

## CALCULUS OF VARIATIONS:

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» Extremum of a  $f^n$  of several variables:

$f: \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\Omega$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Let  $x_0 \in \Omega$  & we say  $x_0$  is local minimum of  $f(x)$  if  $\exists$  nbd  $U$  of  $x_0$  st  $f(x) \geq f(x_0)$   $\forall x \in U \subset \Omega$ .

$x_0$  is a local maximum of  $f(x)$  if  $\exists$  a nbd  $U$  of  $x_0$  st  $f(x_0) \geq f(x) \forall x \in U$ . The points of maximum & minimum of  $f(x)$  are called extreme points of  $f(x)$

» Necessary Condit<sup>n</sup> for a  $f^n$   $f(x)$  to have extreme points

$$f: \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Let  $x_0 \in \Omega$ , if  $x_0$  is local extremum of  $f(x)$  then  $\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_i} = 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  (~~for most be an integer pt.~~)

»  $\Rightarrow$  We say  $x_0 \in \Omega$  is a critical pt of  $f(x)$  if  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(x_0) = 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  or  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$  does not exist at  $x_0$ .

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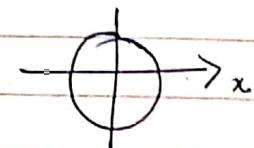
$$\text{Ex} \quad f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

$(0, 0)$  is a critical pt of  $f(x, y)$

$$B_C(x_0, y_0) = \{(x, y) : \sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2} < c\}$$



$$\therefore f(0, y) = -y^2 < 0 \quad \forall y \quad (y \neq 0)$$

$$f(x, 0) = x^2 > 0 \quad \forall x \quad (x \neq 0)$$

$$\& f(0, 0) = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$  is neither local maximum nor local minimum.

The quadratic form  $A(x) = A(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$

$$a_{ij} = a_{ji} \text{ for } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

is positive definite if  $A(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\}$  &

$A(x) = 0$  only when  $x = 0$

Similarly,  $A(x)$  is negative definite if  $A(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\}$  &  $A(x) = 0$  only when  $x = 0$ .

• Sylvester's Criteria:

Necessary & sufficient cond<sup>n</sup>

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$$

for

$$(n=2) = \sum_{i=1}^m (a_{ii}x_i x_i + a_{i2}x_i x_2) \dots + a_{1m}x_m$$

$$= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{12}x_1 x_2 + a_{21}x_2 x_1 + a_{22}x_2^2$$

$$= [x_1 \ x_2] \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rightarrow A(x) = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 a_{ij}x_i x_j$  is +ve definite if

$$a_{11} > 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

$\rightarrow A(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij}x_i x_j$  is +ve definite if

$$a_{11} > 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} > 0 \dots$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & \dots & a_{2m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mm} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

Similarly  $A(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij}x_i x_j$  is said to be -ve definite if

$$a_{11} < 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11}, a_{12} \\ a_{21}, a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} < 0 \dots$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & \dots & a_{2m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mm} \end{vmatrix} (-1)^m > 0$$

A quadratic form  $c$  is either +ve or -ve definite is called a 'definite quadratic form'

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A quadratic form  $c$  is not definite is called 'indefinite quadratic form'

### • Sufficient Cond" for a local extremum

Let  $f(x)$  be  $f^n$  defined on  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and have continuous 2nd order partial derivatives in a nbd of the pt  $x_0$ . & the pt.  $x_0$  is a ~~local~~ critical pt. extremum of  $f(x)$ , if the quadratic form

$$A(dx_1, dx_2, \dots, dx_m) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(x_0) dx_i dx_j$$
 i.e.

2nd order differential of  $f(x)$  at the pt  $x_0$  is a true definite (+ve definite) quadratic form, then the pt  $x_0$  is strict minimum (maximum)

We apply this idea for a  $f^n$  of two variable

$$= \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0) dx^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0) dx dy + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x_0) dy^2 \quad \text{--- } ①$$

① is +ve definite if  $f_{xx}(x_0) > 0$ ,  $\begin{vmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{vmatrix} > 0$   
then  $x_0$  is strict minimum

① is -ve definite if  $f_{xx}(x_0) < 0$  (  $f_{yy}(x_0) < 0$  ),  
$$\begin{vmatrix} f_{xx}(x_0) & f_{xy}(x_0) \\ f_{yx}(x_0) & f_{yy}(x_0) \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

then in this case  $x_0$  is strict maximum of  $f(x,y)$

→ If  $f_{xx}(x_0) f_{yy}(x_0) - f_{xy}^2(x_0) < 0$  then we say  $x_0$  is neither local maximum or local minimum

→ If  $f_{xx}(x_0) f_{yy}(x_0) - f_{xy}^2(x_0) = 0$ , then no conclusion

In this case,  $x_0$  may or may not be extremum of  $f$

Ex  $f(x,y) = x^4 + y^4$   
 $(0,0)$  is a critical pt.

$f(x,y) > f(0,0)$  &  $f(x,y)$  in a nbd of  $(0,0)$   
 $(0,0)$  is strict minimum of  $f(x,y)$  but  
 $\nabla f(0,0) = 0$ ,  $f_{yy}(0,0) = 0$ ,  $f_{xy}(0,0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 0$$

Ex  $f(x,y) = -x^4 - y^4$   
 $(0,0)$  is a critical pt.

$$f_{xx}(0,0) = f_{yy}(0,0) = f_{xy}(0,0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{xx}(0,0) f_{yy}(0,0) - f_{xy}^2(0,0) = 0$$

$f(x,y) = -x^4 - y^4 < 0 = f(0,0)$ ,  $f(x,y)$  is a nbd of  
 $f(0,0)$ .  $\Rightarrow (0,0)$  is strict maximum of  $f(x,y)$

Ex  $f(x,y) = x^4 - y^4$   
 $(0,0)$  is a critical pt.

$$\Rightarrow f_{xx}(0,0) = 0, f_{xy}(0,0) = 0, f_{yy}(0,0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{xx}(0,0) f_{yy}(0,0) - f_{xy}^2(0,0) = 0$$

$$\nabla f(0,0) = x^4 > 0 = f(0,0)$$

$$f(0,y) = -y^4 < 0 = f(0,0)$$

$\therefore (0,0)$  is neither maximum nor minimum

$\Rightarrow (0,0)$  is saddle pt.

$\Rightarrow$ 

$f(x)$  defined on  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x \in \Omega$

In addition to  $f(x)$ , we have  $m$  necessary condit's

$$\begin{cases} \phi_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

① are called 'equal's of constraint'.

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### Conditional Maximum / Minimum:

We say the point  $x_0 \in \Omega$  is conditional maximum of  $f(x)$  if  $f(x) \leq f(x_0)$  for all  $x$  in some nbd of  $x_0$  & also  $x \neq x_0$  satisfy the eqns of constraint (1).

