

Outline

1. On proofs & abstraction
 - ↳ What did we prove on Thursday?
 - ↳ Why is it important?
 - ↳ What are the different levels for solving a problem?
2. Explicit solutions
 - ↳ First-order autonomous equations
 - ↳ Separable equations
 - ↳ ODEs with homogeneous coefficients
 - ↳ Exact differentials

What is a mathematical proof?

A mathematical proof is a series of logically connected statements starting from what you know and ending with what you want to prove.

(Thm of Apple deliciousness)

Claim: Apples are delicious

(starting point)

Proof. It is self-evident that sweet foods are delicious

By the theorem of Sugary Fruits, all fruits are sugary foods.

(reference to a proven theorem)

The computation below (omitted) shows that apples are fruits.

(computation)

Therefore, apples are delicious.

(implication) 

- Each step must be justified by an agreed upon reason.
- The amt of justification you need depends on your audience.

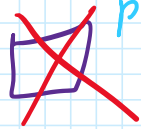
Once a claim is rigorously proved, you can reuse it.

Claim: Oranges are delicious

proof: Oranges are apples ← incorrect starting point

Therefore, oranges are fruits. ← true via the proof of apple deliciousness (wrong because prior step)

By the Thm of Apple Deliciousness, oranges are delicious.

← used wrong theorem 

Recall: Consider a first-order **autonomous** equation.

$$\dot{x} = f(x), \quad f \in C(\mathbb{R})$$

We want to find a function $\phi(t)$ s.t. $\dot{x}(\phi(t)) = f(\phi(t))$ } i.e. find a general solution to ODEs of this type

Ex. $\dot{x} = x^2 + 5x + 10$
 $\dot{x} = \ln(x) e^x + \sin(x)$

Because \dot{x} is **time-invariant**, we need only consider solutions starting at $x_0 = x(0)$, $t = 0$.

We proved that if $f(x_0) \neq 0$, we can define a function $F(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dy}{f(y)}$ in some **interval of validity** (x_1, x_2)

where $f(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in (x_1, x_2)$
 $\Rightarrow F(x)$ is strictly monotonic

Why did we define $F(x)$ and prove strict monotonicity?

Suppose $\phi(t)$ is a solution to $\dot{x} = f(x)$,

$$\text{Then } F(\phi(t)) = \int_{x_0}^{\phi(t)} \frac{\dot{\phi}(s)}{f(\phi(s))} ds = \int_0^t ds = t$$

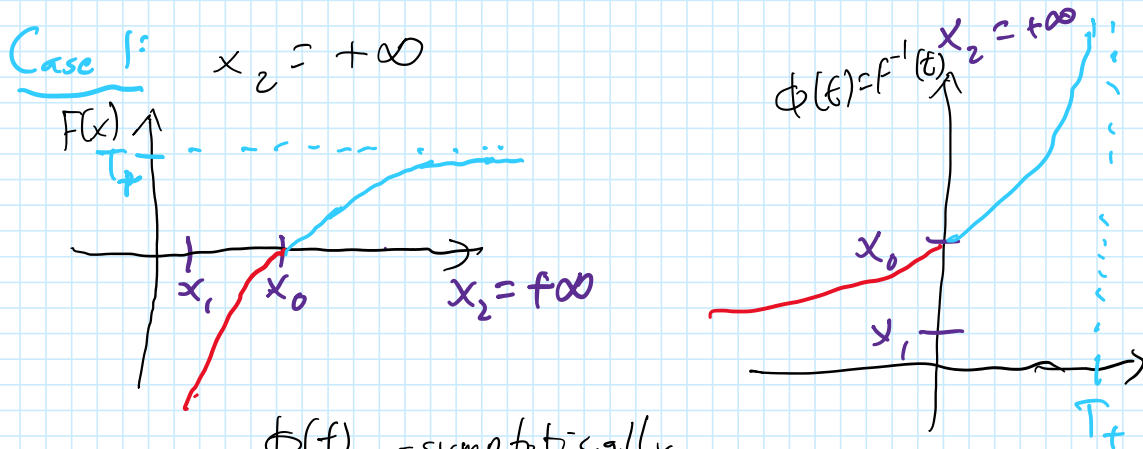
If $F(\phi(t)) = t$, then $\phi(t) = F^{-1}(t)$, where F^{-1} exists
 F^{-1} exists because $F(x)$ is strictly monotonic

\downarrow If $F(\phi(t)) = t$, then $\phi(t) = F^{-1}(t)$, where F^{-1} exists so long as $F(x)$ is strictly monotonic.

