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# NOTES FOR ODE

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# 1 Existence and Uniqueness Theorems

## 1.1 Basic definitions

**Definiton 1.1.1.** (Lipschitz continuity)

Suppose  $(X, \rho_X), (Y, \rho_Y)$  are metric spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is **Lipschitz** if for all  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ , there is a  $K$  such that  $\rho_Y(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \leq K\rho_X(x_1, x_2)$ , then the mallest such  $K$  is called the **Lipschitz constant** for  $f$  on  $X$ .

$f$  is **locally Lipschitz** if for every  $x \in X$ , there is a neighborhood  $N(x)$  such that  $f$  is Lipschitz on  $N(x)$ .

**Lemma 1.1.1.** A Lipschitz function is uniformly continuous. If  $f$  is locally Lipschitz, then it is Lipschitz on any compact set.

**Lemma 1.1.2.** Suppose that  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact and convex and  $f \in C^1(A, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then  $f$  is Lipschitz with constant  $K = \max_{x \in A} \|Df\|$ .

*Proof.*

For any  $x, y \in A$ , we know  $\xi(s) = x + s(y - x) \in A$  for any  $0 \leq s \leq 1$ . Then

$$f(y) - f(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{ds}(f(\xi(s)))ds = \int_0^1 Df(\xi(s))(y - x)ds$$

(since

$$\frac{d}{ds}(f(\xi(s))) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\xi(s) + t \sum_{i=1}^n (y - x)_i e_i) - f(\xi(s))}{t}$$

and then) we have

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \leq \int_0^1 \|Df(\xi(s))\| |y - x| ds \leq K |y - x|$$

and we are done.

**Corollary 1.1.3.** If  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open and  $f \in C^1(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $f$  is locally Lipschitz.

**Lemma 1.1.4.** Suppose  $f \in C^k(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$  where  $E$  is some subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for  $k \geq 0$  and  $x \in C^0(J, E)$ ,  $J = [t_0 - a, t_0 + a]$  is a solution of the integral equation

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(x(\tau))d\tau$$

Then  $x \in C^{k+1}(J, E)$  and a solution to

$$x' = f(x), x(t_0) = x_0$$

*Proof.*