

Example 4.1. Check whether any non-zero solution exists for the given IE.

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x}t - \sqrt{t}x) u(t) dt.$$

Ans.  $u(x) = \lambda \sqrt{x} \int_0^1 t u(t) dt - \lambda x \int_0^1 \sqrt{t} u(t) dt \rightarrow (1).$

Let  $A = \int_0^1 t u(t) dt \rightarrow (2)$ ,  $B = \int_0^1 \sqrt{t} u(t) dt \rightarrow (3).$

$$\therefore u(x) = \lambda \sqrt{x} A - \lambda x B. \rightarrow (4).$$

Substitute (4) in (2) & get.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^1 t (\lambda \sqrt{x} A - \lambda x B) dt \\ &= \lambda A \int_0^1 t^{3/2} dt - \lambda B \int_0^1 t^2 dt = \frac{2\lambda A}{5} - \frac{\lambda B}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{t} (\lambda \sqrt{x} A - \lambda x B) dt \\ &= \frac{\lambda A}{2} - \frac{2\lambda B}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the system of equations are,

$$\left(1 - \frac{2\lambda}{5}\right)A + \frac{\lambda B}{3} = 0.$$

$$\lambda \frac{A}{2} - \left(1 + \frac{2\lambda}{5}\right)B = 0.$$

The above homogeneous system will have a non-zero solution if.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \frac{2\lambda}{5} & \frac{\lambda}{3} \\ \frac{\lambda}{2} & -\left(1 + \frac{2\lambda}{5}\right) \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\text{or, } -\left(1 - \frac{4\lambda^2}{25}\right) - \frac{\lambda^2}{6} = 0.$$

$$\text{or, } 1 + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{4}{25}\right)\lambda^2 = 0 \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{\lambda^2}{150} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm i\sqrt{150}.$$

Since  $\lambda$  is purely imaginary, there exist no real e-func<sup>n</sup> (non-zero sol.) for the given homogeneous I.E.

## Fredholm Alternatives

Consider the homogeneous IE.

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t) u(t) dt \quad \rightarrow (1).$$

**Q1** If  $\lambda = \lambda_0$  is an e-value of the IE (1), what happens to the corresponding non-homogeneous IE

$$u(x) = f(x) + \lambda_0 \int_a^b K(x,t) u(t) dt ? \rightarrow (2)$$

**Q2** If  $\lambda = \lambda_0$  is not an e-value of (1), what happens to the non-hom. IE (2)?

Definit<sup>n</sup> 4.4 Associated kernel  $K^*(x,t)$ .

It is defined as,  $K^*(x,t) = K(t,x)$ .

Definit<sup>n</sup> 4.5. Symmetric kernel  $K(x,t)$

If  $K(x,t)$  is symmetric, if  $K(x,t) = K(t,x)$ .

Thus, for symmetric kernel, associated kernel is same as the original kernel. Because,

$$K^*(x,t) = K(t,x) = K(x,t)$$

## Theorem (Statements of Fredholm Alternatives)

- Let  $f(x) \neq 0$  be a continuous function in  $I [a, b]$ ,
- $K(x, t) \neq 0$  be real, continuous in  $R = \{(x, t) : a \leq x, t \leq b\}$ .
- Let  $D(\lambda)$  denote Fredholm determinant for the kernel  $K(x, t)$ .

① If  $\lambda_0$  is not an e-value of the homogeneous

$$\text{IE } u(x) = \int_a^b K(x, t) u(t) dt \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

then the non-homogeneous equation

$$u(x) = f(x) + \lambda_0 \int_a^b K(x, t) u(t) dt \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

has a unique continuous solution in  $I$ .

② If  $\lambda_0$  is an e-value of the homogeneous IE (1), then there exists a continuous solution of the non-homogeneous equation (2), if and only if.

$$\int_a^b f(x) u^*(x) dx = 0.$$

where  $u^*(x)$  is the solution to the homogeneous equation  $u(x) = \lambda \int_a^b K^*(x, t) u(t) dt$

where  $K^*(x, t) = K(t, x)$  is the associated kernel.

