

2401 Mathematical Methods 3 Notes

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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIATION (Revision and extension)

simple case $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Let $f(x,y)$ be a function of the two independent variables x,y . The two partial derivatives of f at a point (a,b) are the limits

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h,b) - f(a,b)}{h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a,b+k) - f(a,b)}{k}$$

if these limits exist.

notation $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_y$, f_x , $f_x(a,b)$

If these derivatives exist at every point in a region of \mathbb{R}^2 then we have a function derived from $f(x,y)$

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

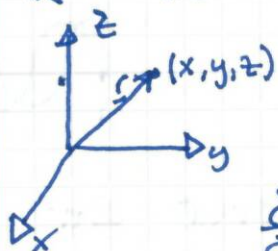
These functions themselves may be differentiable and we can find higher derivatives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = f_{xx}$$

$$f_{xy} = f_{yx}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = f_{xy}$$

example $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



If $r = (x,y,z)^T = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ then $f(x,y,z) = f(r)$
 is $f(r) = |r| = \text{distance of point } (x,y,z) \text{ from } 0$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{x}{|r|}$$

$$f_y = \frac{y}{|r|}, \quad f_z = \frac{z}{|r|}$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \\ \partial f / \partial z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{|r|} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{r}{|r|}$$

Differentiability of functions of several variables

Problem class

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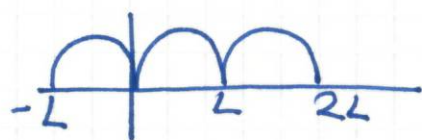
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Problem sheet 1

FOURIER SERIES

$$f(x) = f(x+L) \quad L \in \mathbb{R}, L \neq 0$$

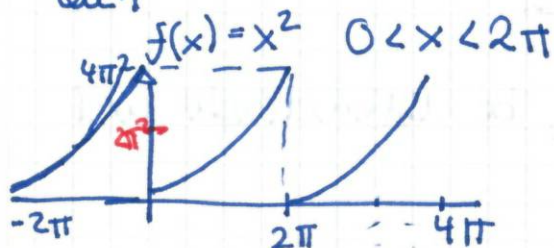


$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx,$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) dx, \quad b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

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Periodic is 2π

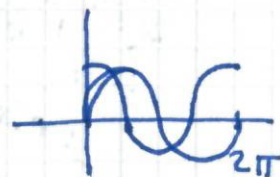
$$(i) x^2 = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$$

integrating (i) over $[0, 2\pi]$ we get

$$\int_0^{2\pi} x^2 dx = \int_0^{2\pi} a_0 dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx dx$$

$$\left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_0^{2\pi} = a_0 2\pi + 0 + 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{8\pi^3}{3} = a_0 2\pi \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{4\pi^2}{3}$$



Multiplying (i) by $\cos mx$ and integrating over 2π we get

$$\int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos mx dx = a_0 \int_0^{2\pi} \cos mx dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx \cos mx dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx \cos mx dx$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos(mx) dx = a_m \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 mx dx$$

$$\Rightarrow a_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos mx dx$$

similarly $b_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \sin mx dx$

let us evaluate a_m and b_m . Since $e^{imx} = \cos(mx) + i \sin(mx)$ we get

$$(a + ib) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 e^{imx} dx$$

$$u = x^2 \quad v' = e^{imx}$$

$$\pi(a + ib) = \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 e^{imx} dx = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{x^2 de^{imx}}{im} \quad \checkmark \text{ integration by parts}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{im} e^{imx} \Big|_0^{2\pi} - \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2x}{im} e^{imx} dx$$

$$= \frac{(2\pi)^2}{im} - \frac{2}{m} \int_0^{2\pi} x e^{imx} dx$$

$$= \frac{(2\pi)^2}{im} - \frac{2}{m} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{x de^{imx}}{im}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi^2}{im} + \frac{2}{m^2} \int_0^{2\pi} x de^{imx} = \frac{4\pi^2}{im} - \frac{2}{m^2} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{imx} dx$$

$$+ \frac{2}{m^2} x e^{imx} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \frac{4\pi^2}{im} + \frac{2}{m^2} 2\pi = \frac{4\pi^2}{m^2} - i \frac{4\pi^2}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_m = \frac{4}{m^2}, \quad b_m = -\frac{4\pi}{m}$$

need to prove:

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \quad (3)$$

$$x^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} \cos(nx) - \frac{4\pi}{n} \sin(nx)$$

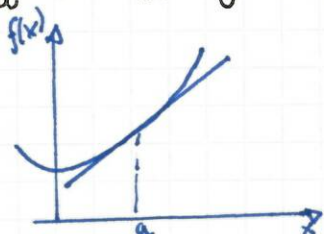
$$\frac{2\pi^2}{3} = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} \quad (2) \quad (2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$$

- only true where function is continuous, we can't use it

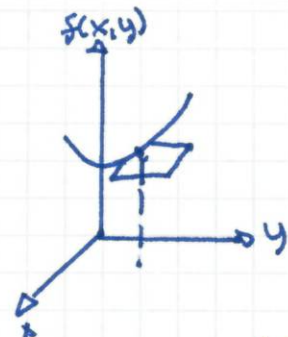
2. $f(x) = x \quad 0 < x < 2$

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Differentiability \approx locally linear



$$f(a+h) \approx f(a) + hf'(a)$$



we say $f'(a)$ exists if
 $f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + |h|\varphi(h)$ where
 $\varphi(h) \rightarrow 0$ as $|h| \rightarrow 0$

In two dimensions $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function $f(x, y)$ is differentiable at the point (a, b) if there exist two numbers: L_x, L_y such that

tangent plane:

$$f(a+h, b+k) = f(a, b) + L_x h + L_y k + \sqrt{h^2 + k^2} \varphi(h, k)$$

where $\varphi(h, k) \rightarrow 0$ as $h, k \rightarrow 0$.

We can write this slightly differently, and extend to $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and say

$f(\underline{x} + \underline{\delta x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underline{L} \cdot \underline{\delta x} + |\underline{\delta x}| \varphi(\underline{\delta x})$ and claim that f is differentiable at \underline{x} if such \underline{L} exists and $|\varphi(\underline{\delta x})| \rightarrow 0$ as $|\underline{\delta x}| \rightarrow 0$

$$\underline{L} \cdot \underline{\delta x} = (L_x \ L_y) \begin{pmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta y \end{pmatrix}$$

consider now three dimensions $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then it turns out that $\underline{L} = \nabla f = \text{grad } f$ since, for example,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y, z) - f(x, y, z)}{h} \stackrel{f \text{ is differentiable}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{L_x h + 0 + 0 + |h| \varphi(h)}{h} = L_x$$

as $\varphi(h) \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$

so $\underline{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \\ \partial f / \partial z \end{pmatrix} = \nabla f$

consider now functions $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, we say that f is differentiable at the point \underline{x} if there exists a $n \times m$ matrix \underline{L} such that

$$f(\underline{x} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underline{L} \underline{h} + |\underline{h}| \varphi(\underline{h})$$

with $|\varphi(\underline{h})| \rightarrow 0$ as $|\underline{h}| \rightarrow 0$ where \underline{L} is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & & & \\ \vdots & & \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} & \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1} & & & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix}$$

and is called the Jacobian matrix.

L_{ij} is $= \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$

The chain rule

Consider functions formed by the composition of others. In one dimension we might consider $F(t) = f(x(t))$. We have $t \rightarrow x \rightarrow F, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$F(t+\delta t) - F(t) = f(x(t+\delta t)) - f(x(t))$$

$$= f(x(t) + \delta t x'(t) + \underbrace{|\delta t| \varphi(\delta t)}_{+\dots \text{the higher order terms that aren't linear}}) - f(x(t)),$$

as $x(t)$ is differentiable

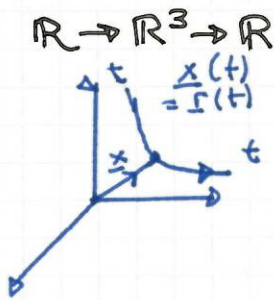
$$= f(x(t)) + f'(x(t)) \delta t x'(t) + \dots - f(x(t))$$

$$= \delta t (f'(x(t)) x'(t)) + \dots$$

Compare this now with the statement that $F(t)$ is differentiable, in the form

$$F(t+\delta t) = F(t) + \delta t F'(t) + \dots$$

and $F'(t) = f'(x(t)) x'(t)$



$$f(x(t))$$

consider $F(t) = f(x(t), y(t), z(t))$

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

$$= f(x(t) + \delta t x'(t) + \dots, y(t) + \delta t y'(t) + \dots, z(t) + \delta t z'(t) + \dots) - f(x(t), y(t), z(t))$$

$$f(x+h) \approx f(x) + \nabla f \cdot h$$

$$\approx f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \delta t x'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \delta t y'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \delta t z'(t) + \dots - f(x(t), y(t), z(t))$$

so we identify

$$F'(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} x'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} y'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} z'(t)$$

If we use a $\dot{\cdot}$ for time derivatives and $r(t)$ instead of $x(t)$

$$\dot{F} = \dot{r} \cdot \nabla f$$

$$\dot{F} = \nabla f \cdot \dot{r} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x & \partial f / \partial y & \partial f / \partial z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta x / \delta t \\ \delta y / \delta t \\ \delta z / \delta t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F(t) = f(x(t))$$

Jacobian for $x(t)$
(3x1)

Jacobian for $f(x)$
(1x3)

The Jacobian for F is obtained by matrix multiplication (i.e. composition) of the Jacobians for $x(t)$ & $f(x)$

Jacobian for $F(t)$, a 1x1 matrix

We can generalise this observation

$$\mathbb{R}^l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

The two functions $x(u)$ & $f(x)$ are from $\mathbb{R}^l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ & $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ respectively, then the composition $F(u) = f(x(u))$ is from $\mathbb{R}^l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. $\mathbb{R}^l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. These mappings x , f & F have Jacobians

$$x: \begin{pmatrix} dx_1/du_1 & dx_1/du_2 & \dots & dx_1/du_l \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ dx_m/du_1 & dx_m/du_2 & \dots & dx_m/du_l \end{pmatrix} = \underline{U} \quad m \times l \text{ matrix}$$

$$f: \begin{pmatrix} df_1/dx_1 & \dots & df_1/dx_m \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ df_n/dx_1 & \dots & df_n/dx_m \end{pmatrix} = \underline{I} \quad \text{a } n \times m \text{ matrix}$$

$$\underline{F}: \begin{pmatrix} dF_1/du_1 & \dots & dF_1/du_l \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ dF_n/du_1 & \dots & dF_n/du_l \end{pmatrix} = \underline{S} \quad \text{a } n \times l \text{ matrix}$$

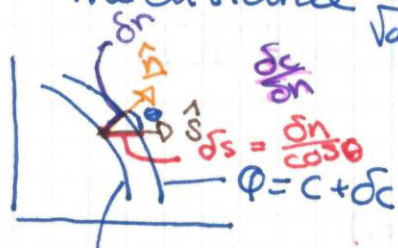
The chain Rule says $\underline{S} = \underline{I} \underline{U}$

A geometric interpretation of the gradient ∇f

Consider $\phi(x) = \phi(x, y, z)$ with x, y, z independent variables. If x, y, z are chosen so that $\phi(x, y, z) = \text{constant} = c$ then this imposes a constraint on our choice & points (x, y, z) satisfying $\phi(x, y, z) = c$ lie on a surface, called a level surface of ϕ (3D + 1 constraint = 2D)

$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ sphere centered at origin

$\phi(x, y, z) = ax + by + cz = d$ is a plane with the normal $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and the distance $\frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$



consider a neighbouring surface given by $\phi = c + \delta c$. Consider too a unit normal, \hat{n} , to the surface $\phi = c$

We can ask how much ϕ changes if we move a distance δn in the direction of \hat{n} . Call this change $\delta \phi$ & consider $\lim_{\delta n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \phi}{\delta n} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n}$ (if it exists) i.e. the rate of change of ϕ measured in a direction normal to a level surface of ϕ .

we define the gradient of the function ϕ to be the vector

$$\nabla\phi = \hat{n} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n} \quad \text{we shall see } \nabla\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_x \\ \phi_y \\ \phi_z \end{pmatrix}$$

suppose I want the rate of change of ϕ in a different direction given by \hat{s} , df/ds say.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} &= \lim_{\delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta\phi}{\delta s} = \lim_{\delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta\phi}{\delta n / \cos\theta} = \cos\theta \lim_{\delta n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n} \\ &= \cos\theta \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } \cos\theta = \hat{s} \cdot \hat{n}, \text{ so } \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} = \hat{s} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n} = \hat{s} \cdot \nabla\phi$$

we call $\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s}$ the directional derivative the directions of \hat{s} and we see that this directional derivative is obtained by

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} = \hat{s} \cdot \nabla\phi}$$

If we choose $\hat{s} = \hat{i}$, this becomes $\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = \hat{i} \cdot \nabla\phi =$ the first component of $\nabla\phi$

so we conclude

$$\nabla\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_x \\ \phi_y \\ \phi_z \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\frac{df}{ds} = \hat{s} \cdot \nabla f$$

Defined at a point, but that point can be anything. So $\frac{\partial f}{\partial s}$ is a function of position, assuming it exists.

consider $f(x,y) = (x+1)(y-1)$ & find the directional derivatives in the directions of $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ & $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ unit vectors in these directions are

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \quad \& \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y-1 \\ x+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\& \text{ so if } \hat{s} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ we have } \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y-1 \\ x+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{s} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y-1 \\ x+1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(y-x-2)$$

we can ask for the rate of change of these directional derivatives in different directions. Most useful will be $\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right) = \hat{s} \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right) = (\hat{s} \cdot \nabla) (\hat{s} \cdot \nabla f) = (\hat{s} \cdot \nabla)^2 f$ say

For our example the second derivatives are, for $\hat{s} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} \partial/\partial x (1/\sqrt{2}(x+y)) \\ \partial/\partial y (1/\sqrt{2}(x+y)) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

for $s = \underline{i} - \underline{j}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} \partial/\partial x (1/\sqrt{2}(y-x-z)) \\ \partial/\partial y (1/\sqrt{2}(y-x-z)) \end{pmatrix} = -1$$

Taylor's theorem

We know that for $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we have, under certain conditions

$$f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + \frac{1}{2}h^2f''(a) + \frac{1}{6}h^3f'''(a) + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} h^n$$

within a radius of convergence.

$$f(a+h) = f(a) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1!} \cdot h}_{\nabla f} + \dots$$

To extend this & find the subsequent terms in a statement of Taylor's Theorem for $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we imagine fixing the direction of \underline{h} (take \hat{s} say) & the problem is then reduced to one in one dimension, with variable $|\underline{h}|$ the distance travelled in the direction of \underline{h} & we can use Taylor's theorem for $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

We see that the $f^{(n)}(a)$ need to be replaced by $\frac{\partial^n f}{(\hat{s} \circ \nabla)^n}$ and the h needs to be replaced by $\frac{\partial \delta^n}{|\underline{h}|}$.

$$\text{so we get } f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + |\underline{h}| (\hat{s} \circ \nabla) f + \frac{1}{2} |\underline{h}|^2 (\hat{s} \circ \nabla)^2 f + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} |\underline{h}|^n (\hat{s} \circ \nabla)^n f + \dots$$

$$\text{but } \underline{h} = |\underline{h}| \hat{s} \text{ and so } f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + (\underline{h} \circ \nabla) f + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^2 f + \frac{1}{n!} (\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^n f + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^n f}{n!}$$

$$\text{if } f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ \& } \underline{h} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } \underline{h} \cdot \nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

$$(\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^2 f = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} \partial/\partial x (h \partial f / \partial x + k \partial f / \partial y) \\ \partial/\partial y (h \partial f / \partial x + k \partial f / \partial y) \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} h f_{xx} + k f_{xy} \\ h f_{xy} + k f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \\ = h^2 f_{xx} + 2hk f_{xy} + k^2 f_{yy}$$

$$(\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^3 f = h^3 f_{xxx} + 3h^2k f_{xxy} + 3hk^2 f_{xyy} + k^3 f_{yyy}$$

If $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $h = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \\ l \end{pmatrix}$ then $h \cdot \nabla = h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + l \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$

$$(h \cdot \nabla)^2 = h^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + l^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + 2hk \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} + 2hl \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z} + 2kl \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z}$$

coefficients are found by considering the expansion of $(a+b+c)^n$

Express

$f(x,y) = x^2y + 3y - 2$ in powers of $(x-1)$ & $(y+2)$

we will do this by finding a Taylor series for $f(x,y)$ about the point $(1, -2)$

$[a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $h = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x-1 \\ y+2 \end{pmatrix}$ so $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = a + h$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2y$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 2x$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3} = 0$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x \partial y^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3} = 0$$

and higher derivatives are zero

$$x^2y + 3y - 2 = f(x,y) = f(1,-2) + \left(h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \Big|_{(1,-2)}$$

$\begin{matrix} \swarrow & & \swarrow \\ x-1 & & y+2 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ -4 & & 4 \end{matrix}$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (h^2 f_{xx} + 2hk f_{xy} + k^2 f_{yy}) \Big|_{(1,-2)}$$

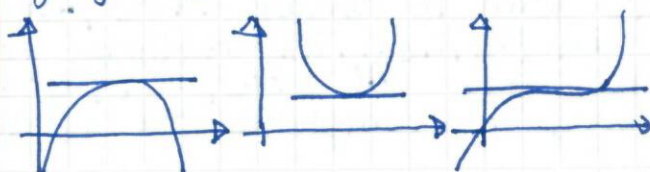
$$+ \frac{1}{6} (h^3 \cdot 0 + 3h^2k \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y} + 3hk^2 \cdot 0 + k^3 \cdot 0) \Big|_{(1,-2)} + 0$$

$$= -10 - 4(x-1) + 4(y+2) - 2(x-1)^2 + 2(x-1)(y+2) + (x-1)^2(y+2)$$

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Extreme values & critical points of functions of several (mainly two variables)

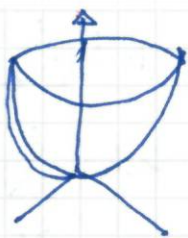
If f is from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



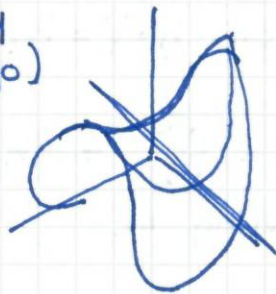
At critical point, the tangent to the curve is horizontal (parallel to x-axis) and we test for this by finding positions where $f'(x) = 0$



MAXIMUM at (x_0, y_0) if

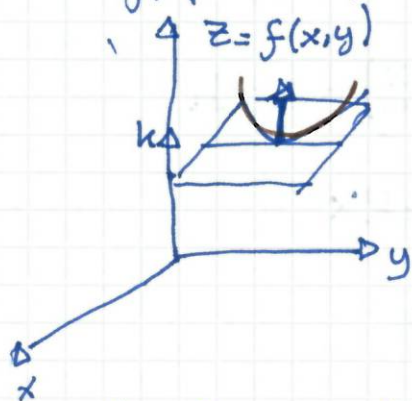


MINIMUM
at (x_0, y_0)



SADDLE POINT
at (x_0, y_0)

If we have a function given by $z=f(x,y)$ then at a point where f has a local maximum / minimum / saddle point, the tangent plane to the surface is parallel to the (x,y) plane, or has a normal parallel to \underline{k}



The normal to a surface written as a level surface of $g(x,y,z) = z - f(x,y) = 0$ is given by $\nabla g = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial f/\partial x \\ -\partial f/\partial y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and so at a

critical point $f_x = f_y = 0$

A critical point (x_0, y_0) is such that $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = 0$. Using Taylor's theorem about (x_0, y_0) & with $\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{x_0}$

$$f(\underline{x_0} + h) = f(\underline{x_0}) + \underbrace{h \cdot \nabla f}_{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right) \Big|_{x_0} = 0}} + \frac{1}{2} (h \nabla^2) f \Big|_{x_0} + \dots$$

and so $f(\underline{x_0} + h) - f(x_0) = \frac{1}{2} \left(h^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + 2hk \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + k^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}$

If $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ then with $\underline{h} = (h_1, h_2, h_3, \dots, h_n)^T$ this is

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & \dots & h_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ \vdots \\ h_n \end{pmatrix} = (h \ k) \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

The Hessian of f

A quadratic form

Testing whether this quadratic form is always +ve / -ve / or either depending on coefficients in (h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n) reduces to seeing if the eigenvalues of the Hessian are all +ve / -ve / or mixed in sign. Here though we proceed by completing the square.

