

Lecture 4  
Initial value problems. The Existence and Uniqueness Theorem (II)

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} y' = f(x, y) \\ y(x_0) = y^0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} & f: [x_0-a, x_0+a] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad a > 0 \\ & y^0 \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(1)+(2) \Leftrightarrow (3) \quad y(x) = y^0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(s, y(s)) ds. \quad \text{Volterra integral equation.}$$

Theorem 1. (The  $\exists!$  Theorem in the space).

Let's consider the IVP (1)+(2) and suppose that:

- (i)  $f \in C([x_0-a, x_0+a] \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$
- (ii)  $f$  is Lipschitz with respect to the second variable on  $[x_0-a, x_0+a] \times \mathbb{R}$ , i.e.  
 $\exists L_f > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x, u) - f(x, v)| \leq L_f \cdot |u - v|, \quad \forall x \in [x_0-a, x_0+a], \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}$

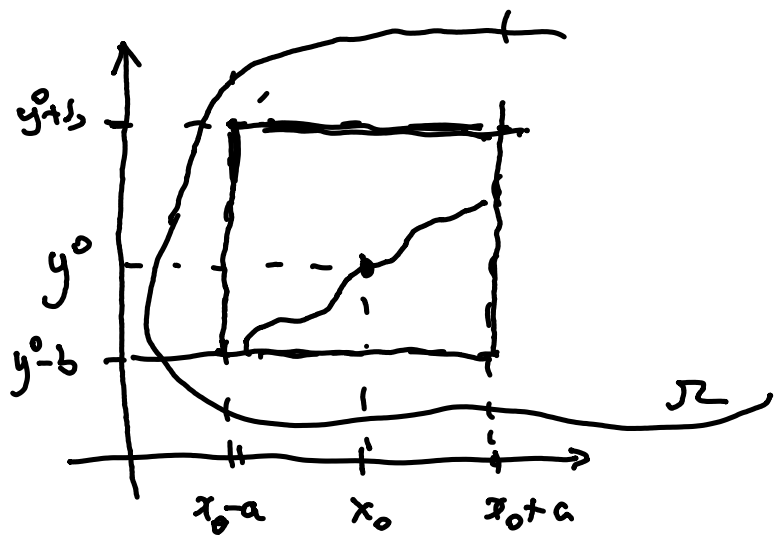
Then:

- (a) The IVP (1)+(2) has an unique sol  $y^* \in C[x_0-a, x_0+a]$
- (b) The unique sol.  $y^*$  can be obtained from any successive approximation seq. starting from any  $y_0 \in C[x_0-a, x_0+a]$
- (c) error estimation

Remark. Suppose  $f(x, \cdot) \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$

$$\nabla f. \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| \leq M, \forall x \in [x_0 - a, x_0 + a], \forall y \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is Lipschitz with respect to the second variable  $y$   
and  $L_f = M$ .



Suppose that

$$f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, (x_0, y_0) \in \Omega$$

$\Omega$  a domain (open set + connex set)

$$a, b > 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{D} = [x_0 - a, x_0 + a] \times [y_0 - b, y_0 + b]$$

$$\overline{D} \subseteq \Omega$$

$$X = C([x_0 - a, x_0 + a], \mathbb{R})$$

$$\|\cdot\|_C$$

$$\|y\|_C = \max_{x \in [x_0 - a, x_0 + a]} |y(x)|$$

$(X, \|\cdot\|_C)$  Banach space.

$\bar{B}(y^0, b) = \{y \in C[x_0-a, x_0+a] \mid \|y - y^0\|_C \leq b\} \in X.$   
 the closed ball centered in  $y^0$  with radius  $b$ .

