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10. DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS (8/11/2023)

Goals.

(1) Differential equations

(a) What is a differential equation?

(b) What is a solution to a differential equation?

(c) Plugging ansatz into equations

(max)

$$(f(x) \leq f(x_0))$$

global min on $[a, b]$ if for all $x \in [a, b]$ $f(x) \geq f(x_0)$

(max)

$$(f(x) \leq f(x_0))$$

(endpoints can be local min/max)

Theorem: f cts on closed interval $[a, b]$, then:

(1) global max & min exist.

(2) any local extremum is at one of critical pts,
singular pts, endpoints.

Problem-solving, especially getting started by
giving **names**.

Today: Equations

Equations

Usually $A=B$ is an assertion: a claim that A, B are equal (could be true or false)

E.g. $5+7 = 6+6$ (true)

$$\frac{d(x^2)}{dx} = x \quad (\text{false})$$

Have same setup $A=B$, but now A, B depend on variables. No assertion, but question: for which values of variables, is it true that $A=B$?

Typical assertion: " $y=3$ is a solution"

check by "plugging in" see if we get true equality.

Differential equations

unknowns are functions instead of numbers
(equation involves derivatives)

Example: (Newton): $F = ma$, $m \cdot \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F(x, v, t)$

$y=2$ is a solution: $2^2=4$
in fact ± 2 are all solutions:

$2^2=4 \neq 6=3 \cdot 2$
all solutions: $0, 3$

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1. DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

- (1) For each equation: Is $y = 3$ a solution? Is $y = 2$ a solution? What are *all* the solutions?

$y^2=4 \Leftrightarrow (y-2)(y+2)=0$ $y^2=3y \Leftrightarrow (y-3) \cdot y=0$

- (2) For each equation: Is $y(x) = x^2$ a solution? Is $y(x) = e^x$ a solution?

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

$$\frac{d(x^2)}{dx} = 2x \neq x^2 \quad \times$$

$$\frac{d(e^x)}{dx} = e^x \quad \checkmark$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 4y$$

$$\left(\frac{d(x^2)}{dx}\right)^2 = 4x^2 = 4 \cdot x^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\left(\frac{d(e^x)}{dx}\right)^2 = e^{2x} \neq 4e^x$$

(3) Which of the following (if any) is a solution of $\frac{dz}{dt} + t^2 - 1 = z$ (challenge: find more solutions):

A. $z(t) = t^2$;

B. $z(t) = t^2 + 2t + 1$

LHS: $2t + t^2 - 1$

RHS: t^2

~~was~~ incomplete attempt:

Aside

$\frac{dz}{dt} - z = 1 - t^2$

$z = 1 - t^2$

plugging in:

$2t + 2 + t^2 - 1 = t^2 + 2t + 1$ ✓

$t^2 + 2t + 1 = (t+1)^2$ ✓

is linear in z

$C = \text{constant}$

$$y = C \cdot e^{1.04t}$$

- (5) The balance of a bank account satisfies the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = 1.04y$ (this represents interest of 4% compounded continuously). Sketch the solutions to the differential equation. What is the solution for which $y(0) = \$100$?

try: $y = 1.04 \cdot e^t$ $\frac{dy}{dt} = 1.04 \cdot e^t = y \neq 1.04y$

\therefore $\frac{1.04 \cdot t}{1}$

the statement $y(0) = 100$ is an equation for C !
 $C \cdot e^0 = 100$ so $C = 100$, $y(t) = 100 \cdot e^{1.04t}$

- (6) Suppose $\frac{dy}{dx} = ay$, $\frac{dz}{dx} = bz$. Can you find a differential equation satisfied by $w = \frac{y}{z}$? Hint: calculate

$\frac{dw}{dx}$.

$$y' = ay, \quad z' = bz$$

$$w' = \left(\frac{y}{z}\right)' = \frac{y'z - yz'}{z^2} = \frac{ayz - y \cdot bz}{z^2} = a \frac{y}{z} - b \frac{y}{z} = (a-b) \cdot w$$

particular solution

General solution: $y = A \sin(2t) + B \cos(2t)$

For a harmonic oscillator $y'' + \omega^2 y = 0$

family of functions = Ansatz

2. SOLUTIONS BY MASSAGING AND ANSATZE

(7) For which value of the constant ω is $y(t) = \sin(\omega t)$
a solution of the oscillation equation $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4y = 0$?