We will assume $f_{xx} \neq 0$. If $f_{xx} = 0$, then we proceed as below using f_{yy} instead of f_{xx} . If $f_{xx} = f_{yy} = 0$ then it is clear we have a saddle point since the product hk can be made of either sign by choosing h & k appropriately

$$f(\underline{x_0} + h) - f(x_0) = \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} \left[h^2 + 2hk \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} + k^2 \frac{f_{yy}}{f_{xx}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} \left[\left(h + k \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} \right)^2 + k^2 \left(\frac{f_{yy}}{f_{xx}} - \frac{f_{xy}^2}{f_{xx}^2} \right) \right]$$

may be either sign depending on sign of $\Delta = \frac{1}{f_{xx}} (f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2)$

always +ve or 0

$$\frac{k^2 \left(\frac{f_{yy}}{f_{xx}} - \frac{f_{xy}^2}{f_{xx}^2} \right)}{f_{xx}}$$

$$\frac{k^2}{(f_{xx})^2} (f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2)$$

may be either sign depending of sign of $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{vmatrix}$ called the Discriminant

$$= \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} \left[\left(h + k \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} \right)^2 + \frac{k^2}{(f_{xx})^2} \Delta \right]$$

if $\Delta > 0$ then this has the same sign as does f_{xx} . So if $\Delta > 0$ and $f_{xx} > 0$ we have a minimum

if $\Delta > 0$ and $f_{xx} < 0$ we have a maximum

if $\Delta < 0$ we have a saddle point because if we choose $k=0$, the term is > 0 but if we choose $k = -h \frac{f_{xx}}{f_{xy}}$, then the term is < 0

$\left. \begin{matrix} (-f_{xx} > 0) \\ (f_{xx} > 0) \end{matrix} \right\}$

example

Find the critical points of $f(x,y) = \frac{1}{3}(x^3 + y^3) - (x^2 + y^2)$ and determine their nature.

To find the critical points we solve simultaneously

$$0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x^2 - 2x \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ or } x=2$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = y^2 - 2y \Rightarrow y=0 \text{ or } y=2$$

and critical points are $(0,0)$ $(2,0)$ $(0,2)$ $(2,2)$

To determine their nature we need:

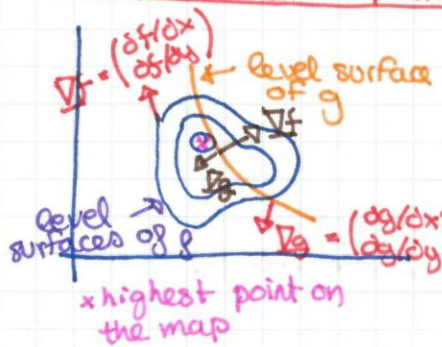
$$f_{xx} = 2(x-1) \quad \& \quad f_{xy} = 0$$

$$f_{yy} = 2(y-1)$$

$$\Delta = f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 4(x-1)(y-1)$$

	$(0,0)$	$(2,0)$	$(0,2)$	$(2,2)$
$f_{xx} = 2(x-1)$	-2	2	-2	2
$f_{yy} = 2(y-1)$	-2	-2	2	2
$f_{xy} = 0$	0	0	0	0
$\Delta = f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2$	4	-4	-4	4
	maximum	saddle points		minimum

Constrained optimisation



consider level surface of $f(x,y)$ - i.e. lines in (x,y) plane along which $f = \text{const.}$

Consider too a line given by $g(x,y) = c$
 If we ask what is the extreme value of $f(x,y)$ subject to the constraint $g(x,y) = c$ we see geometrically that this is achieved where a level surface of g , (given by $g(x,y) = c$) is tangential to a level surface of f .

If the normals to these curves are given by ∇f & ∇g then this occurs where $\nabla f \parallel \nabla g$ i.e. $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$.

↑ Lagrange multiplier

$$\nabla(f - \lambda g) = 0$$

$$\nabla(f - \lambda(g - c)) = 0$$

This condition tells us only that a level surface of f is tangential to a level surface of g . There are obviously many such points, each given by a particular value of λ . To find the one we want we add in the constraint equation $g(x,y) = c$ i.e. we need to solve the three equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(f - \lambda g) = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(f - \lambda g) = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$g(x,y) = c$$

to give values of x & y where f has a local max/min subject to the constraint $g = c$

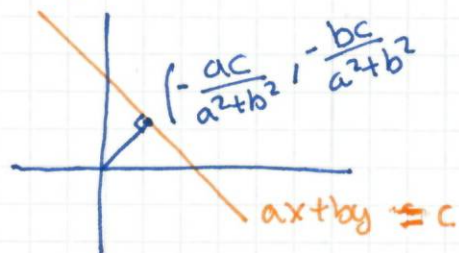
If $h(x,y,\lambda) = f - \lambda(g - c)$ then these equations are

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \quad \nabla h = 0$$

example

Find the shortest distance of the line $ax + by + c = 0$ to the origin

$$\left(\frac{-c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \right)$$



we will find the extreme value of $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. To make the algebra easier, we will take

$f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$ and the constraint is $g(x,y) = ax + by - c = 0$ and

form $h(x,y,\lambda) = f - \lambda g = x^2 + y^2 - \lambda(ax + by + c)$

we need to solve

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = 2x - \lambda a = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{\lambda a}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = 2y - \lambda b = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{\lambda b}{2}$$

& we add the constraint $ax + by = c$

$$\frac{\lambda a^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda b^2}{2} = -c \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-2c}{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\text{so } x = -\frac{ac}{a^2 + b^2} \quad y = -\frac{bc}{a^2 + b^2}$$

and the distance can now be found as $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{|c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$

More generally

If $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is written $f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$ then we can have up to $n-1$ constraints. Suppose we have m . $g_i(x) = 0$ i runs from 1 to m .

We form the function, the Lagrangian

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i g_i(x)$$

We then solve the n equations

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0 \quad i=1 \dots n \quad \nabla_x L = 0$$

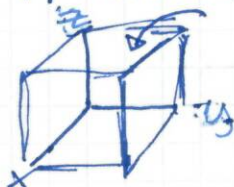
together with the m constraints $g_i(x) = 0$ or

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda_i} = 0 \quad i=1 \dots m \quad \nabla_\lambda L = 0$$

$$\nabla L = 0$$

example

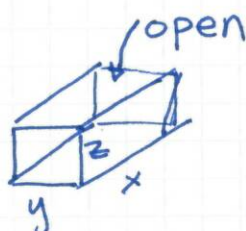
Construct an open-topped rectangular box of volume V , minimizing its surface area.



$$\text{Volume is } V = xyz$$

$$\text{Surface area is } S = 2xz + 2yz + xy$$

Max/Min S subject to $V = xyz$



minimise surface $S(x, y, z) = 2yz + 2xz + xy$
subject to volume $V = xyz$ fixed, i.e.
 $V(x, y, z) = \text{const} = V \quad V \neq 0$

We use Lagrange multipliers & consider

$$H(x, y, z) = S(x, y, z) - \lambda V(x, y, z) = 2yz + 2xz + xy - \lambda xyz$$

$$\text{we set } \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$2z + y - \lambda yz = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$2z + x - \lambda xz = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$2y + 2x - \lambda xy = 0 \quad (3)$$

Solve (1)-(3) together with the fourth equation $xyz = V$ (4)

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow (y-x) - \lambda z(y-x) = 0$$

$$\text{so } y-x = 0 \text{ i.e. } y=x$$

$$\text{or } \lambda z = 1 \quad \left[\text{In } \textcircled{1} \lambda z = 1 \Rightarrow z=0, \lambda = \infty \right]$$

$$z=0 \Rightarrow V=0 \text{ \& we presume } V \neq 0$$

so discount $\lambda z = 1$ & follow $y=x$

$$\text{if } y=x, \text{ then (3) gives } 4x = \lambda x^2 \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ (discount as then } V=0)$$

$$\text{or } x = \frac{4}{\lambda}, y = \frac{4}{\lambda}$$

$$y=x \text{ in (2) gives } z = \frac{x}{\lambda x - 2} = \frac{4}{\lambda} \frac{1}{4-2} = \frac{2}{\lambda}$$

λ is found from the constraint $xyz = V$, i.e.

$$\frac{4}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{4}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{2}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4}{\lambda} \right)^3 = V, \quad \frac{4}{\lambda} = \sqrt[3]{2V}$$

$$x = y = \sqrt[3]{2V}, \quad z = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt[3]{2V}$$

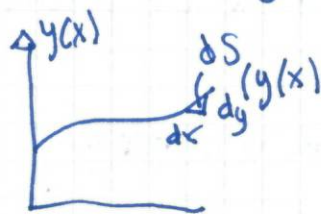
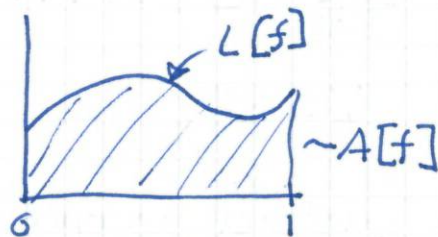
Calculus of Variation

This is concerned with finding extreme values of functionals. Functionals are functions which map from a set of functions into the numbers.

$$\delta: \delta(f) = f(a)$$

$$\text{we might have } A[f] = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

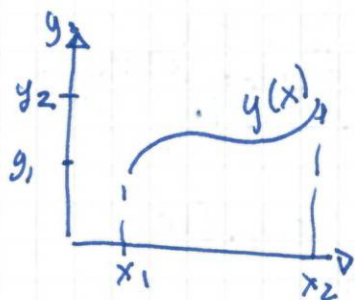
$$A[f] = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1+f'^2} dx$$



$$\int ds$$

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 = dx^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$ds = \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$



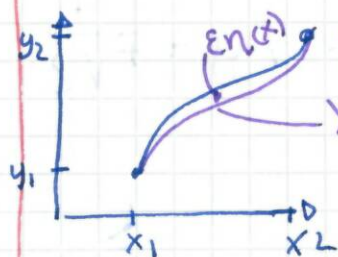
The function y which makes these functionals take on extreme values is called the extremal

Generally the functionals we will consider are

$$I[y] = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F(x, y, y') dx \quad \begin{aligned} F(x, y, y') &= y \\ F(x, y, y') &= \sqrt{1+y'^2} \end{aligned}$$

and we wish to find an extremal curve satisfying boundary conditions $y(x_1) = y_1, y(x_2) = y_2$

We will assume that this extremal curve $y(x)$ exists



$$Y(x) = y(x) + \epsilon \eta(x)$$

$$\eta(x_1) = \eta(x_2) = 0$$

$$I[Y] - I[y, \epsilon, \eta] = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F(x, y + \epsilon \eta, y' + \epsilon \eta') dx$$

If y is the extremal curve then $\frac{dI}{d\epsilon}[y, \epsilon, \eta] \Big|_{\epsilon=0} = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } 0 = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} F(x, y + \epsilon \eta, y' + \epsilon \eta') dx \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \eta' \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

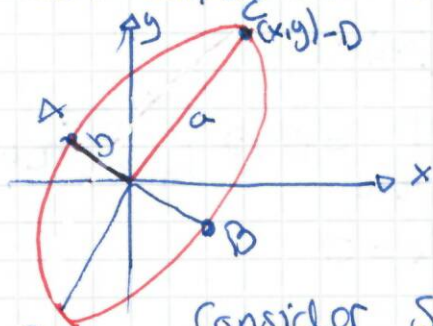
$$0 = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x, y, y') \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'}(x, y, y') \eta' dx$$

independently of η

Problem class

PS 3

Q1 - Ellipse $17x^2 - 30xy + 17y^2 = 32$



find a, b & area

$$F(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$$

Find max (min) $F(x, y)$, subject to constraint $17x^2 - 30xy + 17y^2 = 32$

Consider $S(x, y, \lambda) = x^2 + y^2 + \lambda(17x^2 - 30xy + 17y^2 - 32)$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = 2x + \lambda(34x - 30y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 2y + \lambda(-30x + 34y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2+34\lambda & -30\lambda \\ -30\lambda & 2+34\lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2+34\lambda)^2 = (30)^2 \lambda^2 \Leftrightarrow 2+34\lambda = \pm 30\lambda \quad \det \text{ of } A = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda = -\frac{1}{32} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

If $\lambda = -\frac{1}{32}$, then looking at first row

$$\left(2 - \frac{34}{32}\right)x + \frac{30}{32}y = 0 \Leftrightarrow x+y=0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -x=y$$

Now from the constraint, we have

$$17x^2 - 30x^2 + 17x^2 = 32 \Leftrightarrow 4x^2 = 32 \Leftrightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad y = \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$A = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \quad B = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \Leftrightarrow b=1$$

If $\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$ we get

$$C = (2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}) \quad \& \quad D = (-2\sqrt{2}, -2\sqrt{2})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a=4$$

$$\text{Area} = \pi ab = \underline{\underline{4\pi}}$$

Q3

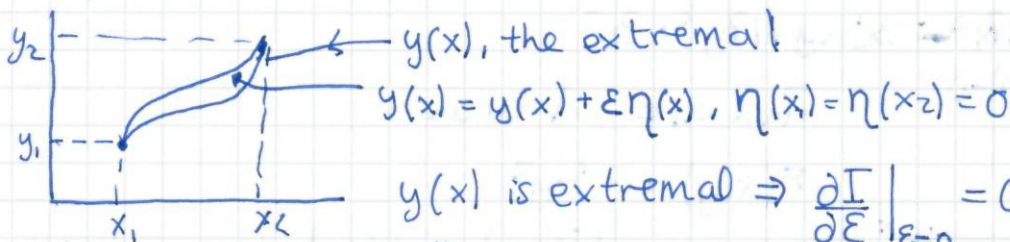
Hint

$$S = [(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 + (z-z_0)^2] - \lambda(ax+by+cz)$$

$$\lambda = -2[d + ax_0 + by_0 + cz] / (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$$

$$I[y] = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F(x, y, y') dx$$

$$y(x_1) = y_1, \quad y(x_2) = y_2$$



$$y(x) \text{ is extremal} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial I}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \eta' dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\eta \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right]_{x_1}^{x_2} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \eta - \eta \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) dx = 0$$

$$F = \sqrt{1+y'^2}$$

$$= 0 \text{ as } \eta(x_1) = \eta(x_2) = 0$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \eta \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \right] dx = 0 \text{ for any } \eta$$

we conclude that for the extremal curve $y(x)$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0}$$

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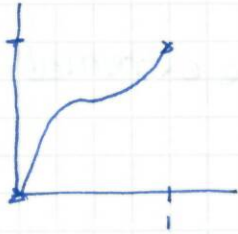
use by parts

for all

This is the Euler-Lagrange equation and is a second order differential equation for $y(x)$, the extremal curve, to be solved with the boundary conditions $y(x_1) = y_1$, $y(x_2) = y_2$. Once the extremal is known it can be substituted into $I[y]$ to find the extreme value.

example

Find the extremal curve for $I[y] = \int_0^1 \underbrace{y^2 - 2xy - y'^2}_{F(x,y,y')} dx$
 $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$



$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} &= 2y - 2x \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} &= -2y' \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow (2y - 2x) - \frac{d}{dx}(-2y') = 0$$

fully differentiate
 $y = y(x)$

$$\Rightarrow y'' + y = x$$

$$y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$$

$$y = A \cos x + B \sin x + x$$

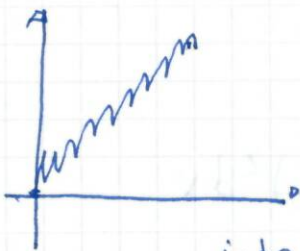
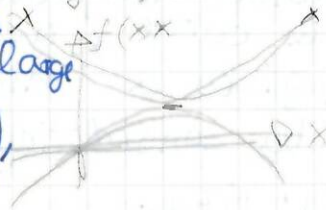
And choosing now A & B to satisfy boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$ gives $A = B = 0$ $y = x$

The extreme value of the integral

$$\int_0^1 x^2 - 2x^2 - 1 dx = -\frac{4}{3}$$

To find out if it is min/max you can look at large values of x , second derivative

We can argue that if we can make the value of $I[y]$ as large and ~~small~~ negative as we like by choosing an appropriate $y(x)$, then $-4/3$ indicates a maximum value for the integral

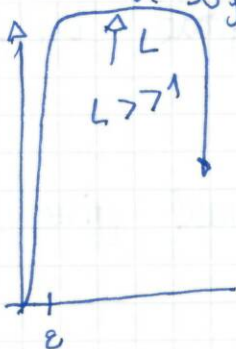


$$y = x + \sin nx$$

$$y' = 1 + n \cos nx$$

$$y'^2 \approx n^2 \cos^2 nx \text{ for large } n$$

so due to the $-y'^2$ term in the integrand we can make the integral large and negative as we like by choosing a sufficiently oscillatory $y(x)$.



$$(L/\epsilon)^2 \epsilon - \text{contribution for } -y'^2$$

$$L^2 \epsilon - \text{contribution for } y^2$$

The shortest distance between two points

In Euclidian space the length of a curve $y(x)$ is

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx. \text{ Here } F(x,y,y') = \sqrt{1+y'^2} \text{ and } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \right] \text{ and the E-L equation is}$$

$$0 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} \right] = 0 \text{ and we have } \frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = \text{constant}$$

and this is true only for $y' = \text{const}$ i.e. the extremal is a straight line.

example EXAM QUESTION

consider $I[y] = \int_0^1 (y'-y)^2 dx$ $y(0) = 0$
 $y(1) = 2$

$$F(x,y,y') = (y'-y)^2$$

and EL gives

$$-2(y'-y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2(y'-y)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' - y = 0 \text{ so } y(x) = A \cosh(x) + B \sinh(x)$$

$$\text{Boundary conditions } \Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \sinh(x)}{\sinh(1)}$$

It is possible to prove, in this case, that this extremal curve, $y=f$, where $f''-f=0$, $f(0)=0$, $f(1)=2$, gives a minimum value for the integral.

