



Numerical Methods

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Mathematical modeling, numerical methods, and problem solving

- Mathematical models
 - Scientific principles to simulate behavior of simple physical system
- Numerical methods
 - Means to generalize solutions

Simple mathematical model

- Model function

$$\text{Dependent variable} = f\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{independent} \\ \text{variables} \end{array}, \text{parameters}, \begin{array}{l} \text{forcing} \\ \text{functions} \end{array}\right)$$

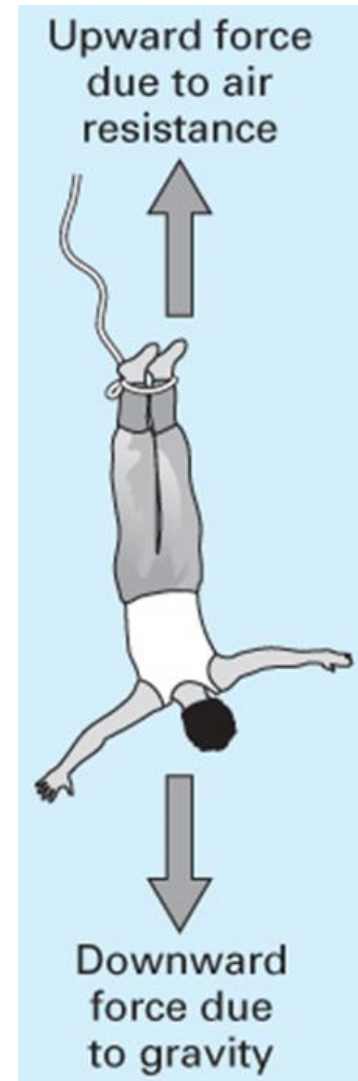
- **Dependent variable** - a characteristic that reflects the behavior or state of the system
- **Independent variables** - such as time and space, along which system's behavior is being determined
- **Parameters** - constants reflective of the system's properties or composition
- **Forcing functions** - external influences acting upon the system

Model for bungee jumper

- Explicit model function

$$v(t) = \sqrt{\frac{gm}{c_d}} \tanh\left(\sqrt{\frac{gc_d}{m}} t\right)$$

- Dependent variable - velocity v
- Independent variables - time t
- Parameters - mass m , drag coefficient c_d
- Forcing function - gravitational acceleration g



Model for bungee jumper (cont.)

- Newton's 2nd law

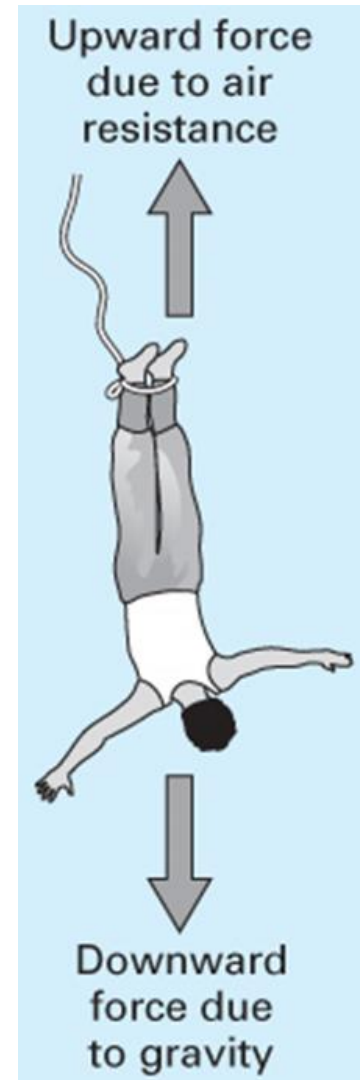
$$a = \frac{F}{m}$$

$$F = F_D + F_U = mg - c_d v^2$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{c_d}{m} v^2$$

