

数学物理方法

第十一章 变分法

The Variational Method

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§ 11.1 泛函和泛函的极值

一. 泛函

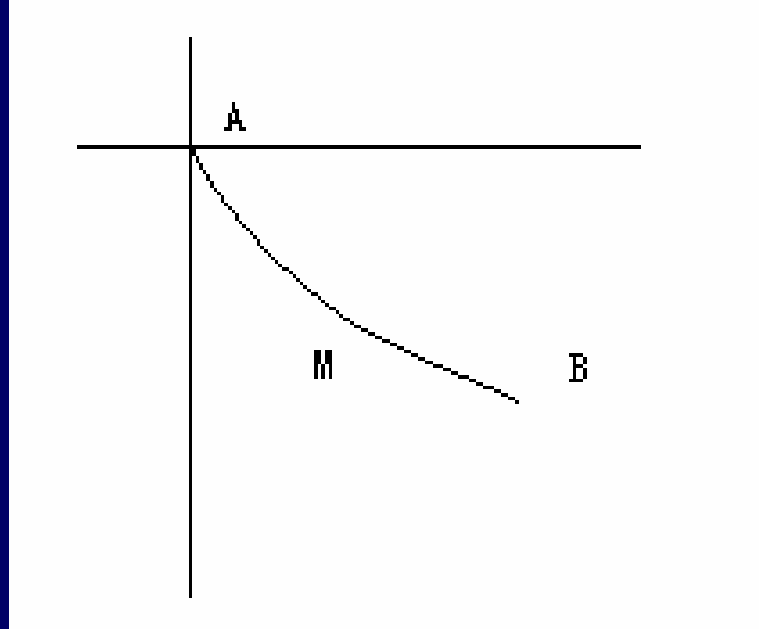
1696年, Basel大学
Bernoulli提出, 最
速落径:

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{2gy} \quad \therefore \text{总的下降时间}$$

$$T = \int_{t_1(A)}^{t_2(B)} dt = \int_A^B \frac{ds}{v}, \text{ 由于 } ds = \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2} = \sqrt{1+(y')^2} dx$$

$$\therefore T = \int_A^B \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{2gy}} dx$$

$$\text{即 } T = T[y(x)] = \int_A^B \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{2gy}} dx, \quad \text{——是函数的函数}$$



一、泛函

1.定义:

泛函是函数的函数.记 $J=J[y(x)]$

其中, $J \in B$:复(实); 数集 $y(x) \in C$:复数集

注意: (1)不同于普通函数
(2)不同于复合函数
(3)定义域: $y(x)$ 可取类 b

2.典型表达方式: $J[y(x)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \rightarrow (1)$

$F(x, y, y')$ 泛函的核

3.最速落径问题:求泛函 $T[y(x)]$ 的极小值问题

二. 泛函的极值

类似于上述的求极值问题, 如光学中费马原理, 力学中最小作用问题, 在物理中很多. 我们将会看到求泛函极值可归结为两种方法.

1. 求泛函极值方法

(1). 直接方法: 从泛函直接求极值曲线

(2). 间接法: 化为解微分方程-与变分问题有联系

为此, 先建立有关变分的概念

二、泛函的极值

2. 变分

(1): 函数的变分 : 若 $y(x) \xrightarrow{\text{微变}} y(x) + t\eta(x)$, t 为小参数 ,
则记 $\delta(y) = t\eta(x)$ (2) — 称 $t\eta(x)$ 为 $y(x)$ 的变分 .

注意 : δy 不同于 dy , dy 有一取极值过程 , δy 不取
极限, 略去了高阶小量此时,

$$y'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \rightarrow \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta(y + t\eta)}{\Delta x} = y'(x) + t\eta'(x)$$

(2) 变分与微分可交换次序 :

$$\delta(y') = t\eta'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}[t\eta(x)] = \frac{d}{dx}\delta(y) \rightarrow y'(x) \text{ 的变分}$$

$$\text{即: } \delta(y') \equiv \frac{d}{dx}\delta(y)$$

二、泛函的极值

(3): 函数的变分

若(1)中 $F \in C^2, y \in C^2$, 则当 $y \rightarrow y + t\eta$

$$\Delta J = J[y(x) + t\eta] - J[y]$$

$$= \int_a^b [F(x, y + t\eta, y' + t\eta') - F(x, y, y')] dx$$

$$= \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} t\eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} t\eta' + t \text{的高阶小量} \right] dx$$

$$\text{记 } \delta J = \int_a^b \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \delta y' \right) dx \rightarrow (4) \quad \text{—称为泛函 } J[y(x)] \text{ 的第一次变分}$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

设 $J[y(x)]$ 的极值函数为 $y(x)$, 且有变分 $t\eta(x)$, 则

$$J[y(x) + t\eta(x)] = \phi(t) \quad (\text{因为 } y(x) \text{ 已经设定})$$

由一元函数取极值条件, 则 J 极值条件

$$\rightarrow \phi(t) \text{ 极值条件} \rightarrow \frac{d\phi}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial J[y(x) + t\eta(x)]}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=0} = 0, \text{ 即, } \int_a^b \frac{\partial F[x, y + t\eta, y' + t\eta',]}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=0} dx = 0$$

$$\int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial (y + t\eta)} \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial (y' + t\eta')} \eta' \right] \Big|_{t=0} dx = 0,$$

$$\text{即: } \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \eta' \right] dx = 0 \rightarrow \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \delta y' \right] dx = 0 \quad (5)$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

