

Brief summary of last week.

We have covered different types of ODEs.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \quad \text{Review of calculus / simplest ODE}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y) \quad \text{separable ODE}$$

$$\text{Reducible to separable} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(ax+by+c) \quad \text{Type I} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy}{dx} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad \text{Scale invariant ODE (Type II)} \end{array} \right.$$

TODAY

Examples

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x+iy)e^x \quad \text{separable!}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \tanh x \quad \text{simplest (calculus)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{5x-2y} \quad \text{reducible to separable type I.}$$

Scale invariant ODE

Scale invariant 1st-order ODEs are of the type

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

They are called scale-invariant because they are invariant under the transformation

$$\begin{aligned}x &\rightarrow kx && \text{where } k \in \mathbb{R} \\y &\rightarrow ky\end{aligned}$$

Given $\frac{dy}{dx} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ under the scale transformation we have

$$\text{LHS: } \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{d(ky)}{d(kx)} = \frac{kdy}{kdx} = \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{invariant} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{RHS: } f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \rightarrow f\left(\frac{ky}{kx}\right) = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad \text{invariant} \quad \checkmark$$

Solution of a scale-invariant 1st-order ODE

These ODEs are separable upon a change of variable
(reducible to separable - Type II)

① We will denote $z = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow y = z \cdot x$ where $z = z(x)$

We observe that $y' = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = f(z)$ (1)

② We differentiate $y(x) = z(x) \cdot x$ with respect to x

$$y' = z + z' \cdot x = f(z) \quad \Rightarrow \quad z' \cdot x + z = f(z)$$

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using (1)

of the type

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = g(z) \tilde{f}(x)$$

$$\text{where } g(z) = f(z) - z \\ \tilde{f}(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$z' = \frac{f(z) - z}{x}$$
$$\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{f(z) - z}{x}$$

separable!

③ We solve $z' = \frac{f(z) - z}{x}$ by separation of variables
finding $z = z(x)$.

④ We solve for $y(x)$ by using

$$y(x) = z(x) \cdot x$$

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Example

$$x y' = y - x e^{y/x}$$

How to recognize this is a scale-invariant ODE?

a) Rearrange

b) Show the the ODE is invariant under scaling

$$\begin{aligned} x &\rightarrow kx \\ y &\rightarrow ky \end{aligned}$$

a) $y' = \frac{y}{x} - \frac{x}{x} e^{y/x} = \frac{y}{x} - e^{y/x} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ ✓

b) Invariant under scale transformation $\begin{cases} x \rightarrow kx \\ y \rightarrow ky \end{cases}$

ODE: $x y' = y - x e^{y/x}$

$$\frac{y}{x} \rightarrow \frac{y}{x}$$

$$y' \rightarrow y'$$

Note that y'' is NOT scale invariant
 $y'' = \frac{dy'}{dx} \rightarrow \frac{dy'}{dkx} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{dy'}{dx} = \frac{1}{k} y''$

LHS: $x y' \rightarrow (kx) y' = \boxed{k} (x y')$

RHS: $y - x e^{y/x} \rightarrow (ky) - (kx) e^{y/x} = \boxed{k} (y - x e^{y/x})$

$k(x y') = k(y - x e^{y/x})$ the ODE is scale invariant.

Solution of

$$xy' = y - x e^{y/x}$$

We write it in normal form

$$y' = \frac{y}{x} - e^{y/x} = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

① We put $z = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow y = z \cdot x$ $y' = f(z) = z - e^z$ (*)

② $y' = z' \cdot x + z = f(z) = z - e^z$

$$z' = \frac{f(z) - z}{x} = \frac{z - e^z - z}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow z' = -\frac{e^z}{x}$$
 Separable

③ Solve $\frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{e^z}{x}$ by separation of variables.

$$\int \frac{dz}{-e^z} = \int \frac{1}{x} dx + C'$$

LHS: $H(z) = -\int \frac{dz}{e^z} = -\int e^{-z} dz = e^{-z}$

RHS: $F(x) = \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x|$

$$H(z) = F(x) + C'$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-z} = \ln|x| + C'$$
 Implicit solution for $z = z(x)$

$$\Rightarrow -z = \ln(\ln|x| + C')$$

Explicit solution for $z = z(x)$

$$z = -\ln(\ln|x| + C)$$

(4) Solve for $y(x) = z(x) \cdot x$

$$y(x) = -x \ln(\ln|x| + C)$$

Explicit solution for
 $y = y(x)$

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