This is by considering $I[f+g]$

$$I[f] = \int_0^1 (f'-f)^2 dx$$

$$I[f+g] = \int_0^1 (f'+g'-f-g)^2 dx$$
$$= \int_0^1 [(f'-f) + (g'-g)]^2 dx$$

$$I[f+g] = \int_0^1 (f'-f)^2 + 2(f'-f)(g'-g) + (g'-g)^2 dx$$
$$= I[f] + 2 \int_0^1 (f'-f)(g'-g) + \text{always } \geq 0$$

Consider $2 \int_0^1 (f'-f)g' - (f'-f)g dx$ and integrate by parts on first integral to give

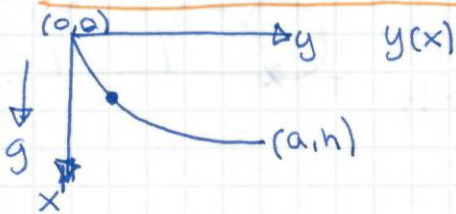
$$[2(f'-f)g]_0^1 - 2 \int_0^1 (f''-f)g + (f'-f)g dx$$

$g(0)=g(1)=0$ and $f''-f=0$ as f is extremal gives 0 for this integral and

$$I[f+g] = I[f] + \int_0^1 (g'-g)^2 dx \geq I[f]$$

so the extremal gives a minimum.

The Brachistochrone Problem



Find $y(x)$ such that the time taken for a bead to fall due to gravity from $(0,0)$ to (a,h) on the wire $y(x)$ is a minimum
 $s = vt$

$$T = \int dt = \int \frac{ds}{v}$$

kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ gained = potential energy mgh lost gives $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mgh$

$$so \ v = \sqrt{2gx}$$

$$ds = \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

$F(x, y, y')$

$$T[y] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2g}} \int_0^a \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

- Exam, just this part not the theory before

forget about this

look at this part

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$$

$$\text{Here } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$$

$$so \ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = c \text{ (a constant)}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = c$$

$$\Rightarrow y'^2 = c^2 x (1+y'^2)$$

$$y'^2 (1-c^2 x) = c^2 x$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = \frac{c^2 x}{1-c^2 x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = c \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-c^2 x}}$$

(we expect $y' \geq 0$ here) just the positive root

$$so \ \int dy = \int \sqrt{\frac{x}{\alpha-x}} dx$$

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

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{c^2}$$

$$\alpha \sin^2 \theta$$

integration by substitution

$$\text{Put } x = \alpha \sin^2 \theta$$

$$y+k = \int \sqrt{\frac{\alpha \sin^2 \theta}{\alpha - \alpha \sin^2 \theta}} \cdot 2\alpha \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$= \int 2\alpha \sin^2 \theta d\theta = \alpha \int 1 - \cos 2\theta d\theta = \alpha \left[\theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]$$

$$= \alpha \left[\theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta \right]$$

first order equation of y

need to consider \pm when taking the root

function



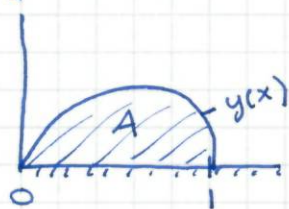
with + and -
 $\theta = 0$
 $\theta = \pi$

so $y+k = \alpha \left[\sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{x'}{\alpha}} - \sqrt{\frac{x'}{\alpha}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{x'}{\alpha}} \right]$
 $y(0) = 0 \rightarrow k=0$
 and α needs to be such that $y(a) = h$



ISOPERIMETRIC PROBLEMS

[calculus of variations with integral constraints]



$$L = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

want to max.
 $A[y] = \int_0^1 y dx$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$y(1) = 0$$

The method is to use Lagrange multipliers.

$$\text{form } H[y, \lambda] = \int_0^1 y - \lambda \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

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Special forms of the Euler-Lagrange equations

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0, \quad F = F(x, y, y')$$

case

(i) No y' in F , i.e. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0$

(ii) No y in F , i.e. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = c$ a first integral of the E-L equation.

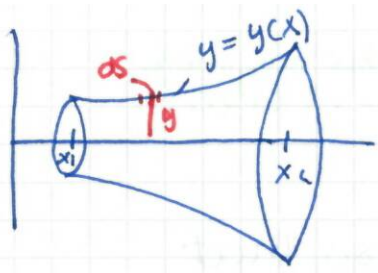
(iii) No x in F , i.e. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0$, then $F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \text{constant}$

This first integral is called the Beltrami equation.

This is true as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\underbrace{F}_{F(x,y,y')} - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right] &= \cancel{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) - \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \\ &= y' \left(\underbrace{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right)}_{\text{E-L equation}} \right) = y' \cdot 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \text{const}$



Minimize a surface are produced by rotating the curve $y = y(x)$ about the x -axis

$$y(x_1) = y_1$$

$$y(x_2) = y_2$$

$$A[y] = 2\pi \int_{x_1}^{x_2} y \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

This is not important in finding y

$$\delta S^2 = \delta x^2 + \delta y^2 \quad A = \int \delta A = \int \delta S 2\pi y = \int 2\pi y \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = \sqrt{1+y'^2}$$

$$F(x, y, y') = y \sqrt{1+y'^2}$$

we see $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0$ so that we can go immediately to the first integral

$$F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} =$$

$$y \sqrt{1+y'^2} - y' \frac{y \cdot y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = c$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} [y + y y'^2 - y y'^2] = c$$

$$\frac{y}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = c$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right] = 0 \\ \sqrt{1+y'^2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{y y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} \right] \\ \vdots \\ y'' - y = 0 \quad ?? \end{array} \right.$$

$$y'' - y = 0 \quad ??$$

check

$$y^2 = c^2 (1+y'^2)$$

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

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{y^2 - c^2}{c^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{y^2 - c^2}$$

$$\int \frac{\partial y}{\sqrt{y^2 - c^2}} = \pm \int \frac{1}{c} dx$$

$$\cosh^{-1} \frac{y}{c} = \pm \left(\frac{x}{c} + \frac{D}{c} \right)$$

Don't always use the Beltrami equation

when you don't see an x .

it is hard to solve, go back to E-L equation and find the 2nd derivative

$$y = c \cdot \cosh \left[\pm \left(\frac{x+D}{c} \right) \right] \quad \text{+ doesn't matter any more since cosh is even.}$$

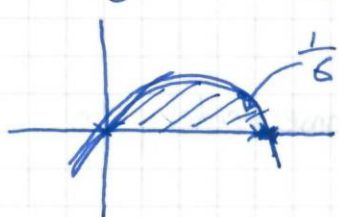
$$= c \cdot \cosh \left[\frac{(x+D)}{c} \right]$$

Two constants of integration found so that
 $y(x_1) = y_1$ & $y(x_2) = y_2$

Back to isoperimetric problems

example Find the extremal for the integral

$$\int_0^1 y'^2 + 2yy' dx \quad y(0) = y(1) = 0 \quad \text{subject to the constraint}$$



$$\int_0^1 y dx = \frac{1}{6}$$

min/max

$$\int F dx \quad \text{subject to} \quad \int G dx = \text{constant.}$$

Form $\int F - \lambda G dx$. solve the EL for this new functional & apply constraint to find λ .

Consider

$$\int_0^1 \underbrace{y'^2 + 2yy' - \lambda y}_H dx$$

We see $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0$ and it is tempting to use the Beltrami equation

$$H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} = \text{constant.}$$

However the algebra is tricky & instead we use the

EL equations $\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$

$$2y' - \lambda - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [2y' + 2y] = 0$$

$$y'' = -\frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$y' = -\frac{\lambda}{2}x + A$$

$$y = -\frac{\lambda}{4}x^2 + Ax + B \quad \text{and since } y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\text{and } y(1) = 0 \Rightarrow A = \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

$$y(x) = \frac{\lambda}{4}x(1-x)$$

We use the constraint to give us the value of λ .

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\lambda}{4}(x-x^2) dx = \int_0^1 y dx = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$i.e \frac{1}{6} = \frac{\lambda}{4} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right] \Rightarrow \lambda = 4$$

$$\underline{y(x) = x(1-x)}$$

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$$\int_0^1 y'^2 + 2yy' dx, \quad y(0) = y(1) = 0$$

$$\& \int_0^1 y dx = \frac{1}{6} \quad | \quad y'' = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \quad y = (1-x)x$$



$$\int_0^1 \underbrace{y'^2 + 2yy' - \lambda y} dx$$

Bertrami equation is $H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = \text{const}$

$$(y'^2 + 2yy' - \lambda y) - y'(2y' + 2y) = c$$

$$-y'^2 - \lambda y = c$$

$$y'^2 + \lambda y = c^*$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \pm \sqrt{c^* - \lambda y}$$

NB: remember to keep \pm !!

$$\int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{c^* - \lambda y}} = \pm \int dx$$

$$-\frac{2}{\lambda} \sqrt{c^* - \lambda y} = \pm x + A$$

$$\sqrt{c^* - \lambda y} = \pm \frac{\lambda}{2} (x + A)$$

choose c & A so that $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 0$

$$\sqrt{c^*} = \pm \frac{\lambda A}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{c^*} = \pm \frac{\lambda}{2} (1 + A)$$

If we had neglected the \pm we might notice a contradiction here.

what we need is

$$-A = 1 + A$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -1/2$$

$$A^2 = (1 + A)^2 \Rightarrow A^2 = 1 + 2A + A^2, \quad A = -1/2$$

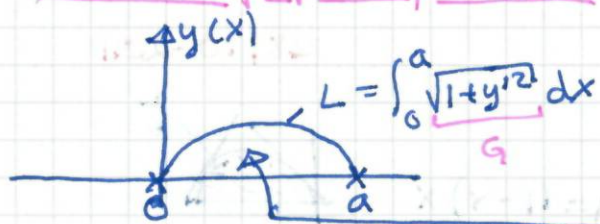
$$c = \frac{\lambda^2 A^2}{4} = \frac{1}{16} \lambda^2$$

& finding y

$$c - \lambda y = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} (x + A)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{16} \lambda^2 - \lambda y = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \Rightarrow y = \frac{\lambda}{4} (x - x^2) \text{ as before}$$

The sheep pen problem



want to maximize $A[y] = \int_0^a y dx$

Maximize A subject to constraint of fixed L .

Form $\int_0^a y - \lambda \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$

$$F - \lambda G = H$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0 \text{ so we know}$$

$$H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} = C$$

$$y - \lambda \sqrt{1+y'^2} - y' \left(\frac{-\lambda y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} \right) = C$$

$$\frac{-\lambda}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} [1+y'^2 - y'^2] = C - y$$

$$\frac{\lambda^2}{1+y'^2} = (C-y)^2$$

$$1+y'^2 = \frac{\lambda^2}{(C-y)^2} \quad (*)$$

$$y'^2 = \frac{\lambda^2 - (C-y)^2}{(C-y)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\lambda^2 - (C-y)^2}{(C-y)^2}} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - (C-y)^2}}{(C-y)^2}$$

$$\int \frac{(C-y)}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - (C-y)^2}} dy = \int \pm dx$$

$$\sqrt{\lambda^2 - (C-y)^2} = \pm (x+A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = (x+A)^2 + (y-C)^2$$

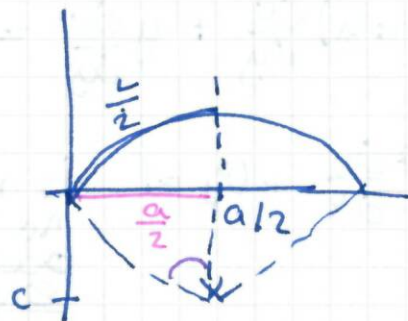
\Rightarrow boundary conditions give A & C , constraint gives λ .

$$y(0) = 0, \quad \lambda^2 = A^2 + c^2$$

$$y(a) = 0, \quad \lambda^2 = (a+A)^2 + c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = (a+A)^2 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{a}{2}$$

$$c^2 = \lambda^2 - \frac{a^2}{4}$$



To find λ we use the constraint

$$L = \int_0^a \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx = \pm \int_0^a \frac{\lambda}{c-y} dx = \pm \int_0^a \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + (x-\frac{a}{2})^2}} dx$$

from differential equation earlier (*)

$$\Rightarrow L = 2\lambda \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{a}{2\lambda} \right) \Rightarrow \sin \left(\frac{L}{2\lambda} \right) = \frac{a}{2\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \Rightarrow c$$

PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

A partial differential equation (PDE) is a relation between a function of several variables $U(x, y, \dots)$ & its partial derivatives, U_x, U_y, \dots

$U_{xx}, U_{yy}, U_{xy}, \dots, U_{xxx}, U_{yyy}, U_{xxy}, \dots$

$$U \frac{du}{dx} + xy = \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2}$$

for $u = u(x, y)$

The order of the PDE is the order of the highest derivative occurring.

If the differential equation can be written

$L[u] = f$ where f does not depend on u

& $L[u]$ is a linear operator

$$L[\alpha u + \beta w] = \alpha L[u] + \beta L[w]$$

e.g. $a(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = c(x, y) u + d(x, y)$

$$L[u] = a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - cu$$

$$f = d$$

Then the equation is linear.

$(x+y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 + xu$ is a linear first order equation

$U^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + Uy = 1$ is not linear & first order, but there are no products of the highest order derivative occurring. Such equations are called quasi linear

$Ux Uy = 1$ is not quasi linear

$U_{xx} + U_{yy} = 1$ is second order & linear

A simple equation is

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$ for $u(x,y)$ has solution $u = f(y)$

similar

$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \right)$
 $y = \text{const}$

~~is constant~~

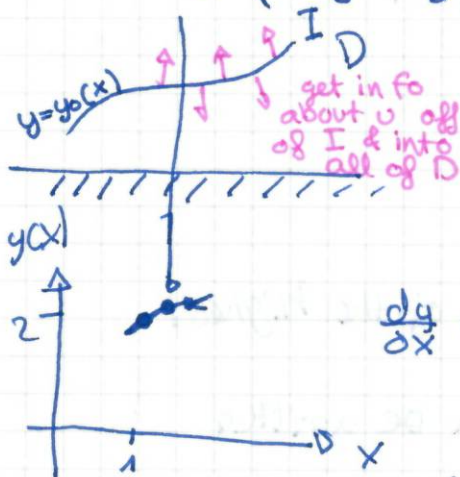
We observe that the general solution of PDEs contain arbitrary functions

A typical problem

Given a first order PDE valid in a region D of the (x,y) plane (e.g. $D = \mathbb{R}^2; x \geq 0$
 $x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2$)

and some knowledge of the solution $u(x,y)$ on a curve I in D (e.g. $y = y_0(x)$ or $g(x,y) = C$)

D has $y \geq 0$



get in fo about u of I & into all of D

e.g. $U = U_0(x,y)$ on $y = y_0(x)$, can we find $u(x,y)$ inside all of D ?

$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x,y) \quad y(1) = 2$

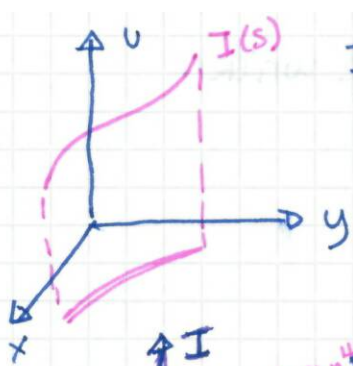
obtaining a unique $u(x,y)$

If this can be done we will call the problem well-posed. If it cannot it will be ill-posed. We will see examples that illustrate when a problem is ill-posed.

We often describe lines in the (x,y) plane in parametric form.

E.g. the line I can be described as $x = x(s)$
 $y = y(s)$
 $u = u(s)$

So, for example, if we are told that $u = x^2$ on $g = 0$, this would be parameterised as $x = s, y = 0, u = s^2$



$I(s)$ in 3-D is a line in the solution surface $u = u(x, y)$

Solve $\frac{du}{dx} = 0$ with I being the y -axis & on this y -axis $u = e^y$.



$$y = s$$

$$x = 0$$

$$u = e^s$$

where f is an arbitrary function

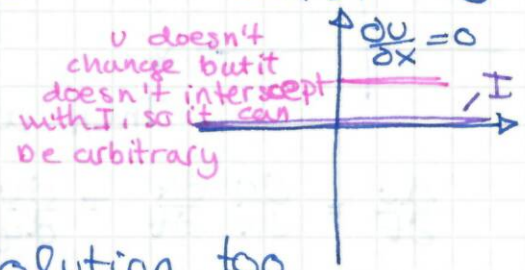
Integrating gives $u = f(y)$, but on I $u = e^s$, $y = s$, $x = 0$ so that substituting $e^s = f(s)$ i.e. $f(y) = e^y$ & our solution is $u(x, y) = e^y$

But to solve $\frac{du}{dx} = 0$ with I the x -axis, e.g. $u = 1$

~~$u = 1 + y$~~ on $y = 0$ is an ill-posed problem as

$u = 1 + y$ is a solution

but $u = 1 + g(y) - g(0)$ is a solution too & the solution is not unique.