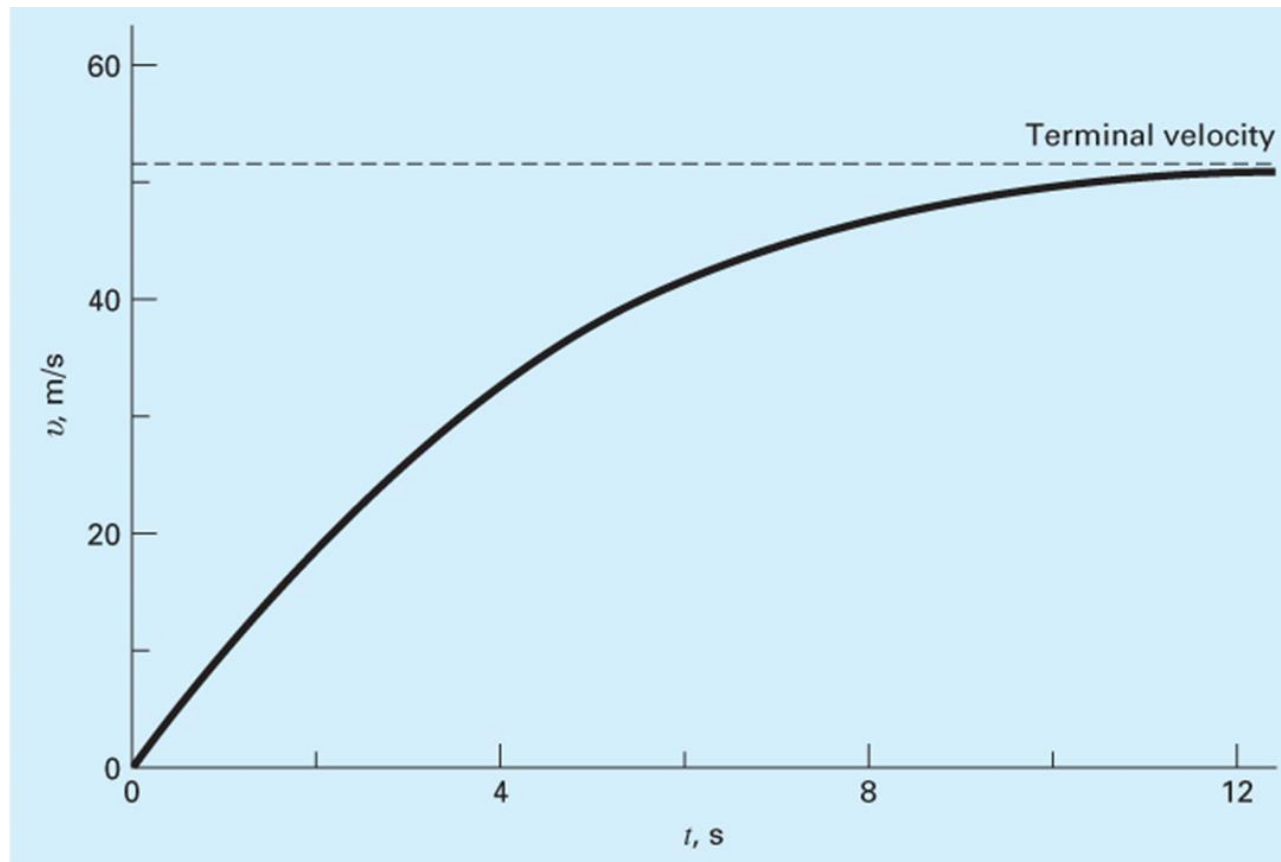
$$v(t) = \sqrt{\frac{gm}{c_d}} \tanh\left(\sqrt{\frac{gc_d}{m}} t\right)$$

$$\tanh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$



Closed-form solution for bungee jumper problem

- Example: a 68.1 kg jumper, assuming a drag coefficient of 0.25 kg/m. Determine velocity from $t=0:1:12$.



MATLAB simulation

(Please practice Chap 2 MATLAB Fundamental)

% Assignment

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g=9.81;
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m=68.1;
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cd=0.25;
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% Create an array or a vector

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t1=0:1:12;
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% Use of built-in function

