

# Analysis 3 Exercise 1

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# About Me

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The polybox link for this semester:

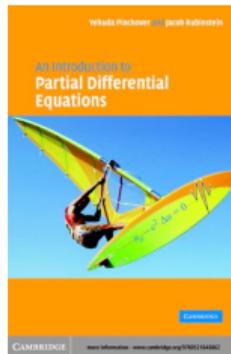
`https://www.polybox.ethz.ch/index.php/s/Elu2hUEoX3pXzgV`

# Course Materials

Course Website:

<https://metaphor.ethz.ch/x/2022/hs/401-0353-00L/>

Additional reading:



There is no bonus for this course.

However, the Series each week are concise and helpful for understanding the materials.

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# Course Overview

- 1st order PDEs
  - Quasilinear first order PDEs
    - ▶ Method of characteristics
    - ▶ Conservation laws
- 2nd order PDEs
  - Hyperbolic PDEs
    - ▶ Wave equation
    - ▶ D'Alembert formula
    - ▶ Separation of variables
  - Parabolic PDEs
    - ▶ Heat equation
    - ▶ Maximum principle
    - ▶ Separation of variables
  - Elliptic PDEs
    - ▶ Laplace equation
    - ▶ Maximum principle
    - ▶ Separation of variables

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# Motivation for PDEs

## Maxwell's Equations

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) = \rho_0(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{D}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{j}_0(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

*solution is a vector field*

## The Schrödinger Equation

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x})\right] \Psi(\vec{x}, t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\vec{x}, t)$$

*solution is a scalar multivariable function  
we will focus on these equations in Analysis 3*

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# Equations

## Polynomial Equations

$$x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

Solution:

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 3$$

## Ordinary Differential Equations

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{y}(t) - \dot{y}(t) - 6y(t) = 0 \\ y(0) = 1 \\ \dot{y}(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{5}e^{-2t} + \frac{4}{5}e^{3t}$$

2nd order, linear, homogeneous ODE  
Solution space: 2-dimensional  $\mathbb{R}$ -Vector space  
General Solution: linear combinations  
of two linearly independent functions

## Partial Differential Equations

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt}(x, t) - c^2 u_{xx}(x, t) = 0 \\ u(x, t = 0) = \sin(x) \\ u_t(x, t = 0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

$$u(x, t) = \frac{\sin(x + ct) + \sin(x - ct)}{2}$$

solution is a function  
with more than one  
independent variable

# Definitions for ODEs

## General Definition

$$F(t, x, x', \dots, x^{(n-1)}) = x^{(n)}$$

1. order:

The highest derivative in the equation.

In this case:  $n$ .

2. linear:

$y$  and its derivatives do not appear as powers or in other functions, but always directly as a summand, that is at most multiplied by a factor, i.e. can be written in the following form:

$$x^{(n)}(t) + a_{n-1}(t)x^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + a_1(t)\dot{x}(t) + a_0(t)x(t) = s(t)$$

3. homogeneous:

$$s(t) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}[u(t)] = s(t) \quad \mathcal{L}[v(t)] = s(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[u-v] \stackrel{\text{if linear}}{=} \mathcal{L}[u] - \mathcal{L}[v]$$

4. constant variables =  $s(t) - s(t) = 0$

If the all the coefficients are constant.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x^{(n)}(t) \\ x^{(n-1)}(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}(t) \\ x(t) \end{bmatrix} = s(t)$$

$$x(t) \cdot x'(t) = s(t) \leftarrow \text{not linear}$$

# Ansatz 1: Exponential Ansatz

Illustration via example:  $y''(x) + 2y'(x) + 2y(x) = e^{3x}$  (linear, 2nd order, inhomogeneous)

solution = homogeneous + particular

homogeneous:

$$\text{Ansatz } y_h(x) = e^{\lambda x}$$

$$\lambda^2 e^{\lambda x} + 2\lambda e^{\lambda x} + 2e^{\lambda x} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -1 \pm i$$

$$y_h(x) = e^{-x} (C_1 \cos(x) + C_2 \sin(x))$$

particular:

$$s(x) = e^{3x}$$

$$\text{Ansatz: } y_p(x) = A_0 e^{3x}$$

$$9A_0 e^{3x} + 6A_0 e^{3x} + 2A_0 e^{3x} = e^{3x}$$

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{17}$$

$$y_p(x) = \frac{1}{17} e^{3x}$$

$$y(x) = e^{-x} (C_1 \cos(x) + C_2 \sin(x)) + \frac{1}{17} e^{3x}$$

need two linearly independent initial values  
to find out  $C_1$  &  $C_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \quad \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix}$$