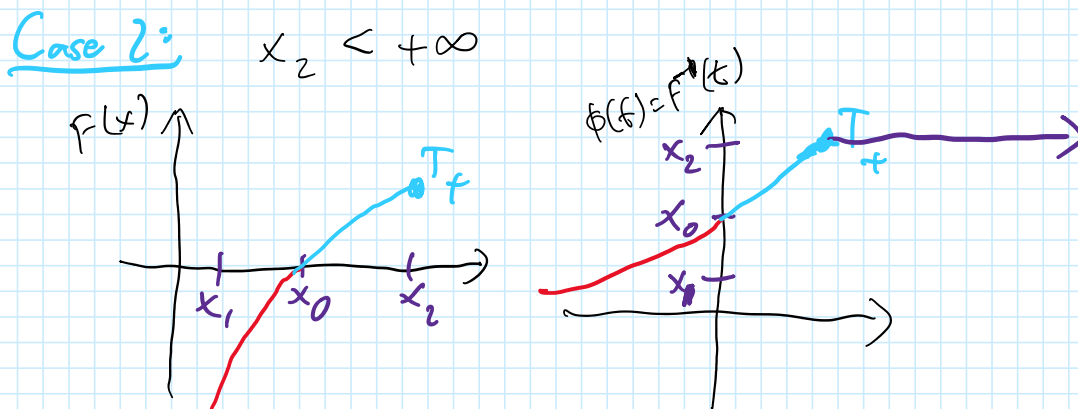
This proves that we can find a solution by integrating, if $f(x_0) \neq 0$.

But these solutions are only valid on (x_1, x_2) .
 What happens as we get closer to those limits?
 Let's consider x_2 for $F(x)$ strictly positive monotonic

Recall $T_+ = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_2} F(x) \quad (= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_2^-} F(x))$



$\phi(t)$ asymptotically approaches $+\infty$, as $t \uparrow T_+$,
 so this function cannot be continuously extended



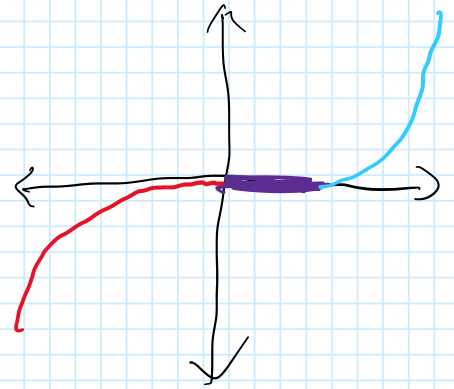
$\phi(t)$ approaches a finite T_+ , and $f(x_2) = 0$.
 So we can extend the constant solution.

Odd behavior can appear when $f(x_0) = 0$

Ex. $f(x) = \sqrt{|x|}$, $x_0 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{(t-t_0)^2}{4}, & t \leq t_0 \\ 0, & t_0 \leq t \leq t_1 \\ \frac{(t-t_1)^2}{4}, & t_1 \leq t \end{cases}$$

(Ex. 1.33)
Tesch)



Conclusion: We can usually integrate to get solutions for 1st order autonomous ODEs.

But, solutions might only exist locally in t .

And, solutions might not be unique

Levels of Abstraction

More abstract/general

$$F(t, x, x', x'', \dots, x^{(k)}) = 0 \quad \text{(general ODE)}$$

$$x^{(k)} = f(t, x, x', \dots, x^{(k-1)}) \quad \text{(explicit form for kth-order)}$$

first order ($x' = f(t, x)$), second order ($x'' = f(t, x, x')$),

first order autonomous ($\dot{x} = f(x)$), separable ($\dot{x} = g(t)f(x)$),

More specific/applied

$$\dot{x} = -kx, \quad \dot{x} = ax + b, \quad \ddot{x} = c_1 \sin(x) + c_2 \cos(x), \dots$$

$$\dot{x} = -5x, \quad \dot{x} = 5x + 2, \dots$$

radiocarbon dating, compound interest, falling objects

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Example $\dot{x} = x^2$, $x(0) = x_0$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2$$