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Associated homogeneous IE

## Verification of statements of Fredholm Alternative

### Example 4.2

Consider the non-homogeneous IE

$$u(x) = 2x + \lambda \int_0^1 \sin(\ln x) u(t) dt \rightarrow (1)$$

The corresponding homogeneous IE is,

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_0^1 \sin(\ln x) u(t) dt \rightarrow (2)$$

We will verify the statements of Fred. Alt.s through this example.

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(2) is,

$$u(x) = \lambda \sin(\ln x) \int_0^1 u(t) dt$$

$$\text{or, } u(x) = \lambda \sin(\ln x) A, \text{ say} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$A = \int_0^1 u(t) dt = \int_0^1 \lambda A \sin(\ln t) dt$$

$$\text{or, } A \left\{ 1 - \lambda \int_0^1 \sin(\ln t) dt \right\} = 0 \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 \sin(\ln t) dt = \left[ t \cdot \sin(\ln t) \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 t \cos(\ln t) \frac{1}{t} dt \\ &= - \int_0^1 \cos(\ln t) dt = - \left[ t \cdot \cos(\ln t) \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 t \cdot \sin(\ln t) \frac{1}{t} dt \\ &= -1 - I \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2I = -1 \Rightarrow I = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, from (4),

$$u(x) = A \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) = 0.$$

For non-zero sol.,  $A \neq 0$ .  $\therefore 1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda = -2$ .

$\therefore \lambda = -2$  is the only eigenvalue.

Now, consider the non-hom. eq. (1).

Here, we introduce  $A_1 = \int_{0^+}^x u(t) dt \rightarrow (5)$ .

Then (2) becomes,  $\sin(\ln x)$

$$u(x) = 2x + \lambda A_1 h \rightarrow (6).$$

By virtue of (6), (5) reduces to,

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \int_{0^+}^x \left\{ 2t + \lambda A_1 \right\} dt - \sin(\ln t) dt \\ &= 1 + \lambda A_1 x - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

or,  $A_1 \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow A_1 = \frac{2}{\lambda + 2}$ .

From (6),

$$u(x) = 2x + \frac{2\lambda}{\lambda + 2} \sin(\ln x) \rightarrow (7)$$

Thus, the unique solution of (1) is given by (7), provided  $\lambda \neq -2$ , i.e. provided  $x$  is not the eigenvalue of the corresponding homogeneous eq. (2).

In fact, if  $x = -2$ , there does not exist any continuous sol. for the non-hom. eq. (1).

This is due to the following fact:

Consider the associated homogeneous eq.

$$u^*(x) = \lambda_0 \int_a^b K^*(x, t) u^*(t) dt.$$

Here  $\lambda_0 = -2$ ,  $K(x, t) = \sin(\ln x)$ ,  $a = 0^+$ ,  $b = 1$ .

$$K^*(x, t) = K(t, x) = \sin(\ln t).$$

$$\text{To solve, } u^*(x) = -2 \int_{0^+}^1 \sin(\ln t) u^*(t) dt$$

$$\text{Let } C = \int_{0^+}^1 \sin(\ln t) u^*(t) dt$$

$$\therefore u^*(x) = -2C.$$

$$\text{So, } C = -2C \int_{0^+}^1 \sin(\ln t) dt.$$

$$\text{or, } C \left[ 1 + 2 \int_{0^+}^1 \sin(\ln t) dt \right] = 0$$

$$\text{or, } C \left( 1 + 2 \times -\frac{1}{2} \right) = 0, \therefore \int_{0^+}^1 \sin(\ln t) dt = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Or,  $C \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow C$  is arbitrary ( $\neq 0$ ).

$$\therefore \int_a^b f(x) u^*(x) dx = \int_{0^+}^1 2x \cdot (-2C) dx = -2C \neq 0.$$

Hence the corr. non-hom. eq. (1) will have no continuous sol., when  $x = -2$  is an  $\ell$ -value of the hom. I.E. (1).

