

Algebraic Problem: $f(x, \epsilon) = 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Seek a regular solution

$$(1) \quad x(\epsilon) = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$$

Then

$$F(\epsilon) \equiv f(x(\epsilon), \epsilon) = 0 \quad \forall \epsilon \in N_r(0)$$

If $f(x, \epsilon)$ is smooth then the Taylor series of $F(\epsilon)$ about $\epsilon = 0$ must vanish.

$$F(0) + F'(0)\epsilon + \frac{1}{2!}F''(0)\epsilon^2 + \dots = 0$$

Necessary conditions are $F^{(n)}(0) = 0$, $\forall n \geq 0$.

Repeated use of chain rules:

$$(2) \quad F'(\epsilon) = f_x \frac{dx}{d\epsilon} + f_\epsilon$$

$$(3) \quad F''(\epsilon) = f_{xx} \left(\frac{dx}{d\epsilon}\right)^2 + 2f_{x\epsilon} \frac{dx}{d\epsilon} + f_x \frac{d^2x}{d\epsilon^2} + f_{\epsilon\epsilon}$$

Next, using (1)

$$\frac{dx}{d\epsilon} = x_1 + 2\epsilon x_2 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{d\epsilon^2} = 2x_2 + O(\epsilon)$$

Use these in (2)-(3) and set $\epsilon = 0$

The conditions $F'(0) = F''(0) = 0$ imply

$$O(\epsilon) \quad f_x \underbrace{x_1} + f_\epsilon = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^2) \quad f_x \underbrace{x_2} + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} x_1^2 + x_1 f_{x\epsilon} + f_{\epsilon\epsilon} = 0$$

where all partials of f are evaluated at $(x_0, 0)$

Solve for x_1 , then x_2, \dots

Recall that the condition $f_x(x_0, 0) \neq 0$ in the I.V.T. is needed to assure the existence (and smoothness) of an $x(\epsilon)$.

Considering the $O(\epsilon)$ eqn (or $O(\epsilon)$ term of $F(\epsilon)$)

$$x_1 = - \frac{f_\epsilon(x_0, 0)}{f_x(x_0, 0)}$$

is defined only if $f_x(x_0, 0) \neq 0$!!

In practice such general theory is not often used to find x_k .
Especially hard if we seek to find x_3 !!

EXAMPLE Polynomials

$$(1) \quad x^3 + \varepsilon x - 8 = 0$$

Here $x_0 = 2$ so that $f(2, 0) = 0$. Also, $f'_x(2, 0) = 12 \neq 0$ so IFTM implies $x(\varepsilon)$ has the expansion

$$(2) \quad x = x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

Substitute (2) into (1) and collect powers of ε .

$$O(1) \quad \underset{\uparrow 0}{x_0^3} - 8 = 0$$

$$O(\varepsilon) \quad 3x_0^2 \underset{\uparrow 1}{x_1} - x_0 = 0$$

$$O(\varepsilon^2) \quad 3x_0^2 \underset{\uparrow 2}{x_2} + 3x_1^2 x_0 - x_1 = 0$$

Solve successively for x_0, x_1 , then x_2 .

$$x_0 = 2 \quad x_1 = \frac{1}{6} \quad x_2 = 0$$

and conclude

$$x = 2 + \frac{1}{6}\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

EXAMPLE Binomial Theorem

For any $p \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| < 1$

$$(1+z)^p = 1 + pz + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} z^2 + \dots$$

is the complex version of the binomial Theorem.

$$f(x, \varepsilon) = (1+x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - \cos x + \frac{\varepsilon}{1-x} = 0$$

Note that $f(0, 0) = 0$ so the expansion has the form

$$x = \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

Since $x = O(\varepsilon)$ one can use the binomial theorem.

$$(1+x)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 1 + \frac{1}{3}(\varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots) - \frac{1}{9}(\varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots)^2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots)^2 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{1-x} = \varepsilon(1 + (\varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots) + O(\varepsilon^2))$$

Collect like powers of ε to yield.

$$O(\varepsilon) \quad \frac{1}{3}x_1 + 1 = 0 \quad x_1 = -3$$

$$O(\varepsilon^2) \quad \frac{1}{3}x_2 + \frac{7}{18}x_1^2 + x_1 = 0 \quad x_2 = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Collectively

$$x = -3\varepsilon - \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

EXAMPLE Taylor Series

$$f(x, \epsilon) \equiv \cos(\epsilon e^x) + \log(1 + \epsilon \cos x) - \sqrt{2-x}$$

Note that $f(x, 0) = 1 - \sqrt{2-x}$ which has the root $x=1$. Hence

$$x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots = 1 + \epsilon x_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