Consider a curve in the x - y plane given parametrically by $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$

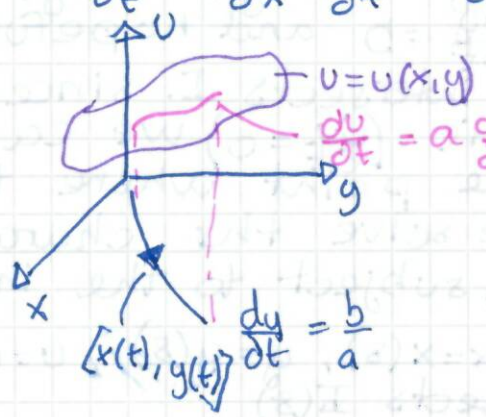
then $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$

If we consider the ordinary differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{b(x, y)}{a(x, y)} = F(x, y)$ then this equation has a solution given by the solution to $\frac{dy}{dt} = b(x, y)$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = a(x, y)$

If $u = u(x, y)$ & $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$ then

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = a(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Projection of line onto the x - y plane



$$\frac{du}{dt} = a \frac{du}{dx} + b \frac{du}{dy}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{b}{a}$$

Sometimes these equations may be written

$$dx = a dt, \quad dy = b dt$$

$$\frac{dx}{a} = dt, \quad \frac{dy}{b} = dt$$

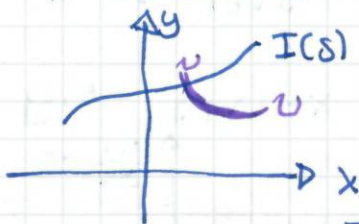
$$\frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} (= dt)$$

Characteristics — homogeneous

Consider the PDE

$$a(x,y) \frac{du}{dx} + b(x,y) \frac{du}{dy} = 0$$

to be solved with a knowledge of u on a line I in x - y plane



Consider lines given by the solution to

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = b \quad \frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} (= dt)$$

Then along this line

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{du}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt} = a \frac{du}{dx} + b \frac{du}{dy} = 0$$

So that $u(x,y)$ is constant on these lines. These lines are called characteristics, more accurately characteristic traces & the equations

$$\frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = \frac{du}{0} (= dt) \quad \frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

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$$a u_x + b u_y = 0$$

on lines given by $\frac{dx}{dt} = a$ and $\frac{dy}{dt} = b$ we have seen $\frac{du}{dt} = 0$.

We can use this as follows: If we know u on some curve I , $x = x(s)$, $y = y(s)$, $u = u(s)$. We can find the value of u at some point off of I , by finding the characteristic trace, passing through (x,y) — the solutions of $\frac{dx}{dt} = a$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = b$ and hopefully tracing it back to where it intersects I . Since u is constant on the characteristic ($\frac{du}{dt} = 0$) we can say $u(x,y)$ is equal to u at the point where the characteristic meets I . We solve the characteristic equations $\frac{dx}{dt} = a$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = b$, subject to the initial conditions that at $t=0$, $x = x(s)$, $y = y(s)$, $u = u(s)$ and the characteristic intersects $I(s)$.

example

Solve $\frac{du}{dx} + x \frac{du}{dy} = 0$ ($u = \sin(y)$ on $x=0$)



- 1) Parameterise $I(s)$ as $x=0, y=s, u=\sin(s)$
- 2) solve the characteristic equations with initial conditions $x=0, y=s, u=\sin(s)$ at $t=0$

These are $\frac{dx}{dt} = a = 1$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = b = x$ ($\frac{du}{dt} = 0$)
↑ function of t !

$\therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = x \Rightarrow y = xt$ WRONG!

① $\Rightarrow x = t$ (using $x=0$ at $t=0$)

In ② $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = x = t \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + s$ (using $y=s$ at $t=0$)

$u = \sin(s)$ as $\frac{du}{dt} = 0$

We now have a parametric form of our solution. The parameters are t and s :

$$\begin{aligned} x &= t \\ y &= \frac{1}{2}t^2 + s \rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + s \\ u &= \sin(s) \end{aligned}$$

Now eliminate t and s in favour of x and y

$$s = y - \frac{1}{2}t^2 = y - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{u = \sin\left(y - \frac{1}{2}x^2\right)}$$

\hookrightarrow solution of $\frac{du}{dx} + x \frac{du}{dy} = 0$

Also note that for any function $R \rightarrow R$: if the function $u(x,y) = f\left(y - \frac{1}{2}x^2\right)$ satisfies the pde, but a choice of f is needed to satisfy the boundary conditions.

example

A quasilinear homogeneous

$$u \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{du}{dy} = 0; \quad u = x^2 \text{ on } y=0$$



and solve the characteristic equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a = u$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = b = -1$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

with initial conditions at $t=0$, $y=0$, $x=s$, $u=s^2$

• we can solve for y :

$$\underline{y = -t} : y=0 \text{ at } t=0$$

we can't directly solve $\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = u$ as we don't know what $u(t)$ is (yet).

We do know that as $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$ on the characteristic, then u is constant. As $u=s^2$ at $t=0$, $u=s^2$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = u = s^2 \Rightarrow x = s^2 t + s \text{ (as } t=0 \text{ at } x=s)$$

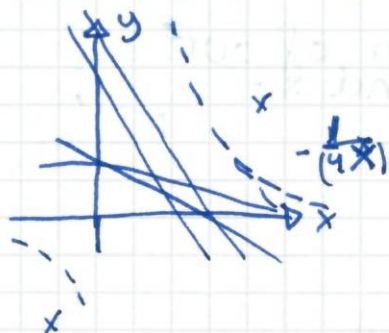
So we have the parametric solution

$$x = s^2 t + s$$

$$y = -t$$

$$u = s^2$$

The characteristic traces are given by eliminating t



$$x = s - s^2 y$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{x}{s^2}$$

$x \rightarrow$ characteristic will not enter the x region

The characteristics have an envelope $y = \frac{1}{4x}$, so we cannot find solutions for $u(x, y)$ in the region $y > \frac{1}{4x}$ as no characteristic which intersects $I(s)$ enters this region.

If we eliminate s and t , then

$$x = u(-y) + \sqrt{u} \quad (\text{assume } s > 0)$$

we have a quadratic for \sqrt{u} :

$$\sqrt{u} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4xy}}{2y}$$

We need to decide whether we want $+$ or $-$
we need $u = x^2$, i.e. $\sqrt{u} = x$ on $y = 0$.

This implies we need the $-$ so that as

$$y \rightarrow 0, \sqrt{u} \rightarrow x \text{ and not } \infty$$

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$$f(x, y, s) = 0, \quad f = x + s^2 y - s = 0$$

Family of curves, parameter s .

Eliminate s from $f=0$ & $\frac{df}{ds} = 0$

The characteristic equations for $a(x, y, u)u_x + b(x, y, u)u_y = 0$

$$\text{Solutions of } \frac{dx}{a(x, y, u)} = \frac{dy}{b(x, y, u)} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{b(x, y, u)}{a(x, y, u)}$$

If the pole is linear, this becomes

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{b(x, y)}{a(x, y)}$$

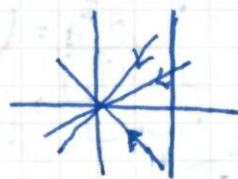
Hence, for linear equations, if a and b are single valued, $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is unique as a function of x and y & the characteristic traces cannot cross

This is not true for general quasilinear pole's

There are exceptions at points where both $a=0$ and $b=0$, when $\frac{dx}{dy}$ is undetermined.

$$\text{Look at } x \frac{du}{dx} + y \frac{du}{dy} = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} \Rightarrow \ln x = \ln y + \text{constant}$$



and the characteristics cross at origin when $a=b=0$

In this case, we might expect a singularity in the solution to the pole at $x=0, y=0$ as the characteristic carrying contradictory information about the solution cross. This singularity could be avoided for particular I , e.g. if $a = \cos t$ on I here.

consider:

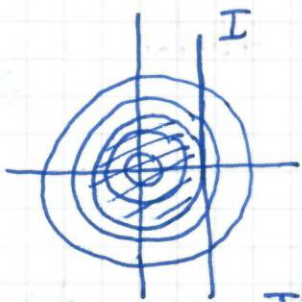
$$y \frac{du}{dx} - x \frac{du}{dy} = 0$$

$$\text{The characteristic: } \frac{dx}{y} = -\frac{dy}{x} \quad \left(\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x dx + y dy = 0$$

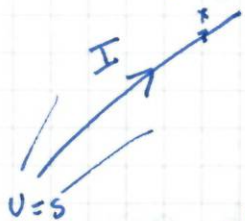
$$d\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2\right) = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 0$$



For I as shown, we cannot find the solution inside the shaded region as no characteristic which crosses I enters it.

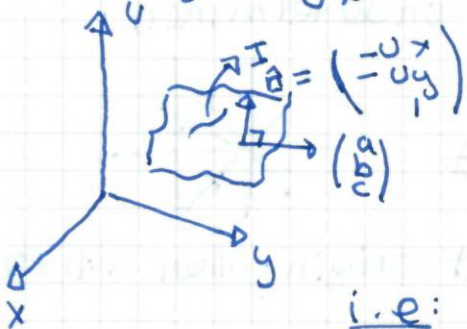
Outside this region, there are still problems if a characteristic crosses I more than once. Unless the data on I is entirely consistent with the development of the solution along the characteristic, the problem is ill-posed.



An extreme case of the characteristic crossing I is when I coincides with a characteristic. Then, it is impossible to find information about the solution opp of I . A good definition of a characteristic is a line, a knowledge of the solution on which, tells us nothing about the solution elsewhere.

Characteristics for general inhomogeneous quasilinear equations:

$$a(x, y, u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b(x, y, u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = c(x, y, u)$$

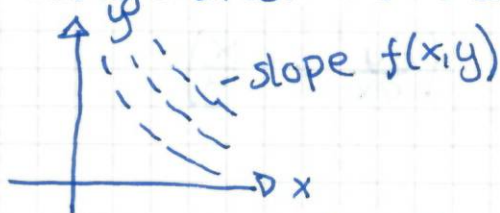


In solving this, we are after a solution surface $u = u(x, y)$ containing I . The normal to this surface can be found by evaluating

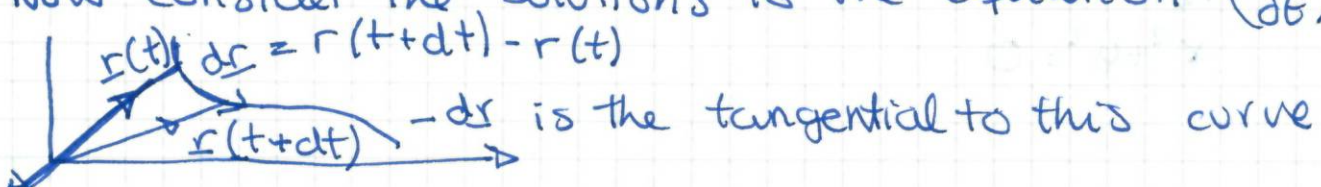
∇g where $g(x, y, u) = u - u(x, y)$,
 i.e: $\underline{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -u_x \\ -u_y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Now consider the vector $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and consider $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -u_x \\ -u_y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -a u_x - b u_y + c = 0$ i.e: $a u_x + b u_y = c$

Hence, the vectors in the vector field $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ are normal to the normal to the solution surface, and so are tangential to the solution surface.



Now consider the solutions to the equation $\left(\frac{dr}{dt}\right)$

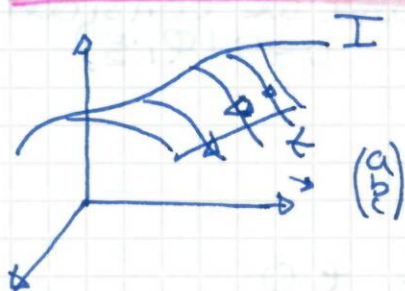


$\frac{dr}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$, then $dr = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} dt$ at points in the direction of $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$, so dr lies in the solution surface.

But $dr = \begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ du \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a dt \\ b dt \\ c dt \end{pmatrix}$

and $\frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = \frac{du}{c} (= dt)$ are the characteristics

\Rightarrow The characteristics lie in the solution surface & make up the solution surface



$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

The solution surface is made up of the characteristics coming from I

An alternative method:

The change of variables method. Consider linear equations, i.e.: those of the form

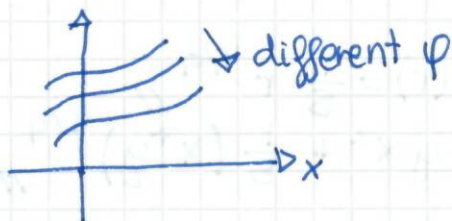
$$a(x,y) \frac{dx}{dt} + b(x,y) \frac{dy}{dt} + c(x,y) u = d(x,y)$$

& consider the characteristic traces, i.e. solutions to $\frac{dx}{dt} = a$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = b$ or $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{b}{a}$

Consider this as an ODE for $y(x)$. It has solutions given generally in the form $\varphi(x,y) = \varphi$ a constant.

• eg: If $y = f(x) + \frac{\text{const}}{\varphi}$, $\varphi(x,y) = y - f(x) = \varphi$

i.e., The solution is a level curve for φ



We use φ instead of s to identify particular characteristics & we need another variable instead of t to take you along a characteristic, say ξ , often we would choose $\xi = x$.

We make the change of variables from x & y to φ & ξ

example

$$\text{solve } x \frac{dy}{dx} - 7y \frac{du}{dy} = x^2 y$$

solve for the characteristic traces, i.e.: solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{7y}{x}$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = -7 \int \frac{dx}{x} \Rightarrow \ln y = -7 \ln x + C$$

$$y x^7 = \varphi$$


Now make a change of variables from x & y to φ & ξ with $\varphi(x,y) = yx^7$, $\xi(x,y) = x$

$$\text{so } \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{du}{d\varphi} \cdot \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \frac{du}{d\xi} \cdot \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \quad \text{and we consider } u = u(\varphi, \xi)$$

$$= 7y x^6 \frac{du}{d\varphi} + \frac{du}{d\xi}$$

$$\frac{du}{dy} = \frac{du}{d\varphi} \cdot \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + \frac{du}{d\xi} \cdot \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} = x^7 \frac{du}{d\varphi} + 0$$

so, substituting:

$$x \left(7y x^6 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} \right) + \frac{du}{d\xi} \right) - 7y x^7 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} = x^2 y$$

$\therefore x \frac{du}{d\xi} = x^2 y$; an equation telling you how u varies as you make along a characteristic, i.e., for fixed φ .

$$\bullet \frac{du}{d\xi} = xy = x \frac{\varphi}{x^7} = \frac{\varphi}{x^6} = \frac{\varphi}{\xi^6} \Rightarrow \text{Integrating in } \xi;$$

$$\text{i.e. } u(x,y) = -\frac{1}{5} \frac{yx^7}{x^6} + f(yx^7) = -\frac{1}{5} yx^2 + f(yx^7)$$

If the boundary/initial conditions are, for example $u=0$ on $y=x^2$, then we need $0 = -\frac{1}{5} x^3 x^2 + f(x^2 x^7)$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^9) = \frac{1}{5} x^4 //$$

and if we write $r = x^9 \Rightarrow f(r) = \frac{1}{5} r^{4/9}$
and our solution is $u(x,y) = -\frac{1}{5} yx^2 + \frac{1}{5} (x^7 y)^{4/9} //$

example

$$x \frac{du}{dx} + (x^2 + y) \frac{du}{dy} + \left(\frac{y}{x} - x \right) u = 1$$

The characteristic traces satisfy $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + y}{x} = \frac{y}{x} + x$

$$\text{i.e.: } \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y}{x} = x; \quad \text{I.f. is } e^{-\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x} //$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{y}{x} \right] = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = x + C$$

so $\varphi = \frac{y}{x} - x$ is constant on the characteristics

Make a change of variable from x & y to φ & ξ where $\varphi(x, y) = \frac{y}{x} - x$ & $\xi(x, y) = x$

example continued

$$x \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} \left(-\frac{y}{x^2} - 1 \right) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \cdot 1 \right) + (x^2 + y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \cdot 0 \right) + \left(\frac{y}{x} - x \right) u = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \left(\frac{y}{x} - x \right) u = 1$$

$$\xi \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \varphi u = 1$$

We can solve this for $u(\xi)$ considering φ as a constant

$$\frac{du}{d\xi} + \frac{\varphi}{\xi} \cdot u = \frac{1}{\xi}$$

IF is $e^{\int \frac{\varphi}{\xi} d\xi} = \xi^\varphi$

$$\frac{d}{d\xi} [u \cdot \xi^\varphi] = \xi^{\varphi-1}$$

$$u \xi^\varphi = \frac{\xi^\varphi}{\varphi} + f(\varphi)$$

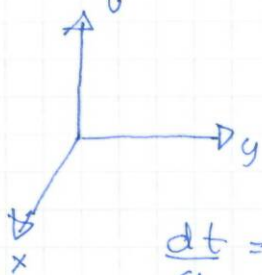
$$u = \frac{1}{\varphi} + \xi^{-\varphi} f(\varphi)$$

$$\varphi = \frac{y}{x} - x = \frac{y-x^2}{x}$$

$$u(x, y) = \frac{x}{y-x^2} + \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{\frac{y-x^2}{x}} \cdot f\left(\frac{y-x^2}{x} \right)$$

LAGRANGE'S METHOD

Consider $a(x, y, u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b(x, y, u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = c(x, y, u)$



$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic curves are tangent to the vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ i.e. satisfy $\frac{dx}{dt} = a, \frac{dy}{dt} = b, \frac{du}{dt} = c$

$$\frac{dt}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = \frac{du}{c} (= dt)$$

Lagrange's method asks you to find two constants of integration of these equations.

$$S_1(x, y, u) = C_1 \quad | \quad S_2(x, y, u) = C_2$$

Then the general solution of the pde is given by

$$C_1 = f(C_2) \\ S_1 = f(S_2) \quad [S_2 = f(S_1), f(S_1, S_2) = 0]$$

Varying C_2 gives a family of surfaces S_2 given by $S_2(x, y, u) = C_2$. Varying C_1 gives a similar family of surfaces, $S_1(x, y, u) = C_1$. A surface S_1 intersects a surface S_2 in a line, which is a characteristic line. If we relate C_1 to C_2 through $C_1 = f(C_2)$ & vary C_2 , we get a one-parameter set of lines of intersection of surfaces S_1 & S_2 .