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v1=sqrt(g*m/cd)*tanh(sqrt(g*cd/m)*t1);
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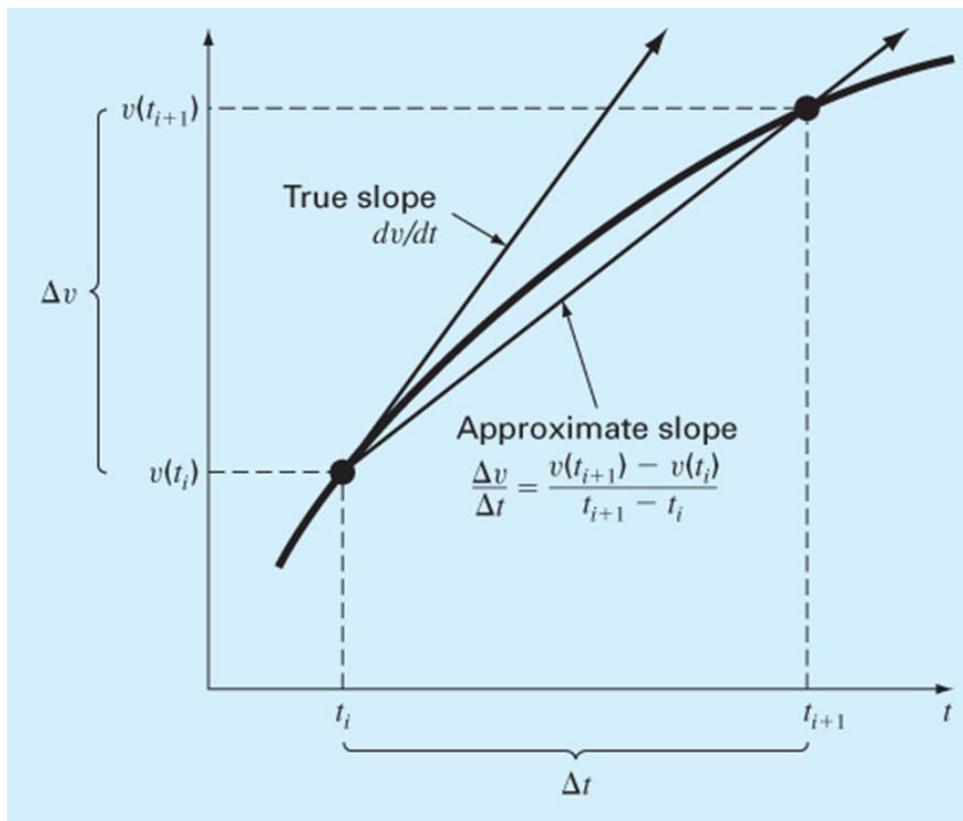
% Graphics

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plot(t1,v1)
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Numerical method for bungee jumper problem

- Some system models are given as implicit functions

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{c_d}{m} v^2$$



$$\frac{dv}{dt} \approx \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v(t_{i+1}) - v(t_i)}{t_{i+1} - t_i}$$

Euler's method

- Substituting the finite difference into the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{c_d}{m} v^2$$

$$\frac{v(t_{i+1}) - v(t_i)}{t_{i+1} - t_i} = g - \frac{c_d}{m} v^2$$

- Solve for

$$v(t_{i+1}) = v(t_i) + \left[g - \frac{c_d}{m} v(t_i)^2 \right] (t_{i+1} - t_i)$$

