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Partial Differentiation

Simple case $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Let $f(x, y)$ be a function of 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.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x \partial y}, \quad f_x, \quad f_x(a, b).$$

If these derivatives exist at every point in the region of \mathbb{R}^2 then we

have a function derived from $f(x, y)$.

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

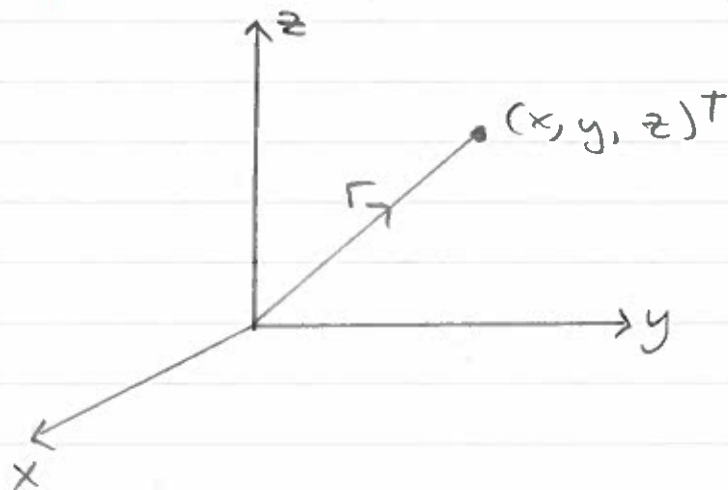
These function themselves may be differentiable and we can find higher derivatives.

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

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

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

Example: $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.



$$(x, y, z)^T = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

If $\underline{r} = (x, y, z)^T$ then $f(x, y, z) = f(\underline{r})$
is $f(\underline{r}) = |\underline{r}| = (\text{distance of point } (x, y, z) \text{ from } 0) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

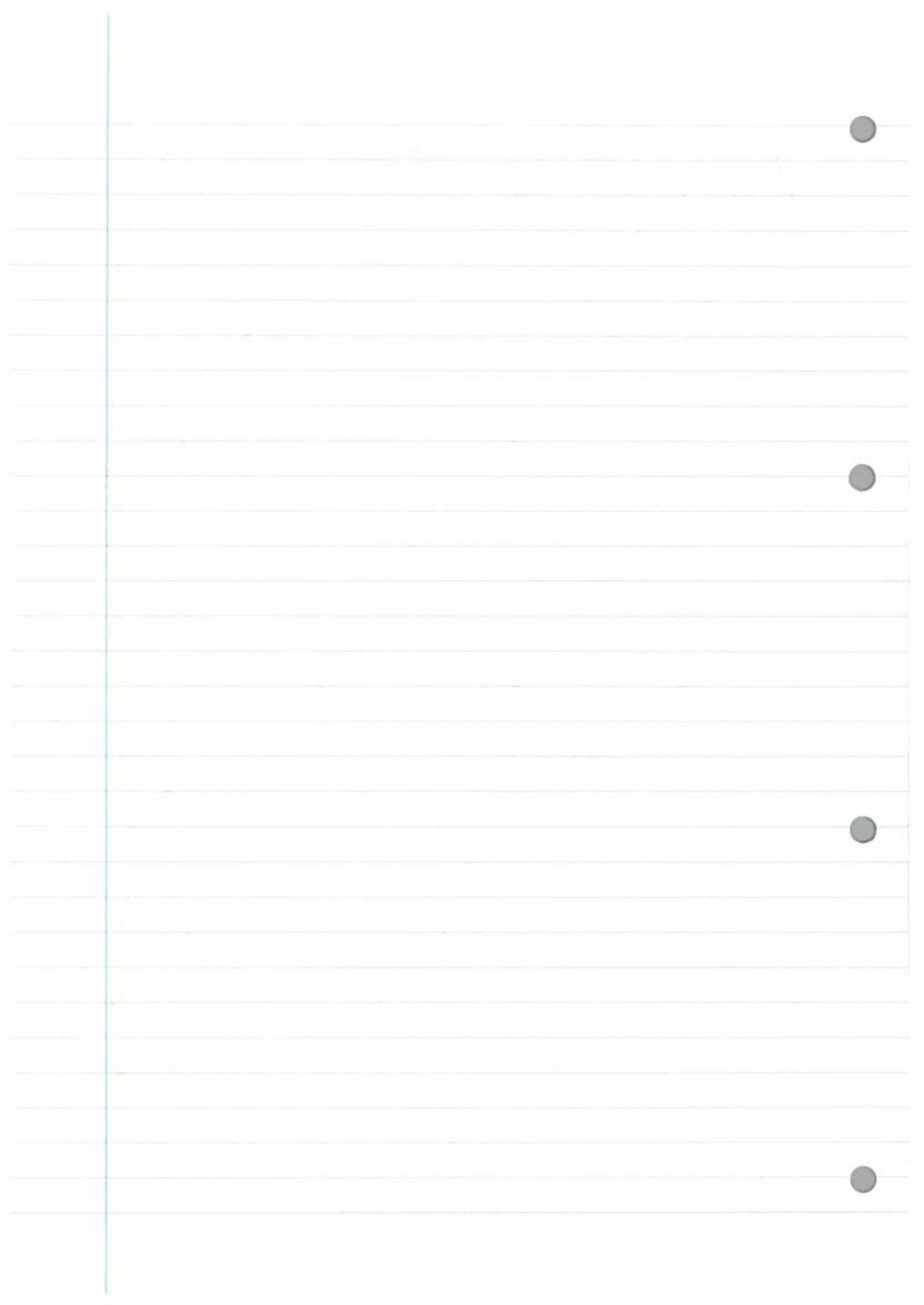
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{x}{|\underline{r}|}$$

$$f_y = \frac{y}{|\underline{r}|}$$

$$f_z = \frac{z}{|\underline{r}|}$$

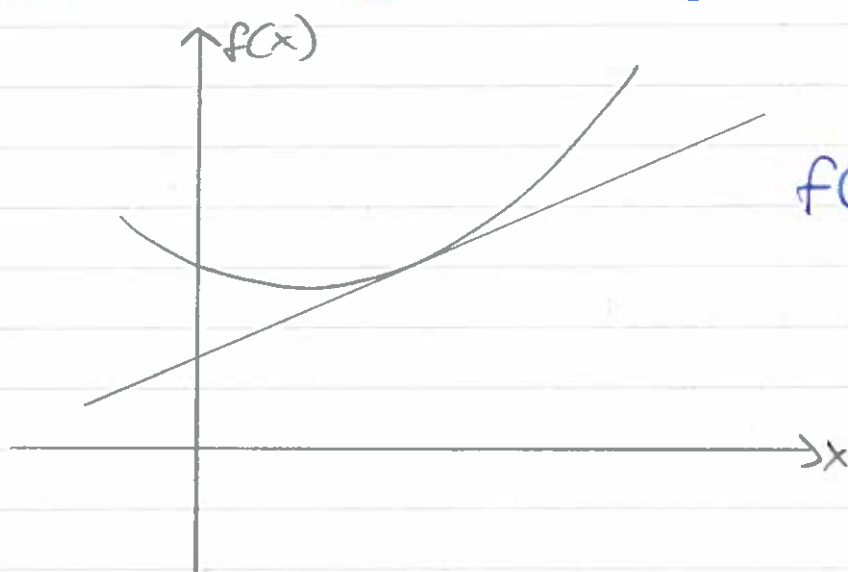
$$(\nabla f) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\underline{r}}{|\underline{r}|}$$

Differentiability of function of several variables.

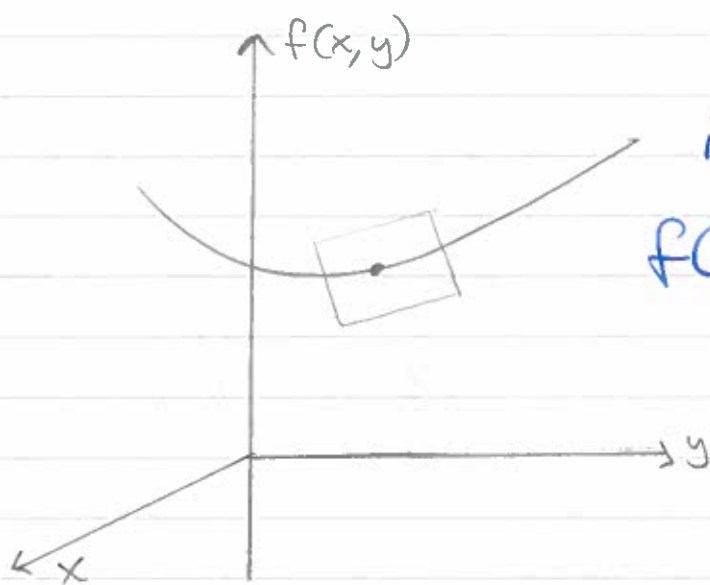


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Differentiability \approx locally linear.



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



We say $f'(a)$ exist if:

$$f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + |h|\phi(h)$$

where $\phi(h) \rightarrow 0$ as $|h| \rightarrow 0$.

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \delta x = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

In two dimension $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function $f(x, y)$ is differentiable at the point (a, b) if there exist two numbers L_x, L_y st $f(a+h, b+k) = f(a, b) + L_x h + L_y k + \sqrt{h^2 + k^2} \phi(h, k)$ where $\phi(h, k) \rightarrow 0$

as $h, k \rightarrow 0$.

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

$$f(\underline{x} + \delta \underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underline{L} \cdot \delta \underline{x} + |\delta \underline{x}| \phi(\delta \underline{x})$$

and claim that f is differentiable at \underline{x} if such \underline{L} exist and $|\phi(\delta \underline{x})| \rightarrow 0$ as $|\delta \underline{x}| \rightarrow 0$.

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

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

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x+h, y, z) - f(x, y, z)}{h} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{L_x h + 0 + 0 + |h| \phi(h)}{h} \right)$$

\uparrow f is differentiable

$$= L_x \quad \text{as } \phi(h) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{So } \underline{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \nabla f.$$

Consider now function $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, we say f (vector in \mathbb{R}^n) is differentiable at point \underline{x} (vector in \mathbb{R}^m) if there exist a $n \times m$ matrix \underline{L} st:

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

as $|\Phi(\underline{h})| \rightarrow 0$ as $|\underline{h}| \rightarrow 0$.

where \underline{L} is:

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

← m →

↑
↓ n

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

and is called the Jacobian matrix.

The chain rule:

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

Consider the change in F caused

by a change in t .

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

$$= f(x(t)) + \delta t x'(t) + |\delta t| \underbrace{\phi(\delta t) - f(x(t))}_{\text{the higher order terms that are not linear.}}$$

As $x(t)$ is differentiable.

+ ... the higher order terms that are not linear.

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

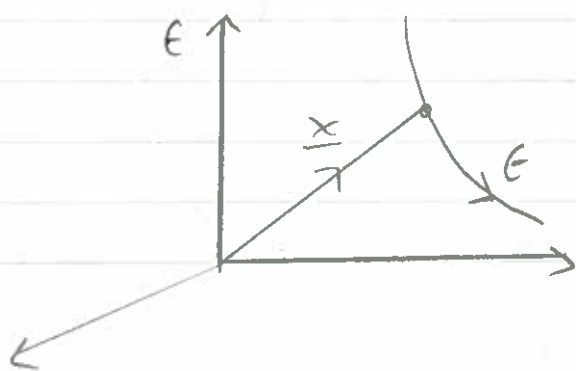
$$= \delta t (f'(x)) x'(t) + \dots$$

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

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

$$\text{and } F'(t) = f'(x(t)) x'(t)$$

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



$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{r}(t)$$

$$f(\underline{x}(t))$$

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

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

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

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

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

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 used a \cdot for time derivatives and $r'(t)$ instead of $x(t)$.

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

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

Jacobian for $F(t)$ a (1×1) matrix.

Jacobian for $f(x)$ (1×3)

Jacobian for $\dot{r}(t)$ (3×1)

$$F(t) = f(\underline{x}(t))$$

The Jacobian for F , the composition of $\underline{x}(t)$ and $f(\underline{x})$ is obtained by matrix multiplication (i.e. composition) of the Jacobian for $\underline{x}(t)$ and $f(\underline{x})$.

We can generalise this observation.

$$\mathbb{R}^L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n.$$

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

$$\underline{x}: \begin{pmatrix} \partial x_1 / \partial u_1 & \partial x_1 / \partial u_2 & \dots & \partial x_1 / \partial u_L \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial x_m / \partial u_1 & & & \partial x_m / \partial u_L \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{J} \quad (m \times L \text{ matrix}).$$

$$f: \begin{pmatrix} \partial f_1 / \partial x_1 & \dots & \partial f_1 / \partial x_m \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial f_n / \partial x_1 & \dots & \partial f_n / \partial x_m \end{pmatrix} = \underline{I} \quad (\text{a } n \times m \text{ matrix})$$

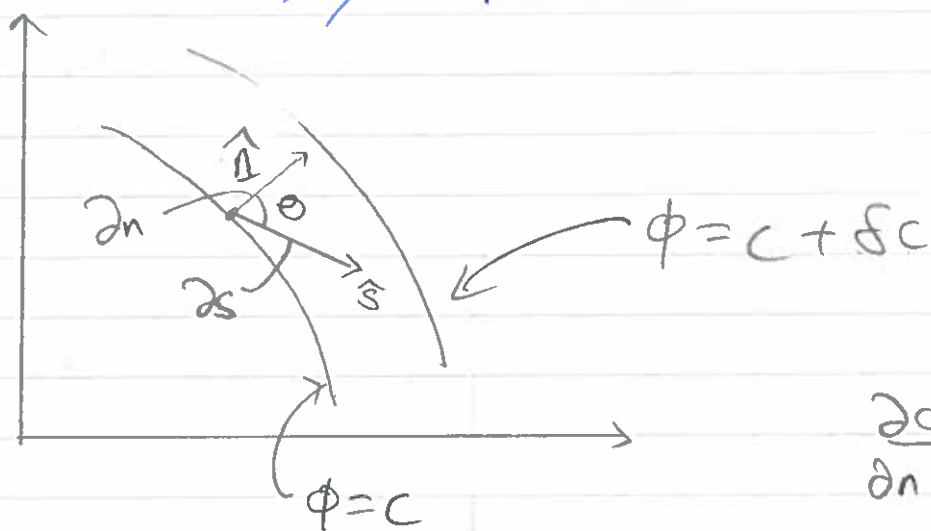
$$F: \begin{pmatrix} \partial F_1 / \partial u_1 & \dots & \partial F_1 / \partial u_L \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial F_n / \partial u_1 & \dots & \partial F_n / \partial u_L \end{pmatrix} = \underline{S} \quad (\text{a } n \times L \text{ matrix})$$

The chain rule says:

$$\underline{\underline{S}} = \underline{\underline{I}} \underline{\underline{u}}.$$

A geometric interpretation of gradient ∇f .
 Consider $\phi(\underline{x}) = \phi(x, y, z)$ 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 and points (x, y, z) satisfying $\phi(x, y, z) = c$ lie on the surface, called a level 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 (a, b, c) .
 the distance $d / \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$



$$\delta s = \frac{\delta n}{\cos \theta}.$$

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 $\delta\phi$ and consider $\lim_{\delta n \rightarrow 0} (\delta\phi/\delta n) = \partial\phi/\partial n$. i.e. the rate of change of ϕ measured in a direction normal to a level surface.

We define the gradient of the function ϕ to be the vector:

$$\underline{\nabla}\phi = \hat{n} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n}$$

We shall see $\underline{\nabla}\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_x \\ \phi_y \\ \phi_z \end{pmatrix}$

Suppose I want the rate of change of ϕ in a different direction given by \hat{s} , $\partial\phi/\partial s$ say

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} = \lim_{\delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta\phi}{\delta s} = \lim_{\delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta c}{\delta n / \cos\theta}$$

$$= \cos\theta \lim_{\delta n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta\phi}{\delta n} = \cos\theta \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial n}$$

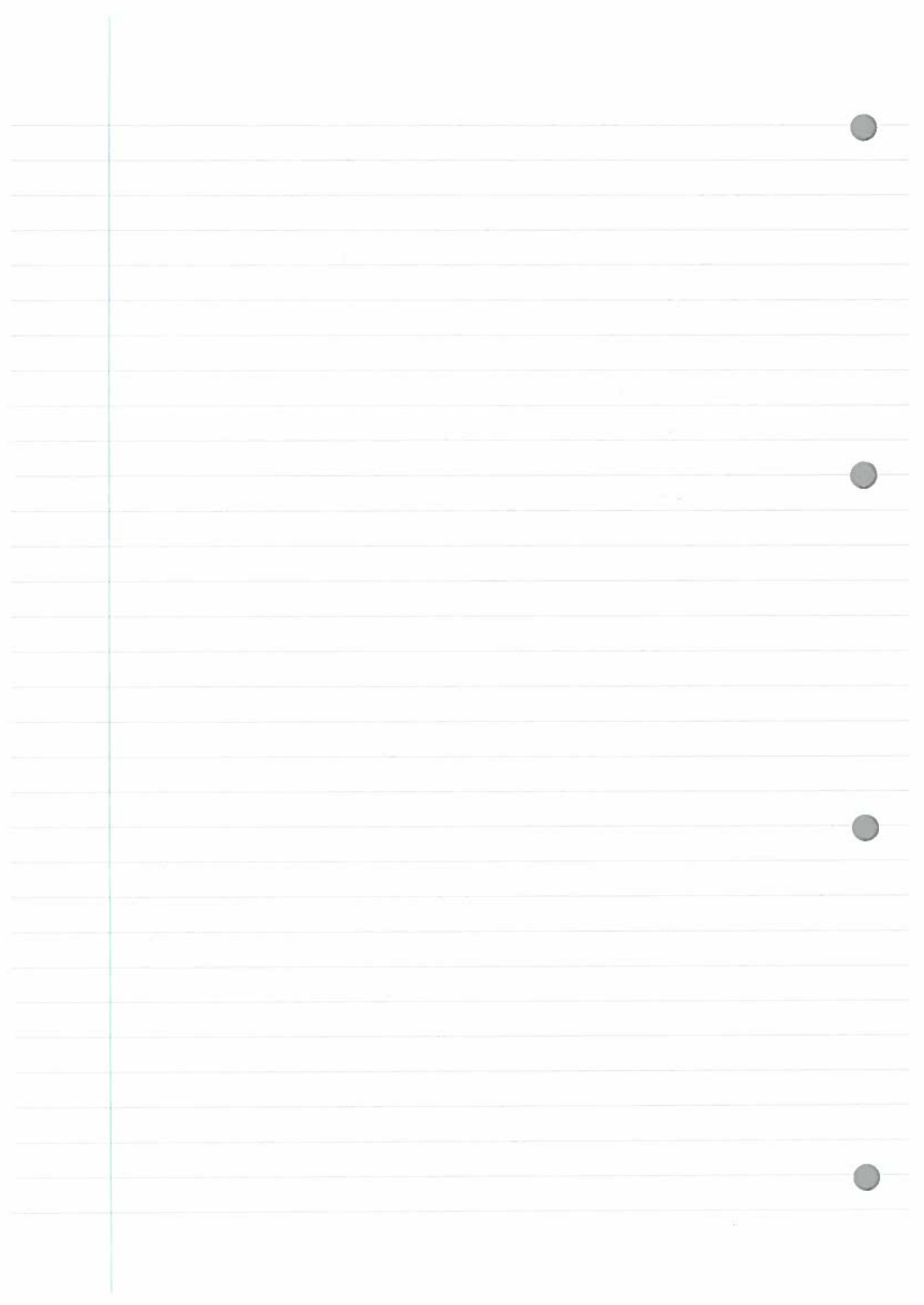
But $\cos \hat{\theta} = \underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\hat{n}}$ so $\partial\phi/\partial s = \underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\hat{n}} \partial\phi/\partial n$
 $= \underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \nabla\phi$.

We call $\partial\phi/\partial s$ the directional derivative of $\underline{\hat{s}}$ and we see $\partial\phi/\partial s = \underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \nabla\phi$.

If we choose $\underline{\hat{s}} = \underline{\hat{i}}$, this becomes $\partial\phi/\partial x = \underline{\hat{i}} \cdot \nabla\phi =$ 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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$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = \underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla} f.$$

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

Consider $f(x, y) = (x+1)(y-1)$ and find the directional derivatives in the direction of $\underline{i} + \underline{j}$ and $\underline{i} - \underline{j}$.

Unit vectors in these directions are

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\underline{i} + \underline{j}) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\underline{i} - \underline{j}).$$

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

and so if $s = \underline{i} + \underline{j}$ we have:

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

We can also find the rate of change of these directional derivatives in different directions. Most useful will be:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right) = (\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla}) (\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla} f)$$

$$= (\hat{s} \cdot \nabla)^2 f \text{ say.}$$

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

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

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{2}(y-x-2) \right) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{1}{2}(y-x-2) \right) \end{pmatrix} = -1$$

Taylor's theorem:

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

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a) h^n}{n!}$$

within a radius of convergence.

$$f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + \underline{L} \cdot \underline{h} + \dots$$

∇f

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

We see that the $f'(a)$ need to be replaced by:

$$\frac{\partial^n f}{\partial s^n} = (\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^n f.$$

and the h needs to be replaced by $|h|$.

So we get:

$$f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + |h|(\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla})f + \frac{1}{2}|h|^2(\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^2 f + \dots \\ + \frac{1}{n!}|h|^n(\underline{\hat{s}} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^n f + \dots$$

But $\underline{h} = |h|\underline{\hat{s}}$ and so

$$f(\underline{a} + \underline{h}) = f(\underline{a}) + (\underline{h} \cdot \underline{\nabla})f + \frac{1}{2}(\underline{h} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^2 f$$

$$+ \dots + \frac{1}{n!}(\underline{h} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^n f + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\underline{h} \cdot \underline{\nabla})^n f}{n!}$$

If $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\underline{h} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}$ then

$$\underline{h} \cdot \nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^2 f &= \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} h f_{xx} + k f_{xy} \\ h f_{xy} + k f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= h^2 f_{xx} + 2hk f_{xy} + k^2 f_{yy} \end{aligned}$$

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

If $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\underline{h} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \\ l \end{pmatrix}$ then:

$$\underline{h} \cdot \nabla = h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + l \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{h} \cdot \nabla)^2 &= h^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + l^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + 2hk \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} \\ &\quad + 2hl \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z} + 2kl \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z} \end{aligned}$$

Coefficients are found by considering $(a+b+c)^n$.

