# Calculus 1 - Notes

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# 1 Before Calculus

# 1.1 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

**Definition 1.01 -** Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus states

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a}^{x} f(t)dt = f(x)$$

# **Definition 1.02 -** Common Sets of Numbers

Natural Numbers, set of positive integers -  $\mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, ...\}$ .

Whole Numbers, set of all integers -  $\mathbb{Z} := \{..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, ...\}$ .

Rational Numbers, set of fractions -  $\mathbb{Q} := \left\{ \frac{p}{q} : p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$ .

Real Numbers, set of all rational & irrational numbers - R.

### 1.2 Intervals

# Definition 1.03 - Intervals

Sets of real numbers that fulfil in given ranges.

Notation

$$[a,b] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \le x \le b\}$$

$$(a, b] := \{ x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x \le b \}$$

$$[a,b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \le x < b\}$$

$$(a,b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$$

## **Definition 1.04 -** Functions

Functions map values between fields of numbers. The signature of a function is defined by

$$f:A\to B$$

Where f is the name of the function, A is the domain and B is the co-domain.

# **Definition 1.05** Domain & Co-Domain

The *Domain* of a function is the set of numbers it can take as an input.

The Co-Domain is the set of numbers that the domain is mapped to.

N.B. - A function is valid iff it maps each value in the domain to a single value in the co-domain.

### **Definition 1.06 -** Maximal Domain

The Maximal Domain of a function is the largest set of values which can serve as the domain of a function.

# Remark 1.07 - Types of Function

Let  $f: A \to B$ 

**Polynomials** 

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_n x^n$$

Rational

$$f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}, \quad q(x) \neq 0 \ \forall \ x \in A$$

Trigonometric

$$sin(x)$$
,  $cos(x)$ ,  $tan(x)$  etc.

# 2 Limits

# 2.1 Limits

### **Definition 2.01 - Limits**

A *limit* is the value a function tends to, as the input converges to a given x. *i.e.* The value f(x) has at it gets very close to x.

Formal Definition

We say L is the limit of f(x) as x tends to  $x_0$  if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ st if } x \in A \text{ and } |x - x_0| < \delta => |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$$

Notation

$$\lim_{x \to x_0} f(x) = L$$

## **Definition 2.02 -** Directional Limits

Sometimes the value of a limit depends on which direction you approach it from.  $\lim_{x\to x_0+}$  is used when approaching from values greater than  $x_0$ .

 $\lim_{x\to x_0-}$  is used when approaching from values less than  $x_0$ .

Theorem 2.03 - Operations with limits

Let  $\lim_{x\to x_0} f(x) = L_f$  and  $\lim_{x\to x_0} g(x) = L_g$  Then

$$\lim_{x \to x_0} [f(x) + g(x)] = L_f + L_g$$

$$\lim_{x \to x_0} [f(x).g(x)] = L_f.L_g$$

$$\lim_{x \to x_0} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{L_f}{L_g}, \quad L_g \neq 0$$

# 2.2 Exponential Function

**Definition 2.04 -** Exponential Function

$$e := \lim_{x \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \simeq 2.7182818...$$

Theorem 2.05 - Binomial Expansion

A techique used for expanding binomial expressions

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{i}{n} \cdot 1^{(n-i)} \cdot \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^i$$
$$= 1 + x + \frac{n-1}{2n} \cdot x^2 + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n^n}$$

# 3 The Derivative

**Definition 3.01 -** Differentiable Equations

Let  $f: A \to B$  and  $x_0 \in A$ .

f is differentiable at  $x_0$  if  $\exists L \in B$  such that

$$L = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

If this limit exists  $\forall x \in A$  then we can define the derivative of f(x) by

$$f'(x) := \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

**Definition 3.02 -** Notation for Differentiation

There are two ways to denote the derivative of an equation

$$f'(x) \iff \frac{df}{dx}, f''(x) \iff \frac{d^2f}{dx^2}, ..., f^{(n)}(x) \iff \frac{d^nf}{dx^n}$$

N.B. - Using  $\frac{df}{dx}$  is more informative, especially for equations with multiple variables.

# 3.1 Techniques for Finding the Derivative

Theorem 3.03 - Sum Rule

Let f, g be differentiable with respect to x.

$$(f+g)' = f' + g'$$

Theorem 3.04 - Product Rule

Let f, g be differentiable with respect to x.

$$(fg)' = f'g + fg'$$

Theorem 3.05 - Quotient Rule

Let f, g be differentiable with respect to x.

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

**Definition 3.06 -** Composite Functions

Let  $f: B \to C$  and  $g: A \to B$ . Then the following notation can be used

$$(f \circ q)(x) := f(q(x))$$

Theorem 3.07 - Chain Rule

Let f, g be differentiable with respect to x.

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left[f(g(x))\right] = f'(g(x)).g'(x)$$

# 3.2 Implicit Differentiation

**Definition 3.08 -** Implicit Differentiation

Sometimes it is hard to isolate variables in multi-variable equations, in these cases differentiate both sides with respect to the same variable.

Remembering

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x) = 1$$
 and  $\frac{d}{dx}(y) = \frac{dy}{dx} = y'$ 

# 3.3 Applications of The Derivative

## Thoerem 3.09 - Netwon's Method

Let f be differentiable. Using Newton's Method we can approximate a solution to f(x) = 0. Process

- i) Take an inital guess,  $x_0$ ;
- ii) Find the value of x where the tangent to  $(x_0, f(x_0))$  on f(x) intercepts the x-axis;
- iii) Use this value as the next guess;
- iv) Repeat until the value of x reduces little.