$$\text{new} = \text{old} + \text{slope} \times \text{step}$$

MATLAB simulation

```
g=9.81;
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```
m=68.1;
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cd=0.25;
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t2=0:2:12;
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v2(1)=0;
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for i=1:1:length(t2)-1
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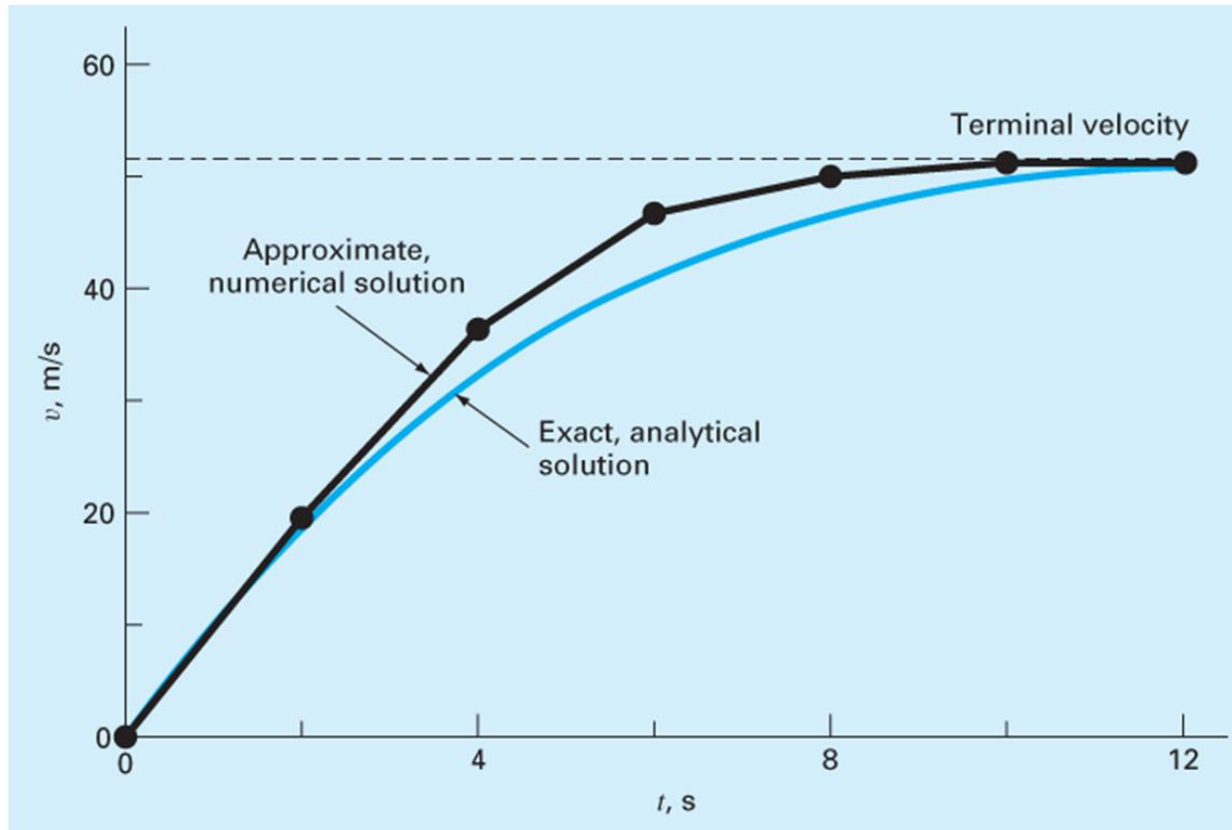
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    v2(i+1)=v2(i)+(g-(cd/m)*v2(i)^2)*(t2(i+1)-t2(i));
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end
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plot(t2,v2)
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Numerical results

- Initial value: $v(0)$



- How do we improve the solution?

MATLAB simulation

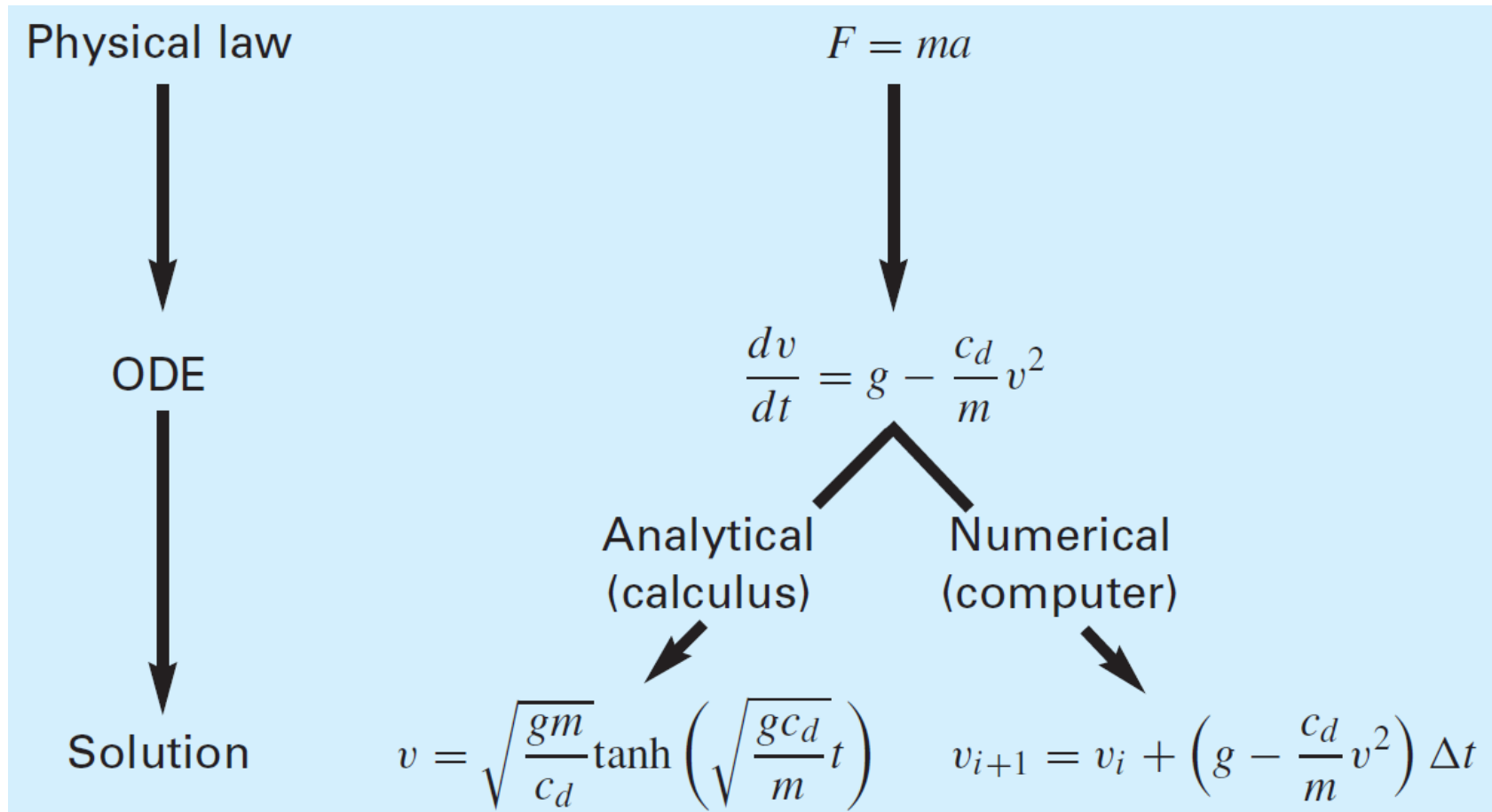