Example: Verify Fredholm alternatives for the IE

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \int_0^\pi \cos(x+t) u(t) dt.$$

Step – 1

Find eigenvalues of

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_0^\pi \cos(x+t) u(t) dt.$$

**Turn Over**

$$u(t) = x \cos \omega t - y \sin \omega t \cdot B.$$

where  $A = \int_0^\pi \cos t u(t) dt$ ,  $B = \int_0^\pi \sin t u(t) dt$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^\pi \cos t (\lambda \cos t A - \lambda \sin t B) dt \\ &= \lambda A \int_0^\pi \cos^2 t dt - \lambda B \int_0^\pi \cos t \sin t dt \\ &= \frac{\lambda A}{2} \int_0^\pi (1 + \cos 2t) dt - \frac{\lambda B}{2} \int_0^\pi \sin 2t dt \\ &= \frac{\lambda A}{2} \left[ \pi + \left[ \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \right]_0^\pi \right] - \frac{\lambda B}{2} \left[ -\frac{\cos 2t}{2} \right]_0^\pi \\ A &= \frac{\lambda \pi A}{2}, \quad \text{or, } A \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} \right) = 0 \rightarrow (3). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \int_0^\pi \sin t (\lambda \cos t \cdot A - \lambda \sin t \cdot B) dt \\ &= \frac{\lambda A}{2} \int_0^\pi \sin 2t dt - \frac{\lambda B}{2} \int_0^\pi (1 - \cos 2t) dt \\ B &= -\frac{\lambda B \pi}{2}, \quad B \left( 1 + \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} \right) = 0 \rightarrow (4). \end{aligned}$$

(3) & (4) can be written together as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Characteristic eqn.:  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \frac{\lambda \pi}{2} \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\text{or, } \left(1 - \frac{\lambda\pi}{2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\lambda\pi}{2}\right) = 0.$$

$x = \frac{2}{\pi}$  or  $-\frac{2}{\pi}$  are eigenvalues of the homogeneous equation (2).

Next,  $\lambda \neq \frac{2}{\pi}$  or  $\lambda \neq -\frac{2}{\pi}$ .

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \int_0^x \cos(x+t) u(t) dt.$$

$$\mu(x) = \cos 3x + x \cos x \quad C - x \sin x^D.$$

$$C = \int_0^{\pi} \cos t u(t) dt, \quad D = \int_0^{\pi} \sin t u(t) dt.$$

$$C = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos t (\cos 3t + x \cos t) C - x \sin t \cdot D dt.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^\pi \cos t \cos 3t dt + \lambda C \int_0^\pi \cos^2 t dt - \lambda D \int_0^\pi \sin t \cos t dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \cos 4t dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \cos 2t dt + \lambda C \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$c\left(1 - \frac{\lambda\pi}{2}\right) = 0. \quad \text{But } \lambda \neq \frac{2}{\pi} \therefore \underline{c=0}.$$

$$D = \int_0^T \sin t u(t) dt = \int_0^T \sin t \{ \cos 3t + x \cos t C - \sin t D \} dt.$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} [2 \sin t \cos 3t] dt + \frac{x^c}{2} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2 t dt - \frac{x^d}{2} \int_0^{\pi} (1 - \cos 2t) dt$$

$$\therefore -\frac{\lambda D \pi}{2} \quad \therefore D \left(1 + \frac{\lambda \pi}{2}\right) = 0 ; \quad \lambda \neq -\frac{2}{\pi} \quad \therefore \underline{D=0}$$

$$\therefore u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \cos x. C - \lambda \sin x. D \\ = \cos 3x$$

So  $x \neq \frac{2}{\pi}, -\frac{2}{\pi}$  then the non-hom. eqn.  
has a unique sol.  $u(x) = \cos 3x$ .

