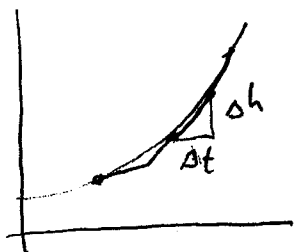


Week 2 summary:

- Plotting solutions to autonomous ODE's ( $y'$  doesn't depend on  $t$ ).
- Euler's method:  $y' = f(t, y)$ .



Given  $(t_0, y_0)$  & stepsize  $h$  (i.e.,  $y(t_0) = y_0$ )

Method:  $(t_{k+1}, y_{k+1}) = (t_k + \underbrace{h}_{\Delta t}, y_k + \underbrace{h f(t_k, y_k)}_{\Delta y})$

- Solving ODEs by separation of variables.
- Difference between the general solution & a particular solution (with initial conditions).
- Another situation modeled by decay  $\rightarrow$  value ODE: Falling objects with air resistance:  $v' = \frac{\Gamma}{m} \left( \frac{-mg}{r} - v \right)$

Linear equations

Recall high school algebra:

A linear equation is  $f(x) = ax + b$ .

In Math 208:

$\Delta$  (1<sup>st</sup> order) linear differential equation is  $y' = a(t)y + f(t)$   
(wrt  $y$ ,  $a(t)$  &  $f(t)$  are constants)

$\Delta$  (1<sup>st</sup> order) homogeneous linear diff. eqn is  $y' = a(t)y$ .

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Ex: $y' = t^2 y + 5$	linear
$y' = t y^2 + 5$	non-linear
$y' = t \sin y$	non-linear
$y' = (\sin t) y$	linear, homogeneous
$y' = t^3 - 2t^2 + t + 1$	linear
$y' = y \cdot y'$	non-linear.

We've seen how to solve homogeneous ODE's, say  $y' = a(t) y$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = a(t) y \Rightarrow \int \frac{dy}{y} = \int a(t) dt \Rightarrow \ln |y| = \int a(t) dt + C$$

$$|y| = e^{\int a(t) dt + C} \Rightarrow |y| = e^C e^{\int a(t) dt} \Rightarrow y(t) = C e^{\int a(t) dt}$$

Now that we can solve  $\underbrace{y'(t) = a(t) y(t)}_{\text{homogeneous eq'n}}$ , let's solve  $\underbrace{y'(t) = a(t) y(t) + f(t)}_{\text{inhomogeneous eq'n}}$

Method #1: Integrating factor ("product rule in reverse").

Write as  $\boxed{y' - a(t) y(t) = f(t)}$

\* Multiply both sides by  $e^{-\int a(t) dt}$  "integrating factor"

$$e^{-\int a(t) dt} y' - a(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} y = f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt}$$

$$\left( y e^{-\int a(t) dt} \right)' = f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} \quad \text{Now integrate both sides.}$$

$$y(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} = \int f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} dt \quad \text{solving for } y(t) \dots$$

$$y(t) = e^{\int a(t) dt} \int f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} dt$$

Example:  $y' = 2y + t$ . Think: why won't sep of vars. work?

$$y' - 2y = t \quad \text{Integrating factor: } e^{-2t}$$

$$y' e^{-2t} - 2y e^{-2t} = t e^{-2t}$$

$$\int (y e^{-2t})' = \int t e^{-2t}$$

$$y e^{-2t} = \frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} (2t + 1) + C$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{4} + C e^{2t}$$

Check:  $y'(t) = \frac{1}{2} + 2C e^{2t} - 2$

$$-2y(t) = t + \frac{1}{2} + 2C e^{2t}$$

$$y' - 2y = t \quad \checkmark \quad (\text{i.e., } y(t) \text{ solves this ODE})$$

Let's practice getting the integrating factor

•  $y' + 4y = t^2$  int. factor  $e^{4t}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{4t} = 4e^{4t}$

$$e^{4t} y' + 4e^{4t} y = t^2 e^{4t}$$

$$(e^{4t} y)' = t^2 e^{4t} \quad \text{now integrate \& solve...}$$

•  $y' + (\sin t) y = 1$  int. factor  $e^{\cos t}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\cos t} = \sin t e^{\cos t}$

$$e^{\cos t} y' + \sin t e^{\cos t} y = e^{\cos t}$$

$$(e^{\cos t} y)' = e^{\cos t}$$

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•  $y' - 12t^5 y = t^3$  int. factor  $e^{-2t^6}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{-2t^6} = -12t^5 e^{-2t^6}$   
 $e^{-2t^6} y' - 12t^5 e^{-2t^6} y = e^{-2t^6} t^3$   
 $(e^{-2t^6} y)' = e^{-2t^6} t^3$

