

Math 450 (2009) – Final (Take home)

Due: December 16, 2009 (10am)

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Get the exam no me no later than 10am on December 16, 2009. You may give me the exam in person at my office (Wil 2-136), slide it under my office door or put it in my mailbox in the main math office.

1. [25 pts] Let $y(t, \epsilon)$ be the solution of the initial value problem

$$\begin{aligned}y'' + y &= \epsilon y^5, \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1 \\y(0) &= 0, \quad y'(0) = 1 + 3\epsilon\end{aligned}$$

where $()'$ denotes differentiation in t . Assume

$$\begin{aligned}y(t, \epsilon) &= y_0(\tau) + \epsilon y_1(\tau) + O(\epsilon^2) \\ \tau &= \omega(\epsilon)t \equiv (1 + \omega_1\epsilon + \omega_2\epsilon^2 + \dots)t\end{aligned}$$

a) Use Poincare-Lindstedt's method to determine ω_1 and the $O(\epsilon)$ correction to the period.

You may use the identity:

$$\sin^5 A = \frac{5}{8} \sin A - \frac{5}{16} \sin 3A + \frac{1}{16} \sin 5A$$

b) What initial conditions must $y_1(\tau)$ satisfy?

2. [25 pts] The following equation has two roots for positive ϵ .

$$\epsilon x^4 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = x, \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1$$

Find a two term expansion in ϵ for the singular root. Make sure you balance the largest two terms. Also, you may use (for $p = 4, -\frac{1}{2}$):

$$(X_0 + \delta X_1 + \dots)^p = X_0^p + pX_0^{p-1}X_1 \delta + O(\delta^2)$$

3. [25pts] Let $y(x, \epsilon)$ be the solution of the following boundary value problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon y'' + (x+2)y' + y^2 &= 0 \quad , \quad x \in (0,1) \quad , \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1 \\ y(0) &= A \quad , \quad y(1) = \frac{1}{\ln(3)}\end{aligned}$$

- a) Find a uniformly valid approximation for arbitrary A (layer is at $x = 0$). Here the outer problem is separable and the right boundary condition looks odd to make $y_0(x)$ nice.
- b) For what value of A is there no boundary layer at $x = 0$?

4. [25 pts] A functional $J : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}J(y) &= \int_0^1 L(x, y(x), y'(x)) dx \\ \mathcal{A} &= \{y \in C^2[0,1] : y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1\}\end{aligned}$$

where the Lagrangian

$$L(x, y, y') = y y' \ln(y')$$

Use a first integral of the Euler-Lagrange equations to find the extremal $\bar{y} \in \mathcal{A}$ of the functional J . The first integral should be a separable first order differential equation for $\bar{y}(x)$. The solution will depend on two constants which you will determine from the boundary conditions defining \mathcal{A} . You may assume \bar{y} and \bar{y}' are both positive.

QUESTION ONE

Differential eqns for $y_0(\tau)$ and $y_1(\tau)$ are:

$$(1) \quad y_0'' + y_0 = 0$$

$$(2) \quad y_1'' + y_1 = y_0^5 - 2\omega_1 y_0''$$

Expand initial conditions

$$y(0, \varepsilon) = 0 = y_0(0) + \varepsilon y_1(0) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$y'(0, \varepsilon) = 1 + 3\varepsilon = y_0'(0) + \varepsilon(y_1'(0) + \omega_1 y_0'(0)) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

Comparing powers of ε

$$(3) \quad y_0(0) = 0 \quad y_0'(0) = 1$$

$$(4) \quad y_1(0) = 0 \quad y_1'(0) = 3 - \omega_1 y_0'(0)$$

Solution of $O(1)$ problem (1), (3) is

$$y_0(\tau) = \sin \tau$$

so that (2) becomes (using the identity)

$$y_1'' + y_1 = \left(\frac{5}{8} - 2\omega_1\right) \sin \tau - \frac{5}{16} \sin 3\tau + \frac{1}{16} \sin 5\tau$$

Thus

$$(5) \quad \omega_1 = \frac{5}{16} \quad T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \left(1 - \frac{5}{16}\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2)\right)$$

