Applied Analysis (ACM30020)

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Exercises #1

1. Prove the statement in Chapter 1 of the lecture notes: if F(x, y) is continuously differentiable and D is closed, bounded and convex then, a F satisfies a Lipschitz Condition with respect to y taking:

$$K = \sup_{(x,y)\in D} \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \right|.$$

2. All finite-dimensional norms are equivalent. That is, if I have two norms $\|\cdot\|_P$ and $\|\cdot\|_Q$, there exist positive constants c_1 and c_2 such that

$$c_1 \| \boldsymbol{x} \|_P \leq \| \boldsymbol{x} \|_Q \leq c_2 \| \boldsymbol{x} \|_P,$$
 for all $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$

Using the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, show that the L^1 and L^2 norms are equivalent, such that:

$$\|x\|_{2} \leq \|x\|_{1} \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_{2}$$

3. In class, we showed that the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y), \qquad x > 0, \qquad y(x_0) = y_0,$$
 (1)

has a unique solution, provided F(x, y) is Lipschitz in y. Here, we tackle the uniqueness question, but in a different way. As such, assume that y(x) and z(x) are two solutions of Equation (1). Show that:

$$|y(x) - z(x)| \le K \int_{x_0}^x |y(s) - z(s)| \mathrm{d}s.$$

Hence, and without using Gronwall's inequality, show that |y(x) - z(x)| = 0.

4. (a) Convert the initial value problem

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 2x - y, \qquad y(0) = 1$$

to an integral equation.

(b) Prove by induction that the Picard iteration method leads to

$$y_n(x) = 1 - x + 3\sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} x^k + 2\frac{(-x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

(c) Deduce that the initial value problem has the unique solution

$$y(x) = -2 + 2x + 3e^{-x}.$$