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Geometric function series

Geometric function series is defined as follows:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(x)^n$$

The series is convergent if $|q| < 1$, where $q = f(x)$.

The sum is given as: $s(x) = \frac{1}{1 - f(x)}$

Geometric function series – Problem 1

Find the range of convergence: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$.

Solution:

Expanding the sum yields: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$
 Clearly, $a_1 = q = x$.

Because $|q| < 1$ we have $|x| < 1$. The range of convergence:

$$|x| < 1$$

Geometric function series – Problem 2

Find the sum of the series: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$.

Solution:

We already know that $a_1 = q = x$.

Using the formula for the sum yields: $s(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$

This result is valid for all x satisfying $|x| < 1$.

Geometric function series – Problem 3

Find the range of convergence and a sum of the series:

Solution: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)^n$

Solution:

$$a = \frac{1}{2}, \quad q = \frac{1}{2}$$

The convergence:

$$|q| < 1$$

Which yields:

$$K = (-\infty, \infty)$$

The sum:

$$s(x) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{x-1}{2}} = \frac{2}{2 - (x-1)} = \frac{2}{3-x}$$

Problems to solve

Find the range of convergence and a sum of the series:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} x^n$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} x^n$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n x^n$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} x^{2n}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^n$$

Differential equations

Differential equation (DE) is an equation that includes given function $y = f(x)$ and its derivatives.

Examples:

$y' + 2y = 5$ is a DE of the first order and degree 1.

$x^2 - 6xy - 5y = 0$ is a DE of the first order and degree 2.

$x^3 - x^5 x^2 - y^8 + 5x = 0$ is a DE of the second order and degree 3.

Differential equations – Types of a solution

DE can have three types of solutions:

- General solution
- Particular solution
- Singular solution

Differential equations – Types of a solution

Example 1

Find general solution of DE $y' = 2x$ and particular solution for a condition $y(0) = 2$.

General solution:
We simply integrate DE: $y = x^2 + C$

Particular solution for the initial condition: we substitute $x = 0$ and $y = 2$ into general solution:

$2 = 0^2 + C$
Which yields $C = 2$. Thus, particular solution is $y = x^2 + 2$

Differential equations – Types of a solution

Example 2

Find general solution of DE $y' = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}$ and particular solution for a condition $y(1) = 2$.

General solution:

We integrate DE: $y = \ln|x| - \frac{1}{x} + C$

Particular solution for the initial condition: we substitute $x = 1$ and $y = 2$ into general solution:

$$2 = \ln|1| - \frac{1}{1} + C$$

Which yields $C = -2$. Thus, particular solution is

$$y = \ln|x| - \frac{1}{x} - 2$$

Differential equations – Types of a solution

Example 3

Find general solution of DE $y'' = -1$ and particular solution for a conditions $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(0) = 1$.

General solution: $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C_1x + C_2$

Particular solution for the initial condition:

$$y'(0) = 1 = C_1 \quad y(0) = 0 = C_2$$

Which yields $C_1 = 1$, $C_2 = 0$. Thus, particular solution is:

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + x$$

Differential equations – Separation of variables

One of the most used method for solving DE is separation of variables. In this method x and y variables are separated on the different sides of an equation before integration takes place.

It can be used when DE is separable:

$$P(x) + Q(y) = C \text{ or } P(x)dx + Q(y)dy = 0$$

Differential equations – Separation of variables

Example 1

Find a general solution of $y' = \dots$.

The equation is separable: $y \frac{dy}{dx} = \dots$, so we separate both variables:

$$y dy = \dots$$

And integrate:

$$\int \dots = \int \dots$$

Which yields:

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = \dots + \dots$$

Differential equations – Separation of variables

Example 2

Find a general solution of $y' + x - y = 0$.

The equation is separable, so we separate and integrate:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy}{dx} + x - y &= 0 \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= -x + y \\
 \frac{dy}{y-x} &= -x + y \\
 \int \frac{dy}{y-x} &= \int (-x + y) dx \\
 y-x &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Differential equations – Separation of variables

Example 3

Find a general solution of $\frac{y'}{x} = xy$.

The equation is separable, so we separate and integrate:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{y} &= x \, dx \\ \int \frac{dy}{y} &= \int x^2 + 3 \, dx \\ \ln|y| &= \frac{x^3}{3} + 2x + C \\ y &= e^{\frac{x^3}{3} + 2x + C} = e^{\frac{x^3}{3} + 2x} e^C \end{aligned}$$

Differential equations – Homogenous differential equations

A DE of the form $y' = f(x, y)$ such that $f(tx, ty) = f(x, y)$ is called homogenous differential equation. It is solved via substitution: $y = vx$ and $y' = v + x v'$.

