

EXISTENCE OF PERIODIC SOLUTIONS FOR A CLASS OF SECOND ORDER ODEs WITH PERIODIC DATA

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Abstract

In this project we will see the existence of periodic solution(s) to the second order ODE of the form:

$$-x''(t) + a(t)x'(t) = g(t, x) - f(t, x(t), x'(t))$$

by means of Schauders Fixed Point Theorem where a is a continuous ω -periodic function, $g(t, u)$, $f(t, u, v)$ are ω -periodic functions in t for $u = x(t)$, $v = x'(t)$ and $\omega > 0$. The method of proof is composed of two steps, the first step is to transform the original equation into integro-differential equation through a linear integral operator and the second step is an application of the Schauder's Fixed Point Theorem.

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List of Notations and Abbreviations

- ◇ \mathbb{N} = The set of all natural numbers
- ◇ \mathbb{R} = The set of all real numbers.
- ◇ \mathbb{R}^n = n -dimensional Euclidean space
- ◇ $<$ = The usual “less than” symbol in the ordered set \mathbb{R}
- ◇ \leq = The usual “less than or equal to” symbol in the ordered set \mathbb{R}
- ◇ \lim =limit
- ◇ \max =maximum
- ◇ \min =minimum
- ◇ $\exp=e \approx 2.73$
- ◇ $\{x_n\} = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$
- ◇ $C^n(X, \mathbb{R})=\{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} | f^{(n)}$ exists and is continuous on X for all $n \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- ◇ $C^n(X, X):=C^n(X)=\{f : X \rightarrow X | f^{(n)}$ exists and is continuous on X for all $n \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- ◇ $C(X)=\{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} | f$ is continuous on $X\}$ where X is non empty set.
- ◇ \cap = symbol for intersection of sets
- ◇ \cup = symbol for union of sets
- ◇ $\text{conv}(M) = \bigcap_{M \subseteq H} H$ whenever H is convex set.
- ◇ $\mathbf{B}_\delta(x_0)$ =open ball centered at x_0 with radius δ
- ◇ \dim =dimension

Introduction

It is truism that nothing is permanent except changing, and the primary purpose of differential equation is to serve as tool for the general laws of nature by modeling numerous problems in science, engineering, economics and other areas in the language of Mathematics. It is the source of most of the ideas and theories which constitute higher analysis such as power series, Fourier series, integral equations, existence Theories and other special functions.

Ordinary differential equations serve as mathematical models for many exciting real-world problems, not only in science and technology, but also in such diverse fields as economics, psychology, defense, and demography. Particularly, second order ODE used to model problems such as in physics to model vibrational motions (Simple Harmonic motion , electrical circuits,damped motion,forced motion) and other areas like engineering,economics etc.

The study of existence and property of periodic solutions of ordinary differential equations has already attracted the attention of many researchers in the area. Many results are obtained by appealing to classical methods that range from upper and lower solutions techniques to fixed point theorems, e.g. Schauder's fixed point theorem[10].Existence and uniqueness of periodic solution of explicit second order ordinary differential equation

$$x''(t) + f(t, x(t), x'(t)) = 0$$

With the nonlinear function f is studied among others by J.Zu.In this recent paper,J.Zu discussed existence and uniqueness of periodic solutions of this problem constructing the so called upper and lower boundaries combined with the use of Lerar-Schauder degree theory.

In recent past, J.Robert et.al investigated the existence and non- existence of periodic solutions of nonlinear second order ODE with p -periodic boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned}x'' + f(x(t)) &= h(t) \\x(0) = x(p); x'(0) &= x'(p)\end{aligned}$$

In their study , f is a nonlinear function of state variable x while h is a forcing function that depends solely on the temporal variable t .

In this particular Project we will investigate the existence of periodic solutions to

$$-x''(t) + a(t)x'(t) = g(t, x) - f(t, x(t), x'(t))$$

where a is a continuous ω -periodic function, $g(t, u)$, $f(t, u, v)$ are ω -periodic functions in t for $u = x(t)$, $v = x'(t)$ and $\omega > 0$. This equation includes many important models, for example

$$\begin{aligned}x''(t) + \mu \sin(x(t)) &= h(t), \\x''(t) + cx'(t) + \mu \sin(x(t)) &= h(t), \\x''(t) + f(x'(t)) + g(x(t)) &= h(t), \\x''(t) + f(x(t))x'(t) + g(x(t)) &= h(t), \\x''(t) &= \frac{1}{x^\lambda} + h(t), \lambda > 0\end{aligned}$$

which arise in many fields such as physics, mechanics and engineering.

This project consists **four** main chapters and the first three chapters are **preliminaries** which are basic concepts for the main body of this Project. A brief description of the topics covered in this project is as follows: Periodic functions and properties of their definite integral are explained in **chapter one**. **Chapter two** is about Schauder's Fixed Point Theory. ODE With Periodic Data is described in **Chapter three**. **Chapter four** deals with the main body of this project which is existence of Periodic solutions for class of second order ODE with Periodic Data. Periodic solution(s) of linear system of first order ODE is also explained in this chapter.

