

Homework #5 Solutions, MATH 308-Summer 2012

Problem 1

$$2x(1+\sqrt{x^2-y})dx - \sqrt{x^2-y} dy = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$P = 2x(1+\sqrt{x^2-y}) \Rightarrow P_y = 2x \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2-y}}\right) = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-y}}$$

$$Q = -\sqrt{x^2-y} \Rightarrow Q_x = -\frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2-y}} = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-y}}$$

$\int_0 = P_y = Q_x$ (on simply connected domain

$\{(x,y) : y < x^2\} \Rightarrow$ the equation is exact.

Find the potential ϕ of the field $\langle P, Q \rangle$

$$\begin{cases} \phi_x = P \\ \phi_y = Q \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \phi_x = 2x(1+\sqrt{x^2-y}) \\ \phi_y = -\sqrt{x^2-y} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \phi = \int \sqrt{x^2-y} dy + h(x) =$$

$$u = x^2 - y \Rightarrow du = -dy$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(x^2-y)^{3/2} + h(x)$$

Substituting into the first equation, we get

$$\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2x \sqrt{x^2-y} + h'(x) = 2x + 2x \sqrt{x^2-y} \Rightarrow h'(x) = 2x \Rightarrow$$

$h(x) = x^2 + C$. So as a potential we can take

$$\phi(x,y) = \frac{2}{3}(x^2-y)^{3/2} + x^2 \Rightarrow$$

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⇒ The general solution is

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

Problem 2

$$(ax^2y^2 + xy^3) + (x^3y + bx^2y^2)y' = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\underbrace{(ax^2y^2 + xy^3)}_P dx + \underbrace{(x^3y + bx^2y^2)}_Q dy = 0$$

$$P_y = 2ax^2y + 3xy^2$$

$$Q_x = 3x^2y + 2bx^2y^2$$

The equation is exact $\Leftrightarrow P_y = Q_x \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2a = 3 \\ 3 = 2b \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow$

$$\boxed{a = \frac{3}{2}, b = \frac{3}{2}}$$

Find a potential ϕ of the vector field $\langle P, Q \rangle$ in this case:

$$\phi_x = \frac{3}{2}x^2y^2 + xy^3 \Rightarrow \phi = \int \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2y^2 + xy^3 \right) dx + h(y) =$$

$$\phi_y = x^3y + \frac{3}{2}x^2y^2 = \frac{1}{2}x^3y^2 + \frac{x^2y^3}{2} + h(y)$$

Substituting in the second equation:

$$x^3y^2 + \frac{3}{2}x^2y^2 + h'(y) = \cancel{x^3y} + \frac{3}{2}\cancel{x^2y^2} \Rightarrow h'(y) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$h(y) = \text{const} \Rightarrow$ as a potential ϕ we can take

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^3y^2 + x^2y^3) \Rightarrow$$

The general solution is

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^3y^2 + x^2y^3) = C_1 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$x^3y^2 + x^2y^3 = \underbrace{2C_1}_C \Leftrightarrow x^3y^2 + x^2y^3 = C$$

If $y(1) = 2$ then $1^3 \cdot 2^2 + 1^2 \cdot 2^3 = C \Rightarrow C = 4 + 8 = 12 \Rightarrow$

The solution of IVP is $\boxed{x^3y^2 + x^2y^3 = 12}$

Problem 3 $dx + \left(\frac{2x}{y} + \cos(y^3)\right)dy = 0$

$P = 1$

$P_y = 0$

$P_y \neq Q_x \Rightarrow$ the

$Q = \frac{2x}{y} + \cos(y^3)$

$Q_x = \frac{2}{y}$

equation is
not exact

Let us try to find an integrating factor

$$\underbrace{\mu}_{P} dx + \underbrace{\mu \left(\frac{2x}{y} + \cos(y^3)\right)}_Q dy$$

$P_y = \mu_y$

$Q_x = \mu_x \frac{2x}{y} + \frac{2\mu}{y}$

Let us look for μ which does not depend on x
i.e. such that $\mu_x = 0$

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$$\Rightarrow P_y = Q_x \Leftrightarrow \int \mu_y = \frac{2\mu}{y} \Rightarrow \frac{\mu_y}{\mu} = \frac{2}{y} \quad (\Leftrightarrow)$$

(separation)

$$\Rightarrow \ln|\mu| = 2\ln|y| \Rightarrow \boxed{\mu = y^2} \quad (\Rightarrow)$$

(Integration)

$$y^2 \left(dx + \left(\frac{2x}{y} + \cos y^3 \right) dy \right) = 0 \quad \text{is exact}$$
$$y^2 dx + (2xy + y^2 \cos y^3) dy$$

Let us find a function φ such that

$$\begin{cases} \varphi_x = y^2 & \Rightarrow \varphi = \int y^2 dx + h(y) = xy^2 + h(y) \\ \varphi_y = 2xy + y^2 \cos y^3 \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow (substituting to the second equation)

$$2xy + h'(y) = 2xy + y^2 \cos y^3 \Rightarrow$$

$$h(y) = \int y^2 \cos y^3 dy = \frac{1}{3} \int \cos u du =$$

$$u = y^3 \Leftrightarrow du = 3y^2 dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sin u + C = -\frac{1}{3} \sin y^3 + C \Rightarrow$$

We can take $\varphi = xy^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sin y^3 \Rightarrow$ the general solution

$$\text{is } \boxed{xy^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sin y^3 = C}$$