

# **Polynomial ODEs - Examples, Solutions, Properties**

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**Abstract.** Let  $P$  be a polynomial from  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $D \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . I consider some properties of the class of ODEs  $Y' = P(Y)$  ;  $Y(0) = D$  and their solutions. The solution space to these ODEs form a proper subspace of the analytic functions. I will present examples highlighting the concept and practicality of polynomial ODEs including Newton's N-Body problem and root finding methods.

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# Example

$$x' = 1 + x^2 ; \quad x(0) = 0.$$

$$x = \sum a_i t^i$$

$$x' = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1)a_{i+1}t^i = 1 + \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i t^i\right)^2 = 1 + a_0^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{j=0}^i a_j a_{i-j}\right] t^i$$

$$a_0 = x(0) ; \quad a_1 = 1 + a_0^2 ; \quad a_{i+1} = \frac{1}{i+1} \sum_{j=0}^i a_i a_{j-i} ; \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} f_i t^i = [f_0, f_1, f_2, \dots]$$

$$g(t)h(t) = [g_0, g_1, g_2, \dots][h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots] = g_0[h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots] + g_1[0, h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots] + g_2[0, 0, h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots] + \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ h_1 & h_0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ h_2 & h_1 & h_0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ h_3 & h_2 & h_1 & h_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g_0 \\ g_1 \\ g_2 \\ g_3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h(t)=\frac{f(t)}{g(t)} \qquad h(t)g(t)=f(t).$$

$$h_0=\frac{f_0}{g_0}$$

$$h_i = \frac{1}{g_0} \big( f_i - \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} g_j h_{i-j} \big) ~;~ i=1,2,3,\ldots$$

$$p=\frac{1}{g}$$

$$p_0 = \frac{1}{g_0} \; ; \; p_1 = \frac{1}{g_0}(1-g_1p_0) \; ; \; p_i = -\frac{1}{g_0}\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} g_j p_{i-j}, \qquad i=2,3,4,\ldots$$

$$(pg)'=p'g+pg'=0.$$

$$p'=-\frac{1}{g^2}g'=-p^2g'$$

$$p'=-wg'\;;\;w'=2pp'$$

$$(i+1)p_{i+1}=\sum_{j=0}^i(j+1)g_{j+1}w_{i-j}\;;(i+1)w_{i+1}=2\sum_{j=0}^i(j+1)p_{j+1}p_{i-j}$$

$$x(t)=\tfrac{t}{e^t-1}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{x(t)} = \frac{e^t - 1}{t}$$

$$y(t)=[1,\tfrac{1}{2},\tfrac{1}{3!},\tfrac{1}{4!},\ldots]$$

$$\frac{f(t)-f_0}{t}=[f_1,f_2,f_3,\ldots]$$

$$x(t)=\tfrac{t}{e^t-1}=[1,-1/2,1/12,0,-\tfrac{1}{720},0,\tfrac{1}{30240},0,-\tfrac{1}{1209600},0,\tfrac{1}{47900160},0,-\tfrac{691}{1307674368000},0,\tfrac{1}{74724249600},0,-\tfrac{3617}{10670622842880000},0,\tfrac{43867}{5109094217170944000},0,-\tfrac{174611}{802857662698291200000},0,\ldots].$$

## PROJECTIVELY POLYNOMIAL

**Definition.** The function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *projectively polynomial* if there are natural numbers  $n, k$ , a polynomial  $P : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  of degree  $k$  and a vector  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that if

$$y' = P(y) ; \quad y(0) = A$$

then  $f = y_1$ . Note that this implies  $f$  is analytic on a neighborhood of 0 (i.e.  $f \in \mathbb{A}$ ) and  $f(0) = A_1$ . We write  $f \in \mathbb{P}_{n,k}$ . We let  $\mathbb{P}_n = \cup_k \mathbb{P}_{n,k}$  and  $\mathbb{P} = \cup_n \mathbb{P}_n$ . Parker and Sochacki have shown that many functions are projectively polynomial and that many ODEs can be made polynomial through auxiliary variables (Parker & Sochacki, 1996).

The following have been shown to be equivalent statements for  $f$  being projectively polynomial (Carothers et al., 2005).

- (1) There exists a polynomial  $Q : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  so that  $Q(f, f', \dots, f^{(n)}) = 0$ .