Chapter 1

Periodic Functions

Definition 1.1. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. Then f is said to be **periodic function with period T** (T being a nonzero constant) if

$$f(T + x) = f(x) \quad \forall x.$$

If there exists a least positive constant T with this property, it is called the **fundamental period or basic period or simply period**. A function f is T -periodic if

$$f(x + T) = f(x) \quad \forall x.$$

1.1 Intergral of a Periodic Function

Theorem 1.1. Let f be T -periodic function. Then

$$(i) \quad \int_{kT}^{kT+T} f(x)dx = \int_0^T f(x)dx$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_a^{kT+a} f(x)dx = \int_0^T f(x)dx = k \int_0^T f(x)dx, \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ for all } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Proof. (i) Let $x = t + kT$. Then for $x = kT$, we have $t = 0$; for $x = kT + T$, we have that $t = T$. Also, $dx = dt$. Now

$$\int_{kT}^{kT+T} f(x)dx = \int_0^T f(t + kT)dt = \int_0^T f(t)dt = \int_0^T f(x)dx$$

(ii) Let $F(a) = \int_a^{kT+a} f(x)dx$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F'(a) &= f(kT + a) - f(a) \quad (\text{by fundamental theorem of calculus}) \\ &= f(a) - f(a) \quad (\text{since } f \text{ is } T\text{-periodic}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that F is constant function. Thus $F(a) = F(0)$ for every $a \in \mathbb{R}$. It follows that

$$\int_a^{kT+a} f(x)dx = \int_0^{kT} f(x)dx$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{kT} f(x)dx &= \int_0^T f(x)dx + \int_T^{T+T} f(x)dx + \int_{2T}^{T+2T} f(x)dx + \dots + \\ &\quad \int_{(k-1)T}^{T+(k-1)T} f(x)dx \\ &= \int_0^T f(x)dx + \int_0^T f(x)dx + \int_0^T f(x)dx + \dots + \\ &\quad \int_0^T f(x)dx \quad (k - \text{times}) \\ &= k \int_0^T f(x)dx \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^{kT+a} f(x)dx = \int_0^{kT} f(x)dx = k \int_0^T f(x)dx, \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

□

1.2 Periodic functions and Banach Spaces

The purpose of the present note is to draw attention of a fundamental theorem of infinite-dimensional Banach space to the topic of ordinary differential equations.

We recall that a complete normed space is called Banach space.

Theorem 1.2. [10]

Let $X = \{x \in C(\mathbb{R}) : x(\omega + t) = x(t) \text{ for all } t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with norm

$$\|x\| = \max_{t \in [0, \omega]} |x(t)|$$

Then X is a Banach space.

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in X . Then for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an index $N = N(\epsilon)$ such that

$$\|x_n - x_m\| = \max_{t \in [0, \omega]} |x_n(t) - x_m(t)| < \epsilon \quad \forall m, n \geq N(\epsilon)$$

Hence,

$$|x_n(t) - x_m(t)| < \epsilon \quad \forall m, n \geq N(\epsilon) \quad \forall t \in [0, \omega] \quad (N \text{ does not depend on } t) \quad (1.1)$$

This implies $\{x_n(t)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in the complete space \mathbb{R} for $\forall t \in [0, \omega]$. Therefore $\{x_n(t)\}$ is convergent, i.e. a limit exists say

$$x(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(t)$$

Then from (1.1) for $\forall t \in [0, \omega]$ we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n(t) - x_m(t)| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [x_n(t) - x_m(t)] = |x(t) - x_m(t)| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall m \geq N, \quad \forall t \in [0, \omega] \quad (1.2)$$

It follows that the sequence $\{x_n(t)\}$ is uniformly convergent. Since $\{x_n\}$ is sequence of continuous functions which is uniformly convergent the limit function

$$x(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(t)$$

is continuous. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t + \omega) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(t + \omega) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(t) \\ &= x(t) \end{aligned}$$

which implies that x is ω -periodic function. Then from (1.2) we get

$$|x(t) - x_m(t)| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall m \geq N$$

or

$$\|x - x_m\| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall m \geq N$$

So we've that $\{x_m\}$ converges to $x \in X$. Therefore, X is Banach space. \square

Chapter 2

Overview of Fixed Point Theory

2.1 Fixed Point

The development of fixed point theory is very closely linked with the study of various problems in ordinary differential equations. Ordinary and partial differential equations are also at the source of fixed point theory in infinite-dimensional spaces. The method of successive approximations or iterations for finding solutions requires the equation to be put in a fixed form. Picard's systematic application of this method to various differential equations problems led to Banach fixed point theorem for contractions ; boundary value problems for nonlinear ordinary differential equations were motivating Birkhoff-Kellogg's extension of Brouwer fixed point theorem to some function spaces.

Definition 2.1. [5] *Let X be nonempty set. A fixed point of a mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ of a set X into itself is an $x \in X$ which is mapped onto itself, that is, $T(x) = x$. The image $T(x)$ coincides with x .*

Theorem 2.1. *Let $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be homeomorphic to the closed unit ball $\overline{B^n}$. Then every continuous map $f : M \rightarrow M$ possesses a fixed point.*

Proof. Let $g : M \rightarrow M$ be a continuous map and $\phi : \overline{B^n} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow M$ a homeomorphism, i.e. ϕ and ϕ^{-1} are continuous and bijective. Since the map defined by

$$f = \phi^{-1} \circ g \circ \phi : \overline{B^n} \rightarrow \overline{B^n}$$

is continuous, it possesses a fixed point $x_* \in \overline{B^n}$ by Brouwer's Fixed Point Theorem, i.e. $f(x_*) = x_*$. An application of ϕ to both sides of the equation yields

$g(\phi(x_*)) = \phi(x_*)$ which shows that $y_* = \phi(x_*) \in M$ is the fixed point sought after. \square

2.2 Completely Continuous Operator

Definition 2.2. [5] Let X be metric space and Y be topological space. Also, let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous operator. Then $T : X \rightarrow Y$ is called completely continuous operator if and only if the image of each bounded set in X is compact subset of Y .