This y is a solution when $-\omega^2 \sin(\omega t) + 4 \sin(\omega t) = 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow (4 - \omega^2) \sin(\omega t) = 0$

is not a solution when $\omega = \pm 2$ $\omega > 0$

Can select a particular solution using an initial condition or other constraints

Summary

(1) Diff eqn = equality of functions involving,
(1) unknown functions
(2) derivatives of the unknowns

~~(1) Check~~ (2) A function is a solution if plugging it into equation gives true equality

(7) General solution to $y' = ry$ is $y(t) = C \cdot e^{rt}$
when C is an arbitrary constant

(b) What is the general solution for $u(t)$?

a, b constants

(9) Consider the equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = a(y - b)$.

(a) Define a new function $u(t) = y(t) - b$. What is the differential equation satisfied by u ?

$$\frac{du}{dt} = u' = a(y - b) = au$$

so $u(t) = C \cdot e^{at}$
 C arbitrary.

(c) What is the general solution for $y(t)$?

$$y(t) = u(t) + b = b + C \cdot e^{at}$$

(d) Suppose $a < 0$. What is the asymptotic behaviour of the solution as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

e^{at} decays exponentially, so $y(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} b$ exponentially.

(aside: $C=0$ get solution $y(t) \equiv b$)

(e) Suppose we are given the *initial value* $y(0)$. What is C ? What is the formula for $y(t)$ using this?

Example

$u'' = -ku$

$$u' = -ku$$

- (10) Example: *Newton's law of cooling*. Suppose we place an object of temperature $T(0)$ in an environment of temperature T_{env} . It turns out that a good model for the temperature $T(t)$ of the object at time t is

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - T_{\text{env}})$$

where $k > 0$ is a positive constant.

- (a) Suppose $T(t) > T_{\text{env}}$. Is $T'(t)$ positive or negative?

negative

Then have $u(0) = 32.5 - 20$ } two equations
 $u(1) = 10.3 - 20$ } for C, k

(b) A body is found at 1:30am and its temperature is measured to be 32.5°C . At 2:30am its temperature is found to be 30.3°C . The temperature of the room in which the body was found is measured to be 20°C and we have no reason to believe the ambient temperature has changed. What was the time of death?

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$$u(t) = T_{\text{body}}(t) - 20$$

$$u(1) = 32.5 - 20 - kt$$

solve for C, k .

Q: find t s.t. $u(t) = 37^\circ\text{C}$

$$u(0) = C = 12.5$$

$$u(1) = C e^{-k} = 10.3 \Rightarrow e^{-k} = \frac{10.3}{12.5} \Rightarrow k = \log \frac{12.5}{10.3}$$

Need t s.t.

$$12.5 \cdot e^{-\log \frac{12.5}{10.3} t} = 37 - 20$$

$$\Rightarrow t = -\frac{\log(17/12.5)}{\log(12.5/10.3)} \text{ hours before 1:30}$$

sanity check: $t < 0$

sanity check
 $k > 0$

$$\approx y_k + F(y_k)h$$

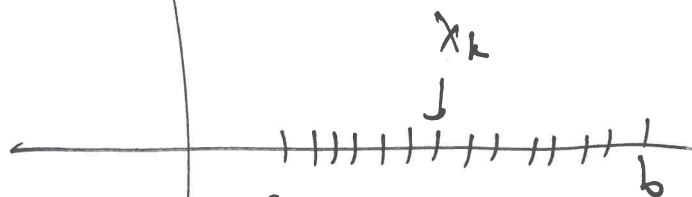
Numerics

Idea: linear approximation

$$\text{DE } y' = F(y) \quad ; \quad y^k = e^y$$
$$y' = 5y$$

if have guess $y(t) \approx y_k$

\Downarrow
since $u'(t) \approx F(y_k)$



n intervals of length $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$

$y_k = \text{value at } x_k \text{ start at } y_0$

Guess: $y_{k+1} \approx y_k + F(y_k) \cdot h$