

Eigenvalue problems:

Suppose we want to solve $Ax + \epsilon B(x) = \lambda x$, $\epsilon \ll 1$.

Expand: $x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \dots$
 $\lambda = \lambda_0 + \epsilon \lambda_1 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (A - \lambda_0) x_0 = 0 \\ (A - \lambda_0) x_1 = \lambda_1 x_0 - B(x_0) \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_0, x_0$ is eigenvalue / eigfunction of A ;

Suppose that λ_0 is a simple eigenvalue of A ;

then $\exists x_0^*$ s.t. $x_0^* (A - \lambda_0) = 0$.

Remark: if A is symmetric then $x_0^* = x_0^t$.

So we then obtain: $x_0^* (\lambda_1 x_0 - B(x_0)) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_1 = \frac{x_0^* B(x_0)}{x_0^* x_0}}$$

Now if A is $N \times N$ then $A - \lambda_0 I$ has rank $N-1$; so that x_1 is determined up to an arbitrary constant; since $x_0 \in NS(A - \lambda_0 I)$.

we can write $x_1 = \hat{x}_1 + C x_0$

where \hat{x}_1 is uniquely determined by imposing

the condition $x_0^* \hat{x}_1 = 0$.

Example: Consider $\begin{cases} y'' + \lambda y - \varepsilon y^3 = 0 \\ y(0) = 0 = y(\pi) \end{cases}, \quad \varepsilon \ll 0. \quad (2)$

Expand: $y = y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \dots; \quad \lambda = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \dots$

$y_0 = A \sin(n x); \quad \lambda_0 = n^2; \quad y_1(0) = 0 = y_1(\pi)$

$y_1'' + \lambda_0 y_1 = + y_0^3 - \lambda_1 y_0$

Now: $\int_0^\pi y_1'' y_0 = \int_0^\pi y_1' y_0' - y_1 y_0'' + \int_0^\pi y_1 y_0''$

$\Rightarrow \int_0^\pi (y_1'' + \lambda_0 y_1) y_0 = \int_0^\pi y_1 (y_0'' + \lambda_0 y_0) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{\int_0^\pi y_0^4}{\int_0^\pi y_0^2} = + A^2 \frac{3}{4}$

To determine y_1 , we decompose

$+ y_0^3 - \lambda_1 y_0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(n x);$

$y_0^3 = A^3 \sin^3(x) = A^3 \left(\frac{3}{4} \sin(x) - \frac{1}{4} \sin(3x) \right)$

and moreover, $\int_0^\pi y_0 (+y_0^3 - \lambda_1 y_0) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow a_n = 0$

$\Rightarrow y_1'' + \lambda_0 y_1 = \frac{-A^3}{4} \sin(3x)$

So set: $y_1 = B \sin(3nx)$;

$$\Rightarrow B(-8n^2) = \frac{-A^3}{4} \Rightarrow B = + \frac{A^3}{32n^2}$$

$$y \sim A \sin(nx) + \frac{A^3 \varepsilon}{32n^2} \sin(3nx)$$

$$\lambda \sim n^2 + A^2 \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon$$

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Bifurcation from constant state

Consider
$$\begin{cases} y'' + \lambda y - y^3 = 0, & x \in (0, \pi) \\ y(0) = 0 = y(\pi) \end{cases}$$

We are interested in small solutions $y \ll 1$

Then $y^3 \ll y$ so that to leading order, $y'' + \lambda y \approx 0$

- Thus if $\lambda < 1$ then the only small sol'n is $y = 0$
- As λ crosses 1, another small sol'n appears,
 $y \approx \epsilon \sin x, \quad \epsilon \ll 1$
- This non-constant solution bifurcates from $y = 0$
- Question: How is ϵ related to λ ?

Expand: $\lambda = 1 + \epsilon^p \lambda_1$; $y = \epsilon(y_0 + \epsilon^q y_1)$
 where p, q are to be determined:

$$y_0'' + \epsilon^q y_1'' + (1 + \epsilon^p \lambda_1)(y_0 + \epsilon^q y_1) - \epsilon^2 (y_0 + \epsilon^q y_1)^3 = 0$$

