



## 2.2 Linear Solutions: First Order

$I \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a, b : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Form:

$$y' + ay = b$$

Approach:

1. Hom. Solution  $f_1$  for:  $y' + ay = 0$

Note that  $\mathcal{S}$  has  $\dim(\mathcal{S}) = 1$ , so  $f_1 \neq 0$  is a Basis for  $\mathcal{S}$

2. Part. Solution  $f_0$  for  $y' + ay = b$

Solutions:  $f_0 + zf_1$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$

### Explicit Homogeneous Solution

$A(x)$  is a primitive of  $a$ ,  $f(x_0) = y_0$

$$f_1(x) = z \cdot \exp(-A(x))$$

$$f_1(x) = y_0 \cdot \exp(A(x_0) - a(x))$$

Variation of Constants: Treating  $z$  as  $z(x)$  yields:

### Explicit Inhomogeneous Solution

$A(x)$  is a primitive of  $a$

$$f_0(x) = \underbrace{\left( \int b(x) \cdot \exp(A(x)) \right)}_{z(x)} \cdot \exp(-A(x))$$

### Method Educated Guess

Usually,  $y$  has a similar form to  $b$ :

$b(x)$	Guess
$a \cdot e^{\alpha x}$	$b \cdot e^{\alpha x}$
$a \cdot \sin(\beta x)$	$c \sin(\beta x) + d \cos(\beta x)$
$b \cdot \cos(\beta x)$	$c \sin(\beta x) + d \cos(\beta x)$
$a e^{\alpha x} \cdot \sin(\beta x)$	$e^{\alpha x} (c \sin(\beta x) + d \cos(\beta x))$
$b e^{\alpha x} \cdot \cos(\beta x)$	$e^{\alpha x} (c \sin(\beta x) + d \cos(\beta x))$
$P_n(x) \cdot e^{\alpha x}$	$R_n(x) \cdot e^{\alpha x}$
$P_n(x) \cdot e^{\alpha x} \sin(\beta x)$	$e^{\alpha x} (R_n(x) \sin(\beta x) + S_n(x) \cos(\beta x))$
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Remark If  $\alpha, \beta$  are roots of  $P(X)$  with multiplicity  $j$ , multiply guess with a  $P_j(x)$ .

## 2.3 Linear Solutions: Constant Coefficients

Form:

$$y^{(k)} + a_{k-1}y^{(k-1)} + \dots + a_1y' + a_0y = b$$

Where  $a_0, \dots, a_{k-1} \in \mathbb{C}$  are constants,  $b(x)$  is continuous.

### 2.3.1 Homogeneous Equations

The idea is to find a Basis of  $\mathcal{S}$ :

Def **Characteristic Polynomial**  $P(X) = \prod_{i=1}^k (X - \alpha_i)$

Remark The unique roots  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l$  form a Basis:

$$\text{span}(\mathcal{S}) = \{x^j e^{\alpha_i x} \mid i \leq l, 0 \leq j \leq v_i\}$$

$v_1, \dots, v_k$  are the Multiplicities of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$

Remark If  $\alpha_j = \beta + \gamma i \in \mathbb{C}$  is a root,  $\bar{\alpha}_j = \beta - \gamma i$  is too. To get a real-valued solution, apply:

$$e^{\alpha_j x} = e^{\beta x} (\cos(\gamma x) + i \sin(\gamma x))$$

### Explicit Homogeneous Solution

Using  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$  from  $P(X)$  s.t.  $\alpha_i \neq \alpha_j$ ,  $z_i \in \mathbb{C}$  arbitrary

$$f(x) = \prod_{i=1}^k z_i \cdot e^{\alpha_i x} \quad \text{with} \quad f^{(j)(x)} = \prod_{i=1}^k z_i \cdot \alpha_i^j e^{\alpha_i x}$$

Multiple roots: same scheme, using the basis vectors of  $\mathcal{S}$

Solutions exist  $\forall Z = (z_1, \dots, z_k)$  since that system's  $\det(M_Z) \neq 0$ .

### 2.3.2 Inhomogeneous Equations

Method **Undetermined Coefficients**: An educated guess.

1.  $b(x) = cx^d \cdot e^{\alpha x} \implies f_p(x) = Q(x)e^{\alpha x}$   
 $\deg(Q) \leq d + v_\alpha$ , where  $v_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ 's multiplicity in  $P(X)$

2.  $b(x) = cx^d \cdot \cos(\alpha x)$   
 $b(x) = cx^d \cdot \sin(\alpha x)$   
 $\deg(Q_{i,2}) \leq d + v_\alpha$ , where  $v_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ 's multiplicity in  $P(X)$

Remark **Applying Linearity**

If  $b(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x)$ , A solution for  $b(x)$  is  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)$   
Sometimes called *Superposition Principle* in this context

## 2.4 Other Methods

Method **Change of Variable**

If  $f(x)$  is replaced by  $h(y) = f(g(y))$ , then  $h$  is a sol. too.  
Changes like  $h(t) = f(e^t)$  may lead to useful properties.