Ex: Express $f(x, y) = x^3y + 3y - 2$ in powers of $(x-1)$ and $(y-1)$

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

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \underline{a} + \underline{h}.$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3} = 0.$$

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

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

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

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

and higher derivatives are zero:

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

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

\swarrow $x-1$ \swarrow $y+2$
 \uparrow -4 \uparrow 4

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left(h^2 f_{xx} + 2hk f_{xy} + k^3 \cdot 0 \right) \Big|_{(1, -2)}$$

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

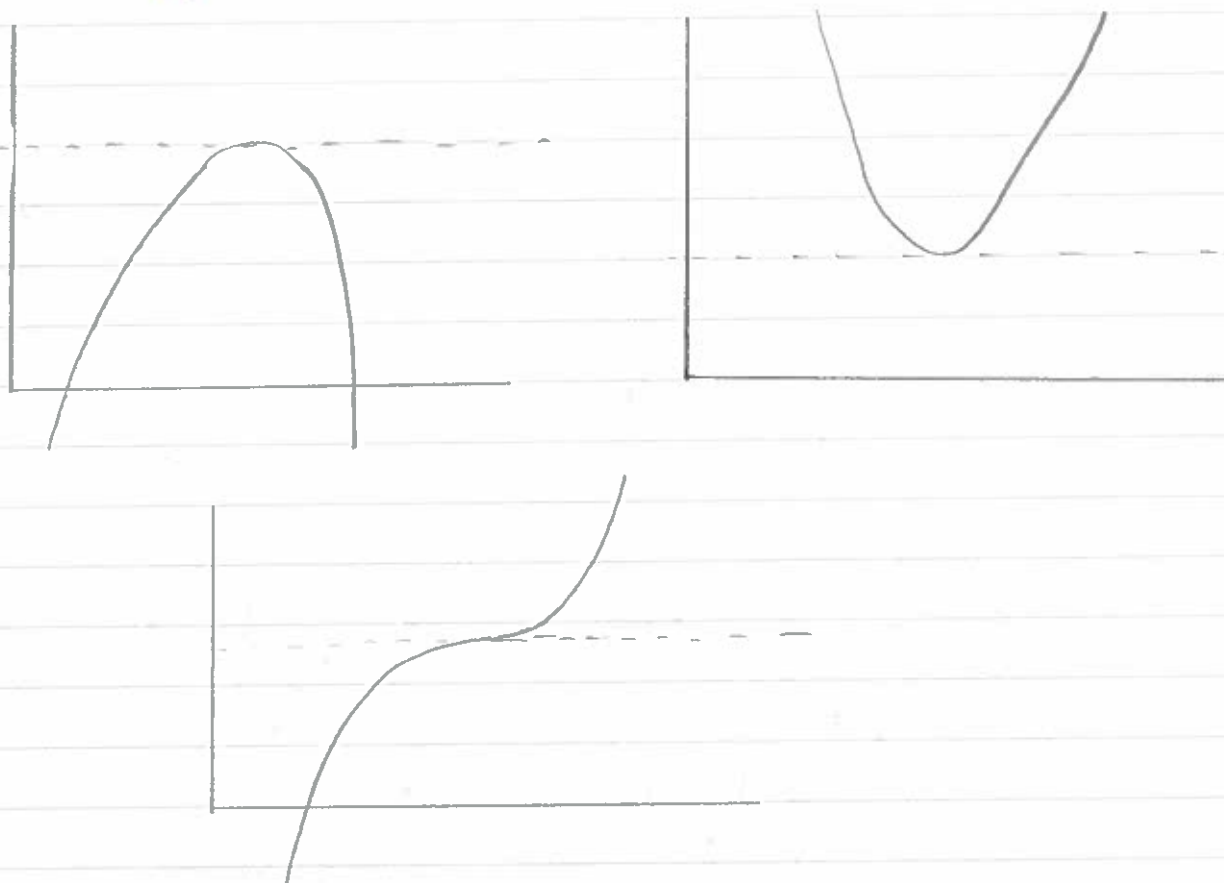
$$+ 0$$

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

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Extreme values and critical points of functions of several (mainly two) turning points.

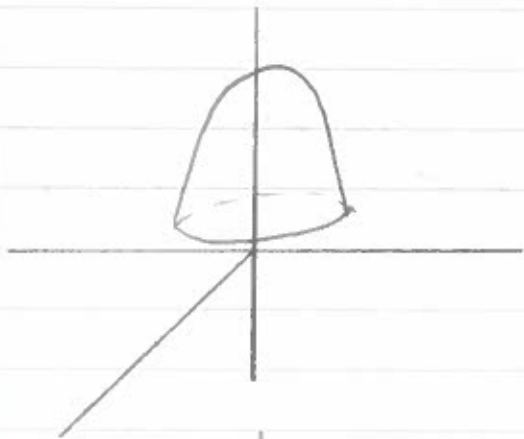
If f is from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.



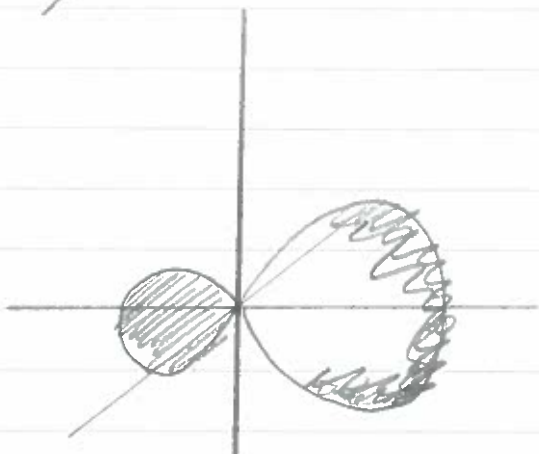
At critical point, the tangent to the curve is horizontal (i.e. \parallel to the x -axis) and we test for this by finding position where $f'(x) = 0$.



Minimum at
 (x_0, y_0)

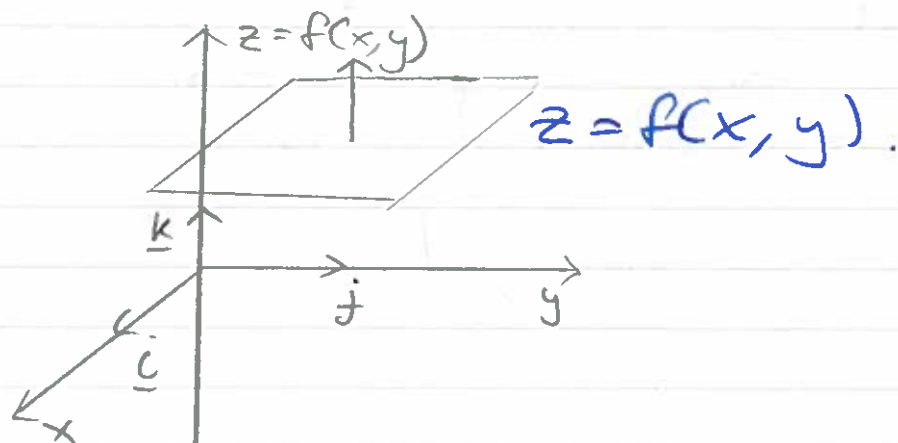


Maximum
at (x_0, y_0)



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 $z = f(x, y)$ is \parallel to the (x, y) plane, or to the surface $z = f(x, y)$ is \parallel to the $f(x, y)$ plane, or has a normal $\parallel \underline{k}$.



The normal to a surface written as a level surface of $g(x, y) = z - f(x, y) = c$ is given by:

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

and so at 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) and with $\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} = x_0$.

$$f(x_0 + \underline{h}) = f(x_0) + \underline{h} \cdot \nabla f \Big|_{x_0} + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{h} \cdot \nabla^2 f) \Big|_{x_0} + \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{x_0} = 0.$$

and so:

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

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

$$(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ \dots \\ h_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The Hessian of f

A Quadratic form.

A 2 by 2 case: $(h \ k) \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}$

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 $f_{xx} = f_{xy} = 0$ then it is clear we have a saddle point, since the product hk can be made of either sign by choosing h and k appropriately.

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} \left[\underbrace{\left(h + k \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} \right)^2}_{\text{always +ve or zero}} + k^2 \underbrace{\left(\frac{f_{yy}}{f_{xx}} - \frac{f_{xy}^2}{f_{xx}^2} \right)}_{\left(\frac{k^2}{(f_{xx})^2} (f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2) \right)} \right]$$

May be either sign depending on sign of $-f_{xx}$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{vmatrix} \text{ called the Discriminant}$$

If $\Delta > 0$ then this sign has the sign as does f_{xx} so if

$\Delta > 0$ $f_{xx} > 0$ we have a minimum
 $\Delta > 0$ $f_{xx} < 0$ we have a maximum
 $\Delta < 0$ we have a saddle point.

because if we choose $k = 0$, the term is > 0 but if we choose $k = -h f_{xx} / f_{xy}$ then the term is < 0 ($f_{xx} > 0$)

Example: Find the critical point 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 the critical points are

$$(0, 0) \quad (2, 0)$$

$$(0, 2) \quad (2, 2).$$

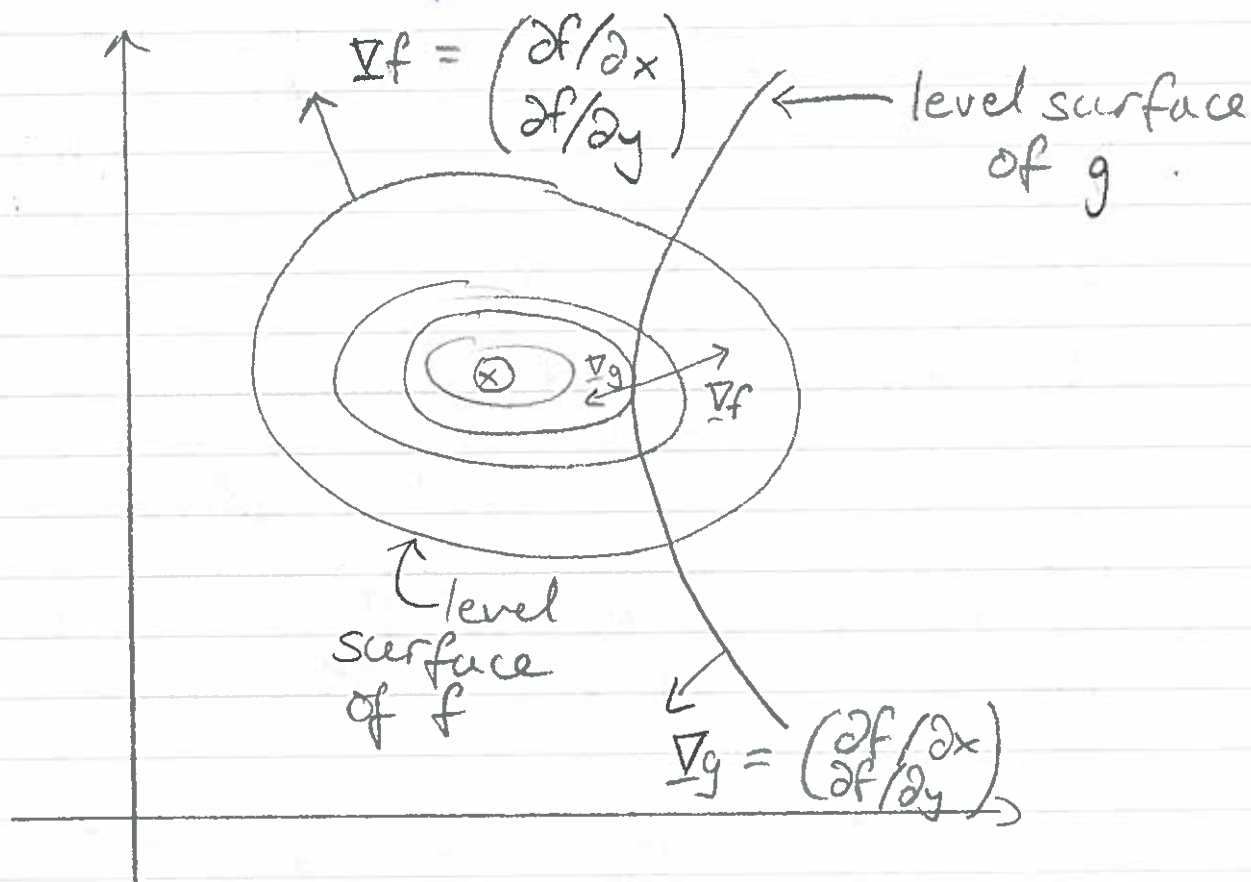
To determine their nature we need

$$f_{xx} = 2(x-1) \quad \text{and} \quad f_{xy} = 0$$
$$f_{yy} = 2(y-1)$$

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

	(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
	<u>max</u>	Saddle point		<u>min</u>

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 constraining $g(x, y) = c$ 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 normal to these curves are given by ∇f and ∇g then this occurs where $\nabla f \parallel \nabla g$ i.e. $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla(f - \lambda g) &= 0 \\ \nabla(f - \lambda(g - c)) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

↑ Lagrange Multiplier

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.

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

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

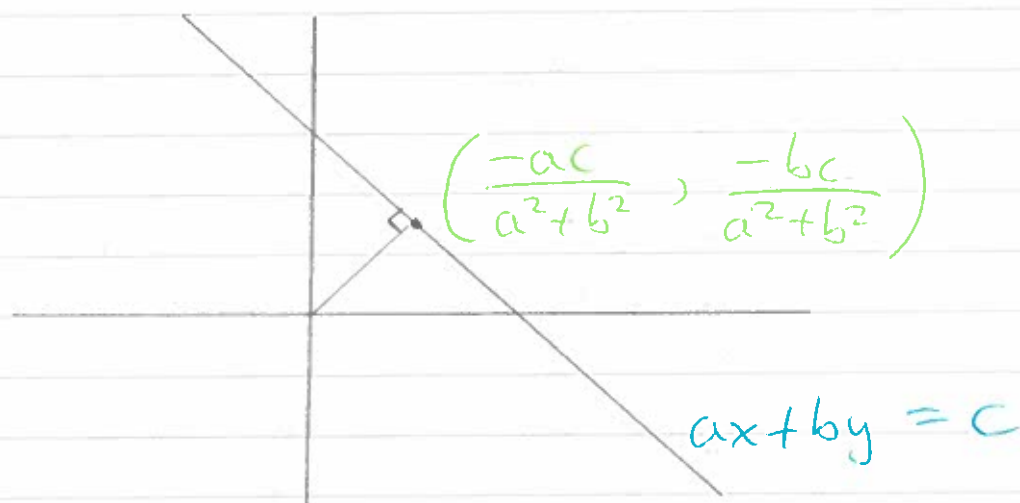
$$g(x, y) = c$$

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

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

$$\nabla h = 0$$

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



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:

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

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

and 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 $f(\underline{x})$, $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$ then we can have up to $n-1$ constraints. Suppose we have m .

$$g_i(\underline{x}) = 0 \quad i \text{ runs from } 1 \text{ to } m.$$

We form the function, the Lagrangian

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

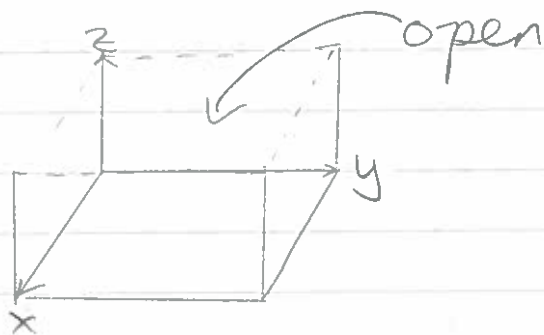
$$\uparrow (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m)^T$$

We then solve the n equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \nabla_{\underline{x}} L = 0$$

together with the constraints $g_i(\underline{x}) = 0$
or $\partial L / \partial \lambda_i = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \quad \nabla_{\underline{x}} L = 0$
 $\nabla L = 0$.

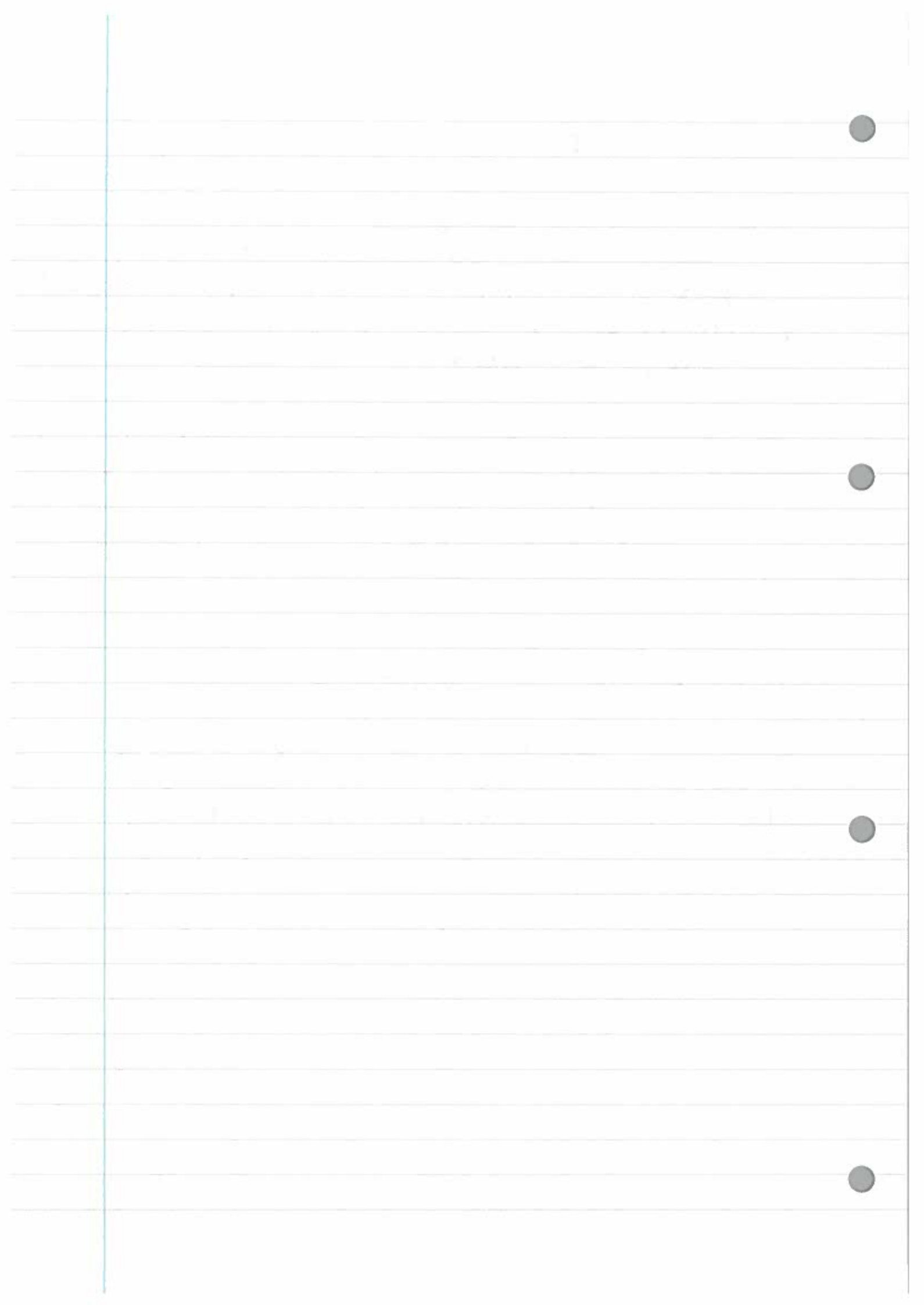
Example: Construct an open-topped rectangular box of volume V , minimising its surface area.



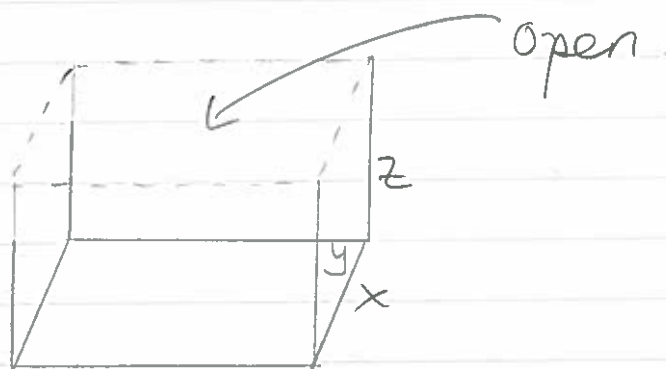
Volume is $V = xyz$.

Surface area is $S = 2xz + 2yz + xy$

Min/Max S subject to $V = xyz$.



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Minimise Surface $S(x, y, z) = 2yz + 2xz + xy$

Subject to volume $V = xyz$ fixed i.e.
 $V(x, y, z) = \text{const} = V$.

We use Lagrange ^{$V \neq 0$} Multipliers and consider:

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

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)

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

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

$$\text{OR } \lambda z = 1.$$

[In ① $\lambda z = 1 \Rightarrow z=0$, ($\lambda = \infty$) $z=0$
 $\Rightarrow V=0$ and we presume $V \neq 0$]

So discount $\lambda z = 1$ and follows $y=x$.

if $y=x$ then ③ gives $4x = \lambda x^2$

as then $\Rightarrow x=0$ (discount
 $V=0$)

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

$y=x$ in ② gives:

$$z = \frac{x}{\lambda x - 2} = \frac{4}{\lambda} \left[\frac{1}{4-2} \right] = \frac{2}{\lambda}$$

λ is found from constraint

$$xyz = V \text{ i.e. } \frac{4}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{4}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{4}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4}{\lambda} \right)^3 = V.$$

$$\frac{4}{\lambda} = \sqrt[3]{2V}$$

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

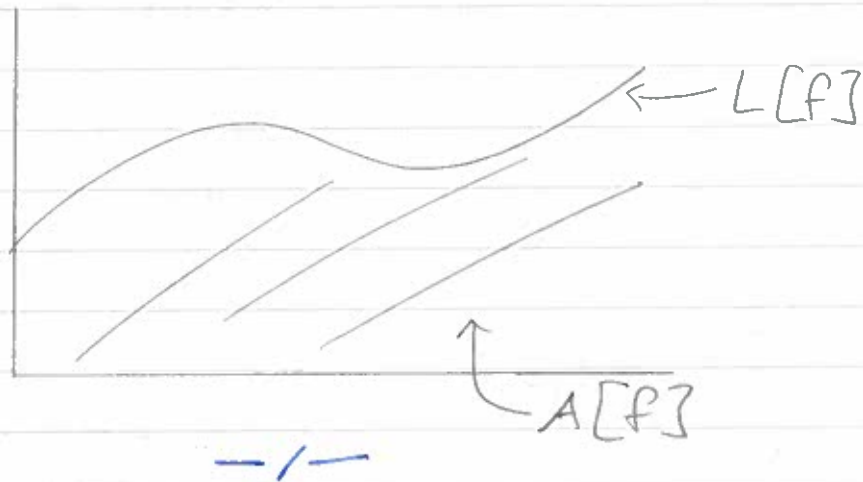
Calculus of Variations

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

$$S: S(F) = f(0)$$

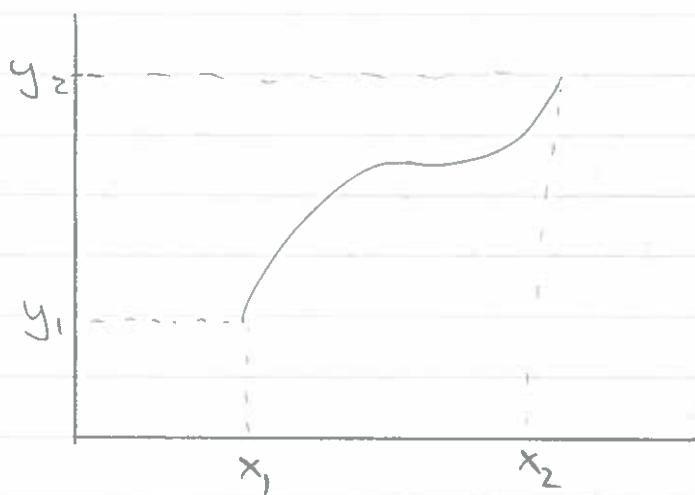
$$A[F] = \int_0^1 f(x) dx.$$

$$L[F] = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 - (f')^2} dx.$$



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

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



The functions of which makes these functionals on extreme values is called the extremals.

Generally the functionals we will consider are:

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

$$F(x, y, y') = y.$$

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

and we wish to find an extremal curve satisfying boundary conditions:

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

We will assume that the extremal curve $y(x)$ exist.



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

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

$$I[y] = I[y, \epsilon, \eta]$$

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

If y is the extremal then

$$\left. \frac{dI}{d\epsilon} [y, \epsilon, \eta] \right|_{\epsilon=0} = 0.$$

i.e.