General Taylor Series theory \Rightarrow

$$(1) \quad x_1 = \frac{f_\epsilon(x_0, 0)}{f_x(x_0, 0)}$$

Still cumbersome but relatively direct and arguably better than power series methods.

$$(2) \quad f_x(x, \epsilon) = -\epsilon e^x \sin(\epsilon e^x) - \frac{\epsilon \sin(x)}{1 + \epsilon \cos x} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2-x}}$$

$$(3) \quad f_\epsilon(x, \epsilon) = -e^x \sin(\epsilon e^x) + \frac{\cos x}{1 + \epsilon \cos x}$$

Evaluate (2)-(3) at $(x_0, 0) = (1, 0)$ and use in (1)

$$x_1 = 2 \cos(1)$$

Systems of equations $f(x, \epsilon) = 0$

Here $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $f: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$(1) \quad F(\epsilon) \equiv f(\bar{x}(\epsilon), \epsilon)$$

is also a vector valued function. Each of its elements must have T-series which vanish to all orders. That is to say if

$$F_i(\epsilon) = \bar{F}_i(0) + F_i'(0)\epsilon + \dots$$

then $F_i^{(n)}(0) = 0, \forall n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

We assume

$$\bar{x}(\epsilon) = \bar{x}_0 + \epsilon \bar{x}_1 + \epsilon^2 \bar{x}_2 + O(\epsilon^3)$$

where the vectors $\bar{x}_k = (x_{1,k}, \dots, x_{n,k})$.

To examine how one might derive general expressions, consider the i^{th} component of f

$$F_i(\epsilon) = f_i(\bar{x}_0 + \epsilon \bar{x}_1 + \dots, \epsilon)$$

A long hand derivative of this in ϵ yields

$$F_i'(\epsilon) = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_1}(x_{1,1} + O(\epsilon)) + \dots + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_n}(x_{1,n} + O(\epsilon)) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \epsilon}$$

Evaluate at $\epsilon = 0$

$$(2) \quad F_i'(0) = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_1} x_{1,1} + \dots + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_n} x_{1,n} + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \epsilon} \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n$$

The expression in (2) can be written in vector form as

$$F'(0) = Df(\bar{x}_0, 0)\bar{x}_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0)$$

where the Jacobian (at $x = \bar{x}_0, \varepsilon = 0$)

$$Df(\bar{x}_0, 0) = \left[\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \right]$$

Thus a two term expansion of (1) is

$$F(\varepsilon) = f(\bar{x}_0, 0) + \varepsilon \left(Df(\bar{x}_0, 0)\bar{x}_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0) \right) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

For the $O(1)$ and $O(\varepsilon)$ terms to vanish

$O(1)$	$f(\bar{x}_0, 0) = 0$
$O(\varepsilon)$	$\bar{x}_1 = -Df(\bar{x}_0, 0)^{-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0)$

One could use these expressions to sequentially find \bar{x}_0 then \bar{x}_1 but in practice such systems are found by expanding the systems using a variety of tools.

Higher order expressions

For simplicity $f = f(\bar{x}, \varepsilon)$ where $\bar{x} = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

$$x = x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \dots$$

$$y = y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \dots$$

Consider the i -th component of f where $i = 1, 2$.

$$F_i(\varepsilon) \equiv f_i(x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \dots, y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \dots; \varepsilon)$$

After lengthy calculations one can show

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} F_i''(0) &= \frac{1}{2} \bar{x}_0^T H_{f_i} \bar{x}_0 + \left(\frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial x \partial \varepsilon} \right) x_1 + \left(\frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial y \partial \varepsilon} \right) y_1 \\ &+ \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} \right) x_2 + \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y} \right) y_2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial \varepsilon^2} \end{aligned}$$

where the Hessian is that of f_i in (x, y) .

Collectively

$$F(\varepsilon) = f(\bar{x}_0, \varepsilon) + \varepsilon \left(Df(\bar{x}_0, 0) \bar{x}_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0) \right)$$

$$+ \varepsilon^2 \left(Df_{\varepsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0) \bar{x}_1 + Df(\bar{x}_0, 0) \bar{x}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{x}_0^T H_f \bar{x}_0 \right)$$

where it is understood that

$$H_f = \begin{pmatrix} H_{f_1}(\bar{x}_0, 0) \\ \\ H_{f_2}(\bar{x}_0, 0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Though doable this is not pretty.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \varepsilon^2}$$

EXAMPLE

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} xy - 27 - \epsilon \sqrt{x+1} &= 0 \\ x^2 - y - \epsilon x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

We use the expansions

$$x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$y = y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

in the system (1) and expand in $\epsilon \ll 1$

$$(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots)(y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \dots) - 27 - \epsilon \sqrt{1 + x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots} = 0$$

$$(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots)^2 - (y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \dots) - \epsilon(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots) = 0$$