The equation for the tangent is

$$y = f(x_0) + (x - x_0)f'(x_0)$$

so a simplified equation for the process can be deduced

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

**Theorem 3.10 -** Angle between Intersecting Curves

Let  $y = f_1(x)$  and  $y = f_2(x)$  be two curves which intersect at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . So

$$y_0 = f_1(x_0) = f_2(x_0)$$

Let  $m_1, m_2$  be the gradient of the tangents to  $f_1 \& f_2$  at  $(x_0, f(x_0))$ .

Define  $\theta_i := tan^{-1}(m_i)$  for i = 1, 2.

Set  $\phi = |\theta_1 - \theta_2|$ , then

$$\phi = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right|$$

# Theorem 3.11 - L'Hôspital's Rule

For two equations, f, g with limit of  $-\infty, 0$  or  $\infty$  as x tends to a, it is hard to solve

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$

Provided this limit exists, L'Hôspital's Rule states that

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

# 3.4 Sketching Curves

### Remark 3.11 - Sketching Curves

Evaluating the derivative of a curve can make it easier to sketch:

- i) When f'(x) > 0 the curve is heading upwards.
- ii) When f'(x) < 0 the curve is heading downwards.
- iii) When f'(x) = 0 the curve is flat.
- iv) When  $f'(x) = \infty, -\infty$  there are assymptotes.

## **Definition 3.12 -** Even Functions

If f(x) = f(-x) then the function is symmetrical across the y-axis and said to be *even*.  $Examples - x^2$ , cos(x), |x|

# **Definition 3.13 -** Odd Functions

If f(x) = -f(-x) then the function is said to be *odd*. Examples - x, sin(x), x.cos(x)

# Remark 3.14

Some functions are neither *odd*, or *even*.

Example -  $x + x^2$ 

# 4 Integration

# 4.1 The Primitive

# **Definition 4.01 -** The Primitive

A function,  $F:A\to\mathbb{R}$ , is a primative for the function  $f:A\to\mathbb{R}$  if F is differentiable and

$$\frac{d}{dx}F = f$$

 $\underline{\text{N.B.}}$  - Primitives are also called *Indefinite Integral* or *Anti-Derivative*.

# **Definition 4.02 -** Definite Integral

Let F be the primative for the function f. Then

$$\int_{b}^{a} f(x)dx = F(a) - F(b)$$

Notation - 
$$F(x)\Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$$

# Remark 4.03 - Area Under a Curve

Let  $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Then the area between the curve and the x-axis is found by integration.

$$A := \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

# **Definition 4.04 -** Convergent Improper Integrals

Let b > a and define a function,  $f: [a, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$ , which is continuous in [a, b] Then

$$\int_{a}^{\infty} f(x)dx := \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

If this limit exists then the improper integral is convergent, otherwise it is divergent.

# Remark 4.05 - Summing Definite Inegrals

For all a < c < b

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \int_{c}^{a} f(x)dx + \int_{b}^{c} f(x)dx$$
$$\int_{b}^{a} f(x)dx := -\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

# Theorem 4.06 - Taylor Series

Functions, f(x), can be expanded into polynomial form with degree n,  $T_n$ , and remainder  $R_n$  such that  $f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$  where

$$T_n(x) = f(a) + (x - a)f'(a) + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \cdot (x - a)^n \cdot f^n(a)$$
$$R_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \int_a^x (x - t)^n \cdot f^{(n+1)}(t) dt$$

# 5 Parametric Curves & Arc-Length

# 5.1 Parametric Curves

# **Definition 5.01 -** Parametric Curves

Parametric equations are an alternative to Cartesian equations, for representing curves. They can also represent a point in 3D space.

$$m{p} = egin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

# **Theorem 5.02 -** Parametric to Cartesian Equations

As all equations in a Parametric series have a common variable, substition can be used to form a single equation.

# 5.2 Tangent to a Curve

# **Theorem 5.02 -** Tangent to a Parametric Curve

Let (x(t), y(t)) be a series of parametric equation.

If we want to find the tangent at a point on the line, (a, b), we need to find the value  $t_0$  such that  $x(t_0) = a \& y(t_0) = b$ .

Then by using the chain rule we can deduce the following equation for the tangent when  $t=t_0$ 

$$\frac{dy(t_0)}{dx(t_0)} = \frac{y - y(t_0)}{x - x(t_0)}$$

Similarly we can deduce the equation for the normal when  $t = t_0$ 

$$-\frac{dx(t_0)}{dy(t_0)} = \frac{y - y(t_0)}{x - x(t_0)}$$

# 5.3 Arc-Length

## Theorem 5.03 - Arc-Length

Arc-Length is the length of a curve, following a function, between two points.

For a cartesian equation, y = f(x), between the points x and x + dx is

$$ds = \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2}$$

So for a set of parametric equations,  $(x(t), y(t)), a \le t \le b$ ,

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{dx^2}{dt} + \frac{dy^2}{dt}}$$

To find the length of a curve between points a and b

$$s = \int_{a}^{b} \sqrt{\frac{dx^2}{dt} + \frac{dy^2}{dt}} dt$$

### **Definition 5.04 -** Curvature

Curvature measures how fast the unit tangent vector to a curve rotates. Curvature of a curve, y = f(x), can be found using the equation:

$$K(x) = \frac{|y''(x)|}{[1 + (y'(x))^2]^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

For a set of parametric equations, (x(t), y(t)), it can be found using:

$$K(t_0) = \frac{y''(t_0).x'(t_0) - y'(t_0).x''(t_0)}{[(x'(t_0))^2 + (y'(t_0))^2]^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

#### Level Curves 5.4

**Definition 5.05 -** Level Curves

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  be a function with  $d \geq 2$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ .

A level curve for f is the set of real solutions for f(x) = c where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is a constant.

N.B - f(x) = c is often written as f = c.