Example: Let  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$

$$g(x, y) = x + y - 1 = 0 \quad (\text{constraint})$$

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$$y = 1 - x$$

$$f(x, y) = f(x, 1-x) = x^2 + (1-x)^2 = F(x)$$

$$F'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 2(1-x)(-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$F''(x) = 2 + 2 = 4 > 0$$

At  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $F(x)$  has minimum

$$\text{where } x = \frac{1}{2}, y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  lies on  $x + y - 1 = 0$

$f(x, y)$  has conditional minimum at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

In general, Max / Min  $f(x, y)$

subject to  $\phi(x, y) = 0$

$$\text{if } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \neq 0 \Rightarrow y = \psi(x) \Rightarrow f(x, y) = f(x, \psi(x)) = F(x)$$

## Lagrangian method of multipliers

(1)  $f(x)$  &  $\phi_i(x)$ ,  $x \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , have  $1^{\text{st}}$  order continuous derivatives i.e.  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$  &  $\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x_i}$  exists & those are continuous  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m; j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

(2)  $m < n$  & the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

is  $m$  & the points defined on the domain  $\Omega$ .

Let us define Lagrange  $f^L$

$$\psi(x) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \phi_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where  $\lambda_i$ 's are unknowns to be determined.

For the existence of maximum of  $\psi(x)$ , we have

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i} = 0 \text{ & } \phi_j(x) = 0 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n; j = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_1} = 0, \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_2} = 0, \dots, \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_n} = 0 \right.$$

$$\left. \phi_1(x) = 0, \phi_2(x) = 0, \dots, \phi_m(x) = 0 \right.$$

We compute  $\lambda_j$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  & the possible pt.  $x$  to give extremum of  $\psi(x)$ .

If the points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  is conditional extremum of  $f(x)$  then  $x_n$  is a stationary pt. of Lagrange  $f^L$  of  $\psi(x)$ .

In order to find conditional extremum of  $f(x)$   
we do further investigation

We write the quadratic form.

$$B(dx_1, dx_2, \dots, dx_{n-m}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-m} b_{ij} dx_i \cdot dx_j, \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

i.e. 2nd differential of the  $f(x)$  evaluated at  
the stationary pt(s) & i allowance condit's

$$dt_1 = \frac{\partial t_1}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \frac{\partial t_1}{\partial x_2} dx_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial t_1}{\partial x_n} dx_n = 0$$

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$$dt_m = \frac{\partial t_m}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial t_m}{\partial x_n} dx_n = 0$$

If (3) is +ve definite at  $x_0$  then  $x_0$  is conditional minimum of  $f(x)$

If (3) is -ve definite at  $x_0$  " " " " maximum of  $f(x)$

If (3) is indefinite at  $x_0$  then  $x_0$  is not the conditional extremum of  $f(x)$ .

Remark 1: If  $x_0$  is an absolute extremum of Lagrange  $\tilde{f}(x)$  then  $x_0$  is conditional extremum of  $f(x)$  subject to  $t_j(x) = 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$

Remark 2: The absence of absolute extremum of Lagrange  $\tilde{f}(x)$  does not signify the absence of conditional extremum of  $f(x)$  subject to  $t_j(x) = 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  means,

suppose  $\tilde{f}(x)$  has no absolute extremum but  $f(x)$  may or may not have conditional extremum on prescribed domain.

$$f(x, y) = xy \quad \text{subject to } y - x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x, y) &= f(x, y) + \lambda \phi(x, y) = xy + \lambda(y - x) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} &= y - \lambda = 0 \quad , \quad y - x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = x + \lambda = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 0 \\ -x + y &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{cases} ; \quad \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = 0} \quad , \quad x = 0, y = 0$$

$(0, 0)$  is stationary pt. of  $\psi(x, y)$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(x, y) = xy$$

$$\psi_{xx} = 0, \quad \psi_{yy} = 0, \quad \psi_{xy} = 1$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -1 < 0$$

quadratic form is indefinite, so  $\psi(x, y)$  has no absolute extremum at  $(0, 0)$ .

$$f(x, y) = xy, \quad \phi(x, y) = y - x = 0 \Rightarrow y = x.$$

$$f(x, y) = f(x, x) = F(x) = x^2$$

$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  is a stationary pt. of  $F(x)$

$$\frac{d^2 F}{dx^2} = 2 > 0$$

$F(x)$  has minimum at 0

$(0, 0)$  is conditional minimum of  $f(x, y) = xy$  s.t.

$$y - x = 0$$

Q.

Find the conditional extremum of the  $f^n$

$$f(x_1, y_1, z) = xy_2$$

$$\text{s.t. } x + y - z - 3 = 0$$

$$x + y - z - 8 = 0$$

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$$\text{Lagrange f}^n \quad \psi(x_1, y_1, z) = xyz + \lambda_1(x + y - z - 3) + \lambda_2(x + y - z - 8)$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = yz + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0 \quad x + y - z - 3 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = xz + \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 0 \quad x + y - z - 8 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} = xy - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{11}{32}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{-23}{32}, \quad x = -\frac{11}{4}$$

$$y = -\frac{5}{2}, \quad z = -\frac{11}{4} \quad (\text{check})$$

$(-\frac{11}{4}, -\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{11}{4})$  is a critical pt. of  $\psi$

$$\Rightarrow d^2\psi = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} dx^2 + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} dy^2 + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} dz^2 + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial y} dx dy \\ + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y \partial z} dy dz + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial z} dx dz$$

$$\Rightarrow d^2\psi = 2zdx dy + 2ydx dz + 2xdy dz$$

$$d\psi_1 = dx + dy - dz = 0$$

$$d\psi_2 = dx - dy - dz = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = dz, \quad dy = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d^2\psi = 2ydx^2$$

$$d^2\psi|_{\text{critical pt.}} = -5dx^2$$

quadratic form is negative definite, so  
 $f(x_1 y_1 z)$  has a conditional maximal at obtained  
critical pt  $t_{\max} = \frac{605}{32}$  (Verify)

### D) Linear Functional:

$T: V \rightarrow F$  is a linear functional if  
( $V$  is a vector space over the field  $F$ )

$$T(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha T(x) + \beta T(y) \quad \forall x, y \in V \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in F$$

### Functional:

Let  $M$  be certain class of  $f^u$ , say  $y(x)$

$$J: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$y(x) \mapsto \underbrace{J[y(x)]}_{\text{Real no.}}$$

$J$  is a functional

e.g. (1)  $M = C[0,1]$  : space of all continuous  $f^u$ 's defined on  $[0,1]$

$M = \{y(x) : y: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \rightarrow y(x) \text{ is continuous on } [0,1]\}$