This one-parameter set defines another solution surface. We can choose f appropriately so that our boundary conditions are satisfied.

easy example

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1, \quad u = -x^2 \quad \text{on } y=0$$

$$\pi \text{ eqns are } \frac{dx}{dt} = 1, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 1, \quad \frac{du}{dt} = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{y-x = C_1}, \quad \frac{du}{dy} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{u-y = C_2}$$

$$\frac{dx}{du} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{u-x = C_3}$$

The general solution is given by $C_3 = f(C_2)$ (say)
i.e. $\boxed{u-x = f(u-y)}$

This is the general solution, as can be seen

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} : \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - 1 = f'(u-y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} : \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = f'(u-y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - 1 \right)$$

$$\text{Eliminate } f' : \frac{u_x - 1}{u_x} = \frac{u_y}{u_y - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (u_x - 1)(u_y - 1) = u_x u_y \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1$$

Now choose f so that $u = -x^2$ on $y=0$

$$u-x = f(u-y) \\ -x^2 - x = f(-x^2 - 0) \quad \text{i.e. } f(-x^2) = -x^2 - x \\ r = -x^2$$

$$f(r) = r \pm \sqrt{-r}$$

$$\text{ie } u-x = (u-y) \pm \sqrt{y-u}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{u = y - (x-y)^2}$$

Solve $x(y^2 - u^2) \frac{du}{dx} + y(u^2 - x^2) \frac{du}{dy} = u(x^2 - y^2)$

inhomogeneous and quasi-linear so we have to use Lagrange

The χ equations are

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x(y^2 - u^2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y(u^2 - x^2)$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = u(x^2 - y^2)$$

Consider:

$$x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} + u \frac{du}{dt} = x^2(y^2 - u^2) + y^2(u^2 - x^2) + u^2(x^2 - y^2) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{x^2 + y^2 + u^2}{2} \right] = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x^2 + y^2 + u^2 = C_1}$$

Problem class PSB

4a) $z \frac{dz}{dx} + y \frac{dz}{dy} = z^2$, $z=1$, $\ln y = e^x$

$$\frac{dx}{z} = \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z^2}$$

$$ye = f(e^{-x}), y = e^{-e^x}$$

$$e e^{e^x} = f(e^{-x})$$

$$e e^{-e^x} = f(r)$$

1) $\frac{dx}{z} = \frac{dz}{z^2} \Leftrightarrow dx = \frac{dz}{z}$

$$\Rightarrow x + c = \ln z \Rightarrow z = Ce^x$$

$$z e^{-x} = \text{constant} = C_1$$

2) $\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z^2}$ $\ln y = -\frac{1}{z} + \text{const}$

$$y = e^{-\frac{1}{z}} C, \text{ so } ye^{\frac{1}{z}} = C_2, \text{ constant}$$

The general solution $C_2 = f(C_1)$

$$\Rightarrow ye^{\frac{1}{z}} = f(ze^{-x})$$

$$ey = f\left(\frac{1}{\ln y}\right) \quad \frac{1}{\ln y} = r$$

when $z=1$, $\ln y = e^x$

$$ye = f(e^{-x}), \text{ so } f(r) = e e^{\frac{1}{r}} \quad \text{and } ye^{\frac{1}{z}} = e e^{\frac{1}{ze^{-x}}}$$

$$\text{or } \ln y + \frac{1}{z} = 1 + \frac{1}{ze^{-x}} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{z} (1 - \frac{1}{e^{-x}}) = 1 - \ln y \Rightarrow \boxed{z = \frac{e^x - 1}{\ln y - 1}} \text{ - True solution}$$

Check it

$$z=1 \quad 1 = \frac{e^x - 1}{\ln y - 1} = \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x - 1} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$z \left(\frac{1}{\ln y - 1} \right) \cdot y \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{(\ln y - 1)^2} \right) \frac{1}{y} = \frac{(e^x - 1)^2}{(\ln y - 1)^2}$$

$$\frac{(e^x - 1)}{\ln y} \left(\frac{e^x}{\ln y - 1} \right) - \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{(\ln y - 1)^2} \right) = \frac{(e^x - 1)^2}{(\ln y - 1)^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + xy^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xz^3, \quad x=0 \quad y=1$$

$$\frac{dx}{z} = \frac{dy}{xy^2} = \frac{dz}{xz^3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{xy^2} = \frac{dz}{xz^3} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y^2} = \frac{dz}{z^3}$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{2z^2} + C_1$$

$$C_{\text{const}} = \frac{1}{2z^2} - \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow y - 2z^2 = C_1$$

$$\frac{dx}{z} = \frac{dz}{xz^3}$$

$$\int x dx = \int \frac{1}{z^2} dz$$

$$\frac{x^2}{2} = -\frac{1}{z} + \text{const}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{z}$$

general solution:

$$\frac{1}{y} - 2z^2 = f\left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{z}\right) \quad \text{BC: } x=0 \quad y=1$$

$$1 - 2z^2 = f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \quad r = \frac{1}{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(r) = 1 - \frac{r^2}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} - 2z^2 = 1 - \frac{r^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{y-2z^2} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}r^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{z} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{y-2z^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{z} + \frac{1}{z^2} \right) \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{1}{y} - 1 + \frac{x^4}{8} = \frac{1}{2z^2} - \frac{1}{z^2} - \frac{2x^2}{2z}$$

$$\frac{1}{y} - 1 + \frac{x^4}{8} = -\frac{x^2}{2z} \quad | \cdot (-x^2)$$

$$-\frac{x^2}{x^2 y} + \frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{x^2}{4} = \frac{1}{z}$$

4. a) $xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^2 - y^2$

$$\frac{\partial x}{xz} = \frac{\partial y}{-yz} = \frac{\partial z}{x^2 - y^2}$$

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

$$\ln x = -\ln y + \text{const}$$

$$\ln x + \ln y = C_1$$

$$\ln(xy) = C_1$$

$$\boxed{xy = C_1}$$

~~$$\frac{dx}{xz} = \frac{dz}{x^2 - y^2}$$~~

~~$$\int \frac{(x^2 - y^2)}{x} dx = \int z dz$$~~

~~$$\int x - \frac{y^2}{x} dx = \int z dz$$~~

~~$$\frac{x^2}{2} - y^2 \ln x = \frac{z^2}{2} + \text{Const}$$~~

Take $x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} = x \cdot xz + y \cdot (-yz) = z(x^2 - y^2) = z \frac{dz}{dt}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 - z^2}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = \frac{dz}{c} (= dt)$$

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find constants c_1 & c_2 & ~~sol~~ ^{soln} is $c_1 = f(c_2)$

$$\underbrace{x(y^2 - u^2)}_a \frac{du}{dx} + \underbrace{y(u^2 - x^2)}_b \frac{du}{dy} = \underbrace{u(x^2 - y^2)}_c$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x(y^2 - u^2), \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = y(u^2 - x^2), \quad \frac{du}{dt} = u(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} + u \frac{du}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + u^2) = c$$

$$\boxed{c_1 = x^2 + y^2 + u^2}$$

$$yu \frac{dx}{dt} + xu \frac{dy}{dt} + xy \frac{du}{dt} = xyu(y^2 - u^2) + (xyu)(u^2 - x^2) + xyu(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(xyu) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{xyu = c_2}$$

& the general solution, is $c_2 = f(c_1)$
i.e. $xyu = f(x^2 + y^2 + u^2)$

example

$$(y+u) \frac{du}{dx} + y \frac{du}{dy} = x-y$$

$$2 \text{ eqs are } \frac{dt}{dt} = y+u \quad \textcircled{1}, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = y \quad \textcircled{2}, \quad \frac{du}{dt} = x-y \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow y = Ae^t$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{du}{dt} = y + x - y = x$$

$$x = ce^t + De^{-t}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \frac{d^2u}{dt^2} = \frac{dx}{dt} - \frac{dy}{dt} = y + u - y = u$$

$$\Rightarrow u = Ee^t + Fe^{-t}$$

We have 5 constants, while we should only expect 3
- we have a system of 3 first order equations.

$$\text{using } \frac{dx}{dt} = y+u \text{ gives } ce^t - De^{-t} = Ae^t + Ee^t + Fe^{-t}$$

$$c = A + E \quad \& \quad F = -D$$

$$y = Ae^t \quad (4) \quad e^t = \frac{y}{A} \quad e^{-t} = \frac{A}{y}$$

$$x = Ce^t + De^{-t} \quad (5)$$

$$u = (C-A)e^t - De^{-t} \quad (6)$$

$$x+u = (2C-A)e^t = \left(\frac{2C-A}{A}\right)y$$

$$\frac{x+u}{y} = \left(\frac{2C-A}{A}\right) = \text{constant}$$

Also $u+y = ce^t - De^{-t} \quad (7)$ using (4) in (7)

& subtracting (5) & (7) $x-u-y = 2De^{-t} = \frac{2DA}{y}$

so $(x-u-y)y = \text{constant}$

a general solⁿ can be written

(*) $(x-u-y)y = f\left(\frac{x+u}{y}\right)$ — (substitute in and check answer)

Another method

(1) $dx = (y+u)dt$

(2) $dy = y dt$

(3) $du = (x-y)dt$

(1) + (3) $dx + du = (x+u)dt$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d(x+u)}{(x+u)} = dt = \frac{dy}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(x+u) = \ln y + \text{const}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+u}{y} = \text{const}$$

(1) & (3) give $dx = dy + u dt$

$$\Rightarrow d(x-y) = u dt = u \frac{du}{(x-y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-y) \cdot d(x-y) = u du$$

$$\frac{(x-y)^2}{2} = \frac{u^2}{2} + c$$

also $C = (x-y)^2 - u^2$

& $\frac{x+u}{y} = f((x-y)^2 + u^2)$ (***)

(*) & (***) are not the same, but could be for different f's

Second order PDE'S

The general second order quasilinear pde is

$$a(x,y,z, z_x, z_y) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + b(x,y,z, z_x, z_y) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + c(x,y,z, z_x, z_y) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}$$

The quantity $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ is the discriminant of the pde. $= r(x,y,z, z_x, z_y)$

If $\Delta > 0$, the equation is said to be hyperbolic - waves

If $\Delta < 0$, elliptic - steady temperature distribution

If $\Delta = 0$, parabolic - diffusion

If a, b, c are constant & $r=0$

$$a z_{xx} + b z_{xy} + c z_{yy} = 0$$



Look for a solution of the form $z = f(y + mx)$ & substitute to find

$$am^2 f'' + bm f'' + c f'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow am^2 + bm + c = 0$$

If $\Delta > 0$ (hyperbolic) we have two real roots for m
 $\Delta < 0$ (elliptic) - " - two complex - "
 $\Delta = 0$ (parabolic) - " - are real repeated root for m

Let's call these m_1 & m_2

If $m_1 \neq m_2$, introduce $s = y + m_1 x$, $t = y + m_2 x$, called canonical variables

& make a change of variable from x, y to s, t

$z_x \rightarrow z_s$ & z_t etc

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial t}{\partial x} = m_1 \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} + m_2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = m_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + m_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$z_{xx} = \left(m_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + m_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \left(m_1 z_s + m_2 z_t \right) = m_1^2 z_{ss} + 2m_1 m_2 z_{st} + m_2^2 z_{tt}$$

$$z_{yy} = z_{ss} + 2z_{st} + z_{tt}$$

$$z_{xy} = (m_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + m_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}) (z_s + z_t) = m_1 z_{ss} + (m_1 + m_2) z_{st} + m_2 z_{tt}$$

Substitute into $az_{xx} + bz_{xy} + cz_{yy} = 0$

to find

$$z_{ss} (am_1^2 + bm_1 + c) + z_{st} (2m_1m_2 + b(m_1 + m_2) + 2c) + z_{tt} (am_2^2 + bm_2 + c) = 0$$

$m_1, \Delta m_2$ are roots of $am^2 + bm + c = 0$

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{b}{a} \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\text{so } z_{st} \left[2c - \frac{b^2}{a} + 2c \right] = -\frac{\Delta}{a} z_{st}$$

$\Delta \neq 0$ here (we took $m_1 \neq m_2$, so we have two distinct roots)
This is in canonical form

$$\text{(if } az_{xx} + bz_{xy} + cz_{yy} = f \Rightarrow -\frac{\Delta}{a} z_{st} = f)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial s \partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = f'(t)$$

$f'(t)$ is arbitrary

$$\Rightarrow z(st) = f(t) + g(s)$$

$$= f(y + m_2 x) + g(y + m_1 x)$$

so, the general solution of a hyperbolic equation may be written in the form

$$z = f(y + m_2 x) + g(y + m_1 x) \text{ with } m_1, \Delta m_2 \text{ roots of } am^2 + bm + c \text{ auxiliary equation}$$

[The lines $y + m_2 x = \text{const}$ and $y + m_1 x = \text{const}$ are called characteristics]

Solutions of elliptic problems can also be written in this way, but m_1, m_2 are complex

If $\Delta = 0$ & the equation is parabolic, we have one root $m = -\frac{b}{2a}$

Here we switch to variables $s = y + mx$
 $t = x$

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you do it!

$$(2ma + b) z_{st} + z_{tt} = 0$$

$$\text{so } z_{tt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z_t = g(s)$$

$$z(s, t) = t g(s) + f(s)$$

& the general solution for parabolic equations is
 $z(x,y) = x g(y+mx) + f(y+mx)$

Examples

a) $z_{xx} - 3z_{xy} + 2z_{yy} = 0$

if $z = f(y+mx)$ then, we need $m^2 - 3m + 2 = 0$ (1)

you can also take $z = g(x+my)$ $1 - 3m + 2m^2 = 0$ $m = \frac{1}{m}$

(1) $\rightarrow (m-2)(m-1) = 0$

i.e two distinct real values of $m: 1$ & 2 & solution is
 $z = f(y+x) + g(y+2x)$

b) $z_{xx} - 2z_{xy} + z_{yy} = 0$

if $z = f(y+mx)$

$m^2 - 2m + 1 = 0$

$(m-1)^2 = 0$

i.e the equation is parabolic & the solution is

$z = x f(y+x) + g(y+x)$

c) $z_{xx} - 3z_{xy} + 2z_{yy} = e^{x-y}$

As the equation is linear the solution has the form

$\underbrace{CF}_{\text{a solution}} + \underbrace{PI}_{\leftarrow \text{anything that satisfies the equation}}$
 to $z_{xx} - 3z_{xy} + 2z_{yy} = 0$

complementary function:

if $z = f(y+mx)$

$m^2 - 3m + 2 = 0$

$(m-2)(m-1) = 0$

$z = f(y-x) + g(y+2x)$

Particular Integral: ODE - $y'' + y' + y = e^t$ PI: $y = \alpha e^t$

Try $z = A e^{x-y}$

$z_x = A e^{x-y}$

$z_y = -A e^{x-y}$

$z_{xy} = -A e^{x-y}$

$z_{xx} = A e^{x-y}$

$z_{yy} = A e^{x-y}$

Substitution gives

$A e^{x-y} - 3(-A e^{x-y}) + 2A e^{x-y} = e^{x-y}$

$6A = 1, A = \frac{1}{6}$

so $z(x,y) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{6} e^{x-y}}_{PI} + \underbrace{f(y+x) + g(y+2x)}_{CF}$

Alternatively we can change variables to the canonical variables

~~$s = x+y$~~ $(m=1)$ $s = y+x$

$t = x+2y$ $(m=2)$ $t = y+2x$

LHS goes to $-\frac{\Delta}{a} z_{st} = -z_{st} = e^{x-y} = e^{(t+s) - (2s-t)} = e^{2t-3s}$

$x = t - s$
 $y = s - x = s - t + s = 2s - t$

$\Rightarrow -z_t = -\frac{1}{3} e^{2t-3s} + f'(t)$

$-z = -\frac{1}{6} e^{2t-3s} + f(t) + g(s)$
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The wave equation

A simple physically relevant, second order hyperbolic equation, is the wave equation

$c = \frac{L}{t}$

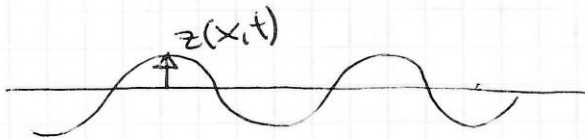
$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$ (time vs position)

for $z(x, t)$ for some constant c , known as the wave speed.

For the present we will consider

$-\infty < x < \infty, t \geq 0$

i.e. we look at initial value problems

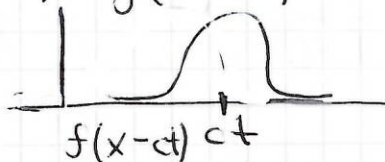
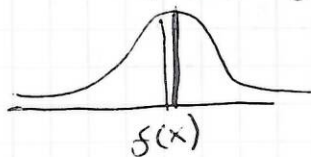


We look for a solution of the form $z = f(x+mt)$. Substitution gives

$\frac{m^2}{c^2} f'' = f''$

$m = \pm c$ & so the equation is hyperbolic & the general solution is

$z(x, t) = f(x-ct) + g(x+ct)$



This solution is made up of one wave travelling to the right without change of form ($f(x-ct)$) & one moving to the left ($f(x+ct)$).

To solve an initial value problem we need to find f & g so that at $t=0, z(x, 0) = F(x)$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}(x, 0) = G(x)$ where we know F & G .