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

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

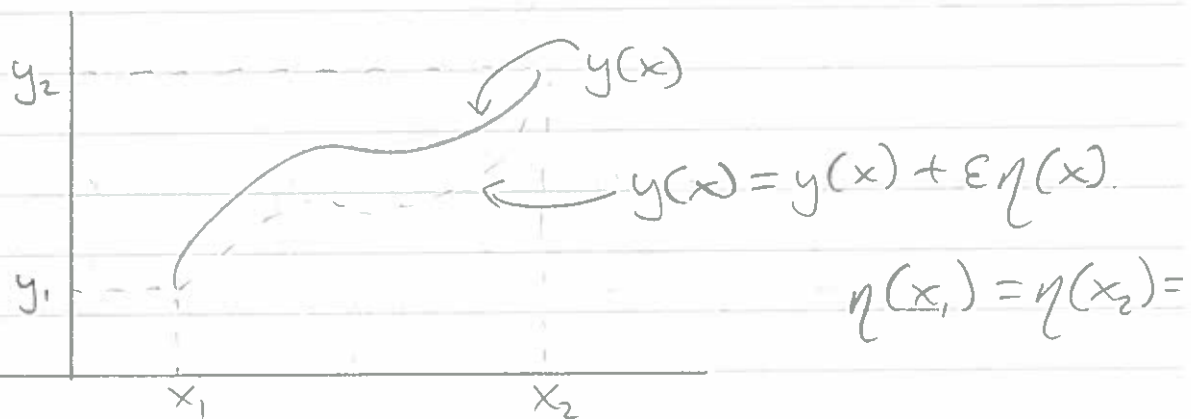
$$0 = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F(x, y, y')}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial F(x, y, y')}{\partial y'} \eta' dx$$

independently of η .

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

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



$$y(x) \text{ is extremal} \Rightarrow \left. \frac{dI}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \eta' dx = 0 \text{ for all } \eta.$$

Use \int by parts

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

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

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

for all η .

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

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

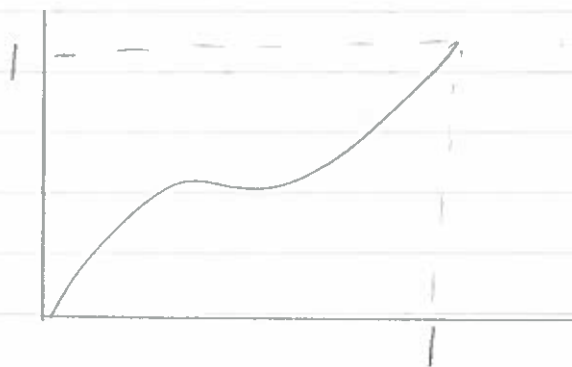
This is the Euler - Lagrange equation and is a second order differential equation for $y(x)$, the extremal curve, to be solved with the boundary conditions $y(x_1) = y_1$, $y(x_2) = y_2$. Once the extremal is known it can be substituted into $I[y]$ to find the extreme value.

Example

Find the extremal curve for

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

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



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

$$\Rightarrow y'' + y = x, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 1.$$

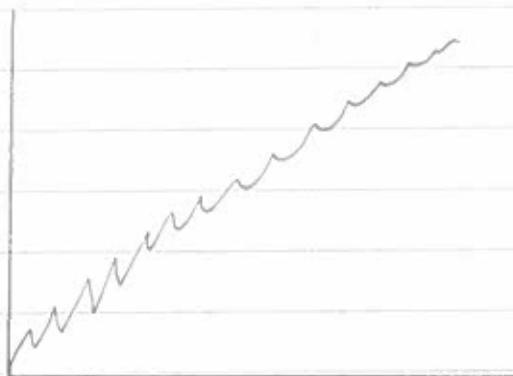
$$y = A \cos x + B \sin x + x.$$

and choosing A and B to satisfy BC $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$ gives $A = B = 0$.
 $y = x$.

The extreme values of the integral:

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

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



$$y = x + \sin nx$$

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

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

So due to the $-y''^2$ term in the integrand as large and -ve as we like by choosing a sufficiently oscillatory $y(x)$.

The shortest distance between two points:

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

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sqrt{1+(y')^2} \, dx$$

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

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

$$0 - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}} \right] = 0.$$

and we have

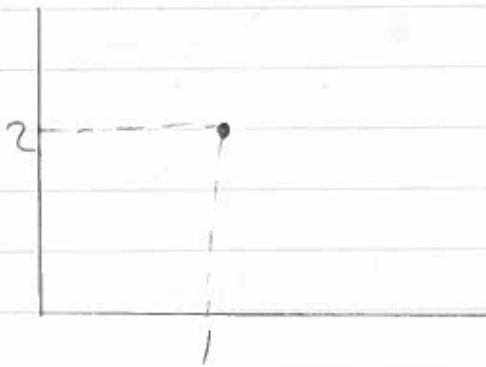
$$\frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}} = \text{constant}.$$

and thus is true only $y' = \text{const}$ 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

$$-2(y' - y) - \frac{d}{dx} (2(y' - y)) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' - y = 0.$$

so $y(x) = A \cosh x + B \sinh x$

$$BC' \Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \sinh(x)}{\sinh(1)}$$

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

$$I[f+g] \text{ where } g(0) = 0, g(1) = 0.$$

$$\text{and } I[f+g] \geq I[f]$$

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

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

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

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

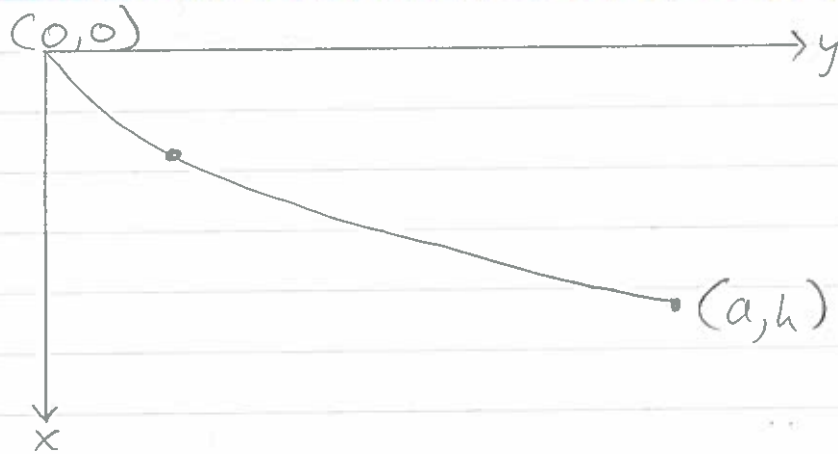
$$[2(f' - f)g]_0^1 - 2 \int (f'' - f')g + (f' - f)g dx$$

$g(0) = g(1) = 0$ 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 $g(x)$ such that the time taken for a bead to fall due to gravity from $(0,0)$ to (a,h) on wire $y(x)$ is a minimum.

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

KE gained = PE lost gives $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mgx$

so $v = \sqrt{2gx}$

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

$$T[y] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2g}} \int \frac{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$\leftarrow F(x, y, y')$

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

$$\text{Here } \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right] = 0.$$

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

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(\frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+(y')^2}} \right) = c.$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = c \sqrt{\frac{x}{1 - c^2 x}} \text{ (We expect } y' > 0 \text{ have just the positive root)}$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$= \int 2\alpha \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta$$

$$= \alpha \int 1 - \cos 2\theta \, d\theta$$

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

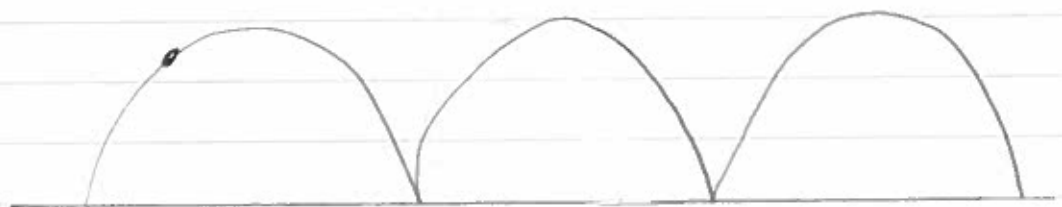
$$= \alpha \left[\theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta \right]$$

$$\text{So } y+k = \alpha \left[\sin^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{\alpha}} \right) - \sqrt{\frac{x}{\alpha}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{\alpha}} \right]$$

$$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 0.$$

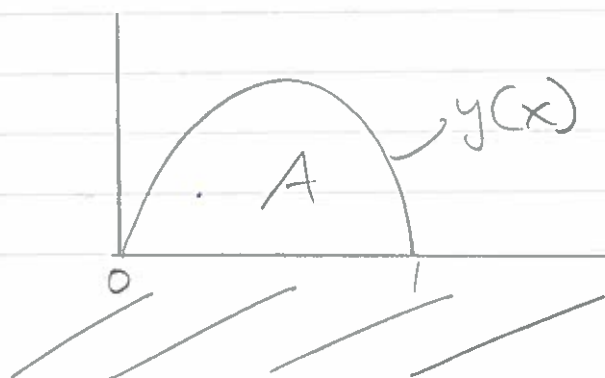
and α need to be such that

$$y(\alpha) = h.$$



Isoperimetric problems

[Calculus of variations with integral constants].



$$L = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1+(y')^2} dx \quad \begin{matrix} y(0) = 0 \\ y(1) = 0 \end{matrix}$$

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

The method is to use Lagrange Multipliers

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

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Special Forms of the E.L. equations

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

Case i:

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = c$$

a first integral of E.L. equation.

iii) No x in F i.e. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0$ then

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

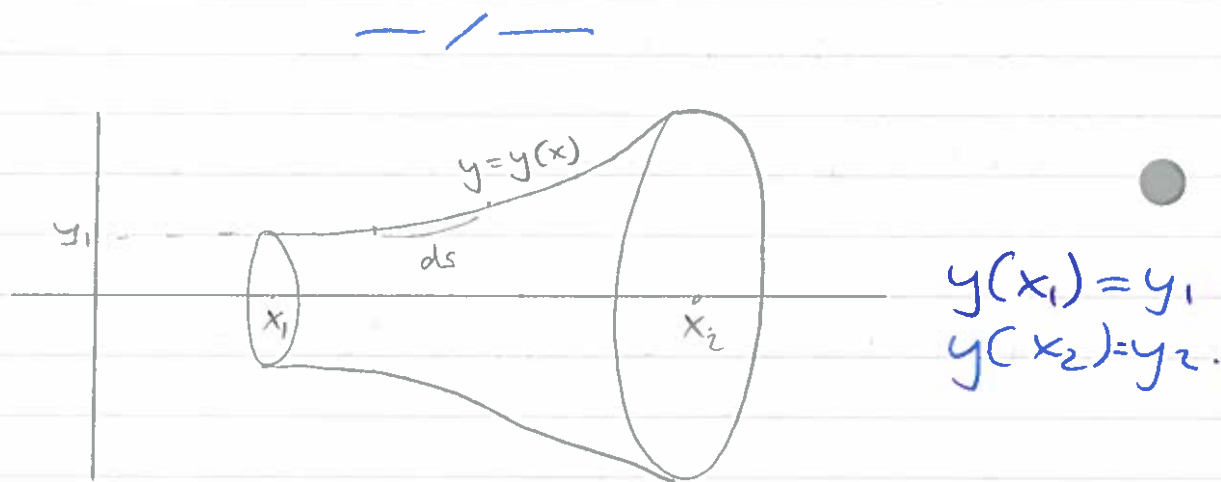
This first integral is called Beltrami Equation.

This is true as:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right] = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) - \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) - \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) \right] = \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right] = 0 \Rightarrow F - y' \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \text{const.}$$



Minimise a surface area produced by rotating the curve $y = y(x)$ about the x -axis.

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

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2$$

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

$$A = \int \partial A = \int ds 2\pi y = \int 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx$$

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

We see $\partial F / \partial x = 0$ so that we can go immediately to the first integral.

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2}} [y + y(y')^2 + y(y')^2]$$

$$= c$$

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

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

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

Note: Don't always use the Beltrami equations when you don't see a x

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

$$\sqrt{1 + (y')^2} - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{y y'}{\sqrt{1 + (y')^2}} \right] = 0$$

$$y'' - y = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{y^2 - c^2}{c^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{y^2 - c^2}.$$

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

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

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

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

Back to isoperimetric problem.

Example: Find the extremal for the integral

$$\int_0^1 (y')^2 + 2yy' dx$$



$y(0) = y(1) = 0$, subject to the constraint $\int_0^1 y dx = \frac{1}{6}$.

Min/Max

$\int F dx$ subject to $\int G dx = \text{Const}$. Form $\int F - \lambda G dx$ solve the EL for this new functional and apply constraint to find λ .

Consider $\int_0^1 (y')^2 + 2yy' - \lambda y dx$
 $H(x, y, y', t)$

We see $\partial H / \partial x = 0$ and it is tempting to use the Beltrami Equation:

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

However the algebra is tricky and instead we use the EL equations:

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

$$2y' - \lambda - \frac{d}{dx} [2y' + 2y] = 0$$

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

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

If use Beltrami Equation:

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

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

$$y = -\frac{\lambda}{4} x^2 + Ax + B$$

and since $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$y(x) = x(1-x).$$



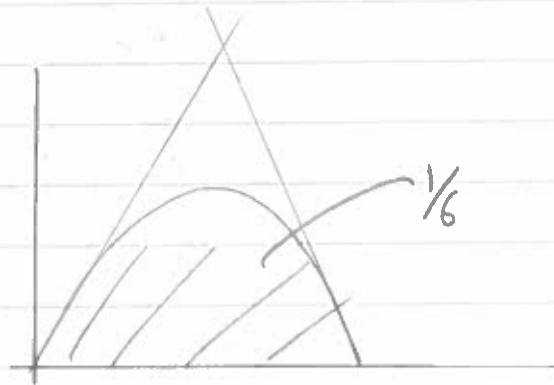
Family of solutions of λ

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

and $\int_0^1 y dx = \frac{1}{6}$ / EL: $y'' = \frac{\lambda}{2}$, $y = x(1-x)$

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



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

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

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

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

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

REMEMBER!

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

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

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

Choose c and A so that $y(0) = 0$,
 $y(1) = 0$.

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

$$\sqrt{c} = \pm \lambda [1 + A]$$

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

What we need is:

$$-A = (1 + A) \Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$A^2 = (1 + A)^2 \Rightarrow A^2 = 1 + 2A + A^2, A = -\frac{1}{2}$$

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

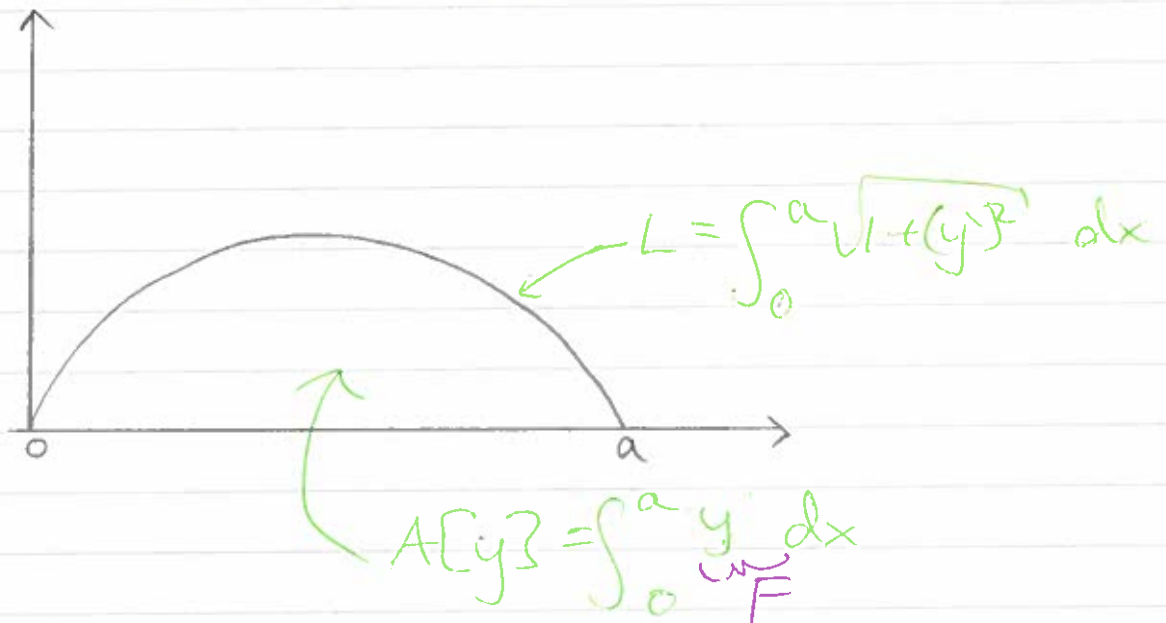
and finding y

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

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

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{\lambda}{4} (x - x^2) \text{ as before.}$$

The Sheep pen problem.



Maximise A subject to constraint of fixed L .

$$F - \lambda G = H.$$

From:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

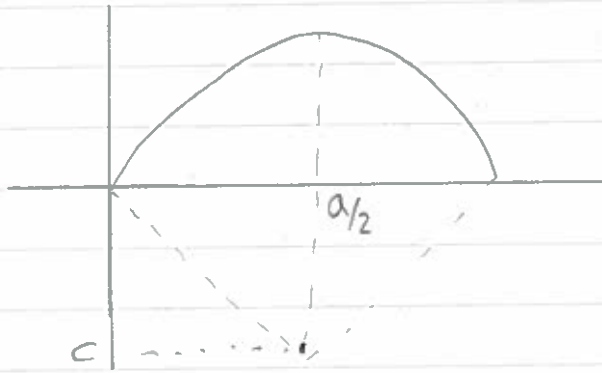
$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = (x+A)^2 + (y-c)^2$$

\Rightarrow BC give A and c constraint gives λ

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

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

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



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

To find λ we use the constraint.

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

$$= \pm \int_0^a \frac{\lambda}{c - y} dx$$

$$= \pm \int_0^a \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - \left(x - \frac{a}{2}\right)^2}} dx$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \Rightarrow c$$

Partial Differential Equation

A partial differential equation (PDE) is a relation between a function of several variables $u(x, y, \dots)$ and its partial derivatives, $u_x, u_y, \dots, u_{xx}, u_{xy}, \dots, u_{xxx}, u_{xxy}, \dots$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + xu = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \leftarrow \text{order 2}$$

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 and $L[u]$ 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 linear first order

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

$u_x u_y = 1$ is not quasi linear

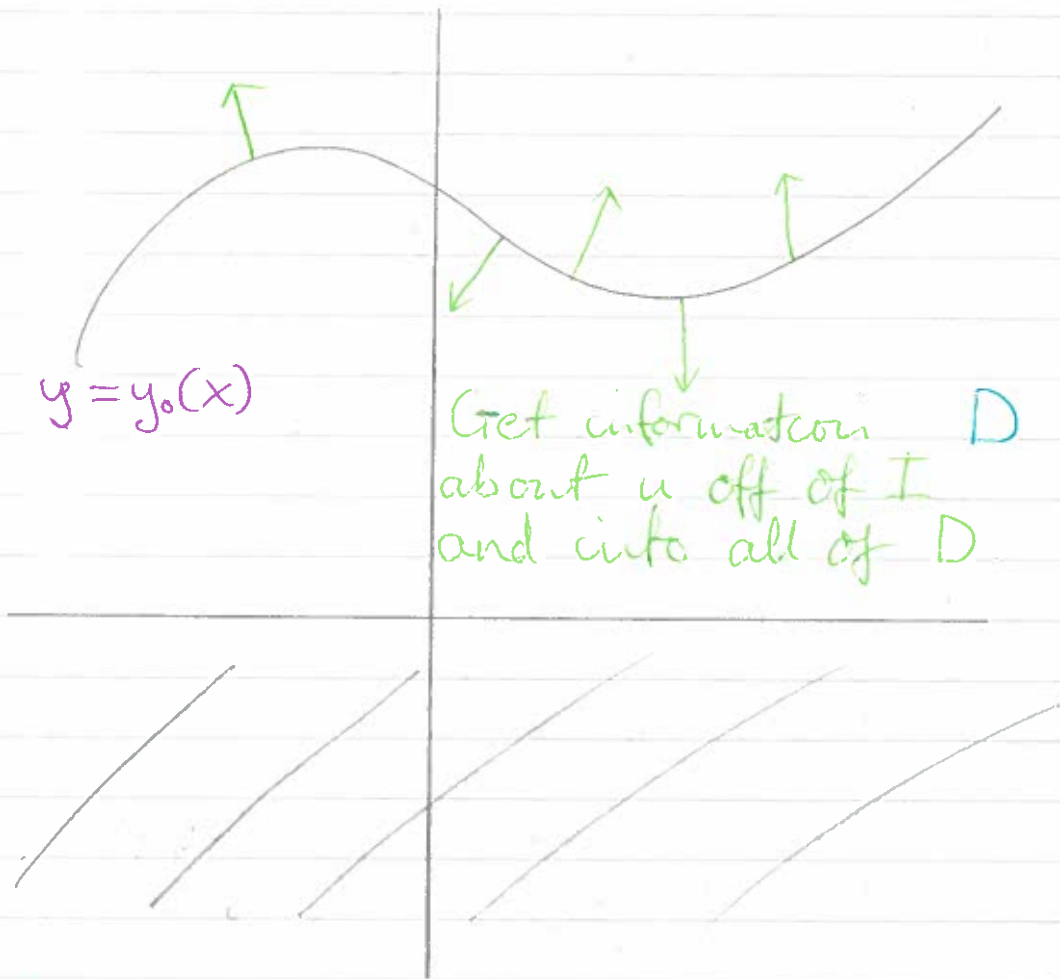
$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 1$ is second order and linear.

A simple equation is $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$ for $u(x, y)$ and has solutions $u = f(y)$ we observe that the general solution of PDE contains arbitrary functions.

Take $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$, $y = \text{const}$.

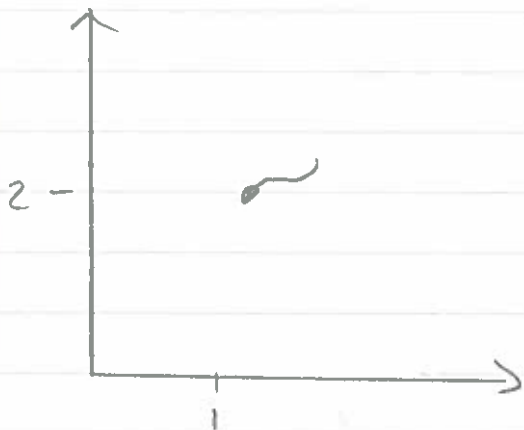
A typical problem.

Given a first order pde, valid in a region D of the (x, y) plane (e.g. $D = \mathbb{R}^2$; $x \geq 0$ $x^2 + y^2 \leq a$) and some knowledge of the solution $u(x, y)$ on a curve I in D (eg $y = y_0(x)$ or $g(x, y) = c$)



D has $y \geq 0$

eg. $u = u_0(x, y)$ on $y = y_0(x)$. Can we find $u(x, y)$ inside all of D ?