Example: $x^2 y' = y^2$ is homogenous, because:

$$f(tx, ty) = \frac{(ty)^2}{(tx)^2} = \frac{t^2 y^2}{t^2 x^2} = \frac{y^2}{x^2} = f(x, y)$$

Differential equations – Homogenous differential equations – Example 1

Find a general solution of a homogenous DE:

$$x^2 y'' = \dots$$

We start with the substitution $y = v x$:

$$v' x + v = \dots$$

$$v' x = \dots$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} x = \dots$$

$$\frac{dv}{v} = \dots$$

Differential equations – Homogenous differential equations – Example 1 – cont.

And at the end we integrate:

$$I_1 = \int \frac{du}{u} + \int \frac{du}{u-1} + \int \frac{du}{u+1} + \int \frac{du}{\ln|u|} + \dots + \dots$$

which yields:

$$\frac{1}{3} \ln \left| \frac{u_-}{u_+} \right| + \dots$$

Differential equations – Logistic equation and function

In economics, demographics and other disciplines appears a function called a logistic function.

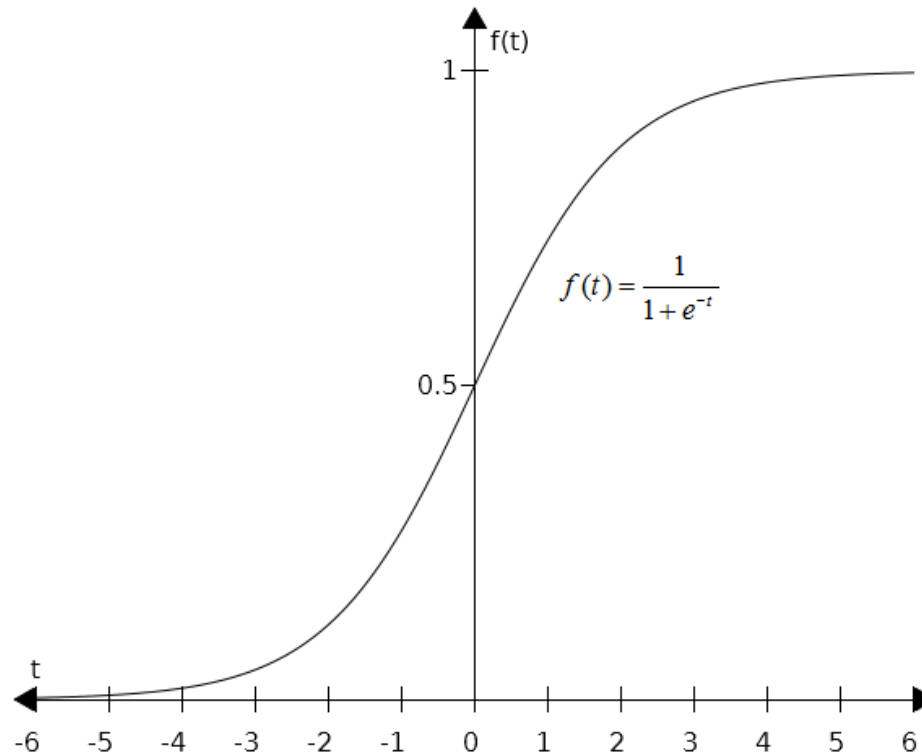
This function arises as a solution to the following logistic equation:

$$\frac{df}{dt} = r \cdot f \left(1 - \frac{f}{K} \right)$$

For an initial condition $f(0) = f_0$ the solution is:

$$f(t) = \frac{K f_0 e^{rt}}{K - f_0 (e^{rt} - 1)}$$

Differential equations – Logistic equation and function



Differential equations

Linear differential equations of the first order

By a linear differential equations of the first order we mean an equation of the form:

$$y' + p(x)y = q(x)$$

Assume that $q(x) = 0$: $y' + p(x)y = 0$

This special equation is called homogenous, and is solved by separation of variables:

$$\frac{dy}{y} = -p(x) dx$$

Differential equations

Linear differential equations of the first order – cont.

$$\frac{dy}{y} = -\frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\ln|y| = -\int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

And finally we obtain:

$$y = \frac{C}{x}$$

Differential equations

Linear differential equations of the first order – Example 1

Find the general solution: $y' + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{x^2}$.

Solution:

We follow the procedure from the previous slide:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

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

$$\ln y = -\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{x} + C$$

$$y = e^{\frac{1}{x} + C} = e^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot e^C = e^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot C$$

Linear differential equations of the first order

Problems to solve

Find the general solution:

$$y' = -2y + 1$$

$$y' = 2y$$

$$y' = 2y + 1$$

$$xy' + 2y = 0$$

$$y' - \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Thank you for your attention