If $z(x,t) = f(x-ct) + g(x+ct)$

$z(x,0) = f(x) + g(x) = F(x) \leftarrow$

$z_t(x,t) = -cf'(x-ct) + cg'(x+ct)$

$z_t(x,0) = -cf'(x) + cg'(x) = G(x) \leftarrow$

or $-f + g = \frac{1}{c} \int_{\alpha}^x G(\xi) d\xi$ for constant of integration related to α

$f + g = F$

adding $g = \frac{1}{2} F + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{\alpha}^x G(\xi) d\xi, f = \frac{1}{2} F - \frac{1}{2c} \int_{\alpha}^x G(\xi) d\xi$

$z(x,t) = f(x-ct) + g(x+ct)$

$= \frac{1}{2} [F(x-ct) + F(x+ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \left[\int_{x-ct}^{\alpha} G(\xi) d\xi + \int_{\alpha}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi \right]$

$= \frac{1}{2} [F(x-ct) + F(x+ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$

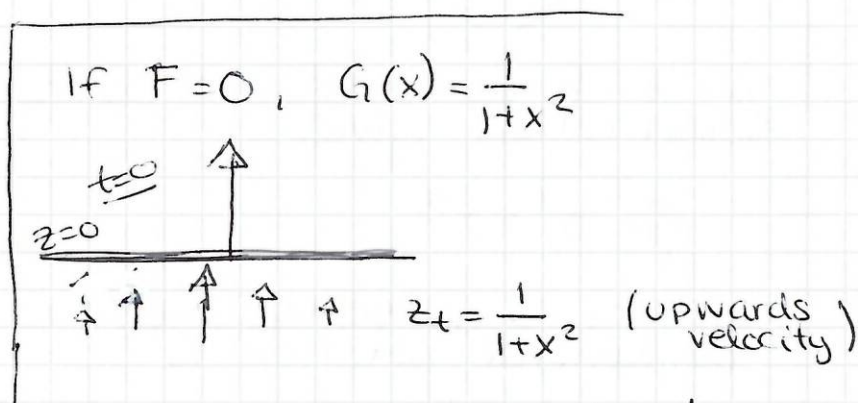
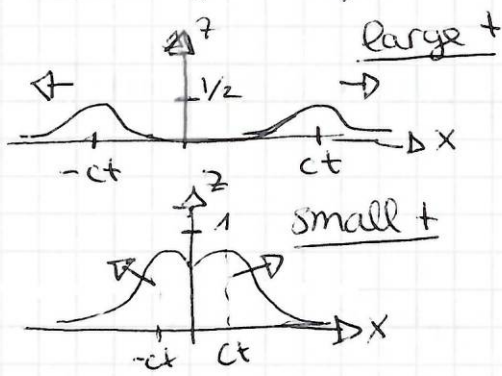
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This is D'Alembert's solution to the wave equation

If $G=0$ & $F(x) = e^{-x^2}$

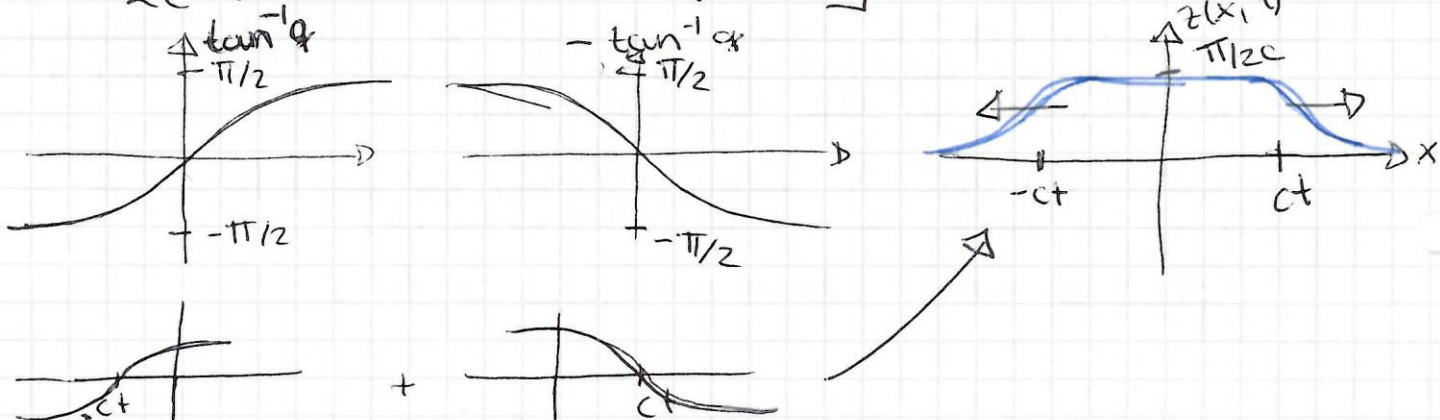


$z(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{-(x-ct)^2} + e^{-(x+ct)^2})$



$z(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \frac{1}{1+\xi^2} d\xi = \frac{1}{2c} [\tan^{-1} \xi]_{x-ct}^{x+ct}$

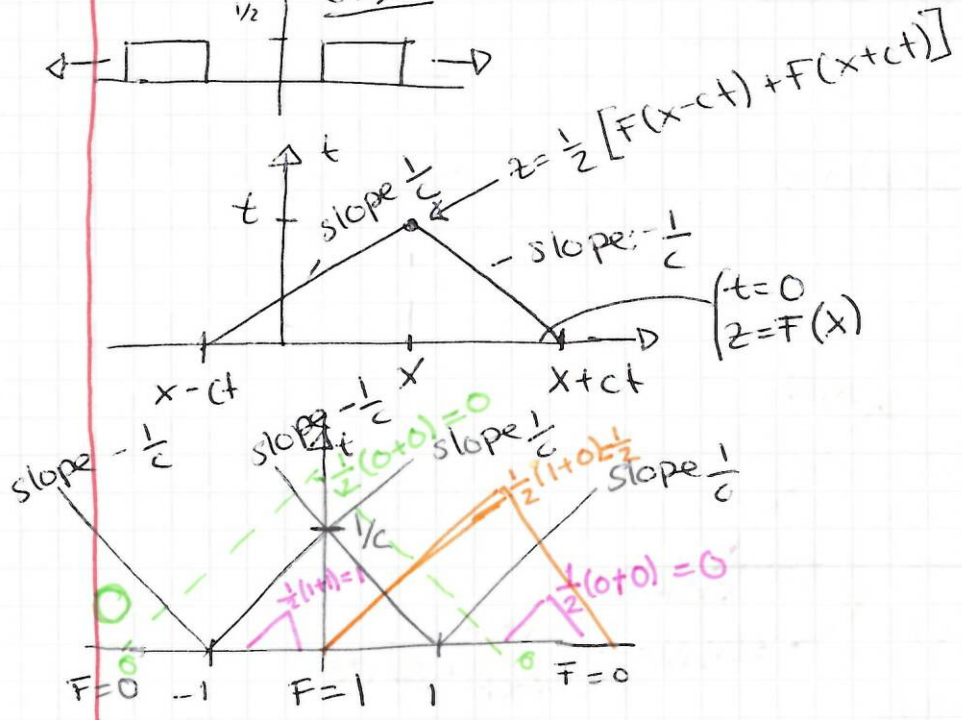
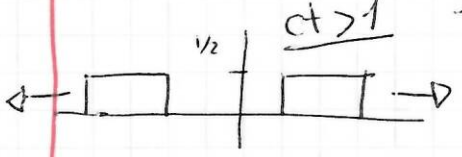
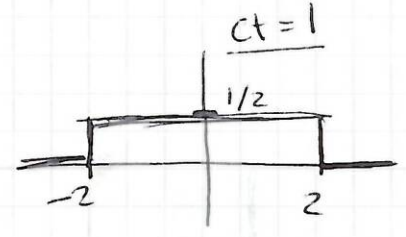
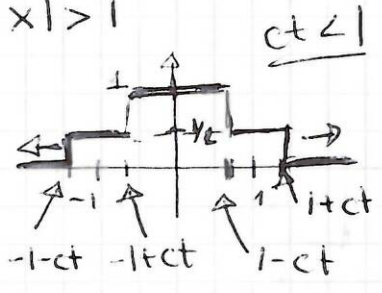
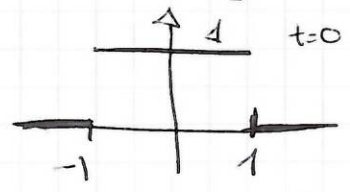
$= \frac{1}{2c} [\tan^{-1}(x+ct) - \tan^{-1}(x-ct)]$



example

$$G=0$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0 & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

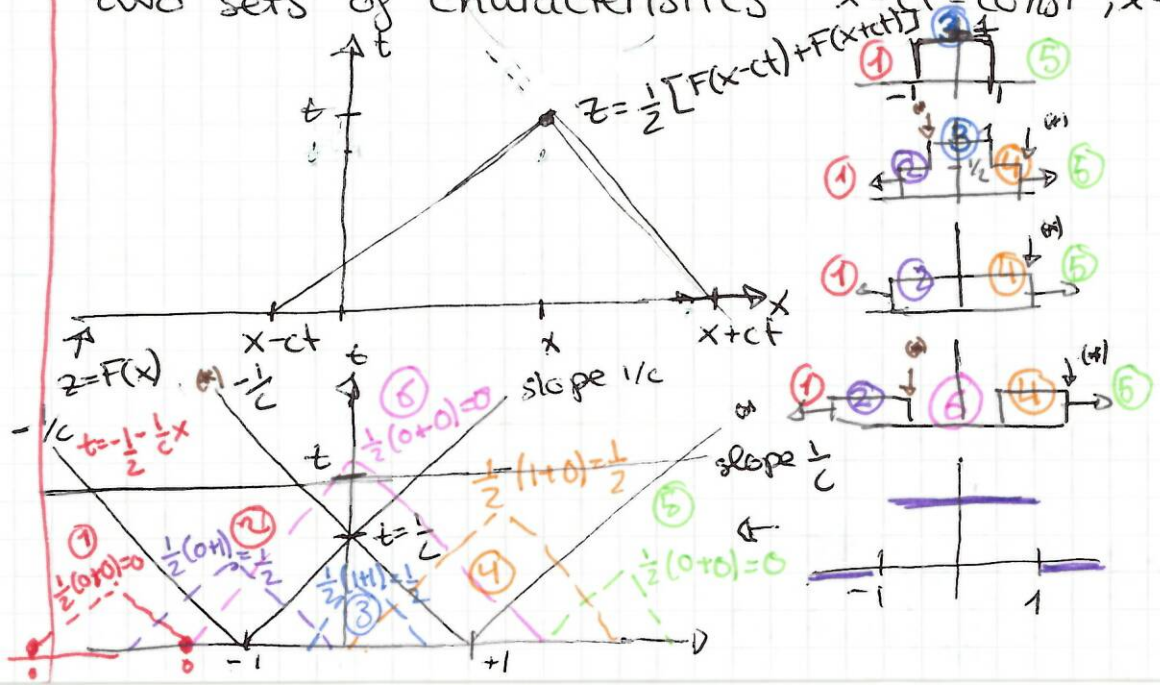


$$\frac{1}{2c} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{if } z=F(x) \text{ \& } z_x=G(x) \text{ at } t=0$$

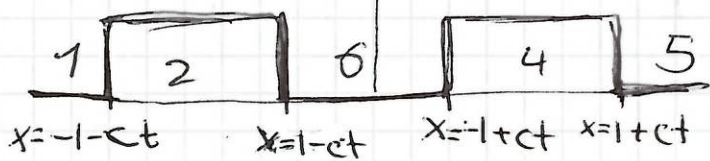
$$z(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (F(x+ct) + F(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$$

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

Information about solution travels with speed c
two sets of characteristics $x-ct = \text{const}$, $x+ct = \text{const}$

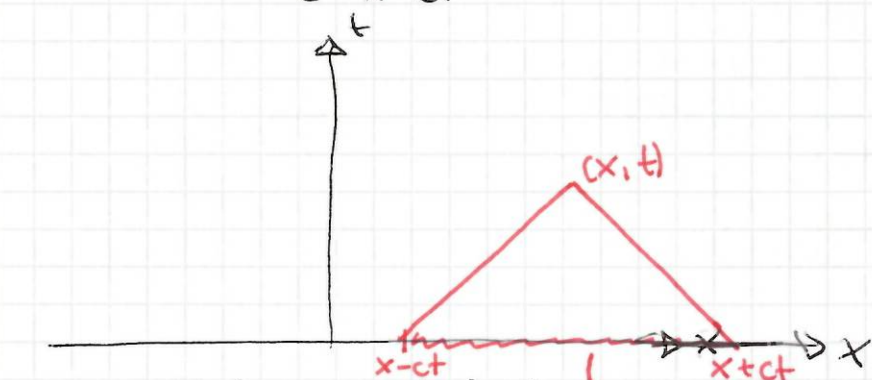


Find solutions of t & z
 $\uparrow z(x, t) \quad t > \frac{1}{c}$

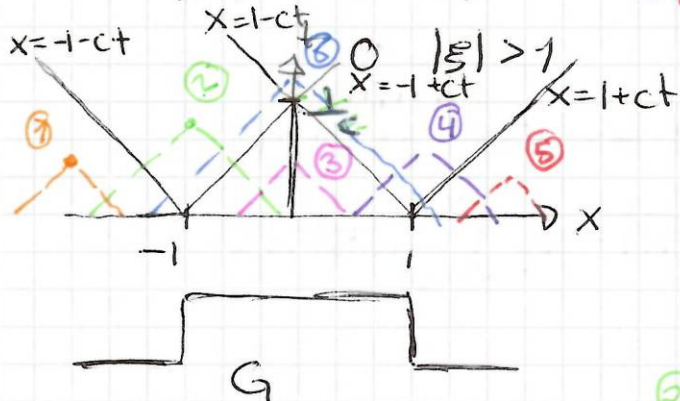


$F = 0, G \neq 0$

$$z(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$$



$G(\xi) = 1 \quad |\xi| < 1$



$$z(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$$

① $x < -1 - ct$

$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 0 d\xi = 0$$

② $x - ct < -1 < x + ct < 1$

$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{-1}^{x+ct} 1 d\xi = \frac{1}{2c} (1 + x + ct)$$

which, as a function of x is a straight line slope $\frac{1}{2c}$ valid between $t < \frac{1}{c}$

$x = -1 - ct$ giving $z = 0$
 $x = -1 + ct$ giving $z = t$

& for $t > \frac{1}{c}$

$x = -1 - ct$ gives $z = 0$
 $x = 1 - ct$ gives $z = \frac{1}{c}$

③ $-1 + ct < 1 - ct \quad t < \frac{1}{c}$
 $-1 \leq x - ct \leq x + ct \leq 1$

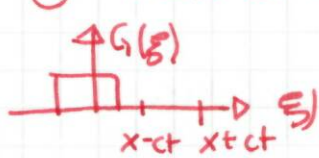
$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 1 d\xi = t$$

④ $1 - ct < x < 1 + ct, t < \frac{1}{c}$
 $-1 + ct < x < 1 + ct, t > \frac{1}{c}$

$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^1 1 d\xi = \frac{1}{2c} (1 + ct - x)$$

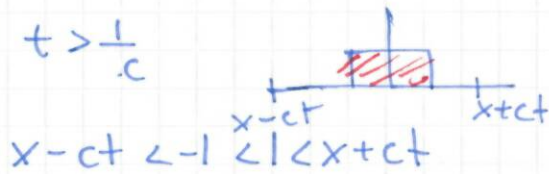
slope $-\frac{1}{2c}$ but otherwise like ②.

⑤ $1 < x-ct < x+ct$



$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 0 \, d\xi = 0$$

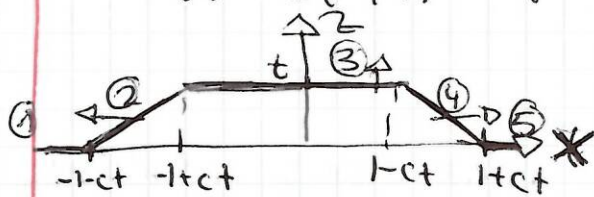
⑥ $t > \frac{1}{c}$



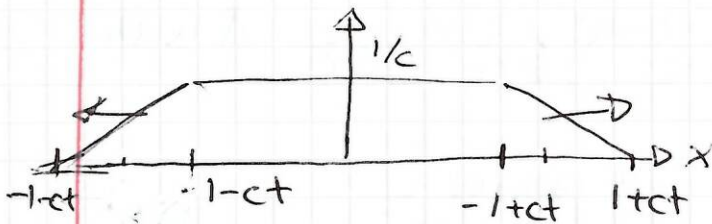
$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{-1}^1 1 \, d\xi = \frac{1}{c}$$

Choose a value of t : $t < \frac{1}{2c}$ and $t > \frac{1}{2c}$ we get different pictures

Draw $z(x, t)$ $t < \frac{1}{c}$



$t > \frac{1}{c}$



Solution of wave equation using the method of separation of variables

The wave equation is $\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$

We look for a solution $z = X(x)T(t)$

function of x alone function of t alone

$$z_{tt} = XT'' \quad , \quad z_{xx} = X''T$$

$$\frac{XT''}{c^2} = X''T \quad | : XT$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X}$$

function of t function of x

(x and t are entirely independent of each other)

(so we can't have a function of t equal a function of x , unless they are both constant)

Fourier series

Imagine changing t but not x . The LHS might change but the RHS must remain constant. We deduce LHS does not change & both $\frac{T''}{c^2 T}$ & $\frac{x''}{x}$ are the same constant, independent of both x & t .

Let's call this constant λ , the separation constant.

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{x''}{x} = \lambda$$

$$x'' - \lambda x = 0$$

$$T'' - \lambda c^2 T = 0$$

Any λ will do generating X_λ, T_λ & so $z_\lambda(x, t) = X_\lambda(x) T_\lambda(t)$ & as the wave equation is linear any sum of these is also a solution.

$$z(x, t) = \sum_{\lambda} X_{\lambda}(x) T_{\lambda}(t)$$

However, we are only interested in solutions satisfying particular initial conditions & more relevantly now, boundary conditions. It is the boundary conditions that restrict values of λ .