$$\underline{\text{Case 2.}} \quad \lambda = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{ or } -\frac{2}{\pi}.$$

$$\underline{\text{Case 2a.}} \quad \lambda = \frac{2}{\pi}.$$

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \int_0^{\pi} \cos(x+t) u(t) dt -$$

$$C = \int_0^{\pi} \cos t u(t) dt, \quad D = \int_0^{\pi} \sin t u(t) dt$$

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \cos x. C - \lambda \sin x. D.$$

$$C = \int_0^{\pi} \cos t (\cos 3t + \lambda \cos t. C - \lambda \sin t. D) dt \\ = \lambda C \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

$$\textcircled{1}, \quad C \left(1 - \lambda \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0 \quad \text{Now } \lambda = \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore C \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow C$  is arbitrary.

$$D = \int_0^{\pi} \sin t (\cos 3t + \lambda \cos t. C - \lambda \sin t. D) dt \\ = -\lambda D \frac{\pi}{2}. \textcircled{2}, \quad D \cdot \left(1 + \lambda \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{2}{\pi} \quad \therefore D \cdot (1+1) = 0. \quad \Rightarrow D = 0.$$

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + \lambda \cos x. C - \lambda \sin x. D \\ = \cos 3x + \frac{2C}{\pi} \cos x$$

$$\cos 2k - \lambda = -\frac{2}{\pi}.$$

Here,  $C(1 - \lambda \frac{\pi}{2}) = 0.$

$$\lambda = -\frac{2}{\pi} \quad \therefore C(1 + 1) = 0 \quad \therefore C = 0.$$

$$D(1 + x \frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 \quad \therefore \text{when } x = -\frac{2}{\pi},$$

$$\text{then, } D(1 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow D \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow D$  is arbitrary.

$$u(x) = \cos 3x + x \cos x \cdot C - x \sin x \cdot D.$$

$$= \cos 3x + \frac{2D}{\pi} \sin x.$$

To prove-

$$\int_a^b f(x) u^*(x) dx = 0.$$

$u^*(x)$  is a solution of

$$u(x) = \lambda_0 \int_a^b K^*(x+t) u(t) dt.$$

~~K(x,t)~~  $K(x,t) = \cos(x+t).$

$$K^*(x,t) = K(t,x) = \cos(t+x) = K(x,t).$$

To find solution of

$$u(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(x+t) u(t) dt.$$

and  $u(x) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(x+t) u(t) dt.$

$$u(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \cos x \int_0^{\pi} \cos t u(t) dt - \frac{2}{\pi} \sin x \int_0^{\pi} \sin t u(t) dt$$

$$u(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \cos x \cdot A - \frac{2}{\pi} \sin x \cdot B.$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^{\pi} \cos t u(t) dt = \int_0^{\pi} \cos t \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \cos t A - \frac{2}{\pi} \sin t B \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2A}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2 t dt - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin 2t dt \\ &= \frac{A}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (1 + \cos 2t) dt = A. \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{A \cdot = A} \quad A \cdot 0 = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} B \cdot &= \int_0^{\pi} \sin t u(t) dt = \int_0^{\pi} \sin t \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \cos t A - \frac{2}{\pi} \sin t B \right) dt \\ &= \frac{-A}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2 t dt - \frac{B}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (1 - \cos 2t) dt \\ &= -B. \quad \therefore 2B = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$u(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \cos x \cdot A \cdot = u^*(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) u^*(x) dx &= \int_0^{\pi} \cos 3x \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} \cos x \cdot A dx \\ &= \frac{A}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\cos 4x + \cos 2x) dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for  $\lambda = -\frac{2}{\pi}$ , it can be proved that  
 $\int_a^b f(x) u^*(x) dx = 0$  where  $u^*(x)$  is a solution of  
 $u(x) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} K^*(x, t) u(t) dt$