Applied Analysis (ACM30020)

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Graded Assignment

Instructions:

- This is a graded assignment.
- Worth 20%. A small number of the available marks will be awarded for precision and clarity.
- Open-book format proper citation of any literature will count towards the marks for precision and clarity.
- Please do not collaborate with friends (or enemies) this assignment is to be performed under the code of conduct outlined in the module introduction on Brightspace.
- Please submit a hard copy in Latex. Sign and attach the code-of-conduct coversheet to your work.
- Due date: Monday 24th March 09:00

1. Local Existence Theory for ODEs

Consider the ODE system:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = F(x, y), \qquad x \ge a,\tag{1}$$

with initial condition $y(a) = y_0$. As before, construct the Picard iterative solution scheme:

$$y_{n+1}(x) = y_0 + \int_a^x F(x, y_n(x)) \mathrm{d}x, n \ge 0,$$

with initial guess $y_0(x) = y_0$. Suppose also that F is Lipschitz, with Lipschitz constant K, such that:

$$|F(x, y_2) - F(x, y_1)| \le K|y_2 - y_1|,$$

for all x in an interval (a, a + L), and all y_1 and $y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) Show that

$$||y_{n+1} - y_n||_{\infty} \le KL ||y_n - y_{n-1}||_{\infty}$$

- (b) Fix L such that KL < 1. Hence, deduce that $y_n \mapsto y_{n+1}$, which maps continuous functions to continuous functions, is a contraction mapping.
- (c) Use the Contraction Mapping Principle to deduce that Equation (1) has a solution, valid for $x \in [a, a + L]$.

The solution constructed in this way is called a local solution as it is valid on the interval [a, a + L]. What happens for x > a + L is anyone's guess. If the solution remains valid for all x > a + L, the solution is called a global solution.

(d) Consider the ODEs

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = y^3, \qquad \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}y^2 = -2y^4, \qquad x > 0,$$

with $y(0) = y_0$. Say in each case whether or not a global solution exists.

2. Bessel Functions

Consider the expression

$$g(x,t) = e^{(x/2)(t-t^{-1})} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n(x)t^n.$$
 (2)

In this problem we show that the P_n -coefficients are the Bessel functions of integer order.

(a) Compute $\partial g/\partial t$ in two different ways to show that

$$\frac{2n}{x}P_n = P_{n-1} + P_{n+1}, \qquad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$
(3)

(b) Compute $\partial g/\partial x$ in two different ways to show that

$$2P'_{n} = P_{n-1} - P_{n+1}, \qquad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$
 (4)

(c) View Equations (3) and 4 as simultaneous equations to get:

$$\frac{n}{x}P_n + P'_n = P_{n-1},$$
 (5a)

$$\frac{n}{x}P_n - P'_n = P_{n+1}.$$
 (5b)

Hence, show that

$$x^{2}P_{n}'' + xP_{n}' + (x^{2} - n^{2})P_{n} = 0.$$
 (6)

(d) By uniqueness of solutions, deduce in a couple of lines that $P_n(x)$ is in fact $J_n(x)$, the Bessel function of integer order.

3. Bessel Functions, again

(a) From the product of generating functions g(x,t)g(x,-t), show that

$$1 = [J_0(x)]^2 + 2[J_1(x)]^2 + 2[J_2(x)]^2 + \cdots,$$
(7)

and therefore that $|J_0(x)| \leq 1$ and $|J_n(x)| \leq 1/\sqrt{2}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$.

(b) Using a generating function $g(x,t) = g(u+v,t) = g(u,t) \cdot g(v,t)$, show that

$$J_n(u+v) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(u) \cdot J_{n-m}(v).$$
(8)

(c) Using only the generating function, show that $J_n(x)$ has odd or even parity according to whether n is even or odd, that is,

$$J_n(x) = (-1)^n J_n(-x).$$
 (9)



Figure 1: A circular plate of unit radius with its faces insulated

4. Physical Application of Bessel Functions

A circular plate of unit radius has its plane faces insulated (see Figure 1). If the initial temperature is $F(\rho)$ and the rim is kept at temperature zero, find the temperature of the plate at any time.

Hints: The boundary condition is:

$$u(1,t) = 0,$$

and the initial condition is:

$$u(\rho, 0) = F(\rho).$$

You may use the following orthogonality property of the Bessel Function J_0 :

$$\int_0^1 \rho J_0(\lambda_m \rho) J_0(\lambda_p \rho) \mathrm{d}\rho = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{mp} J_1^2(\lambda_m).$$

where the λ_m 's are the positive roots of $J_0(\lambda) = 0$.

5. Integral Equations

Let

$$I(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x-\xi|} \Phi(\xi) d\xi.$$
 (10)

- (a) Verify that $I''(x) = I(x) 2\Phi(x)$ for any continuous function $\Phi(x)$ which is dominated by $e^{|x|}$ as $|x| \to \pm \infty$.
- (b) Use this result to show that any continuous solution of the integral equation

$$y(x) = \lambda \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x-\xi|} y(\xi) d\xi + F(x)$$
(11a)

must also satisfy the differential equation

$$y''(x) - (1 - 2\lambda)y(x) = F''(x) - F(x).$$
 (11b)

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Figure 2: A flow between two plates the x-direction, with spatial variation in the y-direction

6. A priori analysis of solutions of ODEs

In Fluid Mechanics, the Taylor–Goldstein equation describes the small-amplitude perturbation of a flow away from its mean value U(y) due to the effect of buoyancy. The idea here is that the flow is in the x-direction but that the flow and the buoyancy vary in the y-direction (hence, U(y), see Figure 2). For the same reason, the variable

$$N^2 = -\frac{g}{\rho_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}\rho_0}{\mathrm{d}y}, \qquad N^2 > 0$$

encodes the effect of the buoyancy – here g is acceleration due to gravity and ρ_0 is the density.

With this set-up in mind, the Taylor-Goldstein equation reads:

$$v'' + \left[\frac{N^2}{(c-U)^2} + \frac{U''}{c-U} - k^2\right]v = 0.$$
 (12)

Here, v is the perturbation velocity in the x direction (again though, v(y)), k is the wavelength of the perturbation, and c is the wave speed. The flow is bounded between two plates, $-L \le y \le L$, and satisfies the boundary conditions

$$v = 0, \qquad y = \pm L. \tag{13}$$

In this context, both v and c can be complex, and c is an eigenvalue to be determined. The aim of this question is to say something definitive about the eigenvalue, without having to solve Equation (12).

(a) Make the change of variable

$$v = (U - c)^n q,\tag{14}$$

where n is a parameter at our disposal, and re-write the Taylor–Goldstein equation in terms of $q \propto$.

(b) By multiplying both sides of the resulting equation by $q^*(\cdots)$, where the \cdots

factor is to be determined, and integrating, show that:

$$\int_{-L}^{L} (U-c)^{2n} \left[|q'|^2 + k^2 |q|^2 \right] dy$$

=
$$\int_{-L}^{L} \left[\{ N^2 + n(n-1))U'^2 \} (U-c)^{2n-2} + (n-1)U''(U-c)^{2n-1} \right] |q|^2 dy.$$

(15)

(c) Write $c = c_r + ic_i$ and, by choosing n suitably, show that c_i must be zero so that the flow is stable, if

$$\frac{N^2}{(\mathrm{d}U/\mathrm{d}y)^2} > \frac{1}{4}$$
 in $-L \le y \le L.$ (16)