

## PDE Final Overview

- Understand Dimension & coordinates (1D, 2D, 3D, spherical, etc)
- Separation of Variables

Based on equation (only care about variables in derivatives)

Ex:

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u = X(x) Y(y) Z(z)$$

$$-\frac{k^2}{2m} \psi_{xx} + V \psi = E \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi = X(x) T(t)$$

- You obtain as many ODEs as variables in derivatives

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0 \quad 3 \text{ variables, 3 ODEs}$$

$$X''YZ + XY''Z + XYZ'' = 0$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} + \frac{Z''}{Z} = 0$$

- ODEs obtained come from equation type & coordinates

Usually: Cylindrical/Polar  $\Rightarrow$  Cauchy-Euler ODE

Spherical  $\Rightarrow$  Bessel ODE

- Boundary conditions give: Eigenvalues & Eigenfunctions

- Initial conditions give: Orthogonality Condition

In general, after I.C.

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n P_n$$

all things that

don't have summation

Constant to be found

- Take dot product with  $P_m$

$$\int_a^b F(x) P_m dx = \int_a^b \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n P_n P_m dx$$

- Solving for  $H_n = H_m$

$$H_m = \frac{\langle F(x), P_m \rangle}{\langle P_m, P_m \rangle}$$

$$\langle P_m, P_m \rangle$$

or

$$H_m = \frac{\int_a^b F(x) P_m(x) dx}{\int_a^b (P_m)^2 dx}$$

Function that will be subject to orthogonality

$w(x)$  depends on coordinates

$P_m$  sometimes are eigenfunctions

In general, linear 2<sup>nd</sup> order PDEs are:

$$A U_{xx} + 2B U_{xy} + C U_{yy} + D U_x + E U_y + F U = f$$

Classification

Parabolic:  $B^2 - AC = 0$

hyperbolic:  $B^2 - AC > 0$

elliptic:  $B^2 - AC < 0$

Example

$\alpha^2 U_{xx} = U_t$  ← with  $y = t$

$c^2 U_{xx} = U_{tt}$  ← with  $y = t$

$U_{xx} + U_{yy} = 0$

$B^2 - AC$

$(0) - (\alpha^2)(0) = 0$

$(0) - c^2(t) > 0$

$(0) - (1)(1) < 0$

In Cartesian Coordinates, we encounter the following:

Heat/Diffusion  
PDE

$$\alpha^2 U_{xx} = U_t$$

$$X'' + K^2 X = 0$$

$$\dot{T} + \alpha^2 K^2 T = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \sin(Kx) \\ \cos(Kx) \\ e^{-\lambda t} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \sin(Kx) \\ \cos(Kx) \\ \sin(Kt) \\ \cos(Kt) \end{matrix}$$

Wave  
PDE

$$c^2 U_{xx} = U_{tt}$$

$$X'' + K^2 X = 0$$

$$\ddot{T} + K^2 T = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \sin(Kx) \\ \cos(Kx) \\ \sinh(Ky) \\ \cosh(Ky) \end{matrix}$$

Laplace  
PDE

$$U_{xx} + U_{yy} = 0$$

$$X'' + K^2 X = 0$$

$$Y'' - K^2 Y = 0$$

Recall that # of variables in derivatives = # of ODEs.

Also # of functions in solution = # of highest derivatives added.

Exponentials are only desired in the diffusion equation

(usually, but for this basic 3 PDEs, yes).

So, to manage that, real roots from ODEs can be manipulated:

From Laplace PDE  $Y'' - K^2 Y = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - K^2 = 0$

$$\lambda = \pm K \text{ real!}$$

Solution is:  $C_1 e^{-\lambda y} + C_2 e^{\lambda y}$ , let's mess with constants

$$\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) e^{-\lambda y} + \left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) e^{\lambda y}$$

$$\frac{A}{2} e^{-\lambda y} + \frac{B}{2} e^{-\lambda y} + \frac{A}{2} e^{\lambda y} - \frac{B}{2} e^{\lambda y} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{A}{2} (e^{-\lambda y} + e^{\lambda y}) + \frac{B}{2} (e^{\lambda y} - e^{-\lambda y}) = A \left( \frac{e^{-\lambda y} + e^{\lambda y}}{2} \right) + B \left( \frac{e^{\lambda y} - e^{-\lambda y}}{2} \right)$$

$$Y(y) = A \cosh(\lambda y) + B \sinh(\lambda y)$$

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What are eigenfunctions anyway?

We need to understand eigenvectors

For any system (matrix) of equations  $A$ , there is a unique decomposition on a unique eigenvalue(s) with corresponding eigenvectors.

