

Uses of Taylor Series

1. Paraxial Approximation in Optics
2. Numerical Differentiation
 - a. Expansions in time
 - b. Expansions in space
3. Numerical integration methods
4. Derivation of continuity equation.
 - a. Conservation of mass
 - b. Conservation of charge
 - c. Conservation of probability.

Taylor series is polynomial representation of function.

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i (x-x_e)^i = a_0 + a_1(x-x_e) + a_2(x-x_e)^2 + \dots$$

How to determine coefficients a_i ?

$$a_0 = f(x) \Big|_{x=x_e}$$

take differential

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i n (x-x_e)^{n-1}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{df(x)}{dx} \Big|_{x=x_e}$$

can repeat process finding

$$a_i = \frac{d^n f(x)}{n! dx^n} \Big|_{x=x_e}$$

Maclaurin Series

There are other basis functions we could expand into such as sinusoids.

Advantage of polynomial expansion?

Polynomials are easily integrated and differentiated.

Fourier Series is another expansion using sinusoids

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nx) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos(nx)$$

A sinusoid basis is useful because sinusoids are eigenfunctions of linear time invariant systems.

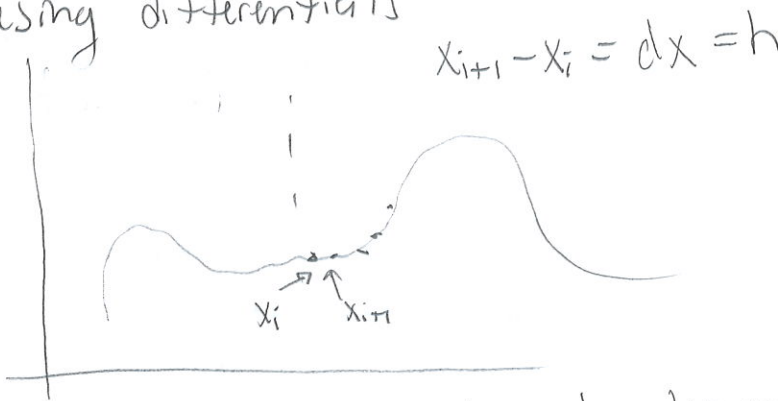
Example LTI system is network of resistors, capacitors, and inductors.

Back to Taylor series.

Much of the usefulness in numerical methods is Taylor series lets us approximate the differential.

1st. Note Taylor series lets us approximate an near by region using differentials

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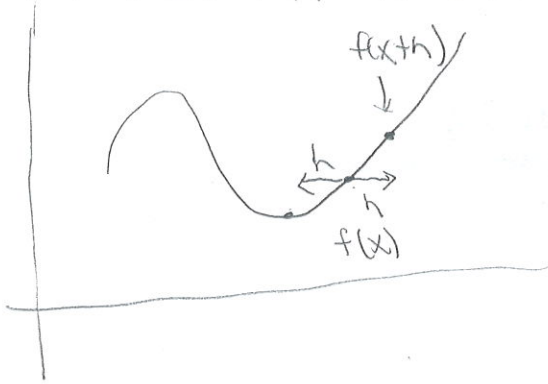


we can approximate $f(x_{i+1})$ with Taylor expansion about x_i

$$f(x_{i+1}) = f(x_i) + f'(x_i) \cdot (x_{i+1} - x_i) + \frac{f''(x_i)}{2} (x_{i+1} - x_i)^2$$

we can rearrange

Numerical Approx. of derivatives



Simple approximation is

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}; \text{ forward difference}$$

What is error. Estimate w/ Taylor series?

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x) - \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x)}{h}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + h \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x)$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h) + \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x)}{h}$$

What is error for average

$$\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x)}{2} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Taylor series expansions in 3 dimensions

$$f(x, y, z) = f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (x-x_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0)$$

S.D.T. \rightarrow

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left((x-x_0)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (x-x_0)(y-y_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (x-x_0)(z-z_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0)(z-z_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0)(z-z_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)(x-x_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial x} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)(y-y_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial y} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) \right) + R_3(x, y, z)$$

Notice χ -ing terms

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left((x-x_0)(z-z_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (x-x_0)(y-y_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial x} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (y-y_0)(z-z_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)(x-x_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial x} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)(y-y_0) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial y} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + (z-z_0)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} f(x_0, y_0, z_0) \right) + R_3(x, y, z)$$

Commutation of operators

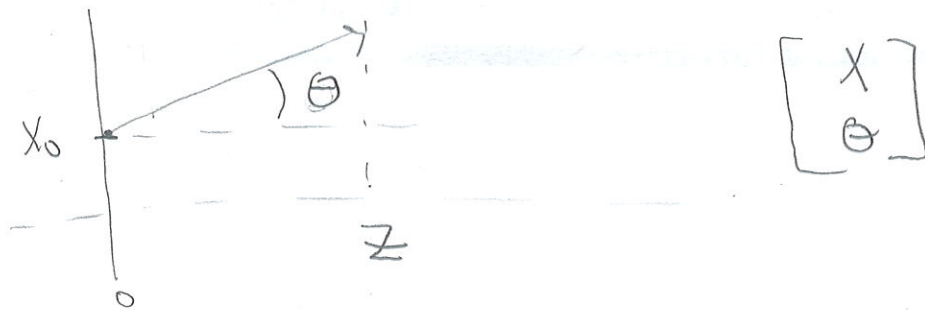
$$\text{is } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0?$$

$$[P_x, P_y] = 0 \quad p = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$P_x P_y - P_y P_x = 0$$

