

# Major Project: AM3813A: Nonlinear ODE's

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## 1 Introduction

Find the approximate solutions of the following differential equation

$$\ddot{x} + x - \epsilon x \dot{x} - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 x^2 \dot{x} = 0 \quad \text{Up to the 3th order}$$

## 2 Solve using Lindstedt-Poincarè Method

Let  $\omega(\epsilon) = w_0 + \epsilon w_1 + \dots$

and let the timescale  $\tau = \omega(\epsilon)t$

Assume solution is in the form  $x(\tau, \epsilon) = x_0(\tau) + \epsilon x_1(\tau) + \epsilon^2 x_2(\tau) + \dots$

Additionally, we have  $\dot{x} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = \omega(\epsilon) \frac{\partial x}{\partial \tau}$

and so,  $\ddot{x} = \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} = \omega^2(\epsilon) \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial \tau^2}$

Mind you for the duration of this section, we will continue to use  $\ddot{x}$  notation with the implication that derivative is now with respect to  $\tau$  simply to lessen the confusion (and decrease writing)

with this our original DE becomes:  $\omega^2(\epsilon) \ddot{x} + x - \epsilon x \omega(\epsilon) \dot{x} - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} x^2 \omega(\epsilon) \dot{x} = 0$

note we will allow  $w_0 = 1$  to get the harmonic oscillator

Expanding our equation

$$\begin{aligned} & (((1 + \epsilon\omega_1 + \epsilon^2\omega_2 + \epsilon^3\omega_3)(1 + \epsilon\omega_1 + \epsilon^2\omega_2 + \epsilon^3\omega_3))(\ddot{x}_0 + \epsilon\ddot{x}_1 + \epsilon^2\ddot{x}_2 + \epsilon^3\ddot{x}_3)) + \\ & (x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \epsilon^3 x_3) - ((\epsilon(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \epsilon^3 x_3)(w_0 + \epsilon w_1 + \epsilon^2 w_2 + \epsilon^3 w_3)(\dot{x}_0 + \\ & \epsilon\dot{x}_1 + \epsilon^2\dot{x}_2 + \epsilon^3\dot{x}_3)) - (\frac{\epsilon^2}{2}((x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \epsilon^3 x_3)(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \epsilon^3 x_3))(\dot{x}_0 + \\ & \epsilon\dot{x}_1 + \epsilon^2\dot{x}_2 + \epsilon^3\dot{x}_3)(w_0 + \epsilon w_1 + \epsilon^2 w_2 + \epsilon^3 w_3)) \end{aligned}$$

Collecting Epsilon powered terms

$$\epsilon^0: \quad \ddot{x} + x_0 = 0$$

$$\epsilon^1: \quad 2\omega_1\ddot{x}_0 + \ddot{x}_1 + x_1 - x_0\dot{x}_0 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^2: \quad & 2\omega_2\ddot{x}_0 + \omega_1^2\ddot{x}_0 + 2\omega_1\ddot{x}_1 + \ddot{x}_2 + x_2 - x_0\dot{x}_1 - w_1x_0\dot{x}_0 - x_1\dot{x}_0 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}x_0^2\dot{x}_0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3: \quad & 2w_1w_2\ddot{x}_0 + 2w_3\ddot{x}_0 + 2w_2\ddot{x}_1 + 2w_1\ddot{x}_2 + \ddot{x}_3 + x_3 - x_0\dot{x}_2 - w_1x_0\dot{x}_1 \\ & - x_1\dot{x}_1 - w_2x_0\dot{x}_0 - w_1x_1\dot{x}_0 - x_2\dot{x}_0 - \frac{1}{2}w_1x_0^2\dot{x}_0 - \frac{1}{2}x_0^2\dot{x}_1 - \frac{1}{2}w_1x_0x_1\dot{x}_0 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}x_0x_1\dot{x}_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_0x_1\dot{x}_0 \end{aligned}$$

## 2.1 Solving: $\epsilon^0$

$$\epsilon^0: \quad \ddot{x} + x_0 = 0$$

Supposing our conditions for the original DE is

$$x(0) = A \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial x}{\partial t}(0) = B$$

Then the solution to the  $\epsilon^0$ :

$$\text{is} \quad x_0(\tau) = A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau)$$

## 2.2 Solving: $\epsilon^1$

$$\epsilon^1: \quad 2\omega_1 \ddot{x}_0 + \ddot{x}_1 + x_1 - x_0 \dot{x}_0 = 0$$

$$\text{which becomes:} \quad \ddot{x}_1 + x_1 = x_0 \ddot{x}_0 - 2\omega_1 \ddot{x}_0$$

to compute the RHS first, we'll need:

$$x_0(\tau) = A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau)$$

$$\dot{x}_0(\tau) = -A \sin(\tau) + B \cos(\tau)$$

$$\ddot{x}_0(\tau) = -A \cos(\tau) - B \sin(\tau)$$

then we have:

$$(A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau))(B \cos(\tau) - A \sin(\tau)) + 2\omega_1(A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau))$$

Applying trigonometric properties we obtain:

$$[B^2 - A^2] \frac{\sin(2\tau)}{2} + AB \cos(2\tau) + 2\omega_1[A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau)]$$

As we have the freedom of choosing our  $w_n$  terms to remove secular terms, we are faced with the trivial solution in this case. i.e, to let  $w_1 = 0$

Now the  $\epsilon^1$  equation becomes:

$$\ddot{x} + x = [B^2 - A^2] \frac{\sin(2\tau)}{2} + AB \cos(2\tau)$$

solve this using the *undetermined coefficient method*

using the initial conditions with

$$x_1(0) = 0: \quad \dot{x}_1(0) = 0$$

yields:

$$x_1(\tau) = \frac{AB}{3} \cos(\tau) + \frac{B^2-A^2}{12} \sin(\tau) - \frac{AB}{3} \cos(2\tau) + \frac{A^2-B^2}{6} \sin(2\tau)$$