Collecting in powers of ϵ yields $O(1)$ and $O(\epsilon)$ problems

$O(1)$

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 y_0 - 27 &= 0 \\ x_0^2 - y_0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

"leading"

whose soln by inspection is $x_0 = 3, y_0 = 9$

$O(\epsilon)$

$$\begin{aligned} y_0 x_1 + x_0 y_1 &= \sqrt{x_0 + 1} \\ 2x_0 x_1 - y_1 &= x_0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $x_0 = 3$, $y_0 = 9$ in the $O(\epsilon)$ problem yields the linear problem

$$(2) \quad 9x_1 + 3y_1 = 2$$

$$(3) \quad 6x_1 - y_1 = 3$$

whose solution is $x_1 = \frac{11}{27}$, $y_1 = -\frac{5}{9}$ to conclude

$$x = 3 + \frac{11}{27}\epsilon + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$y = 9 - \frac{5}{9}\epsilon + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Alternate Method (General Theory)

$$Df = \begin{bmatrix} y - \frac{\epsilon}{2\sqrt{x+1}} & x \\ 2x - \epsilon & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{1+x} \\ -x \end{pmatrix}$$

For the expansion $\bar{x} = \bar{x}_0 + \epsilon \bar{x}_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$ where $\bar{x}_0 = (3, 9)^T$

$$(4) \quad Df(\bar{x}_0, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Generally theory for \bar{x}_1 is

$$(5) \quad Df(\bar{x}_0, 0) \bar{x}_1 = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon}(\bar{x}_0, 0)$$

Using (4) in (5) we see (5) is (2)-(3) above.

Perturbed Linear Systems. $f(x, \epsilon) = A(\epsilon)x - b(\epsilon)$

Let $A(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $b(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be regular in ϵ and assume $A(0)$ is invertible. Seek a regular expansion

$$x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$$

for

$$A(\epsilon)x = b(\epsilon)$$

We expand out A , x and b and collect like powers of ϵ .

$$(A_0 + \epsilon A_1 + \epsilon^2 A_2 + \dots)(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots) = (b_0 + \epsilon b_1 + \dots)$$

yields

$$O(1) \quad A_0 x_0 = b_0$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad A_0 x_1 = b_1 - A_1 x_0$$

$$O(\epsilon^2) \quad A_0 x_2 = b_2 - A_1 x_1 - A_2 x_0$$

Since A_0 invertible

$$x = \underbrace{A_0^{-1} b_0}_{\uparrow} + \epsilon \left(\underbrace{A_0^{-1} b_1}_{\uparrow} - \underbrace{A_0^{-1} A_1 x_0}_{\uparrow} \right) + \epsilon^2 \left(\underbrace{A_0^{-1} b_2}_{\uparrow} - \underbrace{A_0^{-1} A_1 x_1}_{\uparrow} - \underbrace{A_0^{-1} A_2 x_0}_{\uparrow} \right) + \dots$$

Collecting the indicated terms we have a simple result:

$$x = \underbrace{A_0^{-1} b(\epsilon)}_{\uparrow \text{ wiggle } b} - \epsilon \underbrace{A_0^{-1} A_1 x(\epsilon)}_{\uparrow \text{ leading effect of } A \text{ perturbation}} - \epsilon^2 A_0^{-1} A_2 x(\epsilon) + O(\epsilon^3)$$

Nearly Singular Linear Systems

Suppose $A(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $b(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ both have regular expansions in ε but $A(0) = A_0$ is not invertible. Then it is not necessarily true that

$$A(\varepsilon) x = b(\varepsilon)$$

has a regular solution x .

We illustrate this by two simple examples:

EXAMPLE

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon^{-1} \\ 2 - \varepsilon^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Clearly $A(0)$ is not invertible. Here $x(\varepsilon)$ has singular behavior in ε .

EXAMPLE

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 + \varepsilon \\ 2\varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \varepsilon \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Same matrix $A(\varepsilon)$ and $b(\varepsilon)$ is regular in ε . In this case $x(\varepsilon)$ is regular in ε .

Perturbed Eigenvalue Problem

$$(1) \quad A(\varepsilon)x = \lambda x \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

We assume coefficients $a_{ij}(\varepsilon)$ are smooth in ε . Consequently

$$(2) \quad A(\varepsilon) = A_0 + \varepsilon A_1 + \varepsilon^2 A_2 + \dots$$

One might expect $\lambda(\varepsilon)$ to be smooth but this is not always the case. A simple example is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ \varepsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 1)^2 - 4\varepsilon$$

Here $\lambda(\varepsilon) = 1 \pm 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ which has no series expansion in ε and $\lambda'(0)$ undefined.