- (2) There exists a natural number  $N$  and real numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_N$ ; and  $b_{1,1}, \dots, b_{1,N}, \dots, b_{N,1}, \dots, b_{N,N}$ ; and  $c_{1,1,1}, \dots, c_{1,1,N}, c_{1,2,2}, \dots, c_{1,2,N}, \dots, c_{1,N,N}, \dots, c_{2,1,1}, \dots, c_{2,1,N}, c_{2,2,2}, \dots, c_{2,2,N}, \dots, c_{2,N,N}, \dots, \dots c_{N,1,1}, \dots, c_{n,1,N}, c_{N,2,2}, \dots, c_{N,2,N}, \dots, c_{N,N,N}$ ; and  $B_1, \dots, B_N$ ; together with functions  $x_1, \dots, x_N$ ; so that if for  $j = 1, \dots, N$

$$x'_j = a_j + \sum_{i=1}^N b_{j,i} x_i + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=i}^N c_{j,i,k} x_i x_k ; \quad x_j(0) = B_j$$

then  $f = x_1 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_{1,k} t^k$ .

- (3) There exists a natural number  $N$  and real numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_N$ ; and  $b_{1,1}, \dots, b_{1,N}, \dots, b_{N,1}, \dots, b_{N,N}$ ; and  $c_{1,1,1}, \dots, c_{1,1,N}, c_{1,2,2}, \dots, c_{1,2,N}, \dots, c_{1,N,N}, \dots, c_{2,1,1}, \dots, c_{2,1,N}, c_{2,2,2}, \dots, c_{2,2,N}, \dots, c_{2,N,N}, \dots, \dots c_{N,1,1}, \dots, c_{n,1,N}, c_{N,2,2}, \dots, c_{N,2,N}, \dots, c_{N,N,N}$ ; together with sequences  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N$ ; so that  $\alpha_{1,0} = f(0) = A_1$  and

$$\alpha_{j,1} = a_j + \sum_{i=1}^N b_{j,i} \alpha_{i,0} + \sum_{m=1}^N \left( \sum_{i=m}^N c_{j,m,i} \alpha_{m,0} \alpha_{i,0} \right)$$

$$\alpha_{j,k} = \frac{1}{k} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N b_{j,i} \alpha_{i,k-1} + \sum_{m=1}^N \left( \sum_{i=m}^N \left( c_{j,m,i} \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} \alpha_{m,j} \alpha_{i,k-l-1} \right) \right) \right)$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, N$  and  $f = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_{1,k} t^k$ .

Consider

$$x' = -x^r ; \quad x(0) = A$$

$$x_2 = x^r$$

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$$x'_2 = rx^{r-1} ; \quad x_2(0) = A^r$$

$$x_3 = x^{-1}$$

$$x' = -x_2 ; \quad x(0) = A$$

$$x'_2 = -rx_2^2 x_3 ; \quad x_2(0) = A^r$$

$$x'_3 = x_2 x_3^2 ; \quad x_3(0) = \frac{1}{A}.$$

$$x_4 = x_2 x_3$$

$$x' = -x x_2 ; \quad x(0) = A$$

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$$x'_2 = (1-r)x_2^2 ; \quad x_2(0) = A^{r-1}.$$

$$x'_2 = -rx_2 x_4 ; \quad x_2(0) = A^r$$

$$x'_3 = x_3 x_4 ; \quad x_3(0) = \frac{1}{A}$$

$$x'_4 = (1-r)x_4^2 ; \quad x_4(0) = A^{r-1}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} x'' &= -x' x_2 - x x'_2 = \frac{(x')^2}{x} + (r-1)x x_2^2 = \frac{(x')^2}{x} + (r-1)\frac{(x')^2}{x} \\ &\quad x x'' - r(x')^2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$x'=\sin x;\; x(0)=\alpha$$

$$x_2 = \sin x \text{ and } x_3 = \cos x$$

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x_2; \; x(0) = \alpha \\x'_2 &= x_2x_3; \; x_2(0) = \sin(\alpha) \\x'_3 &= -x_2^2; \; x_3(0) = \cos(\alpha).\end{aligned}$$

$$x'_3=x_3^2-1$$

$$x_3=\frac{1-e^{2t+2B}}{1+e^{2t+2B}}\qquad\qquad x_2=\frac{4e^{2t+2B}}{(1+e^{2t+2B})^2}.\qquad\qquad x=2\arctan e^{t+B}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x''&=x'_2=x_2x_3\\x'''&=x'_2x_3+x_2x'_3=x_2x_3^2-x_2^3=x_2(1-x_2^2)-x_2^3\\x''''-x'+2(x')^3&=0.\end{aligned}$$