### Separation of Variables

Form:

$$y' = a(y) \cdot b(x)$$

Solve using:

$$\int \frac{1}{a(y)} dy = \int b(x) dx + c$$

Usually  $\int 1/a(y) dy$  can be solved directly for  $\ln|a(y)| + c$ .

## 2.5 Method Overview

Method	Use case
Variation of constants	LDE with $\text{ord}(F) = 1$
Characteristic Polynomial	Hom. LDE w/ const. coeff.
Undetermined Coefficients	Inhom. LDE w/ const. coeff.
Separation of Variables	ODE s.t. $y' = a(y) \cdot b(x)$
Change of Variables	e.g. $y' = f(ax + by + c)$

### 3 Differential Calculus in $\mathbb{R}^n$

Treating functions  $f : X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $m, n \geq 1$

**Notation**  $f(x)$  for  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  means:  
 $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $f(x) = f(f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$

#### 3.1 Multivariate functions

**Def Linear map**  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

In other words:  $f(x) = \mathbf{A}x$ ,  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$

Linear Maps are continuous

**Def Affine Linear map**  $f(x) \mapsto \mathbf{A}x + c$

**Def Quadratic form**  $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

In other words:  $Q(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^m (a_{i,j} x_i x_j)$

**Def Monomials**  $M(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mapsto \alpha x_1^{d_1} \cdots x_n^{d_n}$

For example:  $f(x, y, z) = 16x^2yz^5$

**Def deg(M) :=**  $e = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i$

For example:  $\deg(16x^2yz^5) = 8$

**Def Polynomials**  $P(x) := \sum_{i=0}^n M_i(x)$

For example:  $P(x, y, z) = x^3 + 25x^2y^6z + xy$

Polynomials are continuous.

**Def deg(P) :=**  $d \geq \max\{\deg(M_i) \mid M_i \text{ in } P\}$

For example:  $\deg(x^3 + 25x^2y^6z + xy) = 9$

Visualisations for some function types:

**Def Graph**  $G_f := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = f(x, y)\}$

Only for  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Visually, this is a surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

**Def Vector Plots** for  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

Points in  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  are displayed as vectors  $f(x, y)$

#### 3.2 Sequences in $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Def Sequences in  $\mathbb{R}^n$**

$(x_k)_{k \geq 1}$  s.t.  $x_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $x_k = (x_{k,1}, \dots, x_{k,n})$

**Def Convergence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$**

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_k) = y \iff \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1 : \forall k \geq N : \|x_k - y\| < \epsilon$$

Using this definition preserves many familiar results:

**Lem. Equivalent conditions to Convergence**

- (i)  $\forall i \text{ s.t. } 1 \leq i \leq n : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_{k,i}) = y_i$
- (ii)  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - y\| = 0$

**Def Continuity in  $\mathbb{R}^n$**

$f$  continuous at  $x_0 \in X \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 :$

$$\|x - x_0\| < \delta \implies \|f(x) - f(x_0)\| < \epsilon$$

$f$  continuous  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall x \in X : f$  continuous at  $x$   
 $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n, f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

**Lem. Continuity using Sequences**

$f$  continuous at  $x_0$  if and only if:

$$\forall (x_k)_{k \geq 1} : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_k) = x_0 \implies \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (f(x_k)) = f(x_0)$$

$X \subset \mathbb{R}^n, f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

**Def Limits at points**

$$\lim_{x \neq x_0 \rightarrow x_0} (f(x)) = y \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 :$$

$$\forall x \neq x_0 \in X : \|x - x_0\| < \delta \implies \|f(x) - y\| < \epsilon$$

$X \subset \mathbb{R}^n, f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, x_0 \in X, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

The sequence test for Continuity works for point-limits too.

**Lem. Continuity of Compositions**

$f : X \rightarrow Y, g : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  continuous  $\implies g \circ f$  continuous  
 $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n, Y \subset \mathbb{R}^m, p \geq 1$

**Lem. Continuity using Coordinate Functions**

$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  continuous  $\iff \forall i \leq m : f_i$  continuous

#### 3.3 Subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Def Bounded**

$X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  bounded  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \{\|x\| \mid x \in X\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  bounded.

Example: The open disc  $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - x_0\| < r\}$  is bounded.

**Def Closed**

$X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  closed  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall (x_k)_{k \geq 1} \in X : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_k) \in X$   
Example:  $\emptyset, \mathbb{R}^n$  are closed.

**Def Compact** if closed and bounded.

Example: The closed Disc  $\Lambda = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - x_0\| \leq r\}$  is compact.

**Lem.** The Cartesian Product preserves these properties.

**Lem.** Continuous functions preserve closedness

$\forall$  closed  $Y : f^{-1}(Y) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid f(x) \in Y\}$  is closed.

$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous,  $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^m$

#### Min-Max Theorem

For compact, non-empty  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , continuous  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\exists x_1, x_2 \in X : f(x_1) = \sup_{x \in X} f(x), f(x_2) = \inf_{x \in X} f(x)$$

#### 3.4 Partial Derivatives