

## INTEGRAL EQUATIONS - Classification

### FREDHOLM INTEGRAL EQN ( $\phi$ = unknown)

$$\int_a^b K(x, y) \phi(y) dy = f(x) \quad (\text{1st kind})$$

$$\phi(x) - \lambda \int_a^b K(x, y) \phi(y) dy = f(x) \quad (\text{2nd kind})$$

### VOLTERRA INTEGRAL EQN ( $\phi$ = unknown)

$$\int_a^x K(x, y) \phi(y) dy = f(x) \quad (\text{1st kind})$$

$$\phi(x) - \int_a^x K(x, y) \phi(y) dy = f(x) \quad (\text{2nd kind})$$

### LINEAR INTEGRAL EQNS (Ex)

$$K(x, \phi) \equiv K_1(\phi(x)) + \int_a^b K_2(x, y, \phi(y)) dy$$

$$K(x, \phi_1 + \phi_2) = K(x, \phi_1) + K(x, \phi_2)$$

$$K(x, \alpha \phi_1) = \alpha K(x, \phi_1)$$

### CONNECTION BETWEEN FREDHOLM/VOLTERRA INT. EQNS

For VOLTERRA,  $K(x, y) = 0$  for  $y > x$

## SOLVED FREDHOLM INTEGRAL EQUATION

$$u(x) - \lambda \int_0^1 e^{x-y} u(y) dy = f(x) \quad (1)$$

unknown here is  $u(x)$ .

Soln 1 Define  $\eta = \int_0^1 e^{-y} u(y) dy$  then (1) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) - \lambda e^x \eta &= f(x) \\ u(x) &= f(x) + \eta \lambda e^x \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where  $\eta$  is unknown. Using (2) in defn of  $\eta$  we find

$$\eta = \frac{1}{1-\lambda} \int_0^1 e^{-y} f(y) dy, \quad \lambda \neq 1$$

Thus,

$$u(x) = f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \int_0^1 e^{x-y} f(y) dy \quad \square$$

Remark: Defining the operator  $Ku = \int_0^1 e^{x-y} u(y) dy$

$$(I - \lambda K)u = f$$

Then the solution is

$$u = \frac{1}{1-\lambda} (I + \lambda K)f$$

Remark: when  $\lambda = 1$ , note that  $v(x) = Ae^x$  has

$$v(x) - \int_0^1 Ae^x dy = 0 \quad \forall A \in \mathbb{R}$$

so that  $u(x) = Ae^x + f(x)$  is a (nonunique) soln family.

## SOLVED VOLTERA EQUATION VIA LAPLACE TRANSFORM

$$(1) \quad u(t) = 1 + \int_0^t (t-\tau) u(\tau) d\tau \quad t > 0$$

Has the form

$$u(t) = f(t) + \int_0^t k(t-\tau) u(\tau) d\tau$$

Recall facts from Laplace transform theory

$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}(f)(s) \equiv \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

Given convolution defn we have

$$(f * g)(t) \equiv \int_0^t f(t-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f * g)(s) = F(s) G(s) = \mathcal{L}(f) \cdot \mathcal{L}(g)$$

Taking the  $\mathcal{L}$ -transform of (1),  $\mathcal{U}(s) \equiv \mathcal{L}(u)(s)$

$$\mathcal{L}(u) = \mathcal{L}(1) + \mathcal{L}(t) \mathcal{L}(u)$$

$$\mathcal{U}(s) = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} \mathcal{U}(s)$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{U}(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 - 1}} \quad \text{Transform of soln.}$$

Use Inversion formula (or other means)

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma-i\infty}^{\gamma+i\infty} e^{st} \mathcal{U}(s) ds = \sum_{s=\pm 1} \operatorname{Res} \tilde{f}(s, t) = \cosh t$$

**REMARK** General coupled linear eqns can be solved same way.

## Some simple conversions to Fredholm integral eqns

Claim

Solution of

$$u''(x) = f(x)$$

$$u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

$$u(x) = \int_0^1 k(x,y) f(y) dy$$

$$k(x,y) = \begin{cases} y^{(x-1)} & 0 \leq y < x \leq 1 \\ x(y-1) & 0 \leq x < y \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