Example 2.1. :The Fredholm Integral operator

Let $I = [a, b]$ be any interval and suppose that k is continuous on $I \times I$. Then the operator $T : C[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$ defined by

$$Tx(s) = \int_a^b k(s, t)x(t)dt$$

for $t \in [a, b]$, $x \in C[a, b]$ is completely continuous operator.

Proof. Obviously T is bounded linear operator. Let $\{x_n\}$ be any bounded sequence in $C[a, b]$ say $\|x_n\| \leq \gamma \quad \forall n$. Let $y_n = Tx_n$. Then $\|y_n\| = \|Tx_n\| \leq \|T\| \|x_n\|$. Hence $\{y_n\}$ is also bounded. Next we want to show $\{y_n\}$ is equicontinuous. Since k is continuous on $I \times I$ and $I \times I$ is compact, k is uniformly continuous on $I \times I$. Hence, given any $\epsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that for all $t \in I$ and $s_1, s_2 \in I$ satisfying $|s_2 - s_1| < \delta$ we have $|k(s_2, t) - k(s_1, t)| < \frac{\epsilon}{\gamma(b-a)}$. Consequently, for $s_1, s_2 \in I$ and every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |y_n(s_2) - y_n(s_1)| &\leq \left| \int_a^b (k(s_2, t) - k(s_1, t))x_n(t)dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_a^b |k(s_2, t) - k(s_1, t)| |x_n(t)| dt \\ &< (b-a) \frac{\epsilon}{\gamma(b-a)} \gamma \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

which implies that the sequence $\{y_n\}$ is equicontinuous. Therefore, by Arzela Ascoli Theorem, T is completely continuous operator. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let X and Y be Banach spaces, $M \subseteq X$ a nonempty, bounded subset and $T : M \rightarrow Y$ an operator. Then the following are equivalent:*

(i) T is completely continuous operator

(ii) For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists a completely continuous operators $P_n : M \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\sup_{x \in M} \|T(x) - P_n(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \dim(\text{span}P_n(M)) < \infty \quad (2.1)$$

Proof. Let T be completely continuous operator. Then $T(M)$ is compact, so for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists elements $y_i \in T(M)$, $i = 1, \dots, N$ such that

$$T(M) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^N \mathbf{B}_{\frac{1}{n}}(y_i) \Rightarrow \forall x \in M, \exists y_i \in T(M) : \min_i \|T(x) - y_i\| < \frac{1}{n}$$

We construct a partition of unity as follows: Define the functions $a_i : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$a_i(x) = \max\left\{\frac{1}{n} - \|T(x) - y_i\|, 0\right\} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N,$$

which have the following properties:

◇ The functions a_i are continuous, since T is continuous and the maximum of two continuous functions are continuous.

◇ $a_i(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in M$

◇ Due to the covering property, $\sum_{i=1}^N a_i(x) > 0$ for all $x \in M$.

◇ If $x \in M$ such that $a_i(x) > 0$, then $\|T(x) - y_i\| < \frac{1}{n}$.

Due to the 3rd property, we may define the functions $\lambda_i : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as

$$\lambda_i(x) = \frac{a_i(x)}{\sum_{j=1}^N a_j(x)} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N,$$

which is the desired partition of unity, i.e.,

◇ The functions λ_i , for $i = 1, \dots, N$, are continuous.

◇ $0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 1$ for all $x \in M$.

◇ $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(x) = 1$ for all $x \in M$.

◇ If $x \in M$ such that $\lambda_i(x) > 0$, then $\|T(x) - y_i\| < \frac{1}{n}$.

Set $M_n = \text{conv}(y_1, \dots, y_N) \subseteq \text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_N\}$ and define the operator $P_n : M \rightarrow M_n$ given by

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(x) y_i \quad (2.2)$$

We show that P_n has the desired approximation property, i.e.,
 $\sup_{x \in M} \|T(x) - P_n(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{n}$.

Indeed, due to the properties of the partition of unity mentioned above, we have

$$\|T(x) - P_n(x)\| = \|T(x) - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(x) y_i\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(x) \|T(x) - y_i\| \leq \frac{1}{n}.$$

By definition $P_n(M) \subseteq \text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_N\}$, so the image of P_n lies in a finite dimensional subspace of Y .

All that is left to show is that P_n is a completely continuous operator. The continuity of P_n follows from the continuity of the partition functions λ_i . Let $U \subseteq M$ be bounded, then

$$\|P_n\| \leq \|T(x) - P_n(x)\| + \|T(x)\| \leq \|T(x)\| + \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall x \in U$$

which implies the boundedness of $P_n(U)$ and further compact.

