

Solutions

Midterm 2

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1. (5 points) Given that $y = x$ is a solution of:

$$(x^2 + 1)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0, \quad (1)$$

find a linearly independent solution by reduction of order.

Note: you may use appropriate formulas.

The eqn in SF is:

$$y'' - \underbrace{\frac{2x}{x^2+1}}_{P(x)} y' + \frac{2}{x^2+1} y = 0$$

$y_1 = x$ is a solution.

The second solution takes the form

$$y_2 = v(x)y_1 \quad (1)$$

unknown

$$\text{Where } v(x) = \int \frac{1}{y_1^2} \cdot \exp\left[\int -P(x) dx\right] dx. \quad (2)$$

$$e^{\int \frac{2x}{x^2+1} dx} = x^2 + 1 \quad (3)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ in } \textcircled{2}: v(x) = \int \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot x^2 + 1 dx$$

$$v = x - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\text{In } \textcircled{1}, y_2 = x \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

Hence, a linearly indep. soln is:

$$y_2 = x^2 - 1$$

2. (5 points) The functions $y_1 = t^2$ and $y_2 = t^3$ are two distinct solutions of the initial value problem:

$$t^2 y'' - 4ty' + 6y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0. \quad (2)$$


Why does this not violate the uniqueness theorem?

In SF, Eq. (2) is:

$$y'' - \frac{4t}{t^2} y' + \frac{6}{t^2} y = 0$$

with $P(t) = -\frac{4t}{t^2}$ and $Q(t) = \frac{6}{t^2}$.

for uniqueness, we need $P(t), Q(t)$ to be continuous over an interval containing the initial pt (here, $t_0 = 0$)

initial pt 

Since P, Q are not cont. around $t=0$, the fact that \exists 2 distinct solns to the IVP, doesn't violate the uniqueness thm.

3. (10 points) Consider the following differential equation for logistic population growth with harvesting:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = rN \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) - \lambda N \quad (3)$$

where r , K and λ are positive constants. For the following cases, compute the critical points, determine their stability and sketch the equilibrium and some non-equilibrium solutions.

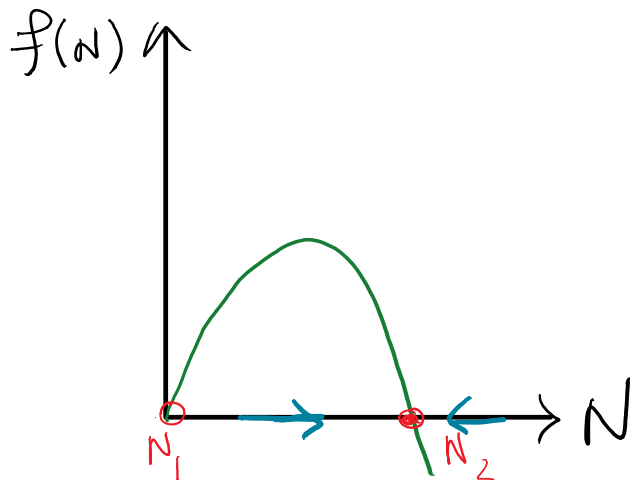
- (a) $\lambda < r$;
 (b) $\lambda = r$.

Critical pts occur at $N' = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow N \left[r \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) - \lambda \right] = 0$$

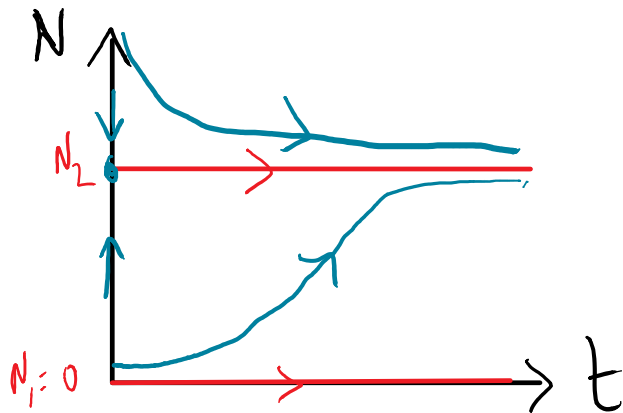
$$\therefore N_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad N_2 = K \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{r}\right)$$

(a) Stability



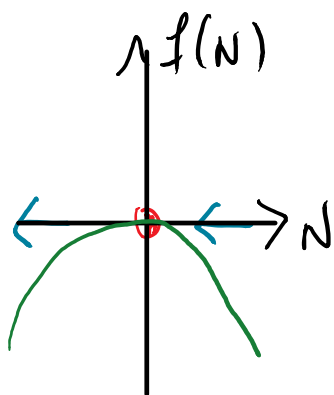
$\therefore N_1 = 0$ is unstable
 while N_2 is
 asymptotically stable

Note: $N \geq 0$ for
 physical significance

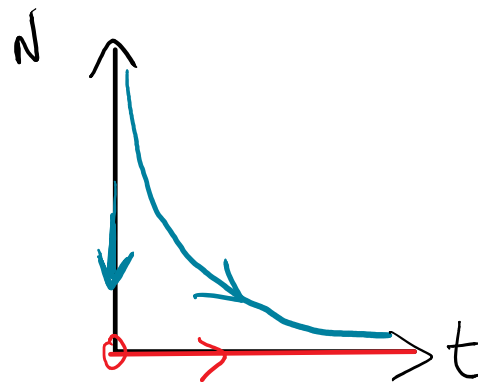


(b) for $\lambda = r$, $N_2 = 0$ hence \exists 1 c.p. at 0

Stability



The c.p. is semi-stable



4. (a) Find the general solution of

$$y^{iv} - 4y''' + 14y'' - 20y' + 25y = 0,$$

if the corresponding characteristic equation has the following roots

$$1 + 2i, 1 - 2i, 1 + 2i, 1 - 2i.$$

Note that $y = y(x)$ and y^{iv} represents the fourth order derivative with respect to x .

