

Classification of Differential Equations

- Partial Differential Equations $\frac{df}{dx_1}(\vec{x}) = g_0(\vec{x}) + \sum_{j=2}^{\dim} g_j(\vec{x}) \frac{dx_j}{dx_1}$

Not in AM II, but terms like Gradient, Jacobian, Hessian, directional derivative, tangential plane, theorem of Schwarz are needed

- Ordinary Differential Equations (ODE): $F(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(n)}) = 0$

– Explicit, homogen, first order ODE: $y'(x) - f(x, y(x)) = 0$

* Calculation of the antiderivative: $y'(x) = f(x)$ Integration

- Partial Integration (p.I.)
- Substitution Method (Sub.)
- Partial Fraction Decomposition (PFD)
- Trapezoidal Rule (num.)
- Simpson's Rule (num.)

* Separable ODE: $y'(x) = f(y(x))g(x)$ Separation of Variables

* Similarity ODE: $y'(x) = f(\frac{y(x)}{x})$ Sub. $z(x) = \frac{y(x)}{x}$

* Bernoulli ODE: $y'(x) + g(x)y(x) + h(x)(y(x))^\alpha$ Sub. $z(x) = y(x)^{1-\alpha}$

– Explicit, homogen, n -th order ODE ($n > 1$): $y^{(n)}(x) - f(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(n-1)}) = 0$

* ODE with Constant Coefficients: $\sum_j a_j y^{(j)}(x) = 0$ Ansatz: $y(x) = e^{\lambda x}$

* Euler ODE: $\sum_j a_j x^j y^{(j)}(x) = 0$ Sub. $y(x) = z(\ln|x|)$ or Power Ansatz: $y(x) = x^\lambda$

* Autonomous ODE: $y^{(n)}(x) = f(y, y', \dots, y^{(n-1)})$ Sub. $p(y) = y'(x(y))$

* Bessel ODE: $x^2 y''(x) + x y'(x) + (x^2 - n^2) y(x) = 0$ No closed form - definition of the Bessel function $J_n(x)$

* Reduction of Order (of d'Alembert) $y(x) = y_0(x)z(x)$ where $y_0(x)$ is a solution of the ODE

* Euler Method (num.)

* Runge-Kutta Method (num.)

– Explicit, non homogen ODE: $y^{(n)}(x) - f(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(n-1)}) = g(x)$

$y(x) = y_{hom}(x) + y_p(x)$

* Variation of Constants $y_{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n}(x) \rightarrow y_{c_1(x), c_2(x), \dots, c_n(x)}(x)$

* Undetermined Coefficients

– Linear Systems of ODEs:

* First order: $\vec{y}'(\vec{x}) = \mathcal{A}\vec{x}$ Calculation of Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$\vec{y}(x) = \sum_\lambda c_\lambda e^{\lambda x} \vec{e}_\lambda$

– Power Series Method $y(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j x^j$

– Laplace Transformation $(\mathcal{L}y)(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sx} y(x) dx$

– Fourier Transformation $(\mathcal{F}y)(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-isx} y(x) dx$

If initial values for the function (and if necessary for their derivations) are given one call it an Initial Value Problem (IVP)