Analysis II Summary

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# Chapter 1

# Ordinary differential equations

## 1.1 Differential Equation:

An equation for a function f that relates the values of f at x, f(x) to the values of its derivatives at the same point x. We distinguish between the number of variables present in the function:

- One variable: Ordinary differential equations (ODE)
- Several Variables: Partial differential equations (PDE)

Examples:

- f'(x) = f(x)
- $\bullet \ f''(x) = -f(x)$

Notation: We write  $y, y', y'', y^{(3)}, \dots$  instead of  $f(x), f'(x), f''(x), f^{(3)}(x)$ 

**Order:** The largest derivative present in the equation. Examples:

- y' = 2xy order 1
- $y^{(3)} + 2xy'' + e^xy + 1 = 0$  order 3

The solution to an ODE is not unique in general. When given initial conditions then we can find unique solutions. E.g:

$$y' = x + 1$$
$$y = \frac{x^2}{2} + x + c$$

is a solution for any c. If we are also given y(0) = 1 then c = 1 is a unique solution.

### 1.2 Linear Differential equations

A linear ODE of order k on an interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  is an eqn of the form:

$$y^{(k)} + a_{k-1}(x)y^{(k-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = b(x)$$

where a(x) and b(x) are continuous functions from I to  $\mathbb{C}$ .

For a linear ODE the following hold:

- ullet y and all its derivatives appear in order 1
- $\bullet$  there are no products of the function y and its derivatives
- neither the function nor its derivatives are inside another function e.g  $\sqrt{y}$ ,  $\sin(y)$ ,...

If b=0 then we say the equation is **homogeneous** otherwise **inhomogeneous** 

Solving a linear ODE means finding all functions  $f: I \to \mathbb{C}$  that are k times differentiable such that  $\forall x \in I$  the function satisfies the differentiable equation.

<u>Initial Condition</u> A set of equations specifying the values of the derivatives at some initial point.

<u>Theorem 2.2.3</u> Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  and open interval  $k \geq 1$  and integer. Consider the linear ODE

$$y^{(k)} + a_{k-1}(x)y^{(k-1)} + \dots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = b(x)$$

where coefs  $a_i(x), b(x)$  are continous functions

- 1. Let  $S_0$  be the set of solutions for b=0, then  $S_0$  is a vector space of dimension k.
- 2. For any initial conditions, i.e for any choice of  $x_0 \in I$  and  $(y_0, ..., y_{k-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^k$  there is a unique solution  $f \in S$  such that  $f_{\ell}(x_0) = y_0, ..., f^{(k)}(x_0) = y_k$
- 3. For an arbitrary b the set of solutions of the linear ODE is  $S_b = \{f + f_p | f \in S_0\}$  where  $f_p$  is one **particular** solution
- 4. For any initial condition there is a unique solution.

The linearity of the diff equation also simplies a **superposition** principle. Suppose we have 2 different functions  $b_1(x)$ ,  $b_2(x)$  on the RHS with solutions  $f_1, f_2 : Df_1 = b_1, Df_2 = b_2$  then  $f_1 + f_2$  solves  $Df = b_1 + b_2$ 

Given a diff eqn and a possible solution we can always verify whether it is indeed a solution or not.

### 1.3 Linear differential equations of order 1

We consider y'+ay = b, where a,b are continous functions. 2 steps:

- Find solutions of the corresponding homogeneous equation y' + ay = 0.
- Find a particular solution  $f_p:I\to\mathbb{C}$  such that  $f_p+af_p=b$

If f is a solution then so is zf for any constant  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \underline{\text{Homogeneous solution:}} \ y' + ay = 0 \\ \Rightarrow y' = -ay \\ \Rightarrow \frac{y'}{y} = a \\ \Rightarrow \int \frac{y'(x)}{y(x)} dx = - \int a(x) dx := A(x) \\ \Rightarrow \ln |y(x)| = -A(x) + c \\ \Rightarrow y = z \cdot e^{-A(x)} \ \text{for some constant z} \end{array}$ 

Solution of inhomogeneous equation y' + ay = b

There are two methods to solve this:

- Educated guess: the LHS tries to imitate the RHS i.e if b(x) is a polynomial we guess that  $f_p$  is also a polynomial or if b is a trig function then we guess  $f_p$  is also a trig function
- Variation of constants: Assume

$$f_p = z(x)e^{-A(x)}$$

for some function  $z:I\to\mathbb{C}$ . We then put this into the equation and see what it forces z(x) to satisfy