\Rightarrow set $\boxed{p = q = 2}$

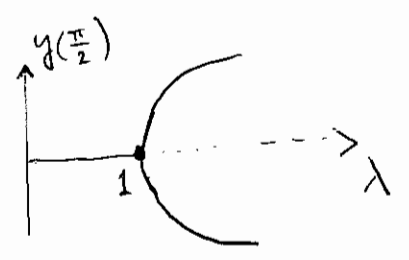
$$y_0'' + y_0 = 0 \rightarrow y_0 = \sin x$$

$$y_1'' + y_1 = +y_0^3 - \lambda_1 y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int y_1^4 + \lambda_1 \int y_0^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_1 = +\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y \approx \pm \epsilon \sin x, \quad \lambda = 1 + \epsilon^2 \frac{3}{4}$$

[pitchfork bifurcation]



Double / multiple eigenvalues:

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Suppose A is real, symmetric and has an eigenvalue λ_0 with multiple eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_k . Now consider the perturbed pbm:

$$Av + \varepsilon B(v) = \lambda v.$$

Expand: $v = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i v_i + \varepsilon w$

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 ;$$

Now suppose B is linear and v_1, \dots, v_k are orthonormal, i.e. $(v_i, v_j) = \delta_{ij}$.

We get: $(A - \lambda_0 I)w = -B a_i v_i + \lambda_1 a_i v_i$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 a_i \underbrace{(v_i, v_j)}_{\delta_{ij}} = (v_j, B v_i a_i)$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1$ is an eigenvalue of a $k \times k$ pbm:

$$M \vec{a} = \lambda_1 \vec{a} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_k \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_{ij} = (v_j, B v_i)$$

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Example:
$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + \lambda u = 0 & \text{on } D = [0, \pi]^2 \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial D \end{cases}$$

This problem has a double eigenvalue $\lambda = 5$

corresponding to

$$u = v_0 = (\sin x \sin 2y) \cdot \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$u = v_1 = (\sin 2x \sin y) \cdot \frac{2}{\pi}$$

Note that $(v_0, v_1) = 0$; $(v_0, v_0) = 1$
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Now consider a perturbed pblm

$$\Delta u + (\lambda + \varepsilon a(x, y)) u = 0$$

Expand: $\lambda = \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1$, $u = u_0 + \varepsilon u_1$

Near $\lambda_0 = 5$: we expand as:

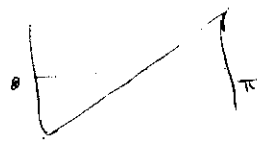
$$u = c_0 v_0 + c_1 v_1 + \varepsilon w$$

$$\Delta w + \lambda_0 w = -a u_0 - \lambda_1 u_0$$

$$\Rightarrow (v_i, (a u_0 + \lambda_1 u_0)) = 0, \quad i = 0, 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_0 \underbrace{(v_0, v_0)}_1 \lambda_1 = -(a, v_0^2) c_0 - (a, v_0 v_1) c_1 \\ c_1 \underbrace{(v_1, v_1)}_1 \lambda_1 = -(a, v_0 v_1) c_0 - (a, v_1 v_1) c_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -(a, v_0^2) & -(a, v_0 v_1) \\ -(a, v_0 v_1) & -(a, v_1^2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex: Take $a(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} x - \frac{\pi}{2} \\ y - \frac{\pi}{2} \end{pmatrix}$ 

then

$$(a, v_0^2) = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \left(\sin x \sin 2y \right)^2 \begin{pmatrix} x - \frac{\pi}{2} \\ y - \frac{\pi}{2} \end{pmatrix} dx dy = 0$$

$$(a, v_0 v_1) = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^\pi (\sin x \sin 2x) \begin{pmatrix} x - \frac{\pi}{2} \\ y - \frac{\pi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \int_0^\pi (\sin y \sin 2y) dy$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left(-\frac{8}{9} \right)^2 = \alpha$$

$$(a, v_4^2) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1$ is an eigenvalue of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \pm \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \pm \frac{16}{9} \frac{1}{\pi^2}$$

Domain perturbations

Let D_0 be a domain in \mathbb{R}^2 whose boundary ∂D_0 is parametrized by $\partial D_0 = \{x(s) : s = a \dots b\}$

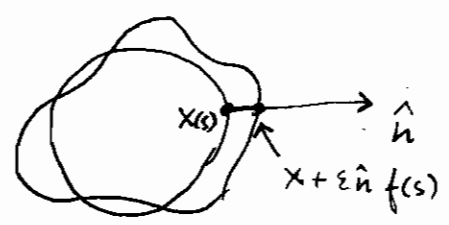
Let D_ϵ be a domain with the boundary given by

$$\partial D_\epsilon = \{x(s) + \hat{n} f(s) \epsilon : s = a \dots b\}$$

where \hat{n} is the normal at $x(s) \in \partial D_0$
and $f(s) : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a smooth fn:

