

Midterm 2 - AM 212

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Problem 1

For each of the following 3 ODEs,

- Plot the numerical solution for $\epsilon = 0.1$, $\epsilon = 0.01$, and $\epsilon = 0.001$
- Explain in a few words of what method you plan to use to solve this asymptotically and why, based on the numerical solution
- Find the lowest order uniformly convergent analytical approximation to the solution for small positive ϵ .
- Compare the numerical and analytical solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$.

ODE A:

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} = -f - \epsilon f^2 \left(\frac{df}{dt} \right) \quad \text{with } f(0) = 1, \frac{df}{dt}(0) = 0$$

- See Figure 1
- For this problem, we will use the multiscale method as it seems that the amplitude of the sine wave seems to decay on a timescale which is dependent on epsilon (on a longer time series it is clear that all three solutions decay).
- To find the lowest order solution we first begin with the multiscale method.

$$t_s = \epsilon t, \quad t_f = t$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t_s} = \frac{dt}{dt_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t_f} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$\left(\epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t_s} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t_f} \right) \left(\epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t_s} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t_f} \right) [f_0 + \epsilon f_1 + \dots] =$$
$$-(f_0 + \epsilon f_1 + \dots) - \epsilon (f_0 + \epsilon f_1 + \dots)^2 \left(\epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial t_s} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t_f} \right) [f_0 + \epsilon f_1 + \dots]$$
$$f_0(0) = 1, \quad f_i(0) = 0, \quad \forall i \geq 1, \quad \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} = 0, \quad \forall i \geq 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^0): \quad \frac{\partial^2 f_0}{\partial t_f^2} = -f_0 \implies f_0 = \cos(t_f)g(t_s)$$
$$O(\epsilon): \quad \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial t_f^2} - 2 \frac{\partial g}{\partial t_s} \sin(t_f) = -f_1 + \cos^2(t_f) \sin(t_f) g^3(t_s)$$

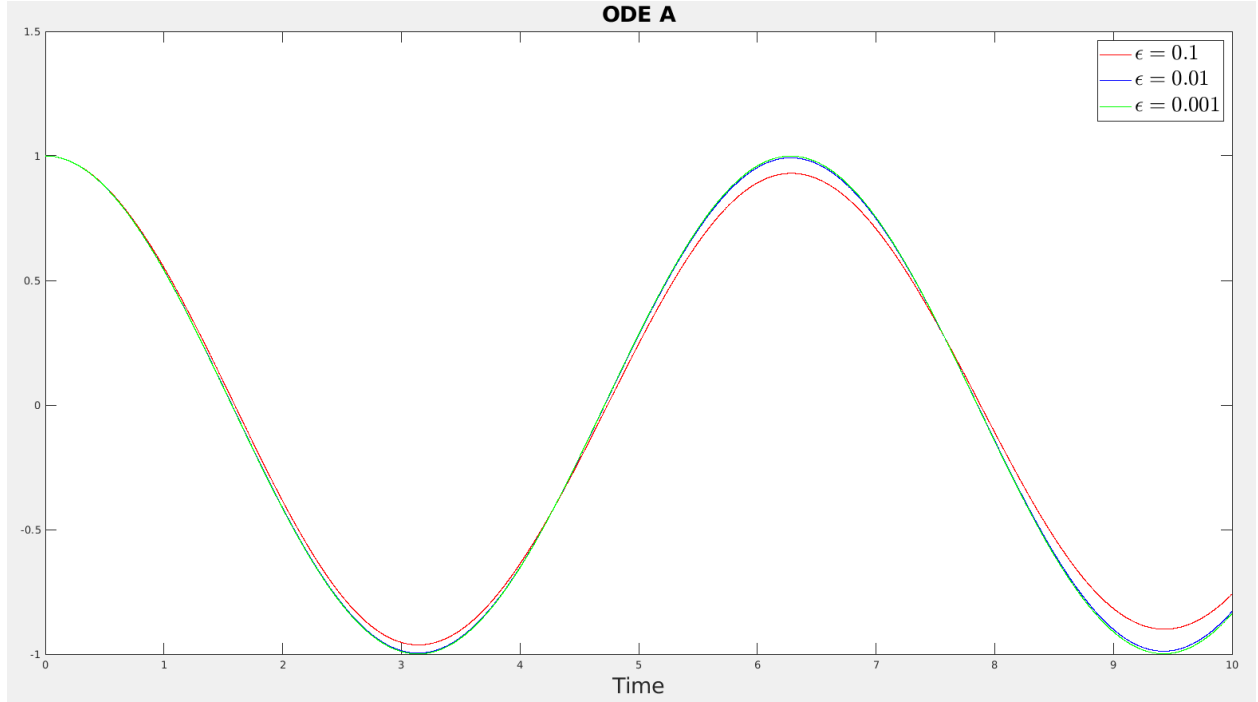


Figure 1: Numerical Solution for differing ϵ using 'ode45'