对照 (4): 极值条件

1. 泛函极值的问题是变分问题 $\delta J = 0$ 有

$$\begin{aligned} \because \int_a^b \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \delta y' dx &= \int_a^b \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \frac{d}{dx} (\delta y) dx \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \delta y \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \delta y dx = - \int_a^b \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \delta y dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{代如 (5): } \int_a^b \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \right] \delta y dx = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{\text{Euler 方程}}$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

2. 泛函取极值的条件- $y(x)$ 满足 *Euler* 方程

$$(1) \text{ 对于 } J[y(x)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$$

$$\text{有 } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \rightarrow \text{二阶常微分方程} \Rightarrow y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} - F = C$$

$$(2) \text{ 对于 } J[y_1(x), y_2(x) \cdots y_n(x)]$$

$$= \int_a^b F(x; y_1, y_2 \cdots y_n; y'_1, y'_2 \cdots y'_n) dx$$

$$\text{有 } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y_i} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'_i} \right) = 0, (i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n)$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

(3) 对于 $J[y'(x), y'(x) \cdots y^{(n)}(x)]$

$$= \int_a^b F(x; y; y', y'' \cdots y^{(n)}) dx$$

$$\text{有 } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) + \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y''} \right) - \frac{d^3}{dx^3} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'''} \right) = 0$$

(4) 多元函数 $J[u(x, y, z)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, z; u; u_x, u_y, u_z) dx dy dz$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial u_x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial u_y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial u_z} \right) = 0$$

于是求泛函数极值问题 → 解 *Euler* 方程问题

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

3. 若 F 不显含 x 则

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \rightarrow y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} - F = C$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{考虑 } \frac{d}{dx} \left[y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} - F \right] &= y'' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} + y' \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) - \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} y' - \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} y'' \\ &= -y' \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\because F \text{ 不显含 } x, \text{ 即 } \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} - F \right] = 0,$$

$$\therefore \text{积分可得 } y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} - F = C(B)$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

例1. 求最速落径

$$T[y(x)] = \int_{x_A}^{x_B} \frac{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx}{\sqrt{2gy}}$$

$$\therefore \delta \int_{x_A}^{x_B} \frac{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx}{\sqrt{2gy}} = 0$$

$$F = \frac{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx}{\sqrt{2gy}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2g}} \frac{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2}}{\sqrt{y}} \text{ 不显含 } x$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

于是Euler方程

$$y' \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{y}} = C$$

$$\frac{(y')^2}{\sqrt{[1+(y')^2]y}} - \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{y}} = C$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(y')^4}{[1+(y')^2]y} + \frac{1+(y')^2}{y} - 2 \frac{y'^2}{y} = C^2$$

$$\frac{1}{[1+(y')^2]y} = C^2, \text{ 令 } \frac{1}{C^2} = C_1$$

三. 泛函极值的必要条件

$$\text{得 } y' = \frac{\sqrt{C_1 - y}}{\sqrt{y}}, \rightarrow x - C_2 = \int \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{C_1 - y}} dy$$

$$\text{令 } y = C_1 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}, \text{ 则 } \begin{cases} x = \frac{C_1}{2} (\theta - \sin \theta) + C_2 \\ y = \frac{C_1}{2} (1 - \cos \theta) \end{cases}$$

是由半径为 $\frac{C_1}{2}$ 的圆周上一固定点运动产生的.

在图中 x 轴下方滚动. 存在一条且仅一条通过原点及点 (x_B, y_B) 的摆线. 适当选择 C_1 和 C_2 可以给出这条摆线

四. 泛函的条件极值

$$\begin{cases} J[y(x)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \\ \int_a^b G(x, y, y') dx = l \end{cases}, y(a) = y_0, y(b) = y_1$$

拉格朗日(Lagrange)乘子法:

$$\text{考虑: } \delta \int_a^b [F(x, y, y') + \lambda G(x, y, y')] dx = 0$$

$$\text{则} \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + \lambda \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) + \lambda \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) \right] = 0$$

积分常数 C_1, C_2 和 λ 可由附加条件定出

四. 泛函的条件极值

$$\text{例 2.} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 y'^2 dx \\ \int_0^1 y^2 dx = 1 \\ y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

