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Definition

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is called exact, if there is a ψ such that there exists a $\psi(x, y)$ such that

$$M = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad N = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}.$$

Let $\phi(x)$ be a curve satisfying $\psi(x, \phi(x)) = C$ for some constant C . Then $y = \phi(x)$ is a solution to the original ODE.

- Check it!

Exact equations, Exercise 1

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Find M , N , and ψ .

Main theorem

Theorem 2.6.1

Let the functions $M, N, M_y := \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}, N_x := \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ be continuous on the rectangular region $R = (\alpha, \beta) \times (\gamma, \delta)$. Then

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is exact on R if and only if

$$M_y(x, y) = N_x(x, y) \tag{1}$$

at all points (x, y) in R . In other words, there exists a function ψ such that

$$\psi_x(x, y) = M(x, y) \quad \psi_y(x, y) = N(x, y) \tag{2}$$

if and only if (1) holds.

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$$(2x + 3) + (2y - 2)y' = 0, \quad y(1) = 3$$

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$$y' = e^{2x} + y - 1$$

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$$4xy^2 + 5x^2yy' = 0$$