Such decomp. looks like:

$$Av = \lambda v \quad \text{Ex: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

From EVP we know:  $\lambda_1 = -1$   $\lambda_2 = 4$

The eigenvectors have an **infinite** number of options

Let's take  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus:  $Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1$   $Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we can "decompose" a matrix into eigenvectors/values

$$A v_1 + A v_2 = v_1 \lambda_1 + v_2 \lambda_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (-1) + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} 4$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

These terms are linearly independent, and thus form part of "basis" vectors.

Recap: **basis vectors**

• Vectors that are L-I & span (cover) all the space defined.

Ex:  $i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Both  $i$  &  $j$  are L-I & cover all 2D space.  
(You can create any other vector in terms of these basis vectors)



Just like  $i, j$  are basis. Eigenvectors can <sup>not always!</sup> form a basis (called eigenbasis) of a space defined by its unique eigenvalues.

Ex:  $V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Is a basis on  
a space defined  
by 1D  $\lambda_1 = -1$  by 1D  $\lambda_2 = 4$

• Euclidean 3D Space has eigenvectors/values

$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad V_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1 \quad \lambda_2 = 1 \quad \lambda_3 = 1$$

The number of repeated eigenvalues define dimension.

Thrs same mentality applies to functions!  
A decomposition is applied to any function & break it into its corresponding eigenvalues & eigenfunctions. These <sup>eigen</sup>functions can be a "basis" function that lets you write any function in terms of its basis function.  
In Fourier series, the basis functions are  $\sin(nx)$  &  $\cos(nx)$ .

Note: All these exist in a "function" space

## EVP for Matrices.

Easy one:  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$        $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Which gives:  $\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 6 = 0$   
 $\rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1$   
 $\lambda_2 = 4$

In PDEs, after applying our Boundary Conditions we can arrive to an EVP for functions instead of matrices. It's just not so obvious.

Recall from handout of Separation of Variables:

Ex:  $\boxed{\alpha^2 U_{xx} = U_t}$

Where our solution before B.C.s was:

$$U(x,t) = C_1 + C_2 x + e^{-K^2 x^2 t} (C_3 \cos Kx + C_4 \sin Kx)$$

Lets apply both B.C.s without solving anything.

$$\textcircled{1} \left. \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = C_2 + e^{-K^2 x^2 t} (-C_3 K \sin(0) + C_4 K \cos(0)) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} U|_{x=L} = C_2 L + C_1 + e^{-K^2 L^2 t} (C_3 \cos(KL) + C_4 \sin(KL)) = 1$$

Lets take L.I. terms on time for both Equations

$$\textcircled{1} t^0: C_2 = 0 \quad e^{-K^2 x^2 t}: (-C_3 K(0) + C_4 K) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} t^0: C_2 L + C_1 = 1 \quad e^{-K^2 x^2 t}: (C_3 \cos(KL) + C_4 \sin(KL)) = 0$$

from here we get

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 &= 0 \\ C_1 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

here we are leaving the 0 term in, to make it into matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & K \\ \cos(KL) & \sin(KL) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} C_3 \\ C_4 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} *$$

Now this is the famous  
To find eigenfunctions/values simply

EVP! for functions

take the determinant & find  $K_1$

which  $K = \lambda = \text{eigenvalues.}$

# Orthogonality & Fourier Series

From previous handout we know 2 functions are orthogonal if  $\int_a^b P(x) Q(x) dx = 0$ .  
Similarly, the following identities can be found:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{l}{2} & m = n \neq 0 \\ \frac{l}{2} & m = n = 0 \end{cases} \\ \int_{-l}^l \sin \frac{m\pi x}{l} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{l}{2} & m = n \neq 0 \end{cases} \\ \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx &= 0 \quad \text{for all } m, n \end{aligned}$$

With this, let us review Fourier Series.

Any continuous function can be represented as a sum of cosines & sines

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right)$$

Usually,  $a_0, a_n, b_n$  are given in a book. With the dot product we can find them easily:

Let's find  $a_n$ , which has a  $\cos(\frac{n\pi x}{l})$ , thus, let's multiply by  $\cos(\frac{m\pi x}{l})$  & integrate from  $[-l, l]$

$$\int_a^b f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \int_a^b a_0 \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx \right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

From Above  $\rightarrow 0$  except when  $m=n$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = a_n \int_a^b \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

at this point all summation terms are cancelled &  $a_n$  is a constant

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx}{\int_a^b \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx}$$

$$= \frac{1}{l} \int_a^b f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx = a_n$$

If  $l = 2\pi$ ,  $a = -\pi$ ,  $b = \pi$ ,

this is a Fourier Series Coefficient.