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v2(1)=0;
for i=1:1:length(t2)-1
    v2(i+1)=v2(i)+(g-(cd/m)*v2(i)^2)*(t2(i+1)-t2(i));
end

plot(t1,v1,'b',t2,v2,'k.-');
xlabel('t, s');
ylabel('v, m/s');
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Analytic and numerical methods for bungee jumper



Analytic method

(from Edward Yang, University of Toronto)

You are given the following differential equation with the initial condition, $v(t = 0) = 0$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{c_d}{m} v^2$$

Multiply both sides by m/c_d

$$\frac{m}{c_d} \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{m}{c_d} g - v^2$$

Define $a = \sqrt{mg / c_d}$

$$\frac{m}{c_d} \frac{dv}{dt} = a^2 - v^2$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2 - v^2} \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{c_d}{m} \quad \text{This is a first order differential equation of the form: } P(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = Q(x)$$

$$\frac{m}{c_d} \frac{dv}{dt} = a^2 - v^2$$

Integrate by separation of variables,

$$\int \frac{dv}{a^2 - v^2} = \int \frac{c_d}{m} dt$$

A table of integrals can be consulted to find that

$$\int \frac{dx}{a^2 - x^2} = \frac{1}{a} \tanh^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$

Therefore, the integration yields

$$\frac{1}{a} \tanh^{-1} \frac{v}{a} = \frac{c_d}{m} t + C$$

If $v = 0$ at $t = 0$, then because $\tanh^{-1}(0) = 0$, the constant of integration $C = 0$ and the solution is

$$\frac{1}{a} \tanh^{-1} \frac{v}{a} = \frac{c_d}{m} t$$

This result can then be rearranged to yield

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{gm}{c_d}} \tanh \left(\sqrt{\frac{gc_d}{m}} t \right)$$

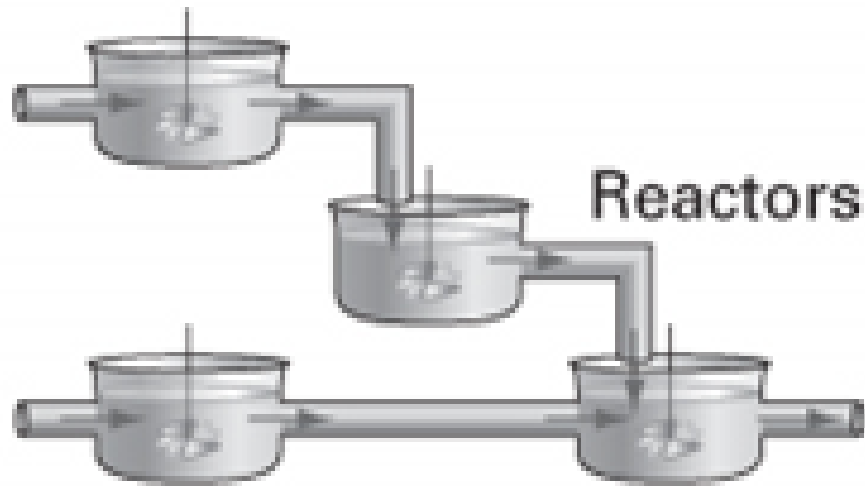
Recall:

We define $\tanh^{-1}(x) = y$ whenever
 $\tanh(y) = x$

Conservation laws

- Conservation of mass
- Conservation of momentum
