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Differential Equations ①

Newton's Law of cooling:

The rate of change of the temperature of a body is proportional to the difference in temperature between the body and its surroundings.

Temp of body $T(t)$ dependent variable

Time t independent variable

Temp of surroundings T_0 constant

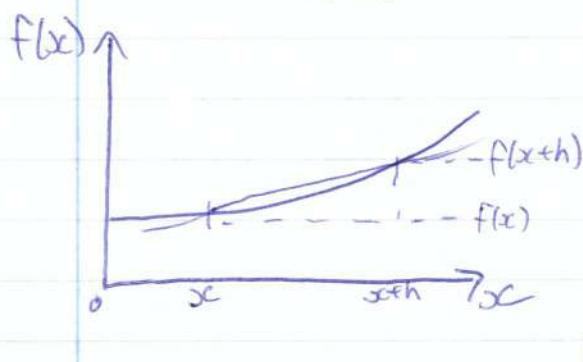
$$\frac{dT}{dt} \propto T - T_0$$

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - T_0), k > 0$$

Define a derivative of $f(x)$ wrt x

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

→ slope of the line at a single point



~~Right and left hand derivatives must be equal for f to be differentiable~~

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

E.g. $f(x) = |x|$ not differentiable at $x = 0$

$$\frac{df}{dx} \equiv f'(x) \equiv \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right) \equiv \frac{d^2f}{dx^2} \equiv f''(x) \equiv f^{(2)}(x)$$

Note !!! $f'(2x)$ means $\frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x=2x} = \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=2x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x=x}$

$$f(x) = o[g(x)] \text{ as } x \rightarrow x_0$$

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f}{g} = 0$

e.g. $x = o(\sqrt{x})$ as $x \rightarrow 0$
 $\sqrt{x} = o(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$f(x) = O[g(x)] \text{ as } x \rightarrow x_0$$

"is of order"

if $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ is bounded as $x \rightarrow x_0$

$\ln 2x = O(x)$ as $x \rightarrow 0$
 $x = O(\ln x)$ as $x \rightarrow 0$

Note $f(x) = o[g(x)] \Rightarrow f(x) = O[g(x)]$ but not vice versa

Tangent line at x_0

$$\left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x_0} = \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{o(h)}{h}}_{\text{error}}$$

no need for signs or constants
for little O

$$f(x_0 + h) = f(x_0) + h \left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x_0} + o(h)$$



Equation of tangent line at x_0 of $y = f(x)$

Replace x by $x_0 + h$
 $y(x) = y_0 + m(x - x_0)$, $m = \left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x_0} = \frac{df}{dx}(x_0)$

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Recap : i) $f(x) = o[g(x)]$ as $x \rightarrow x_0$
 $\Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 0$

ii) $f(x) = O[g(x)]$ as $x \rightarrow x_0$
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ remains bounded

iii) $f(x_0 + h) = f(x_0) + h \frac{df}{dx}|_{x_0} + o(h)$

Note, all o are also O as
 o means tends to zero is absurd
therefore also O

Chain rule

Consider $f(x) = F[g(x)]$

e.g. $f(x) = \sin(x^2 - x + 2)$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{F[g(x+h)] - F[g(x)]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{F[g(x) + h \frac{dg}{dx} + o(h)] - F[g(x)]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left\{ F[g(x)] + \left[h \cdot \frac{dg}{dx} + o(h) \right] F'[g(x)] + o(h) - F[g(x)] \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{dg}{dx} \times F'[g(x)] + \frac{o(h)}{h} \right) = \frac{dg}{dx} \times F'[g(x)]$$

→ relies on finite $\frac{dg}{dx}$ at the point in question and also $\frac{dF}{dg}$ being finite. In other words, both the inner and outer functions must be differentiable.

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{df}{dx} \left\{ \sin(x^2 - x + 2) \right\} = \cos(x^2 - x + 2) \times (2x - 1)$$

Product Rule

$$f(x) = u(x)v(x), \quad \frac{df}{dx} = u'v + uv'$$

L'Hopital's rule

Coefficients are from Pascal's triangle
→ binomial

$$\begin{aligned} f &= uv \\ f' &= u'v + u''v' \\ f'' &= u''v + 2u'v' + u''v'' \end{aligned}$$

$$f''' = u'''v + 3u''v' + 3u'v'' + uv'''$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(n)}(x) &= u^{(n)}v + nu^{(n-1)}v' + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}u^{(n-2)}v'' + \dots \\ &\quad + {}^nC_r u^{(n-r)}v^{(r)} + \dots + uv^{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where } {}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$$

Taylor Series

$$\text{Recall } f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + o(h)$$

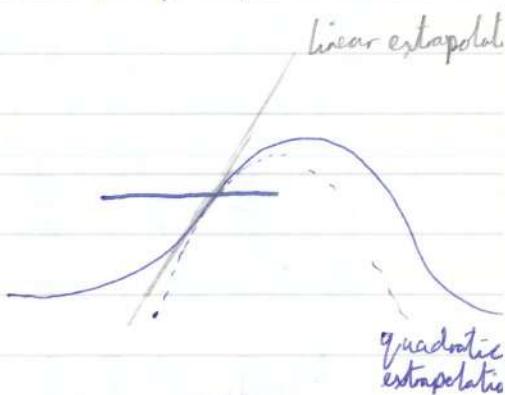
$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!}f''(x) + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!}f^{(n)}(x) + E_n$$

N.B. f must be $n+1$ times differentiable → (in complex plane, later)

then Taylor's Theorem states that

$$E_n = O(h^{n+1}) \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$$(\text{so } E_n = o(h^n))$$



A Taylor series provides a local approximation to a function.

Contrast with a global approximation e.g. Fourier Series

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Alternative form

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{(x-x_0)}{1!} f'(x_0) + \dots + \frac{(x-x_0)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_0) + E_n$$

Taylor series of $f(x)$ about the point $x = x_0$. A local approximation of the function near x_0 .

Finding Coefficients

WLOG, consider an expansion of $f(x)$ about $x = 0$

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$$

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2 x + \dots$$

$$f''(x) = 2a_2 + 3 \times 2a_3 x + \dots$$

$$f(0) = a_0$$

$$f'(0) = a_1$$

$$f''(0) = 2a_2$$

$$f'''(0) = 3 \times 2a_3$$

$$f^{(n)}(0) = n! a_n$$

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$$

QED

L'Hopital's Rule

Suppose $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable at $x = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = 0$

$$\text{The limit } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

provided $g'(x) \neq 0$

From Taylor Series (Linear part)

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

$$g(x) = g(x_0) + (x - x_0) g'(x_0) + o(x - x_0)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f}{g} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f' + \frac{o(x-x_0)}{x-x_0}}{g' + \frac{o(x-x_0)}{x-x_0}} = \frac{f'(x_0)}{g'(x_0)}$$

Proof of L'Hopital's Rule

f , and g are continuous, differentiable at x_0 , $g'(x) \neq 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x_0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{g(x) - g(x_0)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{\frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}}{\frac{g(x) - g(x_0)}{x - x_0}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}\end{aligned}$$

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Chain Rule

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

Product Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = uv' + vu'$$

RECAP

Taylor Series

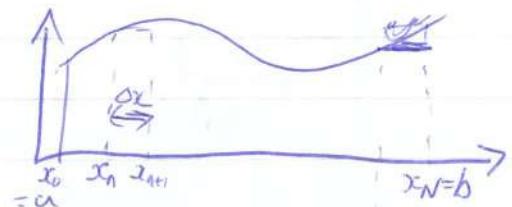
$$f(x) = f(x_0) + (x - x_0)f'(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)^2}{2!}f''(x_0) + \dots$$

$$+ (x - x_0)^n \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} + O[(x - x_0)^{n+1}]$$

L'Hopital $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ If $\lim f = \lim g = 0$ or ∞ , $g' \neq 0$ and ratio limits exist

Integration An integral is a sum.

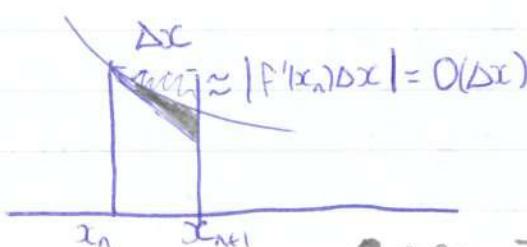
$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(x_n) \Delta x$$



Area under the graph from x_n to x_{n+1}

$$\Delta A_n = f(x_n) \Delta x + O(\Delta x^2)$$

provided f is differentiable at x_n



$$\text{Error in area} = O(\Delta x^2)$$

• area - error, $O(\Delta x^3)$ using Taylor Series

$$\text{Area for } a \text{ to } b \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(x_n) \Delta x + O(N \Delta x^2) \right]$$

$$\text{Note } \Delta x = \frac{b-a}{N}, \quad N = \frac{b-a}{\Delta x}$$

$$O(N \Delta x^2) = O(\Delta x)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus *t is a 'dummy variable'
internal variable to the sum*

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$$

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left\{ \int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt - \int_a^x f(t) dt \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dF}{dx} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} [f(x)h + O(h^2)] \\ &= f(x) \end{aligned}$$

Notation $F(x) = \int f(x) dx \quad \int f(t) dt$

Similarly $\frac{d}{dx} \int_x^b f(t) dt = -f(x)$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f[g(x)] g'(x)$$

SHOW YOURSELF

Integration by substitution

Integration is an art of recognition. If the integrand contains a function of a function it can sometimes aid recognition to substitute for the inner function. Especially helpful if we can recognise the structure of the chain rule.

$$\int \frac{1-2x}{\sqrt{x-x^2}} dx \quad u = x - x^2$$

$$= \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{u}} = 2\sqrt{u} + C = 2\sqrt{x-x^2} + C$$

Trigonometric Substitutions

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Trigonometric Substitutions

Useful Identities

$$\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$$

Part of integrand

$$\sqrt{1-x^2}$$

Substitution

$$x = \sin\theta$$

$$dx = \cos\theta d\theta$$

$$x = \tan\theta$$

$$dx = \sec^2\theta d\theta$$

$$x = \sinh u, dx = \cosh u du$$

$$x = \cosh u, dx = \sinh u du$$

$$x = \tanh u, dx = \operatorname{sech}^2 u du$$

$$1 + \tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta$$

$$1 + x^2$$

~~$$1 + \cosh^2 u - \sinh^2 u = 1$$~~

$$\sqrt{1+x^2}$$

$$1 - \tanh^2 u = \operatorname{sech}^2 u$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2-1}}{1-x^2}$$

$$\int \sqrt{2x-x^2} dx = \int \sqrt{1-(1+2x-x^2)} dx = \int \sqrt{1-(x^2-2x+1)} dx$$

$$= \int \sqrt{1-(x-1)^2} dx = \int \sqrt{1-\sin^2\theta} \cos\theta d\theta = \int \cos^2\theta d\theta$$

$$x-1 = \sin\theta, x = 1+\sin\theta \quad = \int \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{2} d\theta = \frac{1}{4}\sin 2\theta + \theta + C$$

$$dx = \cos\theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x-1)\sqrt{2x-x^2} + \frac{1}{2}\arcsin(x-1) + C$$

By Parts Product rule $(uv)' = u'v + uv'$

$$\int u v' dx = \int (uv)' - u'v dx = uv - \int u'v dx$$

e.g. $\int_0^\infty x e^{-x} dx \quad u = x, \quad v' = e^{-x}$

$$= \left[x e^{-x} \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx = \left[-x e^{-x} \right]_0^\infty - \left[e^{-x} \right]_0^\infty + \text{[]}$$

$$\int x \ln x dx$$

$$u = \ln x \quad u' = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$v' = 1 \quad v = x$$

$$\int x \ln x dx$$

$$= x \ln x - \int \frac{1}{x} x dx$$

$$= x \ln x - \int 1 dx$$

$$= x \ln x - x + C$$

... by inverse tri + hyp

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Functions of several variables

Partial differentiation:

Consider a function $f(x, y)$

- e.g. - height of terrain / a hill
- pressure (temperature)
- at sea level
- density of a gas

} function of east/west/north, north coordinates

$$= f(\text{temp, pressure})$$

Represent such functions either on a graph



or as a contour plot



contours, curves along which
 $f = \text{constant}$

Q: What is the slope of a hill?

A: Depends which direction you are facing.

Begin by finding the slopes in directions parallel to the axes.

The partial derivative of $f(x, y)$ wrt x

= the rate of change of f wrt x , keeping y constant

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_y = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \delta x, y) - f(x, y)}{\delta x}$$

Similarly $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Big|_x = \lim_{\delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y + \delta y) - f(x, y)}{\delta y}$

Calculating partial derivatives:

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^3 + e^{xy^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_y = 2x + y^2 e^{xy^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Big|_x = 3y^2 + 2xye^{xy^2}$$

Can also find 2nd partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2 + y^4 e^{xy^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 6y + 2x e^{xy^2} + 4x^2 y^2 e^{xy^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$= 2y e^{xy^2} + 2x y^3 e^{xy^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = 2y e^{xy^2} + 2x y^3 e^{xy^2}$$

It is a general rule (in Euclidean space) that $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$

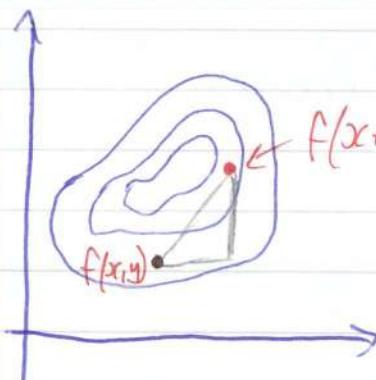
NB To be careful, we indicate which variable, or variables are being held constant, but if no indication, we assume everything is constant except the variable we are differentiating with respect to.

e.g. $f = f(x, y, z)$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{y,z} \neq \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \text{ in which } z \text{ may vary}$

Alternative notation $f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$

Chain rule



$$\Delta f = f(x+\delta x, y+\delta y) - f(x, y)$$

$$= f(x+\delta x, y+\delta y) - f(x+\delta x, y)$$

$$+ f(x+\delta x, y)$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x+\delta x, y) \cdot \delta y + o(\delta y)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \cdot \delta x + o(\delta x)$$

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$$= \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) + o(\delta x) \right] \delta y + o(\delta y)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \delta x + o(\delta x)$$

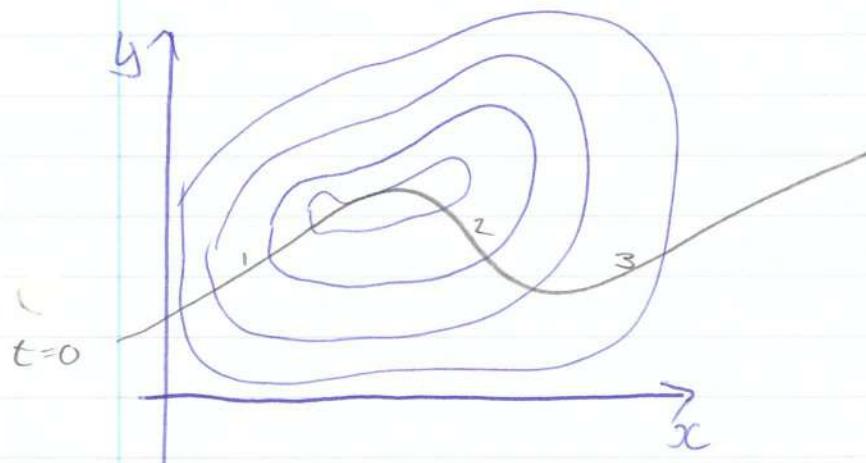
$$(*) \quad df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \delta y + o(\delta x, \delta y)$$

Take limit as $\delta x \rightarrow 0, \delta y \rightarrow 0$

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$$

This is the chain rule in differential form. We understand it as a shorthand for (*) knowing that we shall either sum terms or divide by another infinitesimal quantity before taking the limit.

