

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:

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

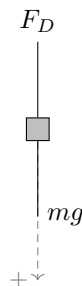
For a DE to be linear:

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

$$ma = mg$$

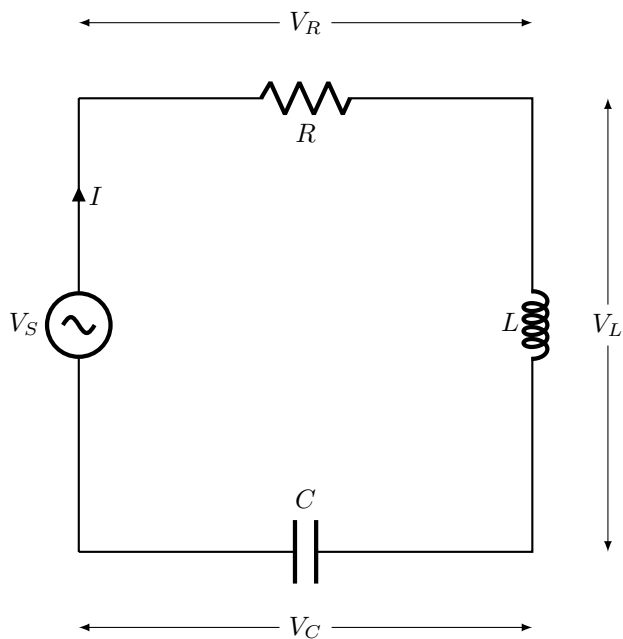
$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = g$$

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

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 $5 = Ce^{3 \cdot 0}$, $5 = C \cdot 1$, $C = 5 \Leftarrow$ Initial Value Problem
 $y = 5e^{3x}$ is the general solution for the Initial Value Problem

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 $\partial f / \partial y$ 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

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

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

However note that there are some intervals on which $y = \tan x$ cannot be a solution for this IVP, such as $(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$, 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)

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

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 Homogenous Equations

2.4 Exact Equations

2.5 Preliminary Theory

3 Example Problems with Solutions

3.1

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

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

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

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

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

3.2

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3.3

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3.4

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

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

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

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

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

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

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