

Integrals with Higher Derivatives

$$F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y, y', y'') dx$$

$f \in C^1([a, b] \times \mathbb{R}^3)$

$$y \in D = \{y \in C^2[a, b]; y(a) = a_0, y'(a) = a_1, y(b) = b_0, y''(b) = b_1\}$$

$$v \in D_0 = \{y \in C^2[a, b]; y(a) = y'(a) = y(b) = y''(b) = 0\}$$

Suppose y_0 is a local max or min of $F(y)$ on D . $y_0 \in D$
 Let $g(\epsilon) = F(y_0 + \epsilon v)$

g has a max or min at $\epsilon = 0 \rightarrow g'(0) = 0$

$$0 = g'(0) = \delta F(y_0; v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_a^b (f_y v + f_z v' + f_w v'') dx \quad \forall v \in D_0$$

(y_0 is a stationary or extremal function)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_a^b (f_y v + f_z v' + f_w v'') dx = \int_a^b (f_y v - (f_z)' v - (f_w)' v) dx + \left[f_z v \right]_a^b + \left[f_w v' \right]_a^b \\ &= \int_a^b (f_y v - (f_z)' + (f_w)'' v) dx - \left[f_w v' \right]_a^b \quad \forall v \in D_0 \end{aligned}$$

Variation of Fundamental Lemma

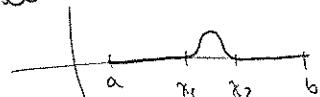
$$\text{Let } h \in C^0[a, b], \int_a^b h(x)v(x) dx = 0 \quad \forall v \in D_0$$

Proof: Suppose $h(x) > 0$, $x_0 \in [a, b] \Rightarrow h(x) > 0$ on $[x_1, x_2] \subset [a, b]$,

$$x_0 \in [x_1, x_2]. \text{ Let } v(x) = \begin{cases} (x - x_1)^3 (x_2 - x)^3 & x \in [x_1, x_2], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$v \in C^2[a, b], v(a) = v'(a) = v''(b) = 0 \rightarrow v \in D_0$$

$$0 = \int_a^b h(x)v(x) dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} h(x)v(x) dx > 0$$



since $h(x)v(x) > 0$ on (x_1, x_2)

A contradiction. Similarly if $h(x_0) < 0$, $\therefore h = 0$ on $[a, b]$. ■

Theorem: If y_0 is an extremal function for F on D then

$$\boxed{f_y[y_0] - (f_z[y_0])' + (f_w[y_0])'' = 0}$$

Euler-Lagrange equation

Example $F(y) = \int_0^{\pi/2} ((y'')^2 - y^2) dx$

$$D = \{y \in C^2[0, \pi/2]; y(0)=1, y'(0)=0, y(\pi/2)=0, y''(\pi/2)=-1\}$$

Find all extremal functions of F on D

$$f = -y^2 + w^2$$

$$\text{E-L eqn } -2y + (2y'')'' = 0 \rightarrow y''' - y = 0$$

$$y = e^{rx} \rightarrow r^4 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow (r^2+1)(r^2-1) = 0 \\ \rightarrow r = \pm i, \pm 1$$

$$y = C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x + C_3 \cosh x + C_4 \sinh x$$

$$y' = -C_1 \sin x + C_2 \cos x + C_3 \sinh x + C_4 \cosh x$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 = y(0) = C_1 + C_3 \\ 0 = y'(0) = C_2 + C_4 \end{cases}$$

$$0 = y(\pi/2) = C_2 + C_3 \cosh(\pi/2) + C_4 \sinh(\pi/2)$$

$$-1 = y'(\pi/2) = -C_1 + C_3 \sinh(\pi/2) + C_4 \cosh(\pi/2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cosh \pi/2 & \sinh \pi/2 - 1 \\ \sinh \pi/2 + 1 & \cosh \pi/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_3 \\ C_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det = \dots = 2 \neq 0$$

$$\rightarrow C_3 = C_4 = 0 \rightarrow C_1 = 1, C_2 = 0$$

$\therefore y = \cos x$ is the only extremal function

I. Minimize F on $D_1 = \{y \in C^2[a, b]; y(a) = a_0, y(b) = b_0\}$

Suppose y_0 is a minimizer. Let $v \in C^2[a, b]$, $v(a) = v(b) = 0$.

$$\rightarrow y_0 + \varepsilon v \in D_1 \quad \forall \varepsilon \quad \text{Let } g(\varepsilon) = F(y_0 + \varepsilon v)$$

$$\rightarrow g(0) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow 0 = \delta F(y_0; v) = \int_a^b (f_y[y_0]v + f_z[y_0]v' + f_w[y_0]v'') dx$$

$$= \int_a^b (f_y[y_0]v - (f_z[y_0])'v - (f_w[y_0])''v) dx + \left. f_z[y_0]v \right|_a^b + \left. f_w[y_0]v' \right|_a^b$$

$$= \int_a^b (f_y[y_0] - (f_z[y_0])' + (f_w[y_0])'') v dx + \left. (f_z[y_0] - (f_w[y_0])')v \right|_a^b + \left. f_w[y_0]v' \right|_a^b$$