### 2.3 Solving: $\epsilon^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^2: \quad & 2\omega_2 \ddot{x}_0 + \omega_1^2 \ddot{x}_0 + 2\omega_1 \ddot{x}_1 + \ddot{x}_2 + x_2 - x_0 \dot{x}_1 - w_1 x_0 \dot{x}_0 - x_1 \dot{x}_0 \\ & - \frac{1}{2} x_0^2 \dot{x}_0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Rewriting the equation, with  $w_1 = 0$ :

$$\ddot{x}_2 + x_2 = x_0 \dot{x}_1 + \dot{x}_0 x_1 - 2\omega_2 \ddot{x}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_0 x_0^2$$

To compute this, we'll need the following

$$x_0(\tau) = A \cos(\tau) + B \sin(\tau)$$

$$\dot{x}_0(\tau) = -A \sin(\tau) + B \cos(\tau)$$

$$\ddot{x}_0(\tau) = -A \cos(\tau) - B \sin(\tau)$$

and

$$x_1(\tau) = \frac{AB}{3} \cos(\tau) + \frac{B^2-A^2}{12} \sin(\tau) - \frac{AB}{3} \cos(2\tau) + \frac{A^2-B^2}{6} \sin(2\tau)$$

$$\dot{x}_1(\tau) = -\frac{AB}{3} \sin(\tau) + \frac{B^2-A^2}{12} \cos(\tau) - \frac{AB}{3} \cos(2\tau) + \frac{A^2-B^2}{6} \sin(2\tau)$$

The RHS becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{A^2B}{3} \sin(\tau) \cos(\tau) + \frac{AB^2-A^3}{12} \cos^2(\tau) - \frac{A^2B}{3} \cos(2\tau) \cos(\tau) + \frac{A^3-AB^2}{6} \sin(2\tau) \cos(\tau) - \\ & \frac{AB^2}{3} \sin^2(\tau) + \frac{B^3-A^2B}{12} \cos(\tau) \sin(\tau) - \frac{AB^2}{3} \cos(2\tau) \sin(\tau) + \frac{A^2B-B^3}{6} \sin(2\tau) \sin(\tau) - \\ & \frac{A^3B}{3} \sin(\tau) \cos(\tau) + \frac{A^3-AB^2}{12} \sin^2(\tau) + \frac{A^3B}{3} \cos(2\tau) \sin(\tau) + \frac{AB^2-A^3}{6} \sin(2\tau) \sin(\tau) + \\ & \frac{AB^2-A^3}{6} \sin(2\tau) \sin(\tau) + \frac{AB^2}{3} \cos^2(\tau) + \frac{B^3-A^2B}{12} \sin(\tau) \cos(\tau) - \frac{AB^2}{3} \cos(2\tau) \cos(\tau) + \\ & \frac{A^2B-B^3}{6} \sin(2\tau) \cos(\tau) - 2\omega_2(-A \cos(\tau) - B \sin(\tau)) - \frac{1}{2}(A^3 \cos^3(\tau) \sin(\tau) - \\ & AB^2 \sin^2(\tau) - A^2B \sin(2\tau) \sin(\tau) + A^2B \cos^3(\tau) + B^3 \sin^2(\tau) \cos(\tau) + AB^2 \sin(2\tau) \cos(\tau)) \end{aligned}$$

Collecting like terms and using trig properties

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{24}[(2A+3B)(A^2+B^2) \cos(\tau) + (3A+2B)(A^2+B^2) \sin(\tau) + \\ & 2A(5B^2-A^2) \cos(2\tau) - 2B(5A^2-B^2) \sin(2\tau) + (3B(3A^2-B^2) + \\ & 6A(A^2-3B^2)) \cos(3\tau) + ((3A(3B^2-A^2) - 6B(B^2-3A^2)) \sin(3\tau)] \\ & - 2\omega_2(-A \cos(\tau) - B \sin(\tau)) \end{aligned}$$

The terms causing secular terms are:

$$\frac{(2A+3B)(A^2+B^2)\cos(\tau)+(3A+2B)(A^2+B^2)\sin(\tau)}{24} - 2\omega_2(-A\cos(\tau) - B\sin(\tau))$$

$$2A\omega_2 = -\frac{(2A+3B)(A^2+B^2)}{24}$$

$$2B\omega_2 = -\frac{(3A+2B)(A^2+B^2)}{24}$$

Dividing the first Equation by the second achieves:

$$\frac{A}{B} = \frac{2A+3B}{3A+2B}$$

$$3A^2 + 2AB = 2AB + 3B^2$$

$$A^2 = B^2$$

Now I believe this is similar to the condition that appears on page 150 of the notes on the section of Perturbation.

Using  $A^2 = B^2$ , we achieve the value for  $\omega_2$  to remove secular terms

$$\omega_2 = -\frac{A(2A+3B)}{24} = -\frac{B(3A+2B)}{24}$$

Thus, we need to solve:

$$\ddot{x}_2 + x_2 = 2A(5B^2 - A^2)\cos(2\tau) - 2B(5A^2 - B^2)\sin(2\tau)$$

$$+ (3B(3A^2 - B^2) + 6A(A^2 - 3B^2))\cos(3\tau)$$

$$+ ((3A(3B^2 - A^2) - 6B(B^2 - 3A^2))\sin(3\tau)$$

Again, we use undet. coeff. Method with the complementary form guess:

$$C\cos(\tau) + D\sin(\tau) + E\cos(2\tau) + F\sin(2\tau) + G\cos(3\tau) + H\sin(3\tau)$$