# Single Pendulum

$$\ddot{\theta} = -\frac{g}{r} \cos \theta$$

$$y_1 = \theta ; \quad y_2 = \dot{\theta} ; \quad y_3 = \sin \theta ; \quad y_4 = \cos \theta$$

$$y'_1 = y_2 ; \quad y_1(0) = \theta(0)$$

$$y'_2 = -\frac{g}{r}y_4 ; \quad y_2(0) = \dot{\theta}(0)$$

$$y'_3 = y_2y_4 ; \quad y_3(0) = \sin(\theta(0))$$

$$y'_4 = -y_2y_3 ; \quad y_4(0) = \cos(\theta(0))$$

$$y_1 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i t^i ; \quad y_2 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i t^i ; \quad y_3 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i t^i ; \quad y_4 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} d_i t^i$$

$$a_{i+1} = \frac{b_i}{i+1} ; \quad b_{i+1} = -\frac{g}{r}d_i + 1 ; \quad c_{i+1} = \frac{(\sum_{j=0}^i b_i d_{j-i})}{i+1} ; \quad d_{i+1} = \frac{[-(\sum_{j=0}^i b_i c_{j-i})]}{i+1} ; \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$y''_2 = -\frac{g}{r}y'_4 = \frac{g}{r}y_2y_3 \quad \left(\frac{y''_2}{y_2}\right)' = \frac{g}{r}y'_3 = \frac{g}{r}y_2y_4 = -y_2y'_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(y_2^2) + \left(\frac{y''_2}{y_2}\right) = c \quad y''_2 + \frac{1}{2}(y_2^3) - cy_2 = 0,$$

**Newton's  $N$  body ODEs for the positions  $(x_i, y_i, z_i)$  of  $i = 1, \dots, N$  bodies**

$$x''_i(t) = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j(x_j - x_i)}{r_{i,j}^{\frac{3}{2}}} ; \quad y''_i(t) = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j(y_j - y_i)}{r_{i,j}^{\frac{3}{2}}} ; \quad z''_i(t) = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j(z_j - z_i)}{r_{i,j}^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$r_{i,j} = [(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2 + (z_i - z_j)^2], \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

$$s_{i,j} = r_{i,j}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x'_i = u_i ; \quad y'_i = v_i ; \quad z'_i = w_i$$

$$u'_i = \sum_{j \neq i} m_j(x_j - x_i)s_{i,j}^3 ; \quad v'_i = \sum_{j \neq i} m_j(y_j - y_i)s_{i,j}^3 ; \quad w'_i = \sum_{j \neq i} m_j(z_j - z_i)s_{i,j}^3$$

$$s'_{i,j} = -\frac{1}{2}s_{i,j}^3[2(x_i - x_j)(u_i - u_j) + 2(y_i - y_j)(v_i - v_j) + 2(z_i - z_j)(w_i - w_j)], \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+2} a_i t^i = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_{n+2} t^{n+2} \quad f(f^{-1}(t)) = t$$

If we let  $z = f^{-1}(t)$  we have  $f(z) = t$ ,  $f'(z)z' = 1$ , and  $z' = \frac{1}{f'(z)} = [f'(z)]^{-1} = y$ .

$$y' = -y^2 f''(z) z' = -x f''(z) z' = -x p_n z' = -x y p_n ; \quad (x = y^2) ; \quad (p_n = f''(z))$$

$$x' = 2yy'$$

$$p'_n = f'''(z) z' = p_{n-1} y$$

$$p'_{n-1} = f^{(iv)}(z) z' = p_{n-2} y$$

$$p'_1 = f^{(n+2)}(z) z' = (n+2)! a_{n+2} y.$$

$$y = \sum_{i=0}^K y_i t^i ; \quad y' = \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} (i+1) y_{i+1} t^i ; \quad x = \sum_{i=0}^K x_i t^i$$

$$p_{n-k} = \sum_{i=0}^K p_{(n-k),i} t^i ; \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1.$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} \qquad\qquad x' = -\frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}.$$

$$x'=-f(x)x_2\qquad\qquad x'_2=-x_2^3f''(x)$$

$$x' = -[Df(x)]^T f(x) = G(x)$$

$$x_{k+1}=x_k+\alpha_k\nabla f(x_k)\qquad x'(t)=\alpha(t)\nabla f(x)$$

$$x' = -\alpha(t)[Df(x)]^T f(x)$$

$$u_t + (f(u))_x + \mu^2 u_{xx} = 0; \quad u(x, 0) = \alpha(x)$$

$$w = f(u)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_t + w_x + \mu^2 u_{xx} &= 0; & u(x, 0) &= \alpha(x) \\ w_t + f'(u)(w_x + \mu^2 u_{xx}) &= 0; & w(x, 0) &= f(u(x, 0)) = \beta(x) \end{aligned}$$

If  $w = u^2/2$  and  $\mu = 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= -w_x; & u(0, x) &= \alpha(x) \\ w_t &= uu_t = -uw_x; & w(0, x) &= \frac{\alpha(x)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

If  $w_k = \sum_{n=0}^k b_n t^n$  then  $b_0(x) = \frac{\alpha^2(x)}{2}$

$$u_{k+1} = u_k + a_{k+1}(x)t^{k+1} = u_k - \frac{b'_k}{k+1}t^{k+1}$$

$$w_{k+1} = w_k + b_{k+1}t^{k+1} = w_k - \frac{\sum_{n=0}^k a_n b'_{k-n}}{k+1}t^{k+1}$$