

# VV286 RC1

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# Separable Equations

## Initial Value Problem (I.V.P.)

$f$  is continuous in an interval  $I_x \subset \mathbb{R}$ ;  $g$  is continuous in an interval  $I_y \subset \mathbb{R}$ ;  $\xi \in I_x, \eta \in I_y$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y), \quad y(\xi) = \eta$$

## Solution

1.  $g(\eta) \neq 0$

$$\int_{\eta}^y \frac{ds}{g(s)} = \int_{\xi}^x f(t) dt \quad (\text{Unique solution})$$

2.  $g(\eta) = 0$

2.1 Obvious solution

$$y(x) = \eta$$

2.2 Check

$$\int_{\eta}^y \frac{ds}{g(s)}$$

in a small neighbourhood of  $\eta$

## Example

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^4 y + x^4 y^4, \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$y(0) = 0? \quad y(0) = -\frac{1}{2}? \quad y(0) = -1? \quad y(0) = -2?$$

## Solution

$$\int x^4 dx = \int \frac{1}{y + y^4} dy$$

$$\frac{1}{5}x^5 = \int \frac{1}{y} - \frac{y^2}{1 + y^3} dy$$

$$\frac{1}{5}x^5 = \ln |y| - \frac{1}{3} \ln |1 + y^3| + C$$

$$e^{3x^5/5} = C \left( \frac{y^3}{1 + y^3} \right)$$

$$C = 2 \quad (y(0) = 1); \quad C = \frac{7}{8} \quad (y(0) = -2); \quad C = -7 \quad (y(0) = -\frac{1}{2})$$

## Equilibrium solution

$$x_{equi}(t) = \textit{constant}$$

## Steady-state solution

$$x_{ss}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)$$

## Transient solution

$$x(t) - x_{ss}$$

# Linear Equations

A general linear, first-order ODE on an open interval  $I \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = f(x), \quad x \in I$$

where  $a_0, a_1, f$  is continuous, real-valued functions on  $I$ .

## Solution

$$y_{\text{inhom}} = y_{\text{part}} + C \cdot y_{\text{hom}}$$

where  $y_{\text{hom}}$  is one solution of  $a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = 0$

How to find a  $y_{\text{part}}$ ?



## Variation of Parameters

Set  $y_{\text{inhom}} = c(x)y_{\text{hom}}(x)$ , then

$$a_1(x)c'(x)y_{\text{hom}}(x) + \underbrace{a_1(x)c(x)y'_{\text{hom}}(x) + a_0(x)c(x)y_{\text{hom}}(x)}_{=0} = f(x)$$

solve  $c(x)$ .

## Duhamel's Principle

Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an open interval,  $x_0 \in \bar{I}$ , and  $a_0, a_1, f$  continuous, real-valued functions on  $\bar{I}$ , where  $a_1(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in \bar{I}$ . Let  $y_\xi$  solve the initial value problem

$$a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = 0, \quad y_\xi(\xi) = \frac{1}{a_1(\xi)}$$

for  $x \in \bar{I}$ . Then

$$y(x) = \int_{x_0}^x f(\xi)y_\xi(x)d\xi$$

solves

$$a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = f(x), \quad y(x_0) = 0$$

(Choose  $c(\xi)$  which leads to  $y_\xi(\xi) = c(\xi)y_{hom}(\xi) = \frac{1}{a_1(\xi)}$ .)

## Example

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3y + x$$

## Solution

1.  $\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 0 \Rightarrow y_{\text{hom}} = c \cdot e^{3x}$
2. Set  $y_{\text{part}} = c(x)e^{3x}$ , then  $c'(x)e^{3x} = x$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} c(x) &= \int x e^{-3x} dx = -\frac{1}{3} \int x d(e^{-3x}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \left( x e^{-3x} - \int e^{-3x} dx \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} x e^{-3x} - \frac{1}{9} e^{-3x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Finally, } y = c \cdot e^{3x} - \frac{1}{3} x - \frac{1}{9}$$

# Transformable Equations

$$y' = f(ax + by + c); b \neq 0$$

$$u(x) = ax + by(x) + c$$

$$y' = f(y/x)$$

$$u(x) = \frac{y(x)}{x}$$

$$y' = f\left(\frac{a_1x + b_1y + c_1}{a_2x + b_2y + c_2}\right)$$

$$u(x) = a_1x + b_1y(x) + c_1, v(x) = a_2x + b_2y(x) + c_2$$

$$x = \frac{b_2(u - c_1) - b_1(v - c_2)}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \frac{du}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dv} = \left(a_1 + b_1 \frac{dy}{dx}\right) \frac{b_2(du/dv) - b_1}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \left(a_1 + b_1 f\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)\right) \frac{b_2(du/dv) - b_1}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = b_2 g\left(\frac{u}{v}\right) \frac{du}{dv} - b_1 g\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)$$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = h\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)$$