First note  $k(0,y) = k(1,y) = 0$  so that  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ .

$$u(x) = \int_0^x y^{(x-1)} f(y) dy + \int_x^1 x(y-1) f(y) dy$$

$$u'(x) = \int_0^x y f(y) dy + \int_x^1 (y-1) f(y) dy$$

$$u''(x) = x f(x) - (x-1) f(x)$$

$$u''(x) = f(x)$$

□

EXAMPLE Convert to a Fredholm integral equation.

$$u'' + \lambda u = f(x) \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

Set  $F(x) = f(x) - \lambda u(x)$  and apply claim

$$u(x) + \lambda \int_0^1 k(x,y) u(y) dy = g(x)$$

where

$$g(x) = \int_0^1 k(x,y) f(y) dy \quad (\text{Comment on nonuniqueness})$$

if  $\lambda_n = n\pi$

EXAMPLE

$$u'' + a(x)u' + b(x)u = f(x) \quad x \in (0, 1)$$
$$u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

Set

$$(1) \quad u(x) = \phi(x)\psi(x) \quad \psi(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^x a(s) ds\right)$$

to eliminate first derivatives. Since  $\psi > 0$  must have

$$(2) \quad \phi'(0) = \phi'(1) = 0$$

Substitute (1) into ODE yields

$$(3) \quad \phi'' + q(x)\phi = \psi^{-1}f$$

$$(4) \quad q(x) = b(x) - \frac{1}{4}a^2(x) - \frac{1}{2}a'(x)$$

Then, using claim

$$(5) \quad \phi(x) + \int_0^x \hat{k}(x,y)\phi(y)dy = \hat{f}(x)$$

where

$$(6) \quad \hat{f}(x) = \int_0^1 k(x,y)\psi'(y)f(y)dy$$

$$(7) \quad \hat{k}(x,y) = q(y)k(x,y)$$

## Conversion of IVP to Volterra Eqns (Linear eqn case)

$$(1) \quad L[u] = u^{(n)}(x) + a_1(x)u^{(n-1)}(x) + \cdots + a_n(x)u = F(x)$$

$$(2) \quad u(0) = c_0 \quad u'(0) = c_1, \dots \quad u^{(n-1)}(0) = c_{n-1}$$

Define

$$D^n u = \frac{d^n u}{dx^n} = \phi(x)$$

and for any  $\psi(x)$

$$(3) \quad D^{-1}\psi \equiv \int_0^x \psi(y) dy$$

Using (laplace transforms or) integration by parts

$$(4) \quad D^{-n}\psi = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_0^x (x-y)^{n-1} \psi(y) dy$$

Proof for  $n=2$

$$\begin{aligned} D^{-2}\psi &= D^{-1}(D^{-1}\psi) = \int_0^x \left( \int_0^s \phi(y) dy \right) ds \\ &= s \left[ \phi(y) dy \right]_{y=0}^{y=s} \Big|_{s=0}^x - \int_0^x s \phi(s) ds \\ &= x \int_0^x \phi(y) dy - \int_0^x s \phi(s) ds \\ &= \int_0^x (x-y) \phi(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

□

(See back for convolution method?)

Now define the n-term Taylor series about  $x=0$  of  $u$

$$U(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{u^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k \quad \text{where } u^{(0)}(x) \equiv u(x)$$

Using initial conditions

$$U(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{c_k}{k!} x^k$$

Now observe

$$(5) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d^{n-1}u}{dx^{n-1}} & = c_{n-1} + D^{-1}\phi & = U^{(n-1)}(x) + D^{-1}\phi \\ \frac{d^{n-2}u}{dx^{n-2}} & = c_{n-2}x + c_{n-2} + D^{-2}\phi & = U^{(n-2)}(x) + D^{-2}\phi \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ u & = \frac{c_{n-1}}{(n-1)!} x^{n-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0 + D^{-n}\phi & = U(x) + D^{-n}\phi \end{array} \right.$$