$J: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined, as  $J[y(x)] = \int y(x) dx$

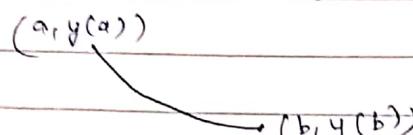
$$\text{If } y(x) = x^2, \quad J[x^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}.$$

e.g. (2)  $M = C'[0,1]$  : space of all continuous differentiable  $f^u$ 's defined on  $[0,1]$

$M : \{y, y: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \rightarrow y'(x) \text{ exists } \forall x \in [0,1] \text{ & } y'(x) \text{ is continuous on } [0,1]\}$

$$J: C[0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \rightarrow J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + y'(x)^2} dx$$

Construct a curve  $y(x)$  which passes through  $(a, y(a))$  &  $(b, y(b))$  & the curve has smallest length



The variation or increment of the argument  $y(x)$  of the functional  $J[y(x)]$  is defined as  
 $\delta y = y(x) - y_1(x)$  where  $y, y_1 \in M$

If  $y(x)$  &  $y_1(x)$  are continuous on  $[a, b]$  & we say those are proximity of the zeroth order if  $|y(x) - y_1(x)|$  is small on  $[a, b]$

We say the curves  $y(x)$  &  $y_1(x)$  are close in the sense of proximity  $k^{th}$  order if

$$|y(x) - y_1(x)|, |y'(x) - y_1'(x)|, |y''(x) - y_1''(x)|, \dots$$

$|y_{k+1}(x) - y_1^{k+1}(x)|$  are small on  $[a, b]$ .

Ex  $y(x) = \sin n^2 x$ ,  $y_1(x) = 0$ ,  $x \in [0, \pi]$  & for large  $n$

$$|y(x) - y_1(x)| = |\frac{\sin n^2 x}{n}| \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

As  $n$  is large,  $|y(x) - y_1(x)|$  is small  $y'(x) = \frac{\cos n^2 x}{n}$   
 $= n \cos n^2 x$ ,  $y_1'(x) = 0$

$$|y'(x) - y_1'(x)| = |n \cos n^2 x - 0|$$

In particular,  $x = \frac{2\pi}{n^2}$

$$|y'(x) - y'_1(x)| = n$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $|y'(x) - y'_1(x)| \rightarrow \infty$

$y(x) = \frac{\sin nx}{n}$ ,  $y_1(x) = 0$  are close in the sense  
of proximity of zeroth order.

Ex  $y(x) = \frac{\sin nx}{n^2}$ ,  $y_1(x) = 0$ ,  $x \in [0, \pi]$  &  $n$  is large

$$|y(x) - y_1(x)| = \left| \frac{\sin nx}{n^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$|y(x) - y_1(x)|$  is small for large  $n$

$|y'(x) - y'_1(x)| = \left| \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2} = 1$  is small. those  
are close in the proximity of first order

VARIATIONAL - METHODS

## Distance b/w the curves:

Let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be two continuous curves on  $[a, b]$ .  
 The distance b/w  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  is defined as:  
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 zeroth order

$$S_0 = S_0(f(x), g(x)) = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

Ex. Find the zeroth order distance b/w  $f(x) = x$  &  $g(x) = x^2$   
 on  $[0, 1]$

$$\text{Sol}^n \quad S_0 = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |x - x^2|$$

$$\text{Let } h(x) = x - x^2, \quad h'(x) = 1 - 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$x = \frac{1}{2}$  is a critical point.

$h''(x) = -2 \leq 0$ ,  $h(x)$  has maximum at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

$$h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\boxed{S_0 = \frac{1}{4}}$$

The  $n$ th order distance b/w  $f(x)$  &  $g(x)$  is defined as:

$$S_n = S_n(f(x), g(x)) = \max_{0 \leq k \leq n} \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f^{(k)}(x) - g^{(k)}(x)|$$

Ex. Find the 1st order distance b/w  $x^2$  &  $x^3$  on  $[0, 1]$ .

$$\text{Sol}^n \quad S_1 = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} \left\{ \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |x^2 - x^3|, \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |2x - 3x^2| \right\}$$

$$h(x) = x^2 - x^3, \quad h'(x) = 2x - 3x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x(2 - 3x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \frac{2}{3}$$

$$h''(x) = 2 - 6x, \quad h''(0) = 2 > 0 \quad (\text{minimum at } x=0)$$

$$h''\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 2 - 4 = -2 < 0 \quad \text{max occur at } x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$h\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{4}{9} - \frac{8}{27} = \frac{4}{27}, \quad \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} h(x) = \frac{4}{27}$$

$$h(0) = 0, \quad h(1) = 1$$

$$k(x) = 2x - 3x^2 \Rightarrow k'(x) = 2 - 6x = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$k''(x) = -6 < 0$$

$$k\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$k(0) = 0, k(1) = -1$$

$$\max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |2x - 3x^2| = \max \left\{ 0, 1, \frac{1}{3} \right\} = 1 \text{ on } [0, 1]$$

$$s_1 = \max \left\{ 1, \frac{4}{27} \right\} = 1$$

□ E nbd of a curve  $f(x)$ :

Let  $f(x)$  be continuous on  $[a, b]$ . The zeroth order  $\epsilon$  nbd of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b]$  is defined as  $\{g(x) : \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |g(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon\}$

In other words,  $\{g(x) : s_0(f(x), g(x)) < \epsilon\}$

Strong nbd of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b]$

□  $n$ th order nbd of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b]$  is defined as set of all admissible curves  $g(x)$  defined on  $[a, b]$  s.t.  $s_n(f(x), g(x)) < \epsilon$ . In other words,

$$\{g(x) : \max_{0 \leq k \leq n} \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |{}^{(k)}f(x) - {}^{(k)}g(x)| < \epsilon\}$$

→ First order nbd of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b]$  is called 'weak nbd' of  $f(x)$

□ Continuity of the functional  $J[y(x)]$

We say  $J[y(x)]$  is defined on the class of functions  $y(x)$  is continuous at  $y_0(x)$  in the sense of  $n$ th order proximity if for any given  $\epsilon > 0$  we can find a real number  $\delta$  s.t.

$$s_n(y(x), y_0(x)) < \delta \Rightarrow |J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)]| < \epsilon;$$

$$y(x) \in M$$

( $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x_0$  if for given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ )

Set  $y^{(k)}(x) = y_0^{(k)}(x) + \alpha \omega^{(k)}; x \in \mathbb{R}, \omega(x) \in M$   
for  $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} y^{(k)}(x) = y_0^{(k)}(x)$ , then

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} J[y_0^{(k)} + \alpha \omega^{(k)}(x)] = J[y_0^{(k)}(x)]; \text{ for } k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Ex:  $J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 [y(x) + 2y'(x)] dx$ , prove that  $J$  is continuous on  $C^1[0, 1]$