#### 6 **Differential Equations**

**Definition 6.01 -** Differential Equations

Differential equations take the form

$$f(x, y, \frac{dx}{du}, ..., \frac{d^{(n)}y}{dx^{(n)}}) = 0, \ x \in I$$

#### 6.1 First Order Differential Equations

**Definition 6.02 -** First Order Differential Equations

First order differential equations are equations of form  $f(x, y, \frac{dx}{dy}) = 0$ .

$$\underline{\text{i.e.}} - y = a \frac{dx}{dy} + bx.$$

<u>i.e.</u> -  $y = a\frac{dx}{dy} + bx$ . **Definition 6.03 -** Separable Equations

An equation, f, is said to be separable if there exists two equations, M(x), N(y), such that

$$f(x, y, y') = y' - M(x).N(y)$$

Thus

$$y' = M(x).N(y)$$

$$\implies \frac{y'}{N(y)} = M(x)$$

$$\implies \int \frac{1}{N(y)} dy = \int M(x) dx$$

After integration, the equation can be rearranged to be in terms of y.

# 6.2 Integrating Factor

**Theorem 6.04 -** Integrating Factor

Consider the equation y' + f(x)y + g(x).

Let  $F(x) = \int f(x)dx$ . Thus

$$\begin{split} e^{F(x)}.y' + e^{F(x)}.y &= e^{F(x)}.g(x) \\ = &> \frac{d}{dx} \left( e^{F(x)}.y \right) &= e^{F(x)}.g(x) \\ = &> e^{F(x)}.y &= \int e^{F(x)}.g(x) \ dx \\ = &> y &= e^{-F(x)} \int e^{F(x)}.g(x) \ dx \end{split}$$

# 6.3 Second Order Differential Equations

**Definition 6.05 -** Linear Differential Equations

A differential equation is said to be *linear* if it can be written in the form

$$Ay(x) := a_n \cdot y^{(n)}(x) + \dots + a_1 \cdot y'(x) + a_0 \cdot y(x) = b(x)$$

We define the set of solutions as

$$S(A,b) := y : I \to \mathbb{R}; Ay = b$$

If the only solution is  $b(x) = 0 \ \forall \ x$  then the system is homogenous, otherwise it is inhomogenous. **Definition 6.06** - Particular & Complimentary Solutions

When solving a differential equation, Ay(x) = b(x), we need to find two functions in order to find the final solution.

- i) Complementary Function,  $y_c$  The homogenous case of the equation, Ay(x) = 0; and,
- ii) Particular Function,  $y_p$  The inhomogenous case of the equation, Ay(x) = b(x) for a known b(x).

Then  $y = y_c + y_p$  is the final solution for Ay(x) = b(x), for the given b(x).

**Theorem 6.07 -** Finding the Complementary Function

Take a linear differential equation

$$a_n \cdot y^{(n)}(x) + \dots + a_1 \cdot y'(x) + a_0 \cdot y(x) = b(x)$$

where  $a_n, ..., a_1, a_0 \in \mathbb{R} \& b(x) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  are all constant.

To find the *complementary function* we solve the equation

$$a_n \cdot \lambda^n + ... + a_1 \cdot \lambda^n + a_0 = 0$$

to get solutions  $\lambda_1, ..., \lambda_k$  and then produce the complimentary function

$$y_c(x) = \mu_1 e^{\lambda_1 x} + \dots + \mu_k e^{\lambda_k x}$$

Where  $\mu_1, ..., \mu_k$  are constants to be found later, by comparing with b(x).

## Remark 6.08 - Complementary Function

The complementary function,  $y_c$ , for differential equations with constant coefficients depends upon the  $\lambda_1, ..., \lambda_k$  we find, due to Euler's Formula.

- i)  $\lambda_i = c$ ,  $y_{c_i} = \mu_i e^{\lambda_i x}$ ;
- ii)  $\lambda_i = \pm ib$ ,  $y_{c_i} = \mu_{i_1} cos(bx) + \mu_{i_2} sin(bx)$ ;
- iii)  $\lambda_i = a \pm ib$ ,  $y_{c_i} = e^{ax} [\mu_{i_1} cos(bx) + \mu_{i_2} sin(bx)]$ .

Then  $y_c = \sum_{j=1}^k y_{c_j}$ .

# Remark 6.09 - Particular Function

The particular function,  $y_p$ , for a differential equation with constand coefficients, Ay(x) = b(x), depends on the form of b(x).

- i)  $b(x) = a_n x^n + ... + a_1 x + a_0 \implies y_p = b_n x^n + ... + b_1 x + b_0$ ;
- ii)  $b(x) = ae^{bx} \implies y_n = \alpha e^{\beta x}$ ;
- iii)  $b(x) = a.sin(bx) + c.cos(dx) \implies y_p = \alpha sin(\beta x) + \gamma cos(\delta x)$ .

Where the constants of  $y_p$  are values to be found, when given certain conditions.

## **Theorem 6.10 -** Finding the Particular Function

Take a linear differential equation

$$a_n y^{(n)}(x) + \dots + a_1 y'(x) + a_0 y(x) = b(x)$$

where  $a_n, ..., a_1, a_0 \in \mathbb{R} \& b(x) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  are all constant.

Deduce the particular function for the differential equation, given b(x), and then differentiate  $y_p$  n times.

Substitute in these values, in place of the ys, into the original equation and solve to find values for the constants in  $y_p$ .

# 6.4 The Wronskian

# **Definition 6.11** - The Wronskian

The Wronskian,  $W[y_1, y_2]$ , of two differentiable functions is defined by

$$W[y_1, y_2](x) = y_1(x).y_2'(x) - y_1'(x).y_2(x)$$

The notation for this is

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} := ad - bc$$

So

$$W[y_1, y_2] = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix}$$

# Remark 6.12

If  $W[y_1, y_2] \neq 0$  then  $y_1, y_2$  are linearly independent.