We now prove the converse. $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary but fixed. Then there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that for all $x, y \in M$ with $\|x - y\| < \delta$:

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x) - T(y)\| &\leq \|T(x) - P_n(x)\| + \|P_n(x) - P_n(y)\| + \|P_n(y) - T(y)\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} + \|P_n(x) - P_n(y)\| + \frac{1}{n} \\ &\leq \frac{3}{n}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

which implies the continuity of the operator T . To prove that $T(M)$ is compact, we show the existence of a finite covering for $T(M)$. Since M is bounded and P_n is completely continuous, there exists $x_1, \dots, x_N \in M$ such that

$$P_n(M) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^N \mathbf{B}_{\frac{1}{n}} P_n(x_i),$$

i.e., for all $y \in M$, there exists an index $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ with $\|P_n(x_i) - P_n(y)\| < \frac{1}{n}$. Together with (2.3), this shows that for any $y \in M$, there exists an index $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ such that

$$\|T(x_i) - T(y)\| < \frac{3}{n},$$

i.e., $T(M)$ has a finite covering and hence T is completely continuous operator. \square

2.3 Schauder's fixed Point Theorems

Schauder's Fixed Point Theorem is very important to proof existence of solution(s) for differential equations.

Theorem 2.3 (Schauder's fixed Point Theorem). [8] *Let M be nonempty compact and convex subset of the Banach space X and $T : M \rightarrow M$ be continuous. Then T has fixed point in M .*

Proof. The operator T is completely continuous operator since $T(M) \subseteq M$ is compact. Due to Theorem (2.2) there exists completely continuous operators $P_n : M \rightarrow M_n$ where $M_n = \text{conv}(y_1, \dots, y_N)$, such that

$$\|T(x) - P_n(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \quad (2.4)$$

The convexity of M implies that $M_n \subseteq \text{conv}(T(M)) \subseteq M$. Therefore, $\widetilde{P}_n = P_n|_{M_n} : M_n \rightarrow M_n$ is continuous. The set M_n is closed and homeomorphic to the closed unit ball \overline{B} in \mathbb{R}^N . By Theorem (2.1), there exists a fixed point $x_n \in M_n \subseteq M$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with

$$x_n = \widetilde{P}_n(x_n) \quad (2.5)$$

Since M is compact, there exists an $x \in M$ and a convergent subsequence, again denoted by $\{x_n\} \subseteq M$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We now show that this x is indeed the desired fixed point. From (2.5) we obtain

$$\|T(x) - x_n\| \leq \|T(x) - T(x_n)\| + \|T(x_n) - \widetilde{P}_n(x_n)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

due to the continuity of T and the approximation property (2.4), so $T(x) = x$.

□

Theorem 2.4 (generalization of Schauder's fixed point theorem).

[8] *If D is nonempty closed and convex subset of the Banach space X and $T : D \rightarrow D$ is completely continuous operator, then T has fixed point in D .*

Proof. Assume that D is nonempty closed and convex subset of the Banach space X and $T : D \rightarrow D$ is completely continuous operator. Then by Mazur theorem, $\text{conv}(T(D))$ is compact. Furthermore, it is non-empty and convex. Note that $T(D) \subseteq D$, and since D is convex, $\text{conv}(T(D)) \subseteq D$. Thus, Schauder's Fixed Point Theorem in (2.3) can be applied to the continuous map $T : \text{conv}(T(D)) \rightarrow \text{conv}(T(D))$, and T has a fixed point in $\text{conv}(T(D))$. □

Chapter 3

ODE With Periodic Data

Several models in Science and Engineering are described using boundary value problems. Here, we mention the Dirichlet problem as a prototype. In molecular dynamics whereby one simulates, bulk fluid (gases, liquids) the pertinent constraint is periodic boundary condition

3.1 ODE with Periodic Coefficients

A boundary value problem for a given differential equation consists of finding a solution of the given differential equation subject to a given set of boundary conditions. A boundary condition is a prescription some combinations of values of the unknown solution and its derivatives at more than one point. A linear ODE with periodic coefficients, oftentimes admits periodic solution provided that some suitable condition is met on the boundary.

Let $I = (a, b) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval. Let $p, q, f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous functions. Then the equations

$$y' + p(x)y = f(x) \tag{3.1}$$

with boundary condition $y(a) = y(b)$

And

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = f(x) \tag{3.2}$$

with boundary conditions $y(a) = y(b), y'(a) = y'(b)$

are respectively first and second order linear explicit ODEs with periodic boundary conditions. For the sake of demonstration, we take a closer look at (3.1). In this problem, if the coefficient $p(x)$ and the function $f(x)$ are periodic with the same period $\ell = b - a$, then the corresponding periodic boundary value problem (PBVP) admits periodic solution as stated in the following Theorem.

Theorem 3.1. [13] If p and f of (3.1) are periodic functions with period $\ell = b - a$ and if u is a solution of (3.1) with $u(\ell) = u(0)$, then u is ℓ -periodic.

Proof. The key ingredient is the uniqueness assertion:

If u and v both satisfy (3.1) with $u(0) = v(0)$, then $u(x) = v(x)$ for all x .

Since u is solution of (3.1) for all x , then

$$u'(x + \ell) + p(x + \ell)u(x + \ell) = f(x + \ell) \quad \forall x.$$

Because p and f are ℓ -periodic:

$$u'(x + \ell) + p(x)u(x + \ell) = f(x) \quad \forall x.$$

Thus, if we let $v(x) := u(x + \ell)$, then

$$v'(x) + p(x)v(x) = f(x)$$

But, since $u(0) = u(\ell)$, we have that $u(0) = v(0)$.