Soln: Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ , set arbitrary function  $y_0(x) \in C^1[0, 1]$   
we want to  $J[y(x)]$  is continuous at  $y_0(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)]| &= \left| \int_0^1 (y(x) + 2y'(x)) dx - \int_0^1 (y_0(x) + 2y'_0(x)) dx \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^1 (y(x) - y_0(x)) dx + 2 \int_0^1 (y'(x) - y'_0(x)) dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |y(x) - y_0(x)| dx + 2 \int_0^1 |y'(x) - y'_0(x)| dx \\ &\leq \delta \int_0^1 dx + 2\delta \int_0^1 dx = \delta + 2\delta = 3\delta < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{3}$

We choose  $\delta < \epsilon/3$   
we say  $J[y(x)]$  is discontinuous in the sense of  $n$ th order proximity if there exist  $\epsilon$  such that no matter what  $\delta > 0$ , there is always exists a function  $y(x)$  such

that

$$p_n(y(x), y_0(x)) < \delta \text{ follows } |J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)]| \geq \epsilon$$

Ex  $J[y(x)] = y'(x_0)$ , where  $y(x) \in C^1[a, b]$  &  $x_0 \in [a, b]$ .  
i.e. the above functional is discontinuous of zeroth order proximity but is continuous of first order proximity on  $C^1[a, b]$

Sol" choose  $\epsilon < 1$ , for any  $s > 0$   
 Let us choose  $\phi(x) \Rightarrow |\phi(x)| < s$  on  $[a, b]$  &  $\phi'(x_0) = 1$  for  
 some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$   
 Let us ~~continuously~~ choose  $y_0(x)$  arbitrary in  $C^1[a, b]$   
 set  $y(x) = y_0(x) + \phi(x)$

$$s_0(y(x), y_0(x)) < s \quad (\because s_0(y(x), y_0(x)) = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |y(x) - y_0(x)| = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |\phi(x)| < s)$$

Now,  $|J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)]| = |y'(x_0) - y'_0(x_0)| = |\phi'(x_0)| = 1 > \epsilon$   
 $J[y(x)]$  is discontinuous on  $C^1[a, b]$  of zeroth order  
 proximity.

We want to check for first order proximity if  $s_1(y(x), y_0(x)) < \epsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \max \left\{ \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |y(x) - y_0(x)|, \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |y'(x) - y'_0(x)| \right\} < s$$

We have  $|J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)]| < \epsilon = |y'(x_0) - y'_0(x_0)| < s$   
 take  $s = \epsilon$

(using  $J[y(x)]$  continuous at  $y_0(x)$  of  $n$ th order proximity  
 then  $J(y(x))$  not necessarily be continuous at  $y_0(x)$  of  
 lower order proximity)

Let  $M$  be normed linear space of  $f^{\prime\prime}$ 's  $y(x)$

$$L: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni L[y(x)] \\ y(x) \mapsto L[y(x)]$$

We say ' $L$  is linear functional on  $M$ ' if

$$L[c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)] = c_1 L[y_1(x)] + c_2 L[y_2(x)]$$

where  $y_1(x), y_2(x) \in M$  &  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  on  $C^1[a, b]$

□ Increment or variation of a functional :

$\Delta J = J[y(x) + \delta y(x)] - J[y(x)]$ , where  
 $\delta y(x)$  is an increment in  $y(x)$   
 or

$\Delta J = J[y_1(x)] - J[y_2(x)]$ , where  $y_1, y_2 \in M$ ,  $\delta y = y_2(x) - y_1(x)$

$J[y(x)] = \int_a^b y(x) y'(x) dx$ ,  $y(x) \in C'[a, b]$

for  $y_1(x) = x$  &  $y_2(x) = x^2$  on  $[0, 1]$

$\Delta J = J[x^2] - J[x] = \int_0^1 2x x^2 dx - \int_0^1 x dx = 0$  (Verify)

□ Differentiability of a functional :

If the increment of the functional  $J[y(x)]$

$\Delta J = J[y(x) + \delta y(x)] - J[y(x)]$  can be written as

$\Delta J = L[y(x), \delta y] + \beta[y(x), \delta y] \|\delta y\|$ , where

'L' is linear w.r.t.  $\delta y$  for a fixed  $y$ . &  $\beta[y(x), \delta y] \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|\delta y\| \rightarrow 0$ , then  $L[y(x), \delta y]$  is called 'variation of the functional' & it is denoted by  $SJ$ .

In this case, we say the functional  $J[y(x)]$  is differentiable at  $y(x)$ .

$$J[y(x)] = \int_a^b y^2(x) dx, y(x) \in C'[a, b]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta J &= J[y + \delta y] - J[y] = \int_a^b (y + \delta y)^2 dy - \int_a^b y^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b 2y \delta y dy - \int_a^b \delta y^2 dx \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &\text{linear w.r.t. } \delta y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{put } dy &= \|\delta y\|^2 \int_a^b dx = (b-a) \|\delta y\|^2 \circ (b-a) (\|\delta y\|) \\ \int_a^b \delta y^2 dx &\leq \|\delta y\|^2 \int_a^b dx = ((b-a) \|\delta y\|) (\|\delta y\|) \end{aligned}$$

According to def.

$$\beta[y, \delta y] = (b-a) \| \delta y \| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \| \delta y \| \rightarrow 0 \quad (\| \delta y \| = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} \delta y)$$

$J[y(x)]$  is differentiable on  $C^1[a, b]$

$$S J = 2 \int_a^b y \delta y dx$$

$$J[y(x)] = \int_a^b f(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(m)}) dx, \quad y(x) \in C^m[a, b], \text{ then}$$

$$S J = \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \delta y' + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y^{(m)}} \delta y^{(m)} \right] dx$$

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\* Second definit<sup>n</sup> of variat<sup>n</sup> of a functional:

Suppose we consider  $\phi(\alpha) = J[y + \alpha \delta y]$

$$S J = \left. \frac{d\phi}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0}$$

Ex Find the variat<sup>n</sup> of a functional

$$J[y(x)] = \int_a^b y^2(x) dx, \quad \text{where } y(x) \in C[a, b]$$

$$\underline{\text{Sol}}^n \quad \phi(\alpha) = J[y + \alpha \delta y] = \int_a^b (y + \alpha \delta y)^2 dx$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\alpha} = \frac{d}{d\alpha} \int_a^b (y + \alpha \delta y)^2 dx = \int_a^b 2(y + \alpha \delta y) \delta y dx$$

$$\left. \frac{d\phi}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0} = 2 \int_a^b y \delta y dx$$

$J[x, y]$  is said to be a bilinear functional

A functional  $J[x, y]$  dependent on 2 elts  $x + y$  is called a 'bilinear functional' if following holds:

$$i) \quad J[\alpha x_1 + \beta x_2, y] = \alpha J[x_1, y] + \beta J[x_2, y]$$

$$ii) \quad J[x_1, \alpha y_1 + \beta y_2] = \alpha J[x_1, y_1] + \beta J[x_1, y_2], \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

→ Set  $y=x$  then  $J[\frac{x}{y}, x]$  is called 'quadratic functional'  
 → A quadratic functional  $J[x, x]$  is said to be '+ve definite' if  
 $J[x, x] > 0$  for every non-zero ct  $x$  & '-ve definite' if  $J[x, x] < 0$   
 & non-zero ct  $x$ .