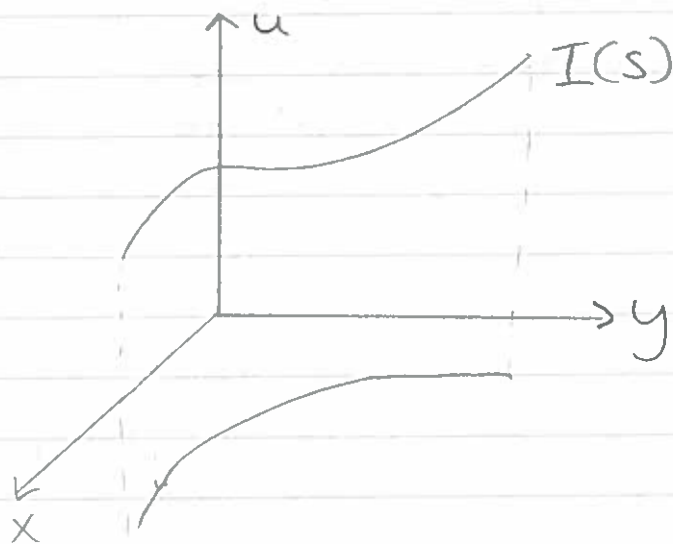
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y), \quad y(1) = 2$$

If this can be done obtaining a unique $u(x, y)$ 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. Eg the line I can be described as

$$\begin{aligned}x &= x(s) \\y &= y(s) \\u &= u(s).\end{aligned}$$

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

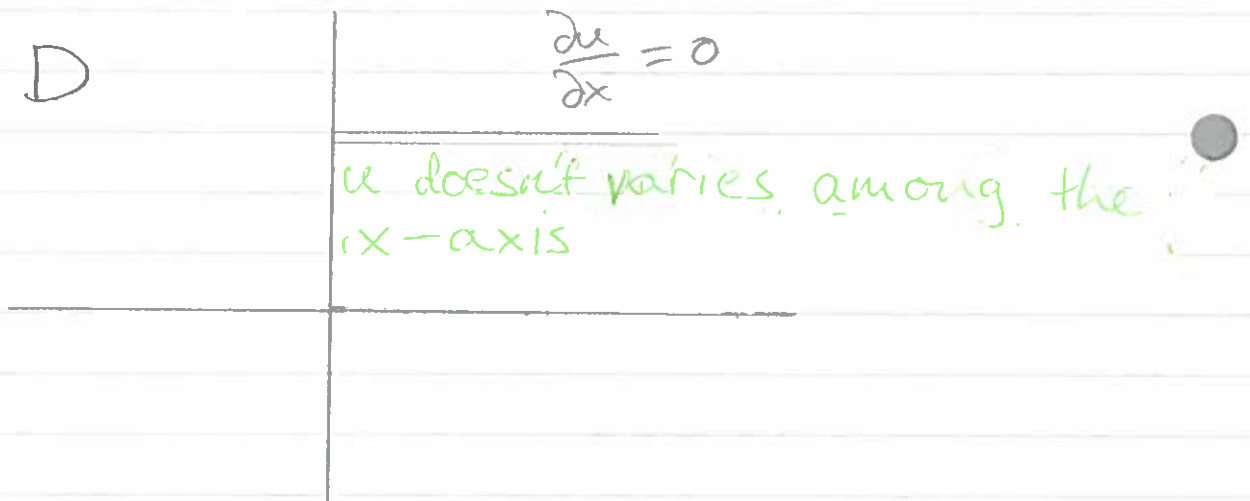


$I(s)$ in 3D is a line in the surface $u = u(x, y)$.

Example

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

$$\begin{aligned} y &= s \\ x &= 0 \\ u &= e^s. \end{aligned}$$



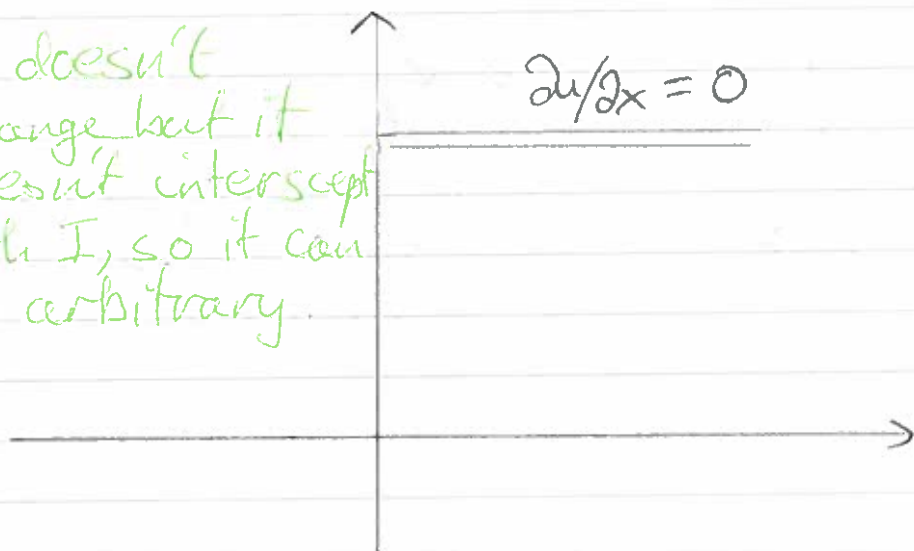
Integrating gives $u = f(y)$, where f is an arbitrary function but on I . $u = e^s$, $y = s$, $x = 0$ so that substituting $e^s = f(s)$ i.e. $f(y) = e^y$ and our solution is $u(x, y) = e^y$.

But to solve $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$ with I with the x -axis e.g. $u = 1$ on $y = 0$ is an ill-posed problem as

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 1 + y \text{ is a solution.} \\ u &= 1 + g(y) - g(0) \text{ is a solution.} \end{aligned}$$

and the solution is not unique.

u doesn't change but it doesn't intersect with I , so it can be arbitrary.



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

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

If we consider the ordinary differential equation.

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

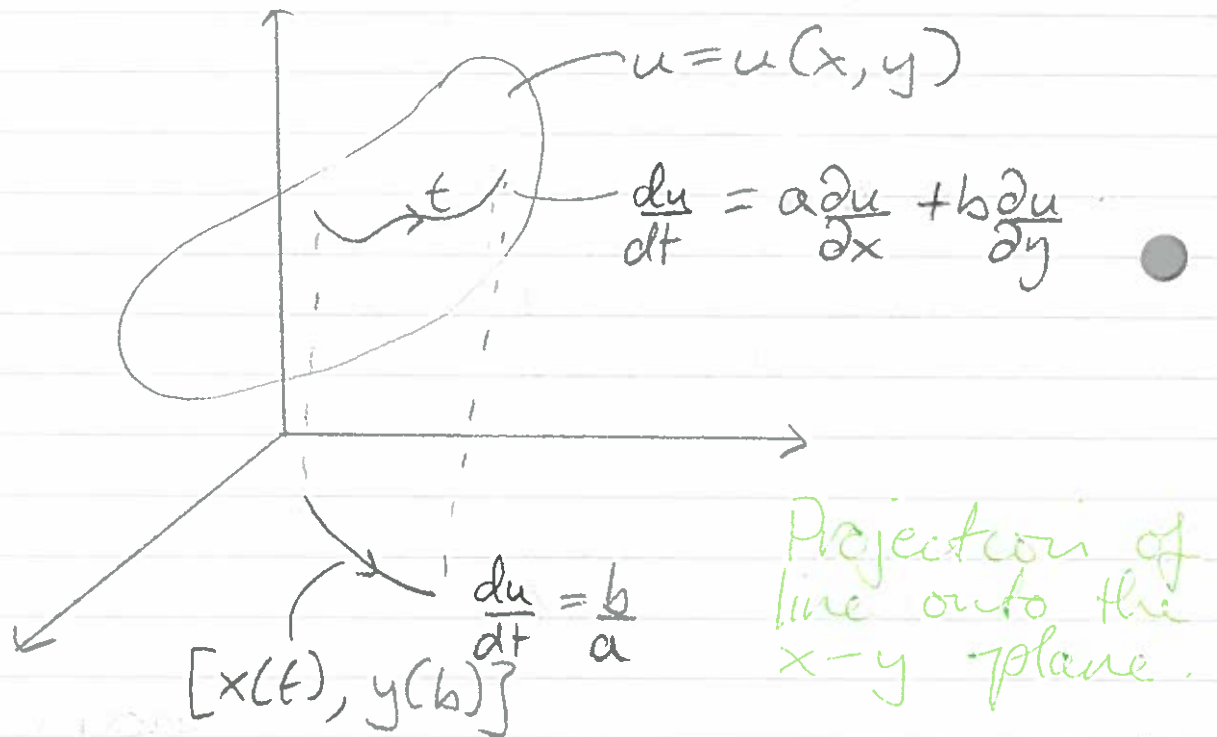
then this equation has a solution to

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

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

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

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



Sometimes these equations may be written:

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

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

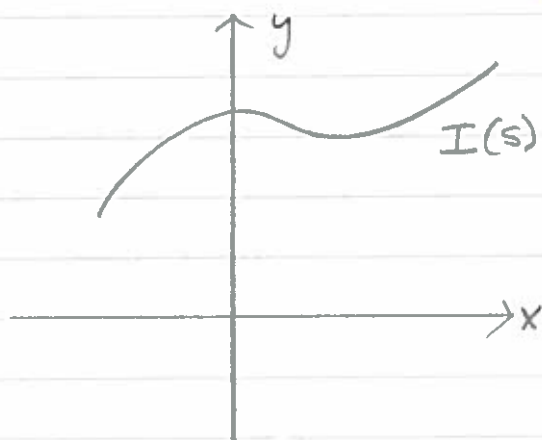
$$\frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = dt$$

Characteristics.

Consider the homogenous pde:

$$a(x,y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b(x,y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

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



Consider lines given by the solution

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

then along this line:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dt} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} \\ &= a \frac{du}{dx} + b \frac{du}{dy} \end{aligned}$$

So that $u(x,y)$ is constant on these

lines. The lines are called characteristics, more accurately characteristic traces and the equations.

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

are characteristics) equations

A way of writing

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

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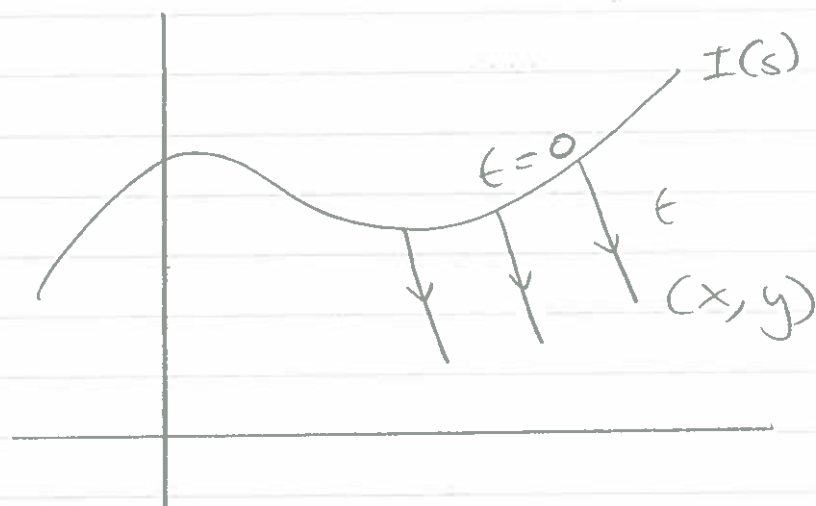
$$au_x + by_y = 0.$$

on the lines given by

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = b.$$

We have seen

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 0, \quad \frac{dx}{a} = \frac{dy}{b} = \frac{du}{0}.$$



We can use this as follows. If we know u on the 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 characteristics trace passing through (x, y) - the solutions of $dx/dt = a$, $dy/dt = b$ and hopefully tracing it back to where it intersects I . Since u is constant on the γ

($du/dt = 0$) we say $u(x, y)$ is equal to u at the point where γ meets I . We solve the γ equation $dx/dt = a$, $dy/dt = b$ subject to the initial conditions that $t=0$, $x=x(s)$, $y=y(s)$, $u=u(s)$ and the γ intersects $I(s)$.

Example
Solve

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$u = \sin y \quad \text{on } x = 0.$$



1) Parameterise $I(s)$ as $x=0$, $y=s$, $u = \sin(s)$.

2) Solve the γ equations with initial condition $x=0$ at $t=0$, $y=s$, $u = \sin s$.

these are: $\frac{dx}{dt} = a = 1$ ①
function of t !
 $\frac{dy}{dt} = b = x$ ②
($\frac{du}{dt} = 0$)

DON'T DO THIS!

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = x \not\Rightarrow y = xt \quad \text{WRONG!}$$

① $\Rightarrow x = t$ using $x = 0$ at $t = 0$.

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

In ②: $\frac{dy}{dt} = x = t \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + s$

using $y = s$ at $t = 0$.

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

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

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

Now eliminate t and s in favour of x and y .

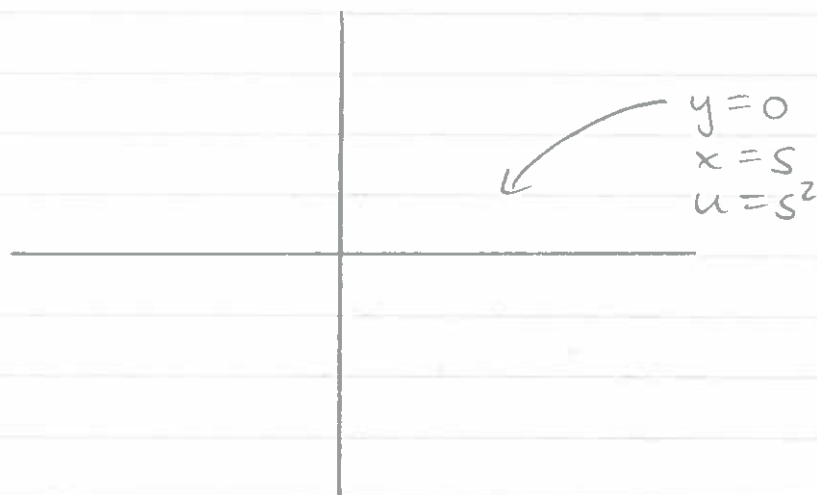
$$s = y - \frac{1}{2}t^2 = y - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

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

Also note that for any function $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 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.

Examples: A quasilinear homogeneous

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0.$$



$u = x^2$ on $y=0$ and solve the characteristic equations.

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

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = b = -1, \quad \frac{du}{dt} = 0.$$

with initial condition at

$$t=0, y=0, x=s, u=s^2$$

We can solve for y :

$$y = -t \quad (y=0 \text{ at } t=0)$$

We can't solve $dx/dt = u$ as we don't know what $u(t)$ is (yet). We do know that as $du/dt = 0$ on Ψ then u is constant. As $u = s^2$ at $t=0, u = s^2$ so $dx/dt = u = s^2 \Rightarrow x = s^2 t + s$ (as $x=s$ when $t=0$).

So we have the parametric solution

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

$$y = -t$$

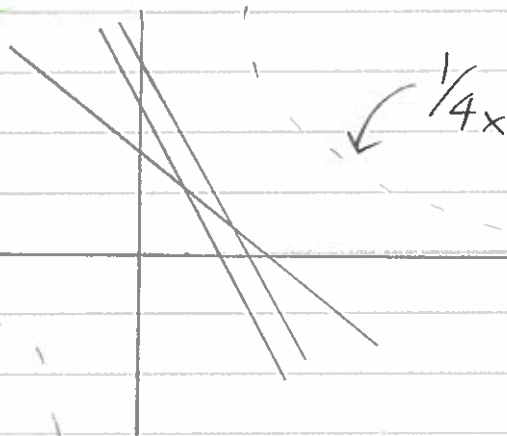
$$u = s^2$$

The Ψ -traces are given by eliminate t .

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

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

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



The Ψ have an envelope $y = \frac{1}{4}x$

So we cannot find solutions for $u(x, y)$ in the region $y > \frac{1}{4}x$ as no γ which intersect $I(s)$ enter 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 $-$ sign so that as $y \rightarrow 0$ $\sqrt{u} \rightarrow x$ and not $\rightarrow \infty$.

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

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -1, \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = 0.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = s^2 t + s \\ y = -t \\ u = s^2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \sqrt{u} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4xy}}{2y}$$

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

Family of curves parameter s

Eliminate s for $f=0$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = 0$.

\Rightarrow Envelope.

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The characteristic equations for

$$a(x, y, u) u_x + b(x, y, u) u_y = 0.$$

solutions of

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

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

If the pde 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, dy/dx is unique as a function of x and y and Ψ traces cannot cross.

This is not true for general quasilinear pde's

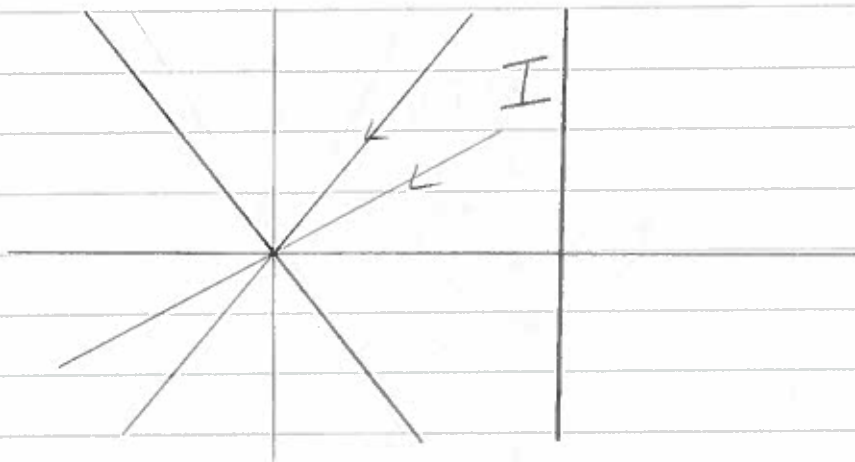
There are exceptions at points where both $a=0$ and $b=0$ where dy/dx is undetermined.

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

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

$$y = Cx$$

and x crosses at origin when $a=b=0$



In this case, we might expect a singularity in the solution to the pde at $x=0, y=0$ as ∇ carrying contradictory information about the solution cross. This singularity could be avoided for particular I , e.g. if $a = \text{const}$ on I here.

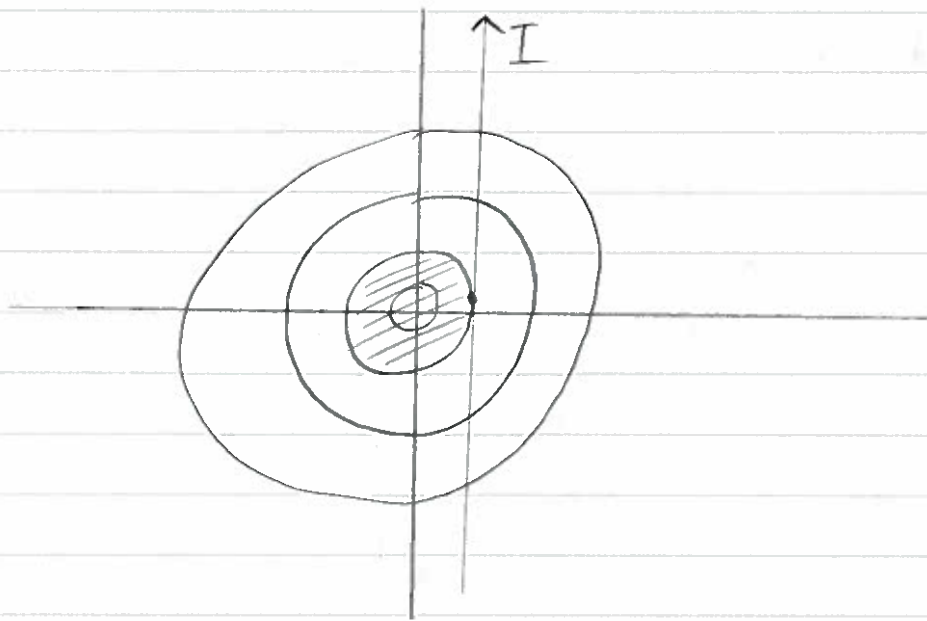
Consider: $y \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$.

∇ : $\frac{dx}{y} = \frac{dy}{-x}$ $\left(\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y} \right)$

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

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

$x^2 + y^2 = \text{const}$.



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 Ψ crosses I more than once. Unless the data on I is entirely consistent with the development of the solution along the Ψ , the problem is ill-posed.

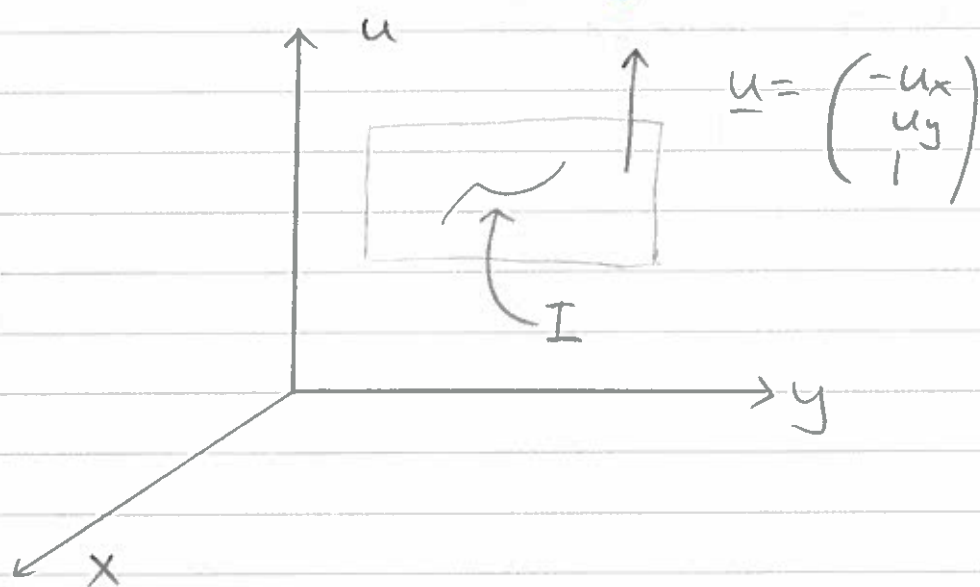


An extreme case of \mathcal{V} crossing I is when I coincides with a \mathcal{V} . Then it is impossible to find information about the solution off of I . A good definition of a \mathcal{V} is a line, a knowledge of the solution on which tell nothing about the solution elsewhere.

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Characteristics for general inhomogeneous quasilinear equation:

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



In solving this we are after a solution surface $u = u(x, y)$, containing I . The normal to this surface can't be found by evaluating ∇g where $g(x, y, u) = u - u(x, y)$ i.e.

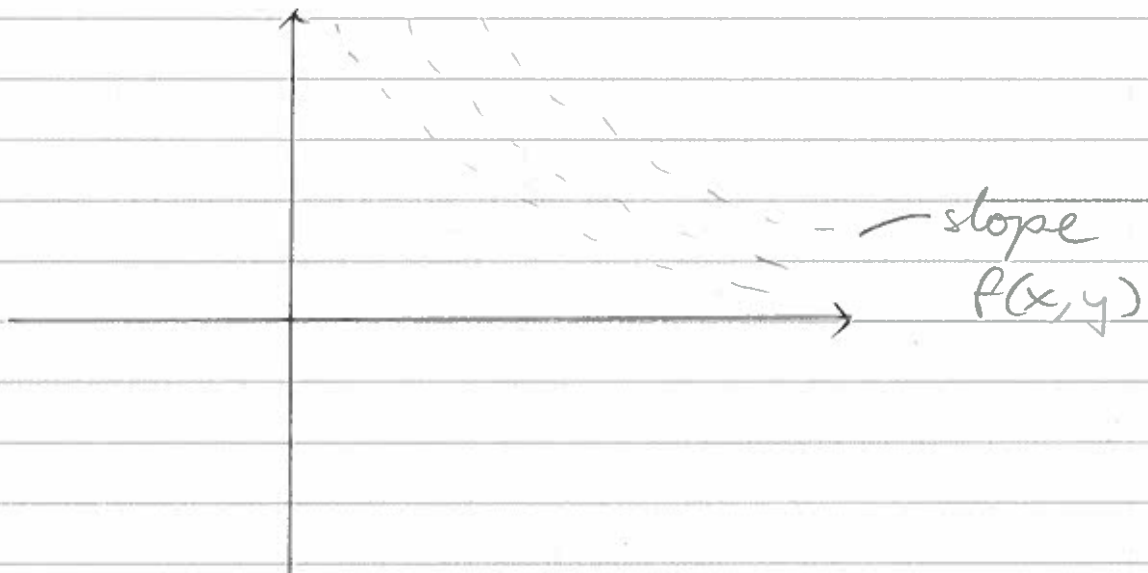
$$\underline{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -u_x \\ -u_y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now consider the vector $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and consider

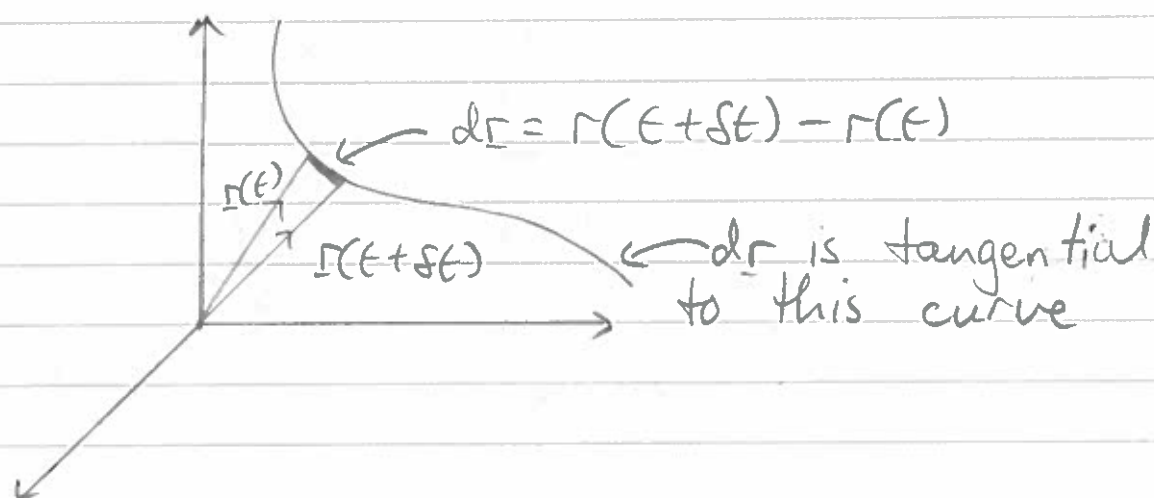
$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -u_x \\ -u_y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -au_x - bu_y + c = 0$$

i.e. $au_x + bu_y = c$

Hence the vectors in the vector field $(a, b, c)^T$ are normal to the solution surface.