Theorem: If λ_0 is a simple eigenvalue of A_0 then $\forall \varepsilon \in N_r(0)$, certain λ_k

$$\lambda(\varepsilon) = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \varepsilon^2 \lambda_2 + \dots$$

Pf Define the characteristic polynomial $P(\lambda, \varepsilon) \equiv \det(A(\varepsilon) - \lambda I)$. Hypotheses imply $P(\lambda_0, 0) = 0$. And there is a polynomial $Q(\lambda)$ of degree $n-1$ such that

$$P(\lambda, 0) = (\lambda - \lambda_0) Q(\lambda)$$

$$P_\lambda(\lambda, 0) = Q(\lambda) + (\lambda - \lambda_0) Q'(\lambda)$$

$$P_\lambda(\lambda_0, 0) = Q(\lambda_0) \neq 0 \quad \text{since } \lambda_0 \text{ simple}$$

By implicit fn theorem $\lambda(\varepsilon) = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \dots \quad \square$

Expansions for simple eigenvalues

$$(1) \quad (A(\epsilon) - \lambda I) x = 0$$

Substitute the expansions

$$(2) \quad \phi = \phi_0 + \epsilon \phi_1 + \epsilon^2 \phi_2 + \dots \quad \phi \in \{A, x, \lambda\}$$

into equation (1) and collect powers of ϵ :

$$O(1) \quad (A_0 - \lambda_0 I) x_0 = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad (A_0 - \lambda_0 I) x_1 = (\lambda_1 I - A_1) x_0$$

$$O(\epsilon^2) \quad (A_0 - \lambda_0 I) x_2 = (\lambda_1 I - A_1) x_1 + (\lambda_2 I - A_2) x_0$$

Since λ_0 is simple $\dim E_{\lambda_0}(A_0) = 1$. Let x_0 be any eigenvector. By the fundamental theorem of linear algebra

$$\dim N((A_0 - \lambda_0 I)^T) = 1$$

Let $v \in N((A_0 - \lambda_0 I)^T)$. The $O(\epsilon)$ problem has a soln only if (Fredholm Alternative)

$$v^T (\lambda_1 I - A_1) x_0 = 0$$

Solving for λ_1

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{v^T A_1 x_0}{v^T x_0}$$

Note that $v = x_0$ when A_0 is symmetric.

Regular expansions of definite integrals

By way of example we seek an approximation of

$$I(\epsilon) = \int_a^b F(x, \epsilon) dx \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1$$

where $[a, b]$ closed and bounded and F is smooth.

EXAMPLE

$$I(\epsilon) = \int_0^1 \frac{\cos(\epsilon x)}{x^2 + 1} dx$$

For fixed x , $\cos(\epsilon x) = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} \epsilon^2 x^2 + \frac{1}{4!} \epsilon^4 x^4 + O(\epsilon^6)$

$$I(\epsilon) = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{(x^2+1)} - \frac{1}{2!} \frac{x^2}{(x^2+1)} \epsilon^2 + \frac{1}{4!} \frac{x^4}{(x^2+1)} \epsilon^4 + \dots \right) dx$$

Integrate term by term to get

$$(1) \quad I(\epsilon) = \frac{\pi}{4} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} \right) \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^4)$$

This integral can be expressed in terms of $\text{Si}(x)$ and $\text{Ci}(x)$ functions but such expressions have less value... the $O(\epsilon^2)$ term is very easy to understand.

Regularly perturbed IVP - Projectile

By way of example. Suppose a mass m is shot up from the earth's surface at velocity v_0 . Gravity acts on the mass so that the IVP is

$$(1) \quad \frac{d^2x}{d\tau^2} = - \frac{gR^2}{(x+R)^2}$$

$$(2) \quad x(0) = 0$$

$$(3) \quad x'(0) = v_0 \quad (\text{initial velocity})$$

where

$x(\tau)$ = altitude at time τ

R = earth's radius

$g = \frac{GM_e}{R^2}$ = surface grav. constant

Note that when x is small relative to R the eqn (1) may be approximated by

$$x'' = -g \quad (\text{near surface})$$

However, if v_0 is large a projectile may reach appreciable heights.

Nondimensionalize:

$$y = x/x^* \quad t = \tau/\tau^*$$

where

$$x^* = \frac{v_0^2}{g} \quad \tau^* = \frac{v_0}{g}$$

Non dimensionalized problem:

$$(4) \quad y'' = -\frac{1}{(1+\epsilon y)^2} = f(y, \epsilon)$$

$$(5) \quad y(0) = 0$$

$$(6) \quad y'(0) = 1$$

where

$$\epsilon = \frac{v_0^2}{Rg} \ll 1$$

on account of earth's radius R being so large

The solution $y = y(t, \epsilon)$ of (4) depends smoothly on ϵ but we postpone any further discussion. We expand

$$(7) \quad y(t, \epsilon) = y_0(t) + \epsilon y_1(t) + \dots$$

Use the binomial theorem to expand $f(y, \epsilon)$

$$(1 + \epsilon y)^{-2} = 1 - 2\epsilon y + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Expanded, eqns (4) and (6) are

$$y_0'' + \epsilon y_1'' = -1 + 2\epsilon y_0 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$y_0'(0) + \epsilon y_1'(0) = 1 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Matching powers of ϵ in both-the ODE and Initial Conditions

$$O(1) \quad y_0'' = -1 \quad y_0(0) = 0 \quad y_0'(0) = 1$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad y_1'' = 2y_0 \quad y_1(0) = 0 \quad y_1'(0) = 0$$