E.g. $\int \square df = \int \square \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \int \square \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$



Along a path, $(x, y) = \underline{f(c(t), y)}$, where t is a parameter along the path (e.g. time)

$$f(x, y) = f[x(t), y(t)]$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta f}{\delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\delta x}{\delta t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\delta y}{\delta t} + \underline{o(\delta x, \delta y)} \right]$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

Chain rule

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Recap

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x + \delta x, y) \delta y = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + o(\delta x) \right] \delta y$$

Chain Rule

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$$

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \delta y + o(\delta x, \delta y)$$

Along a path:

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{- by division + taking limit} \quad f = f[x, y(x)]$$

Change of variables: e.g. $x = (r, \theta)$, $y = (r, \theta)$

$$f = f[x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)]$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \Big|_0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_0 \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \Big|_0 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Big|_0 \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \Big|_0$$

$$\text{Similarly } \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \Big|_r = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_r \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \Big|_r + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Big|_r \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \Big|_r$$

in 3d, will be
a contour which
is a surface

Implicit Differentiation: $F(x, y, z) = \text{constant}$

It implicitly defines $z = z(x, y)$

or $x = x(y, z)$

or $y = y(x, z)$

$$\text{e.g. } xy^2 + yz^2 + z^5x = 5 \quad *$$

Solve for x $x = \frac{5 - yz^2}{yz + z^5}$ explicitly

Could also find $y = y(x, z)$ by solving the quadratic \Rightarrow function with two branches but we cannot find $z = z(x, y)$, would have to solve a quintic

Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_y$ by differentiating wrt x holding y constant.

$$y^2 + 2yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_y + 5z^4x \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_y + z^5 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_y = -\frac{y^2 + z^5}{2yz + 5xz^4}$$

In general, think of $F(x, y, z(x, y)) = \text{constant}$

Chain rule in differential form:

$$dF = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} dz$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}|_y = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x}|_y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}|_y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}|_y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}|_y = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}|_y = -\frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}|_{y,z}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}|_{x,y}}$$

Similarly:

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}|_z = -\frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial z}|_x = -\frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}$$

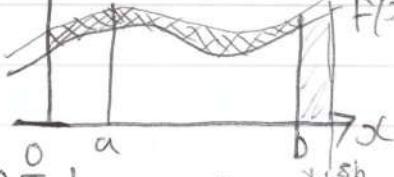
$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}|_z \frac{\partial y}{\partial z}|_x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}|_y = -1$$

Note Normal rules apply provided the same variables are being held constant.
 $(x, y) \rightarrow (r, \theta)$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \neq \frac{1}{\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}} \quad \text{because} \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}|_y \neq \frac{1}{\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}|_y}$$

$$\text{But} \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}|_y = \frac{1}{\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}|_y} \quad \checkmark$$

Differentiation of an integral : with respect to a parameter
 Consider a family of functions $f(x, c)$



Define a function $I(b, c) = \int_a^b f(x, c) dx$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial b}|_c = f(b, c) \quad \text{by fundamental theorem of calculus}$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c}|_b = \lim_{\delta c \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\delta c} \left[\int_a^b f(x, c+\delta c) dx - \int_a^b f(x, c) dx \right]$$

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Differential Equations (5)

$$= \lim_{\delta c \rightarrow 0} \int_0^b \frac{f(x, c + \delta c) - f(x, c)}{\delta c} dx$$

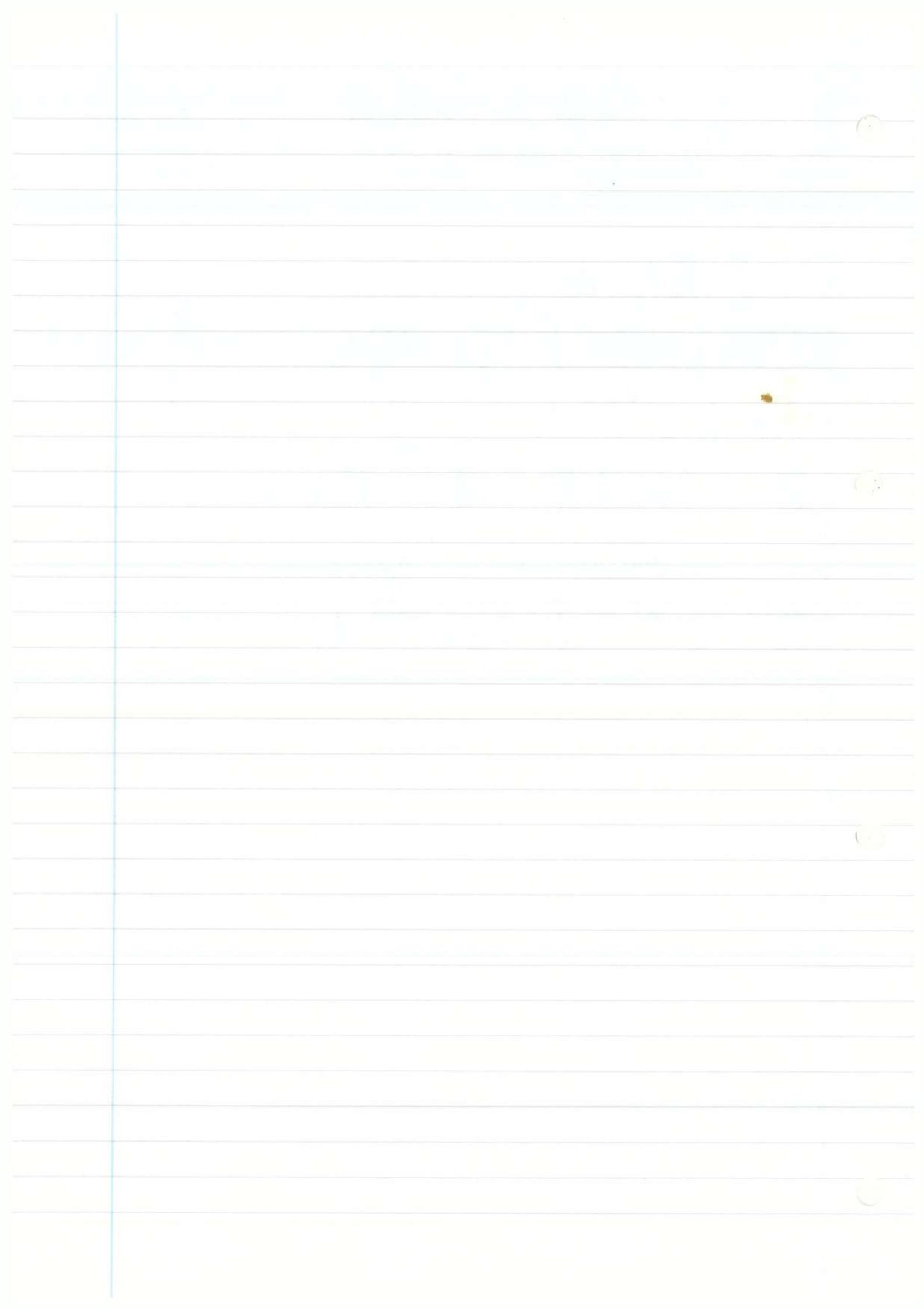
$$= \int_0^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} \Big|_x dx$$

Consider : $I[b(x), c(x)] = \int_0^{b(x)} f[y, c(x)] dy$

$$I(x) = \int_0^x e^{-xy} dy$$

$$\frac{dI}{dx} = \underbrace{f(b, c)}_{\text{varying function}} \frac{db}{dx} + \underbrace{\frac{dc}{dx} \int_0^{b(x)} \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} \Big|_y dy}_{\text{varying the limit}}$$

$$\frac{dI}{dx} = e^{-x^3} + \int_0^x -2xy e^{-xy} dy$$



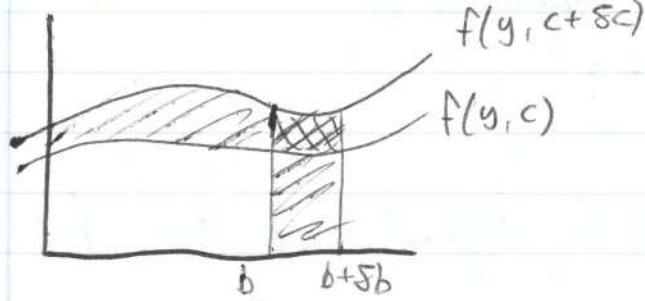
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$$I[b(x), c(x)] = \int_{b(x)}^c f[y, c(x)] dy$$

$$\frac{dI}{dx} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial b} \frac{db}{dx} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial c} \frac{dc}{dx}$$

$$= f(b, c) \frac{db}{dx} + \frac{dc}{dx} \int_0^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} |_y dy$$

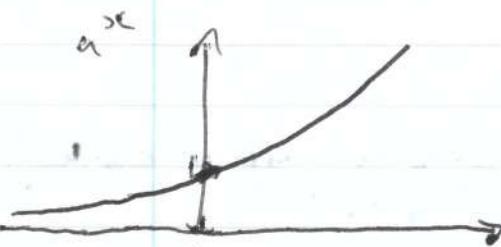


i) $I = \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx, \frac{dI}{dx} = e^{-x^2}$

ii) $I = \int_0^1 \int_0^x e^{-\lambda x^2} dx d\lambda, \frac{dI}{d\lambda} = \int_0^1 -x^2 e^{-\lambda x^2} dx$

iii) $I = \int_0^1 \int_0^x e^{-\lambda x^2} d\lambda dx$
 $\frac{dI}{dx} = e^{-x^3} + \int_0^1 -x^2 e^{-\lambda x^2} d\lambda$

Exponential Function $f(x) = a^x, a > 0, a$ is constant



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df}{dx} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^{x+h} - a^x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} a^x \left[\frac{a^h - 1}{h} \right] \\ &= a^x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^h - 1}{h} = \lambda a^x, \text{ assuming limit exists} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lambda f(x) \quad \text{where } \lambda = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^h - 1}{h} = \text{constant} = f'(0)$$

Define $f(x) = \exp(x) = e^x$ by $\frac{df}{dx} = f(x)$
with $f(0) = 1$.

Proof that $e = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k$ is on example sheets.

$$y = a^x = e^{x \ln a}, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = \ln a \times e^{x \ln a} = \ln a \cdot a^x$$

First order, linear differential equations.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{kx}) = k(e^{kx})$$

e^{kx} is an eigenfunction of the differential operator $\frac{d}{dx}$

The functional form is unchanged by the operator, only the magnitude is changed.

Any linear homogeneous ordinary differential equation with constant coefficients has solutions of the form e^{kx} .
e.g. $5y' - 3y = 0$ *

Linear the dependent variable appears only linearly
 $x^2 y'' + y \sin x = e^x$ is linear,
 $y y' + x y = S$ non linear

Homogeneous $y = 0$ is a solution.

Constant Coefficients independent variable does not appear explicitly
First order No higher derivatives than 1st are involved

$y = e^{kx}$, $y' = e^{kx}$
In example * $51e^{\frac{3}{5}x} - 3e^{kx} = 0$, $k = \frac{3}{5}$
as $e^{kx} \neq 0$ so $y = e^{\frac{3}{5}x}$ is a solution

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Differential Equations (6)

i) Because the equation is linear and homogeneous, any multiple of a solution is also a solution.

$\Rightarrow y = Ae^{\frac{3}{5}x}$ is also a solution for any constant a .

ii) An n^{th} order linear differential equation has (only) n independent solutions.

Therefore $y = Ae^{\frac{3}{5}x}$ is the most general solution to (*)

Can determine A by applying a boundary condition, i.e. y at $x=1$

Discrete Equations $5y' - 3y = 0$, $y = y_0$ when $x=1$

Approximate by $\frac{5y_{n+1} - y_n}{h} - 3y_n = 0$ with $y(0) = y_0$

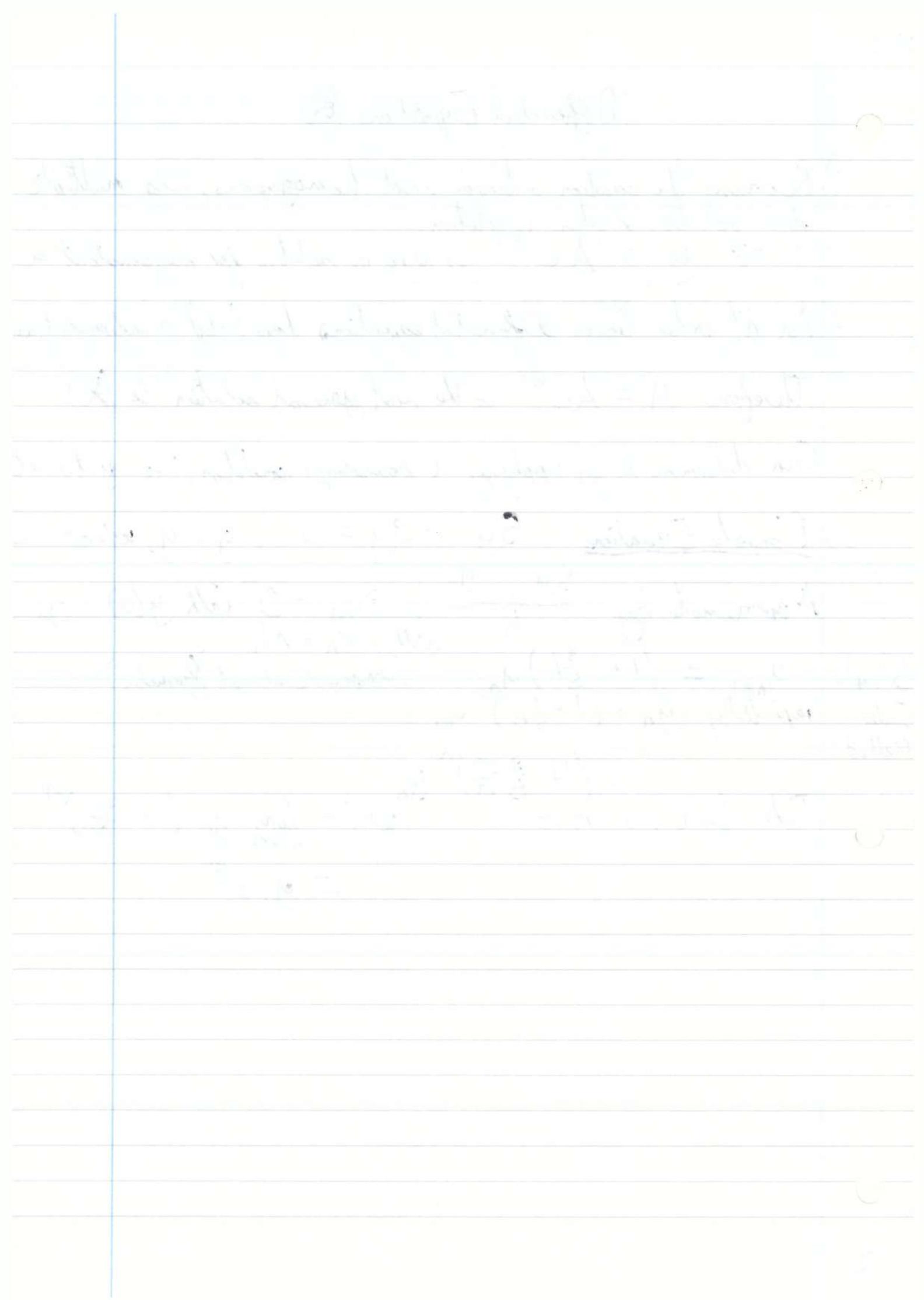
Simple $y_{n+1} = \left(1 + \frac{3}{5}h\right)y_n$ (compound interest formula)