# 6.5 Variation of Constants

# Theorem 6.13 - Variation of Constants

This is a technique for solving all differential equations, not just ones with constant coefficients, assuming we know the complementary function,  $y_c$ .

Consider the equation

$$Ay(x) = y''(x) + \beta(x)y'(x) + \gamma(x)y(x) = b(x)$$
, for a known  $b(x)$ 

And suppose we have a complementary function in the form

$$y_c = \lambda_1(x)y_1(x) + \lambda_2(x)y_2(x)$$

where  $y_1 \& y_2$  are linearly independent, thus  $W[y_1, y_2] \neq 0$ . Then

$$y'_n = \lambda'_1 y_1 + \lambda_1 y'_1 + \lambda'_2 y_2 + \lambda_2 y'_2$$

As  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are constant then  $\lambda_1' = \lambda_2' = 0$  so

$$y_n' = \lambda_1 y_1' + \lambda_2 y_2'$$

By differentiating and then substituting back into the original equation we see  $y_p$  is a solution iff

$$\lambda_1' y_1' + \lambda_2' y_2' = f$$

In matrix form we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1' \\ \lambda_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

Then by Cramer's rule (LAG - Theorem 6.14) we have

$$\lambda_1' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & y_2 \\ f & y_2' \end{vmatrix}}{W[y_1 \ y_2]} = \frac{-y_2 f}{W[y_1 \ y_2]}$$

and

$$\lambda_2' = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} y_1 & 0 \\ y_1' & f \end{vmatrix}}{W[y_1 \ y_2]} = \frac{y_1 f}{W[y_1 \ y_2]}$$

Giving use a solution for  $y_p' = \lambda_1' y_1 + \lambda_1 y_1' + \lambda_2' y_2 + \lambda_2 y_2'$ .

# 7 Applied Differential Equations

**Definition 7.01 -** Denoting Limit Relationships

We use

$$F(x) \sim G(x)$$
 as  $x \to a$ 

to denote

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{F(x)}{G(x)} = 1$$

Theorem 7.02 - Vibrating String

If we are given a string which is L long then we can define an equation, y(x,t), which describe the displacement of a point x along the string, at time t.

$$u(x,t) = u(x)e^{i\omega t}$$

Where  $\frac{\omega}{2\pi}$  is the frequency of the string and  $u(x) = A\cos(\omega x) + B\sin(\omega x)$ . We can generalise this for strings with n anti-nodes.

$$\omega_n := \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad u_n := \sin(\omega_n x)$$

# 8 Linear Difference Equations

**Definition 8.01 -** Difference Equations

A difference equation is an equation of the form

$$F(n, y_n, ..., y_{n+d}) = 0, \quad n, d \in \mathbb{N}$$

where y is a sequence.

# 8.1 First-Order Linear Difference Equation

**Definition 8.02 -** Linear First-Order Difference Equations

A Linear First-Order Difference Equation is an equation, F, which can be described by

$$F(n, y_n, y_{n+1}) = a_n y_{n+1} + b_n y_n - f_n = 0$$

where  $a_n, b_n, f_n$  are all known sequences.

# Example 8.03

By taking a simple equation

$$y_{n+1} - y_n = f_n$$

we can see that

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + (y_{n+1} - y_n) = y_n + f_n = \dots = y_{n_0} + f_{n_0} + \dots + f_{n-1} + f_n$$

So

$$y_n = y_{n_0} + \sum_{j=n_0}^{n-1} f_j$$

**Theorem 8.04 -** Solving First-Order Linear Difference Equations From Definition 8.02 we can generalise the equation to show that

$$y_{n+1} + b_n y_n = f_n$$

Then

$$\frac{-1}{b_n}y_{n+1} - y_n = \frac{-1}{b_n}f_n$$

We now define the Summing Factor,  $S_n$ , as

$$S_n := \prod_{j=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{-1}{b_j}$$

. We multiply both sides of the original equation by the summing factor and as  $S_n(\frac{-1}{b_n}) = S_{n+1}$  we get

$$S_{n+1}y_{n+1} - S_n y_n = S_{n+1} f_n$$

As this has the same form as the example in 8.03 we can now deduce

$$S_n y_n = y_{n_0} + \sum_{j=n_0}^{n-1} S_{j+1} \cdot f_j$$

# 8.2 Second-Order Linear Difference Equation

**Definition 8.05 -** Second-Order Linear Difference Equation

A Linear Second-Order Difference Equation is an equation, F, which can be described by

$$F(n, y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) := a_n \cdot y_{n+2} + b_n \cdot y_{n+1} + c_n \cdot y_n = f_n$$

where  $a_n, b_n, c_n, f_n$  are know sequences.