Using ω_1 in (5) in (4)

$$y_1'(0) = 3 - \frac{5}{16}(1) = \frac{43}{16}$$

QUESTION TWO

$$x = \frac{\bar{x}}{\varepsilon^\alpha}, \quad \alpha > 0$$

$$\varepsilon^{1-4\alpha} \bar{x}^4 + \varepsilon^{\alpha/2} \bar{x}^{-1/2} = \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \bar{x}$$

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For all $\alpha > 0$ term ② \ll ③ hence need ① \sim ③

$$1 - 4\alpha = -\alpha$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$$

For this choice

$$\bar{x}^4 - \bar{x} = -\delta(\varepsilon) \bar{x}^{-1/2}$$

where $\delta(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon^{1/2}$. Expansion

$$\bar{x} = \bar{x}_0 + \delta \bar{x}_1 + O(\delta^2)$$

$$\delta = \varepsilon^{1/2} \ll 1$$

yields

$$\bar{x}_0^4 - \bar{x}_0 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \bar{x}_0 = 1$$

$$4\bar{x}_0^3 \bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1 = -\bar{x}_0^{-1/2}$$

For $\bar{x}_0 = 1$, $\bar{x}_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$ and

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

or,

$$x = \varepsilon^{-1/3} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon^{1/2} + O(\varepsilon) \right)$$

QUESTION THREE

Outer problem

$$(x+2)y_0' + y_0^2 = 0 \quad y_0(1) = \frac{1}{\ln 3}$$

Since the general solution is

$$y_0(x) = (c_1 + \ln(x+2))^{-1}$$

we require $c_1 = 0$ for the boundary condition to be satisfied:

$$y_0(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(x+2)}$$

Inner Problem

$$y(x, \epsilon) = \bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \epsilon) \quad \bar{x} = \frac{x}{\delta(\epsilon)}$$

yields

$$\frac{\epsilon}{\delta^2} \bar{Y}'' + (2 + \delta \bar{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{\delta} \bar{Y}' + \bar{Y}^2 = 0$$

Balancing indicated (largest) terms $\delta(\epsilon) = \epsilon \Rightarrow$

$$\bar{Y}'' + (2 + \epsilon \bar{x}) \bar{Y}' + \epsilon \bar{Y}^2 = 0$$

The expansion $\bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \epsilon) = \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) + \epsilon \bar{Y}_1(\bar{x}) + \dots \Rightarrow$

$$\bar{Y}_0'' + 2\bar{Y}_0' = 0$$

$$\bar{Y}_0(0) = A$$

whose solution is

$$\Upsilon_0(\bar{x}) = A + C_2 (e^{-2\bar{x}} - 1)$$

for some constant C_2 to be determined by matching

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y_0(x) = \lim_{\bar{x} \rightarrow \infty} \Upsilon_0(\bar{x})$$

$$M = \frac{1}{\ln 2} = A - C_2$$

From which $C_2 = A - (\ln 2)^{-1}$.

$$\Upsilon_0(\bar{x}) = A + \left(A - \frac{1}{\ln 2}\right) (e^{-2\bar{x}} - 1)$$

Uniform approximation

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + \Upsilon_0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) - M$$

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\ln(x+2)} + \Upsilon_0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) - \frac{1}{\ln 2}$$

Part b)

There is no layer if the outer solution satisfies both boundary conditions, i.e. if A is chosen so

$$y_0(0) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} = A$$

QUESTION FOUR

Since $L_x = 0$ a first integral is

$$L - y' L_{y'} = -k_1$$

for some constant k_1 . For $L = yy' \ln(y')$

$$yy' \ln y' - y'(y \ln y' + y) = -k_1$$

Hence

$$yy' = k_1$$

which is separable and has soln

$$y(x) = \sqrt{Ax + B}$$

Here we have assumed $y(x) \geq 0$. For $y \in A$ it needs to satisfy the boundary conditions

$$y(0) = \sqrt{B} = 2$$

$$y(1) = \sqrt{A + B} = 3$$

From which $B = 4$, $A = 5$ and

$$\bar{y}(x) = \sqrt{5x + 4}$$