Euler repeatedly $y_n = \left(1 + \frac{3}{5}h\right)^n y_0$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{3}{5}\frac{x}{n}\right)^n y_0$$

Take limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ $y(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_0 \left(1 + \frac{3x}{5n}\right)^n$

$$= y_0 e^{\frac{3x}{5}}$$



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Differential Equations ⑦

Series solution

Try a solution of the form: $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$

$$y' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$5y' - 3y = 0$$

$$5(xy') - 3xy = 0 \Rightarrow \sum a_n [5n - 3] x^n = 0$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^n: 5n a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

$$n=0: 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ is arbitrary}$$

$$n > 0: a_n = \frac{3}{5n} a_{n-1} = \frac{3}{5n} \cancel{a_{n-1}} = \frac{(\frac{3}{5})^n}{(5n)(5n-1)} a_{n-2} = (\frac{3}{5})^n \frac{1}{n!} a_0$$

$$y = a_0 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\frac{3}{5})^n}{n!} = a_0 e^{\frac{3x}{5}}$$

Forced equations - Inhomogeneous

$$i) \text{ Constant forcing } 5y' - 3y = 10$$

y_p can spot a steady (equilibrium) solution $y = y_p = -\frac{10}{3}$, $y_p' = 0$

particular steady solution $y = y_p + y_c \Rightarrow 5y_c - 3y_c = 0$

$$y = -\frac{10}{3} + Ae^{\frac{3x}{5}}$$

y_c ii) Eigenfunction forcing In a radioactive rock, isotope A decays into isotope B at a rate proportional to the number, a , of remaining nuclei of A, and B decays to C, at a rate proportional to the number b , of remaining nuclei B.

from equilibrium $\frac{da}{dt} = -k_a a$ $\frac{db}{dt} = k_a a - k_b b$
complementary $\Rightarrow \frac{da}{dt} + k_a a = 0$ $\frac{db}{dt} = k_a a_0 e^{-k_a t} - k_b b$

function

$$a = a_0 e^{-k_a t}$$

$$\frac{db}{dt} + k_b b = k_a a_0 e^{-k_a t}$$

$$(\frac{db}{dt} + k_b b) = -k_a a_0 e^{-k_a t}$$

Note: forcing is an eigenfunction of the differential operator on the LHS so try a particular integral.

$$b_p = C e^{-k_a t} \Rightarrow -k_a C + k_b C = k_a a_0 \Rightarrow C = \frac{k_a a_0}{k_b - k_a}$$

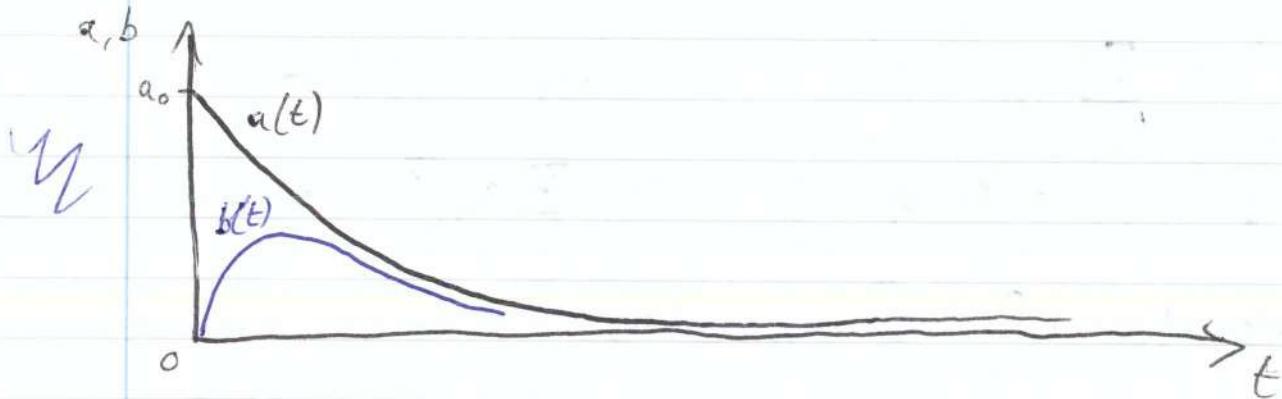
provided $k_a \neq k_b$

$$\text{Write } b = b_0 + b_c$$

$$b_c' + k_b b_c = 0$$

$$b_c = D e^{-k_b t}$$

$$b = \frac{k_a}{k_b - k_a} a_0 e^{-k_a t} + D e^{-k_b t}$$



Suppose $b = 0$ at $t = 0$

$$b = \frac{k_a}{k_b - k_a} a_0 (e^{-k_a t} - e^{-k_b t})$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{k_a}{k_b - k_a} \left[1 - e^{(k_a - k_b)t} \right]$$

This allows a rock to be dated from the relative proportions of certain isotopes.

Non-constant coefficients

General form: $a(x)y' + b(x)y = c(x)$

Divide by $a(x)$ to get standard form: $y' + p(x)y = f(x)$

Integrating Factor: Multiply by $\mu(x)$ so $\mu y' + \mu p y = \mu f$
Factor LHS is given to the product rule applied to $(\mu y)'$ if
 $\mu p = \mu'$, $\mu = \int p dx = \int \frac{1}{\mu} d\mu \frac{dx}{dx}$
 $\ln \mu = \int p dx$ (def), $\mu = A e^{\int p dx}$
 $A(\mu y)' = A \mu f$, $\mu y = \int \mu f dx$ etc

$$\text{e.g. } xy' + (1-x)y = 1, \quad y' + \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1\right)y = \frac{1}{x} - x$$

$$\text{IF } \mu = \exp\left(\int \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1\right) dx\right) = e^{\ln x - x} = xe^{-x}$$

$$2 \quad (xe^{-x}y)' = e^{-x}$$

$$xe^{-x}y = -e^{-x} + C$$

$$y = \frac{C - e^{-x}}{xe^{-x}} = -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{C}{x} e^x$$

$$\text{if finite, } x=1 \\ \Rightarrow C = 1 \\ y = -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} e^x$$

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Differential Equations ⑧

Nonlinear First order

In general, a first order ordinary differential equation has the form

$$Q(x, y) \frac{dy}{dx} + P(x, y) = 0$$

Separable Equations

The equation is separable if it can be manipulated into the form

$$q(y) dy = p(x) dx$$

in which case, solution can be found by integration

$$\int q(y) dy = \int p(x) dx$$

E.g. $(5x^2y - 3y) \frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy^2 = 4x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x + 2xy^2}{x^2y - 3y} = \frac{2xy(2+y^2)}{y(x^2-3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{y}{2+y^2} dy = \int \frac{2xy}{x^2-3} dx \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \ln(2+y^2) &= \ln(x^2-3) + C \\ (2+y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= A(x^2-3) \end{aligned}$$

Exact Equations

$$Q(x, y) \frac{dy}{dx} + P(x, y) = 0$$

is an exact equation if and only if

$Q(x, y) dy + P(x, y) dx$ is an exact differential of a function $f(x, y)$. i.e.

$$\exists f(x, y), df = P dx + Q dy$$

in which case, $df = 0$ from the differential equation, so $f = \text{constant}$
Suppose there exists such a function $f(x, y)$

trivial solution

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = P, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = Q$$

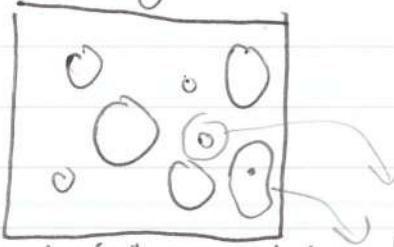
Note $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$

True (proof not given) that if $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}$ throughout a simply connected domain D the $Pdx + Qdy$ is an exact differential of a single valued function $f(x, y)$ in D .

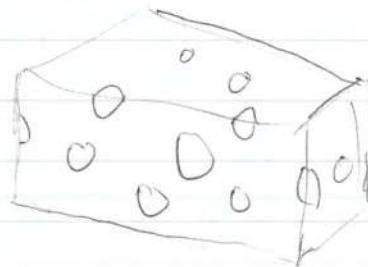
Note

- i) The reverse implication follows locally from the chain rule.
- ii) What is a simply connected domain? "A domain with no holes"

- a) Slice of swiss cheese b) A whole swiss cheese



not simply connected



closed path

can be shrunk to a point continuously without leaving the domain

Every closed path in the block can be shrunk to a point (providing no holes all the way through)

Example

$$6y(y-x) \frac{dy}{dx} + (2x - 3y^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 3y^2) dx + 6y(y-x) dy = 0$$

$$P = 2x - 3y^2, \quad Q = 6y(y-x)$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = -6y, \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = -6y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}|_y = 2x - 3y^2 \quad \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 6y(y-x) = -6xy + 6y^2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow f = xc^2 - 3xxy^2 + g(y) \quad \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -6xy + g'(y)$$

$$g'(y) = 6y$$

$$g = 3y^3 + C$$

$$f = xc^2 - 3xxy^2 + 3y^3 + C$$

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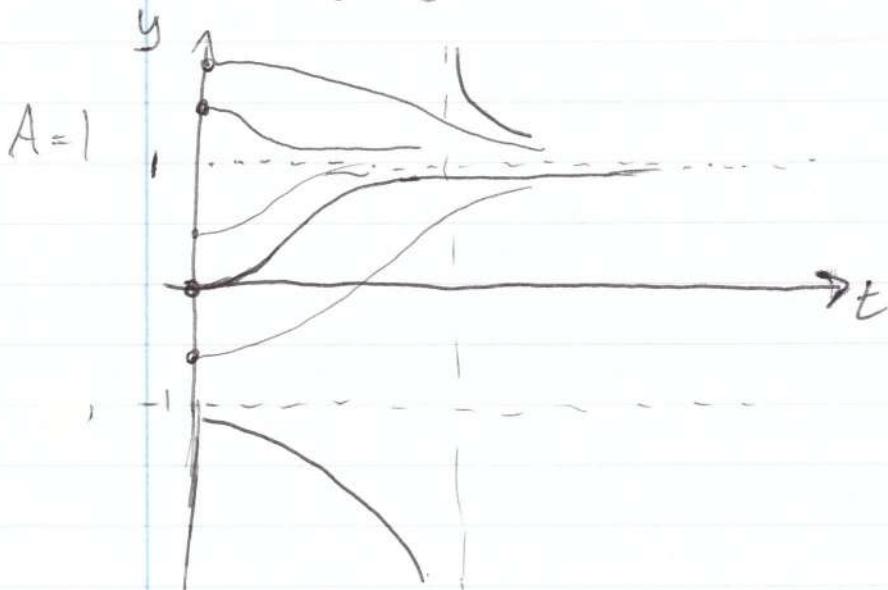
Differential equations (8)

Solution of the equation is $F = \text{constant}$
 $x^2 - 3xy^2 + 2y^3 + C = \text{constant}$

E.g. $\frac{dy}{dt} = t(1-y^2)$

$$\int \frac{1}{1-y^2} dy = \int t dt \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+y}{1-y}\right) = \frac{1}{2} t^2 + C$$
$$\text{artanh } y = \frac{1}{2} t^2 + C$$
$$y = \tanh\left(\frac{1}{2} t^2 + C\right)$$
$$\frac{1+y}{1-y} = Ae^{\frac{1}{2} t^2}$$
$$A = e^{\frac{1}{2} t^2}$$
$$y = \frac{A - e^{-\frac{1}{2} t^2}}{A + e^{-\frac{1}{2} t^2}}$$

If we have an initial condition, we can determine A .
e.g. if $y(0) = 0$, $A = 1$.

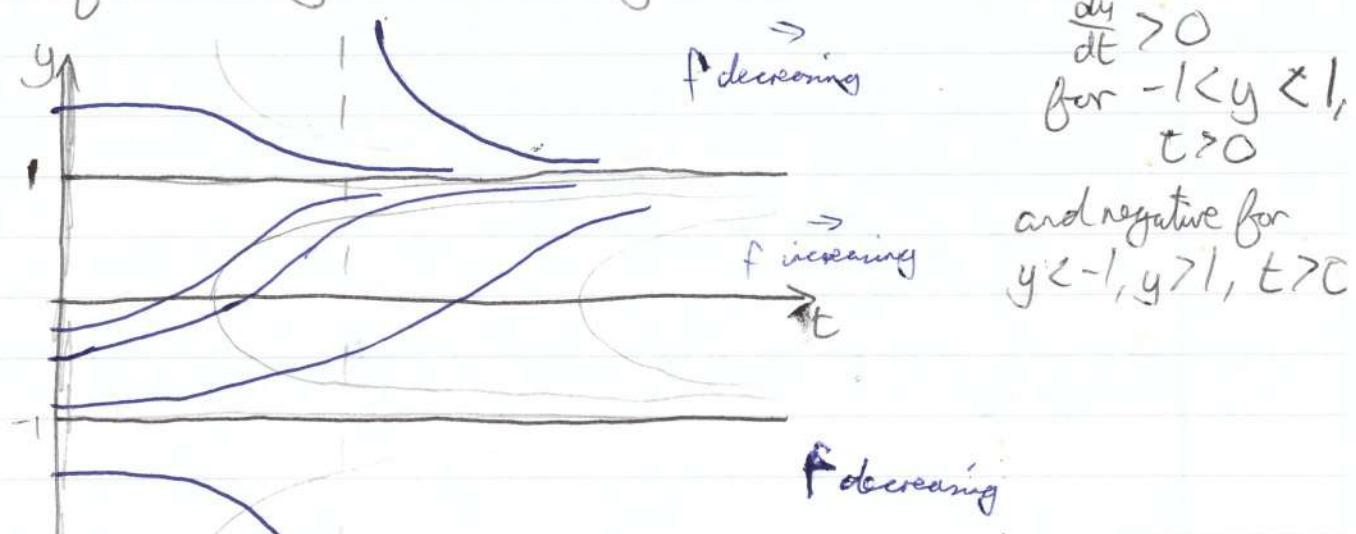


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Differential Equations ⑨

$$y' = t(1-y^2), \text{ Generally } \frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$$

Note first that $y' = 0$ where $y = \pm 1$ or $t = 0$. Note also that



Consider the contours of f which are called isoclines, of the differential equation

$$t \times (1-y^2) = C, t = \frac{C}{1-y^2} = \frac{C}{(1+y)(1-y)}$$

Note that as $|y| \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{dy}{dt} \approx -ty^2$, $\frac{dy}{y^2} = t dt$

Note if $f(y, t)$ is single valued curves do not cross. $y = \frac{1}{2}t^2 - D$
 $y = 1$ is a stable attractor, $y = -1$ is an unstable attractor.