Therefore, by Picard -Lindelöf (Existence and uniqueness Theorem),

$u(x) = v(x)$, that is $u(x + \ell) = u(x)$ for all x .

This completes the Theorem. \square

The related assertion for a solution of a second order in (3.2) is essentially identical except there we need to assume that both $u(0) = u(\ell)$, and $u'(0) = u'(\ell)$, since the corresponding uniqueness assertion for second order ODEs requires that.

Consider the Banach space $X = \{x \in C(\mathbb{R}) : x(\omega + t) = x(t) \text{ for all } t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with norm

$$\|x\| = \max_{t \in [0, \omega]} |x(t)|$$

Let $p, q \in X$ and consider the following two differential equations

$$x'(t) = -p(t)x(t) + q(t) \tag{3.3}$$

$$x'(t) = p(t)x(t) - q(t) \tag{3.4}$$

Lemma 3.1. [10] Assume that $\int_0^\omega p(t)dt \neq 0$, then (3.3) has ω -periodic solution

$$x(t) = \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_t^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds$$

and (3.4) has ω - periodic solution

$$y(t) = \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds$$

Proof. Here we only consider (3.3) and we show that $x(t)$ is the periodic solution of (3.3). Differentiating $x(t)$, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= \frac{\exp(\int_t^{t+\omega} p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(t+\omega) - \frac{q(t)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} - \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{p(t) \exp(\int_t^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds \\ &= \frac{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(t) - \frac{1}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(t) - \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{p(t) \exp(\int_t^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds \\ &= \frac{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(t) - p(t) \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_t^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds \\ &= q(t) - p(t) \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_t^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds \\ &= q(t) - p(t)x(t) \\ &= -p(t)x(t) + q(t) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+\omega) &= \int_{t+\omega}^{t+2\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_{t+\omega}^s p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(s)ds \\ &= \int_{t+\omega}^{t+2\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_{t+\omega}^{u+\omega} p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(u+\omega)d(u+\omega) \\ &= \int_{t+\omega}^{t+2\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_t^u p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(u)du \\ &= \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_t^u p(r)dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega p(r)dr) - 1} q(u)du \\ &= x(t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $x(t)$ is ω - periodic solution of (3.3). □

3.2 ODE With Periodic Boundary Conditions(PBC)

Explicit ODE with periodic boundary condition may admits a non-trivial solution under some additional assumptions. Consider the explicit ODE of

second order

$$u'' + f(x, u, u') = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq T \quad (3.5)$$

where f is a Lipschitz continuous function with respect to the last two components. If f is P -periodic with respect to the first component, i.e $f(x + P, u, u') = f(x, u, u')$

and satisfies the inequality restriction

$$f(x, \alpha, 0) \leq f(x, \beta, 0)$$

then the associated PBVP has a non-trivial solution as detailed in the next Theorem.

Theorem 3.2. *Suppose that there are constants α and β such that $\alpha \leq \beta$ and*

$$f(x, \alpha, 0) \leq f(x, \beta, 0).$$

Then there exists $T_0 \in (0, T]$ such that for every $x \in (0, T_0]$, the PBVP

$$\begin{cases} u'' + f(x, u, u') = 0 \\ u(0) = u(T_0) \\ u'(0) = u'(T_0) \end{cases} \quad (3.6)$$

has a solution.

Proof. Let $M = \max\{|\alpha|, |\beta|\}$, $N > 0$ be given $Q = \max\{|f(x, u, u')|\}: 0 \leq x \leq T, |u| \leq 2M, |u'| \leq N$ and $G(x, s)$ be the Green's function,

$$G(x, s) = \begin{cases} \frac{s(x-w)}{w}, & 0 \leq s \leq x \leq w \\ \frac{x(s-w)}{w}, & 0 \leq x \leq s \leq w \end{cases}$$

Set $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \{\varphi \in C^1[0, w] : |\varphi(t)| \leq 2M, |\varphi'(t)| \leq N\}$

Define, the operator S on $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$ as follows,

$$(S\varphi)(x) = \int_0^w G(x, s)f(s, \varphi(s), \varphi'(s))ds + y$$

where $\alpha \leq y \leq \beta$

Then

$$|S\varphi| \leq \frac{w^2}{2}Q + |y| \leq \frac{w^2}{2}Q + M, \quad |S\varphi'| \leq \frac{w}{2}Q.$$

Hence, S maps $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$ continuously into itself, provided that

$$w \leq \min\left\{\sqrt{\frac{2M}{Q}}, \frac{2N}{Q}\right\} \quad (3.7)$$

If $w > 0$ is chosen so that (3.7) holds, it then follows from Schauder's Fixed Point Theorem that (3.6) has a solution $u(x)$ such that $|u(x)| \leq 2M$ and $|u'(x)| \leq N$. □

Chapter 4

Existence of periodic solutions for class of second order ODEs with periodic data

4.1 Motivation

The existence of periodic solutions is an important aspect in differential equations. Much work about periodic solutions for second order differential equations has been done by using various Theorems and methods of nonlinear functional analysis. In this chapter, we investigate the existence of periodic solutions of the following differential equation

$$-x''(t) + a(t)x'(t) = g(t, x) - f(t, x(t), x'(t)) \quad (4.1)$$

where a is a continuous ω -periodic function, $g(t, u)$, $f(t, u, v)$ are ω -periodic functions in t for $u = x(t)$, $v = x'(t)$ and $\omega > 0$.