If we solve $z_{tt} = c^2 z_{xx}$ for $t \geq 0$, $0 \leq x \leq L$ & with boundary conditions $z(0, t) = 0$, $z(L, t) = 0$

$$\text{If } z(x, t) = X(x) T(t)$$

$$\text{then we need } X(0) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow X(0) = 0$$

$$X(L) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow X(L) = 0$$

substitution

$$X T'' = c^2 T X''$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} X'' - \lambda X = 0 \\ X(0) = X(L) = 0 \end{array}}$$

It turns out that for particular values of λ we get solutions to this other than the obvious $X=0$

$$\lambda > 0, \lambda = 0, \lambda < 0 \quad (\text{real } \lambda)$$

$$\underline{\lambda > 0}, \lambda = p^2, p \text{ real}, \quad X'' - p^2 X = 0$$

$$\text{which has solutions } X = A e^{p^* x} + B e^{-p^* x}$$

$$\text{or } X = \tilde{A} \cosh px + \tilde{B} \sinh px$$

$$\text{but } \left. \begin{array}{l} X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{A} \cdot 1 + \tilde{B} \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{A} = 0 \\ X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{B} \sinh pL = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{B} = 0 \end{array} \right\} X = 0$$

↗ don't want this

look at $\lambda = 0$

$$x'' = 0, \quad X = Ax + B$$

$$\text{but } X(0) = 0, \quad X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow A = B = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{don't want this}$$

$$\lambda < 0, \quad \lambda = -p^2, \quad \boxed{X'' + p^2 X = 0}$$

$$\& \quad X = A \cos(px) + \boxed{B \sin(px)} \quad \leftarrow$$

we don't want cos since $X(0) = 0$ and $\cos 0 = 1$

$$X(0) = 0, \quad A \cdot 1 + B \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$$

$$X(L) = 0, \quad B \sin(pL) = 0$$

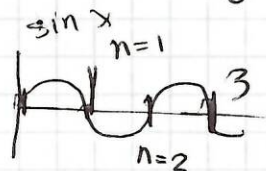
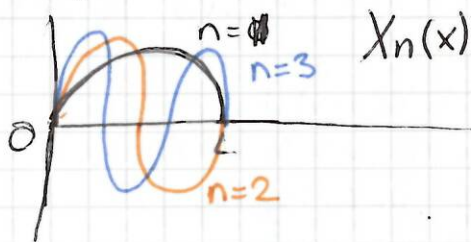
& if $B \neq 0$ we conclude

$$\sin(pL) = 0$$

$$pL = n\pi, \quad n = 1, 2, 3$$

$$p = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad \boxed{\lambda = -\frac{n^2\pi^2}{L^2}}$$

We have an infinite number of possible separation constants



$$\text{Recall } \frac{T_n''}{c^2 T_n} = \lambda = -p^2 = -\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$$

$$T_n'' + \frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} T_n = 0$$

$$T_n = C \cos\left(\frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} t\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} t\right)$$

$$z(x, t) = \sum_n X_n(x) T_n(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left(C_n \cos\left(\frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} t\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} t\right) \right)$$

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Wave equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}, \quad z(0, t) = 0, \quad z(L, t) = 0$$

$$z = X(x) T(t) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{T''}{T} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda = -p^2 \quad \text{so be satisfied}$$

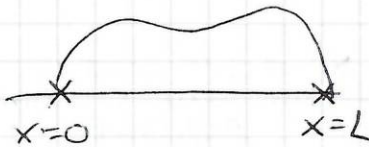
$$X(0) = 0, \quad X(L) = 0$$

$$\bar{x} = A \sin p x, \quad p = \frac{n\pi}{L}$$

if you explain it, you can jump here
(see last lecture)

$$T'' + c^2 p^2 T = 0 \Rightarrow T = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right)$$

$$x = \sum_1^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left[C_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right) \right]$$



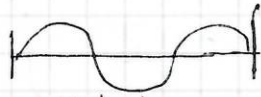
Each term in this sum is known as a normal mode.
Each normal mode oscillates with a normal frequency $\omega_n = n\left(\frac{\pi c}{L}\right)$. The mode $n=1$ is called the fundamental & the modes $n=2, 3, \dots$ higher harmonics & the solution for $z(x, t)$ is a mixture sum of the fundamental and the harmonics



Fundamental



1st harmonic



2nd harmonic

The values of C_n & D_n , the amplitude of each normal mode is determined from initial conditions. If $z(x, 0) = F(x)$ & $z_t(x, 0) = G(x)$, then putting $t=0$ gives

$$F(x) = \sum_1^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cdot C_n \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \sin \text{ is zero at } t=0 \\ \cos \text{ is } 1 \text{ at } t=0 \end{array} \right)$$

Differentiating wrt t & putting $t=0$ gives

$$G(x) = \sum_1^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) D_n \left(\frac{n\pi c}{L}\right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \sin \text{ has non-zero derivative} \\ \text{at } 0, \cos \text{ has zero} \\ \text{derivative at } 0 \end{array} \right)$$

if we know $F(x)$, we need to find C_n . Need to find the Fourier series of $F(x)$.

vectors, $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ \rightarrow $\underline{i}, \underline{j}, \underline{k}$ are orthogonal
 $x = \underline{r} \cdot \underline{i}$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{i} \cdot \underline{j} = 0 \\ \underline{i} \cdot \underline{i} = 1 \end{array} \right.$

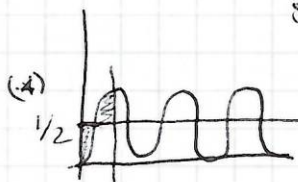
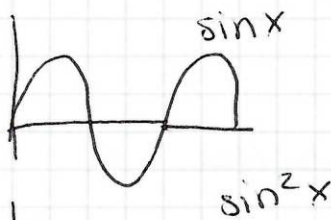
$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0 \text{ if } n \neq m \quad \leftarrow \text{from Fourier series}$$

$$\int_0^L \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad n=m$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} L \quad (*) \quad \text{same for } \int \cos^2 \cos^2$$

$$- \int \cos(\) \sin(\) = 0 \text{ always}$$

we are trying to write $F(x)$ in terms of a basis



The equation for $F(x)$, multiply by $\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right)$ & integrate in $[0, L]$

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) F(x) dx = \sum_1^{\infty} C_n \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= C_m \frac{1}{2} L$$

(only non-zero element is when $m=n$)

$$C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L F(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

For $G(x)$ similarly

$$D_n = \frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L G(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

example

$$G(x) = 0, \quad F(x) = \frac{2hx}{L}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \frac{L}{2}$$

$$\frac{2h(L-x)}{L}, \quad \frac{L}{2} \leq x \leq L$$



ie solve the wave equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2} z_{tt} = z_{xx} \text{ on the interval}$$

$$x \in [0, L], \quad z(0, t) = 0, \quad z(L, t) = 0,$$

$$z(x, 0) = F(x), \quad z_t(x, 0) = G(x) = 0$$

look for $z(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = -p^2 \text{ so that we can satisfy } X(0) = X(L) = 0$$

$$X'' + p^2 X = 0$$

$$X = A \sin px \text{ so that } X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{n\pi}{L}$$

$$T'' + p^2 c^2 T = 0$$

$$T(t) = \cos pct \text{ satisfying } T'(0) = 0$$

Solution has the form $z(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right)$ where A_n to be found so that $z(x, 0) = F(x)$

$$\text{i.e. } F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) F(x) dx = \frac{2}{L} \left[\int_0^{L/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{2hx}{L} dx \right.$$

Then

rewrite to get one integral

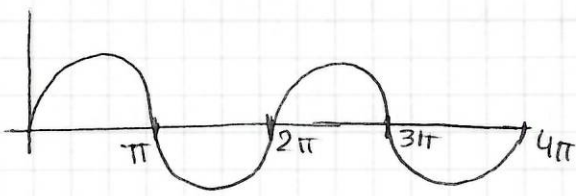
$$\left. + \int_{L/2}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{2h}{L} (L-x) dx \right]$$

In the second integral, write $L-x = u \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} x \\ \leftarrow \\ u \end{array} \right.$

$$\& \text{ it becomes } \int_{L/2}^0 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi(L-u)}{L}\right) \frac{2h}{L} u (-du)$$

$$\frac{\sin(n\pi - \alpha)}{\sin(n\pi - \alpha)} \quad \alpha = \frac{n\pi}{2}$$

easy exam question



$$\sin(n\pi - \alpha) = \sin \alpha, \quad n=1, 3, 5, \dots$$

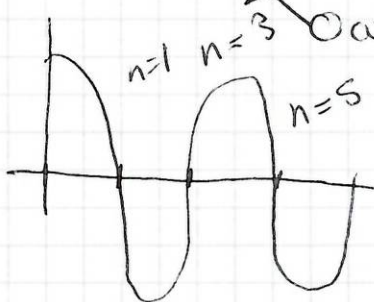
$$\sin(n\pi - \alpha) = -\sin(\alpha), \quad n=2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$= \left(\pm\right) \int_0^{L/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi u}{L}\right) \frac{2h}{L} u \, du \quad \begin{array}{l} + n=1, 3, 5 \\ - n=2, 4, 6 \end{array}$$

$A_n = 0$ if $n=2, 4, 6, \dots$

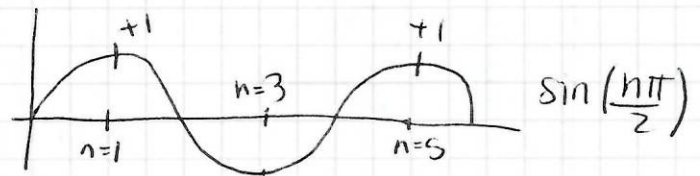
$$A_n = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{L} \cdot \frac{2h}{L} \int_0^{L/2} x \cdot \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx, \quad n=1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$= \frac{8h}{L^2} \left\{ \left[x \frac{L}{n\pi} (-1) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_0^{L/2} + \frac{L}{n\pi} \int_0^{L/2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \right\}$$



$$\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) = 0 \text{ for } n=\text{odd}$$

$$= \frac{8h}{n\pi L} \left[\frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_0^{L/2}$$



$$= \frac{8h}{n^2 \pi^2} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1, 5, 9, 13, \dots \\ (-1) & \text{if } n = 3, 7, 11, \dots \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

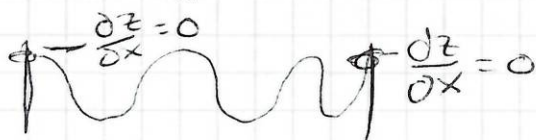
ie j is even
ie j is odd

$$n = 2j + 1, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$z(x, t) = \frac{8h}{\pi^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{(2j+1)^2} \sin\left[(2j+1) \frac{\pi x}{L}\right] \cos\left[(2j+1) \frac{\pi ct}{L}\right]$$

Different Boundary conditions & x-domains

Solve $\frac{z_{tt}}{c^2} = z_{xx}$ with $x \in [-L, L]$ and bc $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$ at $x = \pm L$



Look for a solution $z(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ & we require $z(\pm L, t) = 0 = X'(\pm L)T(t)$ i.e. $X'(\pm L) = 0$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2} X = X'' T, \quad \frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda$$

λ +ive then we have exponential solutions, in X $X'' - \lambda X = 0$ & the homogeneous boundary conditions $X'(\pm L) = 0$ cannot be satisfied

if $\lambda=0$, $\lambda''=0$ & $X=Ax+B$ and a solution with $X'(\pm L)=0$ is just $X=\text{const}$

In this case $T''=0$ & $T=At+B$. So the zero separation constant generated solution
 $z(x,t) = X(x)T(t) = At+B$

λ -ve, if $\lambda = -p^2$ we have $X'' + p^2X = 0$
 & $X(x) = A \cos px + B \sin px$

& we need to find p so that $X'(L)=0$
 $X'(-L)=0$
 and not both of A & B are zero.

$$X'(x) = -pA \sin px + Bp \cos px$$

$$\& X'(L) = -pA \sin pL + Bp \cos pL = 0$$

$$X'(-L) = -pA \sin(-pL) + Bp \cos(-pL) = 0$$

$$= pA \sin pL + Bp \cos pL = 0$$

write this as $\begin{pmatrix} -\sin pL & \cos pL \\ \sin pL & \cos pL \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Ap \\ Bp \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Unless the determinant of this matrix is zero, then we have the zero solution $A=B=0$. An alternative, non-zero solution is possible if the determinant is zero

$$-\sin(pL)\cos(pL) - \sin(pL)\cos(pL) = 0$$

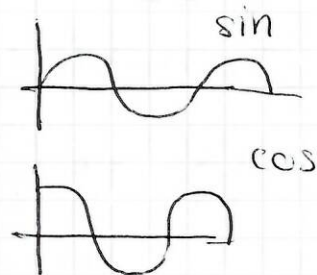
$$\text{i.e. } 2\sin(pL)\cos(pL) = 0$$

$$\sin(2pL) = 0 \text{ i.e. } 2pL = n\pi$$

$$p = \frac{n\pi}{2L} \quad n=1,2,\dots$$

With $p = \frac{n\pi}{2L}$ we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\frac{n\pi}{2}) & \cos(\frac{n\pi}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{n\pi}{2}) & \cos(\frac{n\pi}{2}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Ap \\ Bp \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

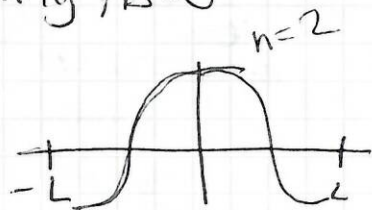


If n is even, $n=2,4,6$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pm 1 \\ 0 & \pm 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Ap \\ Bp \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ i.e. } A \text{ is anything, } B=0$$

$$X(x) = A \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad n \text{ even}$$

$$T(t) = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right)$$



if $n=4$, still even but with extra wobbles

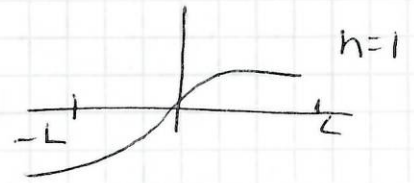
These are normal modes even in x

if n is odd

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mp 1 & 0 \\ \pm 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_p \\ B_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} B \text{ is anything,} \\ A \text{ is zero} \end{matrix}$$

$$X(x) = B \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad n \text{ odd}$$

$$T(t) = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right)$$



odd normal modes

So the general solution is (without initial conditions, but with 1

$$z(x,t) = \underbrace{(A_0 t + B_0)}_{\text{zero separation constant}} + \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ n=2j+1}}^{\infty} \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi x}{2L}\right)}_{\text{odd in } x} \left[C_j \cos\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D_j \sin\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi ct}{2L}\right) \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ n=2j}}^{\infty} \underbrace{\cos\left(\frac{j\pi x}{L}\right)}_{\text{even in } x} \left[E_j \cos\left(\frac{j\pi ct}{L}\right) + F_j \sin\left(\frac{j\pi ct}{L}\right) \right]$$

Initial conditions ^① $z = 0$, then we know $D_j \Delta F_j = 0$ $A_0 = 0$

② if $z = 0$, then $G_j \& E_j = 0, B_0 = 0$

① if $z = \text{even}$ $C_j = 0$

if $z = \text{odd}$ $E_j = 0, B_0 = 0$

② if z is even, $D_j = 0$

z is odd $F_j = 0, A_0 = 0$

The heat/diffusion equation

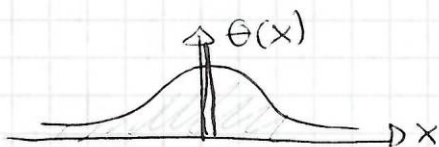
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$$\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{for } \Theta(x,t) \begin{matrix} \text{temperature (heat} \\ \text{density (diffusion)} \end{matrix}$$

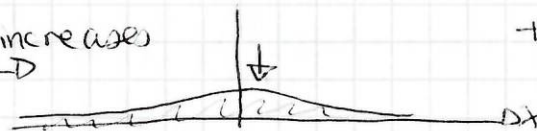
\uparrow constant, the thermal diffusion or diffusivity
 \downarrow time
 \leftarrow 1 dimensional space

(3 dimensions: $\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = k \nabla^2 \Theta$)

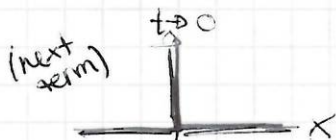
long thin metal rod
insulation - so the heat will move along the rod



t increases \rightarrow



the area remains constant, just flatter and more spread out



Typical boundary conditions on a rod of finite length
say $x \in [0, L]$

ave. $\Theta(0) = T_0$, $\Theta(L) = T_1$

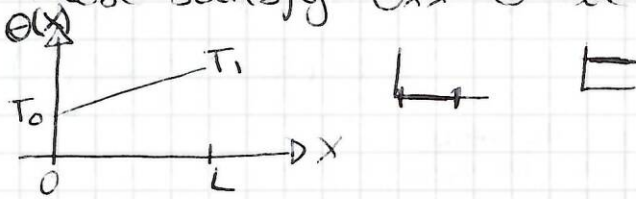
or we could impose insulating boundary conditions

$\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x} = 0$ at $x=0$ say

[Robin boundary condition]
 $\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x} = \alpha \Theta$

we can look for steady solutions, $\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = 0$

These satisfy $\Theta_{xx} = 0$ i.e. $\Theta = Ax + B$, a linear function of x



A steady solution satisfying the boundary condition
 $\Theta_s(0) = T_0$, $\Theta_s(L) = T_1$
is $\Theta_s = T_0 + (T_1 - T_0) \frac{x}{L}$

If one boundary condition is insulating, i.e. asks for $\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x} = 0$, then the steady solution requires

$A = 0$ & $\Theta_s = B$, with B obtained, maybe, from the other boundary condition.

we will look for time dependent solutions of the form
 $\Theta(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$

$X T' = k X'' T$

$\Rightarrow \frac{T'}{k T} = - \frac{X''}{X} = \text{const} = \lambda$, the separation constant

$\lambda = 0$ gives $T' = 0$ $X'' = 0$ i.e. $T = \text{const}$ $X' = Ax + B$

$X T = Ax + B$, the steady solution

$\lambda > 0$

$T' = k \lambda T$, $T = A e^{k \lambda t}$ grows bc $\lambda > 0$
and this grows in time if λ is positive, which is unrealistic

$X'' - \lambda X = 0$ which has exponential solutions, and not trigonometric & we cannot satisfy homogeneous bc if $\lambda > 0$

$\lambda < 0$ $\lambda = -p^2$ $X'' + p^2 X = 0$ $\Rightarrow X = A \sin px + B \cos px$
 $T' = -p^2 k T$

Find P from spatial boundary conditions (if these are homogeneous)

$$T = Ae^{-P^2 kt}$$

General solution:

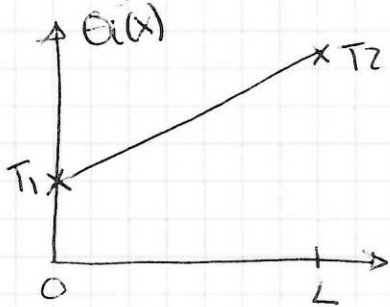
$$\Theta(x,t) = A_0 x + B_0 + \sum_P (A_p \sin px + B_p \cos px) e^{-P^2 kt}$$

$(\lambda=0)$

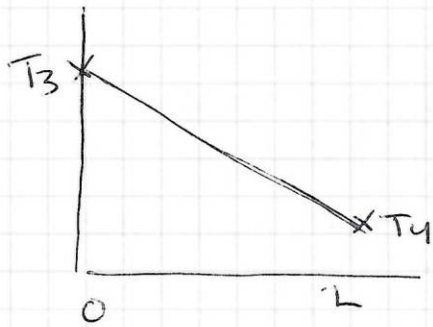
example

Solve the heat equation $\Theta_t = k \Theta_{xx}$ on the interval $x \in [0, L]$ with boundary conditions $\Theta(0) = T_3$,

$\Theta(L) = T_4$ & initial conditions $\Theta = T_1 + (T_2 - T_1) \frac{x}{L}$ initial distribution of temp
 $= \Theta(x, 0) = \Theta_i(x)$ L initial of x



one end of rod in the fridge and one end in the oven, for long enough to get a steady solution



change the ends around

I "expect" that as $t \rightarrow \infty$ the solution to approach the steady solution

$$\Theta = \Theta_s = T_3 + (T_4 - T_3) \frac{x}{L}$$

(has nothing to do with initial conditions)

Note $\Theta_s(0) = T_3$ & $\Theta_s(L) = T_4$ i.e. Θ_s satisfies our required boundary conditions.