Remark 8.06 - Solving Second-Order Linear Difference Equations

Similar to solving second-order differential equations we need to consider to cases. The homogenous & inhomogenous cases. So two sequences will be found the complementary sequence,  $y_n^c$ , and the particular sequence,  $y_n^p$ . The final solution for  $y_n$  is given by

$$y_n = y_n^c + y_n^p$$

**Definition 8.07 -** Wronskian of Sequences

For two sequences  $u_n \& v_n$  we define the Wronskian to be

$$W_n := \begin{vmatrix} u_n & v_n \\ u_{n+1} & v_{n+1} \end{vmatrix} = u_n \cdot v_{n+1} - v_n \cdot u_{n+1}$$

Theorem 8.08 - Homogenous Case with Constant Cofficients

Take the equation

$$a.y_{n+2} + b.y_{n+1} + c.y_n = 0$$

where a, b & c are known constants. We look for solutions of the form

$$y_n = \lambda^n$$

By substition we get the equation  $a\lambda^2 + b\lambda + c = 0$ . By solving for  $\lambda$  we find a solution

- i)  $\lambda$  has two real solutions  $y_n = A\lambda_1^n + B\lambda_2^n$ ;
- ii)  $\lambda$  has one real solution  $y_n = (An + B)\lambda^n$ ;
- iii)  $\lambda$  has only an imagina mry solution -  $y_n = \Lambda e^{i\theta}, \quad \Lambda^2 := \frac{c}{a}, \theta := tan^{-1}(\frac{4ac-b^2}{-b}).$

**Theorem 8.09 -** Homogenous Case Second-Order Linear Difference Equations The homogenous case finds solutions for

$$a_n y_{n+2} + b_n y_{n+1} + c_n y_n = 0$$

Suppose  $y_n = u_n$  and  $y_n = v_n$  are solutions to this homogenous equation. Then

$$W_n[u_n \ v_n] = W_{n_0} \prod_{j=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{c_j}{a_j}$$

So

$$u_n.v_{n+1} - v_n.u_{n+1} = W_{n_0} \prod_{j=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{c_j}{a_j}$$

Which can be rearranged to be in the form of a first order difference equation, such as Example 8.03

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}}v_{n+1} - v_n = W_{n_0} \prod_{j=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{c_j}{a_j}$$

Which has a summing factor

$$S_n = \frac{1}{u_n}$$

By multiplying both sides by  $S_n$  and simplifying we get

$$v_n = u_n \sum_{j=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{u_j \cdot u_{j+1}} \prod_{k=n_0}^{n-1} \frac{c_k}{a_k}$$

Typically you need to solve the product part of the equation to get a result for the sequence  $u_n$ .

Remark 8.10 - Inhomogenous Case Second-Order Linear Difference Equations

Generally the best way to do this is to make an educated guess based on the right hand side of the equation. So if the RHS is a polynomial, guess a polynomial, etc. Similar to solving differential equations.

# 9 Several Variables - Differentiability

**Definition 9.01 -** Several Variable Function

Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d \& B \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ .

A function  $f: A \to B$  is a map which, for all  $x \in A$ , assigns a unique value  $f(x) \in B$ .

**Defintion 9.02 -** Linear Functions

A function  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is linear if it can be given in terms of a matrix  $A \in M_{n,d}(\mathbb{R})$  where

$$f(x) = Ax$$

**Theorem 9.03 -** *Properties of Linear Functions* If a function is linear then the following are true:

- i)  $f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x)$ ; and,
- ii) f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y).

**Definition 9.04** - Continuous Several Variable Function Let  $f: A \to B$  and  $a \in A$ . Then f is continuous at a if

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = f(a)$$

# 9.1 The Derivative

**Defintion 9.05 -** Norm of a Vector

The *norm* of a vector,  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is

$$\|oldsymbol{x}\| := \left(\sum_{j=1}^d x_j
ight)^{1/2}$$

**Definition 9.06 -** Derivative of Several Variable Function

A function,  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^n$ , is said to be differentiable at the point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  if the exists an  $A \in M_{n,d}(\mathbb{R})$  such that

$$\lim_{h\to 0} \frac{\|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

This A is the derivative of f(x).

$$f'(x) := A$$

# Remark 9.07

If consider the following several variable function

$$m{f} = egin{pmatrix} f_1 \ dots \ f_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$extbf{ extit{f}}' = egin{pmatrix} f_1' \ dots \ f_n' \end{pmatrix}$$

# 10 Directional & Partial Derivatives

# 10.1 Directional Derivative

# **Definition 10.01 -** Direction

A direction in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is a vector of unit length.

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$  every direction can be given by  $\boldsymbol{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle from positive x axis In  $\mathbb{R}^3$  every direction can be given by  $\boldsymbol{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\phi)\cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\phi)\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\phi) \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\phi$  is the angle from positive z axis and  $\theta$  is the angle from the positive x axis.

# **Definition 10.02 -** Spherical Co-ordinates

The *spherical co-ordinates* describe points in three dimension space.

The distance of a point from the origin is

$$r = \rho sin(\phi)$$

where  $\rho$  is the length of the line. Then

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} rcos( heta) \\ rsin( heta) \\ 
ho cos(\phi) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 
ho sin(\phi) cos( heta) \\ 
ho sin(\phi) sin( heta) \\ 
ho cos(\phi) \end{pmatrix}$$

## **Defintion 10.03 -** Direction Derivative

The direction derivative of f in the direction of u at the point  $x_0$  is the vector:

$$D_{\boldsymbol{u}}\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_0) := rac{d}{dt}\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_0 + t\boldsymbol{u}) \mid_{t=0}$$

# Theorem 10.04

For all  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^n$  the directional derivative at u in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  we have

$$D_{\boldsymbol{u}}\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \boldsymbol{f}'(\boldsymbol{x}).\boldsymbol{u}$$

## 10.2 Partial Derivative

**Defintion 10.05 -** Partial Derivative

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ .

Then the direction derivative  $D_{e_i}f(x)$ , if it exists, is called the partial derivative of f with

respect to  $x_j$  at x. This is denoted by

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\boldsymbol{x}) \text{ or } f_{x_j}(\boldsymbol{x})$$

**Proposition 10.06** - Partial Derivative as a Matrix If  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is differentiable then

$$f'(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_d} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_d} \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark 10.07 - Second Order Partial Derivatives

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

# 11 Gradient & Chain Rule in Several Variables

# 11.1 Chain Rule

**Theorem 11.01** - Chain rule in Several Variables Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^n$  &  $g: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^d$  be differentiable. Then

$$[\boldsymbol{f} \cdot \boldsymbol{g}]' = \boldsymbol{f}'(\boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x})).\boldsymbol{g}'(\boldsymbol{x})$$

# 11.2 Invertible Maps & Implicit Differentiation

**Definition 11.02 -** Implicit Differentiation

Let  $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\mathbf{f}: A \to B$ .

