

MATH 2 Lecture Notes

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1 Chapter 1

1.1 Terminology

Definition A differential equation is an equation containing the derivatives or differentials of one or more dependent variables, with respect to one or more independent variables.

· An Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE) involves only ordinary derivatives

· A Partial Differential Equation (PDE) involves partial derivatives.

Definition The order of a DE is the order of the highest-order derivative that appears in the DE

Notation $F(x, y, \frac{dy}{dx}, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2})$

Definition A linear DE is any DE that can be written in form:

$$a_0(x)y + a_1(x)y' + a_2(x)y'' \cdots + a_n(x)y^{(n)} = b(x)$$

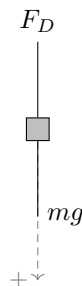
For a DE to be linear:

1. Y and all of its derivatives must be of the 1st degree
2. Any term that does not include y or any of its derivatives must be a function of x

1.2 Some Mathematical Models

I. Free-falling body

Goal: Find $s(t)$.



Set up a differential equation in S, model it, then solve

$$ma = mg$$

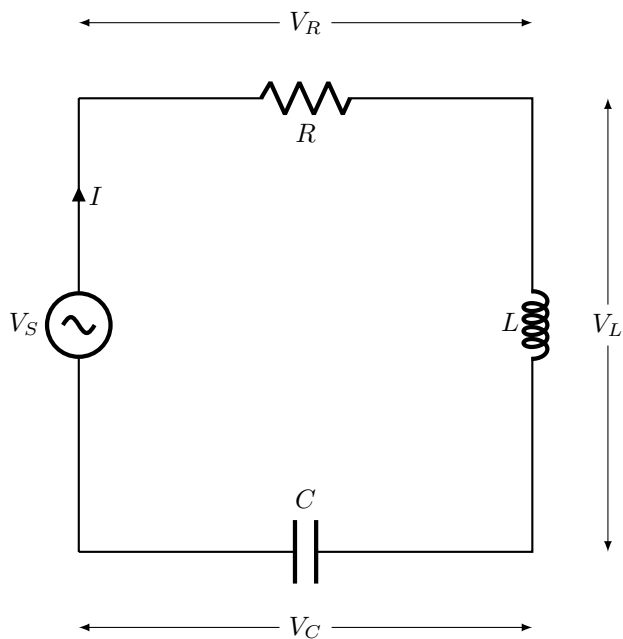
$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = g$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}, g = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

What if there is air resistance. Assume force scales linear with velocity

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{kv}{m} \rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{k}{m} \cdot \frac{ds}{dt}$$

II: Series Circuit



Voltage drops:

$$V = L \frac{dI}{dt}, V = L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2}$$

$$V = IR, V = R \frac{dq}{dt}$$

$$V = \frac{q}{C}$$

$$E(t) = L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{C}$$

III: Population Growth

$P = P(t)$ = population at time t — use exponential model

$$\frac{dp}{dt} \propto P \rightarrow \frac{dp}{dt} = kP \rightarrow C e^{kt} \text{ where } C \text{ is the initial population}$$

IV: Population Growth with Finite Capacity

"Carrying Capacity" = N — uses the logistic growth model

$$\frac{dp}{dt} \propto \text{both } P \text{ and amount to carrying capacity } (N-P)$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = kP(N - P)$$

V: Chemical Reaction

$A + B \rightarrow C$ Concentrations of A and B decreases by amount of C formed

Can we write DE governing the concentration of C $x(t)$?

The rate at which the reaction takes place \propto Product of the remaining concentrations of A and B

α initial concentration of A

β initial concentration of B

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = k(\alpha - x)(\beta - x)$$

2 First-Order Differential Equations

2.1 Preliminary Theory

Example DE: $y' = 3y \Rightarrow \boxed{y = Ce^{3x}}$ the general solution where C is an arbitrary constant

Add initial condition $y(0) = 5$ plug in $x=0$ to $5 = Ce^{3*0}$, $5 = C * 1$, $C = 5 \Leftarrow$ Initial Value Problem
 $y = 5e^{3x}$ is the general solution for the Initial Value Problem

2.1.1 Theorem

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) & \text{Differential Equation} \\ y(x_0) = y_0 & \text{Initial Condition} \end{cases}$$

Let R be a rectangular region in the xy-plane defined by $a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d$, that contains the point (x_0, y_0) in its interior.

If $f(x, y)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ are continuous on R, then there exists an interval I centered at x_0 , and on this interval I there exists a unique solution $y(x)$ for this IVP

2.1.2 Key Questions:

Does every IVP have at least one solution?

If an IVP has a solution is it the only solution?