We write $\Theta(x,t) = \underbrace{\Theta_s(x)}_{\text{steady}} + \underbrace{\Theta_u(x,t)}_{\text{unsteady, time dependant part}}$

(has nothing to do with initial conditions)

$\Theta_{s,xx} = 0$ & the boundary conditions on Θ .

if $\Theta(0) = T_3$, $\Theta_s(0) = T_3$
 $\Theta(L) = T_4$, $\Theta_s(L) = T_4$

So putting $x=0$

$$\Theta(0,t) = T_3 = \Theta_s(0) + \Theta_u(0,t) = T_3 + \Theta_u(0,t)$$

$$\& \Theta_u(0,t) = 0 \quad \text{similarly} \quad \Theta_u(L,t) = 0$$

Since $\Theta_t = k \Theta_{xx}$

$$\Theta_{s,t} + \Theta_{u,t} = k(\Theta_{s,xx} + \Theta_{u,xx})$$

$\Theta_{u,t} = k \Theta_{u,xx}$ and $\Theta_u(0,t) = 0$ $\Theta_u(L,t) = 0$

and we use the method of separation of variables to find $\Theta_u(x,t)$

But what are the initial conditions for Θ_0 ?

$$\Theta(x, 0) = \Theta_i(x) = \Theta_s(x) + \Theta_0(x, 0)$$

$$\text{so } \Theta_0(x, 0) = \Theta_i(x) - \Theta_s(x)$$

$$\Theta_0(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$$

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$\frac{T'}{kT} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda$ - cannot have $\lambda > 0$ as this would lead to exponential solutions for X & we require $\Theta_0(0) = \Theta_0(L) = 0$ i.e. $X(0) = X(L) = 0$ which exponentials cannot satisfy

- cannot have $\lambda = 0$ as this gives $X = Ax + B$ & we cannot satisfy $X(0) = X(L) = 0$ with a non zero solution for X

- so $\lambda < 0$, $\lambda = -p^2$

$$X(x) = A \cos px + B \sin px$$

$$T(t) = e^{-p^2 kt}$$

our boundary conditions require

$$X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$$

$$X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin pL = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{n\pi}{L}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\Theta_0(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-p^2 kt} \sin pL$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 kt}{L^2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Initially, i.e. putting $t=0$, we need

$$\Theta_0(x, 0) = \Theta_i(x) - \Theta_s(x)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = (T_1 - T_3) + \frac{x}{L} (T_2 - T_4 - T_1 + T_3)$$

$$= p + \frac{Qx}{L}$$

multiply by $\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right)$ & \int_0^L & find

$$A_m L \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \int_0^L \left(p + \frac{Qx}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \left\{ \left[-\frac{L}{m\pi} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \left(p + \frac{Qx}{L}\right) \right]_0^L + \frac{L}{m\pi} \int_0^L \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{Q}{L} dx \right\}$$

$$= p \frac{L}{m\pi} (1 - (-1)^m) - \frac{L}{m\pi} \frac{QL}{L} (-1)^m \quad \begin{matrix} = 0 \\ \text{since } \sin(\cdot) \\ \text{satisfies initial conditions} \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{L}{m\pi} \left\{ \underbrace{p(1 - (-1)^m)}_{2 \text{ if } m \text{ odd, } 0 \text{ if } m \text{ even}} - Q(-1)^m \right\}$$

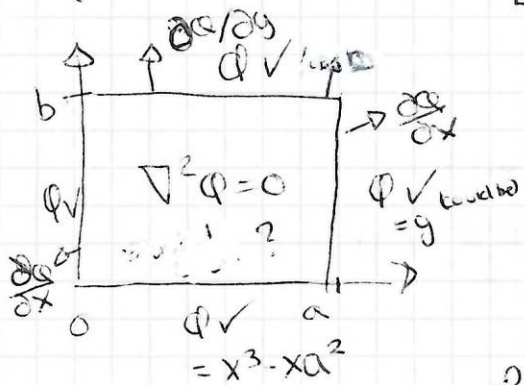
$$So \quad \Theta(x, t) = T_3 + (T_4 - T_3) \frac{x}{L} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \left\{ (T_1 - T_3)(1 - (-1)^n) - (T_2 - T_4 + T_3 - T_1) \frac{(-1)^n}{(-1)^n} \right\} e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 k t}{L^2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad \text{only non-zero when } n=m$$

$$\sum_1^{\infty} A_n \int_0^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = A_m \int_0^L \sin^2 \frac{\pi m x}{L} dx \quad \text{- use double angle formula} = \frac{1}{2} L$$

Laplace equation for $\phi(x, y)$

This is the elliptic equation $\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0$ in 2 dimensions
 (in several dimensions $[\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = 0]$ $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ $y'' = 0$)



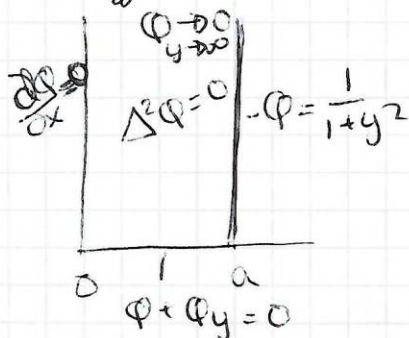
Boundary conditions for this problem are typically

1) ϕ is specified on the boundary
 - Dirichlet boundary condition

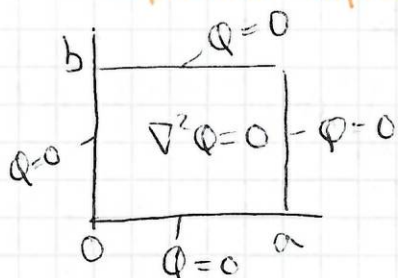
2) $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n}$ is specified e.g. $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0$

3) Robin condition $\phi + \beta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0$

These boundary conditions could be different on different boundaries



Laplace's equation in a rectangular domain



Solve $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ in the domain $0 \leq x \leq a$
 $0 \leq y \leq b$

with $\phi(x, 0) = 0$, $\phi(0, y) = 0$, $\phi(x, b) = h(x)$, $\phi(a, y) = 0$

Look for a solution with $\phi(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$

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$$\text{Since } \varphi(x, 0) = 0, X(x)Y(0) = 0, Y(0) = 0$$

$$\varphi(0, y) = 0, X(0)Y(y) = 0, X(0) = 0$$

$$\varphi(a, y) = 0, X(a)Y(y) = 0, X(a) = 0$$

$$\varphi(x, b) = h(x) \quad \cancel{X(x)Y(b) = h(x)} \quad \text{Look at later}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$$X''Y + XY'' = 0$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \lambda, \text{ a separation constant}$$

$$X'' - \lambda X = 0$$

$$Y'' + \lambda Y = 0$$

We can have $\lambda > 0$ giving exponentials in x and trigonometric functions in y , or $\lambda < 0$ giving trigonometric functions in x and exponentials in y , or $\lambda = 0$, $X'' = 0$, $Y'' = 0$ i.e. linear functions in X & Y

& ignoring the influence of boundary conditions the general solution is a combination of all these possibilities

Considering these & especially the fact that $X = 0$ at both $x = 0$ & $x = a$ implies we must restrict ourselves to $\lambda < 0$.

$$\text{With } \lambda = -p^2 \quad X'' + p^2 X = 0$$

$$Y'' - p^2 Y = 0$$

$$X_p(x) = A \sin px + B \cos px$$

$$Y_p(y) = C \sinh py + D \cosh py$$

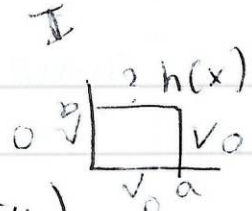
$$\text{Applying } X(0) = 0$$

$$X(x) = A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right), \quad Y(y) = C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \quad \text{--- same } p$$

choose cosh
and sinh
when you
have
a finite
range

and generally $\phi = \sum_n x y$

$$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)$$



A_n 's are found so that $\phi(x, b) = h(x)$
 i.e. $\phi(x, b) = h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \left(\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \right)$

multiply by $\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)$ & \int_0^a

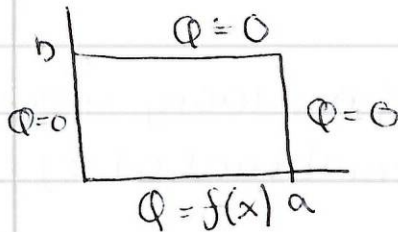
$$\int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx = A_m \sinh\left(\frac{m\pi b}{a}\right) \frac{1}{2} \cdot a$$

$$A_m = \frac{2 \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx}{a \sinh\left(\frac{m\pi b}{a}\right)}$$

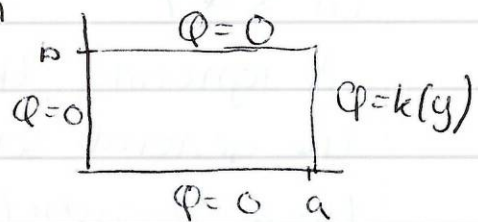
$$\& \phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx$$

Problem II

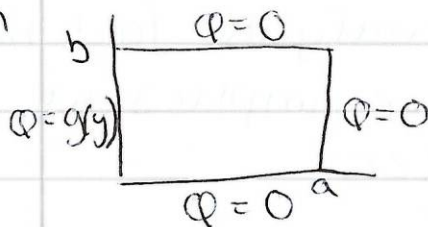
Other problems might be



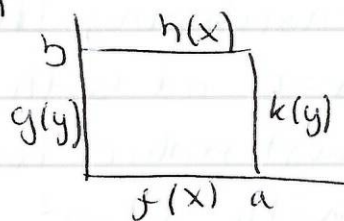
Problem III



Problem IV



Problem V



III = trig in y
 sin at $x=0$
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \cdot \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right)$

IV: $X(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$
 $Y(y) = C \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) + D \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)$

& $\phi(x, b) = 0 \Rightarrow Y(b) = 0$
 $C \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) + D \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) = 0$

[Trig in x
Exp in y]

II cont: $D = -c \tanh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)$

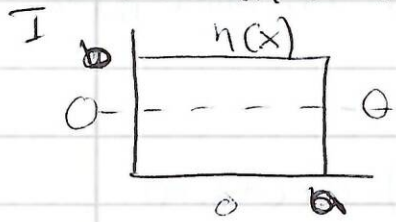
$\psi(y) = C \left(\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) - \tanh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \right)$

$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \left(\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) - \tanh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \right)$

C_n 's found so that $\phi(x, 0) = f(x)$

$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \left(-\tanh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \right)$

~~We can turn I into II by reflecting I~~ ^{from I}



Problem II is obtained by reflecting in the line $y = \frac{b}{2}$ i.e. $y \rightarrow b-y$

and $\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = 0$

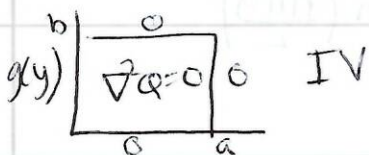
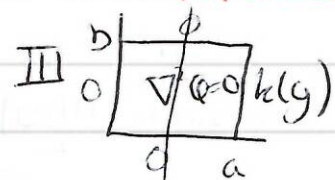
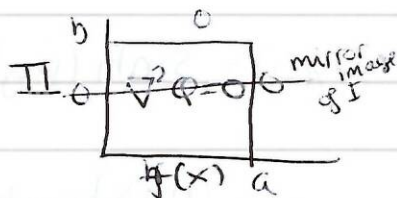
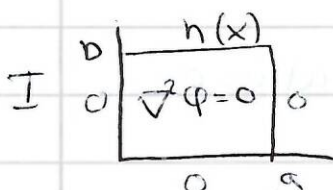
is unaltered under this transformation, as it has a second order derivative, only, in y

So the solution for II is found from I by replacing y by b-y

$$\phi(x, y) = \frac{2}{a} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sinh\left[\frac{n\pi(b-y)}{a}\right]}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx$$

III can be mapped to I by reflecting in the diagonals of the rectangle, effected by $y \rightarrow x, x \rightarrow y, a \rightarrow b, b \rightarrow a$

$$\phi(x, y) = \frac{2}{b} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)} \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) k(y) dy$$



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$$I: \varphi_I = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \frac{2}{a} \frac{1}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx$$

$$II \varphi_{II} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi(y-a)}{a}\right) \dots \int_0^a f(x) dx$$

$$III \varphi_{III} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) \frac{2}{b} \frac{1}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)} \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) k(y) dy$$

$a \rightarrow b$
 $x \rightarrow y$

$$IV \text{ from III } \varphi_{IV} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi(a-x)}{b}\right) \frac{2}{b} \frac{1}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)} \int_0^b \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) g(y) dy$$

$x \rightarrow a-x$

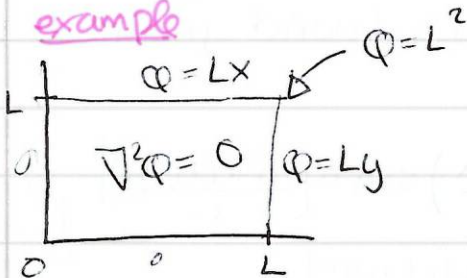
$\frac{b}{g(y)} \left| \begin{array}{c} h(x) \\ \nabla^2 \varphi = 0 \\ f(x) \end{array} \right| \frac{a}{k(y)}$

$\nabla^2(\varphi_I + \varphi_{II} + \varphi_{III} + \varphi_{IV}) = 0 + 0 + 0 + 0$

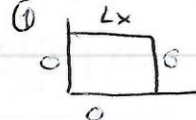
& for example on $x=a$

$$\varphi_I(a, y) + \varphi_{II}(a, y) + \varphi_{III}(a, y) + \varphi_{IV}(a, y) = 0 + 0 + k(y) - 0 = k(y) \text{ as required}$$

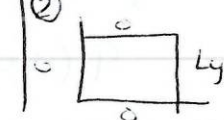
example



First solve:



Then solve:



$$\textcircled{1} \nabla^2 \varphi = 0, \varphi = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \text{const} = -p^2 \text{ as we want trig in } x$$

(don't want cos since 0 at $x=0$)

$$X'' + p^2 X = 0 \Rightarrow X(x) = \sin px \quad 0 \text{ at } x=0$$

$$\text{with } pL = n\pi \quad 0 \text{ at } x=L$$

$$X(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$Y'' - p^2 Y = 0 \Rightarrow Y(y) = \sinh(py), \quad 0 \text{ at } y=0$$

$$= \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

$$\varphi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

$$\& \quad \varphi(x, L) = Lx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh(n\pi)$$

requiring $\int_0^L Lx \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = A_n \sinh(n\pi) \int_0^L \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$
 $= L/2$

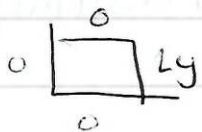
$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \cdot \frac{1}{\sinh(n\pi)} \cdot L \int_0^L x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sinh(n\pi)} \left[\left[x \frac{L}{n\pi} (-1) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_0^L + \int_0^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \right]$$

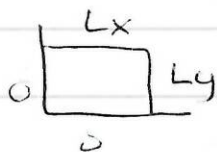
$$= -\frac{2}{\sinh(n\pi)} \frac{L^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi)$$

$$A_n = \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi \sinh(n\pi)} L^2$$

$$\varphi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L^2}{n\pi \sinh(n\pi)} (-1)^{n+1} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$



The solution for this second problem is obtained by putting $x \rightarrow y$
 $y \rightarrow x$



has solution $\varphi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L^2 (-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi \sinh(n\pi)}$

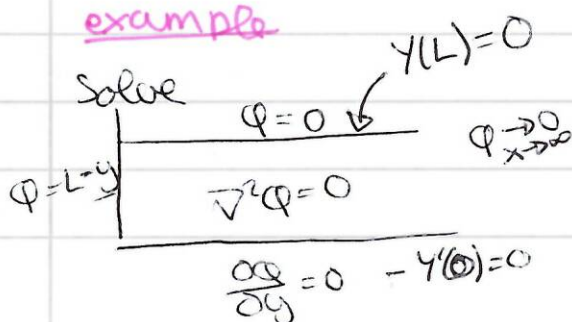
$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) \\ \mp \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \end{array} \right]$$

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The solution to this problem is in fact $\varphi = xy$
 [satisfies bc's & $\nabla^2 \varphi = 0$]

$$\varphi = xy$$

example

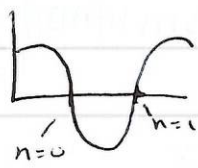


$$\varphi(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \text{const} = p^2$$

trigonometric in y

To satisfy $Y'(0)=0$ we take the solution $Y(y)=\cos py$
 and to satisfy $Y(L)=0$ we require $\cos pL=0$,



requiring $pL=(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi$

$$p=(n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}$$

$X''-p^2X=0$ & so X has solutions e^{-Px} $(X=Ae^{-Px}+Be^{Px})$
 e^{Px}

& for $X(x)\rightarrow 0$ as $x\rightarrow\infty$ so that

$\varphi(x,y)\rightarrow 0$ as $x\rightarrow\infty$, we must take only e^{-Px}

$$\varphi(x,y)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right) e^{-(n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi x}{L}}$$

& we require $\varphi(0,y)=L-y$

$$L-y=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left[(n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right]$$

$(X''-p^2X=0$ homogeneous bc)

Using the fact that $\cos\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right)$ & $\cos\left((m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right)$
 are orthogonal, we find

$$\int_0^L (L-y) \cos\left((m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right) dy = A_m \frac{1}{2} L$$