Using (5), (4) in (1) we find (1) can be written

$$\phi(x) + \int_0^x K(x,y) \phi(y) dy = f(x), \quad \phi = \frac{d^n u}{dx^n}$$

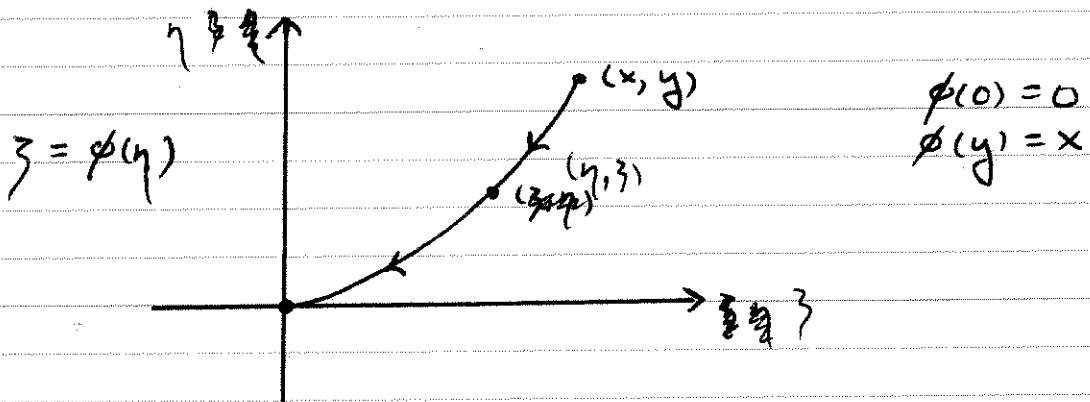
where

$$K(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j(x) \frac{(x-y)^{j-1}}{(j-1)!}$$

$$f(x) = F(x) - \sum_{j=1}^n a_j(x) U^{(n-j)}(x)$$

## ABEL'S EQUATION

A particle of mass  $m$  initially at rest at  $(x, y)$  moves on curve  $\gamma = \phi(\eta)$  in the  $(\gamma, \eta)$ -plane through the origin. If  $T(y)$  is the time taken to traverse the path, what is  $\phi(\eta)$ ?



Total energy is  $E=0$ . Conservation of energy

$$\frac{1}{2}m\left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 - mg(y-\eta) = 0$$

where  $s$  = arc length,  $\frac{ds}{dt}$  = speed, implies

$$(1) \quad \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{2g(y-\eta)}$$

Basic calculus

$$(2) \quad ds = \sqrt{1 + (\phi'(\eta))^2} d\eta$$

Combining (1)-(2) gives

$$\frac{\sqrt{1 + (\phi'(\eta))^2} d\eta}{\sqrt{2g(y-\eta)}} = dt$$

Since traversal time  $T(y)$  is known

$$\int_0^y \frac{\sqrt{1 + (\phi'(\eta))^2} d\eta}{\sqrt{2g(y-\eta)}} = T(y)$$

Defining  $\psi(\eta) = (2g)^{-1/2} (1 + (\phi'(\eta))^2)^{1/2}$  we get

$$\boxed{\int_0^y \frac{\psi(\eta) d\eta}{\sqrt{y-\eta}} = T(y)}$$

Abel's Integral Equation.

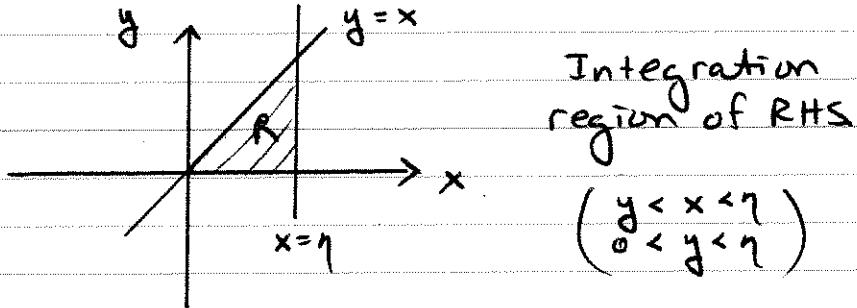
Knowing the solution  $\psi(\eta)$ , one can solve for  $\phi(\eta)$  given initial condition  $\phi(0) = 0$ .