(i) Require $v(a) = v(b) = v'(a) = v'(b) = 0$:

$$\int_a^b (f_y - (f_z)' + (f_w)') v dx = 0$$

Variant of Fundamental Lemma $\Rightarrow f_y[y_0] - (f_z[y_0])' + (f_w[y_0])'' = 0$

$$(i) (f_z[y_0] - (f_w[y_0])')v|_a^b + f_w[y_0]v'|_a^b = 0$$

$$v(a) = v(b) = 0 \implies f_w[y_0]v'|_a^b = 0 \text{ for all } v \in C^2[a, b] \text{ s.t. } v(a) = v(b) = 0$$

$$\exists v \in C^2[a, b] \text{ s.t. } v(a) = v(b) = v'(a) = 0, v'(b) \neq 0 \implies f_w[y_0(b)] = 0$$

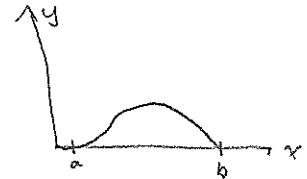
$$\text{Take } v(x) = (x-a)^2(x-b)$$

$$\exists v \in C^2[a, b] \text{ s.t. } v(a) = v(b) = v'(b) = 0, v'(a) \neq 0 \\ \implies f_w[y_0(a)] = 0$$

$$\text{Take } v(x) = (x-a)(x-b)^2$$

Two natural boundary conditions:

$$f_w[y_0(a)] = 0, f_w[y_0(b)] = 0$$



$$\text{Ex Minimize } F(y) = \int_0^1 ((y')^2 + (y'')^2) dx$$

$$\text{on } D_1 = \{y \in C^2[0, 1] ; y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1\}$$

$$\text{E-L eqn: } f_y - (f_z)' + (f_w)'' = 0$$

$$-(2y')' + (2y'')'' = 0$$

$$\rightarrow y''' - y'' = 0$$

$$y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1, \text{ Natural BCs: } f_w[y]|_{x=0} = 0, f_w[y]|_{x=1} = 0 \\ \rightarrow 2y''(0) = 0 \rightarrow 2y''(1) = 0 \\ \rightarrow y''(0) = y''(1) = 0$$

$$y = e^{rx} \rightarrow r^4 - r^2 = 0 \rightarrow r^2(r^2 - 1) = 0 \rightarrow r = 0, 0, 1, -1$$

$$y = C_1 + C_2 x + C_3 \cosh x + C_4 \sinh x \rightarrow y'' = C_3 \cosh x + C_4 \sinh x$$

$$y(0) = 0: C_1 + C_3 = 0$$

$$y(1) = 1: C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \cosh 1 + C_4 \sinh 1 = 1$$

$$y''(0) = 0: C_3 = 0$$

$$y''(1) = 0: C_3 \cosh 1 + C_4 \sinh 1 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow C_4 = 0, \rightarrow C_1 = -C_2 = 0, C_2 = 1$$

$y = x$ is the only stationary function

Claim: F is strictly convex on D_1

$$\text{Take } y, y+v \in D_1 \rightarrow v(0) = v(1) = 0$$

$$F(y+v) = \int_0^1 ((y'+v')^2 + (y''+v'')^2) dx$$

That is the mild and wonderful condition

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$$= \underbrace{\int_0^1 ((y')^2 + (y'')^2) dx}_{F(y)} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 (2y'v' + 2y''v'') dx}_{\delta F(y, v)} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 ((v')^2 + (v'')^2) dx}_{\geq 0}$$

$F(y+v) \geq F(y) + \delta F(y, v)$, equality only if $v' = 0 \Leftrightarrow v = 0$
since $v(0) = v(1) = 0$

F is strictly convex on D_1 .

$y = x$ is a stationary function $\Rightarrow y = x$ is the unique minimizer of F on D_1 .