Recall that the generalized Schauder's fixed point theorem that states if D is closed and convex subset of the Banach space X and $T : D \rightarrow D$ is completely continuous operator, then T has fixed point in D which is crucial in our arguments.

Remark: In this chapter, X stands for the Banach space $X = \{x \in C(\mathbb{R}) : x(\omega + t) = x(t) \text{ for all } t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with norm

$$\|x\| = \max_{t \in [0, \omega]} |x(t)|$$

Define an operator J on X by

$$(Ju)(t) = \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{e^{p(s-t)}}{e^{p\omega} - 1} u(s) ds, u \in X$$

where $p > 0$ is constant.

For any $u \in X$, $Ju \in X \cap C^1(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$(Ju)'(t) = -p(Ju)(t) + u(t) \quad (4.2)$$

If $u \in X \cap C^1(\mathbb{R})$ then $Ju \in X \cap C^2(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$(Ju)''(t) = -p(Ju)'(t) + u'(t) = p^2(Ju)(t) - pu(t) + u'(t) \quad (4.3)$$

We transform (4.1) to

$p^2(Ju)(t) - pu(t) + u'(t) - a(t)[-p(Ju)(t) + u(t)] = f(t, (Ju)(t), u(t) - p(Ju)(t)) - g(t, (Ju)(t))$ that is

$$u'(t) = [a(t) + p]u(t) - [p^2 Ju + pa(t)Ju + g(t, Ju) - f(t, Ju, u(t) - pJu)] \quad (4.4)$$

By Lemma 3.1 of equation (3.4) we obtain that if $u(t)$ is ω -periodic solution of (4.4), then $u(t)$ satisfies

$$u(t) = \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} (Hu)(s) ds$$

where $\int_0^\omega [p + a(t)] dt \neq 0$ and

$$(Hu)(s) = p^2(Ju)(s) + pa(s)(Ju)(s) + g(t, Ju) - f(s, (Ju)(s), u(s) - p(Ju)(s))$$

In order to put more emphasis on the above facts, we summarize them in the following Lemma.

Lemma 4.1. [10] Define an operator T on X by

$$(Tu)(t) = \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} (Hu)(s) ds \quad (4.5)$$

where $\int_0^\omega [p + a(t)] dt \neq 0$. Then the fixed point u of T on X is ω -periodic solution of (4.4) and Ju is ω -periodic solution of (4.1).

Proof. Since $(Tu)(t) = u(t)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (Tu)'(t) &= u'(t) \\ &= [a(t) + p]u(t) - [p^2 Ju + pa(t)Ju + g(t, Ju) - f(t, Ju, u(t))] \end{aligned}$$

we obtain that u is ω -periodic solution of (4.4). In order to prove that Ju is ω -periodic solution of (4.1), we only show that Tu satisfies (4.1). Form (4.2)-(4.4), this result follows immediately. \square

Definition 4.1 (Monotone functions). [6] Let $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then

- We say that $x \preceq y$ if and only if $x_i \leq y_i$ for every $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$
- We say that $x \prec y$ if and only if $x_i < y_i$ for every $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$
- The function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called **nondecreasing/increasing** if and only if for every $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $x \prec y$ implies that $f(x) \leq f(y)$
- The function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called **nonincreasing/decreasing** if and only if for every $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $x \prec y$ implies that $f(x) \geq f(y)$

4.2 Main Theorems And Corollaries

In this section, we will see the main Theorems and Corollaries of this project.

Theorem 4.1. [10] Assume that there exist constants $m < M, p > 0$ such that

(A₁) $g \in C(\mathbb{R} \times [m, M], \mathbb{R})$, and $p(p + a(t))u + g(t, u)$ is nondecreasing in $u \in [m, M]$.

(A₂) $f \in C(\mathbb{R} \times [m, M] \times [p(m - M), p(M - m)], \mathbb{R})$ and

$$g(t, M) \leq f(t, u, v) \leq g(t, m)$$

for any $(t, u, v) \in \mathbb{R} \times [m, M] \times [p(m - M), p(M - m)]$.

Then (4.1) has at least one ω -periodic solution x with $m \leq x \leq M$.

Proof. Let $\Omega = \{x \in X : mp \leq x \leq Mp \text{ for } t \in [0, \omega]\}$, then Ω is convex and closed set in X . For any $u \in \Omega$ we compute to obtain that $m \leq Ju \leq M$ and $pm - pM \leq u - pJu \leq pM - pm$.

Moreover, according to (A₁), we have

$[p^2 + pa(t)]m + g(t, m) \leq [p^2 + pa(t)]Ju + g(t, Ju) \leq [p^2 + pa(t)]M + g(t, M)$ for $u \in \Omega$.