## SOLUTION OF ABEL'S INTEGRAL EQUATION (METHOD ONE)

$$T(x) = \int_0^x \frac{u(y) dy}{\sqrt{x-y}}$$

Employ a trick. Multiply by  $\frac{dx}{\sqrt{\eta-x}}$  and integrate from  $x=0$  to  $x=\eta$

$$\int_0^\eta \frac{T(x) dx}{\sqrt{\eta-x}} = \int_0^\eta \left( \int_0^x \frac{u(y)}{\sqrt{\eta-x} \sqrt{x-y}} dy \right) dx$$



Interchange order of limits

$$\int_0^\eta \frac{T(x) dx}{\sqrt{\eta-x}} = \int_0^\eta u(y) \left( \int_y^\eta \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\eta-x} \sqrt{x-y}} \right) dy$$

Direct integration equals  $\pi$

$$\int_0^\eta \frac{T(x) dx}{\sqrt{\eta-x}} = \pi \int_0^\eta u(y) dy$$

Differentiating this result

$$u(\eta) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{d}{d\eta} \int_0^\eta \frac{T(x)}{\sqrt{\eta-x}} dx$$

REMARK: Laplace Transforms + Convolution gives another technique.

## Solutions for separable kernels

$$Ku = \int_a^b \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(x) \psi_i(y) \right)}_{K(x,y)} u(y) dy$$

Int egn: Fredholm and kind

$$u(x) = f(x) + \lambda (Ku)(x)$$

Define  $\alpha_j = \langle \psi_j, u \rangle$  then ( $L^2[a,b]$  inn. prod)

$$u(x) = f(x) + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi_i(x) \quad (1)$$

$$\langle \psi_j, u \rangle = \langle \psi_j, f \rangle + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \langle \psi_j, \phi_i \rangle$$

$$\alpha_j = \langle \psi_j, f \rangle + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \langle \psi_j, \phi_i \rangle \alpha_i$$

Let  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)^T$ ,  $\hat{f} = (\langle \psi_1, f \rangle, \dots, \langle \psi_n, f \rangle)$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $[A]_{ij} = \langle \psi_j, \phi_i \rangle$  gives

$$\alpha = \hat{f} + \lambda A \alpha$$

$$(I - \lambda A) \alpha = \hat{f}$$

If  $(I - \lambda A)^{-1}$  exists, (1) gives the soln with  
 $\alpha = (I - \lambda A)^{-1} \hat{f}$ .

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### EXAMPLE

$$u(x) = 1 + \lambda \int_0^1 (xy^2 + x^2y) u(y) dy \quad (1)$$

where  $f(x) = 1$ ,

$$k(x, y) = xy^2 + x^2y = \phi_1(x)\psi_1(y) + \phi_2(x)\psi_2(y)$$

Define

$$\alpha_1 = \langle \psi_1, u \rangle = \int_0^1 y^2 u(y) dy$$

$$\alpha_2 = \langle \psi_2, u \rangle = \int_0^1 y u(y) dy$$

then (1) is

$$u(x) = 1 + \lambda (\alpha_1 \phi_1(x) + \alpha_2 \phi_2(x)) \quad (2)$$

Define

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \psi_1, \phi_1 \rangle & \langle \psi_1, \phi_2 \rangle \\ \langle \psi_2, \phi_1 \rangle & \langle \psi_2, \phi_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} \langle f, \psi_1 \rangle \\ \langle f, \psi_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $\langle \psi_j, \cdot \rangle$  on (2) gives

$$(I - \lambda A) \alpha = F \quad (3)$$

where

$$\det(I - \lambda A) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda - \frac{1}{240}\lambda^2$$

Solving (3) for  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)^T$  and substituting into (2)

$$u(x) = 1 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{\lambda \times [5x(\lambda - 36) - 6(\lambda + 20)]}{\lambda^2 + 120\lambda - 240}$$

is the solution

Eigenvalue problem

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_0^x k(x,y) u(y) dy = \lambda \mathcal{B}u$$

re-written

$$\mathcal{B}u = \frac{1}{\lambda} u$$

thus  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is e-value of  $\mathcal{B}$ . For  $f=0$ , we find e-val  
eqn is

$$\det(I - \lambda A) = 0$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda - \frac{1}{240}\lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -60 \pm 16\sqrt{15}$$