If f is invertible then we can denote the inverse by  $f^{-1}: B \to A$  and

$$[\boldsymbol{f}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\cdot}\boldsymbol{f}](\boldsymbol{x})=\boldsymbol{x}$$

If f and  $f^{-1}$  are differentiable then by the chain run

$$f'(f^{-1}(x))f^{-1}'(x) = I$$

Hence

$$f^{-1}'(x) = [f'(f(x))]^{-1}$$

# 11.3 The Gradient

**Defintion 11.03 -** The Gradient

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  be a map with first-order partial derivatives at every point of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Then the *gradient* at a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\nabla f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$ , is defined as

$$\nabla f(\boldsymbol{x}) := (f_{x_1}(\boldsymbol{x}), \dots, f_{x_d}(\boldsymbol{x}))$$

# **Definition 11.04 -** Direction of Greatest Change

By considering the case in two dimensions then

$$(D_{\boldsymbol{u}}f)(x,y) = \nabla f(x,y) \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, \quad \boldsymbol{u} = (\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$$

Then

$$(D_{\boldsymbol{u}}f)(x_0,y_0) = cos\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0,y_0) + sin\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0,y_0)$$

The greatest change occurs when

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{d\theta}[\cos\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0,y_0) + \sin\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0,y_0)] &= 0 \\ => -\sin\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0,y_0) + \cos\theta.\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0,y_0)] &= \\ => \nabla f(x_0,y_0) \cdot (-\sin\theta,\cos\theta) &= \end{split}$$

We can thus deduce that

$$\nabla f(x_0, y_0) \perp (-sin\theta, cos\theta)$$

So

$$\boldsymbol{u} \parallel \nabla f(x_0, y_0)$$

We can then establish the direction, u, which occurs when u satisfies

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \frac{\nabla f(x_0, y_0)}{\|\nabla f(x_0, y_0)\|}$$

# 12 Integration over Two-Dimensional Domains

# Remark 12.01 - Notation

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

When integrating over D the following notation is used

$$\iint_D f(x,y) dx dy$$

When D is specified e.g.  $D = \{(x,y) : g(y) < x < h(y); a < y < b\}$  then we denote it by

$$\int_{a}^{b} \left\{ \int_{g(y)}^{h(y)} f(x, y) dx \right\} dy$$

# Theorem 12.02 - Rectangular Domain

If we are given a domain between constant values,  $D = \{(x, y) : c < y < d; a < x < b\}$  in terms of distance from origin, then we perform

$$V = \int_{c}^{d} \left\{ \int_{a}^{b} f(x, y) dx \right\} dy$$

And can perform the integrations are seperate calculations.

## Theorem 12.03 - Trianglular Domain

In triangular domains the value of x depends on y, so can be expressed as a function of y. If we take 0 < x < a and 0 < y < b then  $x = \frac{ya}{b}$ . This gives us a domain of

$$D = \{(x,y) : \frac{ya}{b} < x < a; 0 < y < b\}$$

We can solve the integral by performing:

$$V = \int_0^b \left\{ \int_{\frac{ay}{b}}^a f(x, y) dx \right\} dy$$

Theorem 12.04 - General Domains

If we have a domain, D, defined by  $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : L(x) \le y \le U(x), a \le x \le b\}$ . Then the integral over D can be found by

$$V = \int_{a}^{b} \left\{ \int_{L(x)}^{U(x)} f(x, y) dy \right\} dx$$

# 13 Polar Co-ordinates

**Defintion 13.01 -** Cartesian to Polar Co-ordinates

*Polar co-ordinates* are an alternative way of denoting a point in two dimensional space, using distance from the origin and angle from the positive x-axis.

Polar co-ordinates are given in the form  $(r, \theta)$ .

Using pythagoras' theorem and trigonometry we can see that

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \theta := \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

Theorem 13.02 - Polar to Cartesian Co-ordinates

We can convert a polar co-ordinate,  $(r, \theta)$ , to cartesian co-ordinates, (x, y) using the following formula

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} rcos(\theta) \\ rsin(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark 13.03 - Plotting Curves expressed as polar co-ordinates There are two common ways to do this:

- i) Convert back to cartesian form; or,
- ii) Interpolation, plot a few points and link them.

**Theorem 13.04** - Computing Curvature of Polar Curve Suppose a curve is defined by  $r = R(\theta)$ . This means that

$$x = rcos(\theta) = R(\theta)cos(\theta)$$
  
 $y = rsin(\theta) = R(\theta)sin(\theta)$ 

By substituting into the equation for curvature of a cartesian curve we get

$$K(\theta) = \frac{|R(\theta)^2 + 2[R'(\theta)]^2 - R(\theta)R''(\theta)|}{\{R(\theta)^2 + [R'(\theta)]^2\}^{3/2}}$$

**Theorem 13.05 -** Gradient of a Polar Curve

Consider the equation  $f(x,y) = u(r,\theta)$  then by using substitution and chain rule we can deduce the following equations:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin(\theta)}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos(\theta)}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

# 13.1 Change of Variable Formula

Theorem 13.06 - Single Variable Substitution

By making the substitution of x = g(u) we can produce the following formula

$$\int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(x)dx = \int_{a}^{b} (f \cdot g)(u)g'(u)du$$