考虑 $\delta \int_0^1 (y'^2 + \lambda y^2) dx = 0$

不显含 x , 也可推出一阶 $Euler$ 方程, 此处直接用二阶 $Euler$

也不困难: $2\lambda y - \frac{d}{dx}(2y') = 0$

四. 泛函的条件极值

$$\text{即: } y'' - \lambda y = 0$$

$$y = C_1 e^{\sqrt{\lambda}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{\lambda}x}$$

$$\text{由 } \begin{cases} y(0) = 0 \\ y(1) = 1 \end{cases} \text{ 得: } y_n = C_n \sin n\pi x (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$\text{再由 } \int_0^1 y^2 dx = 1 \text{ 得: } C_n = \pm\sqrt{2}, \therefore y_n = \pm\sqrt{2} \sin n\pi x$$

$$J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{d}{dx} \pm \sqrt{2} \sin n\pi x \right]^2 dx = n^2 \pi^2$$

$$\text{极小值为 } J[y_1(x)] = \pi^2$$

五. 里兹方法

1. 对于 $J[f(x)]$,

$$\text{令 } y(x) = f(\varphi_1(x), \varphi_2(x) \dots \varphi_n(x); C_1, C_2 \dots C_n)$$

$$\text{则 } J[f(x)] = \varphi(C_1, C_2 \dots C_n)$$

于是当 $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial C_i} = 0$ 时, $J[f(x)]$ 取极值 $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

2. 注意:

$$(1) f \text{ 是近似解 } f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \dots \varphi_n; C_1, C_2 \dots C_n)$$

(2) 适当选 φ, f

注: 一般为多项式三角式为它们的线性组合, 满足边界条件

五. 里兹方法

3.例: 求 $J[f(x)] = \int_0^1 y'^2 dx$ (的极小值) (1)

其中 $\begin{cases} \int_0^1 y^2 dx = 1 \\ y(0) = 0, y(1) = 0 \end{cases}$ (2)

解: 选 $\varphi_n(x) = C_n x^n$

令 $y(x) = x(x-1)(C_0 + C_1 x) = C_1 x^3 + (C_0 - C_1)x^2 - C_0 x$ (3)

代入(1): $\phi = J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 [3C_1 x^2 + 2(C_0 - C_1)x - C_0]^2 dx$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(C_0^2 + C_0 C_1 + \frac{2}{5} C_1^2) \quad (4),$$

即 $\phi = \phi(C_0, C_1)$

五. 里兹方法

$$\text{代入(2): } \int_0^1 y^2 dx = \frac{1}{30} (C_0^2 + C_0 C_1 + \frac{2}{7} C_1^2) = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{记 } \psi = \frac{1}{30} (C_0^2 + C_0 C_1 + \frac{2}{7} C_1^2) - 1 = 0$$

由拉格朗日乘子法：若要求 $y(x) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

在 m 个约束条件： $g_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0, (k = 1, 2, \dots, m)$

下的极值只需考虑 $F = y + \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k g_k$

$$\text{使 } \begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_i} = 0 \\ g_k(x_i) = 0 \end{cases} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \text{ 即可}$$

五. 里兹方法

$$\therefore \text{应由} \begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial C_i} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial C_i} + \lambda \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial C_i} = 0 \\ \phi = 0 \end{cases}, \text{联立消去 } \lambda \text{ 来求 } y$$

$$\text{但在此不必, 由(5): } C_0^2 + C_0 C_1 = 30 - \frac{2}{7} C_1^2 \quad (6)$$

$$\text{代入(4): } \phi = J[y(x)] = \frac{1}{3} \left(30 - \frac{2}{7} C_1^2 + \frac{2}{5} C_1^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(15 + \frac{2}{35} C_1^2 \right), C_1 = 0 \text{ 有极小值, 此时 } J[f(x)] = 10$$

$$C_1 = 0 \text{ 代入(6): } C_0 = \pm \sqrt{30}, \text{ 代入(4)}$$

$$\therefore y(x) = \pm \sqrt{30} x(x-1) = \pm \sqrt{30} x(x-1)$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{30} \left[\left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right]$$

五. 里兹方法

$$(x-1/2)^2 = \frac{1}{\pm\sqrt{30}}y + \frac{1}{4} = \pm 2 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{30}}(y \pm \frac{\sqrt{30}}{4})$$

$$\text{令 } h = \frac{1}{2}, k = -(\pm \frac{\sqrt{30}}{4}), p = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{30}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-h)^2 = \pm 2p(y-k)$$

顶点 (h, k) ; 焦点 $(h, k \pm \frac{p}{2})$; 准线 $y = -k \pm \frac{p}{2}$



复习上次课:

泛函: $J[y(x)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$

$$J[u(x, y, z)] = \iiint F(x, y, z; u; u_x, u_y, u_z) d\tau$$

泛函的变分: $\delta J = \int_a^b \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \delta y' \right) dx,$

泛函的极值条件: $\delta y = t \eta(x), \delta y' = \frac{d}{dx} \delta y$

$$\delta J = 0 \Leftrightarrow Euler \text{ 方程}$$

复习上次课:

求泛函极值的方法:

间接方法:

$$\text{对于 } J[y(x)] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = 0$$

$$\text{对于 } \int_a^b G(x, y, y') dx = l \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + \lambda \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) + \lambda \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) \right] = 0$$

直接方法: 从泛函求极值直接方法

→ 里兹(Ritz)方法例

§ 8.2 变分法

一、变分法

1. 思路

泛函极值 \leftarrow 泛函的 *Euler* 方程的解
 \uparrow
直接方法求解

2. 步骤:

- (1) 写出定解问题所对应的泛函
- (2) 用直接法（里兹法）求该泛函极值, 此即写方程的解.