor...

$$\mu(x, y) xy dx + \mu(x, y) (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20) dy = 0$$

Again try to solve for  $f$  such that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \mu(x, y) xy$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \mu(x, y) (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\mu(x, y) xy) = \mu_y xy + \mu x$$

view this as a partial differential equation in  $\mu$ .

complicated...

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\mu(x, y) (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20)) = \mu_x (ax^2 + 3y^2 - 20) + \mu 4x$$

In general

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

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\mu(x, y) M) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\mu(x, y) N)$$

all the  $M, M_y, N, N_y$  are known functions ...

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

subscripts mean partial derivatives

try to solve for  $\mu$ .

- Good: linear in  $\mu$ .
- Bad: Partial differential equation.
- Good: If we can find  $\mu$  then the original problem becomes exact when multiplied by  $\mu$  and so we can solve for  $f$ .

Right Now  $\mu = \mu(x, y)$  ← since two variables that's where the partial derivatives come from.

Simplifying assumption that doesn't always work.

Idea

Try taking  $\mu = \mu(x)$  a function of  $x$  only  
or  $\mu = \mu(y)$  a function of  $y$  only.

Suppose  $\mu = \mu(y)$  then we had

$$\mu_y M + \mu M_y = \cancel{\mu_x N} + \mu N_x$$

$$\mu' M + \mu M_y = \mu N_x$$

linear ODE in  $\mu$ .

In our example

$$\mu' xy + \mu x = \mu 4x$$

$$\mu' + \frac{\mu}{y} = \frac{4\mu}{y}$$

$$\mu' - \frac{3}{y}\mu = 0$$

← solve for  $\mu$ .

separation of variables  
of variation of parameters

Separation of variables.

$$\frac{d\mu}{dy} = \frac{3}{y} \mu$$

$$\int \frac{d\mu}{\mu} = \int \frac{3}{y} dy$$

$$\ln \mu = 3 \ln y + C = \ln y^3$$

$$\mu(y) = y^3$$

set zero for convenience...

variation of parameters

$$\mu' - \frac{3}{y} \mu = 0$$

$$e^{\int -\frac{3}{y} dy} = e^{-3 \ln y} = e^{\ln y^{-3}} = \frac{1}{y^3}$$

$$\frac{1}{y^3} \mu' - \frac{1}{y^3} \frac{3}{y} \mu = 0$$

$$\left( \frac{\mu}{y^3} \right)' = 0$$

$$\frac{\mu}{y^3} = C \quad \mu = Cy^3$$

for convenience set  $C=1$  then

same as before...  $\rightarrow \mu(y) = y^3$

$$\mu xy dx + \mu (2x^2 + 3y^2 - 20) dy = 0$$

$$y^3 xy dx + y^3 (2x^2 + 3y^2 - 20) dy = 0$$

$$M = xy^4$$

$$N = y^3 (2x^2 + 3y^2 - 20)$$

$$M_y = 4xy^3$$

$$N_x = y^3 (4x + 0 - 0)$$

same

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = xy^4$$

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treat  $y$  as a constant

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2x^2 y^3 + g'(y) = y^3 (2x^2 + 3y^2 - 20)$$

solve for  $g'$

$$g'(y) = 3y^5 - 20y^3$$

only a function of  $y$  ... much better

$$g(y) = \frac{3}{6} y^6 - \frac{20}{4} y^4 = \frac{1}{2} y^6 - 5y^4$$

Solution are given implicitly by ...

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} x^2 y^4 + \frac{1}{2} y^6 - 5y^4 = c$$

## Bernoulli's Equation

The differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = f(x)y^n, \quad (4)$$

where  $n$  is any real number, is called **Bernoulli's equation**. Note that for  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$ , equation (4) is linear. For  $n \neq 0$  and  $n \neq 1$  the substitution  $u = y^{1-n}$  reduces any equation of form (4) to a linear equation.

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

$n=2$   
 $u = y^{1-2} = \frac{1}{y}$   
 $u = \frac{1}{y}$     $y = \frac{1}{u}$

swap all the y's for u's

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \left( \frac{d}{du} \frac{1}{u} \right) \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{d(u^{-1})}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = -u^{-2} \frac{du}{dx}$$

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

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

mult by  $u^2$

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

linear in  $u \dots$  solve as linear equation.

### EXAMPLE 1

### Solving a Homogeneous DE

Solve  $(x^2 + y^2) dx + (x^2 - xy) dy = 0$ .

areas. if  $x$  and  $y$  are length

comes naturally from consistency of units of measurement.