Eg.  $J[x, y] = \int_a^b A(t)x(t)y(t)dt$ , for fixed  $A(t)$ ,  $J[x, y]$  is bilinear functional.

Set  $y=x$  & fix  $A(t)$ , then  $J = \int_a^b A(t)x(t)^2 dt$  is a quadratic functional. Now we restrict quadratic functional for  $A(t) \geq 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow J = \int_a^b A(t)x(t)^2 dt \geq 0, \text{ i.e. } +\text{ve definite}.$$

### Second variat<sup>n</sup> of a functional:

Consider the functional  $J[y, x]$ .

Now, consider  $\Delta J = J[y + sy] - J[y]$ ; can be written as

$$\Delta J = L_1[sy] + \frac{1}{2}L_2[sy] + \beta \|sy\|^2$$

where  $L_1[sy]$  is a linear functional

$L_2[sy]$  " quadratic " &  $\beta \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|sy\| \rightarrow 0$

The quadratic functional  $L_2[sy]$  is called 'second variation of functional  $J[y(x)]$ ' & it is denoted by  $s^2 J$

Eg. Find the 2<sup>nd</sup> variat<sup>n</sup> of the functional

$$J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 (xy^2 + y'^3) dx \text{ for } y \in C[0, 1]$$

Sol<sup>n</sup>

$$\Delta J = J[y + sy] - J[y]$$

$$= \int_0^1 (x(y+sy)^2 + (y'+sy')^3) dx - \int_0^1 (xy^2 + y'^3) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (xy^4 + xsy^2 + 2xysy + y'^3 + sy'^3 + 3y'^2sy' + 3y'sy'^2) dx - \int_0^1 (xy^2 + y'^3) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (2xysy + 3y'^2sy') dx + \int_0^1 (xsy^2 + 3y'sy'^2) dx + \int_0^1 sy'^3 dx$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 sy'^3 dx \leq \left( \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |sy'| \right)^2 \int_0^1 |sy'| dx \leq \|sy\|^2 \int_0^1 |sy'| dx ;$$

where  $\|sy\| = \max \{ \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} sy, \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} sy' \}$

$$\left| \int_0^1 sy'^3 dx \right| \leq \|sy\|^2 \int_0^1 |sy'| dx.$$

$$\beta \leq \int_0^1 |sy'| dx \quad \text{as } \|sy\| \rightarrow 0, \beta \rightarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow L_2 [sy] = 2 \int_0^1 (x sy^2 + 3y' sy'^2) dx$  is the second variation of the functional.

#### □ Extremum of a functional :

$\rightarrow f(x)$  has a relative maximum at  $x_0$ , if  $f(x) \leq f(x_0)$  for  $x$  near  $x_0$ . We say that a functional  $J[y(x)]$  attains a maximum on a curve  $y = y_0(x)$  if the values of the functional  $J[y(x)]$  on any curve close to  $y = y_0(x)$  do not exceed  $J[y_0(x)]$  that is

$$\Delta J = J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)] \leq 0$$

If  $\Delta J = 0$  only when  $y = y_0(x)$  then we say  $J[y]$  has a strict maximum at  $y_0$ .

We say that a functional  $J[y(x)]$  attains a minimum or a curve  $y = y_0(x)$  if for the values of the functional  $J[y(x)]$  on any curve close to  $y = y_0(x)$ , we have  $\Delta J \geq 0 = J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)] \geq 0$

If  $\Delta J = 0$  only when  $y = y_0(x)$  we say  $y_0(x)$  is a strict minimum.

#### □ Strong Maximum :

We say that a functional  $J[y(x)]$  attains a strong maximum on a curve  $y = y_0(x)$  if for all <sup>admissible</sup> possible curves  $y = y(x)$  located on  $\epsilon$ -nbhd of zeroth order proximity of the curve  $y = y_0(x)$ , we have  $J[y(x)] \leq J[y_0(x)]$

Thus, we can define strong minimum

$$J[y(x)] \geq J[y_0(x)] \quad \forall y \in \mathcal{S}_0(y_0(x), y(x)) < \epsilon$$

#### □ Weak Maximum :

We say that a functional  $J[y(x)]$  attains a weak minimum on a curve  $y = y_0(x)$  if  $\forall$  admissible curves  $y = y(x)$

located on c-nd of first order of a curve  $y = y_0(x)$ , we have

$$J[y(x)] \geq J[y_0(x)]$$

In other words,

$$J[y(x)] \leq J[y_0(x)] \text{ if } y(x) \text{ s.t. } S_1(y(x), y_0(x)) < \epsilon$$

$$\text{where } S_1 = \max \left\{ \max_{x \in [a, b]} |y(x) - y_0(x)|, \max_{x \in [a, b]} |y'(x) - y_0'(x)| \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Weak maximum of a functional  $J$  implies strong maximum of a functional.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{soln} \quad J[y(x)] &\leq J[y_0(x)] \quad \text{if } S_0(y, y_0) < \epsilon \\ &= J[y(x)] \leq J[y_0(x)] \quad \text{if } S_1(y, y_0) < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \cancel{S_1} > S_0$ , TRUE.

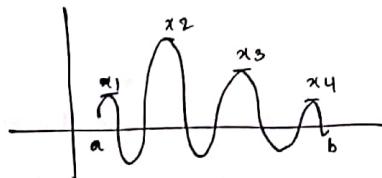
But converse need not be true.

say, we define strong minimum & weak minimum.

$$J[y(x)] > J[y_0(x)] \text{ whenever } S_1(y(x), y_0(x)) < \epsilon$$

$$J[y(x)] > J[y_0(x)] \text{ whenever } S_1(y(x), y_0(x)) < \epsilon$$

$\square$  If  $f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(x_0, y_0)$  is absolute maximum if



$\Leftrightarrow$  here ' $x_2$ ' is absolute max.,

$\because x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ : local maximum values of  $f$ , but  $x_2$  (max. of local max.) is absolute maximum.