Meaning of a solution existing "on an Interval" The initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + y^2 \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases} \text{ has a unique solution. In fact, we can easily verify that } y = \tan x \text{ satisfies this IVP}$$

However note that there are some intervals on which $y = \tan x$ cannot be a solution for this IVP, such as $(-2, 2)$, where the function is discontinuous at $\pm \frac{\pi}{2}$ but can be used for $(-1, 1)$ since it is continuous at all points within the interval

2.2 Separable Variables (Separable Equations)

2.2.1 Definition:

A differential equation that can be written in the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{g(x)}{h(y)}$ is said to be separable (or have separable variables).

Example: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{g(x)}{h(y)}$

$$h(y)dy = g(x)dx$$

$$\int h(y)dy = \int g(x)dx$$

Example: $dx + e^{3x}dy = 0$

$$e^{3x}dy = -dx$$

$$dy = -\frac{dx}{e^{3x}} \rightarrow dy = -e^{-3x}dx \rightarrow \int dy = \int -e^{-3x}dx \rightarrow y = \frac{1}{3}e^{-3x} + C \text{ where C is an arbitrary constant}$$

2.2.2 Substitution

$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(ax + by + c)$ where $b \neq 0$ use the substitution: $u = ax + by + c \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = a + b\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{b} \left[\frac{du}{dx} - a \right]$

Example: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \tan^2(x + y)$ let $u = x + y \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{du}{dx} - 1 \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} - 1 = \tan^2 u \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \sec^2 u$

$$\int \cos^2 u \, du = \int dx$$

$$2(x + y) + \sin 2(x + y) = 4x + C \rightarrow 2y - 2x + \sin 2(x + y)$$

Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = (y + 3)^2$ By inspection $y = -3$ is a solution. This is the only solution because $f(x, y) = (x + 3)^2$ is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} so it is the only solution Why solving by

separation is not possible $\int (y + 3)^{-2} dy = \int dx \rightarrow (y + 3)^{-2} / -1 = x + C_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{y + 3} = -x - C_1 \rightarrow$

$$y + 3 = \frac{1}{-x - C_1} \rightarrow y = -3 + \frac{1}{-x - C_1}$$

$y(0) = -3 \rightarrow 0 = \frac{1}{c}$ where there is no real c that solves that equation, making this not possible

2.3 Homogeneous Equations

What do we do if the DE is not separable?

2.3.1 Definition

A function $f(x, y)$ is said to be **homogeneous of degree n** if, for x, y , and t where $f(x, y)$ and $f(tx, ty)$ are defined:

$$f(tx, ty) = t^n f(x, y)$$

2.3.2 Example

Determine whether each function is homogeneous:

$$a: f(x, y) = x^3 - 7x^2y + 4y^3 \rightarrow f(tx, ty) = (tx)^3 - 7(tx)^2(ty) + 4(ty)^3$$

$$t^3x^3 - 7t^3x^2y + 4t^3y^3$$

$$t^3(x^3 - 7x^2y + 4y^3) = t^3 f(x, y)$$

How to tell quickly whether $f(x, y)$ is homogeneous:

Each term must have the same combined degree

Example: $x^3 - 7x^2y + 4y^3$ is D3, $x^2 + y^2 - 4x$ is not, $\sqrt{x^5 + 4y^5}$ is with D 2.5, $\frac{3y}{x} - 2$ is D0

2.3.3 Differential Equation form

$M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$ is called a homogeneous differential equation if the functions M and N are both homogeneous of the same degree

If $f(x, y)$ is homogeneous of degree n then $f(x, y)$ can be written as:

$$f(x, y) = f\left(x \times 1, x \times \frac{y}{x}\right) = x^n f\left(1, \frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\text{or } f(x, y) = y^n f\left(\frac{x}{y}, 1\right)$$

2.3.4 Substitution

To solve a homogeneous DE make the substitution: $y = ux$ ($u = \frac{y}{x}$) or $x = vy$ ($v = \frac{x}{y}$)