The term $\cos^2(t_f) \sin(t_f)$ in the $O(\epsilon)$ equation produces a secular term. Using some trig identities we find that this reduces to:

$$\cos^2(t_f) \sin(t_f) = \frac{1}{4} \sin(t_f) + \frac{1}{4} \sin(3t_f)$$

We solve for $g(t_s)$ in order to eliminate this secular term. (Notice that a partial derivative in this case becomes a regular derivative since g only depends on t_s).

$$-2 \frac{dg}{dt_s} \sin(t_f) = \frac{1}{4} \sin(t_f) g^3(t_s)$$

$$\frac{dg}{g^3} = -\frac{dt_s}{8}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2g^2} = -\frac{t_s}{8} + c$$

$$g = \left(\frac{t_s}{4} + c \right)^{-1/2}$$

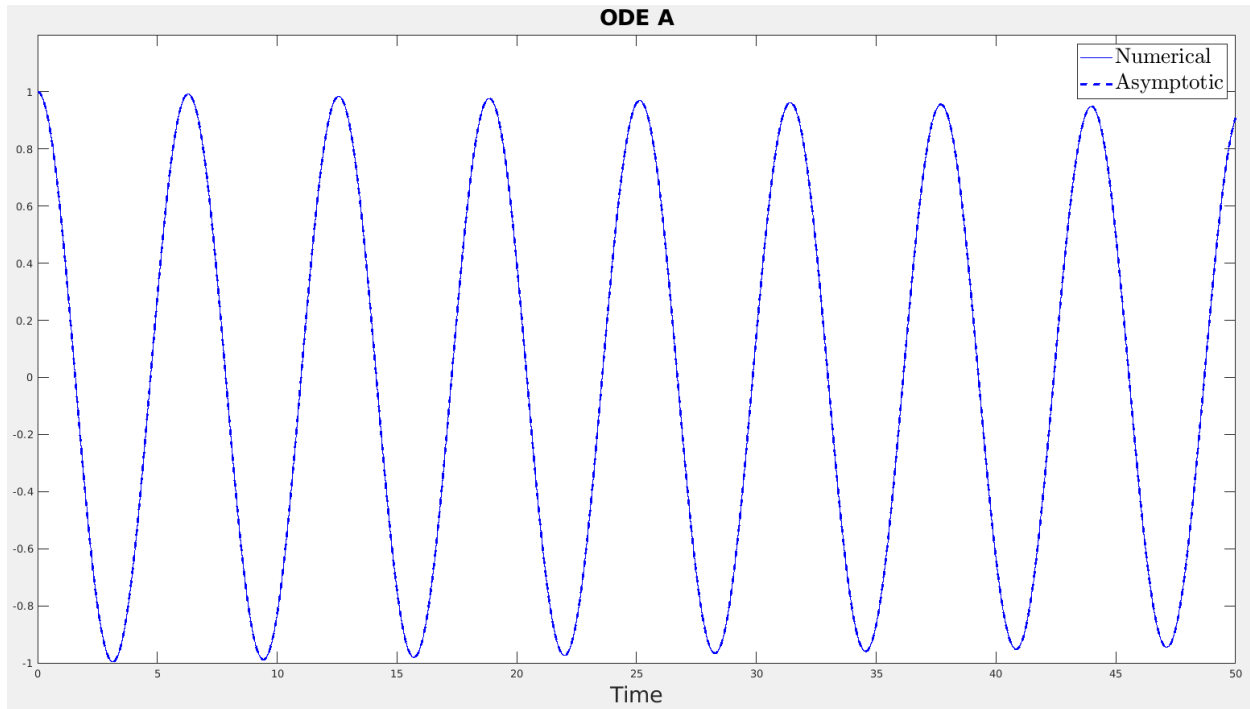
$$g = \left(\frac{t_s}{4} + 1 \right)^{-1/2}, \quad \mathbf{IC}$$

$$f_0 = \left(\frac{t_s}{4} + 1 \right)^{-1/2} \sin(t_f)$$

This choice of f_0 successfully eliminates the secular term allowing f_1 to be bounded and therefore producing a uniform expansion. Thus the lowest order solution needed is $O(1)$.

d. Compare the numerical and analytical solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$.