# Ansatz 1: Exponential Function

## Special case

If the characteristic polynomial has the form:  $\lambda^2 + \lambda = 0$ . Then the general solution for the ODE is

$$y(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) + \beta \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x), & \lambda < 0 \\ \alpha + \beta x, & \lambda = 0 \\ \alpha \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + \beta \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x), & \lambda > 0 \end{cases}$$

## Ansatz 2: Method of Integrating Factors

Illustration via example:  $x'(t) + \lambda x(t) = 1, x(0) = x_0.$

$$e^{\lambda t} x'(t) + e^{\lambda t} \cdot \lambda x(t) = e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{\lambda t} x(t)) = e^{\lambda t}$$

$$e^{\lambda t} x(t) = \int e^{\lambda t} dt$$

$$e^{\lambda t} x(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{\lambda t} + C$$

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

$$x(0) = x_0 \rightarrow C = x_0 - \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda} + (x_0 - \frac{1}{\lambda}) e^{-\lambda t}$$

In general:  $x'(t) + p(t)x(t) = f(t)$

$$r(t)x'(t) + r(t)p(t)x(t) = r(t)f(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[r(t)x(t)] = r(t)f(t)$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{r(t)} \int r(t)f(t) dt$$

$$r(t) = e^{\int p(t) dt}$$

$$x'(t) + 4x(t) = e^{-t} \quad x(0) = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$e^{4t} x'(t) + e^{4t} 4x(t) = e^{3t}$$

$$(e^{4t} x(t))' = e^{3t}$$

$$e^{4t} x(t) = \int e^{3t} dt$$

$$e^{4t} x(t) = \frac{1}{3} e^{3t} + C$$

$$x(t) = e^{-4t} \left[ \frac{1}{3} e^{3t} + C \right] = \frac{1}{3} e^{-t} + C e^{-4t}$$

$$x(0) = \frac{4}{3} \rightarrow C = 1$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{3} e^{-t} + e^{-4t}$$

## Ansatz 3: Separation of Variables

Illustration via example:  $y'(t) = y^2(t)t + t$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = t(y^2 + 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{y^2 + 1} = t dt$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^2 + 1} = \int t dt$$

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

$$y(t) = \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}t^2 + C\right)$$

$$t^3 x'(t) + 4t^2 x(t) = 0$$

$$x'(t) = -\frac{4}{t} x(t)$$

$$\frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{4}{t} dt$$

$$\frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{4}{t} dt$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x} = \int -\frac{4}{t} dt$$

$$\ln|x| = \ln|t|^{-4} + C$$

$$x(t) = D \cdot t^{-4}$$

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# General introduction to PDEs

## Definition

A partial differential equation, or PDE, is an equation involving an unknown function of more than one variable and certain of its partial derivatives.

The general form of a PDE for a function  $u(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is  $F(x_1, x_2, \dots, u, u_{x_1}, u_{x_2}, \dots, u_{x_{11}}) = 0$

1. Order: highest order partial derivative of the function with respect to any variable.

2. Linearity:  $\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u \\ u_x \\ u_y \\ \vdots \\ u_{\dots} \end{bmatrix} = \dots$  i.e.  $\begin{bmatrix} t \\ t^2 \\ x \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u \\ u_t \\ u_x \end{bmatrix} = 0$   $t u + t^2 u_t + x u_x = 0$  is linear  
 $u_t + u u_x = 0$  is not linear, i.e. can't be written in such form

3. Quasi-linearity: linear with respect to the highest order derivative

subset of non-linear PDE  $\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_{xx} \\ u_{yy} \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} = \dots$   $u_x^2 + u_y^2 + u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$  is quasilinear  
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_{xy} \\ u_{yy} \end{bmatrix} + u_x^2 + u_y^2 = 0$

4. homogeneous: every term that doesn't depend on  $u$  is equal to 0.

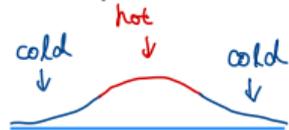
# Exercises on classification

	linear?	order?	quasi-linear?
1. $uu_x + x^2u_y = u^3$	×	1	✓
2. $uu_x + u^2u_y + u = e^4$	×	1	✓
3. $u_xu_y = x^2y$	×	1	×
4. $u_t = u_yu_{xx} + u^2u_{yy} + u_x^2$	×	2	✓
5. $u_{xy}^2 = xu + u_y$	×	2	×
6. $u_x + u_{tt} + 2u = e^x$	✓	2	
7. $u_x + u_{tt} + 3uu_x = e^x$	×	2	✓
8. $u_{xx} + u_t^2 + e^u = 0$	×	2	✓
9. $u_{xx}^2 + u_t + e^u = 0$	×	2	×
10. $u\sin(u_x) + u_{yy} = 0$	×	2	✓

# Initial and Boundary Conditions

Why do we need initial and boundary conditions?