$\bar{B}(y^0, b)$  is a closed subset of  $X$  }  $\Rightarrow (\bar{B}(y^0, b), \|\cdot\|_C)$   
 $X$  is a Banach space } is a Banach space

$$(1)+(2) \Leftrightarrow y(x) = y^0 + \underbrace{\int_{x_0}^x f(s, y(s)) ds}_{A(y)(x)} \quad (3)$$

$$A: X \rightarrow X$$

$A$  is well defined if  $\boxed{f \in C(\Omega, \mathbb{R})}$  continuity condition

$(3) \Leftrightarrow y = A(y)$  a fixed point problem.

$$A: \bar{B}(y^0, b) \xrightarrow{?} X$$

$$A(\bar{B}(y^0, b)) \stackrel{?}{\subseteq} \bar{B}(y^0, b)$$

$$y \in \bar{B}(y^0, b) \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} A(y) \in \bar{B}(y^0, b)$$

$$\text{Let } y \in \bar{B}(y^0, b) \Rightarrow \|y - y^0\|_C \leq b \Leftrightarrow \max_{x \in [x_0-a, x_0+a]} |y(x) - y^0| \leq b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |y(x) - y^0| \leq b, \quad \forall x \in [x_0-a, x_0+a].$$

$$|A(y)(x) - y^0| = \left| \int_{x_0}^x f(s, y(s)) ds \right| \leq$$

$$\leq \left| \int_{x_0}^x |f(s, y(s))| ds \right| \leq$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} f \in C(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \\ \bar{D} \subseteq \Omega \text{ compact subset} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow f \in C(\bar{D}, \mathbb{R})$$

$$\Rightarrow f \text{ is bounded on } \bar{D} \Rightarrow \exists M_f > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f(x, u)| \leq M_f \quad \forall (x, u) \in \bar{D}$$

$$\leq \left| \int_{x_0}^x M_f ds \right| = M_f \cdot \left| \int_{x_0}^x ds \right| = M_f \cdot |x - x_0| \leq M_f \cdot a$$

$$|A(y)(x) - y^0| \leq M_f \cdot a, \quad \forall x \in [x_0-a, x_0+a]$$

$$\Rightarrow \|A(y) - y^0\|_C \leq \underbrace{M_f \cdot a}_{\leq b} \leq b$$

we impose the condition  $\boxed{M_f \cdot a \leq b}$  the invariance condition

$$\Rightarrow \|A(y) - y^0\|_C \leq M_f \cdot a \leq b \Rightarrow A(y) \in \bar{B}(y^0, b).$$

$$\Rightarrow A: \bar{B}(y^0, b) \rightarrow \bar{B}(y^0, b)$$

using the same technique from the proof of Th. 1

$$\Rightarrow A \text{ is contraction with } L_A = \frac{L_f}{L_f + 1} \quad (L_A = \frac{L_f}{b})$$

we need to suppose that  $f$  is a lipschitz function with respect to the second variable on  $\bar{D}$ , i.e.

$$\exists L_f > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f(x, u) - f(x, v)| \leq L_f \cdot |u - v|, \quad \forall (x, u), (x, v) \in \bar{D}$$

## Theorem 2 (The $\exists!$ Theorem in the ball)

Let us consider the IVP (1)+(2), where  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  domain (open and connex set). Suppose that:

(i)  $f \in C(\Omega, \mathbb{R})$  (continuity condition)

(ii) let  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\overline{D} = [x_0 - a, x_0 + a] \times [y^0 - b, y^0 + b] \subseteq \Omega$

$f$  is lipschitz with respect to the second variable on  $\overline{D}$ , i.e.

$$\exists L_f > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f(x, u) - f(x, v)| \leq L_f |u - v|, \forall (x, u), (x, v) \in \overline{D}$$

Then:

(a) the IVP (1)+(2) has a unique solution

$$y^* \in C([x_0 - h, x_0 + h], [y^0 - b, y^0 + b])$$

$$\text{where } h = \min \left\{ a, \frac{b}{M_f} \right\}, M_f = \max_{(x, u) \in \overline{D}} |f(x, u)|$$