$\square$  An extremum of a functional  $J[y(x)]$  on the entire collect<sup>n</sup> of elements  $Y \subseteq \mathcal{C}^1([a, b])$  is defined as called an absolute extremum.

Ex Consider the functional

$$J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 y^2(1-y'^2) dx, \quad y(x) \in C^1[0, 1]$$

$$\text{soln} \quad y_0 = 0, \quad y(x) = \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

$$|y(x) - y_0(x)| = \left| \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right| = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} J[y(x)] - J[y_0(x)] &= \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin^2 mx}{m} (1 - m \cos mx) dx = \int_0^{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin^2 mx}{m} - \sin mx \cos mx \right) dx \\ &\quad (\text{as } y'(x) = \sqrt{m} \cos mx) \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin^2 mx}{m} - \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2mx \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} \left( \left( \frac{1 - \cos 2mx}{2m} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{\cos 4mx}{2} \right) \right) dx = \frac{\pi}{2m} - \frac{\pi}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta J = J\left[\frac{\sin mx}{\sqrt{m}}\right] - J[0] = \frac{\pi}{2m} - \frac{\pi}{8} < 0$$

Given functional  $J[y(x)]$  has no strong minimum on the entire curve  $y \equiv 0$ , but it has weak minimum on  $y \equiv 0$  for  $\epsilon < 1$

$$S_1 = \max \{ |y(x)|, |y'(x)| \}$$

$$\max_{x \in [0, \pi]} |y'(x)| < 1$$

$$J[y(x)] - J[0] = \int_0^{\pi} y^2 (1 - y^2) dx > 0$$

$$\because |y'| < 1 \Rightarrow (1 - y'^2) > 0, \text{ so } J[y(x)] - J[0] > 0$$

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Lemma: If  $\alpha(x)$  is cont. on  $[a, b]$  & if  $\int_a^b \alpha(x) h(x) dx = 0$  for every  $h(x) \in C[a, b]$  s.t.  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$ , then  $\alpha(x) = 0$   $\forall x$  in  $[a, b]$ .

Proof: Suppose  $\alpha(x) \neq 0$  for some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$ . WLOG, we assume that  $\alpha(x_0) > 0$ .

$\therefore \alpha(x)$  is continuous at  $x_0$ , we can find a nbd say  $(x_1, x_2) \subset [a, b]$  s.t. in  $\subseteq \alpha(x)$  is the i.e.  $\alpha(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in (x_1, x_2)$ .

Now, construct  $h(x) = \begin{cases} (x - x_1)(x_2 - x), & \text{if } x \in (x_1, x_2) \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

It is clear that  $h(x)$  is cont.

$$h(a) = 0, h(b) = 0 \quad \text{as } a, b \notin (x_1, x_2)$$

So,  $h(x)$  satisfies the cond<sup>n</sup> of lemma.

$$\int_a^b x(x) h(x) dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} x(x)(x-x_1)(x_2-x) dx \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

integrand of R.H.S. of (1) is +ve, so  $\int_a^b x(x)(x-x_1)(x_2-x) dx$   
but given  $\int_a^b x(x)(x-x_1)(x_2-x) dx = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow \Leftarrow)$

Hence, our assumpt<sup>n</sup> is wrong.

$$\therefore x(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Lemma: If  $x(x)$  is cont. on  $[a, b]$  & if  $\int_a^b x(x) h'(x) dx = 0$  ~~&  $h'(x) \neq 0$~~   
 $h(x) \in C^1[a, b] \rightarrow h(a) = h(b) = 0$ , then  $x(x) = c \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$  where  $c$  is a constant.

Proof: Let  $c$  be a const. defined by the cond<sup>n</sup>

$$\int_a^b (x(x) - c) dx = 0$$

Now construct  $h(x) \rightarrow h(x) = \int_a^x (x(A) - c) dA$   
 $\rightarrow h'(x) = x(x) - c \Rightarrow h(x) \in C^1[a, b]$

$$h(a) = \int_a^a ( ) dx = 0, h(b) = \int_a^b (x(A) - c) dA = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \int_a^b (x(x) - c) h'(x) dx &= \int_a^b x(x) h'(x) dx - c \int_a^b h'(x) dx \\ &= 0 - c [h(b) - h(a)] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b (x(x) - c) h'(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\int_a^b (x(x) - c) h'(x) dx = \int_a^b (x(x) - c)^2 dx$$

from (2) we have  $\int_a^b (x(x) - c)^2 dx = 0$ ,

this is possible only when  $(x(x) - c) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x(x) = c \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Lemma: If  $x(x)$  is cont. on  $[a, b]$  & if  $\int_a^b x(x) h''(x) dx = 0$  for every  $h(x) \in C^2[a, b]$  s.t.  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$  &  $h'(a) = h'(b) = 0$  then  $x(x) = c_0 + c_1 x \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$  where  $c_0, c_1$  are constants.

Proof: we choose  $c_0, c_1$  those satisfy the following cond<sup>n</sup>.

$$\int_a^b (x(x) - c_0 - c_1 x) dx = 0 \quad \&$$

$$\int_a^b dx \int_a^x (\alpha(t) - c_0 - c_1 t) dt = 0$$

Now, construct  $h(x)$  as

$$h(x) = \int_a^x ds \int_a^s (\alpha(t) - c_0 - c_1 t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(x) = \int_a^x (\alpha(s) - c_0 - c_1 s) ds$$

$$\Rightarrow h''(x) = \alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x, \text{ so } h(x) \in C^2[a, b]$$

$$h(a) = 0 \quad \& \quad h(b) = \int_a^b ds \int_a^s (\alpha(t) - c_0 - c_1 t) dt = 0$$

$$h'(a) = \int_a^a (\alpha(s) - c_0 - c_1 s) ds = 0$$

$$h'(b) = \int_a^b (\alpha(s) - c_0 - c_1 s) ds = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \int_a^b (\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x) h''(x) dx &= \int_a^b \alpha(x) h''(x) dx - c_0 \int_a^b h''(x) dx - c_1 \int_a^b x h''(x) dx = 0 \\ &= 0 - c_0 [h'(b) - h'(a)] - c_1 [bh'(b) - ah'(a)] - \\ &\quad [h(b) - h(a)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b (\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x) h''(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\int_a^b (\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x) h''(x) dx = \int_a^b (\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x)^2 dx$$

from (3), we have  $\int_a^b (\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x)^2 dx = 0$  only when  $\alpha(x) - c_0 - c_1 x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(x) = c_0 + c_1 x \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Lemma: If  $\alpha(x)$  &  $\beta(x)$  are cont. on  $[a, b]$  & if

$$\int_a^b (\alpha(x)h(x) + \beta(x)h'(x)) dx = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)} \quad \& \quad f^n h(x) \in C^1[a, b]$$

s.t.  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$  then  $\beta(x)$  is differentiable &  $\beta'(x) = \alpha(x) + x$   $\in [a, b]$