Equilibria and stability

Fixed points (equilibrium points) are where $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$ for all t
 $\Rightarrow f(y, t) = 0$ for all t . In our example these are $y = \pm 1$.

We can see from the solution curves that as time increases, solutions converge towards $y = +1$, a stable fixed point but diverge from $y = -1$, an unstable fixed point.

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Perturbation analysis - to determine stability and nature of solutions close to fixed point

$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$. y is a fixed point, i.e. $f(a, t) = 0$

Write $y = a + \varepsilon(t)$ \leftarrow perturbation
Substitute: $\frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = f(a + \varepsilon, t)$

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = f(a, t) + \varepsilon \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, t) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} \approx \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right]_a \varepsilon \quad \text{linear equation}$$

In example $f = t(1-y^2)$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2yt = \begin{cases} -2t, & y=+1 \\ 2t, & y=-1 \end{cases}$

Near $y=+1$, $\dot{\varepsilon} = -2t\varepsilon$, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 e^{-t^2} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
Perturbation ε decays as $t \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow y=1$ is stable.

This is true for sufficiently small ε_0 .

Near $y=-1$, $\dot{\varepsilon} = 2t\varepsilon \Rightarrow \varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 e^{t^2} \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
Perturbation ε grows ("to infinity") as $t \rightarrow \infty$ for arbitrary small $|\varepsilon_0| > 0$
So $y=-1$ is unstable.

Autonomous Systems

$\dot{y} = f(y)$, independent of t . Then, near a fixed point $y=a$, $f(a)=0$,

write

$$y = a + \varepsilon(t) \Rightarrow \dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{df}{dy}(a) \cdot \varepsilon \equiv k\varepsilon \text{ say}$$

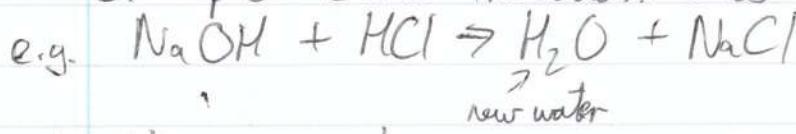
$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 e^{kt}$$

Fixed point is stable or unstable according to whether $\frac{df}{dy}(a)$ is +ve or -ve.
(stable if -ve, unstable if +ve)

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Differential Equation, ⑨

Example - Chemical reaction kinetics.



notebook # a b c c

Initially $a = a_0$, $b = b_0$, $c = 0$

If the reactants are in dilute solution (e.g. water) then the reaction rate
Reaction rate is linear in both a and b .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dc}{dt} = \lambda(ab) \quad \text{for some } \lambda$$

$$\dot{y} = f(y)$$

$$y(t) = a + \varepsilon(t), \quad f(a) = 0, \text{ a fixed point}$$

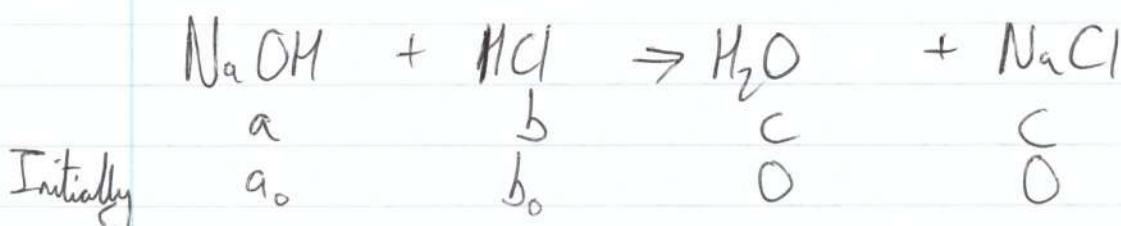
$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dt} = f(a+\varepsilon) \approx f(a) + \varepsilon \frac{df}{dy}|_a$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{df}{dy}|_a \varepsilon$$

\Rightarrow Stability for $\frac{df}{dy}|_a$ -ve
Instability for $\frac{df}{dy}|_a$ +ve

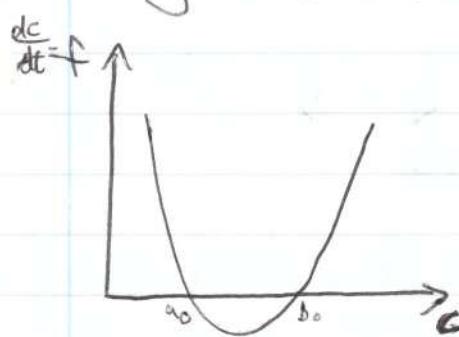
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Differential Equations ⑩



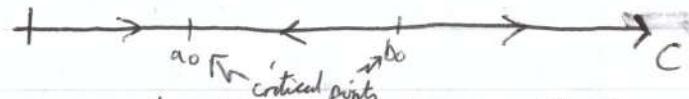
$$\frac{dc}{dt} = f(c) = \lambda(a_0 - c)(b_0 - c)$$

We can plot $\frac{dc}{dt}$ as a function of c
wlog $a_0 < b_0$



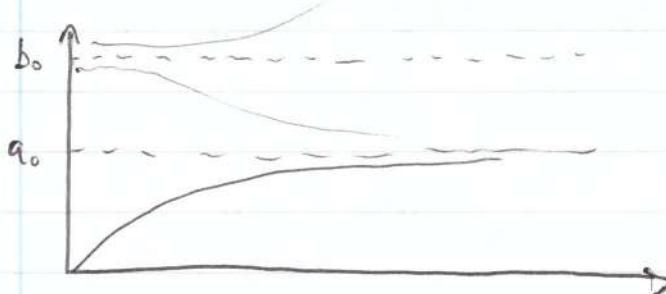
Determine the phase portrait. The dimension of the relevant phase space is equal to the order of the differential system.

Phase portrait



Arrows point in the direction of increasing t . From the phase portrait we can see easily that $c=a_0$ is a stable fixed point, $c=b_0$ an unstable fixed point

$$\text{Exercise, show } c = \frac{a_0 b_0 [1 - e^{-(b_0 - a_0)t}]}{b_0 - a_0 e^{-\lambda(b_0 - a_0)t}}$$



Logistic equation - A simple model of population dynamics

Population y , birth rate αy , death rate βy

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = (\alpha - \beta)y \Rightarrow y = y_0 e^{(\alpha - \beta)t}$$

population increases or decreases exponentially depending whether birth rates exceed death rates.

Fighting for limited resources

Probability of some food being found $\propto y$

same food being found by two individuals $\propto y^2$

If food is scarce, then fight (to the death).

Death rate due to fighting $\propto y^2$, $= ry^2$

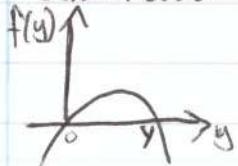
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = (\alpha - \beta)y - ry^2, \quad i.e. \quad y = r(y(1 - \frac{y}{r})) \quad r = \alpha - \beta$$

$y = \frac{r}{r}$

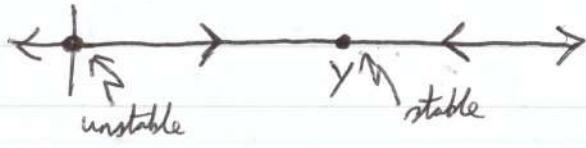
differential logistic equation

Phase portrait

Intermediate



Phase portrait



When population is small, $i.e. ry$, no competition, exponential growth.
Eventually, a stable equilibrium $y = Y$ is reached.

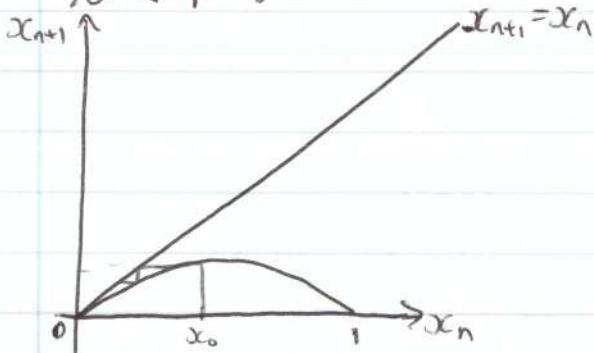
Discrete Equations Evolution of species may occur discretely (e.g. birth in spring, death in winter) rather than continuously. So a better model might be

$$x_{n+1} = \lambda x_n (1 - x_n)$$

Discrete logistic equation, or difference map. $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$

Behaviour

$\lambda < 1$:



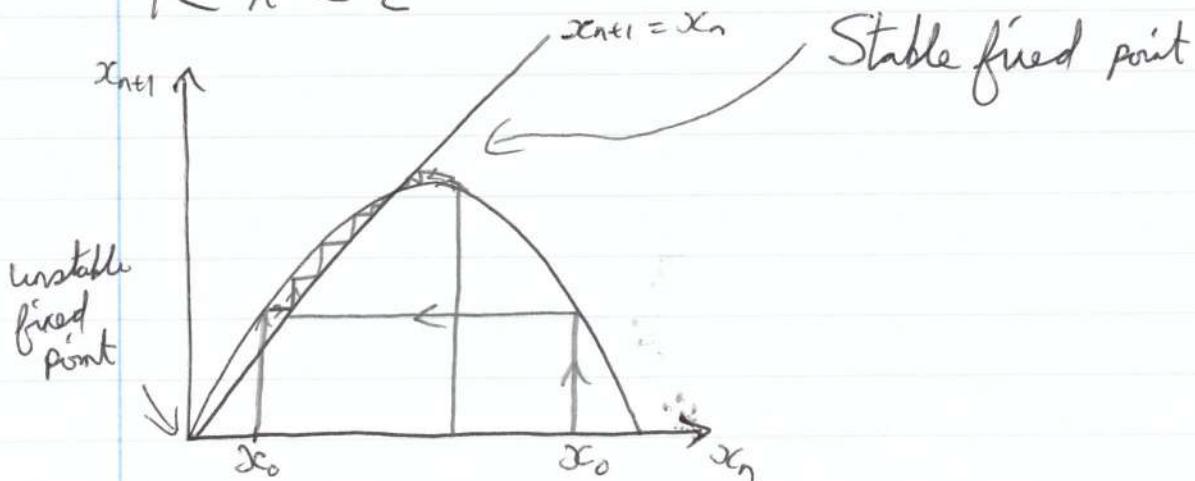
$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= x_n \\ \Rightarrow f(x_n) &= x_n \\ \lambda x_n (1 - x_n) &= x_n \\ x_n &= 0, x_n = 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

From picture, $x=0$ is a stable fixed point.

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Differential Equations (10)

$$1 < \lambda < 2$$



~~Stability~~ Stability suppose $x_n = X$ is a fixed point

Write $x_n = X + E_n$ perturbation

$$X + E_{n+1} = f(X + E_n)$$

$$X + E_{n+1} = f(x) + E_n f'(x) + O(E_n^2)$$

Fixed point is stable if $\left| \frac{E_{n+1}}{E_n} \right| < 1$ for all n
 $\Rightarrow |f'(x)| < 1$

For logistic equation

$$f = \lambda x(1-x)$$

$$f' = \lambda - 2\lambda x$$

$$x=0, f'=1, \text{ so } x=0 \text{ is stable} \Leftrightarrow |\lambda| < 1$$

$$x=1-\frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ is stable if } |\lambda - 2\lambda + 2| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |\lambda - 1| < 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 < \lambda < 3$$

$$\frac{E_{n+1}}{E_n} = f'(x) = 2 - \lambda, \begin{cases} > 0 \text{ for } \lambda < 2 \\ < 0 \text{ for } \lambda > 2 \end{cases}$$

Relationship between logistic equation and logistic map

Logistic equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = ry \left(1 - \frac{y}{Y}\right).$$

Approximate the left-hand side to give

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{\Delta t} &\approx ry_n \left(1 - \frac{y_n}{Y}\right) \\ \Rightarrow y_{n+1} &\approx y_n + r\Delta t y_n \left(1 - \frac{y_n}{Y}\right) \\ &= (1 + r\Delta t)y_n - \frac{r\Delta t}{Y} y_n^2 \\ &= (1 + r\Delta t)y_n \left[1 - \left(\frac{r\Delta t}{1 + r\Delta t}\right) \frac{y_n}{Y}\right]\end{aligned}$$

Write

$$\lambda = 1 + r\Delta t, \quad x_n = \left(\frac{r\Delta t}{1 + r\Delta t}\right) \frac{y_n}{Y}$$

Then

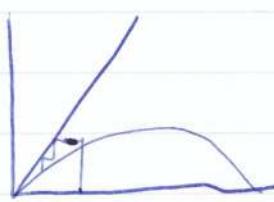
$$x_{n+1} = \lambda x_n (1 - x_n),$$

which is the logistic map.

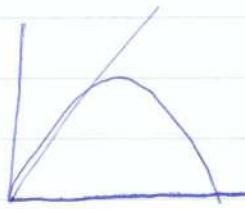
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Differential Equations ⑪

$$x_{n+1} = \lambda x(1-x_n)$$



$$\lambda < 1$$



$$1 < \lambda < 2$$



$$2 < \lambda < 3$$

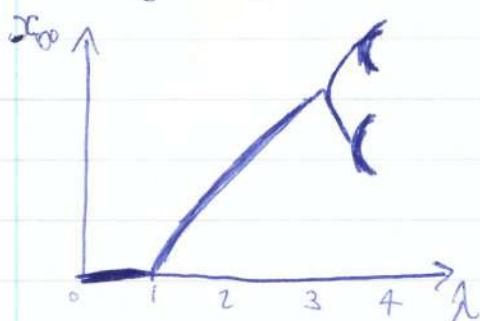


$$3 < \lambda < 1 + \sqrt{5} \approx 3.449$$

Oscillatory convergence to a limit cycle

At $\lambda = 1 + \sqrt{5} \approx 3.449$, the limit cycle gives way to a four cycle and at a little larger value of λ , to an 8 cycle and so on ad infinitum.

Stability Diagram



Second order differential equations

Constant coefficients $ay'' + by' + cy = f(x)$ a, b, c constant

i) Find complementary functions, which satisfy the homogeneous equation

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

ii) Find a particular integral that satisfies the full equation

Complementary functions

Recall that e^{rx} is an eigenfunction of $\frac{d}{dx}$ and hence also $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx}(\frac{d}{dx})$.
 Therefore the complementary functions have the form:

$$y_c = e^{rx}, \quad y_c' = \lambda e^{rx}, \quad y_c'' = \lambda^2 e^{rx}$$

multiplied by e^{rx} , $e^{rx} \neq 0$ → eigenvalue

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + b\lambda + c = 0 \quad \text{characteristic equation}$$

There are two (possibly complex) solutions of the characteristic equation.
 If they are distinct, λ_1, λ_2 say, $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$, then there are two independent complementary functions: $y_1 = e^{\lambda_1 x}, \quad y_2 = e^{\lambda_2 x}$.
 If λ_1, λ_2 are distinct, y_1, y_2 are linearly independent and complete.
 They form a basis of the space of solutions of the homogeneous equations.
 The general complementary function is:

$$y_c = Ae^{\lambda_1 x} + Be^{\lambda_2 x}$$

E.g.

$$\begin{aligned} y'' - 5y + 6y &= 0 \\ \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda-2)(\lambda-3) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y_c &= Ae^{2x} + Be^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + 4y &= 0 \\ \lambda^2 + 4 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{Try } y = e^{\lambda x}$$

$$\lambda = \pm 2i \quad y_c = Ae^{2ix} + Be^{-2ix}$$

$$y_c = A(\cos 2x + i \sin 2x) + B(\cos 2x - i \sin 2x)$$

$$y_c = (A+B)\cos 2x + i(A-B)\sin 2x$$

$$y_c = \alpha \cos 2x + \beta \sin 2x$$

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Differential Equations (11)

Degeneracy:

$$\begin{aligned} & y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = 0 \\ & (\lambda - 2)^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Type $e^{\lambda x}$

$\lambda = 2$ or 2 , But e^{2x} and e^{-2x} are clearly not independent.
So these in particular are not complete.