ODE B:



Comparison between numerical and asymptotic solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} = -f - \epsilon f \left(\frac{df}{dt} \right)^4 \quad \text{with } f(0) = 1, \frac{df}{dt}(0) = 0$$

- See Figure 2
- I will solve this problem using the method of strained coordinates since the numerical solution suggests that ϵ will affect the periodicity of the solution rather than the amplitude.
- lowest order uniformly converging solution
- Compare the numerical and analytical solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$.

ODE C:

$$\epsilon \frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} + \frac{df}{dt} + (t+1)f = 0 \quad \text{with } f(0) = 1, f(1) = 2$$

- See Figure 3
- For this problem, I will use the Boundary Layer method as this PDE has 2 (Boundary) conditions as well as the fact that the second order term in the ODE disappears as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ creating a Boundary Layer problem.
- lowest order uniformly converging solution
- Compare the numerical and analytical solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$.

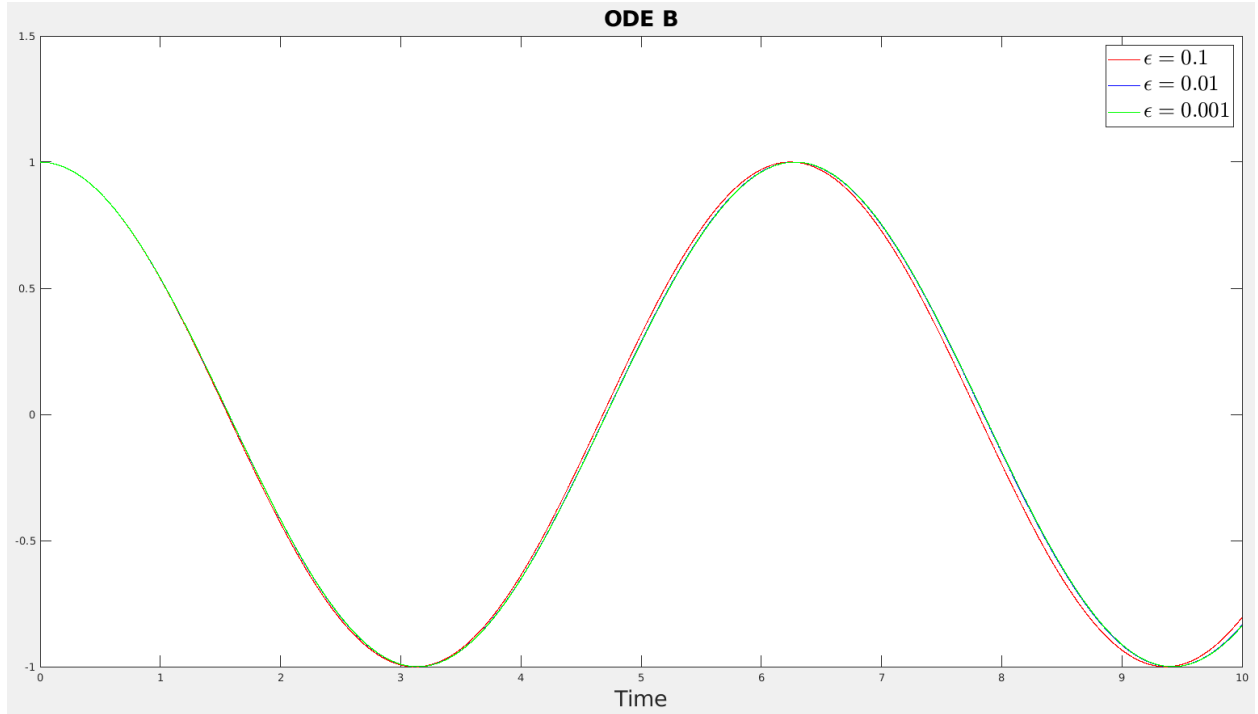


Figure 2: Numerical Solution for differing ϵ using 'ode45'