2.3.5 Example

$$(y^2 + xy)dx + x^2dy = 0 \rightarrow y = ux \rightarrow dy = (udx + xdu)$$

$$(u^2x^2 + ux^2)dx + x^2(udx + xdu) = 0$$

$$u^2x^2dx + ux^2dx + ux^2dx + x^3du = 0$$

$$ux^2(u+2)dx + x^3du = 0$$

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

Partial Fraction Decomposition: $\frac{1}{u(u+2)} = \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{u+2} \rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}, B = -\frac{1}{2}$ Back to solving

$$\int \left[\frac{0.5}{u} - \frac{0.5}{u+2} \right] = - \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$0.5 \ln |u| - 1/2 \ln |u+2| = -\ln |x| + C_1$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{u}{u+2} \right| = 2C_1 - 2 \ln |x|$$

$$\left| \frac{u}{u+2} \right| = e^{2C_1} \cdot e^{-2 \ln |x|} = e^{2C_1} \cdot |x|^{-2} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{u}{u+2} \right| = |e^{2C_1} \cdot x^{-2}| \Rightarrow \left| \frac{u}{u+2} \right| = \frac{C}{x^2}$$

$$ux^2 = X(u+2) \Rightarrow ux^2 = Cu + 2c \rightarrow ux^2 - Cu = 2C$$

$$u(x^2 - c) = 2C \Rightarrow u = \frac{2C}{x^2 - C} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \frac{2Cx}{x^2 - C}, x \neq 0$$

2.4 Exact Equations

Recall from Math 1C: Let $F(x, y) = \langle 3x^2 - 7y, -7x + 2y \rangle$

1. If F a conservative vector field
i.e., Is there a function $f(x, y)$ such that ∇f ? Yes, $-7=-7$
2. If F is indeed conservative, what is f?
 $x^3 - 7xy + g(y) = f(x, y)$
 $-7x + 2y, g'(y) = 2y$
 $f(x, y) = x^3 - 7xy + y^2 + k$

2.4.1 Definition

A differential equation in the form $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$ where $M_y = N_x$, is called an exact differential equation.

2.4.2 Solve the DE

$$(3x^2 - 7y)dx + (-7x + 2y)dy = 0$$

Using 1C techniques it is $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2xy + y^2 + k$

Set this f = c. $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2xy + y^2 = c$ take k=0 in every problem

If the DE is not exact, sometimes we can make it exact by multiplying by magical quantity $\mu(x, y)$

2.4.3 Example:

Solve the DE:

$$(x + y)dx + x \ln x dy = 0 \text{ using } \mu(x, y) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\left(\frac{x+y}{x} \right) dx + \ln |x| dy = 0 \text{ is now exact.}$$

$$\text{Solution: } f(x, y) = x + y \ln x = c$$

2.5 Linear Equations

Recall: First Order Linear DE is a DE in the form $a_1(x)\frac{dy}{dx} + a_0(x)y = g(x)$, $a_1(x) \neq 0$

Divide both sides by $a_1(x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{a_0(x)}{a_1(x)}y = \frac{g(x)}{a_1(x)}$ where $P(x) = \frac{a_0(x)}{a_1(x)}$ and $f(x) = \frac{g(x)}{a_1(x)}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = f(x)$ There is an integrating factor $\mu(x)$ that turns this DE into an exact DE

$$dy + P(x)ydx = f(x)dx \rightarrow dy [P(x)y - f(x)] dx = 0$$

$$\mu(x)dy + \mu(x) [P(x)y - f(x)] dx = 0 \rightarrow \mu'(x) = \mu(x)P(x)$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dx} = \mu P \rightarrow \int \frac{d\mu}{\mu} = \int P(x) \rightarrow \ln \mu = \int P(x) dx$$

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} \Rightarrow e^{\int P(x) dx} \frac{dy}{dx} + e^{\int P(x) dx} P(x)y = e^{\int P(x) dx} f(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [e^{\int P(x) dx} y] = e^{\int P(x) dx} f(x) \rightarrow e^{\int P(x) dx} y = \int e^{\int P(x) dx} f(x) dx \quad \boxed{y = e^{-\int P(x) dx} \int e^{\int P(x) dx} f(x) dx}$$

2.5.1 Procedure to follow for every Linear DE

1. Rewrite the linear DE in the form $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = f(x)$
2. Find the integrating factor $\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx}$
3. Multiply each side of the DE by $\mu(x)$
4. Rewrite the left side as $\frac{d}{dx} [\mu(x) \cdot y]$
5. Integrate both sides with respect to x and retrieve an implicitly expressed solution
6. Solve for y

2.6 What method to use to solve?

First ask is it exact? ($M_y = M_x$)

Yes: Use the method in §2.4

No: Is it linear? (in y or x)

Yes: Use the method in §2.5

No: Is it separable?

Yes: §2.2

No: Homogeneous?

Yes: Use a substitution §2.3

No: Good luck. or use inspection

3 Applications of First-Order Differential Equation

3.1 Orthogonal Trajectories

· Consider the family of curves $y = cx^3$ Question: Which DE should be solved to get this family as its solutions?