Defining: Consider $y'' - 4y' + (4 - \varepsilon^2)y = 0$ Try an eigenfunction solution $y = e^{\lambda x}$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 - \varepsilon^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2 \pm \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_c &= Ae^{(2+\varepsilon)x} + Be^{(2-\varepsilon)x} = e^{2x}(Ae^{\varepsilon x} + Be^{-\varepsilon x}) \\ &= e^{2x}[(A+B) + \varepsilon x(A-B) + O(\varepsilon^2, B\varepsilon^2)] \end{aligned}$$

Choose $A+B = \alpha$, independent of ε $\varepsilon(A-B) = \beta$, independent of ε

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{2}\left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{\varepsilon}\right), \quad B = \frac{1}{2}\left(\alpha - \frac{\beta}{\varepsilon}\right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) \quad B = O\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) \end{aligned}$$

as $\varepsilon \geq 0$

$$y_c = e^{2x}[\alpha + \beta x + O(\varepsilon)]$$

linear equations with constant coefficients

$$\rightarrow e^{2x}[\alpha + \beta x] \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \geq 0$$

A demonstration of a general rule that if $y_1(x)$ is a degenerate complementary function, then $y_2(x) = xy_1(x)$ is a complementary function.

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Differential Equations (12)

Method of finding second complementary functions (degenerate cases):

If $y_1(x)$ is a complementary function of a homogeneous linear 2nd order ODE, look for another solution of the form $y_2(x) = v(x)y_1(x)$

Note that $v'(x)$ will satisfy a first order equation.

$$\text{E.g. } y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0, \quad y_1 = e^{2x}$$

$$\text{Try } y_2 = v(x)e^{2x}$$

$$y'_2 = (v' + 2v)e^{2x}$$

$$y''_2 = (v'' + 4v' + 4v)e^{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow v'' + 4v' + 4v - 4(v' + 2v) + 4v = 0$$

Cancel because $y_1 = e^{2x}$ is a complementary function

$$v'' = 0, \quad v' = A, \quad v = Ax + B$$

$$\text{So } y_2(x) = (Ax + B)e^{2x}$$

Note that y_2 may include arbitrary amounts of y_1 .

This method works for any linear homogeneous ODEs, constant coefficients not needed

Phase Space A differential equation of n^{th} order determines the n^{th} derivative $y^{(n)}(x)$, and hence, all other higher derivatives in terms of $x, y(x), y'(x) \dots y^{(n-1)}(x)$. We can think of this in terms of a solution vector:

$$\underline{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} y(x) \\ y'(x) \\ y''(x) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n-1)}(x) \end{pmatrix} \text{ n dimensional vector.}$$

Defining a point (for each value of x) in an n dimensional phase space. $\underline{Y}(x)$ traces out a trajectory in phase space.

$$y'' + 4y = 0$$

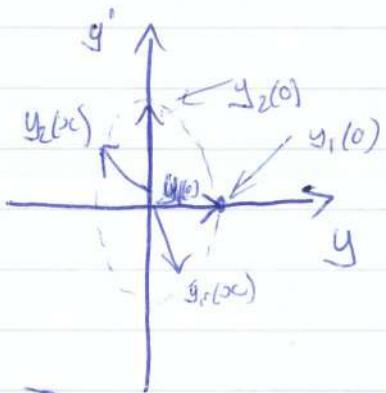
$$y_1 = \cos 2x, \quad y_2 = \sin 2x$$

$$y'_1 = -2\sin 2x, \quad y'_2 = 2\cos 2x$$

The solution vectors are

$$\underline{Y}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2x \\ -2\sin 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{Y}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin 2x \\ 2\cos 2x \end{pmatrix}$$



The solutions $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ are independent solutions of the differential equation or linear if the vectors ~~are~~ y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent i.e. If the Wronskian ~~Determinant~~ Determinant:

$$W(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \\ y_1' & y_2' & y_3' & \dots & y_n' \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

For a 2nd order equation $W(x) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix}$

e.g. $W = \begin{vmatrix} \cos 2x & \sin 2x \\ -2\sin 2x & 2\cos 2x \end{vmatrix} = 2 \neq 0$

Or

$$y_1 = e^{2x}, y_2 = xe^{2x}$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^{2x} & xe^{2x} \\ 2e^{2x} & (1+2x)e^{2x} \end{vmatrix} = e^{4x}(1+2x-2) = e^{4x} \neq 0$$

Abel's Theorem

Write equation in standard form $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$
 If p, q are continuous then either ~~the Wronskian~~ $W=0$ or $W \neq 0$ for any value of x .

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Differential Equations (12)

Suppose y_1 and y_2 are two solutions. Then $y_2(y_1'' + py_1' + qy_1) = 0$
 $y_1(y_2'' + py_2' + qy_2) = 0$
subtract $\Rightarrow (y_2 y_1'' - y_1 y_2'') + p(y_2 y_1' - y_1 y_2') = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -W' - pW = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow W' + pW = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow W = W_0 e^{-\int p dx}$$

The exponential is never zero so $W_0 = 0$ or $W \neq 0$ for any δC .

Note Any linear n^{th} order differential equation can be written in the form \textcircled{P}
$$Y' + A(x)Y = 0$$

It can be shown that $W' + \text{Tr}(A)W = 0$, $W = W_0 e^{-\int \text{Tr}(A) dx}$
and Abel's Theorem holds.

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Differential Equations (13)

Particular Integrals

Method 1 - Guesswork

$$f(x)$$

eigenfunction

$$e^{mx}$$

forcing

$$\sin kx$$

$$\cos kx$$

$$x^n$$

polynomial

$$P_n(x)$$

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}

$$y_p(x)$$

$$Ae^{mx}$$

$$A \sin kx + B \cos kx$$

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

Remember that equation is linear, so we can superpose solutions corresponding to different forcings.

E.g. $y'' - 5y' + 6y = 2x + e^{4x}$

$$y_p = ax + b + ce^{4x}$$

$$y_p' = a + 4ce^{4x}$$

$$y_p'' = 16ce^{4x}$$

$$16ce^{4x} - 5(a + 4ce^{4x}) + 6(ax + b + ce^{4x}) = 2x + e^{4x}$$

Coeff. of x^2	$16c - 20c + bc = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$
x^1	$-5a + 6b = 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{5}{18}$

General solution: $y = Ae^{3x} + Be^{2x} + \frac{1}{2}e^{4x} + \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{18}$

Note!!

Can apply boundary conditions with only the complete solution $y = y_c + y_p$

Resonance Consider $\ddot{y} + \omega_0^2 y = 0$ in $\omega_0 t$, $y_c = A \sin \omega_0 t + B \cos \omega_0 t$

Here the forcing is linearly dependent on the eigenfunctions of the homogeneous ODE (i.e. on the complementary functions).

$y_p = C \sin \omega_0 t + D \cos \omega_0 t$ will give $\ddot{y}_p + \omega_0^2 y_p = 0$ so we can't force

This example is a simple harmonic oscillator forced at its natural (resonant) frequency.

Detuning

Consider $\ddot{y} + \omega_0^2 y = \sin \omega t$

$$y_p = C(\sin \omega t - \sin \omega_0 t)$$

$$\ddot{y}_p = C(-\omega^2 \sin \omega t + \omega_0^2 \sin \omega_0 t)$$

$$\omega \neq \omega_0$$

no cosine needed, no need to take account of first derivative

Substitute

$$\Rightarrow C(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = \frac{\sin \omega t - \sin \omega_0 t}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} = \frac{2 \cos\left(\frac{\omega+\omega_0}{2}t\right) \sin\left(\frac{\omega-\omega_0}{2}t\right)}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$\omega_0 - \omega = \Delta\omega$$

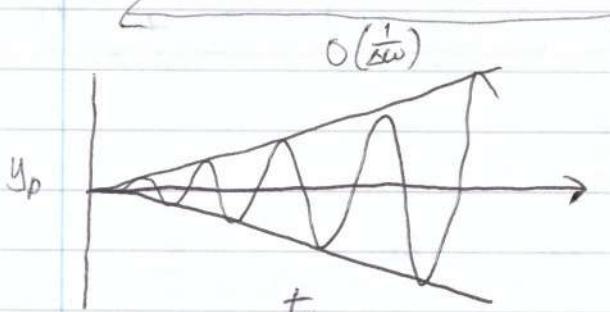
$$y_p = -\frac{2}{(\omega+\omega_0)\Delta\omega} \cos\left(\frac{\omega+\omega_0}{2}t\right) \times \cos\left[\left(\omega_0 - \frac{\Delta\omega}{2}\right)t\right] \sin\left(\frac{\Delta\omega}{2}t\right)$$



If the forcing is at a frequency close to the natural frequency we get beating, in $\frac{\Delta\omega}{2}t$, and as $\Delta\omega \rightarrow 0$, the envelope tends to ∞ and we just see initial linear growth

Mathematically :

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\omega &\rightarrow 0 \\ y_p &\rightarrow -\frac{2}{\omega_0 + \omega_0} \cos(\omega_0 t) \times \left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \\ &= -\frac{t}{2\omega_0} \cos \omega_0 t \end{aligned}$$



$$y_p = \frac{t}{2\omega_0} \cos \omega_0 t \quad \text{constant}$$

General rule : If forcing is a linear combination of complementary functions then the particular integral has an amplitude proportional to t times the non resonant guess (relates to ODEs with Constant coefficients).

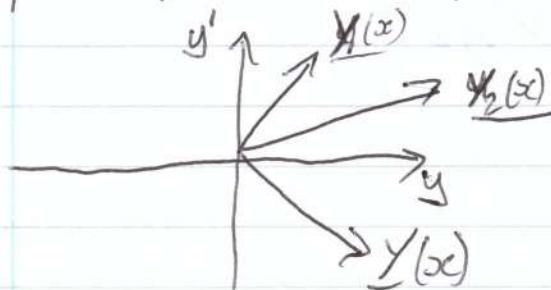
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Method 2

Let $y_1(x)$, $y_2(x)$ be linearly independent functions of the ODE.

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = f(x)$$

The solution vector $\underline{Y}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_1' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\underline{Y}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ y_2' \end{pmatrix}$ form a basis of the phase space (solution space).



We can write

$$\underline{Y}_p(x) = u\underline{Y}_1(x) + v\underline{Y}_2(x)$$

Then $\underline{Y}_p = u\underline{Y}_1 + \cancel{v\underline{Y}_2}$

$$\underline{Y}_p' = u\underline{Y}_1' + \cancel{v\underline{Y}_2'}$$

$$\underline{Y}_p'' = u\underline{Y}_1'' + \cancel{v\underline{Y}_2''}$$

$$+ v\underline{Y}_2, \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$+ v\underline{Y}_2' \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$+ v\underline{Y}_2'' + v'\underline{Y}_2'$$

① Apply product rule

$$\underline{Y}_p' = u\underline{Y}_1' + u'\underline{Y}_1 + v\underline{Y}_2' + v'\underline{Y}_2$$

$$\text{Compare with } \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \underline{Y}_1 u' + \underline{Y}_2 v' = 0$$

$$y'' + p y' + q y = f$$

$$y_p = u y_1 + v y_2$$

$$y_p' = u y_1' + v y_2' \Rightarrow y_1 u' + y_2 v' = 0$$

$$y_p'' = u y_1'' + u' y_1' + v y_2'' + v' y_2'$$

~~$y_1 u' + y_2 v'$~~

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Differential Equations ⑭

$$Y_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_1' \end{pmatrix} \quad Y_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ y_2' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y_p = u(x) Y_1(x) + v(x) Y_2(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_p &= u y_1 + v y_2 \\ y_p' &= u y_1' + v y_2' \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 u' + y_2 v' = 0 \quad \textcircled{3}$$

Differential Equation

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = f(x)$$

$$y_p'' = u y_1'' + v y_2'' + u' y_1' + v' y_2'$$

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Sub into differential equation

$$\Rightarrow y_1 u' + y_2 v' = f(x) \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \text{ give } \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{W} \begin{pmatrix} y_2' & -y_2 \\ -y_1' & y_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

So solution exists providing $W \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow u' = -\frac{y_2}{W} f \quad v' = \frac{y_1}{W} f$$

$$\text{Eg. } y'' + 4y = \sin 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \sin 2x \\ y_2 &= \cos 2x \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} W = -2$$

$$y_p = u \sin 2x + v \cos 2x$$

$$y_p' = u 2 \cos 2x + v (-2 \sin 2x)$$

$$y_p'' =$$

$$\text{Sub and solve to find } u' = \frac{\cos 2x \sin 2x}{2}, \quad v' = -\frac{\sin^2 2x}{2}$$

$$u = -\frac{1}{16} \cos 4x, \quad v = \frac{1}{16} \sin 4x - \frac{x}{4}$$

$$y_p = \frac{1}{16} (-\cos 4x \sin 2x + \sin 4x \cos 2x) - \frac{x}{4} \cos 2x$$

$$= \underline{\frac{1}{16} \sin 2x} - \underline{\frac{1}{4} x \cos 2x}$$

\rightarrow found earlier by 'detuning'

piece of complementary function

Homogeneous Equations (linear equidimensional equations)

$$ax^2 y'' + bxy' + cy = f(x)$$

with a, b, c constants.

Complementary functions

Note $y = xc^k$ is an eigenfunction of the operator $xc \frac{d}{dx}$

1. To solve $ax^2 y'' + bxy' + cy = 0$

$$\text{Try } y = xc^k, \quad y' = kc x^{k-1}, \quad y'' = k(k-1)c x^{k-2}$$

$$ak(k-1) + bk + c = 0 \quad \Rightarrow k = k_1, k_2$$

$$y_c = Ax^{k_1} + Bx^{k_2}$$

2. Write $z = \ln x$, show $a \frac{d^2y}{dz^2} + (b-a) \frac{dy}{dz} + cy = f(e^z)$

So this transformation converts an equidimensional equation into one with constant coefficients.

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Differential Equations (14)

Characteristic equations $a\lambda^2 + (b-a)\lambda + c = 0$

$$y_c = Ae^{k_1 z} + Be^{k_2 z} \quad \lambda = k_1, k_2 \rightarrow \text{same solution}$$

If roots of the characteristic equation are equal then $y_c = e^{kz}, ze^{kz}$

$$y_c = x^k, x^k \log x$$

And if there is a resonant forcing proportional to x^{k_1} or x^{k_2} then there is a particular again with logarithmic growth; form $x^{k_1} \log x$ or $x^{k_2} \log x$

Difference Equations for discrete variables

$$ay_{n+2} + by_{n+1} + cy_n = f_n$$

Solve in a similar way to differential equations by exploiting linearity and eigen functions.