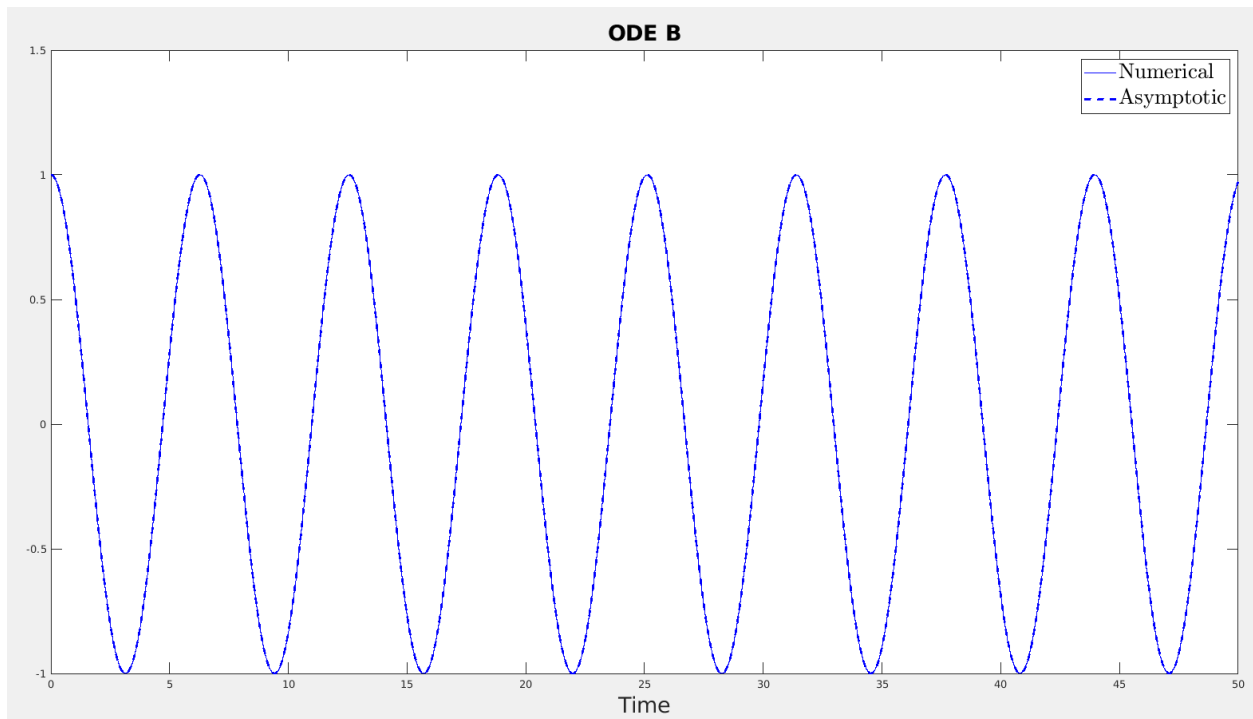
Problem 2

Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of this eigenvalue problem, in the limite where the eigenvalue λ is very large and positive.

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} + \lambda(x+1)^2 f = 0 \quad \text{with } f(1) = 0, f(2) = 0$$

We begin solving this proble using WKB theory and following the procedure described in the notes. First we put this problem in SL form.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{df}{dt} \right) = -\lambda(x+1)^2 f, \quad p(x) = 1, \quad q(x) = 0, \quad w(x) = (x+1)^2$$



Comparison between numerical and asymptotic solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$

