

Math 2233 - Lecture 3

Agenda:

1. MyLab Math HW1 demo
2. First Order ODEs : Exact Solutions
3. The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

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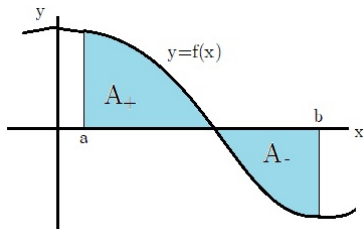
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But now (11) places an algebraic condition on the variables x and y . Effectively, we have replaced the original differential equation by an equivalent algebraic equation. If we now solve (algebraically) equation (10) for y , we'll end up with a solution of the differential equation.

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$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= \sqrt{2 \sin(x)} \\ y(x) &= -\sqrt{2 \sin(x)} \end{aligned}$$

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