•  $y' + \frac{1}{t} y = 1$  int. factor  $e^{\ln t} = t$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\ln t} = \frac{d}{dt} t = 1$   
 $e^{\ln t} y' + \frac{1}{t} e^{\ln t} y = 1$   
 $t y' + y = 1$   
 $(t y)' = 1$

Method #2 (For solving 1<sup>st</sup> order linear ODEs): Variation of parameters

Example:  $y' = 2y + t$

Step 1: solve the "homogeneous part":  $y_h' = 2y_h$

e.g.,  $y_h(t) = C e^{2t}$

Step 2: Assume the gen'l sol'n is of the form  $y(t) = v(t) y_h(t)$ .

e.g.,  $y(t) = v(t) e^{2t}$

Step 3: Plug this into the ODE & solve for  $v(t)$

e.g.,  $y' = 2y + t$

$$(v e^{2t})' = 2v e^{2t} + v' e^{2t}$$

$$\cancel{2v e^{2t}} + v' e^{2t} = \cancel{2v e^{2t}} + t$$

$$v' e^{2t} = t$$

$$v' = t e^{-2t} \Rightarrow \int v'(t) = \int t e^{-2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = -\frac{1}{2} t e^{-2t} - \frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} + C$$

Step 4: Plug back into  $y(t) = v(t) y_h(t)$

e.g.,  $y(t) = (-\frac{1}{2}t e^{-2t} - \frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} + C) e^{2t}$

$y(t) = -\frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{4} + C e^{2t}$

Both Integrating Factor & Variation of Parameters "work equally well."

Structure of the general soln of a 1<sup>st</sup> order linear ODE:

$y' = ay + f$

Solution has the form  $y(t) = v(t) y_h(t)$ , where  $y_h(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt}$

It can be shown that  $v'(t) = \frac{f(t)}{y_h(t)}$  (plug  $y(t) = v(t) y_h(t)$  into  $y' = ay + f$  & solve for  $v(t)$ ; it's a bit messy)

Thus,  $v(t) = \int f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} dt + C$

plug this back into  $y = v y_h$ , to get...

(\*)  $y(t) = y_h(t) \int f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} dt + C y_h(t)$

Now, let  $y_p(t)$  be any particular soln to the ODE.

Then,  $y_p(t)$  is of the form in (\*) for some C, let's say

(\*\*)  $y_p(t) = y_h(t) \int f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt} dt + C_p y_h(t)$

Now, subtract (\*) - (\*\*)

$y(t) - y_p(t) = (C - C_p) y_h(t)$ , let  $A = C - C_p$ .

This is a soln to homog. eq'n.

Thus,  $y(t) - y_p(t) = A y_h(t)$ , i.e.,  $y(t) = A y_h(t) + y_p(t)$

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\* Big idea: The solution of a linear 1<sup>st</sup> order ODE has the form

$$y(t) = C y_h(t) + y_p(t) \quad (\text{or just } y(t) = y_h(t) + y_p(t), \text{ assuming that } "y_h(t) \text{ has } C")$$

Application: Solve  $T' = -k(T - A)$ . (quickly!)

Homog. eq'n  $T_h' = -k T_h$  has sol'n  $T_h(t) = C e^{-kt}$

Find any particular sol'n:  $T_p(t) = A$  clearly works!

Thus, the general sol'n is  $T(t) = T_h(t) + T_p(t) = A + C e^{-kt}$ .

\* Note: If our ODE is autonomous, then there is always a const. sol'n!

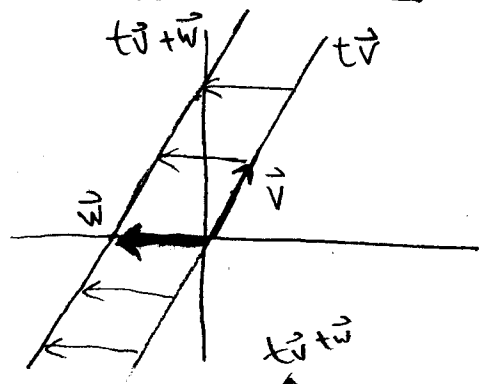
Think: What does this remind you of?

i.e., where have we seen this before?

$$y(t) = C \underbrace{y_h(t)}_t + \underbrace{y_p(t)}_{\vec{w}} \quad \begin{matrix} C \in (-\infty, \infty) \\ t \in (-\infty, \infty) \end{matrix}$$