Proof: Let  $A(x) = \int_a^x h(s) ds \quad \text{--- (5)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \alpha(x)h(x) dx &= \left[ h(x) \int_a^x \alpha(s) ds \right]_a^b - \int_a^b h'(x) A(x) dx \\ &= h(a)A(a) - h(b)A(b) - \int_a^b h'(x) A(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_a^b \alpha(x) h(x) dx = - \int_a^b A(x) h'(x) dx \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\int_a^b [f(x) h(x) + \beta(x) h'(x)] dx = 0 \quad (\text{from (6)})$$

$$\int_a^b (-A(x) h'(x) + \beta(x) h'(x)) dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b (\beta(x) - A(x)) h'(x) dx = 0$$

from lemma (8), we have

$$\beta(x) - A(x) = c \quad \forall x \in [a, b], \text{ where } c \text{ is a constant}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(x) = c + A(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(x) \text{ is differentiable} \quad \& \quad p(x) = A(x) = x(x), \text{ where } A(x) = \int_a^x \alpha(s) ds$$

Thm: A necessary cond<sup>n</sup> for the differentiable functional  $J[y]$  to have an extremum on the curve  $y = y_0(x)$  is that first variat<sup>n</sup> vanishes for  $y = y_0(x)$  i.e.  $\delta J = 0$ .

Proof: Let us suppose  $J[y]$  has a minimum on the curve  $y = y_0(x)$ . Accord. to the definit<sup>n</sup>, we have,

$$\Delta J = J[y_0 + h] - J[y_0] = \delta J[h] + \beta \|h\| \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where 'h' is an increment in  $y_0(x)$  &  $\beta \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|h\| \rightarrow 0$

The sign of  $\Delta J$  is same as the sign of  $\delta J$ . Suppose for some  $h_0(x)$ , we have  $\delta J[h_0] \neq 0$ .

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , however small  $\delta J[-\epsilon h_0(x)] = -\delta J[\epsilon h_0(x)]$

The RHS of (1) takes both the signs, but we have

$$\Delta J = J[y_0 + h] - J[y_0] > 0 \quad (\Rightarrow \Leftarrow)$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta J = 0$$

Thm: Let  $J[y]$  be a functional of the form

$$\int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$$

defined on the set of functions<sup>t</sup> these have cont. derivatives on  $[a, b]$  and satisfy the boundary conditions  $y(a) = A$  &  $y(b) = B$  there is a necessary cond<sup>n</sup> on  $J[y]$  to have an extremum for a given  $f$   $y(x)$  is that  $y(x)$  satisfies the Euler eq<sup>n</sup>

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

Proof: Let  $h(x)$  be an increment in  $y(x)$  s.t.  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta J &= J[y+h] - J[y] = \int_a^b F(x, y+h, y'+h') dx = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \\ &= \int_a^b [F(x, y+h, y'+h') - F(x, y, y')] dx \\ &= \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x, y, y') h + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'}(x, y, y') h' + \dots \right) dx\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta J = \int_a^b (F_y(x, y, y') h + F_{y'}(x, y, y') h') dx$$

Necessary cond<sup>n</sup> for the functional  $J$  to have extremum is  $\delta J = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b (F_y(x, y, y') h + F_{y'}(x, y, y') h') dx = 0$$

by using lemma 4, we have  $\frac{d}{dx} (F_{y'}) = F_{y''}$

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

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - F_{y'x} - F_{y'y} y' - F_{y'y'} y'' = 0} \quad | \quad 2$$

Second order ODE is unknown as  $y(x)$ ,  $y(a) = A$ ,  $y(b) = B$

$$\text{eg } \int_1^2 (y'^2 - 2xy) dx, \quad y(1) = 0, \quad y(2) = -1$$

$$\text{soln } F(x, y, y') = y'^2 - 2xy$$

$$F_y - \frac{d}{dx} (F_{y'}) = -2x - 2y' = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{y'' + 2x = 0}$$

$$y'' = -x \Rightarrow y' = -\frac{x^2}{2} + c_1 \Rightarrow \boxed{y = -\frac{x^3}{6} + c_1 x + c_2}$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$2c_1 + c_2 = -1 + \frac{8}{6} = \frac{2}{6} \Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{1}{6}, c_2 = 0$$

$$y(x) = -\frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x}{6}$$

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$$J[y] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx, \quad y(a) = A, \quad y(b) = B$$

$$\delta J = 0, \quad F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = 0$$

eg  $J[y] = \int_1^3 (3xy - y^2) dx, \quad y(1) = 1, \quad y(3) = 9/2$  (No extremal)

Soln Associated Euler eqn

$$F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = 3x - 2y - \frac{d}{dx}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 3x - 2y = 0 \\ \Rightarrow y = \frac{3x}{2} \\ \Rightarrow y(1) = 3/2 \quad (\text{but } y(1) = 1)$$

$$y(1) = 3/2 \rightarrow$$

so, the variational problem does not have solution.

eg find the extremal of the fn: (Infinite extremal)

$$J[y] = \int_0^{2\pi} (y'^2 - y^2) dx \quad \text{s.t. } y(0) = 1, \quad y(2\pi) = 1$$

Soln

$$F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = (-2y) - \frac{d}{dx}(-2y') = 0 \\ \Rightarrow -2y - 2y'' = 0 \\ \Rightarrow y + y'' = 0 \\ \Rightarrow y = A\cos x + B\sin x \quad (\text{general soln})$$

$$\because y(0) = A = 1, \quad y(2\pi) = A = 1$$

so, finally our extremal is  $y(x) = \cos x + B\sin x$ , B: arbitrary constant.

• Existence & Uniqueness Theorem for extremal of the functional:  
(Bernstein)

Thm: Suppose we have the functional  $J[y] = \int_a^b F(y, x, y') dx$

the continuous  $y(a) = A$  &  $y(b) = B$ . The corresponding Euler

eqn of the functional can be written as

$$y'' = g_1(x, y, y')$$

If the functions  $g_1, g_2$  &  $g_3$  are cont. at every finite pt.  $(x, y)$  for any finite  $y'$  & if there exists a constant  $* k > 0$ , functions  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 0$ ,  $\beta(x, y) \geq 0$  bounded on every finite part of the plane s.t.

$$Gy(x, y, y') > k \quad \text{and} \quad |G(x, y, y')| \leq \alpha y'^2 + \beta$$

then one & only one extremal of Euler eqn passing through any 2 points  $(a, A)$  &  $(b, B)$  in the plane that have different abscissas  $(a \neq b)$ .