Now consider solution to the equation $\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$



$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

then $d\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} dt$.

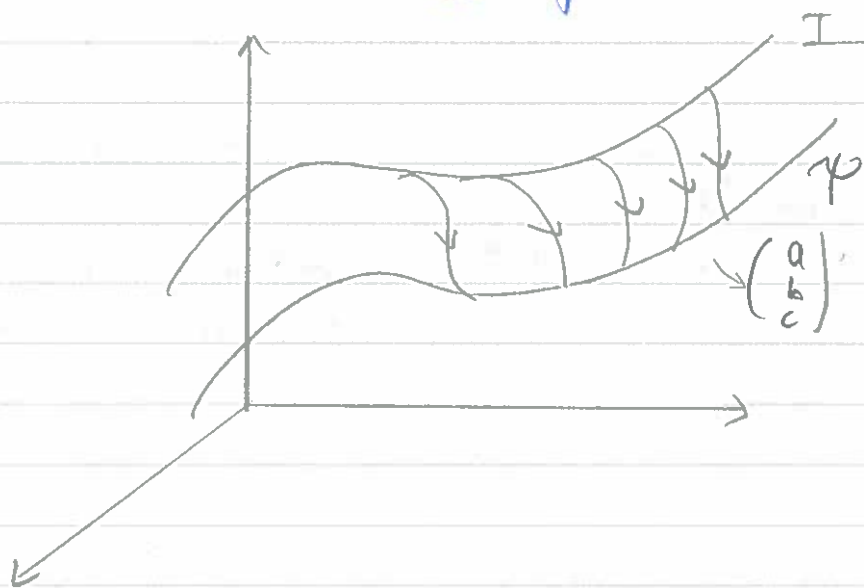
points in the direction of $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ so $d\mathbf{r}$ lies in the solution surface

But $\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ dz \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a dt \\ b dt \\ c dt \end{pmatrix}$

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

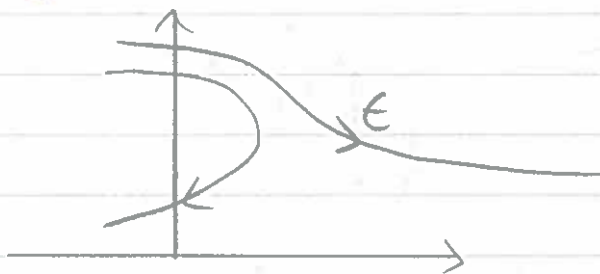
are Ψ surfaces. So the Ψ lie in the solution surface and make up

the solution surface.



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

The solution is made up of ψ coming from I .



An alternative method.

The change of variable method.

Consider linear equation i.e those of the form:

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

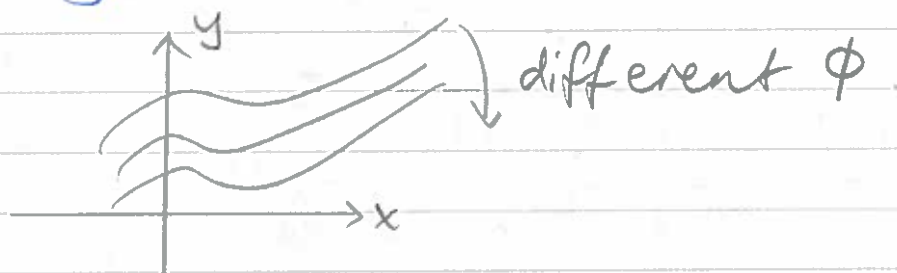
and consider the Ψ -trajectories, i.e. solution to

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

Consider this as an ode for $y(x)$. It has solution given generally in the form $\Phi(x, y) = \Phi$ a constant.

e.g. if $y = f(x) + \underbrace{\text{const}}_{\Phi}$.

$$\Phi(x, y) = y - f(x) = \Phi.$$



We use Φ instead of S to identify particular Ψ and we need another variable instead of t to take you along a Ψ say ξ . Often we would choose $\xi = x$.

We make the change of variables from x and y to Φ and ξ .

Example. Solve $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - 7y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x^2 y$.

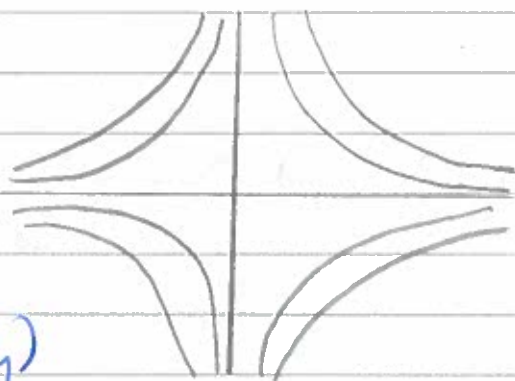
Solve for the ∇ traces i.e solve

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{7y}{x}$$

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

$$y x^7 = \phi$$

Now make a change of variable from x and y to ϕ and ξ with $\phi(x, y) = y x^7$, $\xi(x, y) = x$.



$$\text{So: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x}$$

and we consider $u = u(\phi, \xi)$

$$\dots = 7y x^6 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y}$$

$$= x^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} + 0$$

So substituting

$$x \left(7yx^6 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \right) - 7yx^7 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} = x^2 y.$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} = x^2 y;$$

an equation telling you how u varies as you move along ξ i.e. fixed ϕ .

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} = xy = x \cdot \frac{\phi}{x^7} = \frac{\phi}{x^6}$$

\Rightarrow integrating in ξ .

$$u = -\frac{1}{5} \frac{\phi}{\xi^2} + f(\phi)$$

$$u(x, y) = -\frac{1}{5} \frac{yx^7}{x^5} + f(yx^7)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{5} yx^2 + f(yx^7)$$

If the boundary/initial conditions are for example, $u=0$ on $y=x^2$, then we need

$$0 = -\frac{1}{5} x^2 x^2 + f(x^2 x^7)$$

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

and if we write $r = x^9$.

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

and our solution is:

$$u(x, y) = -\frac{1}{5} y x^2 + \frac{1}{5} (y x^7)^{4/9}$$

Example:

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

Ψ traces satisfy

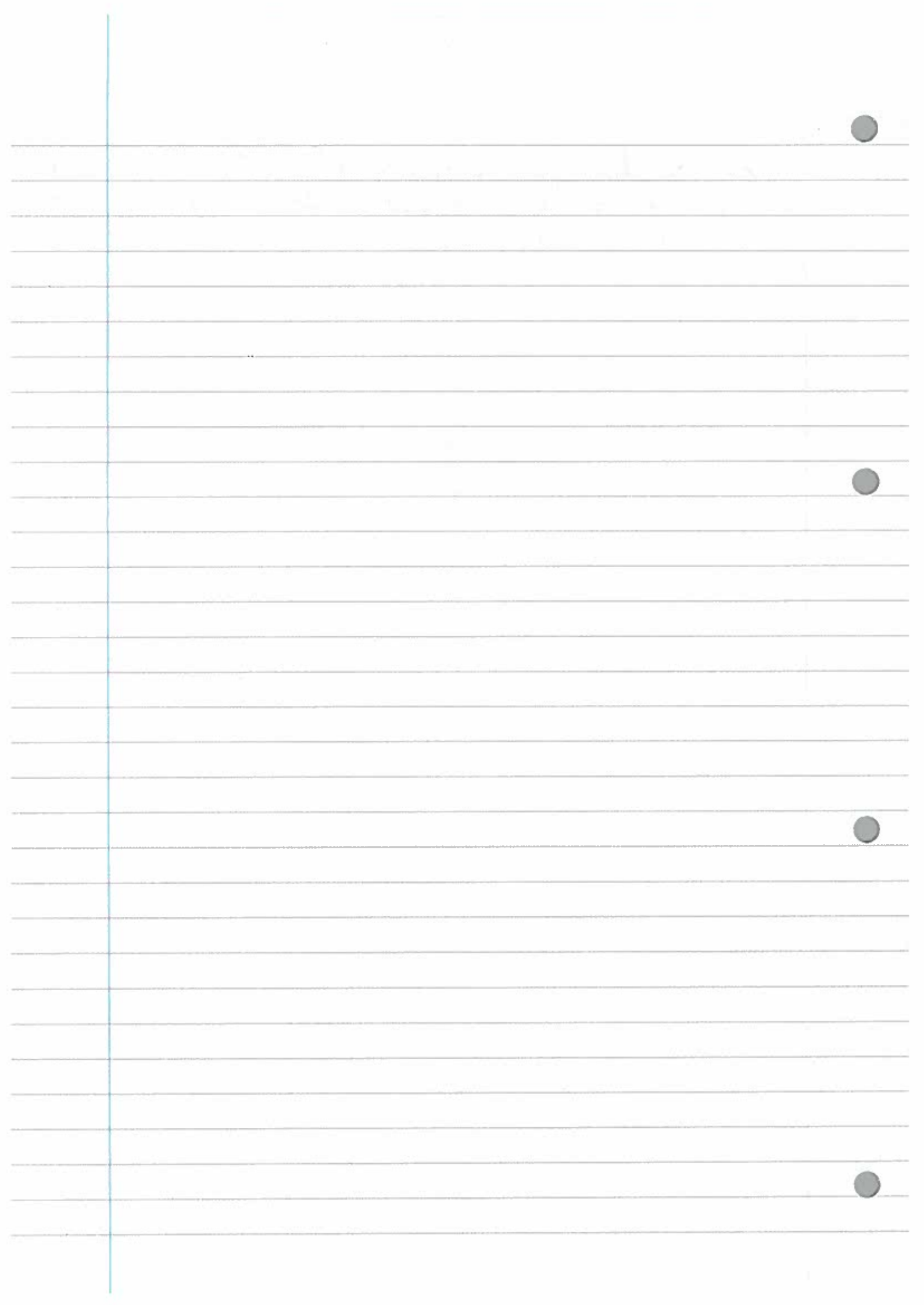
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + y}{x} = \frac{y}{x} + x.$$

i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} = x$. IF is $\exp\left(-\int \frac{1}{x} dx\right) = \frac{1}{x}$
Integrating factor

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{y}{x} \right] = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = x + \text{const.}$$

So $\Phi = \frac{y}{x} - x$ is constant on Ψ .

Make a change of variable from x and y to ϕ and ξ where $\phi(x, y) = y/x - x$ and $\xi(x, y) = x$.



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$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + (x^2 + y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \left(\frac{y}{x} - x \right) u = 1.$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \left(-\frac{y}{x} \right) = x$$

$$\phi = \frac{y}{x} - x, \quad \xi = x.$$

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

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

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

$$\xi \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \right) + \phi u = 1$$

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

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\phi}{\xi} \cdot u = \frac{1}{\xi}$$

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

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} [u \xi^{\phi}] = \xi^{\phi-1}$$

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

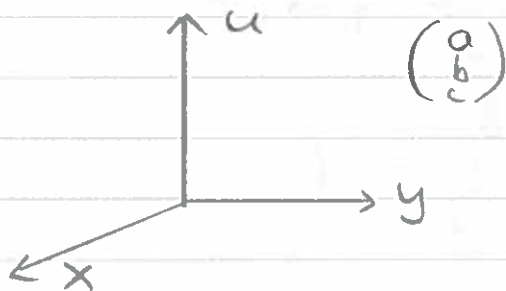
$$u = \frac{1}{\phi} + \xi^{-\phi} f(\phi)$$

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

Lagrange's method:

Consider:

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



The characteristic curves are tangent to the vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ i.e. satisfy:

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

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

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

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

Then the general solution of the pde is given by:

$$C_1 = f(C_2)$$

$$S_1 = f(S_2)$$

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

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 surface, $S_1(x, y, u) = C_1$. 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 $C_1 = f(C_2)$ and vary C_2 , we get a one parameter set of lines of intersection of intersection of surfaces S_1 and S_2 .

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

Easy Example:

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

Ψ eqn's are

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 1$$

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

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \Rightarrow y - x = C_1$$

$$\frac{du}{dy} = 1 \Rightarrow u - y = C_2$$

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

The general solution is given by $C_1 = f(C_2)$ (Say)

$$\text{i.e. } u - x = f(u - y)$$

This is the general solution, as can be seen:

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

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

Eliminate f' :

$$\frac{u_x - 1}{u_x} = \frac{u_y}{u_y - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (u_x - 1)(u_y - 1) = u_y u_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1$$

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

$$u - x = f(u - y)$$

$$-x^2 - x^2 = f(-x^2 - 0)$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(-x^2) = -x^2 - x$$

$$r = -x^2, \quad f(r) = r \pm \sqrt{-r}$$

$$\text{i.e. } u - x = (u - y) \pm \sqrt{y - u}$$

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

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Solve:

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

The 4 equations are:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y(u^2 - y^3)$$

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

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

Consider:

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

$$+ y^2(u^2 - x^2) + u^2(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$= 0.$$

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

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

find constants C_1 and C_2 and soln is $C_1 = f(C_2)$.

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

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

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

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

$$x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} + u \frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2 + u^2) = C_1$$

$$C_1 = x^2 + y^2 + u^2.$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(xyu) = 0 \Rightarrow xyu = C_2.$$

and the general solution is $C_2 = f(C_1)$
i.e. $xyu = f(x^2 + y^2 + u^2)$.

Example: $(y+u)\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x - y.$

4 equations are:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = y + u, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y, \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = x - y, \quad (3)$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow y = Ae^t.$$

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

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

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

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

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

Using $\frac{dx}{dt} = y + u$ gives

$$Ce^t - De^{-t} = Ae^t + Ee^t + Fe^{-t}$$

$$C = A + E.$$

$$F = -D$$

$$e^t = y/A$$

$$e^{-t} = A/y$$

$$y = Ae^t \quad \textcircled{4}$$

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

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

$$\frac{x+u}{y} = \frac{2C - A}{A} = \text{const.}$$

$$\text{Also } u + y = Ce^t - De^{-t} \quad \textcircled{7}$$

Using $\textcircled{4}$ and $\textcircled{6}$ and subtracting $\textcircled{5}$ and $\textcircled{7}$

$$x - u - y = 2De^{-t} = \frac{2DA}{y}$$

So $(x-u-y)y = \text{const}$.

and general soln can be written

$$(x-u-y)y = f\left(\frac{x+u}{y}\right)$$

Another Method.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad dx = (y+u) dt$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad dy = y dt$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad du = (x-y) dt$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{3} \quad dx + du = (x+u) dt.$$

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

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

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

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \quad dx = dy + u dt$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-y)^2}{2} = \frac{u^2}{2} + \text{const.}$$

$$\text{So } (x-y)^2 - u^2 = \text{const}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{x+u}{y} = f((x-y)^2 - u).$$

Second order PDE.

The general second order quasilinear pde is:

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

The quantity $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ is the discriminant of the pde.

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

If $\Delta < 0$, the equation is said to be elliptic - steady temperature distribution

If $\Delta = 0$, the equation is said to be parabolic - diffusion.

If a, b, c constant and $r=0$.

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

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

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

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

If $\Delta > 0$ (hyperbolic) we have two real roots for m .

If $\Delta < 0$ (elliptic) we have two complex roots for m .

If $\Delta = 0$ (parabolic) we have two real repeated roots for m .

Let's call these m_1 and m_2 .

If $m_1 \neq m_2$, introduce

$$\begin{aligned} s &= y + m_1 x \\ t &= y + m_2 x \end{aligned}$$

called canonical variables and make a change of variable from x and y to s and t .

$z_x \rightarrow z_s$ and z_t etc.

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

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

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

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

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

$$z_{xx} = (m_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + m_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t})(m_1 z_s + m_2 z_t)$$

$$= m_1^2 z_{ss} + 2m_1 m_2 z_{st} + m_2^2 z_{tt}$$

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

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

$$= m_1 z_{ss} + (m_1 + m_2) z_{st} + m_2 z_{tt}$$

Substitute into

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

to find

$$z_{ss}(am_1^2 + bm_1 + c) + z_{st}(a2m_1m_2 + b(m_1+m_2) + 2c) + z_{tt}(am_2^2 + bm_2 + c) = 0 \text{ or } f$$

m_1 and m_2 are roots of $am^2 + bm + c = 0$
 $m_1 + m_2 = -b/a$
 $m_1 m_2 = c/a$

$$(\Delta = b^2 - 4ac)$$

$$\text{So } z_{st} [2c - b^2/a + 2c]$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{\Delta}{a} z_{st} = 0 \text{ or } f} \quad \Delta \neq 0 \text{ here.}$$

This is in canonical form:

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

$f'(t)$ is arbitrary

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

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

So, the general solution of a hyperbolic equation may be written in the form $z = f(y + m_2 x) + g(y + m_1 x)$ with m_1 and m_2 roots of $am^2 + bm + c$.
Auxiliary equation.

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

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

If $\Delta = 0$ and the equation is parabolic we have one root $m = -b/2a$.

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

YOU DO IT! and find:

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

So $z_{tt} = 0$.

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

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

and the general solution for parabolic equation is

$$z(x, y) = xg(y + mx) + f(y + mx)$$

Example:

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

If $z = f(y + mx)$ then, we need:

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

$$z = g(x + my), \quad 1 - 3m + 2m^2 = 0$$

$$m = \frac{1}{m}$$

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

i.e. two distinct real values of m : 1 and 2 and the solution is

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

Example

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 and the solution is $z = x f(y + x) + g(y + x).$

Example

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

As the equation is linear the solution has the form:

CF + PI.

A solution to

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

Anything that satisfies the equation.

CF: If $z = f(y+mx)$

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

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

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

PI:

$$z = Ae^{x-y}$$

$$z_x = Ae^{x-y}$$

$$z_{xx} = Ae^{x-y}$$

$$z_y = -Ae^{x-y}$$

$$z_{yy} = Ae^{x-y}$$

$$z_{xy} = -Ae^{x-y}$$

Substitution gives:

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

$$6A=1 \Rightarrow A=1/6.$$

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 cononical variables

$$\begin{aligned} s &= y+x & (m=1) \\ t &= y+2x & (m=2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m^2 - 3m + 2 \\ \Delta = 9 - 8 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

This goes to $-\frac{\Delta}{a} z_{st} = -z_{st} = e^{x-y}$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= t-s \\ y &= s-x = s-t+s \\ &= 2s-t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= e^{(t-s) - (2s-t)} \\ &= e^{2t-3s} \\ \Rightarrow -z_{st} &= \frac{1}{3} e^{2t-3s} + f'(t) \end{aligned}$$

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

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$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$$

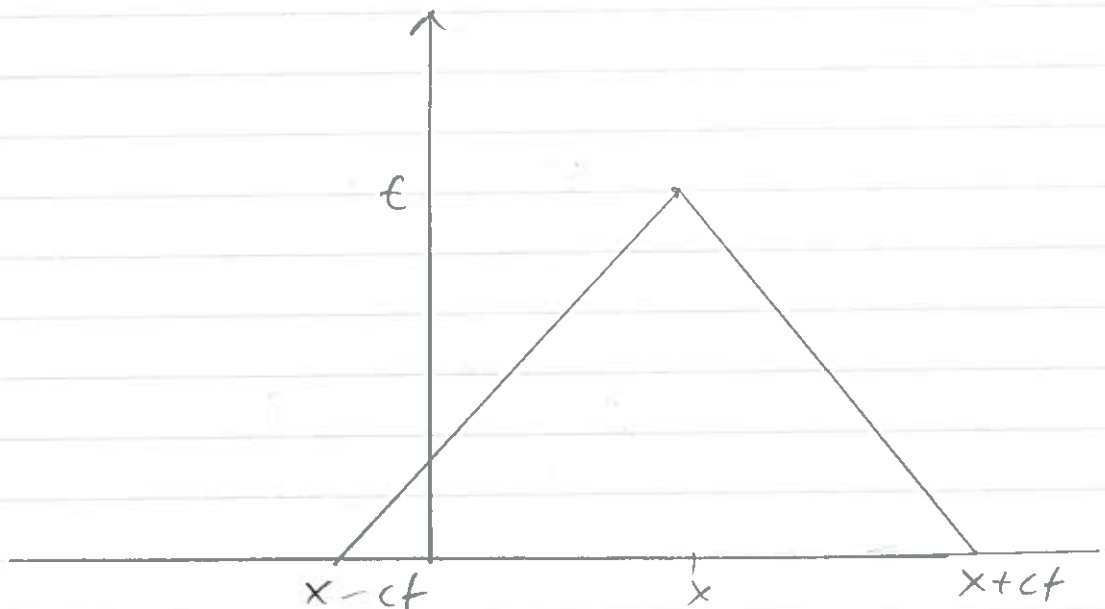
If $z = F(x)$ and $z_t = G(x)$ at $t=0$.