If $x_0 \neq 0$, $\frac{dx}{x^2} = dt$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2} = \int dt + C$$

$$-\frac{1}{x} = t + C$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = -t + C$$

$$x = \frac{1}{-t + C}$$

$$x(0) = \frac{1}{0 + C} = x_0$$

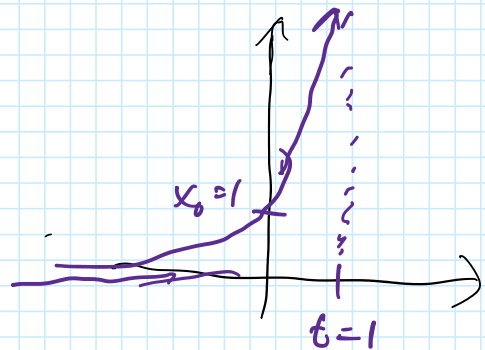
$$\frac{1}{C} = x_0$$

$$C = \frac{1}{x_0}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{-t + \frac{1}{x_0}} = \frac{x_0}{1 - x_0 t}$$

Include explicit transforms for constants

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{x} = t + C_1 \\ \frac{1}{x} = -t + C_2, \quad C_2 = -C_1 \\ x = \frac{1}{-t + C_2} \end{array} \right)$$



If $x_0 = 0$, and you plugged it in

$$x = \frac{0}{1 - 0} = 0.$$

This is a solution, though not one given by our solving method. (since $x_0 = 0$ is not allowed, in division)

Note: Whenever we do integration, we often end up with not just one solution, but an entire family of solutions because of constants.

Define A k -parameter family of solutions for an ODE to be a solution that has k constant terms C_1, \dots, C_k

Ex. $f''''(t) = 5$

$$f'''(t) = 5t + C_1$$

$$f''(t) = \frac{5}{2}t^2 + C_1t + C_2$$

$$f'(t) = \frac{5}{6}t^3 + \frac{1}{2}C_1t^2 + C_2t + C_3$$

$$f(t) = \frac{5}{24}t^4 + \frac{1}{6}C_1t^3 + \frac{1}{2}C_2t^2 + C_3t + C_4$$

4-parameter family

Ex. $\hat{x}(t) = x^2(t)$

(from above)

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{-t+C}$$

← 1-parameter family

$$x(t) = \frac{x_0}{1-x_0t}$$

← 1-parameter family with constant x_0

Ex. $y'' - y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow y = C_1e^x + C_2e^{-x}$$

↖ 2 parameter family

We haven't learned how to solve this yet, but you plug & check.

$$y' = C_1e^x - C_2e^{-x}$$

$$y'' = C_1e^x + C_2e^{-x} = y$$

For many (but not all) ODEs, we can say that a k th-order ODE has a k -parameter family of solutions

Def. A particular solution is a solution that has no arbitrary constants

Def. A general solution is a k -parameter family of

Def. (Tenenbaum) A **general** solution is a **k-parameter** family of solutions that contains every **particular** solution.

Note: I will sometimes use **general** to mean the collection of all solutions

Using this terminology, we say that we can find a **1-parameter** family of solutions to a **1st-order autonomous ODE** by integrating. If $f(x) \neq 0$, $\dot{x} = f(x)$ anywhere in the domain, that **1-parameter** family of solutions is **general**.

Other types of ODEs

Separable coefficients

Define: A separable first-order ODE is an ODE that can be rewritten

$$\dot{x}(t, x) = g(t) f(x).$$

(or equivalently, $g(t)dt + f(x)dx = 0$)

We can solve separable equations like we solved 1st order autonomous using the same ruse.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = g(t) f(x)$$

$$\frac{dx}{f(x)} = g(t) dt$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{f(x)} = \int g(t) dt, \quad \text{so long as } f(x) \neq 0.$$

Ex. $\dot{x}(t, x) = \sin(t) \cdot (x+1)$

$$\frac{dx}{df} = \sin(t) \cdot (x+1)$$

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$$\frac{dx}{x+1} = \sin(t) dt$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x+1} = \int \sin(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x > -1, \quad \ln(x+1) &= -\cos(t) + C \\ x+1 &= e^{-\cos(t) + C} \\ x+1 &= C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C > 0 \\ x &= -1 + C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x < -1, \quad \ln(-x-1) &= -\cos(t) + C \\ -x-1 &= e^{-\cos(t) + C} \\ -x-1 &= C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C > 0 \\ x+1 &= -C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C > 0 \\ x &= -1 - C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } x_0 = -1, \quad x = -1.$$

So now we can rewrite as a single **general** solution,

$$x = -1 + C e^{-\cos(t)}, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}$$

↕ 1-parameter family

Ex 6.7

Terenbaum

Find a particular solution of $xy^2 dx + (1-x)dy = 0$
for which $y(2) = 1$.