Difference operator $\Delta[y_n] = y_{n+1}$ has eigenfunctions $y_n = k^n$
because $\Delta[k^n] = D[k^n] = k^{n+1} = k \cdot k^n = k y_n$

To solve the difference equation, first look for complementary functions satisfying $ay_{n+2} + by_{n+1} + cy = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Try } y_n &= k^n & ak^{n+2} + bk^{n+1} + ck^n &= 0 \\ && ak^2 + bk + c &= 0 \\ &\Rightarrow k = k_1, k_2 \end{aligned}$$

General complementary function $y_n^{(c)} = A k_1^n + B k_2^n$ if $k_1 \neq k_2$
 $= (A+Bn) k_1^n$ if $k_1 = k_2$

Particular integrals

Particular Integrals (difference equations)

$$f_{\lambda} \hat{\lambda}^n$$
$$k_1 n^p k_2^n$$

$$y_n^{(p)} = A \lambda^n + B n k_1 \lambda^n + C n k_2^n + D$$
$$\lambda \neq k_1, k_2$$

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Differential Equations (15)

Difference Equations

Difference operator $D[y_n] = y_{n+1}$ has an eigenfunction $y_n = k^n$

E.g. Fibonacci Sequence $y_n = y_{n-1} + y_{n-2}$, $y_0 = y_1 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{y_{n+2} - y_{n+1} - y_n}{D^2[y_n] - D[y_n] - y_n} = 0 \\ & D^2[y_n] - D[y_n] - y_n = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow k^2 - k - 1 = 0 \quad k = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}, \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \end{aligned}$$

General solution $y_n = A\varphi_1^n + B\varphi_2^n$

Initial conditions $y_0 = 1 = A + B$

$$y_1 = 1 = A\varphi_1 + B\varphi_2 \Rightarrow A = \frac{\varphi_1}{\sqrt{5}}, B = -\frac{\varphi_2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_n = \frac{\varphi_1^{n+1} - \varphi_2^{n+1}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Transients and damping

In many physical systems there is some sort of restoring force and some damping. E.g. car suspension

Newton's second law



$$\begin{aligned} M\ddot{x} &= F - kx - L\dot{x} \\ \ddot{x} + \frac{L}{M}\dot{x} + \frac{k}{M}x &= \frac{F(t)}{M} \end{aligned}$$

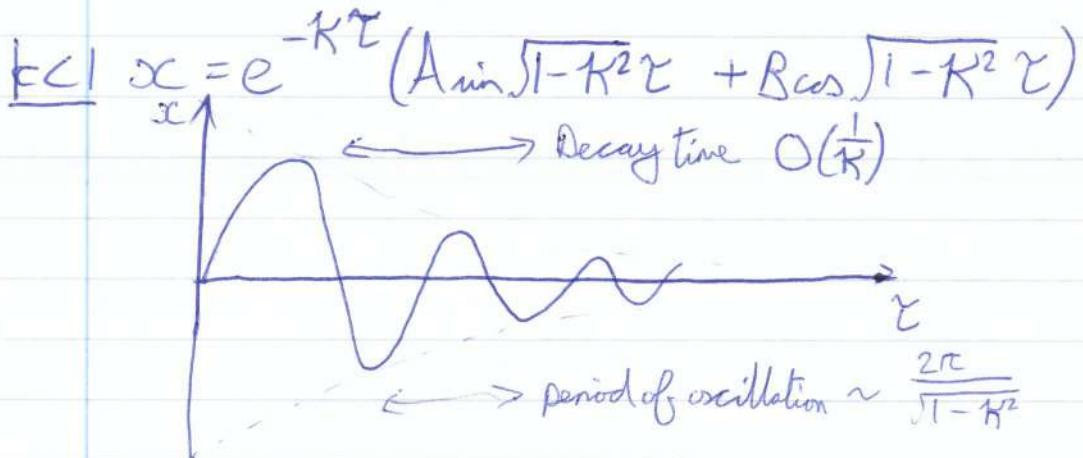
Note: τ is dimensionless

$$\text{Write } t = \sqrt{\frac{M}{K}} \tau \quad \text{where } (\cdot) \text{ means } \frac{d}{dt}, K = \frac{L}{2\sqrt{km}}$$

$$\ddot{x} + 2K\dot{x} + x = f(\tau) \quad f = \frac{F}{K}$$

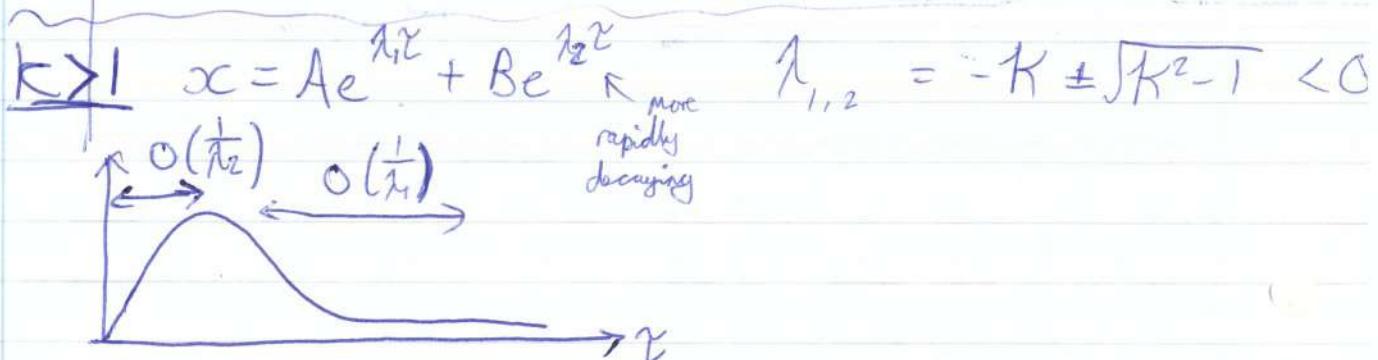
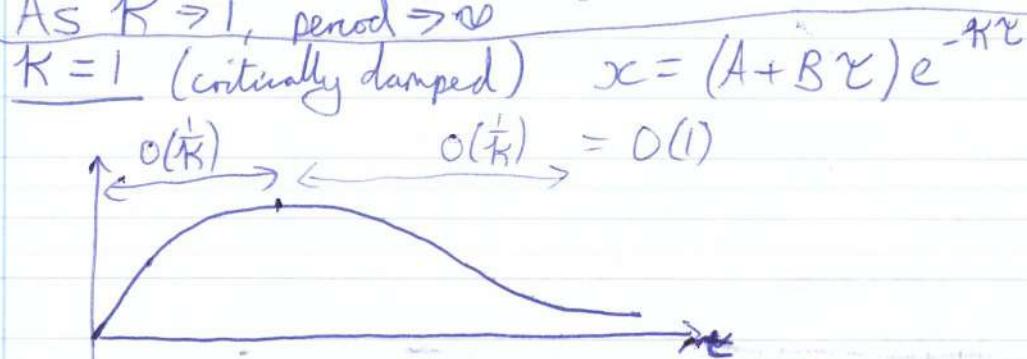
There is a single parameter K determining the behaviour of the system.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Free (natural response)} \quad f = 0, \ddot{x} + 2K\dot{x} + x = 0 \\ & \text{Try } x = e^{\lambda t} \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 2K\lambda + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -K \pm \sqrt{K^2 - 1} = \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \end{aligned}$$



If we increase the damping (or decrease the mass or spring constant) then the period increases and the decay decreases.

As $K \geq 1$, period $\rightarrow \infty$



Possible to get a large initial increase in amplitude before the eventual slow decay
 In a forced system, the complementary functions determine the early time transient response while the particular integral determines the long term "asymptotic" response

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Differential Equations (15)

E.g. $\ddot{x} + 2K\dot{x} + x = \sin \gamma \quad K \neq 0$

try $x = C \sin \gamma + D \cos \gamma$ for particular integral

$$C=0, D=-\frac{1}{2K}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = A e^{\lambda_1 \gamma} + B e^{\lambda_2 \gamma} - \frac{1}{2K} \cos \gamma \sim -\frac{1}{2K} \cos \gamma \text{ as } \gamma \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{because } \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_{1,2}) = 0$$

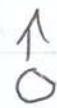
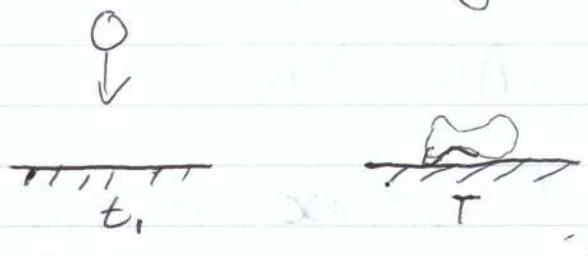
Note the forced response is out of phase with the forcing.

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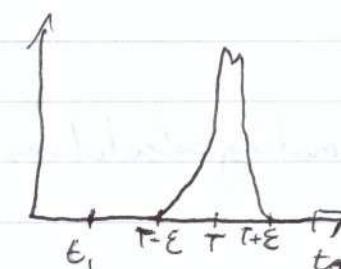
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Impulses and point forces

Consider a ball bouncing on the ground



Force exerted on the ball
is $F(t)$



Often don't know or
wish to know details of $F(t)$ but note that it
only acts for a time of $O(\epsilon)$ much less than the
total time scale of the system.

possible and convenient

It is mathematically to imagine the force acting instantaneously at $t = T$,
i.e. $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$. Using Newton's 2nd Law

$m\ddot{x} = F(t) - mg$. Integrate for $T - \epsilon$ to $T + \epsilon$

$$\int_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} dt = \int_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} F(t) dt - \int_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} mg dt.$$

$$\left[m \frac{dx}{dt} \right]_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} = I \text{, impulse} \quad \text{where } I = \int_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} F(t) dt$$

area under
force
curve
only property of F influencing macroscopic behavior

If contact time 2ϵ is very small then mathematically we neglect it and write

$$\left[m \frac{dx}{dt} \right]_{T-}^{T+} = I$$

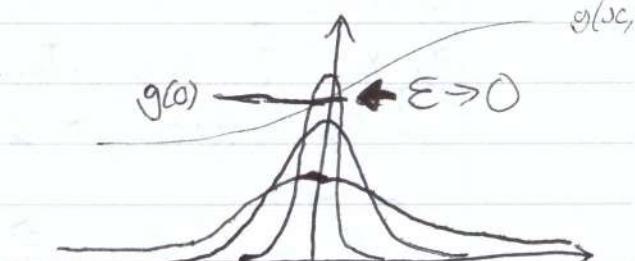
Important The only feature of $F(t, \epsilon)$ we are interested in is its integral.
Mathematically, we consider a family of functions $D(t; \epsilon)$ such that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} D(t; \epsilon) = 0 \text{ for all } t = 0.$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} D(t; \epsilon) dt = 1$$

$$\text{E.g. } D(t; \epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon \sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{\epsilon^2}}$$

as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, $D(0; \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ so $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} D(t; \epsilon)$ is not a function
it is undefined.



Nonetheless we define the Dirac Delta Function by $\delta(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} D(x; \epsilon)$
on the understanding that we can only use its integral properties.

e.g. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \delta(x) dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$

means

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) D(x; \epsilon) dx$$

Note! no
formal proof here

$$= g(0) \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} D(x; \epsilon) dx = g(0)$$

Provided g is continuous.

This gives us a convenient way of representing and making calculations involving impulses or point forces.

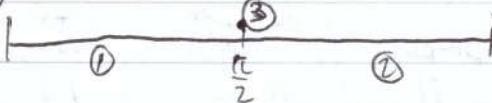
$$m\ddot{x} = -mg + I \delta(t-T)$$

$$x = x_0, \dot{x} = 0, t = 0,$$

* In general $\int_a^b g(x) \delta(x-c) dx = g(c) \text{ if } c \in (a, b)$
 $= 0 \text{ if } c < a, c > b$

Example Point force

Solve $y'' - y = 3\delta(x - \frac{\pi}{2})$, $y=0$ at $x=0, \pi$
for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$



$$\textcircled{1} \quad 0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2} \quad y'' - y = 0, \quad y = A \sinh x + B \cosh x$$

$$y=0 @ x=0 \Rightarrow B=0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{\pi}{2} < x \leq \pi \quad y'' - y = 0 \quad y = C \sinh(\pi-x) + D \cosh(\pi-x)$$

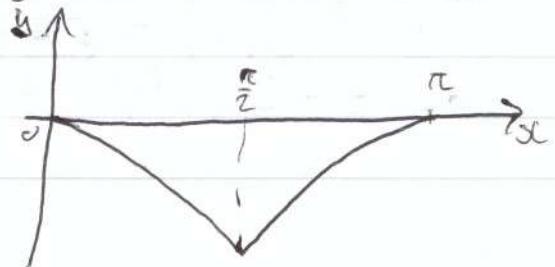
$$y=0 @ x=\pi \Rightarrow D=0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad y \text{ is continuous} \Rightarrow A=C$$

Integrate from $\frac{\pi}{2}-$ to $\frac{\pi}{2}+$.

$$\left[y' \right]_{\frac{\pi}{2}-}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+} = 3 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{3}{2 \sinh \frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$y = \begin{cases} -\frac{3 \sinh x}{2 \cosh \frac{\pi}{2}} & 0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ -\frac{3 \sinh(\pi-x)}{2 \cosh \frac{\pi}{2}} & \frac{\pi}{2} < x \leq \pi \end{cases}$$



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Differential Equations (17)

$$\delta(x) = 0, x \neq 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) dx = 1$$

$$\int_a^b g(x) \delta(x-c) dx = \begin{cases} g(c) & \text{if } a < c < b \\ 0 & \text{if } c \leq a \text{ or } c \geq b \end{cases}$$

$$ay'' + by' + cy = I\delta(x-d)$$

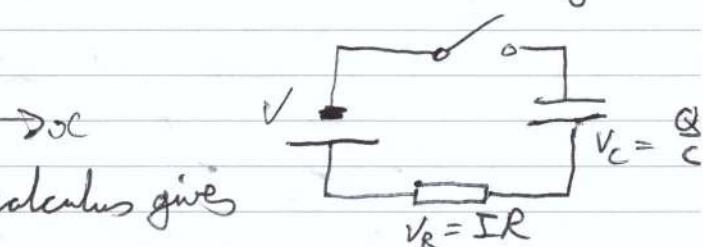
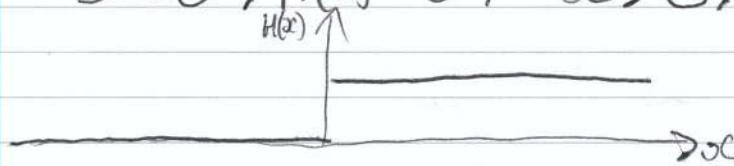
Then $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$ if $x > d$, $x < d$

$$b[y]_d^{\text{df}} + a[y']_d^{\text{df}} = I$$

Heaviside Step Function $H(x)$

Define

$$x < 0, H(x) = 0, \quad x > 0, H(x) = 1. \quad H(0) \text{ is undefined.}$$



Can apply the Fundamental Theorem of calculus give

$$\frac{dH}{dx} = \delta(x), \text{ useful for switching problems}$$

$$V(H(t)) = IR + \frac{Q}{C} = R \frac{dQ}{dt} + \frac{Q}{C}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{Q} + \frac{1}{RC} Q = \frac{V}{R} H(t)$$

Note, Q is continuous at $t=0$ but \dot{Q} jumps by $\frac{V}{R}$

Series Solutions

Consider equations of the form $p(x)y'' + q(x)y' + r(x)y = 0$

$x = x_0$ is an ordinary point of the DE if $\frac{q}{p}$ and $\frac{r}{p}$ have Taylor series at x_0 (i.e. infinitely differentiable at x_0). Otherwise it is a singular point.

