Convergence of collocation methods for delay differential equations

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Outline

- DDE-Biftool approach to distributed delays and renewal equations
- Convergence analysis problems for DDEs
- Convergence of discretization & Newton iteration



Distributed delays

Linear DDEs: Representation Theorem ensures r.h.s. has form

$$x'(t) = \sum A_j x(t - \tau_j) + \int_0^{\tau_{\text{max}}} G(s) x(t - s) ds$$

Nonlinear DDEs:

$$x'(t) = f\left(x(t-\tau_j), \int_{s_1}^{s_2} g(s, x(t-s), p) ds, \ldots\right)$$
 ?

No interface for general nonlinear functional of $x_t = x(t + (\cdot))$



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- ightharpoonup permits multiple nested integrals as ℓ and k can overlap,
- \triangleright x_k can be multidimensional,
- several distributed delays possible
- ▶ approximated by *N* discrete delays $\tau_j = s_j \tau_d$

$$\int \ldots \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \tau_{\mathrm{d}} g(s_i \tau_{\mathrm{d}}, x_{\ell}(t-s_i \tau_{\mathrm{d}}), p_i)$$



DDE-Biftool example renewal equation (RE)

Breda et al. 2016

$$x(t) = \frac{\gamma}{2} \int_{\tau_2}^{\tau_1 + \tau_2} x(s)(1 - x(s)) ds$$

implemented as

$$0 = x(t) - \frac{\gamma}{2}y(t - \tau_2)$$

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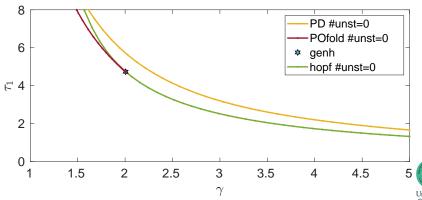
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$$p = (\gamma, \tau_1, \tau_2), \ u = (x, y)$$



Complex example: size structured Daphnia population model

Diekmann et al. 2010. Andò 2020

cohort size:

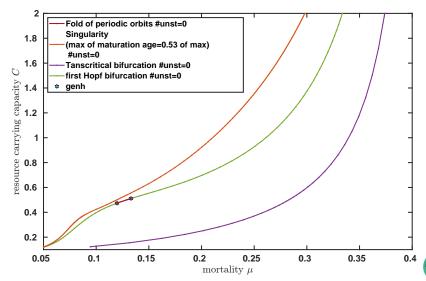
resource:
$$\dot{r}(t) = f_0(r(t)) - f_c(r(t)) p_{\rm eff}(a_{\rm max}, t),$$
 maturation threshold:
$$0 = f_{\rm thr}(a_{\rm m}(t), s(a_{\rm m}(t), t)) - S_{\rm m},$$
 birth rate:
$$b(t) = p_{\rm eff}(a_{\rm max}, t) - p_{\rm eff}(a_{\rm m}(t), t),$$
 cohort size:
$$s(a, t) = g_0(a) + \int_0^a g_r(\alpha, f_r(r(t-\alpha)) d\alpha,$$

effective population:
$$p_{\text{eff}}(a, t) = \int_{0}^{a} h(\alpha, s(\alpha, t), r(t))b(t - \alpha)d\alpha$$
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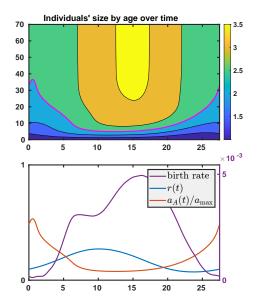
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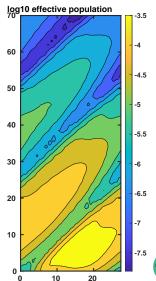




Size structured Daphnia population model: shock

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DDE-Biftool distributed delays conclusion

- more complex, flexible mechanism for nested integrals
 ⇒ daphnia demo
- uses interface for state-dependent delays to avoid introducing N coupled parameters, $\tau(j, x, p) = s_j \tau_d$,
- discretized renewal equations ~ neutral equations:

$$x(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} w_j \tau_{d} g(s_j \tau_{d}, x(t - s_j \tau_{d}), p)$$

- ⇒essential spectral radius of time-1 map > 1 ⇒high-frequency instability ⇒ignore high-frequency eigenvalues of equilibria ⇒ignore Floquet multipliers with highly oscillatory eigenfunctions.
- Renewal equations can be converted to equivalent DDEs
- vectorized g mandatory



Convergence of numerical discretization

DDE-Biftool:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t-\tau_m), p)$$

time rescaling $\Rightarrow x'(t_k) = Tf(x(t_k - \tau_m/T), p)$ at $L \times n_{\text{deg}}$ times t_k

+continuity & periodicity for piecewise continuous polynomial x with L pieces, degree $n_{\rm deg}$.

Convergence proof for constant delay:

Engelborghs & Doedel'02: stability for linear DDEs thought this implies convergence, but

$$F: (x,T) \mapsto Tf(x((\cdot)-\tau_m/T))$$

is not continuously differentiable w.r.t. unknown period \mathcal{T}

(term $x'((\cdot) - \tau_m/T)\tau_m/T$ shows up) (solved by Andò 2020)

$$F: C^k \to C^\ell$$
 is only $C^{k-\ell}$ if $k \ge \ell$



DDEs with state-dependent delays

$$F(x)(t) = f(x_t)$$
 $x_t(s) := x(t+s), f: C \to \mathbb{R}^n$ functional

is cont. diff. only if delays constant.

$$F(x)(t) = x(t+x(t)) \Rightarrow [\partial F(x)y](t) = y(t+x(t)) + x'(t+x(t))y(t)$$

Instead: mild differentiability concept (Hartung et al.'06)

$$[\partial^k F(x)(y)^k]$$
 depends on $x, x', \dots, x^{(k)}, y', \dots, y^{(k-1)},$

(continuously), but **not** $y^{(k)}$.

Result:
$$(0 = \Phi(x^*), 0 = \Phi_L(x_L))$$

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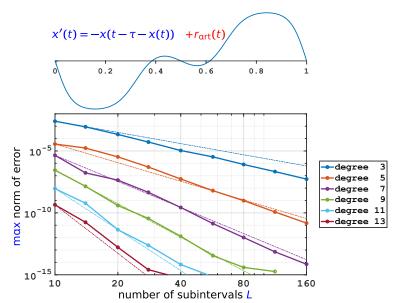
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Issues:

- !! Φ_L only cont. diff. if x_L is cont. diff., but x'_L discontinuous
- \Rightarrow Jacobian $\partial \Phi_L(\cdot)$ is discontinuous on solution space, violates standard assumptions for convergence of discretization and Newton iteration



DDEs with state-dependent delays — example error plot





Conclusion

sourceforge.net/p/ddebiftool/git/ci/master/tree/

- bifurcation analysis for DDEs with distributed delays and Renewal Equations feasible
- linear stability analysis for REs suffers instabilities
- expectation management for speed
- convergence proof of numerical method surprisingly recent for constant delays (Andò'20), current preprint for state-dependent delays
- difficulty: lack of continuous differentiability of r.h.s.