Let's rewrite this in separated form

$$xy^2 dx + (1-x)dy = 0$$

$$\text{Divide by } y(1-x): \quad \frac{x}{1-x} dx + \frac{1}{y^2} dy = 0$$

$$\int \frac{x}{1-x} dx + \int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = C$$

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

$$\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx - \int 1 dx + \int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = C$$

$$-\ln|1-x| - x - \frac{1}{y} = C$$

↑ 1 parameter family
of solutions (implicit)

Recall $y(2) = 1$ (i.e. $x=2, y=1$
is a point on the curve
of the particular solution)

$$-\ln|1-2| - 2 - 1 = C$$

$$0 - 2 - 1 = C$$

$$C = -3$$

Particular soln: $-\ln|1-x| - x - \frac{1}{y} = -3$

$$\ln|1-x| + x + \frac{1}{y} = 3$$

Homogeneous coefficients - do NOT confuse with homogeneous linear ODEs which don't have a $g(t)$ term.

Def. Let $z = f(x, y)$ be a function of x and y .
 $f(x, y)$ is homogeneous of order n if it can
be written as $f(x, y) = x^n g(u)$, where $u = \frac{y}{x}$
or $f(x, y) = y^n g(u)$, where $u = \frac{x}{y}$

Ex. $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \log \frac{y}{x}$, $x > 0, y > 0$.
 $f(r, r) = r^2(1 + 1) = 2r^2$

Ex. $f(x, y) = x + y \log \frac{y}{x}$, x^{-u} , y^{-u} .

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

Substituting in $u = \frac{y}{x}$, $f(x, y) = x^2 (1 + u^2 \log u)$

Thus $x^2 + y^2 \log \frac{y}{x}$ is homogeneous of order 2.

Alternately, $f(x, y) = y^2 \left(\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \log \frac{y}{x} \right)$

$$= y^2 (u^2 + \log \frac{1}{u}) = y^2 (u^2 - \log u)$$

is still homogeneous of order 2.

Alternately, an equivalent definition is that a function $f(x, y)$ is **homogeneous of order n** if

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

Ex. $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \log \frac{y}{x}$

$$f(tx, ty) = t^2 x^2 + t^2 y^2 \log \frac{ty}{tx} = t^2 (x^2 + y^2 \log \frac{y}{x})$$

Are the following homogeneous? What order?

1. $e^{y/x} + \tan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$. Set $u = \frac{y}{x}$. $\Rightarrow (e^u + \tan u) x^0$

2. $x^2 + \sin x \cos y$

homogeneous order 0 \rightarrow

not homogeneous

substitute tx, ty

3. $\sqrt{x+y}$

order $\frac{1}{2}$.

$$\sqrt{tx+ty} = t^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{x+y}$$

4. $\sqrt{x^2 + 3xy + 2y^2}$

order 1.

5. $x^4 - 3x^3y + 5y^2x^2 - 2y^4$ - order 4

Theorem 7.32

Given an ODE $P(x, y)dx + Q(x, y)dy = 0$,

(Trenbaum)

where $P(x, y)$ and $Q(x, y)$ are homogeneous with the same order, the substitution

$y = ux$, $dy = u dx + x du$
leads to a separable ODE in u and x .

Ex. $2ye^{x/y} dx + (y - 2xe^{x/y}) dy = 0$

Note $2ye^{x/y}$ is homogeneous with order 1
 $y - 2xe^{x/y}$ is " " " " " "

Let $x = uy$ $dx = u dy + y du$

$$2ye^u (u dy + y du) + (y - 2uye^u) dy = 0$$

$$\underline{2uye^u dy} + 2y^2 e^u du + y dy - \underline{2uye^u dy} = 0$$

$$2y^2 e^u du + y dy = 0$$

$$2e^u du + \frac{1}{y} dy = 0$$

$$2e^u + \ln|y| = C$$

$$2e^{x/y} + \ln|y| = C.$$