The solution to this sequence of IVP is

$$y_0(t) = -\frac{1}{2}t^2 + t$$

$$y_1(t) = -\frac{1}{12}t^4 + \frac{1}{3}t^3$$

Such solns can be used to answer useful question. For instance, if v_0 is large enough the flight time $T(\epsilon)$ should increase. Let

$$T(\epsilon) = T_0 + \epsilon T_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Then

$$y_0(T(\epsilon)) + \epsilon y_1(T(\epsilon)) + O(\epsilon^2) = 0$$

Expanding and collecting in ϵ^n

$$y_0(T_0) + (y_0'(T_0)T_1 + y_1(T_0))\epsilon = O(\epsilon^2)$$

Indicated terms vanish ultimately resulting in

$$T = 2 + \underbrace{\frac{4}{3}\epsilon}_{\text{correction for increased flight time}} + O(\epsilon^2)$$

correction for increased flight time.

Regularly Perturbed 2-point BVP

Define the following operator and domains

$$L(u) \equiv -(p(x)u')' + q(x)u$$

$$D(L) = \{u \in C^2[a, b] : B_1(u) = \alpha, B_2(u) = \beta\}$$

$$D_0(L) = \{u \in C^2[a, b] : B_1(u) = B_2(u) = 0\}$$

where $B_k(u)$ are boundary operators. For instance

$$B_k(u) = c_1 u(a) + c_2 u'(a)$$

We seek a regular expansion for the solution $u(x, \epsilon)$ to the weakly nonlinear BVP

$$Lu - \lambda u = \epsilon f(u, u', x)$$

$$u \in D(L)$$

where $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$. Letting

$$u(x, \epsilon) = u_0(x) + \epsilon u_1(x) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

one finds

$$O(1) \quad Lu_0 - \lambda u_0 = 0 \quad u_0 \in D(L)$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad Lu_1 - \lambda u_1 = f(u_0, u_0', x) \quad u_1 \in D_0(L)$$

Note u_0 and u_1 satisfy different B.C.

Though $\lambda = 0$ is possible its inclusion can illustrate some issues

λ an eigenvalue of L

This would mean $N(L - \lambda I) \neq 0$ in which case the $O(1)$ problem

$$O(1) \quad Lu_0 - \lambda u_0 = 0 \quad u_0 \in D(L)$$

would not have a unique solution. Even worse the problem may not have a regular solution at all. Consider the $O(\epsilon)$ problem

$$O(\epsilon) \quad Lu_1 - \lambda u_1 = f \quad u_1 \in D_0(L)$$

where $f = f(u_0, u_0', x)$. Noting L is self adjoint and $N(L - \lambda I) \neq 0$ the Fredholm Alternative implies the $O(\epsilon)$ problem will have a solution only if

$$\langle v, f \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in N(L - \lambda I)$$

As to whether this is satisfied depends largely on f .

λ not an eigenvalue

Since $N(L - \lambda I) = 0$ the solutions of all $O(\epsilon^n)$ problems is unique for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Remarks on Green's Functions

Suppose λ is not an eigenvalue of L ,
and $u_0(x)$ is the solution of

$$Lu_0 - \lambda u_0 = 0 \quad u_0 \in D(L)$$

This must have nonhomogeneous B.C.
otherwise $u_0(x) \equiv 0$.

The $O(\epsilon)$ problem

$$Lu_1 - \lambda u_1 = f \quad u_1 \in D_0(L)$$

has a Green's function associated with it
in part since the B.C. are homogeneous
Consequently

$$u_1 = \langle G_\lambda, f \rangle$$

or more explicitly

$$u_1(x) = \int_a^b G_\lambda(x, z) f(u_0(z), u_0'(z), z) dz$$

Expressions for higher order expansions, i.e.,
 u_2 , are more easily written out using
such inner products.