Using (A₂), we obtain that for any $u \in \Omega$

$$\begin{aligned} (Hu)(t) &= p^2(Ju)(t) + pa(t)(Ju)(t) + g(t, Ju) - f(t, (Ju)(t), u(t) - p(Ju)(t)) \\ &\leq [p^2 + pa(t)]M + g(t, M) - g(t, m) \\ &= [p^2 + pa(t)]M \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} (Hu)(t) &= p^2(Ju)(t) + pa(t)(Ju)(t) + g(t, Ju) - f(t, (Ju)(t), u(t) - p(Ju)(t)) \\ &\geq [p^2 + pa(t)]m + g(t, m) - g(t, m) \\ &= [p^2 + pa(t)]m \end{aligned}$$

Which imply that

$$[p^2 + pa(t)]M \geq [p^2 + pa(t)]m$$

That is

$$p(p + a(t))(M - m) \geq 0$$

And hence

$$p + a(t) \geq 0$$

for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. If $p + a(t) = 0$, according (A₁) and (A₂), we easily to check that

$$g(t, u) = f(t, u, v), \quad \forall (t, u, v) \in \mathbb{R} \times [m, M] \times [p(m - M), p(M - m)].$$

Thus, any constant $c \in [m, M]$ is the periodic solution of equation (4.1). We assume that $p + a(t) > 0$. Now we show that T satisfies all conditions of Lemma 4.1.

Noting

$$\int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} [p + a(s)] ds = 1$$

and

$$\frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} > 0 \quad \text{for } t \leq s \leq t + \omega$$

we obtain that for any $u \in \Omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} (Tu)(t) &= \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} (Hu)(s) ds \\ &\leq \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} [p^2 + Pa(s)] M ds \\ &= pM \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} [p + a(s)](s) ds \\ &= pM \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} (Tu)(t) &= \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} (Hu)(s) ds \\ &\geq \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} [p^2 + Pa(s)] M ds \\ &= pm \int_t^{t+\omega} \frac{\exp(\int_s^{t+\omega} [p + a(r)] dr)}{\exp(\int_0^\omega [p + a(r)] dr) - 1} [p + a(s)](s) ds \\ &= pm \end{aligned}$$

which imply that $Tu \in \Omega$, that is $T(\Omega) \subseteq \Omega$.

Next we show that $T : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ is completely continuous. Obviously, $T(\Omega)$ is uniformly bounded set and T is continuous on Ω , so it suffices to show that $T(\Omega)$ is equicontinuous by Ascoli-Arzela Theorem. For any $u \in \Omega$, we have that

$$(Tu)'(t) = [a(t) + p](Tu)(t) - [p^2 Ju + pa(t)Ju + g(t, Ju) - f(t, Ju, u(t) - pJu)]$$

Since, $T(\Omega)$ is bounded and f, g, a are continuous, there exists $\rho > 0$ such that

$$|(Tu)'(t)| \leq \rho, \quad u \in \Omega$$

which implies that $T(\Omega)$ is equicontinuous. Also, since $T(\Omega)$ is equicontinuous, closed and bounded, by Ascoli-Arzela Theorem, we have that $T(\Omega)$ is compact set. So, $T : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ is completely continuous operator. By Theorem (2.4), there exists $u \in \Omega$ with $Tu = u$. Moreover, $Ju \in [m, M]$ is the periodic solution of (4.1). \square

Analogously, we have the following Theorem.

Theorem 4.2. [10] *Assume that there exist constants $m < M, p > 0$ such that*

(A₃) $g \in C(\mathbb{R} \times [m, M], \mathbb{R})$, and $p(p + a(t))u + g(t, u)$ is nonincreasing in $u \in [m, M]$.

(A₄) $f \in C(\mathbb{R} \times [m, M] \times [p(m - M), p(M - m)], \mathbb{R})$ and

$$g(t, m) \leq f(t, u, v) \leq g(t, M)$$

for any $(t, u, v) \in \mathbb{R} \times [m, M] \times [p(m - M), p(M - m)]$.

Then (4.1) has at least one ω -periodic solution x with $m \leq x \leq M$.

Corollary 4.1. [10] *Let $f(t, u, v) = f(t, u)$. Assume that there exist constants $m < M$ such that $\frac{\partial}{\partial u}g, f \in C(\mathbb{R} \times [m, M], \mathbb{R})$ and*

$$g(t, M) \leq f(t, u) \leq g(t, m)$$

for any $(t, u) \in \mathbb{R} \times [m, M]$.

Then (4.1) has at least one ω -periodic solution x with $m \leq x \leq M$.

Corollary 4.2. [10] Assume that c, μ are constants and h is ω -periodic continuous function with $\|h\| \leq |\mu|$. Then

$$x''(t) + cx'(t) + \mu \sin x(t) = h(t) \quad (4.6)$$

has at least one ω -periodic solution. Further suppose that $c \geq 2\sqrt{|\mu|}$ and $h \neq \pm\mu$. Then (4.6) has at least two ω -periodic solutions.

Proof. If $\mu = 0$ then $h = 0$ and any constant k is periodic solution. Now we assume that $\mu \neq 0$. Here we have

$$a(t) = -c, \quad g(u) = \mu \sin u, \quad f(t, u, v) = h(t).$$

Put $p_1 = (|c| + 1)(|\mu| + 1)$. Then $p_1(p_1 - c)u + g(u)$ is increasing in \mathbb{R} and (A_1) is fulfilled. If $\mu > 0$, choosing

$$m_1 = 0.5\pi, \quad M_1 = 1.5\pi;$$

If $\mu < 0$, choosing

$$m_1 = 1.5\pi, \quad M_1 = 2.5\pi$$

we obtain that

$$g(M_1) \leq h(t) \leq g(m_1), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Hence, (4.6) has at least one ω -periodic solution x_1 with $m_1 \leq x_1 \leq M_1$.