(b) the unique sol.  $y^*$  can be obtained from any successive approximation sequence starting from any  $y_0 \in \overline{B}(y^0, b)$

$$A^n(y_0) \rightarrow y^*, \forall y_0 \in \overline{B}(y^0, b)$$

$$y_0 \in \mathbb{C}([x_0 - h, x_0 + h], [y^0 - b, y^0 + b])$$

(c) we have the error estimate from Th 1 in the space

### Examples

$$1) \quad \begin{cases} y' = x \cdot \omega(y(x)) \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad x_0 = 0, y^0 = 0 \quad I = [x_0 - a, x_0 + a] = [-a, a], a > 0$$

$$f(x, y) = x \cdot \omega(y), \quad f: [-a, a] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| = |x \cdot (-\sin(y))| = |x| \cdot |\sin(y)| \leq a \cdot 1 = a.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \text{ is bounded on } [-a, a] \times \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow f \text{ is Lipschitz with respect to } y \text{ on } [-a, a] \times \mathbb{R} \\ \text{with } L_f = a$$

$f$  is cont.

$\Rightarrow$  iVP has an unique sol.  $y^* \in C[-a, a]$

Th. 1

( $\exists!$ ) Th in space

$$A^n(y_0) \rightarrow y^*, \quad \forall y_0 \in C[-a, a].$$

$$(iVP) \Leftrightarrow y(x) = y^0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(s, y(s)) ds$$

$$y(x) = \underbrace{\int_0^x \Delta \cdot \cos(y(s)) ds}_{A(y)(x)} \quad \text{the equivalent Volterra integral eq.}$$

the successive approx. seq. :

$$y_{n+1} = A(y_n)$$

$$y_{n+1}(x) = \int_0^x \Delta \cdot \cos(y_n(s)) ds, ,$$

the starting function  $y_0 \in C[-a, a]$



if we choose  $y_0(x) \equiv 0$

$$y_1(x) = \int_0^x \Delta \cdot \omega(y_0(s)) ds = \int_0^x \Delta \cdot \underbrace{\omega(0)}_{=1} ds =$$

$$= \int_0^x \Delta ds = \frac{\Delta^2}{2} \Big|_0^x = \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$y_2(x) = \int_0^x \Delta \cdot \omega(y_1(s)) ds = \int_0^x \Delta \cdot \omega\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds.$$

$\vdots$

$$y_n(x) \rightarrow y^*(x)$$

$$2) \begin{cases} y' = 2x^2 + 3y^4 \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_0 = 0, y^0 = 0$$

$$f(x, y) = 2x^2 + 3y^4$$

$$a > 0 \quad f: [-a, a] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cont. function  
( $f \in C^1$ )

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| = |12 \cdot y^3| = 12 \cdot |y|^3 \xrightarrow[y \rightarrow \pm \infty]{} +\infty$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  is not bounded on  $[-a, a] \times \mathbb{R}$ .

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  is not Lipschitz with respect to  $y$  on  $[-a, a] \times \mathbb{R}$

$\Rightarrow$  we cannot apply Th. 1.

$$a, b > 0: \overline{D} = [-a, a] \times [-b, b], \quad \overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$

$f$  is cont on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow f$  is cont on  $\overline{D}$

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| = 12 \cdot |y|^3 \leq 12 \cdot b^3, \quad \forall (x, y) \in \overline{D}$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is Lipschitz with respect to  $y$  on  $\overline{D}$

$$\Rightarrow \exists! y^* \in C([-h, h], [-b, b])$$

Th. 2

$$\text{where } h = \min \left\{ a, \frac{b}{M_f} \right\},$$

$$M_f = \max_{(x, u) \in \overline{D}} |f(x, u)|.$$

$$\text{for } a=1, b=1 \Rightarrow \overline{D} = [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists! y^* \in C([-h, h], [-1, 1])$$

$$\text{where } h = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{M_f} \right\}$$

$$M_f = \max_{(x, u) \in \overline{D}} |f(x, u)|$$

$$|f(x, u)| = |2x^2 + 3 \cdot y^4| \leq 2 \cdot \underbrace{|x|^2}_{\leq 1} + 3 \cdot \underbrace{|y|^4}_{\leq 1} \leq 2 + 3 = 5$$

$$h = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{5} \right\} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$y^* \in C\left(\left[-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right], [-1, 1]\right)$$