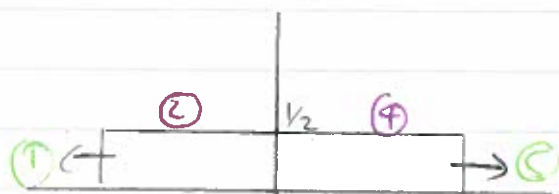
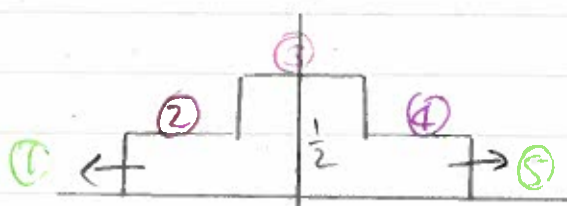
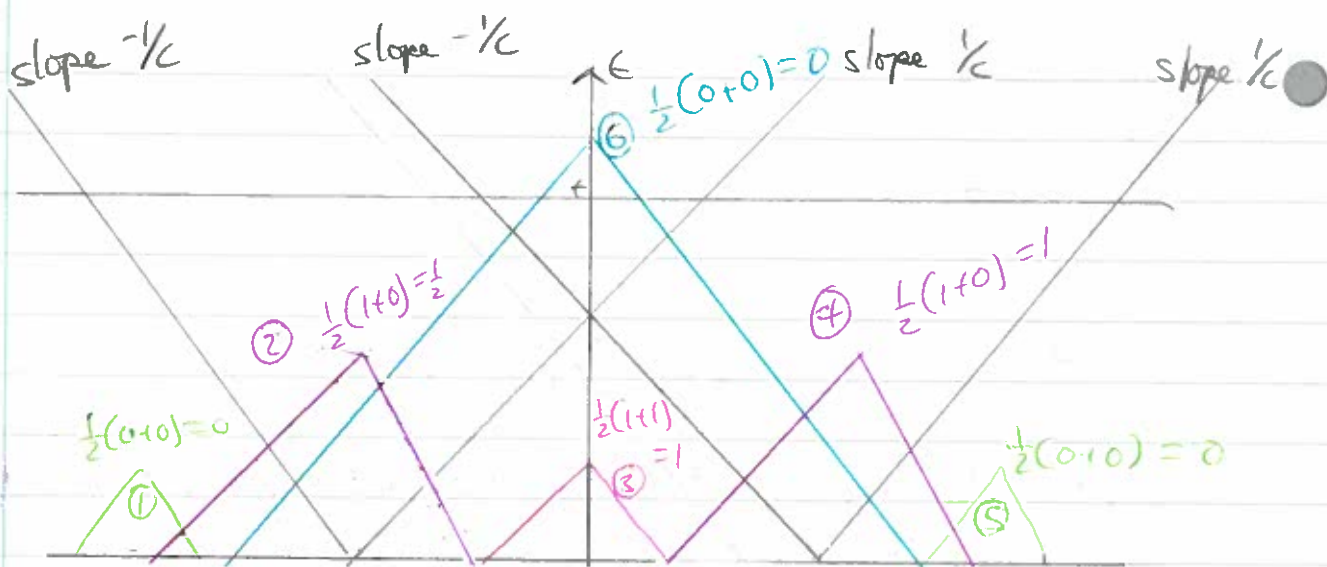
$$z(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (F(x+ct) + F(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$$
$$= f(x-ct) + g(x+ct).$$

Information about solution travels with speed c - two sets of characteristics:

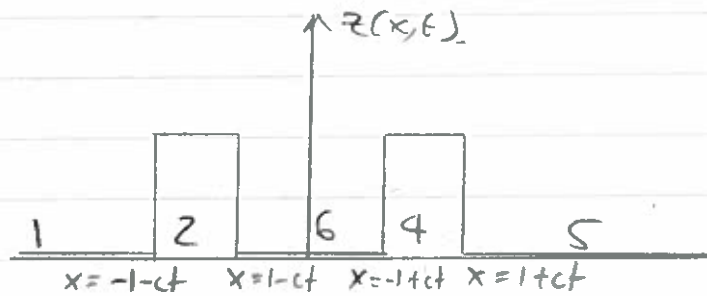
$$x-ct = \text{const}$$

$$x+ct = \text{const}$$

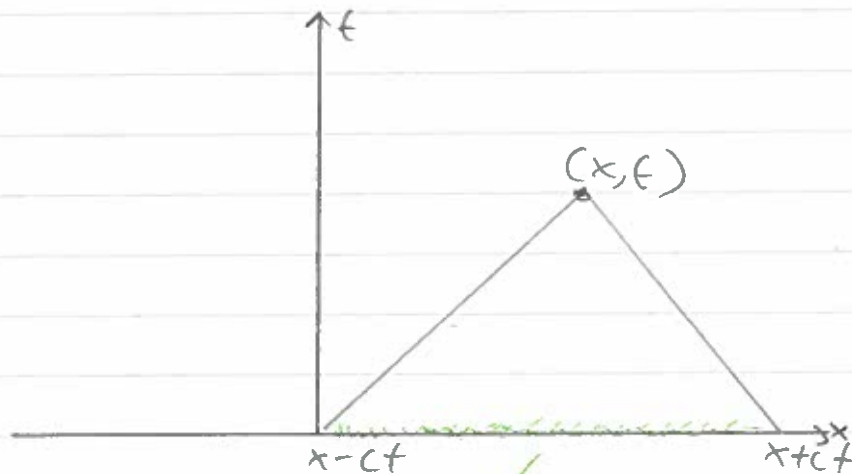




Find solutions of t and z .

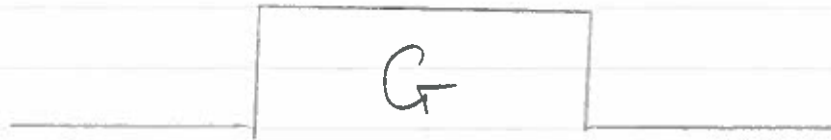
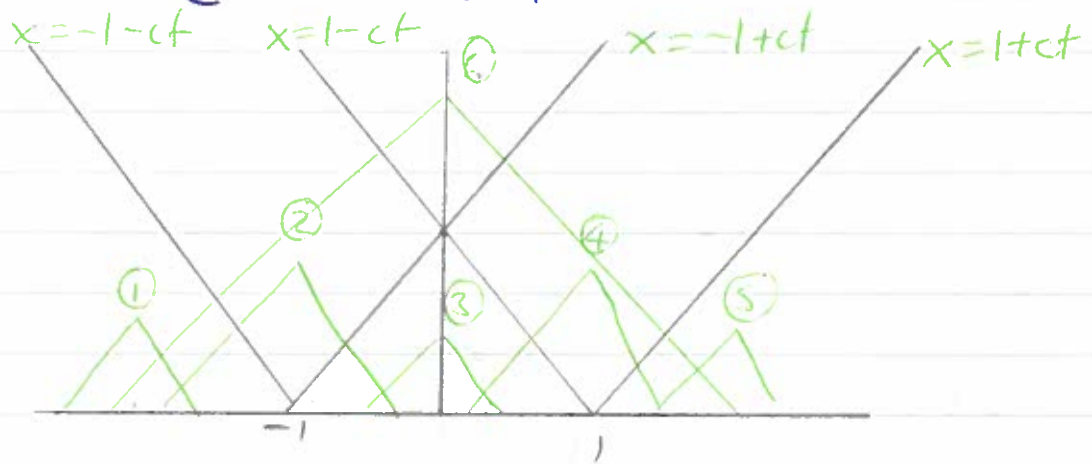


$$z(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi.$$

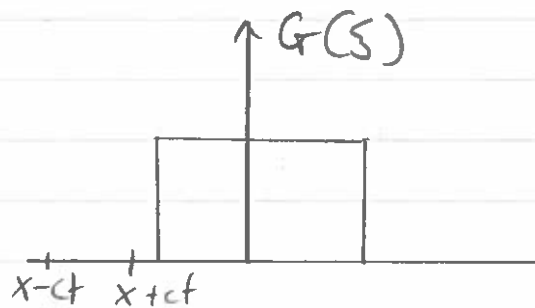


$$\rightarrow z(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(\xi) d\xi$$

$$G(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & |s| < 1 \\ 0 & |s| > 0 \end{cases}$$



Region ① $x < -1-ct$.



$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(s) ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \int 0 ds = 0.$$

Region ②: $x - ct < 1$, $-1 < x + ct < 1$



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

which, as a function of x is a straight line slope $1/2c$ valid between $t < 1/c$.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= -x - ct && \text{giving } z = 0 \\ x &= -1 + ct && \text{giving } z = t. \end{aligned}$$

and for $t > 1/c$.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -1 - ct, && \text{gives } z = 0 \\ x &= 1 - ct, && \text{gives } z = 1/c. \end{aligned}$$

Region ③ $-1 + ct < 1 + ct$, $t < 1/c$.

$$-1 \leq x - ct \leq x + ct \leq 1$$

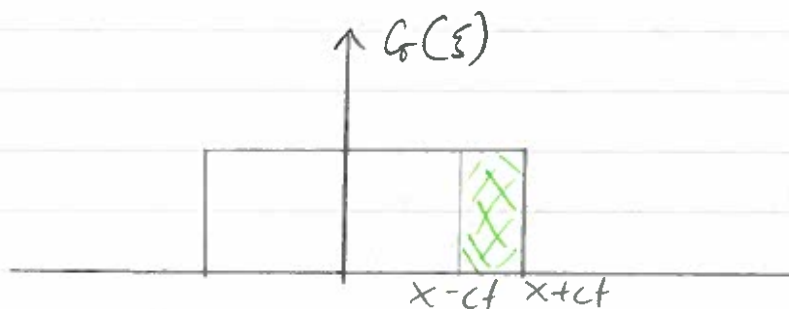


$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 1 \, d\xi = \epsilon.$$

Region ④:

$$1-ct < x < 1+ct, \quad \epsilon < 1/c$$

$$-1+ct < x < 1+ct, \quad \epsilon > 1/c$$

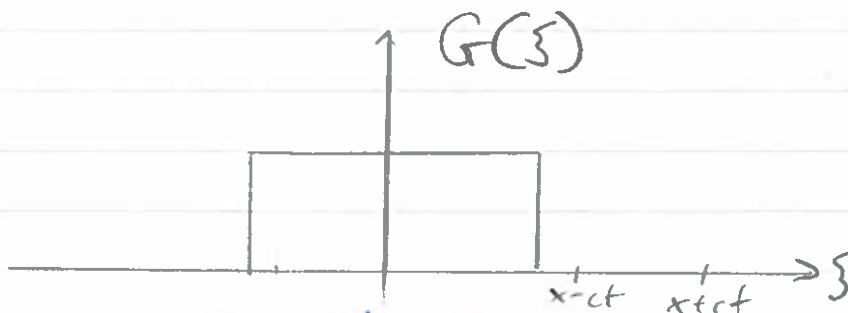


$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^x 1 \, d\xi$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} [1+ct - x]$$

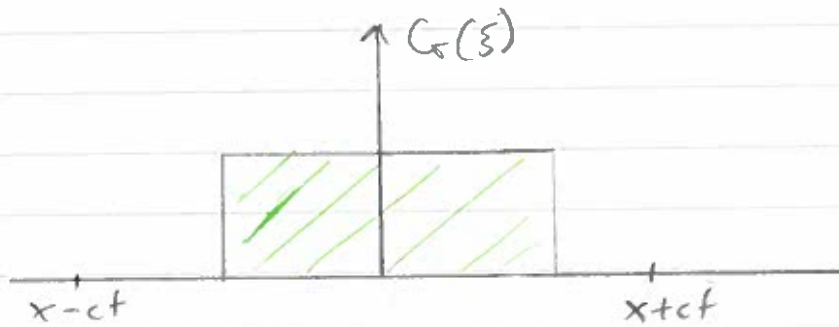
slope $-1/2c$ but otherwise like ②

Region ⑤ $1 < x-ct < x+ct$



$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 0 \, d\xi = 0.$$

Region ⑥: $t > 1/c$, $x-ct < -1 < 1 < x+ct$

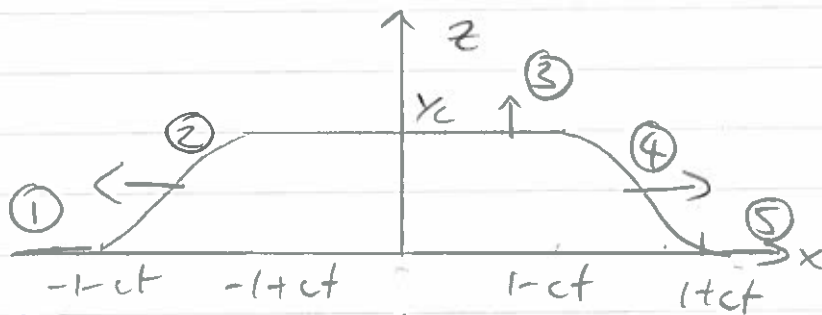


$$z = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{-1}^1 1 d\xi = \frac{1}{c}$$

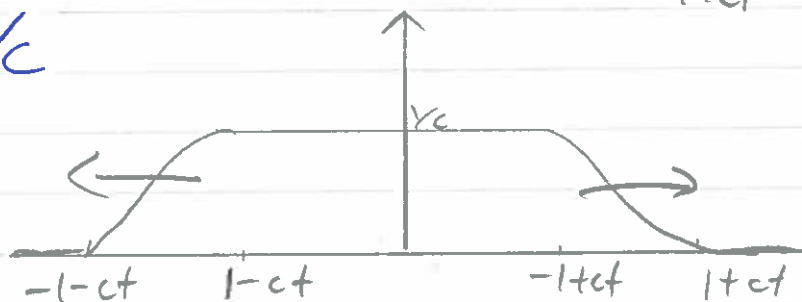
Choose a value of t ; $t < 1/2c$ and $t > 1/2c$ we get different pictures

Draw $z(x, t)$ for

$t < 1/2c$.



$t > 1/2c$



Solution of wave equation using the method of separation of variables.

The wave equation:

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$$

We look for a solution

$$z = X(x)T(t)$$

Function of x alone

Function of t alone

$$z_{tt} = XT'' \quad , \quad z_{xx} = X''T$$

$$\frac{XT''}{c^2} = X''T$$

÷ by XT

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X}$$

Function of t

Function of x

Imagine changing t but not x . The l.h.s might change but the r.h.s must remain constant. We deduce l.h.s does not change and both $T''/c^2 T$ and X''/X are the same

constant independent of both x and t .

Let's call 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 and so $z_\lambda(x, t) = X_\lambda(x) T_\lambda(t)$ and 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 interested in solutions satisfying particular initial conditions that restrict values of λ .

If we solve $z_{tt} = c^2 z_{xx}$ for $t \geq 0$, $0 \leq x \leq L$ and with the boundary $z(0, t) = 0$, $z(L, t) = 0$.

If $z(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ then we need

$$X'(0)T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow X'(0) = 0$$

$$X(L)T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow X(L) = 0.$$

$$X T'' = c T X''$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda.$$

$$X'' - \lambda X = 0$$

$$X(0) = X(L) = 0.$$

It turns out that for a particular values of λ we get solutions to this other than the obvious $X = 0$.

$$\lambda > 0, \quad \lambda = 0, \quad \lambda < 0.$$

For $\lambda > 0$, $\lambda = p^2$, p real,

$$X'' - p^2 X = 0$$

which has exponential solutions

$$X = Ae^{px} + Be^{-px}$$

$$\text{or } X = \tilde{A} \cosh px + \tilde{B} \sinh px$$

But:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X'(0) = 0, &\Rightarrow \tilde{A} \cdot 1 + \tilde{B} \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{A} = 0 \\ X(L) = 0, &\Rightarrow \tilde{B} \operatorname{sech} pL \Rightarrow \tilde{B} = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} X = 0$$

\therefore No non-zero solution $X = 0$.

For $\lambda = 0$, $X'' = 0$, $X = Ax + B$
straight line.

$$\text{But } X'(0) = 0, X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow A = B = 0 \\ \Rightarrow X = 0$$

This straight line must join $X'(0) = 0$
 $X'(L) = 0$.

Hence $X = 0$. No non-zero solution.

$$\text{For } \lambda < 0, \lambda = -p^2, X'' + p^2 X = 0$$

$$X = A \cos(px) + B \sin(px) \leftarrow$$

$$X(0) = 0, A \cdot 1 + B \cdot 0 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow A = 0$$

$$X(L) = 0, B \sin(pL) = 0$$

We don't want
cos since
 $X'(0) = 0$
and $\cos 0 = 1$

One way of doing this is having $B = 0$
 $\Rightarrow X = 0$.

so if $B \neq 0$ we conclude

$$\sin(pL) = 0.$$

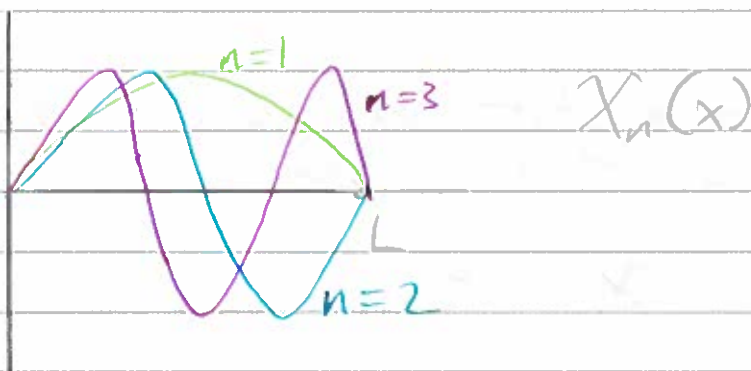
$$\therefore pL = n\pi, \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$p = \frac{n\pi}{L}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{n^2\pi^2}{L^2}$$

↑ shortcut

We have an infinite number of possible separation constants:



$$\text{Recall } T''/c^2T = \lambda = -p^2 = -\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$$

$$T_n'' + \frac{c^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} T_n = 0$$

$$T_n = C \cos\left[\frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right] + D \sin\left[\frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right]$$

$$z(x, t) = \sum_n X_n(x) T_n(t)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left[C_n \cos\left[\frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right] + D_n \sin\left[\frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right] \right]$$

This is the Fourier Series.

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Wave Equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} \quad \begin{aligned} z(0, t) &= 0 \\ z(L, t) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$z = X(x) T(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{T''}{T} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda = -p^2 \quad \text{so be satisfied.}$$

$$X = A \sin px, \quad p = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad \begin{aligned} X(0) &= 0 \\ X(L) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

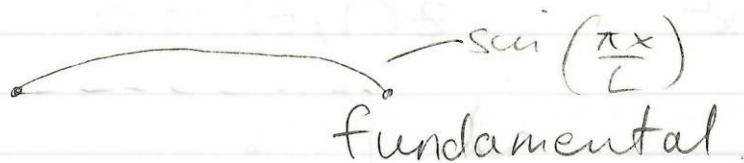
$$T'' + c^2 p^2 T = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow T = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right)$$

$$X = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left[C_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right) \right]$$

Each term in this sum is known as a normal mode oscillates with a normal frequency $\omega_n = n\left(\frac{\pi c}{L}\right)$. The mode $n=1$ is called

the fundamental and the modes $n=2, 3, \dots$ higher harmonics and the solution for $z(x, t)$ is a mixture sum of the fundamental and the harmonics.



The values of C_n and D_n , the amplitude of each mode is determined from initial condition. If $z(x, 0) = F(x)$ and $z_t(x, 0) = G(x)$ then putting $t=0$ gives:

$$F(x) = \sum_1^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) C_n$$

(\sin is zero at $t=0$)
 (\cos is 1 at $t=0$)

Differentiating wrt t and putting $t=0$ gives:

$$G(x) = \sum_1^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) D_n \left(\frac{n\pi c}{L}\right)$$

(\sin has non zero derivative at 0)
(\cos has zero derivative at 0)

$$\underline{r} = x \underline{\hat{i}} + y \underline{\hat{j}} + z \underline{\hat{k}}$$

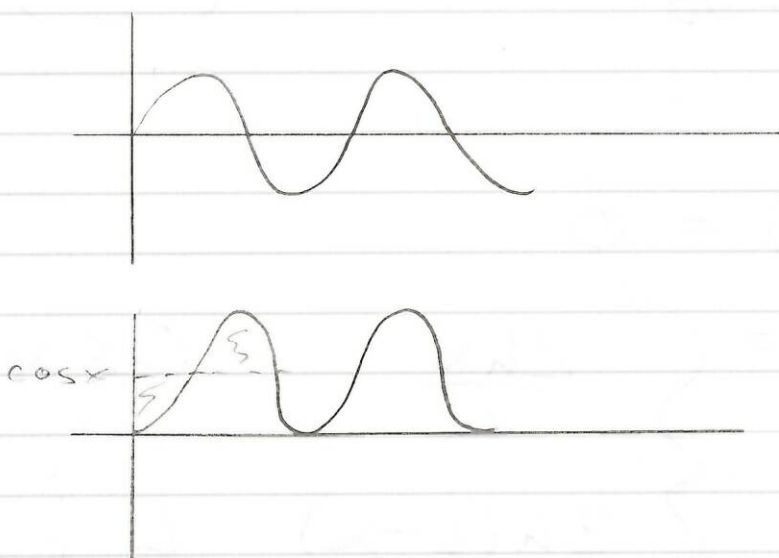
$$x = \underline{r} \cdot \underline{\hat{i}}$$

$\underline{\hat{i}}, \underline{\hat{j}}, \underline{\hat{k}}$ are orthogonal; $\underline{\hat{i}} \cdot \underline{\hat{j}} = 0$,
 $\underline{\hat{i}} \cdot \underline{\hat{i}} = 1$

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } m \neq n.$$

When $m = n$.

$$\int_0^L \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2} L.$$



Take equation for $F(x)$, multiply by $\sin(n\pi x/L)$ and integrate in $[0, L]$.

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) F(x) dx.$$

$$= \sum_1^{\infty} C_n \int \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$$

$$= C_n \frac{1}{2} L$$

$$C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L F(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$$

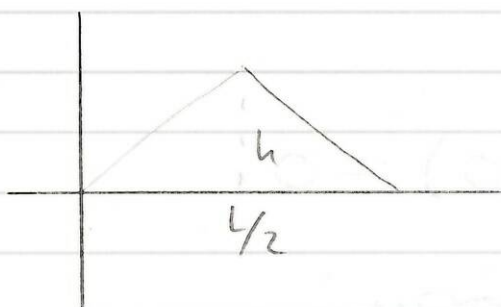
For $G(x)$ similarly

$$D_n = \frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L G(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$$

Example:

$$G(x) = 0.$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2hx}{L} & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{L}{2} \\ \frac{2h(L-x)}{2} & \frac{L}{2} \leq x \leq L \end{cases}$$



i.e solve the wave equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2} z_{tt} = z_{xx}$$

on the interval $x \in [0, L]$, $z(0, t) = 0$,
 $z(L, t) = 0$, $z(x, 0) = F(x)$, $z_t(x, 0) = G(x) = 0$.

$$z(x, t) = X(x) T(t).$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = -p^2.$$

so that we can satisfy $X(0) = X(L) = 0$.

$$X'' + p^2 X = 0.$$

$X = A \sin px$, so that $X(0) = 0$.

$$X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{n\pi}{L}.$$

$$T'' + p^2 c^2 T = 0.$$

$$T(t) = \cos ptc.$$

satisfying $T'(0) = 0$.