Theorem 13.07 - Double Variable Substitution

Suppose we make the following substitution

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{g}(u, v) := \begin{pmatrix} g_1(u, v) \\ g_2(u, v) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we can produce the following equation

$$\iint_{\boldsymbol{g}(D)} f(x,y) dx dy = \iint_{D} (f \cdot \boldsymbol{g})(u,v) |det\{\boldsymbol{g}'(u,v)\} du dv$$

Remark 13.08 - Cartesian to Polar Double Integration

By using the formula in *Theorem 13.6* we can produce the following equation, by using the substitution  $(x,y)=(rcos(\theta),rsin(\theta))$ 

$$\label{eq:cos} \begin{split} \text{Let } \boldsymbol{g}(r,\theta) &= (rcos(\theta),rsin(\theta)) \\ \Longrightarrow &\iint_{\boldsymbol{g}(D)} f(x,y) dx dy = \iint_{D} f(rcos(\theta),rsin(\theta)).r.dr d\theta \end{split}$$

# 14 Triple Integration

Remark 14.01 - Triple Integration

If we let D be a three dimensional region, so  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ . Then by doing

$$\iiint_D f(x,y,z) dx dy dz$$

we produce a hypervolume.

By setting f(x, y, z) = 1 we can find the volume of D.

If we set it to be a variable equation then we can determine other properties such as mass, center of mass etc.

Theorem 14.02 - Box-Like region

If we define D as  $D=\{(x,y,z)\in\mathbb{R}^3:a\leq x\leq A;b\leq y\leq B;c\leq z\leq C\}$ . We can integrate over D by

$$\iiint_D f(x,y,z) dx dy dz = \int_c^C \left\{ \int_b^B \left\{ \int_a^A f(x,y,z) dx \right\} dy \right\} dz$$

Theorem 14.03 - General Domains

If we define D as  $D=\{(x,y,z)\in\mathbb{R}^3:a\leq x\leq A(y,z);b\leq y\leq B(z);c\leq z\leq C\}$ . We can integrate over D by

$$\iiint_D f(x,y,z) dx dy dz = \int_c^C \left\{ \int_b^{B(z)} \left\{ \int_a^{A(x,y)} f(x,y,z) dx \right\} dy \right\} dz$$

# 14.1 Substitution with Triple Integrals

**Theorem 14.04** - Substitution with Triple Integration If we want to perform a substitution define by

$$x = g_1(u, v, w),$$
  
 $y = g_2(u, v, w),$   
 $z = g_3(u, v, w)$ 

Then we can produce the following equation

$$\iiint_{\boldsymbol{g}(D)} f(x,y,z) dx dy dz = \iiint_{D} (f \cdot \boldsymbol{g})(u,v,w). |det\{\boldsymbol{g}'(u,v,w)\}| du dv dw$$

Remark 14.05 - Cartesian to Spherical Triple Integration

If we can to covnert a cartesian region to a spherical region we use the following substitution

$$x = \rho sin(\phi)cos(\theta) = g_1(\rho, \phi, \theta),$$
  

$$x = \rho sin(\phi)sin(\theta) = g_2(\rho, \phi, \theta),$$
  

$$x = \rho sin(\phi) = g_3(\rho, \phi, \theta)$$

This means  $det\{g'(\rho, \phi, \theta)\} = \rho^2 sin(\phi)$ . Then

$$\iiint_{\boldsymbol{g}(D)} f(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \iiint_{D} (f \cdot \boldsymbol{g})(\rho, \phi, \theta) \cdot (\rho^{2} sin(\phi)) \cdot d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

# 14.2 Applications of Multiple Integration

**Definition 14.06 -** *Multiple Integrations* 

When integrating over multiple dimensions we dont need to write  $\int$  every time, instead we can denoted it as

$$\int_R f(\boldsymbol{x}) d\boldsymbol{x}$$

or

$$\int \cdots \int_R f(\boldsymbol{x}) dx_1 \dots dx_d$$

Theorem 14.07 - Centre of Mass

By considering a region  $R \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  whose density is describe by f(x). Then its mass can be found by

$$m = \int_R f(\boldsymbol{x}) d\boldsymbol{x}$$

Then its *centre of mass*,  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , can be found by

$$\bar{x} := \frac{1}{m} \int_{R} \boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) d\boldsymbol{x}$$

# 15 Local Extrema & Taylor's Theorem in Several Variables

# 15.1 Taylor's Theorem

**Theorem 15.01 -** Taylor's Theorem for a Single Variable If  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is smooth and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x - a)f'(a) + \frac{1}{2!}(x - a)^2 f''(a) + \dots$$

$$\implies f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j!} \cdot (x-a)^j \cdot \left[ \frac{d^j f}{dx^j}(a) \right]$$

**Theorem 15.02 -** Taylor's Theorem for a Two Variables If  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  is smooth and  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$f(x,y) = f(a,b) + f'(a,b) \begin{pmatrix} x-a \\ y-b \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} x-a \\ y-b \end{pmatrix}^t f''(a,b) \begin{pmatrix} x-a \\ y-b \end{pmatrix} + \dots$$

N.B -  $f'(x, y) \in M_{1,2}(\mathbb{F}) \& f''(x, y) \in M_2(\mathbb{F})$ 

# 15.2 Local Extrema

Definition 15.03 - Local Minima

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ .

We say the point  $\boldsymbol{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a local minimum if

$$\exists \ \delta > 0 \ st \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \|\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0\| < d \ \text{then} \ f(\boldsymbol{x}_0) \le f(\boldsymbol{x})$$

**Definition 15.04 - Local Maxima** 

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ .

We say the point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a local maximum if

$$\exists \ \delta > 0 \ st \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \|\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0\| < d \ \text{then} \ f(\boldsymbol{x}_0) \ge f(\boldsymbol{x})$$

**Definition 15.05 -** Local Extremum

A point is a *local extremum* if it is either a local minimum or maximum.