EXAMPLE

$$u'' + \lambda^2 u = 3\epsilon u u'$$

$$u(0) = 0 \quad u(1) = 1$$

The leading $O(1)$ problem is

$$u_0'' + \lambda^2 u_0 = 0 \quad u_0(0) = 0 \quad u_0(1) = 1$$

and so long as $\lambda \neq \lambda_n = n\pi$ (eigenvalues)

$$(1) \quad u_0(x) = \frac{\sin(\lambda x)}{\sin(\lambda)}$$

Then the $O(\epsilon)$ problem is

$$u_1'' + \lambda^2 u_1 = 3u_0 u_0'$$

$$u_1(0) = 0 \quad u_1(1) = 0 \quad (\text{homogenous})$$

After considerable calculations

$$(2) \quad u_1(x) = \frac{\sin(\lambda x)(\cos \lambda - \cos(\lambda x))}{\lambda \sin^2 \lambda} \leftarrow \text{can't be zero.}$$

Note that $u_1(x)$ is also undefined at eigenvalues of L .

Final Remark If a Green's fn for L on $D_0(L)$ is known

$$u(x, \epsilon) = u_0(x) + \epsilon \int_a^b G(x, \zeta) f(u_0(\zeta), u_0'(\zeta), \zeta) d\zeta + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Perturbed eigenvalue problems

Let $L: D(L) \rightarrow H$ be some linear operator defined on $D(L) \subset H$ where H is a Hilbert space. Further let $f: H \rightarrow H$. Seek higher order approximations to eigenvalue $\lambda(\varepsilon)$ of

$$Lu = \lambda u + \varepsilon f \quad u \in D(L)$$

For $\varepsilon = 0$ we assume

$$Lu_0 = \lambda_0 u_0 \quad u_0 \in D(L)$$

and $\dim N(L - \lambda_0 I) = 1$ so that λ_0 is simple. Assuming

$$u(x, \varepsilon) = u_0 + \varepsilon u_1 + O(\varepsilon^2) \quad *$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

one readily finds

$$O(1) \quad Lu_0 = \lambda_0 u_0$$

$$O(\varepsilon) \quad Lu_1 = \lambda_0 u_1 + \lambda_1 u_0 + f(u_0)$$

Let $v \in N(L - \lambda_0 I)$. The Fredholm Alternative \Rightarrow

$$\langle v, \lambda_1 u_0 + f(u_0) \rangle = 0 \quad (v = u_0 \text{ w.l.o.g.})$$

Solving for

$$\lambda_1 = - \frac{\langle u_0, f(u_0) \rangle}{\|u_0\|^2}$$

* smoothness depends on $L, D(L)$ and H .

Perturbed Domain Problems (Regular)

Let $u = u(x)$ be the solution of

$$Lu = f(x) \quad x \in \Omega_\varepsilon$$

$$u = g(x, \varepsilon) \quad x \in \partial\Omega_\varepsilon$$

where Ω_ε is a perturbed domain of Ω_0

By way of example we show how to construct a regular expansion for $u(x, \varepsilon)$.

EXAMPLE $\Omega_\varepsilon = [0, \frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon]$

(1) $u'' + u = 1$

(2) $u(0, \varepsilon) = 0$

(3) $u(\frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon, \varepsilon) = 1$

Let

$$u(x, \varepsilon) = u_0(x) + \varepsilon u_1(x) + \dots$$

Results in the following expansion for the right boundary

$$u(\frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon, \varepsilon) = u_0(\frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon) + \varepsilon u_1(\frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

(4) $u(\frac{\pi}{2} + \varepsilon, \varepsilon) = u_0(\frac{\pi}{2}) + (u_0'(\frac{\pi}{2}) + u_1(\frac{\pi}{2}))\varepsilon + \dots$

Collecting $O(1)$ and $O(\epsilon)$ terms

$$O(1) \quad u_0'' + u_0 = 1 \quad u_0(0) = 0 \quad u_0\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad u_1'' + u_1 = 0 \quad u_1(0) = 0 \quad u_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -u_0'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Solving these in succession

$$u_0(x) = 1 - \cos x$$

$$u_1(x) = -\sin x$$

which yields

$$(1) \quad u(x, \epsilon) = (1 - \cos x) - \epsilon \sin x + O(\epsilon^2)$$

and seen to be an expansion of exact soln

$$u(x, \epsilon) = (1 - \cos x) - \tan \epsilon \sin x$$

Amplitude Phase form of solution

Seek a solution of the form $u = A \cos(x + \phi) + 1$

$$A \cos(x + \phi) = \underbrace{A \cos \phi}_{\uparrow} \cos x - \underbrace{A \sin \phi}_{\uparrow} \sin x$$

match terms to (1) above

$$A \cos \phi = 1 \quad -A \sin \phi = \epsilon$$

yields $A = \sqrt{1 + \epsilon^2}$ and $\phi = \arctan(-\epsilon) = -\epsilon + O(\epsilon^3)$:

$$u(x, \epsilon) = 1 - \sqrt{1 + \epsilon^2} \cos(x - \epsilon) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