Solution has 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 $z(x, 0) = F(x)$.

$$\text{i.e. } F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) F(x) dx.$$

$$= \frac{2}{L} \left[\int_0^{L/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{2hx}{L} dx \right.$$

$$\left. + \int_{L/2}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{2h(L-x)}{L} dx \right].$$

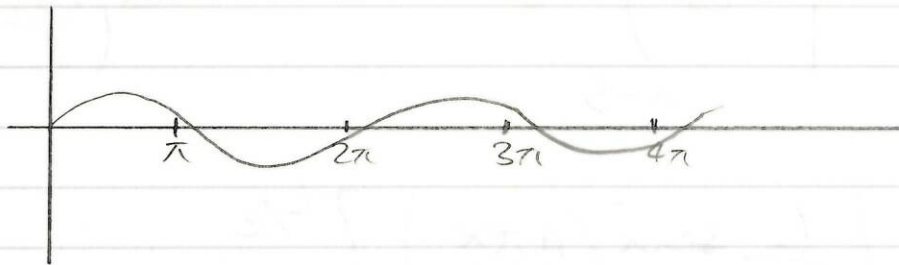
In the second integral write $L-x=u$,
 $x=L-u$.



and it becomes:

$$\int_{L/2}^0 \underbrace{\sin\left[\frac{n\pi}{L}(L-u)\right]}_{\sin(n\pi - \alpha)} \frac{2h}{L} u (-du)$$

$\alpha = \frac{n\pi u}{L}$



$$\sin(n\pi - \alpha) = \sin \alpha \quad n=1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\sin(n\pi - \alpha) = -\sin \alpha \quad n=2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$= (\pm) \int_0^{L/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi u}{L}\right) \left(\frac{2h}{L}\right) u du$$

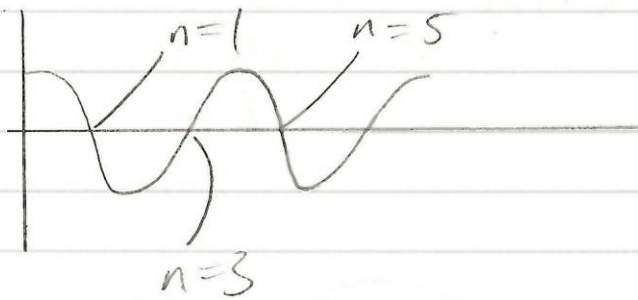
$$+n = 1, 3, 5$$

$$-n = 2, 4, 6$$

$$A_n = 0, \quad n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

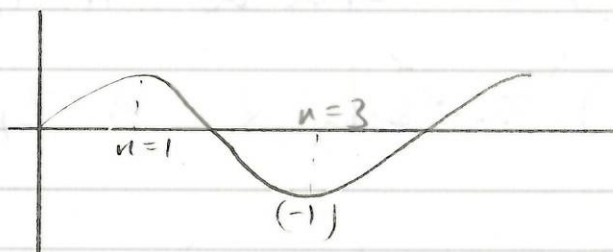
$$A_n = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{L} \cdot \frac{2h}{L} \int_0^{L/2} x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad n=1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$= \frac{8h}{L} \left\{ \left[\frac{xL}{n\pi} (-1) \cos \left[\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right] \right]_0^{L/2} + \frac{L}{n\pi} \int_0^{L/2} \cos \left[\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right] dx \right\}$$



$$\cos \left(\frac{n\pi}{2} \right) = 0 \text{ if } n \text{ is odd}$$

$$= \frac{8h}{n^2\pi^2 L} \left[\frac{L}{n\pi} \operatorname{sech} \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \right]_0^{L/2}$$



$$\operatorname{sech} \left(\frac{n\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{8h}{n^2\pi^2} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1, 5, 9, 13, \dots \text{ i.e. } j \text{ even} \\ (-1) & \text{if } n=3, 7, 11, \dots \text{ i.e. } j \text{ odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } n = 2j+1, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$z(x, t) = \frac{8h}{\pi^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{(2j+1)^2} \left[\operatorname{sech} \left((2j+1) \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \right]$$

$$\cdot \left[\cos \left[(2j+1) \frac{\pi ct}{L} \right] \right]$$

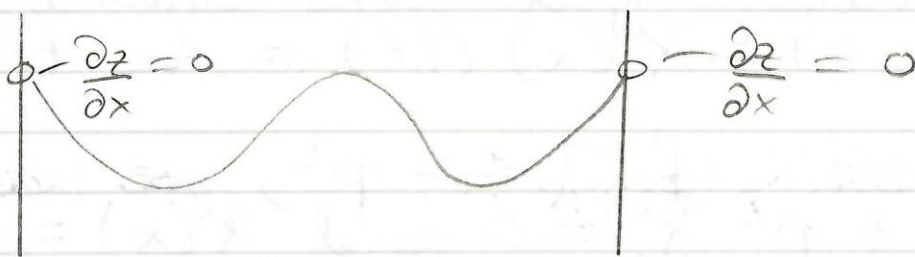
Different Boundary conditions and x-domains.

Solves:

$$\frac{z_{tt}}{c^2} = z_{xx}$$

with $x \in [-L, L]$ and boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0, \text{ at } x = \pm L.$$



Look for a solution $z(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ and we required

$$z_x(\pm L) = 0 = X'(\pm L)T(t)$$

$$\text{i.e. } X'(\pm L) = 0.$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2} = X''T$$

$$\frac{T''}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda.$$

λ +ve, then we have exponential in X' .

$$X'' - \lambda X = 0.$$

and the homogenous boundary conditions $X'(\pm L)$ cannot be satisfied.

$\lambda = 0$, $X'' = 0$ and $X = Ax + B$.
and a solution with $X'(\pm L) = 0$ is just $x = \text{const}$. In this case $T'' = 0$.
and $T = A\epsilon + B$. So the zero separation constant generates solution
 $z(x, \epsilon) = X(x)T(\epsilon) = Ax + B$.

λ -ve. If $\lambda = -p^2$, we have
 $X'' + p^2 X = 0$ and $X(x) = A \cos px + B \sin px$ and we need to find p so that

$$X'(L) = 0.$$

$$X'(-L) = 0$$

and both A and B are zero.

$$X'(x) = pA \sin px + Bp \cos px.$$

and:

$$X'(L) = -Ap \sin pL + Bp \cos pL = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X'(-L) &= -pA \sin(-pL) + Bp \cos(-pL) = 0 \\
 &= pA \sin(pL) + Bp \cos pL = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

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 zero solution $A = B = 0$.

An alternative, non-zero solution is possible if the determinant is zero

$$-\sin(pL)\cos(pL) - \sin(pL)\cos(pL) = 0$$

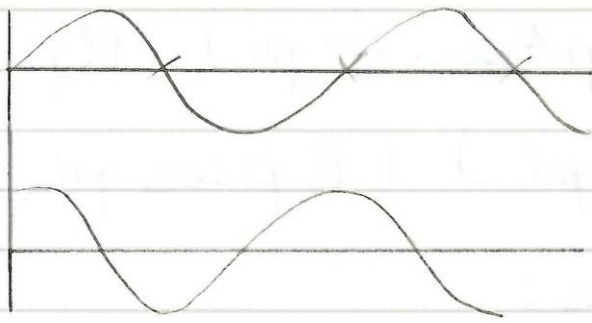
$$\text{i.e. } 2\sin(pL)\cos(pL) = 0.$$

$$\sin(2pL) = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2pL = n\pi, \quad p = n\pi/2L, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

with $p = n\pi/2L$ we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\pi n/2) & \cos(\pi n/2) \\ \sin(\pi n/2) & \cos(\pi n/2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Ap \\ Bp \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



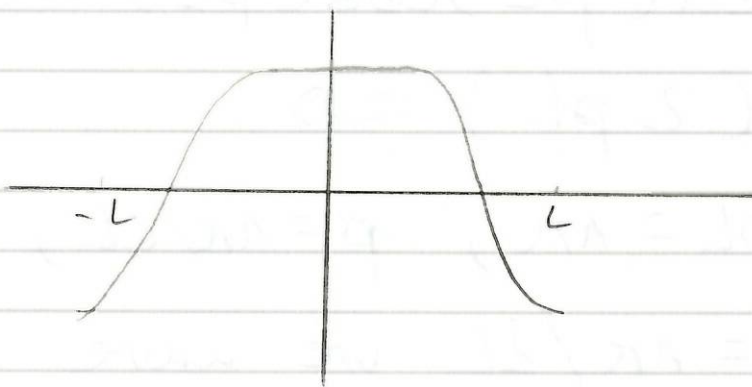
If n is even, $n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & +1 \\ 0 & +1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_p \\ B_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. A is anything, $B = 0$.

$$X(x) = A \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad n \text{ even.}$$

$$T(t) = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right).$$



$n = 2$

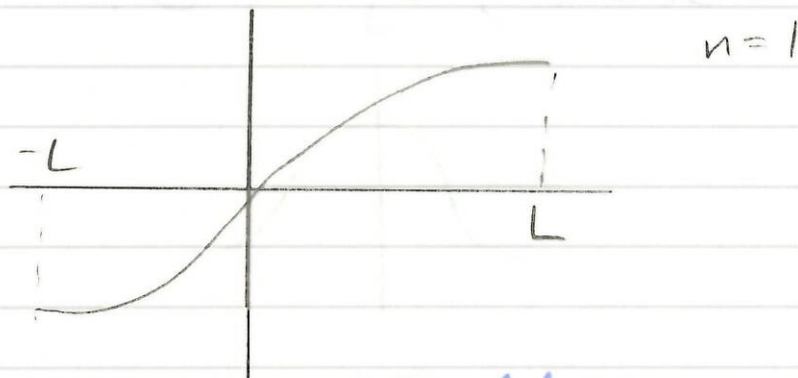
These are normal modes even in x .

$$\text{If } n \text{ is odd: } \begin{pmatrix} +1 & 0 \\ +1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_p \\ B_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow B$ is anything, A is zero.

$$X(x) = B \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad n \text{ odd.}$$

$$T(t) = C \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{2L}\right).$$



odd normal modes.

So the general solution is.

$$z(x, t) = (A_0 t + B_0)$$

even in x

odd in x

zero sep const

$$+ \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ n=2j+1}}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi x}{2L}\right) \left(C_j \cos\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi ct}{2L}\right) + D_j \sin\left(\frac{(2j+1)\pi ct}{2L}\right) \right)$$

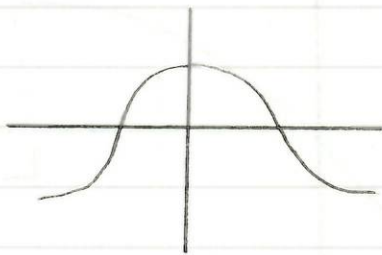
$$+ \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ n=2j}}^{\infty} \cos\left[\frac{j\pi x}{L}\right] \left(E_j \cos\left[\frac{j\pi ct}{L}\right] + F_j \sin\left[\frac{j\pi ct}{L}\right] \right)$$

even in x.

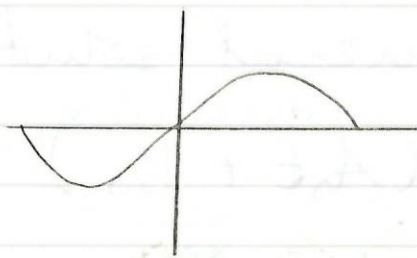
Initial Conditions $z_+ = 0$. then
we know D_j and $F_j = 0$, $A_0 = 0$.

If $z = 0$, C_j and $E_j = 0$, $B_0 = 0$.

If $z = \text{even}$, $C_j = 0$.



$z = \text{odd}$, $E_j = 0$



If z is even, $D_j = 0$.
 z is odd, $F_j = 0$, $A_0 = 0$.

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The heat / Diffusion equation:

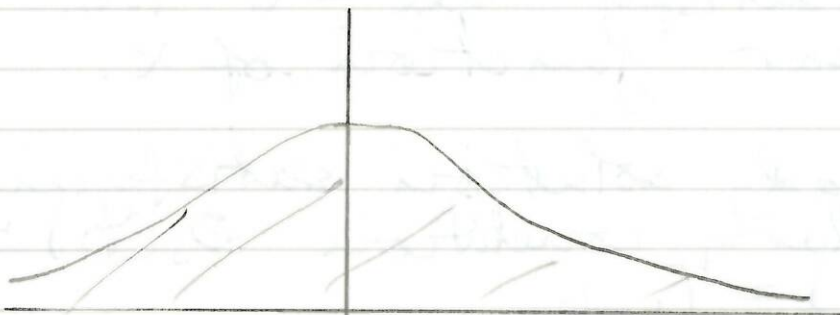
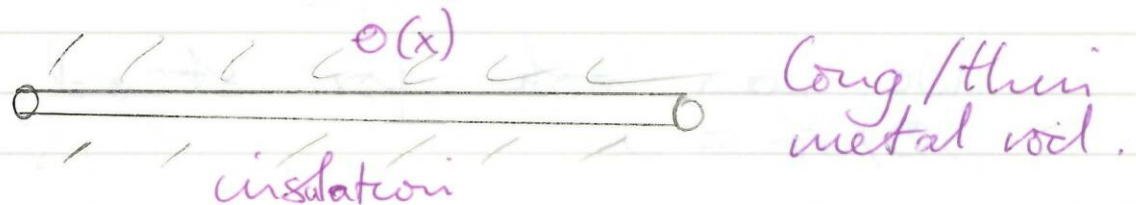
$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{for } \theta(x, t).$$

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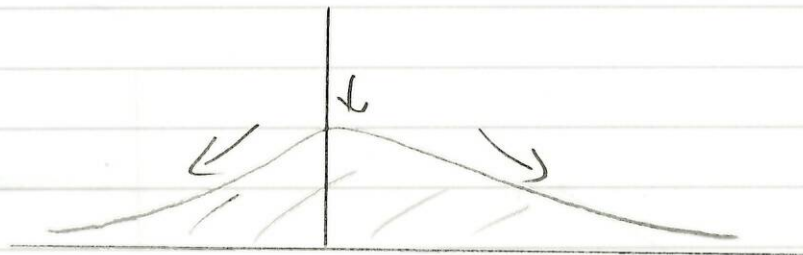
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time

Constant, the thermal diffusion or diffusivity.

(In 3D: $\partial \theta / \partial t = k \nabla^2 \theta$).



↓ t increases:



Typical boundary condition on a rod of finite length say $x \in [0, L]$
 $\theta(0) = T_0, \theta(L) = T_1.$

Or we could improve insulating boundary condition $\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = 0$ at $x=0$ say.

Robin boundary conditions:

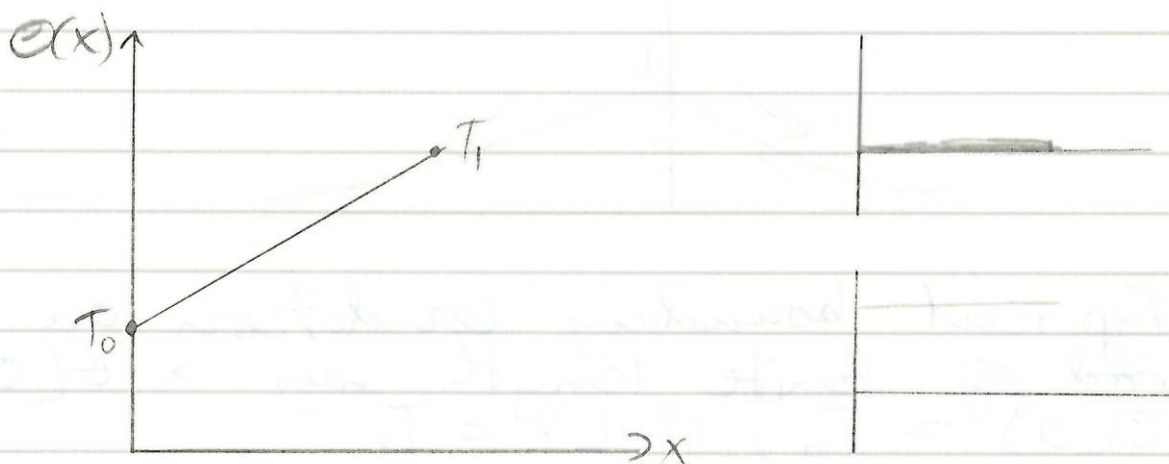
$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = \alpha \theta$$

We can look for steady solutions $\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = 0$.

These satisfy $\theta_{xx} = 0$ i.e. $\theta_s = Ax + B$, a linear function of x .

A steady solution satisfying the boundary conditions $\theta_s(0) = T_0$, $\theta_s(L) = T_1$, is

$$\theta_s = T_0 + (T_1 - T_0) \frac{x}{L}$$



If one boundary condition is insulating asks for $\partial\theta/\partial x = 0$, then the steady solution requires $A=0$ and $\theta_s = B$, with B obtained, maybe from the other boundary conditions.

We will look for time dependent solutions of the form $\theta(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$

$$X T'' = k X'' T$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T'}{kT} = \frac{X''}{X} = \text{const} = \lambda \quad \text{the separation constant}$$

$$\lambda = 0 \quad \text{gives} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} T' = 0 \quad \text{i.e. } T = \text{const} \\ X'' = 0 \quad \quad \quad X = Ax + B \end{array} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow X T = Ax + B$; the steady solution.

$$\lambda > 0$$

$$T' = k\lambda T$$

$T = Ae^{k\lambda t}$ and this grows in time $\lambda > 0$ which is unrealistic.

$X'' - \lambda X' = 0$ which has exponential solutions and trigonometric solution and we cannot satisfy homogenous b.c. if $\lambda > 0$.

$$\lambda < 0, \lambda = -p^2.$$

$X'' + p^2 X = 0 \Rightarrow X = A \sin px + B \cos px$
and find p from spatial boundary conditions.

$$T' = -p^2 k T, T = A e^{-p^2 k t}.$$

General Solution:

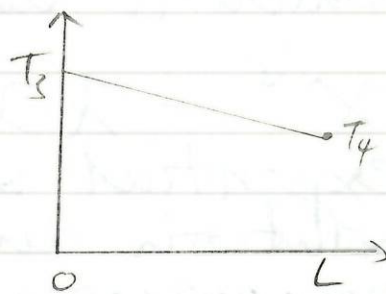
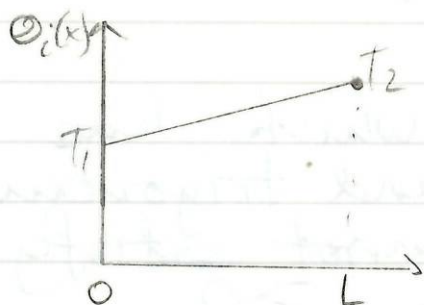
$$\theta(x, t) = A_0 x + B_0$$

$$+ \sum_p (A_p \sin px + B_p \cos px) e^{-p^2 k t}.$$

Example

Solve the heat equation $\theta_t = k \theta_{xx}$ on the interval $x \in [0, L]$ with boundary conditions $\theta(0) = T_3$, $\theta(L) = T_4$ and initial conditions:

$$\theta = T_1 + (T_2 - T_1) \frac{x}{L} = \theta(x, 0) = \theta_i(x).$$



I "expect" that as $t \rightarrow \infty$ the solution to approach the steady solution

$\theta = \theta_s = T_3 + (T_4 - T_3)x/L$. Note $\theta(0) = T_3$ and $\theta(L) = T_4$ i.e. θ satisfies over required boundary conditions

We write

$$\theta(x, t) = \underbrace{\theta_s(x)}_{\text{steady}} + \underbrace{\theta_u(x, t)}_{\text{unsteady}},$$
$$\theta_{sxx} = 0$$

and boundary condition on θ

$$\text{if } \theta(0) = T_3, \quad \theta_s(0) = T_3$$

$$\theta(L) = T_4, \quad \theta_s(L) = T_4.$$

So putting $x = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(0, t) &= \theta_s(0) + \theta_u(0, t) \\ &= T_3 + \theta_u(0, t). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \theta_u(0, t) = 0.$$

$$\text{Similarly } \theta_u(L, t) = 0.$$

$$\text{Since } \theta_u(L, t) = 0.$$

$$\text{Since } \theta_t = k \theta_{xx}$$

$$\cancel{\theta_{st}} + \theta_{ut} = k [\cancel{\theta_{sxx}} + \theta_{u_{xx}}]$$

$$\theta_{u_t} = k \theta_{u_{xx}} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_u(0, t) = 0$$
$$\theta_u(L, t) = 0.$$

and we use the method of separation of variables to find $\theta_u(x, t)$

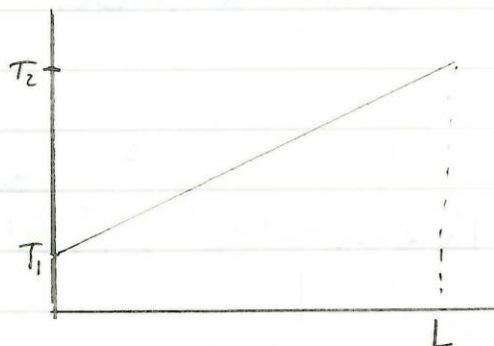
But what are the initial conditions for θ_u ?

$$\theta(x, 0) = \theta_i(x) = \theta_s(x) + \theta_u(x, 0)$$

$$\text{So: } \theta_u(x, 0) = \theta_i(x) - \theta_s(x).$$

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Heat equation



$$\theta_t = k \theta_{xx}$$

Solve for $x \in [0, L]$

Boundary Conditions:

$$\theta(0) = T_3$$

$$\theta(L) = T_4$$

with initial conditions $\theta = T_1 + (T_2 - T_1)x/L = \theta_i(x)$.

Write $\theta = \theta_s(x) + \theta_u(x, t)$

Satisfies $\theta_{s,xx} = 0$ and boundary conditions
 $\Rightarrow \theta_s = T_3 + (T_4 - T_3)x/L$. Has nothing to do with initial conditions

Then $\theta_{u,t} = k \theta_{u,xx}$, $\theta_u(0) = 0$, $\theta_u(L) = 0$.
and use sep variables $\theta_u(x, 0) = \theta_i(x) - \theta_s(x)$

$$\theta_u(x, t) = X(x)T(t), \quad \frac{T''}{kT} = \frac{X''}{X} = \lambda$$

- Cannot have $\lambda > 0$ as this would lead to exponential solutions for X and we required $\theta_u(0) = \theta_u(L) = 0$ i.e. $X(0) = X(L) = 0$ which exponential cannot satisfy.

- Cannot have $\lambda = 0$ as this gives $X = Ax + B$ and we cannot satisfy $X(0) = X(L) = 0$ with a non-zero solution for X .

- So for $\lambda < 0$, $\lambda = -p^2$ and $X(x) = A \cos px + B \sin px$, $T(t) = e^{-p^2 kt}$.

Our boundary conditions require:

$$X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0.$$

$$X(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin pL = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{n\pi}{L}, n=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$\theta_u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 kt}{L^2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Initially, i.e. putting $t = 0$, we need

$$\theta_u(x,0) = \theta_i(x) - \theta_s(x)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = (T_1 - T_3) + \frac{x}{L} (T_2 - T_4 - T_1 + T_3)$$

$$= P + \frac{Qx}{L}$$

Multiply by $\sin(n\pi x/L)$ and \int_0^L and find!

$$A_n L \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \int_0^L \left(P + \frac{Qx}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$$

$$= \left\{ \left[\frac{-L}{m\pi} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \left(\frac{P}{L} + \frac{Qx}{L} \right) \right]_0^L + \frac{L}{m\pi} \int_0^L \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{Q dx}{L} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{PL}{m\pi} (1 - (-1)^m) - \frac{L}{m\pi} \frac{QL}{L} (-1)^m.$$

$$= \frac{L}{m\pi} \left\{ P(1 - (-1)^m) - Q(-1)^m \right\}$$

2 if m is odd
0 if m is even.

$$\text{So } \theta(x, t) = T_3 + (T_4 - T_3)x/L$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \left\{ (T_1 - T_3)(1 - (-1)^n) - (T_2 - T_4 + T_3 - T_1)(-1)^n \right\} \cdot e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 k t}{L^2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

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$$\text{Aside: } \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{only non} \\ \text{zero when} \\ n=m \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sum_1^{\infty} A_n \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= A_n \int_0^L \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi n x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2} L$$

use double angle formula.

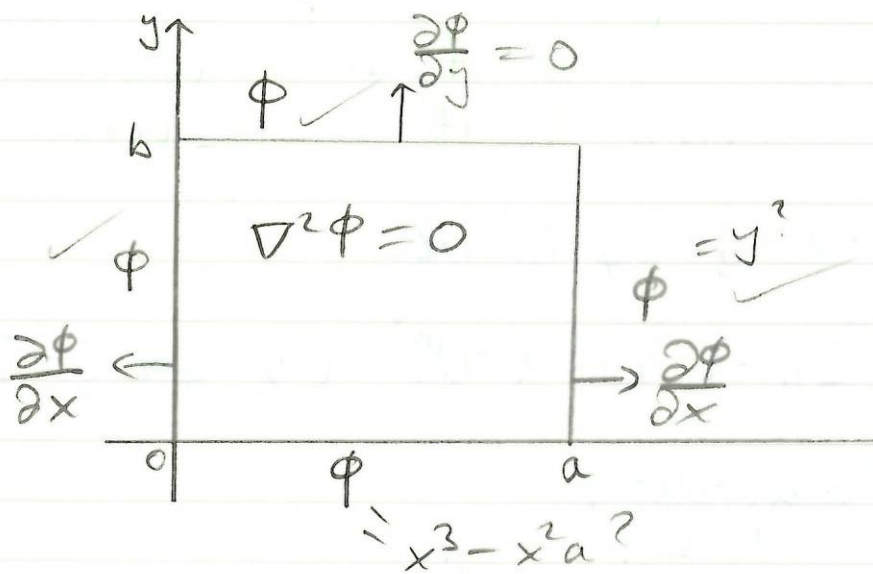
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Laplace Equation for $\phi(x, y)$.