**Definition 15.06 -** Critical point

A point,  $x_0$ , is a critical point of f if

$$f'(x_0) = 0$$

**Proposition 15.07 -** Extremum and Critical Point

If  $x_0$  is a local extremum of f then it is a critical point of f.

Remark 15.08 - Classifing Critical Points

Let  $x_0$  be a critical point of f.

Then Taylor's theorem says that

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{1}{2}(x - x_0)^t \cdot f''(x_0)(x - x_0) + \dots$$

**Definition 15.09 -** Define & Indefine Matrices

Let  $A \in M_d$ , then A is

- i) Positive definite if  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d, x \neq 0 \Longrightarrow x^t Ax > 0$ ;
- ii) Negative definite if  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d, x \neq 0 => x^t Ax < 0$ ;
- iii) Indefinite if  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  st  $x^t A x > 0 \& y^t A y < 0$ .

Theorem 15.10 - Extrema and Definite Matrices

The critical point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a

- i) Local minimum iff  $f''(x_0)$  is a positive-definite;
- ii) Local maximum iff  $f''(x_0)$  is a negative-definite;

If  $f''(x_0)$  is indefinite then we say that  $x_0$  is a saddle.

**Theorem 15.11 -** Definite Matrices and Eigenvalues We say  $f''(x_0)$  is

- i) Positive definite iff all its eigenvalues are strictly positive;
- ii) Negative definite iff all its eigenvalues are strictly negative;
- iii) Indefinite if it has both positive and negative eigenvalues.

# 16 Systems of Linear Differential Equations

Theorem 16.01 - Linear Case

Define a function,  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$ , such that f(x) = Ax where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A \in M_d$  is diagonisable. Let  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_d\}$  be eigenvectors for A, with  $\{\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_d\}$  as the corresponding eigenvalues. Then the general solution is

$$\boldsymbol{x}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{d} c_j(0).e^{\lambda_j.t}.\boldsymbol{v}_j$$

values of c are determined in the particular solution from the initial solutions.

**Definition 16.02** - Equilibria

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $e \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is said to be an equilibrium of f if

$$f(e) = 0$$

**Theorem 16.03** - Particular Solutions and Equilibria Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$  &  $x : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^d$ . If

$$\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}(t)) = \mathbf{0}$$

then t is a particular solution of f.

# 16.1 Stability of Equilibria

**Definition 16.04 -** Stable/Unstable Equilibria

Let e be an equilibrium.

e is said to stable if

$$\forall \ \epsilon > 0, \exists \ \delta > 0 \ st \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{x}(0) \in \mathbb{R}^d \ \& \ t \ge 0, \|\boldsymbol{x}(0) - \boldsymbol{e}\| < \delta => \|\boldsymbol{x}(t) - \boldsymbol{e}\| < \epsilon$$

Otherwise the equilibrium point is *unstable*.

Theorem 16.05 - Determining Stability of Equilibria

If for all eigenvalues,  $\lambda_i$ , of f'(e) is such that

$$Re(\lambda_i) < 0$$

then the equilibrium, e, is stable.

If there exists one eigenvalue,  $\lambda_i$ , where  $Re(\lambda_i) > 0$  then e is unstable.

**Definition 16.06** - Classification of Equilibria

In dimension 2.

- i) If both eigenvalues of f'(e) are real, e is a node;
- ii) If both eigenvalues of f'(e) are purely imaginary, e is a *centre*; and,
- iii) If both eigenvalues of f'(e) from a complex conjugate pair, with non-zero real parts, e is a spiral.

# 17 Discrete Dynamic Systems

**Definition 17.01 -** Discrete Dynamic System

A discrete dynamic system is a recurrence relation of the form

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{n+1} = \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_n), n \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

Where  $X_n$  is the general term of a sequence  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , and  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$ .

$$\underline{\text{N.B.}}$$
 - We use the notation  $m{x}_n = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,n} \\ \vdots \\ x_{d,n} \end{pmatrix}$ .

Theorem 17.02 - Linear Case

The simplest case of a discrete dynamic system is the *linear case* where

$$f(x) = Ax$$

with A as a diagonisable  $d \times d$  matrix.

Let  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_d\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^d$  consisting of the eigenvectors for A. Then a general solution is

$$oldsymbol{x}_n = \sum_{j=1}^d c_j.\lambda_j^n.oldsymbol{v}_j$$

where  $\lambda_j$  is the associated eigenvalue for the eigenvector  $\boldsymbol{v}_j$ .

**Definition 17.03 -** Equilibria of Discrete Dynamic Systems Let  $m{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  such that

$$F(x) = x$$

then x is an equilibrium point of f.

**Definition 17.04 -** Periodic

We say the solution  $x_n$  of a discrete dynamic system is *periodic* if

$$\exists p \in \mathbb{N} \ st \ \forall \ n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \boldsymbol{x}_{n+p} = \boldsymbol{x}_n$$

The smallest such p is called the period of the solution.

i.e - So all values repeat at a regular interval in the system.

**Definition 17.05 -** P-Cycle

Let  $x_n$  be a periodic solution with period p and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then the ordered list  $x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_{k+p-1}$  is called a *p-cycle*.

**Definition 17.06** - Stable Equilibria of Discrete Dynamic Systems We say an equilibrium, x of a discrete dynamic system is stable if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ such that } \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}\| < \delta \implies \|\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{x}\| < \epsilon \ \forall \ n \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Proposition 17.07 -** Stability and Eigenvalues

The equilibrium x is stable if the modulus of f'(X) is less than 1. Otherwise, it is unstable.