EXAMPLE Expansions need not be regular

$$(1) \quad u'' + u = 1 \quad x \in \Omega_\varepsilon = [0, \pi + \varepsilon]$$

$$(2) \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u(\pi + \varepsilon) = 0$$

Here the leading $\varepsilon = 0$ problem does not have a unique solution

$$u_0(x) = 1 + c \sin x \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R}$$

However (1)-(2) does have a unique solution for all $\varepsilon > 0$

$$u(x, \varepsilon) = (1 - \cos x) + \frac{(1 + \cos \varepsilon) \sin x}{\sin \varepsilon}$$

As $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ this has a singular expansion

$$u(x, \varepsilon) \sim \underbrace{\frac{2 \sin x}{\varepsilon}}_{\text{singular}} + (1 - \cos x) + O(\varepsilon)$$

Remarks on perturbed boundaries

Expansions need not be regular

$$(1) \quad u'' + u = 1$$

$$(2) \quad u(0) = 0 \quad u(\pi + \epsilon) = 0$$

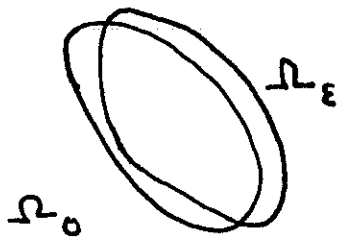
has the singular solution

$$u(x, \epsilon) = (1 - \cos x) + \frac{\sin x (1 + \cos \epsilon)}{\sin \epsilon}$$

$$u(x, \epsilon) \sim \underbrace{\frac{2 \sin x}{\epsilon}}_{\text{singular}} + (1 - \cos x) + O(\epsilon)$$

Domains $\Omega_\epsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

May occur for PDE problems



Stresses induced by small changes to domain $\Omega_\epsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\nabla^4 \phi = 0$$

is biharmonic equation.

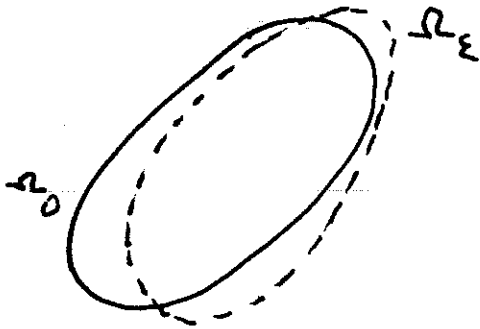
The Airy stress function $\phi(x, y)$ generates

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sigma_x &= \phi_{xx} \\ \sigma_y &= \phi_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} &= -\phi_{xy} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{normal stresses} \\ \text{shear stresses.} \end{array}$$

Perturbed Domains $\Omega_\varepsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

A simple relevant example involves the changes of stress induced by a small shape change

Let Ω_ε be a slight deformation of a plate $\Omega_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$.



The stresses in the plate are found by solving the eqn:

$$\nabla^4 \phi = 0$$

Biharmonic equation

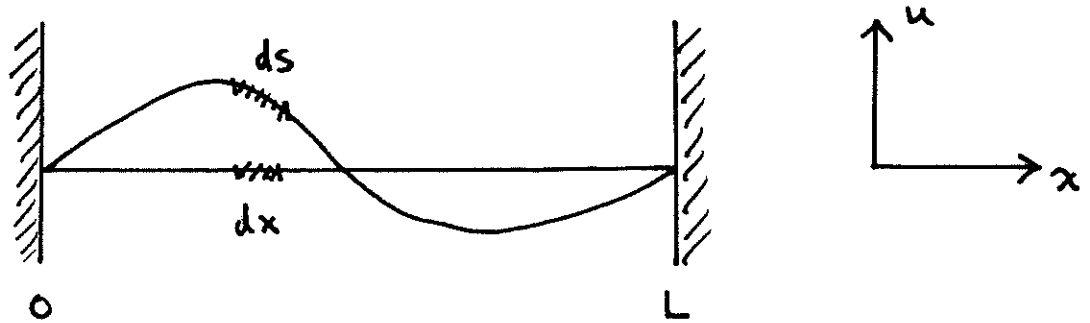
Here

$$\nabla^4 \phi = \nabla^2 (\nabla^2 \phi) = \phi_{xxxx} + 2\phi_{xxyy} + \phi_{yyyy}$$

Once solved

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sigma_x &= \phi_{xx} \\ \sigma_y &= \phi_{yy} \\ \tau_{xy} &= -\phi_{xy} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{normal stresses} \\ \text{shear stresses} \end{array}$$

Small Amplitude Waves



A string vibrating having amplitude $u(x, t)$

Law of mass action requires the following action be extremized

$$J(u) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^L \left(\frac{1}{2} \sigma u_t^2 - \tau \sqrt{1 + u_x^2} \right) dx dt$$