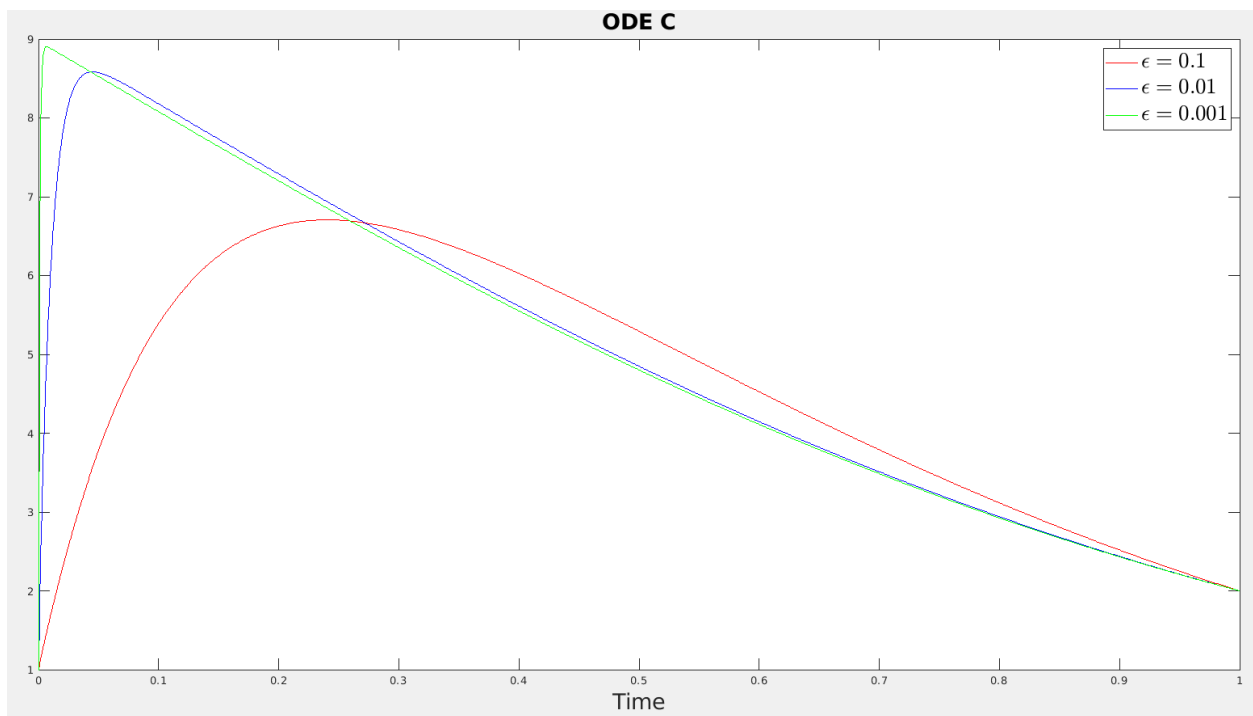
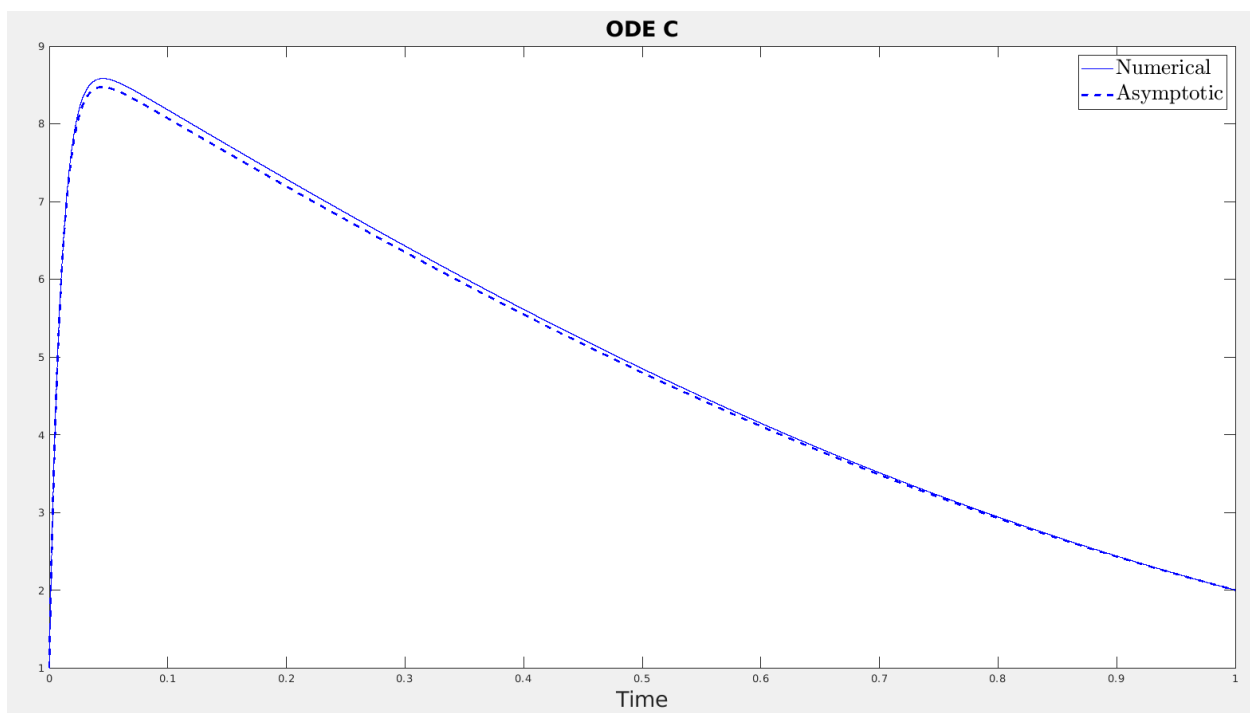


Figure 3: Numerical Solution for differing ϵ obtained using the shooting method and 'ode45'



Comparison between numerical and asymptotic solutions for $\epsilon = 0.01$