- (b) Using the method of undetermined coefficients, set up the correct form for a particular solution y_p to the following nonhomogeneous differential equation:

$$y^{iv} - 4y''' + 14y'' - 20y' + 25y = e^{2x} \sin(2x) + e^x \cos(2x). \quad (4)$$

Note: do not solve for the undetermined coefficients.

(a) 4th order LODE. The roots of the characteristic polynomial give:

$$m_1 = 1 + 2i, m_2 = 1 - 2i, m_3 = 1 + 2i, m_4 = 1 - 2i$$

Since m_3, m_4 are repeated, we multiply the corresponding solns by x :

$$y_h = e^x (c_1 \sin 2x + c_2 \cos 2x) + x e^x (c_3 \sin 2x + c_4 \cos 2x)$$

where $c_1 - c_4$ are arbitrary real constants.

$$(b) f(x) = \underbrace{e^{2x} \sin 2x}_{f_1} + \underbrace{e^x \cos 2x}_{f_2}$$

Guess for f_1 : $y_{p1} = e^{2x} (A \sin 2x + B \cos 2x)$

Guess for f_2 : $y_{p2} = e^x (C \sin 2x + D \cos 2x)$

multiply by x^2 to make y_p L.I. to solns contained in y_h

$$y = e^{2x} (A \sin 2x + B \cos 2x) + e^x x^2 (C \sin 2x + D \cos 2x)$$

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$$y_p(x) = \int_0^x f(t) \sin(x-t) dt.$$

- (b) Find a similar formula for a particular solution of the equation $y'' + k^2 y = f(x)$ where k is a positive constant.

(a) $y'' + y = f(x)$ ① has as a particular soln of the form: $y_p = v_1(x)y_1 + v_2(x)y_2$ ② where v_1, v_2 are unknown nonconstant functions.

$v_1(x), v_2(x)$ satisfy: $y_1 v_1' + y_2 v_2' = 0$ ③ (necessary assumption)

Using ③, y_p' is: $y_p' = v_1 y_1' + v_2 y_2'$ ④

and y_p'' : $y_p'' = v_1 y_1'' + y_1' v_1' + v_2 y_2'' + y_2' v_2'$ ⑤

Sub. ②, ④ & ⑤ in ① and rearranging:

$$v_1 (y_1'' + y_1) + v_2 (y_2'' + y_2) + y_1' v_1' + y_2' v_2' = f(x) \quad \text{⑥}$$

Since y_1, y_2 are solns to the homog. ODE.

\therefore ⑥ reduces to: $y_1' v_1' + y_2' v_2' = f(x)$ ⑦

③ & ⑦ are 2 indep. eqns for v_1', v_2' .

$$\text{from } \textcircled{3}, \quad v_2' = -\frac{v_1' y_1}{y_2} \quad \textcircled{8}$$

$$\text{In } \textcircled{7}: \quad y_1' v_1' + y_2' \left(\frac{-v_1' y_1}{y_2} \right) = f(x)$$

$$v_1' \left(\frac{y_1' y_2 - y_1 y_2'}{y_2} \right) = f(x) \Rightarrow v_1' = \frac{f(x) y_2}{y_1' y_2 - y_1 y_2'}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad v_1 = -\int \frac{y_2 f(x) dx}{W(x)}$$

$$\text{from } \textcircled{8}, \quad v_2 = \int \frac{y_1 f(x) dx}{W(x)} \quad \textcircled{10}$$

Homog. soln:

$$y'' + y = 0 \Rightarrow \text{char. eqn: } m^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$y_h = c_1 \underbrace{\cos x}_{y_1} + c_2 \underbrace{\sin x}_{y_2}$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = 1. \text{ In } \textcircled{9}, \textcircled{10}$$

$$v_1 = -\int \sin x f(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \int \cos x f(x) dx$$

where note that constants of integration are ignored
WLOG s.t we can write:

$$v_1 = \int_0^x \sin t f(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \int_0^x \cos t f(t) dt$$

t here is used as the dummy variable

Using the boxed eqns above in y_p :

$$y_p = \int_0^x f(t) [\sin t \cos x + \cos t \sin x] dt$$

Using the sine difference formula:

$$y_p = \int_0^x f(t) [\sin(x-t)] dt \quad \text{as required.}$$

(b) $y'' + k^2 y = f(x)$.

The homog. soln is: $y_h = C_1 \cos kx + C_2 \sin kx$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = k$$

Hence,

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{k} \int_0^x \sin kt f(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \int_0^x \cos kt f(t) dt$$

Therefore, y_p is:

$$y_p = \frac{1}{k} \int_0^x f(t) [\sin k(x-t)] dt$$

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