## Example

$$y' = \frac{x - y}{x + y}$$

## Solution

Set  $u(x) = \frac{y(x)}{x}$ , then  $\frac{1-u}{1+u} = y' = u'x + u$ . So

$$\int \frac{1+u}{1-2u-u^2} du = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\ln(u+1+\sqrt{2}) + \ln(u+1-\sqrt{2}) = -2\ln x + C$$

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

$$y^2 + 2xy - x^2 = C$$

$$y = -x \pm \sqrt{2x^2 - C}$$



$$y' + gy + hy^\alpha = 0, \alpha \neq 1 \text{ (Bernoulli's equation)}$$

$$u(x) = (y(x))^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' + gy + hy^\alpha = 0 &\Rightarrow (1-\alpha)y^{-\alpha}y' + (1-\alpha)gy^{1-\alpha} + (1-\alpha)h = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (y^{1-\alpha})' + (1-\alpha)gy^{1-\alpha} + (1-\alpha)h = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow u' + (1-\alpha)gu + (1-\alpha)h = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We assume  $y(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in I$  and each strictly positive solution  $u(x)$  can yield a strictly positive solution

$$y_+(x) = (u(x))^{1/(1-\alpha)}$$

## Note

1.  $\alpha > 0, y = 0$
2.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}, \alpha \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, y_- = -y_+$
3.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}, \alpha \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, y_- = -|u(x)|^{1/(1-\alpha)}$

$$y' + gy + hy^2 = k \text{ (Ricatti's equation)}$$

1. Guess or given a solution  $\phi$
2. For other solution  $y$ , set  $u = y - \phi$ , then

$$\begin{cases} y' + gy + hy^2 = k \\ \phi' + g\phi + h\phi^2 = k \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y' - \phi') + g(y - \phi) + h(y - \phi)(y + \phi) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u' + gu + hu(u + 2\phi) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u' + (g + 2\phi h)u + hu^2 = 0$$

## Example

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^4 y + x^4 y^4, \quad y(0) = 1$$

## Solution

$y(x) = 0$  is not a solution.

$$y' - x^4 y - x^4 y^4 = 0 \xrightarrow{(-3y^{-4})} (y^{-3})' + 3x^4(y^{-3}) + 3x^4 = 0$$

Set  $u = y^{-3}$ , then  $y = u^{-1/3}$ .

$$u' + 3x^4 u = 0 \Rightarrow u_{\text{hom}} = c \cdot e^{-\frac{3}{5}x^5}$$

Set  $u_{\text{part}} = c(x) \cdot e^{-\frac{3}{5}x^5}$ , then

$$c'(x) = -3x^4 e^{\frac{3}{5}x^5} \Rightarrow c(x) = -e^{\frac{3}{5}x^5}$$

So  $u(x) = c \cdot e^{-\frac{3}{5}x^5} - 1$ . Since  $y(0) = 1$ ,

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2e^{-3x^5/5} - 1}}$$

$$h(x, y)y' + g(x, y) = 0$$

## Another view

$$h(x, y)y' + g(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y' \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} g(x, y) \\ h(x, y) \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = 0$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$ : tangent vector of integral curve

Integral curve is perpendicular to the vector field

$$F^\perp : \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^2, \quad F^\perp(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} g(x, y) \\ h(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$$

## Equipotential Line

Solution is  $U(x, y) = \text{constant}$ , where  $U : \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  is a potential function of the conservation vector field

### What do we need to do?

Find a potential function  $U(x, y)$  whose gradient at each point is parallel to the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} g(x, y) \\ h(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$  i.e.

$$\nabla U(x, y) = M(x, y) \cdot F^\perp(x, y)$$

## Integrating factors (Euler Multipliers)

Let  $g, h$  be continuous functions on an open set  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ . A function  $M$  with  $M(x, y) \neq 0$  defined on  $D$  is said to be an integrating factor or Euler multiplier for the differential equation

$$h(x, y)y' + g(x, y) = 0$$

if the vector field

$$F^\perp(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} M(x, y)g(x, y) \\ M(x, y)h(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$$

has a potential function.



## Requirement

If  $D$  is open, simply connected and  $g, h, M \in C^1(D)$ ,

$$\frac{\partial M(x, y)g(x, y)}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial M(x, y)h(x, y)}{\partial x} \quad (\text{Rotation is zero})$$

i.e.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y}g + M\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial x}h + M\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$$

## Assumption

1.  $M$  depends only on  $x$  or only on  $y$
2.  $M$  depends only on  $x \cdot y$

## Example

$$y' = \frac{x - y}{x + y}$$

## Solution

$$M_y(y-x) + M = M_x(y+x) + M \Rightarrow M = \text{constant}.$$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = y - x, \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = y + x$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \int (y-x) dx = yx - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C(y), \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = y + x$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{\partial C(y)}{\partial y} = y + x$$

$$\Rightarrow C(y) = \frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow U(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}y^2 + xy - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2xy - x^2 = C$$