Suppose that (u_0, λ_0) solve:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u_0 + \lambda_0 u_0 = 0, & x \in D_0 \\ u_0 = 0, & x \in \partial D_0 \end{cases}$$



Pbm: Find sol'n to the perturbed pbm:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + \lambda u = 0, & x \in D_\epsilon \\ u = 0, & x \in \partial D_\epsilon \end{cases}$$

Sol'n: We expand $u = u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \dots$, $\lambda = \lambda_0 + \epsilon \lambda_1 + \dots$
to get $\Delta u_1 + \lambda_0 u_1 = -\lambda_0 u_0$

Integrating by parts, note that for any u_0, u_1 we have:

$$\int_{D_0} u_0 \Delta u_1 = \int_{\partial D_0} u_0 \nabla u_1 \cdot \hat{n} dS(x) - \int_{\partial D_0} u_1 \nabla u_0 \cdot \hat{n} dS(x) + \int_{D_0} u_1 \Delta u_0$$

[Green's second identity].

Now $u_0 = 0$ on ∂D_0 and for $x = x_0 + \hat{n} \varepsilon f(s)$

We compute:

$$u_0(x) = u_0(x_0) + \varepsilon f(s) \hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0(x_0)$$

and $u(x) = u_0(x) + \varepsilon u_1(x) = 0$ for $x \in \partial D_\varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon (f(s) \hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0(x_0) + u_1(x)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1(x_0) = u_1(x) + O(\varepsilon) = -f(s) \hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0(x_0)$$

So we obtain:
$$\int_{D_0} u_0 \Delta u_1 = \int_{\partial D_0} f(s) (\hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0)^2 dS(x) + \int_{D_0} u_1 \Delta u_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\partial D_0} f(s) (\hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0)^2 dS(x) = - \int_{D_0} \lambda_1 u_0^2 dx$$

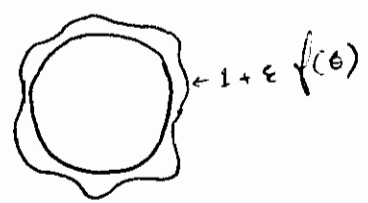
$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{- \int_{\partial D_0} f(s) (\hat{n} \cdot \nabla u_0)^2 dS(x)}{\int_{D_0} u_0^2 dx}$$

Example of domain perturbation:

Let $D_\epsilon = \{ (x, y) : \sqrt{x^2+y^2} < 1 + \epsilon f(\theta) \}$
where $\theta = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$

$D_0 =$ unit disk;

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + \lambda u = 0 & \text{in } D_\epsilon \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial D_\epsilon \end{cases}$$

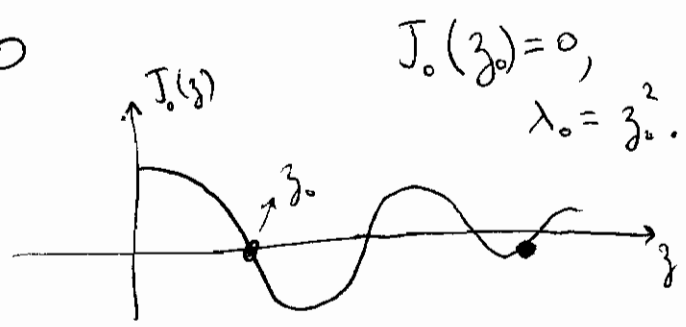


Principal eigenvalue given by

$$u_0 = J_0(\sqrt{\lambda_0} r), \quad r = \sqrt{x^2+y^2}$$

where J_0 is a Bessel function and $\sqrt{\lambda_0}$ its first root,

$$\begin{cases} J_0(z) + \frac{1}{z} J_0'(z) - J_0 = 0 \\ J_0'(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\Rightarrow \int_D u_0^2 = 2\pi \int_0^1 r J_0^2(\sqrt{\lambda_0} r) dr ; \int_{\partial D} f(\theta) (\partial_n u_0)^2$$

Homework: $\int_0^1 r J_0^2(\sqrt{\lambda_0} r) dr = \frac{1}{2} (J_0'(\sqrt{\lambda_0}))^2 = \left(\int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) d\theta \right) \lambda_0 J_0'(\sqrt{\lambda_0})$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -2\lambda_0 \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) d\theta = -2\lambda_0 \bar{f}$$

[in particular, $\lambda_1 = 0$ if $\text{avg } f = 0$]