Example:  $u_t = u_{xx}$  heat equation



after time  $t$  →



$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + t$$

$$u(x,t) = e^x e^t$$

both valid solutions but not physical

Initial Conditions:

$$u(x, t_0) = f(x)$$

$$u_t(x, t_0) = g(x)$$

# initial conditions = highest order of time derivative

Boundary Conditions:

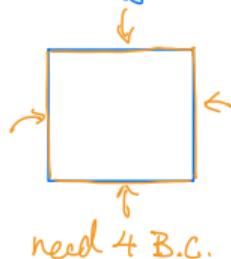
$$u(x=0, t) = f(t)$$

$$u_x(x=0, t) = g(t)$$

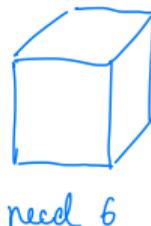
$$u_{xx} = u_{tt}$$



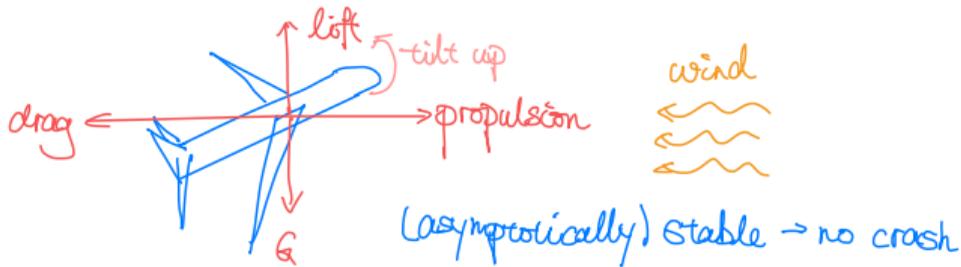
$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = u_{tt}$$



$$u_{xxx} + u_{yyy} + u_{zz} = u_{ttt}$$

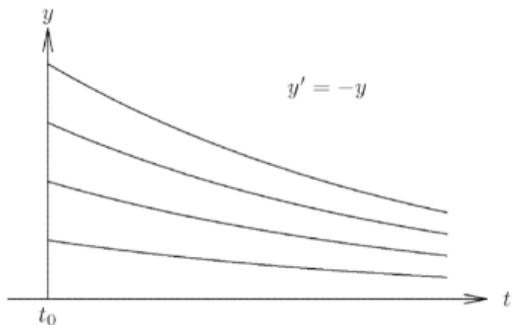


# Well-posed Problem

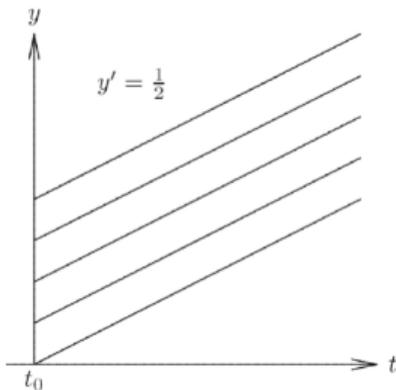


Existence + Uniqueness + Stability

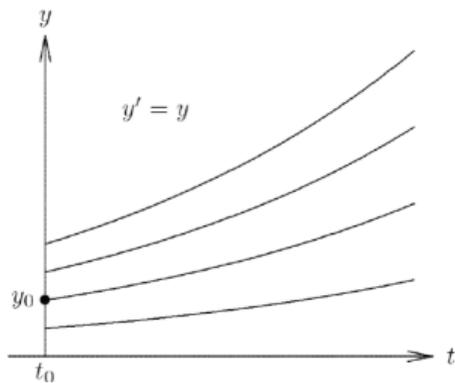
The graphs are just for intuition/illustration



asymptotically stable



stable



unstable

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# Tips for Exercise 1

1. Classification of PDEs
2. Solutions to ODEs (Important for later)
  - (a): Separation of Variables
  - (b): particular solution or Method of Integrating factors
  - (c): as (b)
  - (d): as (b)
  - (e): as (b)
  - (f): Exponential Ansatz, case studies on  $\lambda$
3. Nonexistence of solutions
  - Try to find  $u_{xy}$  and  $u_{yx}$ . What do you notice?
4. Existence of infinite solutions
  - Try polynomials.
5. Multiple Choice
  - (c) If  $v = e^u$ , how to express  $u$  in terms of  $v$ ?

Peers found useful:

1. Introduction to PDEs:  
3Blue1Brown's Playlist on Differential Equations  
<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZHQObOWTQDNPOjrT6KVIfJuKtYTftqH6>
2. More on ODEs:  
"Ordinary Differential Equations" by Vladimir I. Arnol'd

Additional reading:

1. Chapter 1.5 in the lecture notes: Modelling a stock market

References:

1. Lecture notes on the course website.
2. "An Introduction to Partial Differential Equations" by Yehuda Pinchover and Jacob Rubinstein
3. Princeton University Lecture notes