II. Minimize F on $D_2 = \{y \in C^2[a, b] ; y(a) = a_0, y'(a) = a_1\}$

Suppose y_0 is a minimizer. Take $v \in C^2[a, b]$, $v(a) = v'(a) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \delta F(y_0, v) = \int_a^b (f_y v + f_z v' + f_w v'') dx \\ &= \int_a^b (f_y - (f_z)' + (f_w)'' v dx + (f_z - (f_w)') v |_a^b + f_w v'' |_a^b \end{aligned}$$

(i) Take $v \in C^2[a, b]$ st $v(a) = v'(a) = v(b) = v''(b) = 0$.

$$\rightarrow f_y - (f_z)' + (f_w)'' = 0$$

(ii) $(f_z - (f_w)') v |_a^b + f_w v'' |_a^b = 0$ provided $v(a) = v'(a) = 0$

Take v st $v(a) = v(b) = v'(a) = 0$, $v'(b) \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow f_w [y_0(b)] = 0$$

Take v st $v(a) = v'(a) = v''(b) = 0$, $v(b) \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow f_z [y_0(b)] = (f_w [y_0(b)])$$

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$$Ex \quad F(y) = \int_0^1 ((y')^2 + (y'')^2) dx$$

$$D_2 = \{y \in C^2[0, 1] ; y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1\}$$

$$f = z^2 + w^2, \quad -(2y')' + (2y'')'' = 0 \rightarrow y''' - y'' = 0$$

saw before $y = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 \cosh x + c_4 \sinh x$

Natural BCs: $2y''(1) = 0$

$$(2y'' - (2y'')')|_{x=1} = 0 \rightarrow y'(1) - y'''(1) = 0$$

$$y' = c_2 + c_3 \sinh x + c_4 \cosh x, \quad y'' = c_3 \cosh x - c_4 \sinh x, \quad y''' = c_3 \sinh x + c_4 \cosh x$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$c_1 + c_3 = 0$$

$$c_4 = 1, \quad c_3 = -\sinh 1 / \cosh 1$$

$$y'(1) = 1$$

$$c_2 + c_4 = 1$$

$$c_1 = \sinh 1 / \cosh 1$$

$$y''(1) = 0$$

$$c_3 \cosh 1 + c_4 \sinh 1 = 0$$

$$c_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{\sinh l}{\cosh l} (1 - \cosh x) + \sinh l x$$

Claim F is strictly convex on D_2 .

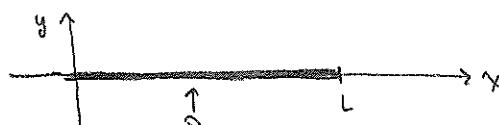
$$F(y+v) = F(y) + \delta F(y; v) + \int_0^l ((v')^2 + (v'')^2) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow F(y+v) \geq F(y) + \delta F(y; v)$$

equality only if $v' = 0 \rightarrow v = c$, $v(0) = 0 \rightarrow c = 0$, $v = 0$

Claim is proved. $\therefore y$ is the unique minimizer

Elastic Beam



small deflection $y(x)$, $0 \leq x \leq L$,

load $p(x)$ (force per unit length, positive in positive y direction)

$\mu > 0$ (flexural rigidity)

(clamped ends: $y(0) = y'(0) = y(L) = y'(L) = 0$)

Potential energy: $U(y) = \int_0^L \left(\frac{\mu}{2} (y'')^2 - py \right) dx$

Minimize U on $D = \{y \in C^2[0, l], y(0) = y'(0) = y(l) = y'(l)\}$

Claim: U is strictly convex on D

Take $y, y+v \in D \rightarrow v \in D$

$$U(y+v) = \int_0^L \left(\frac{\mu}{2} (y''+v'')^2 - p(y+v) \right) dx$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^L \left(\frac{\mu}{2} (y'')^2 - py \right) dx}_{U(y)} + \underbrace{\int_0^L (\mu y'' v'' - pv) dx}_{\delta U(y; v)} + \underbrace{\int_0^L \frac{\mu}{2} (v'')^2 dx}_{U(v)}$$

$$U(y+v) \geq U(y) + \delta U(y; v)$$

equality only if $v'' = 0$ $v = c_1 + c_2 x$. $v(0) = v'(0) = 0 \rightarrow v = 0$

$$\text{E-L eqn: } fy - (f_{x_2})' + (f_{x_3})'' = 0$$

$$-p + (\mu y'')'' = 0$$

$$\boxed{\mu y''' = P}$$

uniform loading: p constant \rightarrow $y = \frac{P}{24\mu} x^4 + c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 + c_4 x^3$

(algebra)

$$y = \frac{P}{24\mu} x^2 (x-L)^2$$

unique minimizer

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Cantilever Beam

$$\text{Min } U \text{ on } D_2 = \{y \in C^2[0,1] ; y(0) = y'(0) = 0\}$$

σ is constant (assume)

$$\text{so again } y = \frac{P}{24\mu} x^4 + c_1 x^3 + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x$$

$$\text{Natural BCs: } \begin{aligned} f_w[y] &|_{x=L} = 0 \rightarrow \mu y''(L) = 0 \rightarrow y''(L) = 0 \\ (f_w[y] - (f_w[y])') &|_{x=L} = 0 \rightarrow -(\mu y)'''|_{L=0} = 0 \rightarrow y'''(L) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(algebra)

$$y = \frac{P}{24\mu} x^2 (x^2 - 4Lx + 6L^2)$$

$$y(L) = \frac{P}{18} L^4$$

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