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where $[\sigma] = \text{kg/m}$ and $\tau = \text{tension (force)}$

$$ds = \sqrt{1 + u_x^2} dx$$

so the second term in J is the total elastic potential. Has the form

$$(1) \quad J(u) = \iint_{\Omega} L(u, u_x, u_y) dA$$

with lagrangian ($t \leftrightarrow y$)

$$(2) \quad L = \frac{1}{2} \sigma u_y^2 - \tau \sqrt{1 + u_x^2}$$

From general theory extrema of (1) satisfy

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial u_x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial u_y} \right)$$

when applied to (2) we obtain

$$(3) \quad \boxed{u_{tt} = D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{u_x}{\sqrt{1+u_x^2}} \right)}$$

where we assume $D \equiv \tau/\sigma$ is constant.

Clearly (3) is too difficult to solve directly so instead we seek a small amplitude approximation of the form

$$(4) \quad u(x,t,\epsilon) = \epsilon u_0(x,t) + \epsilon^2 u_1(x,t) + O(\epsilon^3)$$

After using (4) in (3) and expanding in ϵ

$$O(1) \quad u_{0,tt} = D u_{0,xx}$$

$$O(\epsilon) \quad u_{1,tt} = D u_{1,xx}$$

$$O(\epsilon^2) \quad u_{2,tt} = D u_{2,xx} - \frac{3}{2} u_{0,x}^2 u_{0,xx}$$

The leading problem is the wave equation!

EXAMPLE

$$u_{tt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{u_x}{\sqrt{1 + u_x^2}} \right) \quad (\text{PDE})$$

$$u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0 \quad (\text{BC})$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \quad (\text{IC})$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = \epsilon \sin x \quad (\text{IC})$$

Solution of $O(1)$ problem

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial x^2}$$

satisfies same homogeneous (BC) and (IC)

$$u_0(x, 0) = 0 \quad u_{0,t}(x, 0) = \sin x$$

The solution is

$$u_0(x, t) = \sin x \sin t$$

Solution of $O(\epsilon)$ problem

$$u_{1,tt} = u_{1,xx}$$

$$u_1(0, t) = u_1(\pi, t) = 0$$

$$u_1(x, 0) = u_{1,t}(x, 0) = 0$$

has the unique solution $u_1(x, t) \equiv 0!!$

Solution of $O(\epsilon^2)$ problem

For notational simplicity $v(x,t) = u_2(x,t)$

$$(1) \quad v_{tt} = v_{xx} - \frac{3}{2} u_{0,x}^2 u_{0,xx}$$

$$v_{tt} = v_{xx} + f(x,t)$$

where

$$f(x,t) = -\frac{3}{2} \sin^3 t (\sin x \cos^2 x)$$

Ultimately we seek a Fourier series solution to (1) in terms of the eigenfunctions $\phi_n(x) = \sin(nx)$.

$$(2) \quad v(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

Toward this end we need the Fourier expansion of $f(x,t)$ which can be found using trig identities: $\sin x \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) \cos x$.

$$(3) \quad f(x,t) = \frac{3}{8} \sin^3 t \left(\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ n=1}}{\sin x} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ n=3}}{\sin(3x)} \right)$$

Has only two non trivial modes.

The expansion (2) satisfies the boundary conditions $v(0, t) = v(\pi, t) = 0 \quad \forall t$.
The conditions

$$v(x, 0) = 0 \quad v_t(x, 0) = 0$$

imply $a_n(0) = a_n'(0) = 0$ for all n . Substitute (2) into and use (3):

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n'' \phi_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -n^2 a_n \phi_n(x) + f(x, t)$$

Orthogonality of $\{\phi_n\}$ implies for $n \neq 1, 3$

$$\left\| \begin{array}{l} a_n'' + n^2 a_n = 0 \\ a_n(0) = a_n'(0) = 0 \end{array} \right\| \quad n \neq 1, 3$$

whose solution is $a_n(t) \equiv 0$. For $n = 1, 3$

$$\left\| \begin{array}{l} a_n'' + n^2 a_n = \frac{3}{8} \sin^3 t \\ a_n(0) = a_n'(0) = 0 \end{array} \right\| \quad n = 1, 3$$

Both of these modes exhibit resonance.
For instance

$$a_1(t) = a_1^{(osc)}(t) - \underbrace{\frac{9}{64} t \cos t}_{\text{resonant growth of } n=1 \text{ mode.}}$$

where $a_1^{(osc)}(t)$ is a periodic function. Since $u = \epsilon u_0 + \epsilon^3 u_2 + O(\epsilon^4)$ one must have $t = O(\epsilon^{-2})$ time before they are observed in ϵu_0 term.