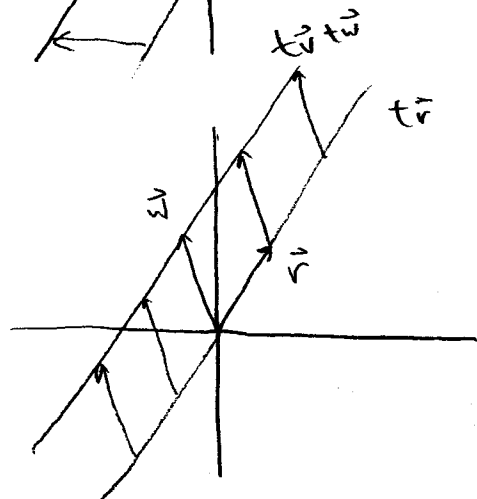
Recall vector calculus:  $l = t\vec{v}$  is a line thru  $\vec{0}$  ( $y = mx$ )

i.e., homogeneous.



Q: How do we parametrize a line not thru  $\vec{0}$ ?

A: Add  $\vec{w}$  to  $t\vec{v}$ , where  $\vec{w}$  is any vector on the line.



Q: Does "any" vector on  $l$  work?

A: Yes!!! Any particular vector works, i.e., any (linear) line can be expressed as  $C\vec{v}_h + \vec{v}_p$ ,  $C \in (-\infty, \infty)$ , i.e.,  $t\vec{v} + \vec{w}$ ,  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .

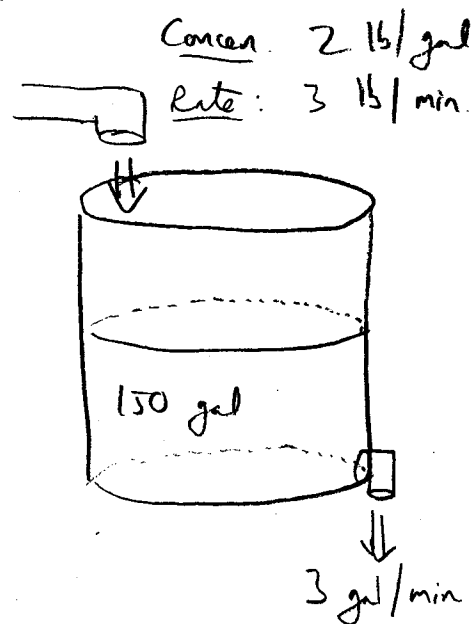
Some more modeling applications with 1<sup>st</sup> order ODEs:

Mixing problems

Idea: Tank of fresh water.

Salt water flows in at some rate  
Water drains at some rate.

Q: What is the concentration of salt at some time  $t$ ?



Let  $x(t)$  = # pounds of salt in the tank,

i.e.,  $\frac{x(t)}{\text{Vol}}$  = concentration of salt.

\* Big idea: "rate of change of salt = rate in - rate out"  
 $x'(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rate in} &= (\text{volume rate}) (\text{concentration}) \\ &= (3 \text{ gal/min}) (2 \text{ lb/gal}) = 6 \text{ lb/min} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rate out} &= (\text{volume rate}) (\text{concentration}) \\ &= (3 \text{ gal/min}) \left( \frac{x(t) \text{ lb}}{150 \text{ gal}} \right) = \frac{1}{50} x(t) \text{ lb/min} \end{aligned}$$

Putting this together,  $x'(t) = 6 - \frac{1}{50} x(t)$

Note: This problem had:

- one tank
- vol rate in = vol rate out

But these need not hold!

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Let's solve  $x' + \frac{1}{50}x = 6$

Note: we could use:

- (i) Separation of variables
- (ii) integrating factor
- (iii) variation of parameters
- (iv)  $y(t) = y_h(t) + y_p(t)$ .

Let's use (iv), it's much easier!

Since our ODE is autonomous & linear, there's a const. sol'n:

$$x_p(t) = A \Rightarrow x_p'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 + \frac{1}{50}A = 6 \Rightarrow A = 300$$

Also, the homog. eq'n  $x_h' = -\frac{1}{50}x_h$  has sol'n  $x_h(t) = Ce^{-\frac{1}{50}t}$

Thus, the general sol'n is  $x(t) = x_h(t) + x_p(t)$

$$x(t) = Ce^{-\frac{1}{50}t} + 300$$

Recall: Tank initially contains fresh water:  $x(0) = 0$

$$x(0) = 300 + C = 0 \Rightarrow C = -300$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = 300 - 300e^{-\frac{1}{50}t}$$

Note:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 300$  i.e., the amount of salt approaches 300 lbs.

Does this make sense???

Check: As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , concent  $\rightarrow 2$  lb/gal; vol = 150 gal. ✓

Note: Mathematically, this is the same as:

- Newton's law of heating/cooling
- Terminal velocity