Paraxial Approximation,

Rayoptics Model Light as



new position of ray is $x_1 = x_0 + z \cdot \tan(\theta)$

would like to as matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_z \\ \theta_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & ? \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \theta_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$? = \tan(\theta)$$

not nice try expanding $\tan \theta$ around zero, small angle approx.

$$\tan(\theta) = \theta + \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} + \dots \quad \theta \text{ in radians}$$

$$\tan(\theta) \approx \theta$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_z \\ \theta_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \theta_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can come up with similar formulas for lens.

Additionally, often $k = \frac{z\pi}{\lambda}$

$$\vec{k} = k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z}$$

$$|\vec{k}|^2 = k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2$$

$$\text{Solve } k_z = \sqrt{|\vec{k}|^2 - (k_x^2 + k_y^2)}$$

enters $e^{-i k_z z}$

in s.f. domain Pg. 5/8

Z. Numerical integration of ODEs

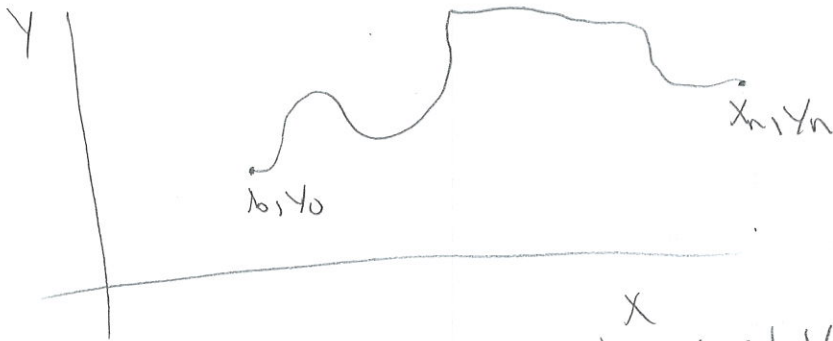
Solutions of

O. d. e.

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

What are we solving for?

Given initial conditions x_0, y_0 what is y_n @ x_n ?



Let's Taylor series expand y_n at y_n

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \cdot \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{y_n} + \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{y_n} h^2$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + f(x_n, y_n) h + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$y_{n+1} = y_n + f(x_n, y_n) h$ is Euler's method.

Expansions of space. Derivations of continuity equation.

Thermodynamic Laws. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0. \text{ Conservation of mass} \\ 1. \text{ Conservation of Energy} \\ 2. \text{ Entropy increases} \\ 3. T=0 \text{ on kelvin scale.} \end{array} \right.$

Continuity equation.

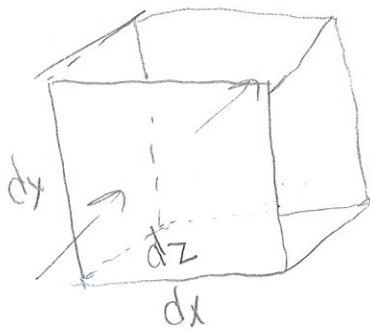
Continuity of mass: $-\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{V})$

Continuity of charge: $-\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}$

(consistent w/ Maxwell) \leftarrow current flux I/A

Continuity of mass is derived through Taylor expansion

Consider a cube containing a "liquid" with density ρ



mass inside volume is $\rho dx dy dz$

$dx dy dz = dV$

but what is the change in mass over time

$\frac{\partial \rho dV}{\partial t}$? must be equal to the mass in minus the mass out

$= \sum_{in} \rho A_{in} v_{in} - \sum_{out} \rho A_{out} v_{out}$

for x-face = $\rho \cdot v_x dy dz - \rho v_{x+dx} dy dz$

y-face = $\rho \cdot v_y dx dz - \rho v_{y+dy} dx dz$

= $\rho v_z dx dy - \rho v_{z+dz} dx dy$

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Can write V_{x+dx} as Taylor series expansion

$$V_{x+dx} = V_x + \frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x} \cdot dx$$

Similarly

$$V_{y+dy} = V_y + \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y} \cdot dy$$

Putting it together for the 3 faces

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} dV = \rho \frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x} dx dy dz + \rho \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y} dx dy dz + \rho \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial z} dx dy dz$$

$$\text{define } \nabla \triangleq \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{V} = \hat{i} V_x + \hat{j} V_y + \hat{k} V_z$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} dV = \rho (\nabla \cdot \vec{V}) dx dy dz$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{V})$$