Steps:

1. Find $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3cx^2$

2. Eliminate c"

$$y = cx^3 \Rightarrow c = \frac{y}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \frac{y}{x^3} x^2 \rightarrow \frac{3y}{x}$$

· The two curves are orthogonal if their tangent lines are orthogonal at the point of intersection
i.e. The derivatives are the negative reciprocals of each other

3.1.1 Example

Show that $y = x^3$ and $x^2 + 3y^2 = 4$ are orthogonal at their points of intersection, (1,1) and (-1,-1)

$$y = x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 \rightarrow 3 \text{ at } x = 1 \text{ and } 3 \text{ at } x = -1$$

$$2x + 6y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{3y} = \frac{-1}{3} \text{ at both } x = 1 \text{ and } x = -1 \text{ meaning it is orthogonal}$$

3.1.2 Definition

When all the curves of one family of curves intersect orthogonally all the curves of another family, then the families are said to be orthogonal trajectories of each other

4 Example Problems with Solutions

4.1

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad y = 0 \text{ and } y = \frac{x^6}{27} \text{ are solutions}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \frac{x^6}{27} = 2x \cdot \frac{x^4}{9} = y^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 2yx^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and } y = 0 \text{ is the only solution. This IVP satisfies a certain condition and that makes}$$

it have a unique solution

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = xy^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Does the IVP have a unique solution? When on \mathbb{R}^2 is $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ continuous? $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2}xy^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}}$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 3y \\ y(0) = 5 \end{cases} \quad \text{Yes there is a unique solution, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 3$$

Determine the region R for which the DE would have a unique solution through a point (x_0, y_0) in the region $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{xy}$

Where on \mathbb{R}^2 is $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ continuous? $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2}(xy)^{-1/2} * \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy) = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{xy}}$

DIY

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - y = x$$

4.2

Solve: $ydx = (2 + 3x)dy$

$$\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{2 + 3x}$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int \frac{dx}{2 + 3x}$$

$$\ln |y| = \frac{\ln |2 + 3x|}{3} + C$$

$$e^{\ln |y|} = e^{\frac{\ln |2 + 3x|}{3} + C_1}$$

$$= e^{\frac{\ln |2 + 3x|}{3}} \cdot e^{C_1}$$

$$|y| = e^{C_1} \cdot \ln |2 + 3x|^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$|y| = \left| e^{C_1} \cdot (2 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right|$$

$$|y| = \left| e^{C_1} \cdot |(2 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{3}}| \right|$$

$$y = \pm C(2 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad x \neq -\frac{2}{3}$$

4.3

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x e^{5y}$$

$$e^{-5y} dy = \frac{e^x}{dx}$$

$$\int e^{-5y} dy = \int e^x dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}e^{-5y} = e^x + C_1$$

$$e^{-5y} = -5e^x - 5C_1$$

$$-5y = \ln(-5e^x - 5C_1)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{5} \ln(C - 5e^x)$$

4.4

$$y' = 2y - y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y(2 - y) \rightarrow \int \frac{dy}{y(2 - y)} = \int dx \rightarrow \int \left(\frac{0.5}{y} + \frac{0.5}{2 - y} \right) dy = \int dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln |y| - \frac{1}{2} \ln |2 - y| = x + C_1$$

$$\ln |y| - \ln |2 - y| = 2x + 2C_1$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{y}{2 - y} \right| = 2x + 2C_1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{y}{2 - y} \right| = e^{2x} e^{2C_1} \rightarrow \frac{y}{2 - y} = C e^{2x} \rightarrow y = C e^{2x} (2 - y)$$

$$y = 2C e^{2x} - C e^{2x} y \rightarrow (1 + C e^{2x}) y = 2C e^{2x}$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{2C e^{2x}}{1 + C e^{2x}}} \rightarrow \frac{2C}{e^{-2x} + C}$$

4.5

$$(x - y)dx + xdy = 0$$

$$\text{Substitution } y = ux \Rightarrow dy = udx + xdu$$

$$(x - ux)dx + x(udx + xdu) = 0$$

$$xdx - uxdx + uxdx + x^2 du = 0$$

$$xdx + x^2 du = 0$$

$$\int du = - \int \frac{1}{x} dx \Rightarrow u = -\ln |x| + C$$

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

$$\frac{y}{x} = C - \ln |x|$$

$$y = Cx - x \ln |x|$$

4.6

$$(x^3 + y^2)dx = 3xy^2 dy = 0 \text{ is conservative, so find } f(x, y) \text{ that satisfies } M = f_x, N = f_y$$

$$\int (x^3 + y^3)dx = \frac{x^4}{4} + xy^3 + g(y) \text{ and } \int xy^2 dy = xy^3 + g'(y)$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^4}{4} + xy^3 = C$$