If x_0 is a singular point, but the equation can be written in the form

$$P(x)(x-x_0)^2 y'' + Q(x)(x-x_0) y' + R(x) y = 0$$

where $\frac{Q}{P}$ and $\frac{R}{P}$ have Taylor series about x_0 , then x_0 is a regular singular point.

Examples

i) $(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$. $x=0$ is an ordinary point.
 $x = \pm 1$ are singular points

ii) $\sin x y'' + \cos x y' + 2y = 0$
 $x = n\pi$ is a singular point, all regular. All other points are ordinary.

$$\text{iii) } (1+x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$$

$x=0$ is an irregular singular point.

Theorem If x_0 is an ordinary point then the equation has 2 linearly independent solutions of the form

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$$

convergent in some neighbourhood of x_0 .

If x_0 is a regular singular point then the equation has at least 1 solution of the form

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^{n+0}$$

Frobenius Series, $a_0 \neq 0$

Eg. $(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0 \quad x=0, \text{ ordinary point}$

We will find a series solution about $x=0$.
Write

$$(1-x^2)\underline{x^2}y'' - 2x^2\underline{xy}' + 2x^2\underline{y} = 0$$

Try: $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$

Sub: $\sum a_n [(1-x^2)n(n-1) - 2x^2 n + 2x^2] x^n = 0$

Coefficient of x^n gives a general recurrence relation.

$$n(n-1)a_n - [(n-2)(n-2-1) + 2(n-2)] a_{n-2} = 0$$

$$[n(n-1)a_n = n(n-3)a_{n-2}] \quad n=0, \quad 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ is arbitrary.}$$

$$n=1, \quad 0 \cdot a_1 = -2a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 \text{ is arbitrary.}$$

If $n \geq 1$: $a_n = \frac{n-3}{n-1} a_{n-2}$
often, this is the end of the story.

$$a_n = \frac{n-3}{n-1} a_{n-2} = \frac{n-3}{n-1} \cdot \frac{n-5}{n-3} a_{n-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{2k} = -\frac{1}{2k+1} a_0, \quad a_{2k+1} = 0, \quad k \geq 1$$

$$y = a_0 \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{1} - \frac{x^4}{3} - \frac{x^6}{5} \dots \right] + a_1 x$$

$$= a_0 \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} \ln \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right] + a_1 x$$

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Differential Equations (18)

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$P y'' - Q y' + R y = 0$$

If $\frac{Q}{P}$, $\frac{R}{P}$ have Taylor series at $x=x_0$, then x_0 is an ordinary point

(1) is singular at $x=1$ as $\frac{Q}{P} = -\frac{2x}{1-x^2}$

but $(x-1)^2 \frac{Q}{P}$ and $(x-1)^2 \frac{R}{P}$ have Taylor Series, so $x=1$ is a regular singular point

$$\text{E.g. } 4xy'' + 2(1-x^2)y' - xy = 0$$

$x=0$ is a regular singular point.

First write

$$4(x^2y'') + 2(1-x^2)(xy') - xy = 0$$

$$\text{Try } y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+\sigma}, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$\sum a_n [4(n+\sigma)(n+\sigma-1) + 2(1-x^2)(n+\sigma) - x^2] x^{n+\sigma} = 0$$

(Coefficient of $x^{n+\sigma}$ gives

$$[4(n+\sigma)(n+\sigma-1) + 2(n+\sigma)] a_n + a_{n-2} [-2(n+\sigma-2) - 1] = 0$$

$$2(n+\sigma)(2n+2\sigma-1) a_n = (2n+2\sigma-3) a_{n-2}$$

The case $n=0$ gives the indicial equation, which determines the index σ

$$2\sigma(2\sigma-1)a_0 = 0 \quad \text{but we decided } a_0 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = 0, \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Try } \sigma = 0$$

$$2n(2n-1) a_n = (2n-3) a_{n-2}$$

$$n=0 \Rightarrow 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ is arbitrary}$$

$$n > 0 \Rightarrow a_n = \frac{2n-3}{2n(2n-1)} a_{n-2}, \text{ note } a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_n = 0 \text{ if } n \text{ is odd.}$$

$$a_{2k} = \frac{4k-3}{4k(4k-1)} a_{2k-2}$$

$$y = a_0 \left[1 + \frac{x^2}{4 \cdot 3} + \frac{5}{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 4 \cdot 3} x^4 + \dots \right]$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \quad (2n+1)(2n) a_n = (2n-2) a_{n-2}$$

$$n=0, \quad 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ is arbitrary (call it } b_0)$$

$$n=1, \quad 6a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 = 0$$

$$n \geq 1 \quad a_n = \frac{n-1}{n(2n+1)} a_{n-2} \Rightarrow y = b_0 \left[1 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 5} x^2 + \frac{3}{2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 3} x^4 + \dots \right]$$

Behaviour near x_0 :

Indicial equation has two roots (for this 2nd order equation) say α_1, α_2

i) If $\alpha_2 - \alpha_1$ is not an integer then there are two linearly independent Frobenius series solutions.

ii) If $\alpha_2 - \alpha_1$ is an integer then there is one solution of the form

$$y_1 = (x - x_0)^{\alpha_1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$$

The other solution is of the form $y_2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (x - x_0)^{n+\alpha_1} + \ln(x - x_0) y_1$ (stated without proof)

Example $\frac{xy''}{(x^2 y'')^2} - \frac{y}{x} = 0$ $P=1, R=-x, \frac{R}{P} = -x$ a Taylor series

So $x=0$ is a regular singular point

$$\sum a_n x^{n+0} [(n+0)(n+0-1) - x] = 0$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^{n+0} \quad (n+0)(n+0-1) a_n = a_{n-1}$$

$$n=0 \text{ gives indicial equation } \Rightarrow 0(0-1) a_0 = 0 \\ a_0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0, 1$$

$$\alpha = 1 : (n+1)n a_n = a_{n-1}$$

$$n=0 : 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ is arbitrary}$$

$$n > 0 : a_n = \frac{a_{n-1}}{n(n+1)}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+1)^2} a_0$$

$$y_1 = a_0 x \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{12} + \frac{x^3}{144} + \dots \right]$$

$$\alpha = 0 : n(n-1) a_n = a_{n-1}$$

$$n=0 : 0 \cdot a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \text{ arbitrary}$$

$$n=1 : 0 \cdot a_1 = a_0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0 \text{ but we chose } a_0 \neq 0 \times$$

Suppose we allow $a_0 = 0$. Then $0 \cdot a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 \text{ is arbitrary}$.

$$n \geq 1, a_n = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} a_{n-1} = \frac{1}{n(n-1)^2} a_1$$

$$y_2 = a_1 \left[x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{12} + \frac{x^4}{144} + \dots \right] = y_1 \text{ which is the solution we found already.}$$

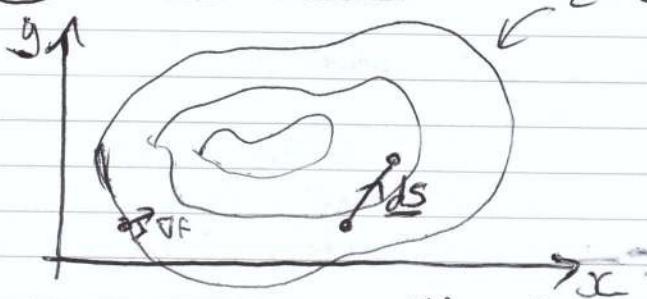
The other independent solution is actually

$$y_2 = y_1 \ln x + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$$

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Differential Equations (19)

Directional Derivatives



$z = c$ contours of $f(x, y)$

Consider an infinitesimal displacement $\underline{ds} = (dx, dy)$. The change in $f(x, y)$ during that displacement $df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$.

$df = (dx, dy) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \underline{ds} \cdot \nabla f$ where $\nabla f \equiv \text{grad } f$ has Cartesian components $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$. ∇f is the gradient of f .

Write $\underline{ds} = ds \hat{s}$ where $\hat{s} = \underline{s}/|\underline{s}|$

$$\text{Then } df = ds \hat{s} \cdot \nabla f, \quad \frac{df}{ds} = \hat{s} \cdot \nabla f \quad *$$

$\frac{df}{ds}$ is the directional derivative of f in the direction of \hat{s} .

The Gradient vector $\text{grad } f \equiv \nabla f$ is defined by *. It is a vector with the following properties:

$$\hat{s} \rightarrow \frac{df}{ds} = |\hat{s}| |\nabla f| \cos \theta = |\nabla f| \cos \theta \leq |\nabla f|$$

max θ

\downarrow

i) ∇f has magnitude equal to the maximum rate of change of $f(x, y)$ with distance in the $x-y$ plane.

ii) It has direction in which f increases most rapidly. $df/ds = 0$

iii) If ds is a displacement along a contour of f then $ds = 0$ $\Rightarrow \hat{s} \cdot \nabla f = 0$ $\Rightarrow \nabla f$ orthogonal to the contour

No change in f along a contour

Examples of gradient vectors

If Φ is the gravitational potential, $E = -\nabla \Phi$ is the gravitational force.

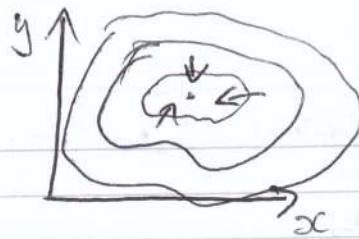
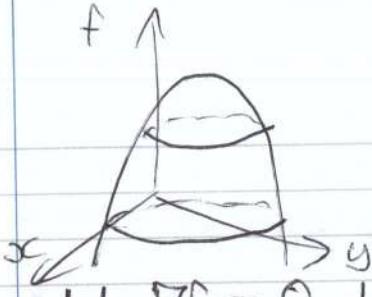
If $T(x, y, z)$ is temperature then heat flows by conduction in the direction of $-\nabla T$, so heat flux $q = -k \nabla T$ (thermal conductivity)

Stationary Points

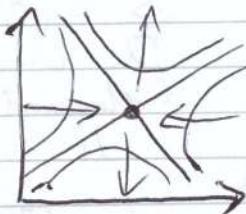
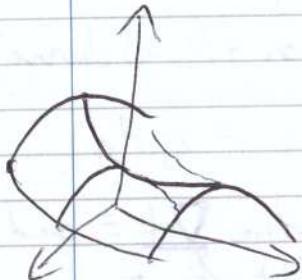
There is always one direction in which $\frac{df}{ds} = 0$ namely parallel to a contour of f . Local maxima and minima have $\frac{df}{ds} = 0$ for all directions.

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s} \cdot \nabla f = 0 \text{ for all } \hat{s} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$$

In cartesian this translates to $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$



but $\nabla f = 0$ also at middle points (single points)

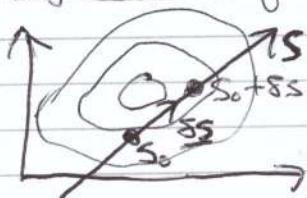


Note: contours are locally elliptical at maxima and minima, whereas they are locally hyperbolic at saddle points.

Note: contours cross only at saddle points.

Taylor Series for multi variable functions

Consider a finite displacement $\underline{\delta s}$ along a straight line in the $x-y$ plane. Then $\frac{\delta s}{\underline{\delta s}} = \underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla$



The Taylor series along the line is

$$f(\underline{s}) = f(S_0 + \underline{\delta s}) = f(S_0) + \underline{\delta s} \cdot \frac{df}{ds} + \frac{1}{2} \underline{\delta s}^2 \frac{d^2f}{ds^2} + \dots$$

$$= f(S_0) + \underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla f + \frac{1}{2} \underline{\delta s}^2 (\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla)(\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla) f + \dots$$

$$\text{where } \underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla f = \delta x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \delta y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad \underline{\delta s} = (\delta_x, \delta_y)$$

$$\underline{\delta s}^2 (\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla)(\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla) f$$

$$= \underline{\delta s}^2 \left(\delta_x \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \delta_y \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) \left(\delta_x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \delta_y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$= \delta x^2 f_{xx} + \delta x \delta y f_{xy} + \delta y \delta x f_{yx} + \delta y^2 f_{yy}$$

$$(\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla)(\underline{\delta s} \cdot \nabla) f = (\delta_x, \delta_y) \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_x \\ \delta_y \end{pmatrix}$$

where $[\nabla \nabla f] = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix}$ is called the Mesher Matrix.

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Differential Equations (2)

Systems of Linear Equations

Consider two dependent variables, $y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$

$$\dot{y}_1 = ay_1 + by_2 + f_1(t)$$

$$\dot{y}_2 = cy_1 + dy_2 + f_2(t)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \dot{Y} = M Y + F \\ Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}, M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, F = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Equivalence to higher order equations

$$\ddot{y}_1 = a\dot{y}_1 + b\dot{y}_2 + f_1 = a\dot{y}_1 + b(cy_1 + dy_2 + f_2) + f_1$$

$$\therefore \ddot{y}_1 = ay_1 + bc y_1 + bd \left\{ \dot{y}_1 - ay_1 - f_1 \right\} + bf_2 + f_1$$

$$\text{Conversely } \begin{cases} \ddot{y} + Ay + By = f \\ y_1 = y, y_2 = \dot{y} \end{cases}$$

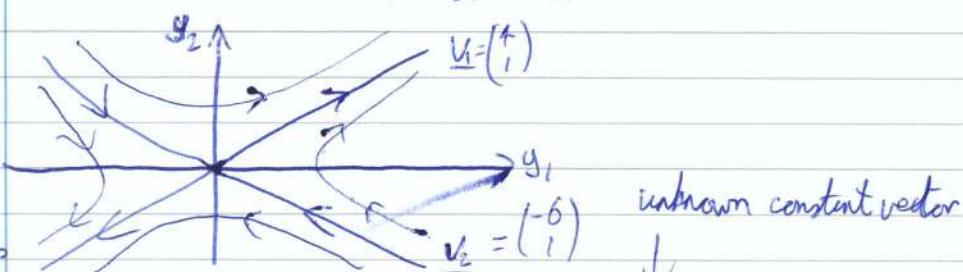
$$\dot{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -B & -A \end{pmatrix} Y + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

Any n^{th} order ODE is equivalent to a system of n first order ODEs

Consider $\dot{Y} - M Y = F$. Try complementary function $\underline{Y}_c = \underline{V} e^{\lambda t}$ is an

$$\begin{matrix} \dot{Y} - \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 24 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} Y = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} \\ \lambda \underline{V} - M \underline{V} = 0 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \text{possible values of } \lambda \text{ are eigenvalues of } M, \text{ i.e. } \lambda = 2, -8$$

$$\begin{matrix} \lambda = 2 & \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 24 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \lambda = -8 & \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 24 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \underline{Y}_c = A \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} + B \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-8t}$$



could then determine
A and B
from some initial
conditions

Particular Integral Try $\underline{Y}_p = \underline{u} e^{4t}$

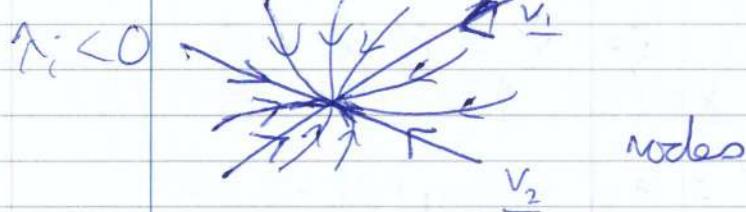
$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} - \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 24 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -24 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 24 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{General solution: } \underline{Y} = A \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t} + B \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-8t} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{4t}$$

Other linear phase-plane portraits:

- General solution to $\dot{Y} = M\dot{Y}$ is $Y = A\underline{v}_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + B\underline{v}_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}$
- ① λ_1, λ_2 real, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$ gives a saddle ~~as before~~
② λ_1, λ_2 real, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$ eg $|1, 1/1, 1/2|$, ~~saddle~~



- ③ λ_1, λ_2 complex conjugates

$\text{Re}(\lambda_1) < 0$

④ stable spiral

$\text{Re}(\lambda_1) > 0$

⑤

unstable
spiral

$\text{Re}(\lambda_1) = 0$



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Differential Equations (22)

General Non-Linear ODE's

In general, a 2nd order ODE can be written
 $\ddot{x} = f(x, y, t) \quad \dot{y} = g(x, y, t)$

An autonomous system of equations can be written
 $\dot{x} = f(x, y) \quad \dot{y} = g(x, y)$

If the independent variable does not appear explicitly.