In other words, given  $\int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \ni y(a) = A, y(b) = B$

Euler eqn  $F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = y'' - G(x, y, y'') = 0$ . If  $G_y, G_{y'}$  are cont. for finite values of  $x, y, y'$ . If  $\exists k > 0$ , bounded fns  $x(x, y) > 0, \beta(x, y) > 0 \ni Gy > k \quad \text{and} \quad |G| \leq \alpha y'^2 + \beta$  then the extremal of Euler eqn is unique.

e.g.  $\int e^{-2y^2} (y'^2 - 1) dx$ , prove that any two pts on the plane  $\in$  different abscissas there passes one & only extremal.

$$\text{Soln } F(x, y, y') = e^{-2y^2} (y'^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = e^{-2y^2} (-4y) (y'^2 - 1) - \frac{d}{dx}(e^{-2y^2} 2y') = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4yy'^2 + 4y + 8yy'^2 - 2y'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2yy'^2 + 2y - y'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' = 2y(1+y'^2) = G(x, y, y')$$

$$\Rightarrow Gy = 2(1+y'^2) \geq 2 \Rightarrow k = 2$$

$$|G(x, y, y')| = |2y(1+y'^2)| = 2|y|(1+y'^2) = \alpha y'^2 + \beta, \text{ where}$$

$$\alpha = 2|y| = \beta$$

By Bernstein theorem,  $\exists$  only one extremal  $\in$  passes through any 2 pts in the plane  $\in$  different abscissas.

$\rightarrow$  Suppose we have

$$J[y] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx \ni y(a) = A, y(b) = B$$

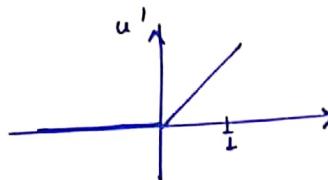
Associated Euler eqn is a 2nd order ODE.

For some functional  $\in$  attains an extremum value on some curve, say  $y(x)$ . But  $y(x)$  is not twice differentiable

$$\text{Ex: } \int_{-1}^1 y^2 (2x - y')^2 dx, \quad y(-1) = 0, \quad y'(1) = 1$$

$J$  takes minimum value 0 on the curve,  $u(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -1 \leq x \leq 0 \\ x^2, & 0 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 2x, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$



but  $u''(0)$  does not exist.

$$Fy - \frac{d}{dx}(Fy') = 2y(2x-y)^2 - \frac{d}{dx}(-2y^2(2x-y))$$

$y = u(x)$ ,  $Fy = 0$  when  $y = u(x)$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(Fy') = \frac{d}{dx}(-2y^2(2x-y)) = \frac{d}{dx}(0) = 0.$$

So,  $u(x)$  satisfies Euler equat<sup>n</sup> but it is not twice differentiable.

Thm: Suppose  $y = y(x)$  has a first order cont. derivatives & satisfies Euler eq<sup>n</sup>

$Fy - \frac{d}{dx}(Fy') = 0$ . If the fn  $F(x, y, y')$  has 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> order cont. partial derivatives w.r.t. its arguments, then  $y^{(n)}$  has a cont. 2<sup>nd</sup> order derivatives at all pts.  $(x, y)$  for  $\in Fy'y'(x, y, y') \neq 0$ .

In earlier example  $F = y^2(2x-y)^2$

$$Fy' = -2y^2(2x-y)$$

$$Fy'y' = 2y^2 \neq 0$$

$$\text{Let } 2y=0 \Rightarrow y=0$$

In order to solve Euler eq<sup>n</sup>. We consider some special cases, where  $J = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$

Case-I:  $F$  does not depend on  $y$  i.e.

$$J = \int_a^b F(x, y') dx$$

Euler eq<sup>n</sup> is  $\frac{d}{dx}(Fy') = 0 \Rightarrow Fy' = c$ ,  $c$ : arbitrary constant

$y' = f(x, c)$ ,  $c$  can be integrated.

$$\text{Ex: } \int_1^2 y'(1+x^2 y') dx, \quad y(1) = 3, \quad y(2) = 5$$

$$\text{SOL: } Fy' = 1 + 2x^2 y' = c \Rightarrow y' = \frac{c-1}{2x^2} \Rightarrow y = \frac{A}{x} + B, \quad A = \frac{1-c}{2}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{A}{x} + B, \quad y(1) = 3 \Rightarrow A+B=3 \Rightarrow A=-4, B=7$$

$$y(2) = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{A}{2} + B = 5$$

$$y(x) = 7 - \frac{4}{x}$$

$$J = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$$

Case-II:  $F$  does not depend on  $x$ , i.e.  $J = \int_a^b F(y, y') dx$ . Euler eqn is  $F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'}) = 0$

$$F_y - F_{y'} y' - F_{y'y'} y'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y' F_y - F_{y'y'} y'^2 - y'' F_{y'y'} = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (F - y' F_{y'}) = 0$$

$$(as F_y y' + F_{y'y'} y'^2 - y'' F_{y'y'} - y' F_{y'y'} y' - y'' F_{y'y'} y' = 0)$$

$F - y' F_{y'} = c$  where  $c$  is an arbitrary constant it represent first order ODE & can be solved easily.

$$Ex: \int_0^1 y y'^3 dx \quad \bar{c} \quad y(0)=0, \quad y(1)=2$$

$$sol: \quad F_{y'} = 3yy'^2$$

$$F - y' F_{y'} = c \Rightarrow yy'^3 - y' \cdot 3yy'^2 = 0 \quad c$$

$$\Rightarrow yy'^3 - 3yy'^3 = c$$

$$\Rightarrow -2yy'^3 = c \Rightarrow yy'^3 = c_1 \Rightarrow y'^3 = \frac{c_1}{y}, \text{ where } c_1 = \frac{c}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y'^2 = \frac{c_1}{2y} \Rightarrow y = (c_1 x + c_2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$y(0) = (c_2)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0$$

$$y(x) = (c_1 x)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$y(1) = c_1^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2 \Rightarrow c_1 = 2^3$$

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

Case-III:  $F$  does not depend on  $y'$ , i.e.  $J = \int_a^b F(x, y) dx$ .

Euler eqn is  $F_y - F_{y'y'} \cdot F_y(x, y) = 0$

$$\text{Ex: } \int_0^{x/2} (2xy - y^2) dx, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(x/2) = 1$$

Sol<sup>n</sup> Euler eq<sup>n</sup> is  $2x - 2y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$   
So,  $y(0) = 0$  &  $y(x/2) = x/2 \neq 1 \quad (= \Leftarrow)$

$\Rightarrow$  this functional has no sol<sup>n</sup>.

Ex if in above  $y(x/2) = x/2$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  this functional attains an extremum.

Ex  $\int_a^b f(x, y) \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$ , complete Euler eq<sup>n</sup>, where  $f$ : arbitrary b<sup>n</sup>.