Eigenfns

$$u(x) = \alpha_{\pm}^T (\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x)) \quad \alpha_{\pm} \in N(I - \lambda_{\pm} A)$$

## EIGENVALUE EXAMPLE

Let  $D = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$  and define

$$Ku = \iint_D (x^2 + y^2) u(x, y) dA.$$

Compute eigenvalue and normalized e-fn. ( $L^2(D)$ )

$$Ku = \lambda u = \alpha, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

Thus  $u = \alpha/\lambda$  and  $(\lambda \neq 0)$

$$Ku = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 r^2 \cdot \left(\frac{\alpha}{\lambda}\right) r dr d\theta$$

$$Ku = 2\pi \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} = \alpha,$$

From which

$$\lambda = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Since  $u = \text{const} = \bar{u}$ , need

$$\|u\|^2 = \iint_D \bar{u}^2 dA = \pi \bar{u}^2 = 1$$

So

$$(\lambda, u) = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \sqrt{\pi}\right).$$

For  $\lambda = 0$  eval, note  $\phi_n(r, \theta) \in \{\sin n\theta, \cos n\theta\}$

$$K\phi_n = 0.$$

### EXAMPLE

$$Ku = \int_a^b k(x,y) u(y) dy = \sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i(x) \int_a^b \phi_i(y) u(y) dy$$

The range  $R(K) \subset \text{span}\{\phi_i\}$  thus  $\dim R(K) = N$ .

If  $\phi_i$  independent,  $N(K) = \{0\}$  and  $\lambda=0$  not e-value.

$$\lambda_i \phi_i(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in (a,b)$$

Eigenvalue problem

$$Ku = \lambda u$$

$$\lambda_i \phi_i = \lambda u$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \alpha = 0$$

Thus

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad \text{e-value eqn}$$

$$u = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum \lambda_i \phi_i(x) \quad \text{e-fns}$$

where  $\alpha \in N(A - \lambda I)$ .

## Systems of integral eqns (Fredholm kind)

$$\vec{u} + \lambda K\vec{u} = \vec{f}$$

where  $\vec{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ ,  $\vec{f} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  and

$$[K\vec{u}]_i = \int_a^b \sum_{j=1}^n k_{ij}(x, y) u_j(y) dy.$$

## Solution via complete sets

Let  $\{\phi_i\}$  be a complete orthonormal set for  $L^2[a, b]$ .

$$u - \lambda Ku = f$$

Let  $u = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \phi_i(x)$ ,  $f = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \phi_i(x)$ . Set

$$(I) \quad Ku = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i K\phi_i$$

$$\sum (\phi_i - \lambda K\phi_i) u_i = \sum f_i \phi_i$$

$$\langle \phi_j, \phi_j - \lambda K\phi_j \rangle u_j = f_j$$

determines  $u_j$  for solution. But

1) How do we know (I) is valid?

2) If  $\lambda$  is an eval of  $K$  then some  $u_j$  (how many) cannot be found.

Goal of Chapter has to do with

$$(1) \quad u(x) + \int_a^b K(x,y) u(y) dy = f(x)$$

Suppose

$$Ku = \int_a^b k(x,y) u(y) dy, \quad K: L^2[a,b] \rightarrow L^2[a,b]$$

generates a basis for  $H = L^2[a,b]$  via

$$K\phi_n = \lambda_n \phi_n, \quad \|\phi_n\| = 1$$

Then

$$u(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n \phi_n(x) \quad f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n \phi_n(x)$$

in (1) gives

$$\sum u_n \phi_n + \sum u_n K\phi_n = \sum f_n \phi_n$$

$$\sum [(1 - \lambda_n) u_n - f_n] \phi_n = 0$$

Thus

$$u_n = \frac{f_n}{1 - \lambda_n}, \quad \lambda_n \neq 1$$

gives soln.