- Conservation of charge
- Conservation of energy

Conservation of mass in chemical engineering



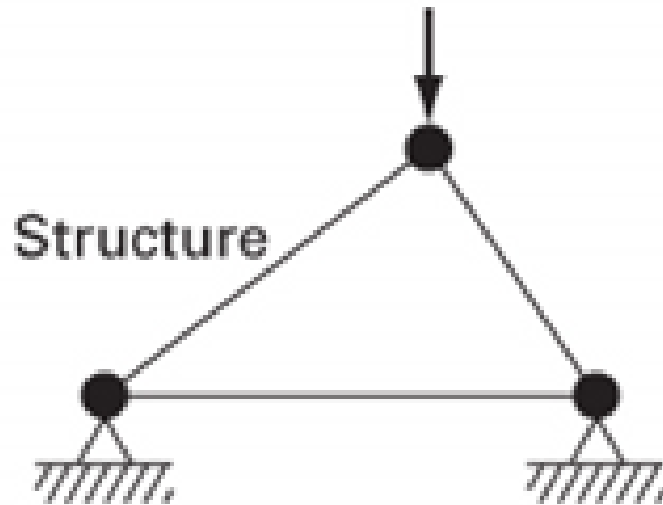
Mass balance:



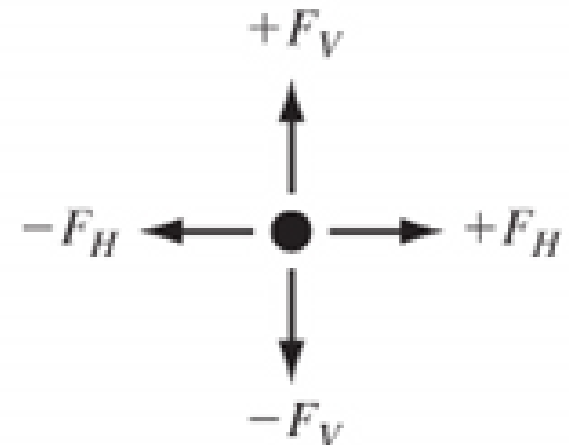
Over a unit of time period

$$\Delta \text{mass} = \text{inputs} - \text{outputs}$$

Conservation of momentum in civil engineering



Force balance:



At each node

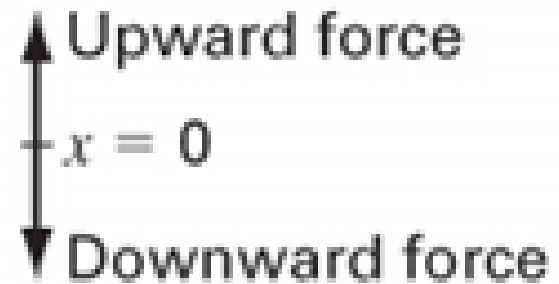
$$\sum \text{horizontal forces } (F_H) = 0$$

$$\sum \text{vertical forces } (F_V) = 0$$

Conservation of momentum in mechanical engineering

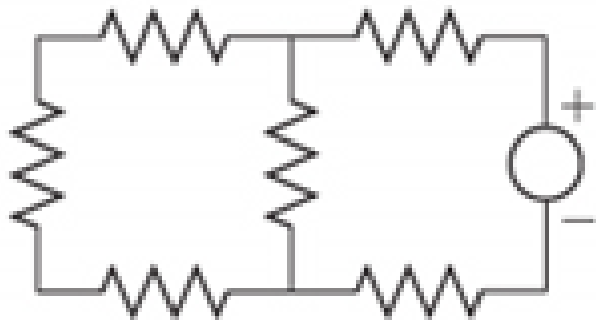


Force balance:



$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \text{downward force} - \text{upward force}$$

Conservation of charge and energy in electrical engineering

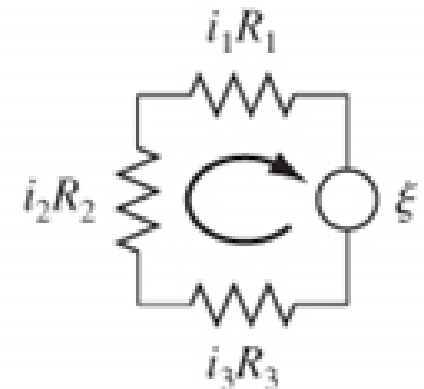


Circuit

Current balance: $+i_1$  $-i_3$

For each node
 $\Sigma \text{ current } (i) = 0$

Voltage balance:



Around each loop

