

Problem Set #3

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Exercise 1

From the Lecture Notes we know that the second-order terms of $F(x, u) = 0$ are:

$$F_{xx}\{x(u), u\}x_u(u)x_u(u) + F_{xu}\{x(u), u\}x_u(u) + \\ + F_x\{x(u), u\}x_{uu}(u) + F_{xu}\{x(u), u\}x_u(u) + F_{uu}\{x(u), u\} = 0$$

Taking the derivative of this formula with respect to u , we obtain

$$x_{uuu} = -\frac{F_{xxx}x_u^3 + 3(F_{xxu}x_u^2 + F_{xuu}x_u + F_{xx}x_u x_{uu} + F_{xu}x_{uu}) + F_{uuu}}{F_x}.$$

The third-order Taylor approximation is given by

$$x(u) = x(u_0) + x_u(u_0)(u - u_0) + \frac{1}{2}x_{uu}(u_0)(u - u_0)^2 + \frac{1}{6}x_{uuu}(u_0)(u - u_0)^3$$

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