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MAL517: Differential Equations

Major examination

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1. Consider the equation $y'' + a_1(t)y' + a_2y = 0$ where $a_1(t), a_2(t)$ are continuous periodic functions of period T . Then show that a non-trivial solution $y(t)$ is periodic of period T if and only if $y(0) = y(T)$ and $y'(0) = y'(T)$.

2. If $P_n(t)$ is a Legendre polynomial, then show that

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_n^2(t) dt = \frac{2}{2n+1}$$

3. Determine e^{tA} or the fundamental Matrix Φ with $\Phi(0) = I$ of the system $x' = Ax$ where A is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. Find eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the Sturm Liouville Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} x'' + \lambda x &= 0, & 0 \leq t \leq \pi \\ x(0) &= 0 & x'(\pi) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

5. Using Picard iteration method, show that the following IVP admits one and only one solution

$$x'' + \lambda^2 x = f(t, x), \quad x(0) = 0, \quad x'(0) = 1$$

where $f(t, x)$ is a continuous function on $S_a = \{(t, x) : |t - t_0| \leq a, |x| < a, a > 0\}$ and satisfies Lipschitz condition

$$|f(t, x_1) - f(t, x_2)| \leq K|x_1 - x_2|, \quad \forall (t, x_1), (t, x_2) \in S_a.$$

6. Suppose $f(x)$ is a continuous function on $[0, 1]$. Show that the following BVP admits one and only one solution:

$$y'' = f(x), \quad y(0) + y(1) = 0, \quad y'(0) + y'(1) = 0$$

7. Test the Stability properties of the following systems:

(i) $x_1' = 2x_1 + 8 \sin x_2, \quad x_2' = 2 - e^{x_1} - 3x_2 - \cos x_2$

(ii) $x_1' = -4x_2 - x_1^3, \quad x_2' = 3x_1 - x_2^3$

(iii) $x_1' = -6x_2 - \frac{1}{4}x_1x_2^2, \quad x_2' = 4x_1 - \frac{1}{6}x_2.$