This is the elliptic equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

i.e. $[\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = 0]$ or $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$.



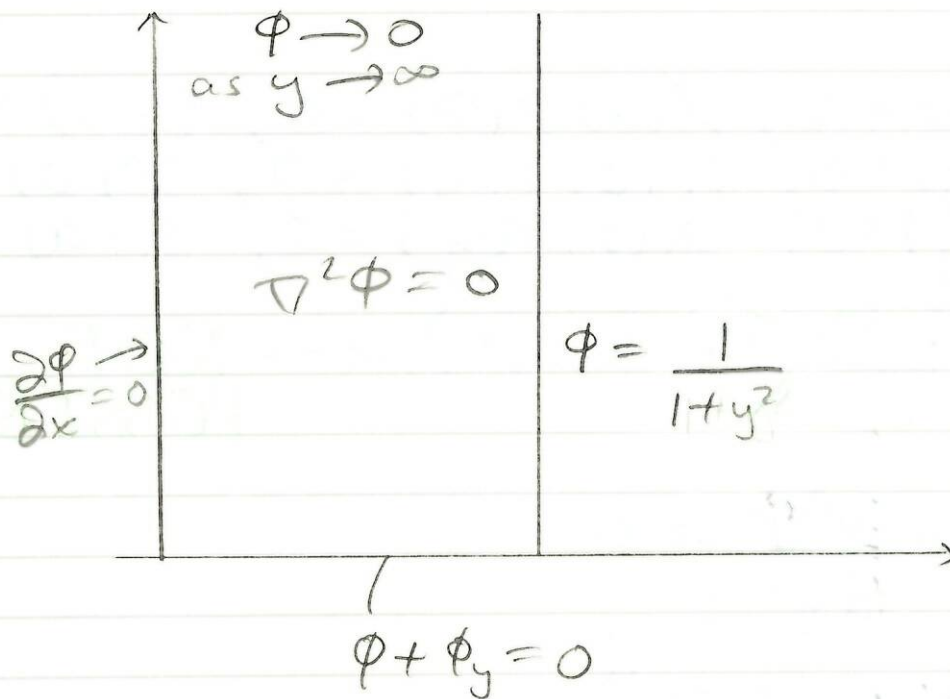
Boundary conditions for this problem are typically:

- 1) ϕ is specified on the boundary - Dirichlet boundary condition.
- 2) $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n}$ is specified
- 3) Robin condition:

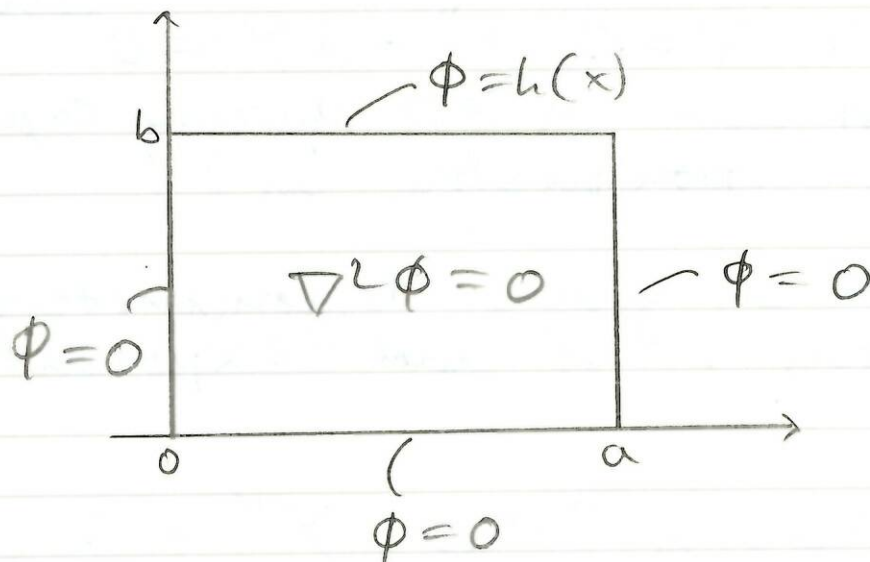
$$\phi + \beta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0.$$

These boundary conditions could be

different on different boundaries:



Laplace 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 $\phi(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$

Since:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(x, 0) = 0, & \quad X(x)Y(0) = 0, \quad Y(0) = 0. \\ \phi(0, y) = 0, & \quad X(0)Y(y) = 0, \quad X(0) = 0. \\ \phi(a, y) = 0, & \quad X(a)Y(y) = 0, \quad X(a) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

$$X(x) \cancel{X(b)} = h(x) \leftarrow \text{NOT POSSIBLE}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

$$X''Y + X'Y'' = 0.$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \lambda, \text{ a separation constant}$$

$$\text{So } X'' + \lambda X = 0, \quad Y'' - \lambda Y = 0.$$

We can have $\lambda > 0$ giving exponentials in X and trigonometric 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 and Y .

and ignoring the influence of boundary conditions the general solution is a combination of all these possibilities.

Considering these and especially the fact that $X = 0$ at both $x = 0$ and $x = a$ implies we must restrict ourselves to $\lambda < 0$.

Write $\lambda = -p^2$.

$$X'' + p^2 X = 0$$

$$Y'' - p^2 Y = 0$$

$$X_p(x) = A \sin px + B \cos px$$

$$Y_p(y) = C \sinh py + D \cosh py$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} e^{py} \\ \frac{1}{2} e^{-py} \end{matrix} \right\} = 1 \text{ at } y=0$$

Applying $X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$.

$X(a) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin pa = 0$

$pa = \pi n, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

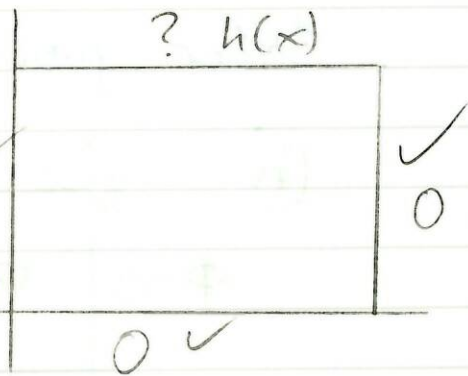
$Y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow D = 0$.

$$X_n(x) = A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$Y_n(y) = C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \leftarrow \text{same } p$$

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.

$$\phi(x, b) = h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)$$

Multiply by $\operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)$ and \int_0^a .

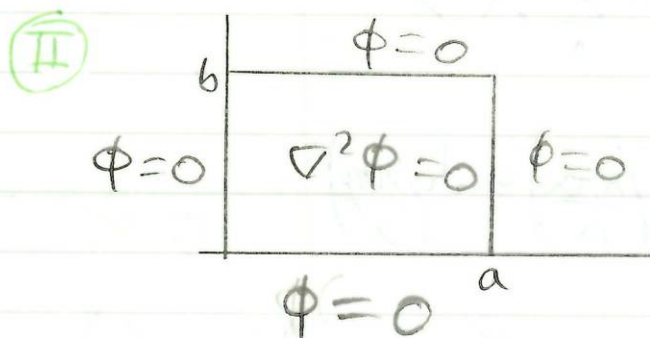
$$\int_0^a \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx = A_m \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{m\pi b}{a}\right) \frac{1}{2} a.$$

$$A_m = \frac{2 \int_0^a \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) h(x) dx}{a \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{m\pi b}{a}\right)}$$

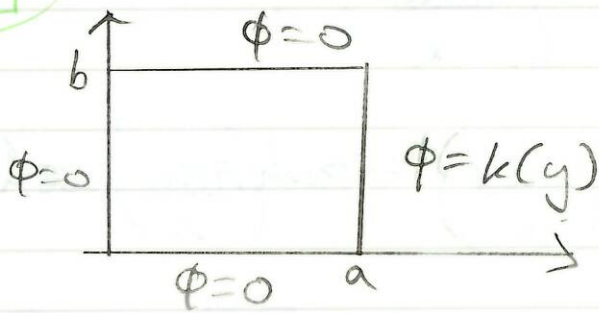
and

$$\phi(x, y) = \frac{2}{a} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \frac{\operatorname{sh}(n\pi y/a)}{\operatorname{sh}(n\pi b/a)} \int_0^a \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) h(x) dx.$$

Other problems might be:

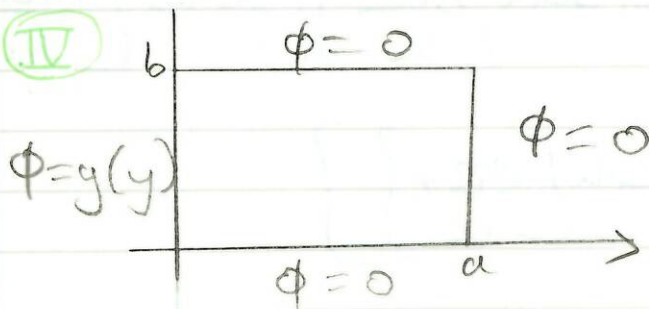


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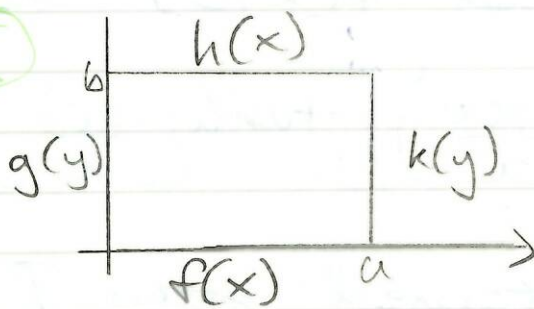


$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \operatorname{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

IV



V



$$\text{II; } X(x) = \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$Y(y) = C \operatorname{sinh}\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) + D \operatorname{cosh}\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)$$

$$\text{and } \phi(x, b) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(b) = 0,$$

$$C \operatorname{sinh}\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right] + D \operatorname{cosh}\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right] = 0.$$

$$D = -C' \tanh\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right].$$

$$Y(y) = C' \left(\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) - \tanh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) \right)$$

$$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right] \left[\sinh\left[\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right] - \tanh\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right] \cosh\left[\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right] \right]$$

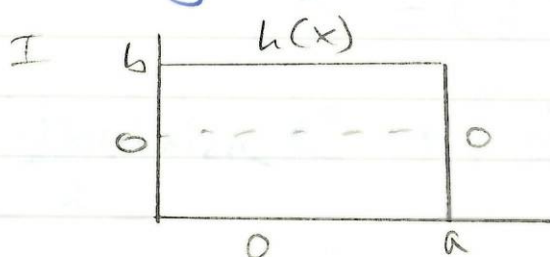
C_n 's found so that $\phi(x, 0) = f(x)$.

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \left[-\tanh\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right] \right].$$

Problem II is obtained from I by reflecting in the line $y = b/2$ i.e. $y \rightarrow b - y$ and

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

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 $b-y$.

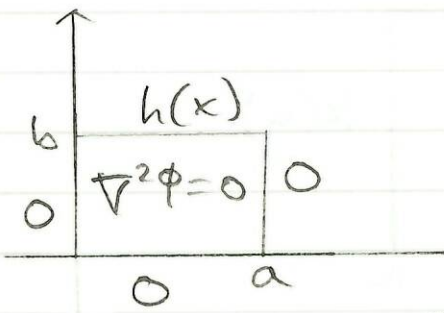
$$\phi(x, y) = \frac{2}{a} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\text{sen}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \text{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi(b-y)}{a}\right)}{\text{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)}$$

$$\cdot \int_0^a \text{sen}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) f(x) dx.$$

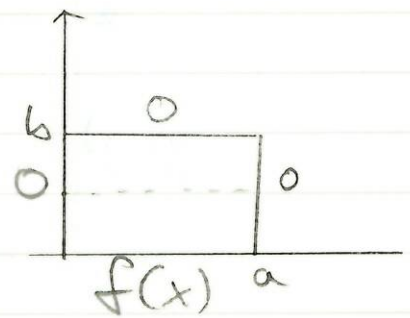
III can be mapped to I by reflecting in the diagonal of the rectangle, effected by $y \rightarrow x$, $x \rightarrow y$, $a \rightarrow b$, $b \rightarrow a$.

$$\phi(x, y) = \frac{2}{b} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{sen}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right] \frac{\text{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right)}{\text{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)} \int_0^b \text{sen}\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) k(y) dy$$

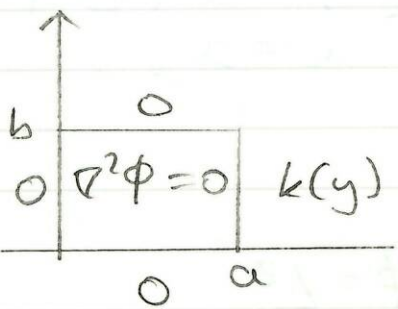
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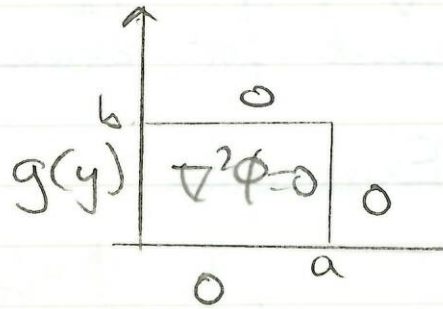
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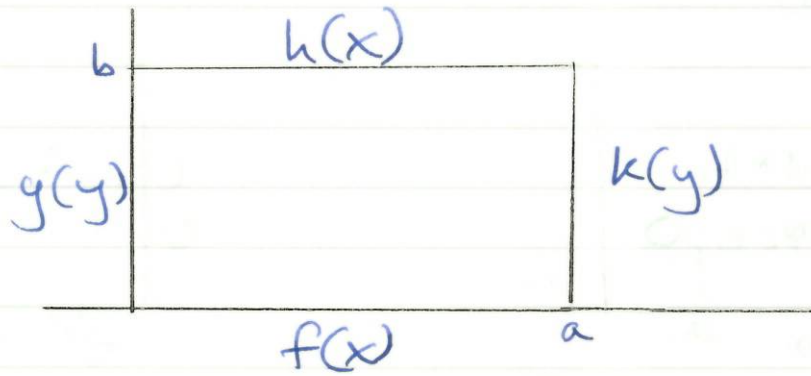
$$I: \phi_I = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right] \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right] \frac{2}{a \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right]} \int_0^a \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right] h(x) dx$$

$$II: \phi_{II} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{n\pi(y-b)}{a}\right] \frac{2}{a \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right]} \int_0^a \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right] f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{III} \\ a \rightarrow b \\ x \rightarrow y \end{matrix} \phi_{III} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right] \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right] \frac{2}{b \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right]} \int_0^b \sin\left[\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right] k(y) dy$$

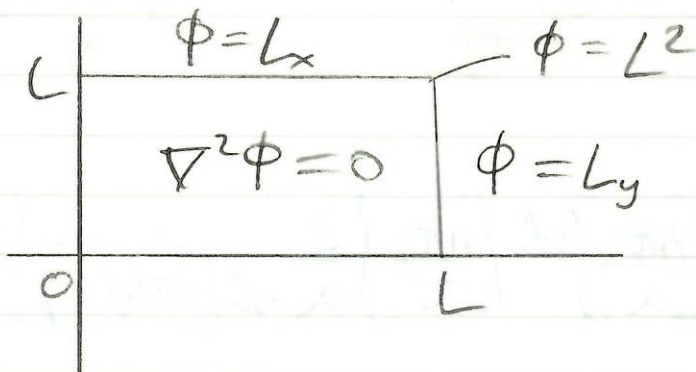
IV from II
 $x \rightarrow a-x$

$$\phi_{IV} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right] \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi(a-x)}{b}\right] \frac{2}{b \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right]} \int_0^b \sin\left[\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right] g(y) dy$$

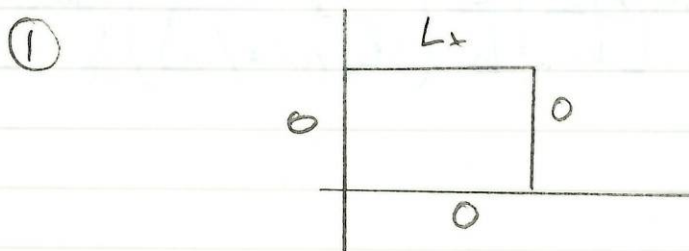


$\nabla^2(\phi_I + \phi_{II} + \phi_{III} + \phi_{IV}) = 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 = 0$
 and for example on $x=a$.

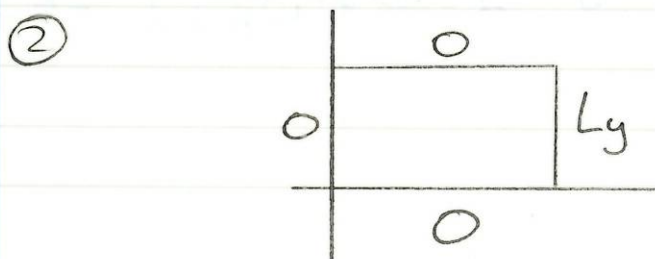
Example:



First solve:



Then solve:



$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0, \quad \phi = X(x) Y(y).$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \text{const} = -p^2.$$

as we want tri in x.

$$X'' + p^2 X = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X(x) = \sin px \quad \text{with } pL = n\pi.$$

0 at $x=0$, 0 at $x=L$.

$$X(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$Y'' - p^2 Y = 0 \Rightarrow Y(y) = \sinh(py)$$

$$= \text{sh}(py) = \text{sh}\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

(0 at $y=0$)

$$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \text{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right]$$

$$\text{and } \phi(x, L) = L_x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] \text{sh}[n\pi]$$

requiring

$$\int_0^L L_x \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] dx = A_n \text{sh}[n\pi] \int_0^L \sin\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] dx.$$

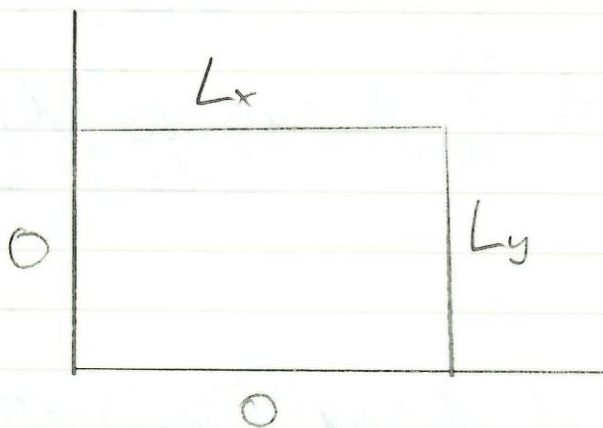
$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \frac{1}{\operatorname{sh}[n\pi]} \int_0^L x \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] dx.$$

$$= \frac{2}{\operatorname{sh}[n\pi]} \left\{ \left[\frac{xL}{n\pi} (-1) \cos\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] \right]_0^L + \int_0^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] dx \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\operatorname{sh}[n\pi]} \frac{L^2}{n\pi} \cos[n\pi].$$

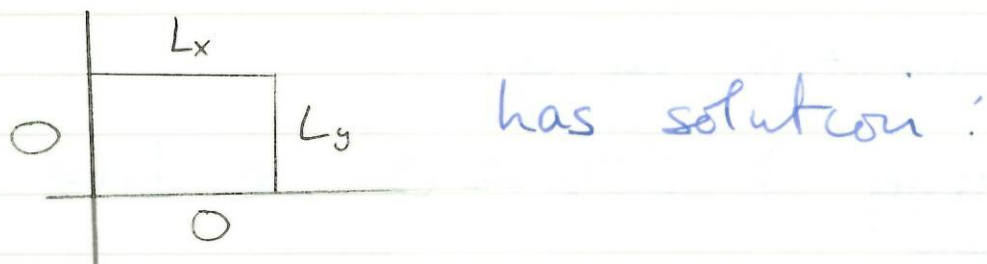
$$A_n = \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi \operatorname{sh}[n\pi]} L^2.$$

$$\Phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L^2}{n\pi \operatorname{sh}[n\pi]} (-1)^{n+1} \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] \operatorname{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right]$$



The solution for this second problem is obtained by putting:

$$\begin{aligned} x &\rightarrow y \\ y &\rightarrow x. \end{aligned}$$



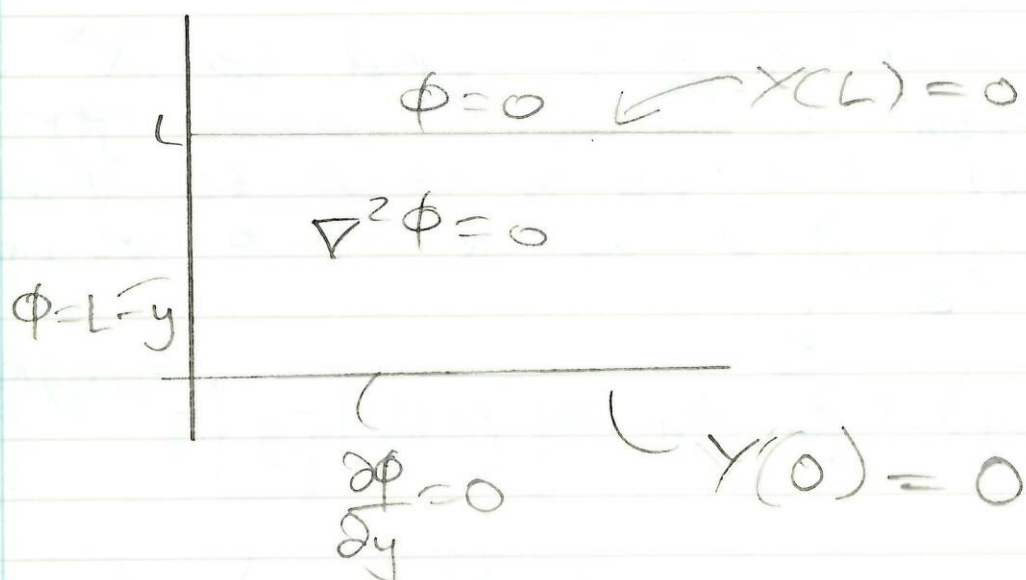
$$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L^2(-1)^{n+1}}{\text{sh}[n\pi]} \left\{ \text{sech}\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] \text{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right] + \text{sech}\left[\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right] \text{sh}\left[\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right] \right\}$$

$$= xy.$$

The solution to this problem is in fact:

$$\phi = xy \quad \left[\text{satisfy bc's and } \nabla^2 \phi = 0 \right].$$

Solve:



$$\phi(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \text{const} = -p^2.$$

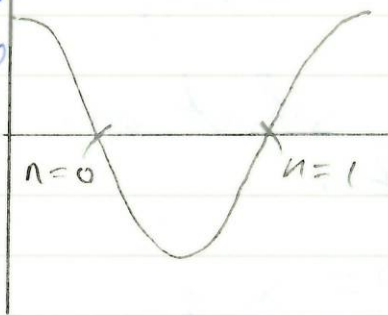
trigonometric in y .

To satisfy $Y'(0) = 0$ we take the solution

$$Y(y) = \cos(py)$$

and satisfy $Y(L) = 0$
we require $\cos(pL) = 0$
requiring

$$pL = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$$



$$p = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\pi}{L}$$

$X'' - p^2 X = 0$ and so X has solutions e^{-px} , e^{+px} and for $X'(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ so that $\Phi(x, y) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ we must take e^{-px} .

$$\Phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left[\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\pi y}{L}\right] e^{-\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\pi x}{L}}$$

and we required $\Phi(0, y) = L - y$.

$$L - y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left[\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\pi y}{L}\right]$$

Using the fact that $\cos[(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi y/L]$ and $\cos[(m+\frac{1}{2})\pi y/L]$ are orthogonal we find:

$$\int_0^L (L-y) \cos\left[(m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi y}{L}\right] dy$$

$$= A_m L \frac{1}{2}.$$

in A_m .

xxx.