$\Sigma \text{ emf's} - \Sigma \text{ voltage drops for resistors}$
 $= 0$

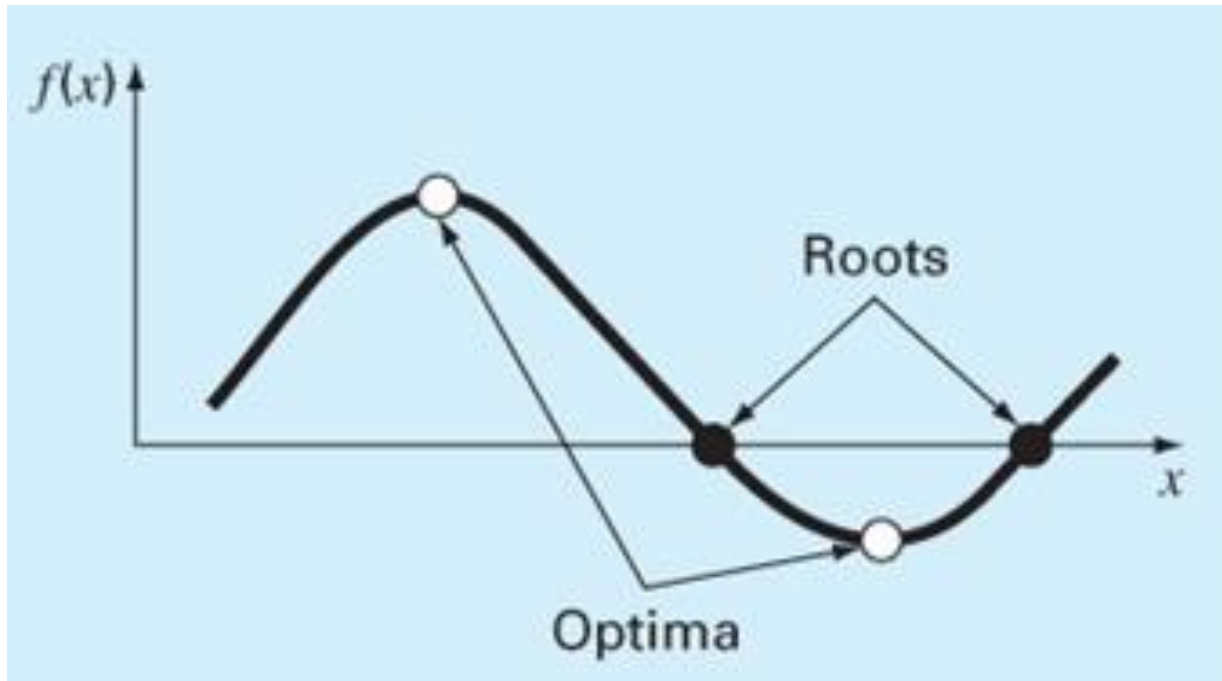
$\Sigma \xi - \Sigma iR = 0$

Major issues in this course

- **Roots and optimization**

Roots: Solve for x so that $f(x)=0$

Optimization: Solve for x so that $f'(x)=0$



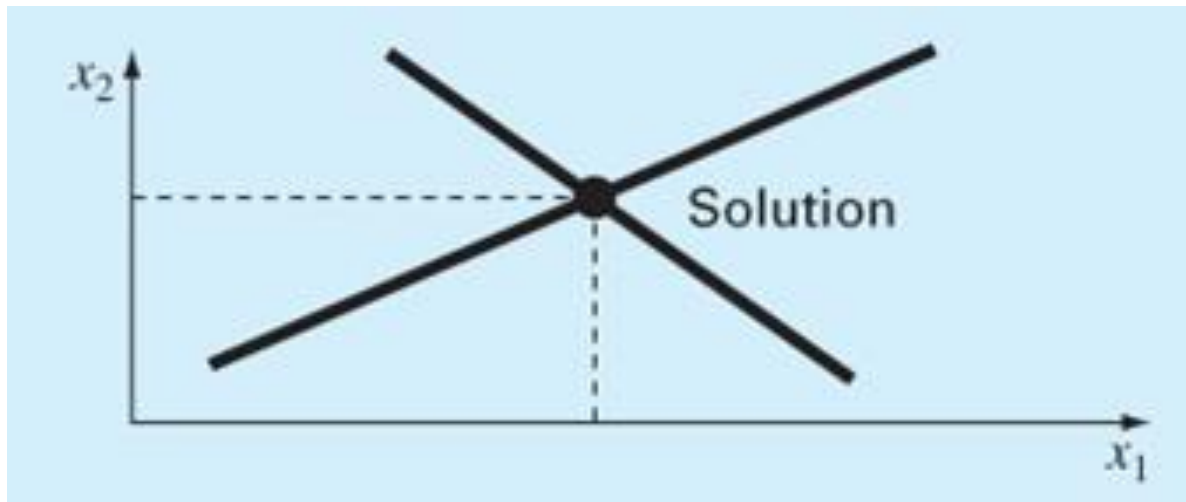
Major issues in this course (cont.)

- **Linear algebra equations**

Solve for x 's

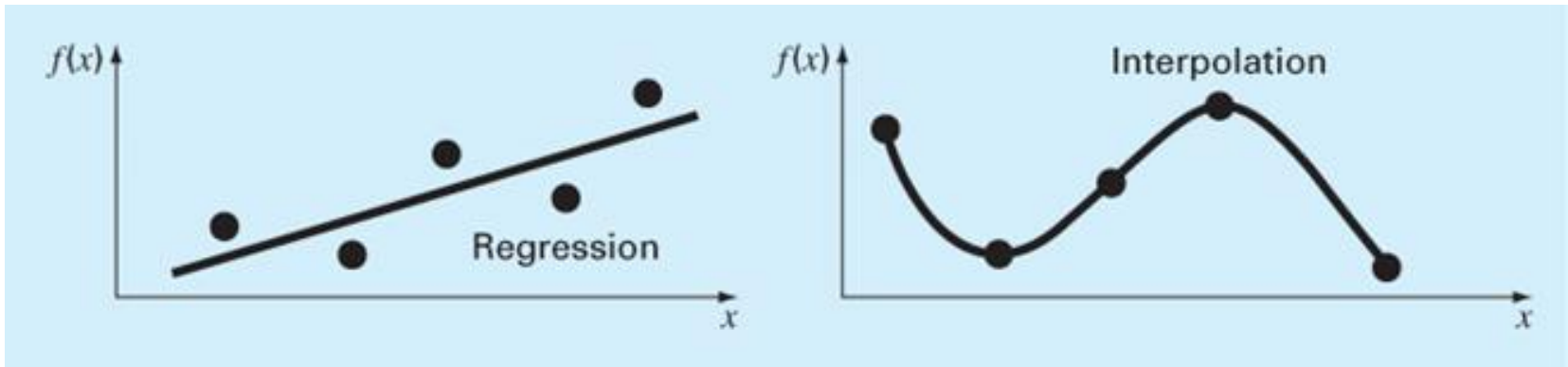
$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2$$



Major issues in this course (cont.)

- **Curve fitting**

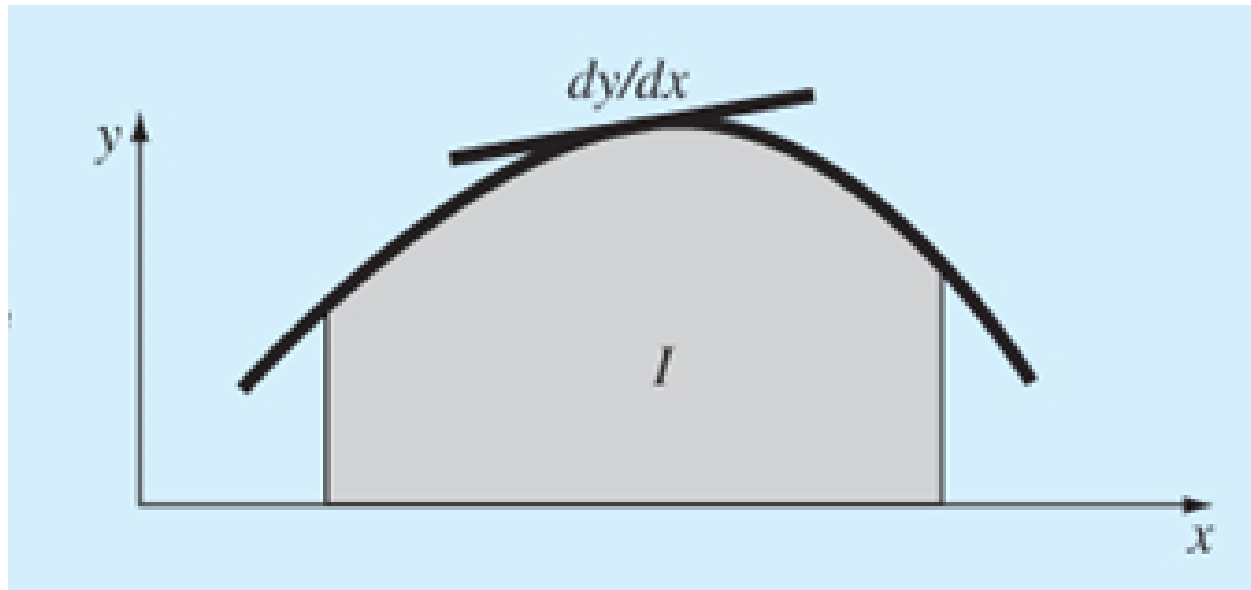


Major issues in this course (cont.)

- **Integration and differentiation**

Integration: Find area under curve

Differentiation: Find slope of curve



Grading policy

- Midterm & final examinations 75%
- Classworks + attendance + efforts + Homeworks 25%

Reference

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