An n^{th} order, non autonomous system can be converted into an $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$ order autonomous system by treating the former independent variable as a dependent variable, e.g. write $z = t$
 $\dot{x} = f(x, y, z) \quad \dot{y} = g(x, y, z), \quad \dot{z} = 1 = h(x, y, z)$

Equilibrium (fixed points) for 2nd order autonomous systems

$\dot{x} = \dot{y} = 0$
 $f(x_0, y_0) = g(x_0, y_0) = 0$, solve simultaneously

Stability Write $x = x_0 + \alpha \quad y = y_0 + \beta$

Substitute to find $\dot{\alpha} = f(x_0 + \alpha, y_0 + \beta)$ if $\alpha, \beta \ll 1$

$$\dot{\alpha} = f(x_0, y_0) + \alpha f_x(x_0, y_0) + \beta f_y(x_0, y_0) + O(\alpha^2, \beta^2)$$

$$\text{Similarly for } \dot{\beta} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{as } f(x_0, y_0) = 0 \\ g(x_0, y_0) = 0$$

Example Population dynamics: Predators - Prey

Prey: $\dot{x} = Ax - Bx^2 - Cxy$
 $\text{births-deaths} \rightsquigarrow \text{mutual competition} \rightsquigarrow \text{billed by predators}$

Predation: $\dot{y} = -\delta y + \epsilon xy$

e.g. $\dot{x} = \delta x - 2x^2 - 2xy$

$$\dot{y} = -y + xy$$

Fixed Points

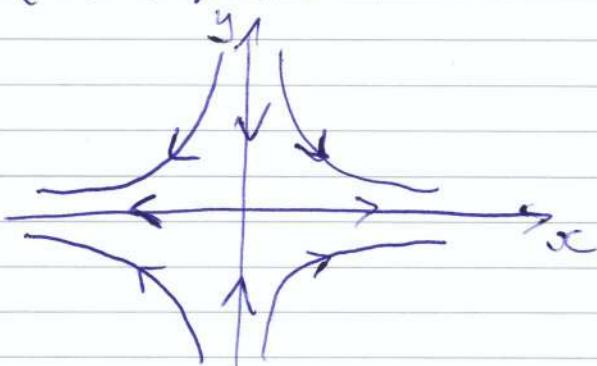
$$\dot{x} = 0 \Rightarrow x(\delta - 2x - 2y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, \quad y = \frac{\delta}{2} - \alpha x$$

$$\dot{y} = 0 \Rightarrow y(x - \frac{\delta}{2}) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0, \quad x = \frac{\delta}{2}$$

Fixed points at $(0, 0), (4, 0), (1, 3)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

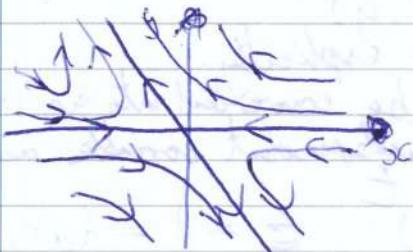


$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\delta & -\gamma \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Near $(4, 0)$ write $x = 4 + \alpha, y = \beta$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\alpha} &= (4 + \alpha)(\delta - \delta - 2\alpha - 2\beta) \approx -2\alpha - 2\beta \\ \dot{\beta} &= \beta(3 + \alpha) \approx 3\beta\end{aligned}$$

Phase portrait around $(4, 0)$

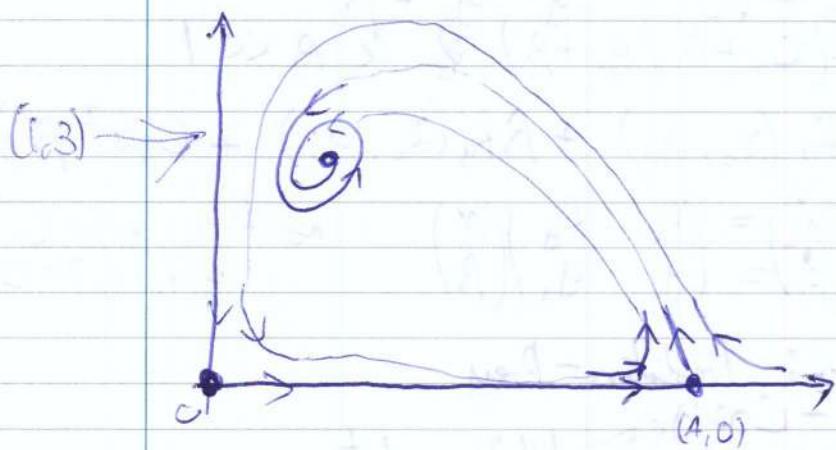


eigenvalues $-\frac{\delta}{2}, 3$
eigenvectors $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Near $(1, 3)$ write $x = 1 + \alpha, y = 3 + \beta$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

Characteristic polynomial $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 8 = 0$



Lecture 23

Partial Differential Equations - Hyperbolic (wave) equations

order for $y(x, t)$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = c \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} - c \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{unforced}$$

Recall that along a path $x = x(t)$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \frac{dt}{dt} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$

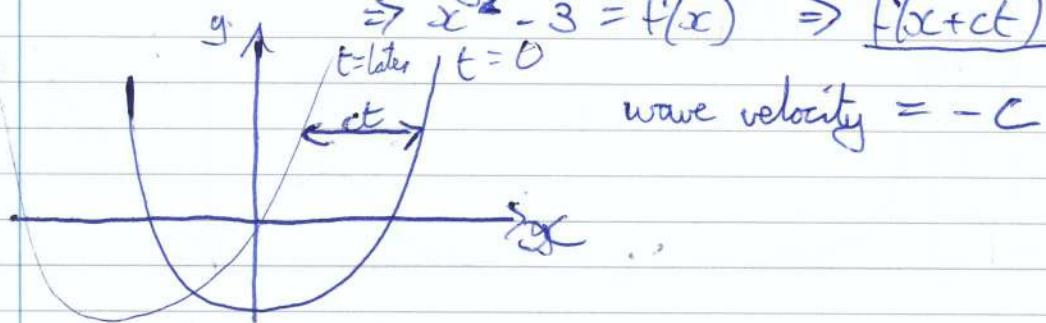
Choose to travel along a particular path defined by $\frac{dx}{dt} = -c$. Then along that path, $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$. This method converts a PDE into several ODEs. The path is defined by $x = -ct + x_0$, $x + ct = x_0$ (constant)

Along the path, $y = A$ (constant).

There is a function $f(x_0)$ that determines the value of y on each path so $y = f(x_0) = f(x + ct)$. This is the general solution of the partial differential equation.

Usually, initial conditions are given e.g. $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = c \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ with $y(x, 0) = x^2 - 3$

$$\Rightarrow y = f(x + ct) \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 3 = f(x) \Rightarrow f(x + ct) = (x + ct)^2 - 3$$



$$\text{Eq: } \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + 5 \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = e^{-t} \quad y(x, 0) = e^{-x^2}$$

The "characteristic equation" defining the paths or "characteristics" of the PDE is $\frac{dx}{dt} = 5 \Rightarrow x = 5t + x_0 \Rightarrow x_0 = x - 5t$

Along these paths, $\frac{dy}{dt} = e^{-t}$, $y = A - e^{-t}$

$$\text{At } t=0, y = A - 1, x_0 = x, A - 1 = e^{-x_0^2}, A = 1 + e^{-x_0^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = (1 + e^{-x_0^2}) - e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1 + e^{-(x-5t)^2} - e^{-t}$$

Second Order Wave equations $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$ (mass \times acceleration \propto curvature)

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = 0, \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - c \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) y = 0$$

operators commute as the coefficients are constant, so $y = f(x + ct)$ is a solution and $y = g(x - ct)$ is also a solution. The equation is linear so solutions can be superposed.

$$y = f(x + ct) + g(x - ct)$$

Exercise Show that $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -4c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta}$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial \beta} = h(\alpha)$$

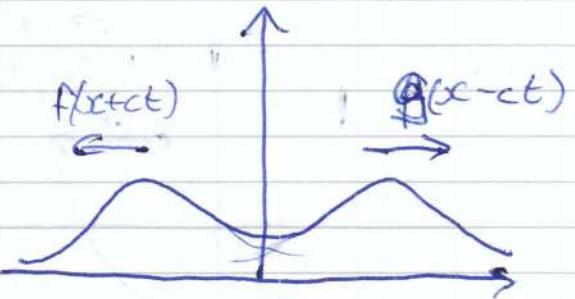
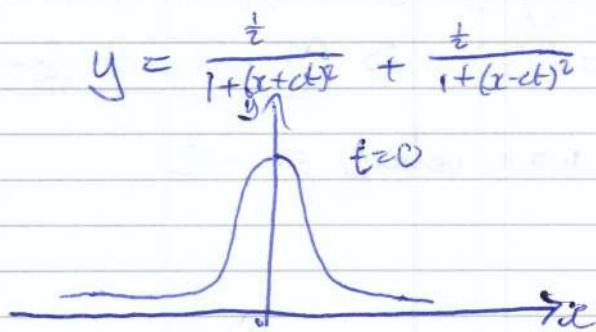
$$\Rightarrow y = f(\alpha) + g(\beta) = f(x+ct) + g(x-ct) \quad (f' = h)$$

Example $y = \frac{1}{1+xc^2}$, $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 0$ at $t=0$

$y \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

Therefore, at time $t=0$ we have $f(x) + g(x) = \frac{1}{1+xc^2}$
 $cf'(x) - cg'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow f' = g'$
 $\Rightarrow f = g + \text{constant}$

$$f = g = \frac{1}{1+xc^2} \Rightarrow y = f(x+ct) + g(x-ct) \quad (\text{by applying } y \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \pm\infty)$$



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Differential Equations (24)

Hyperbolic Equations

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} + F$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = F$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ but similar appearance}$$

No connection

Elliptic Equations

$$\text{Laplace's Equation } F=0 \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$$\text{Poisson's Equation } F \neq 0 \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = F$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

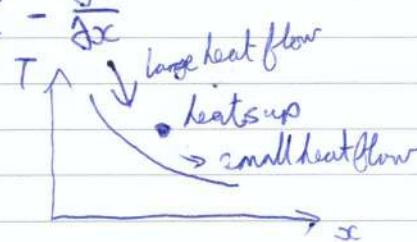
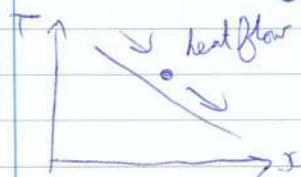
Parabolic Equation

- Diffusion Equation

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = K \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$

$$y^2 = ax^2$$

Note that heat flux $\vec{Q} = -\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$



$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = K \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$

where $T(x, t)$ is temperature
and K is called diffusivity

Example An infinitely long bar petered at one end

$$T(x, t) \quad | \quad x=0 \quad | \quad x \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{Suppose } T(x, 0) = 0$$

$$T(0, t) = H(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 1 & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

There is a similarity solution of the differential equation in which $T(x, t) = \Theta(\eta)$ where $\eta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{Kt}}$

$$\text{Then } \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{d\Theta}{d\eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = -\frac{x}{4\sqrt{Kt}} \Theta'(\eta) = -\frac{\eta}{2t} \Theta'(\eta)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{d\Theta}{d\eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{Kt}} \Theta'(\eta), \quad \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Kt}} \Theta''(\eta) = \frac{1}{4Kt} \Theta''(\eta)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = K \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \Rightarrow -\frac{\eta}{2t} \Theta' = \frac{K}{4Kt} \Theta'' \Rightarrow \Theta'' + 2\eta \Theta' = 0$$

Solve with an integrating factor $= e^{\int 2\eta d\eta} = e^{\eta^2}$

$$\Rightarrow (e^{\eta^2} \Theta')' = 0, \quad \Theta' = A e^{-\eta^2}$$

$$\Theta = A \int_0^\eta e^{-u^2} du + B, \quad \Theta = \alpha \operatorname{erf} \eta + B$$

$$\text{where } \operatorname{erf} \eta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\eta e^{-u^2} du \Rightarrow 1 \text{ as } \eta \rightarrow \infty$$



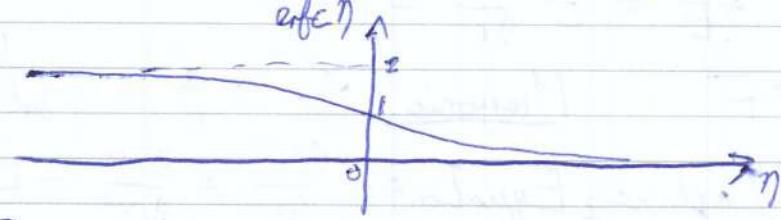
$$\Theta(0) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 1$$

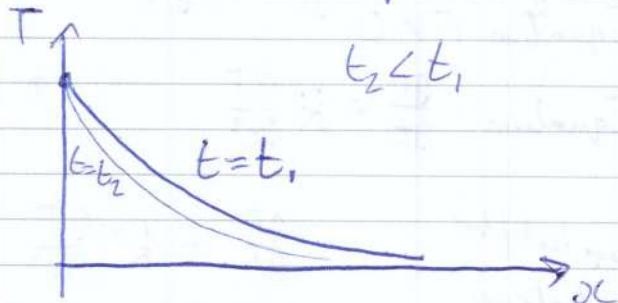
$$\Theta(\infty) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = -1$$

Corresponds to
 $t > 0$, fixed x

$$\Rightarrow \Theta = 1 - \text{erf}(\eta) = \text{erfc}(\eta)$$



$$T = \text{erfc}\left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{RT}}\right)$$



The solutions at all times are similar, they have the same functional form but have a scale in the x direction that depends on time. The decay length is proportional to \sqrt{Rt}