Further suppose that $c \geq 2\sqrt{|\mu|}$ and $h \neq \pm\mu$. Put $p_2 = \frac{c}{2}$.

Then $p_2(p_2 - c)u + g(u)$ is non-increasing in \mathbb{R} and (A_3) is fulfilled.

If $\mu > 0$, choosing

$$m_2 = -0.5\pi, \quad M_2 = 0.5\pi;$$

If $\mu < 0$, choosing

$$m_2 = 0.5\pi, \quad M_2 = 1.5\pi$$

we obtain that

$$g(m_2) \leq h(t) \leq g(M_2), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

and hence (4.6) has at least one ω -periodic solution x_2 with

$$m_2 \leq x_2 \leq M_2.$$

Since $h \neq \pm\mu$, $x_i \neq m_j$ and $x_i \neq M_j (i, j = 1, 2)$, we have that $x_1 \neq x_2$. \square

4.3 Examples

Example 4.1. [10] Consider the differential equation

$$x''(t) + \frac{1}{8}(x'(t))^2 - (x(t))^2 = \sin t - 1 \quad (4.7)$$

We claim that (4.7) has at least one 2π -periodic solution. In fact

$$g(u) = -u^2, \quad f(t, u, v) = \sin t - 1 - \frac{1}{8}(v)^2, \quad a(t) = 0.$$

Put $p = 2$, $m = 0$, $M = 2$, then since $\sin t$ is 2π -periodic function, f is 2π -periodic function in t and

$$p(p + a(t))u + g(u) = 4u - u^2 := k(u).$$

Also,

$p(p + a(t))u + g(u)$ is increasing in $[0, 2]$ as $k'(u) = 4 - 2u > 0$ in $(-\infty, 2)$.

For any $(t, u, v) \in [0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2] \times [-4, 4]$, we have that

$$g(M) = -4 \leq f(t, u, v) \leq g(m) = 0.$$

Therefore, by Theorem (4.1), (4.7) has at least one 2π -periodic solution x with $0 \leq x \leq 2$.

Example 4.2. [10] Consider the differential equation

$$-x''(t) + a(t)x'(t) = x^\alpha \sin x(t) - f(t, x(t)) \quad (4.8)$$

where $\alpha > 0$, a is continuous ω -periodic function, $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous function of u and t And ω -periodic function in t . We claim that equation (4.8) has infinitely many ω -periodic solutions if the following condition is fulfilled:

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|f(t, u)|}{u^\alpha} < 1$$

with respect to t . In fact there exists $\rho > 0$ such that $|f(t, u)| \leq u^\alpha$, $u \geq \rho$ if the above condition is fulfilled. Choose integer n such that $2\pi n > \rho$.

Let $m = 2\pi n + 0.5\pi$ and $M = 2\pi n + 1.5\pi$. Then $g \in C^1([m, M], \mathbb{R})$

where

$$g(u) = u^\alpha \sin u, \quad g(M) = -M^\alpha \leq f(t, u) \leq g(m) = m^\alpha, \quad (t, u) \in \mathbb{R} \times [m, M].$$

By Corollary (4.1), (4.8) has at least one ω -periodic solution x with $m \leq x \leq M$. Since n is arbitrary sufficiently large integer, (4.8) has infinitely many ω -periodic solutions.

4.4 Existence of Periodic solution of linear first order system of ODEs

4.4.1 Motivation

A single differential equation on one unknown function is often not enough to describe certain physical problems. The description of a point particle moving in space under Newton's law of motion requires three functions of time; the space coordinates of the particle, to describe the motion together with three differential equations. To describe several proteins activating and deactivating each other inside a cell also requires as many unknown functions and equations as proteins in the system. Hence, system of first order ODE requires to model such problems.

Now we will discuss the sufficient and necessary conditions that guarantees the existence of periodic solutions of system of first order linear ODE having two equations with two unknowns.

A system of first order ODEs is a set of n equations with n unknowns and has the form of

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = f_1(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = f_2(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \frac{dx_3}{dt} = f_3(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = f_n(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

Every n^{th} order ODE $\frac{d^n y}{dt^n} = F(t, y(t), \frac{dy}{dt}, \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}, \dots, \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}})$ can be reduced into (4.9) as follows.

Let $x_1 = y$, $x_2 = \frac{dy}{dt}$, $x_3 = \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$, \dots , $x_{n-1} = \frac{d^{n-2} y}{dt^{n-2}}$, $x_n = \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}}$. Then we have

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_2 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = x_3 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_{n-1}}{dt} = x_n \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = F(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{cases}$$

Consider the special case where (4.9) is linear. If f_i is linear, that is $f_i(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + \dots + a_{in}x_n + b_i(t)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$ where

a_{ij} are functions of t for $1 \leq j \leq n$, then (4.9) becomes the following linear system of first order ODEs

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = a_{11}x_1(t) + a_{12}x_2(t) + \dots + a_{1n}x_n(t) + b_1(t) \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = a_{21}x_1(t) + a_{22}x_2(t) + \dots + a_{2n}x_n(t) + b_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = a_{n1}x_1(t) + a_{n2}x_2(t) + \dots + a_{nn}x_n(t) + b_n(t) \end{cases} \quad (4.10)$$

Equivalently, (4.10) can be written as matrix form as follows

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) + b(t) \quad (4.11)$$

Where

$$\mathbf{X}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(t) & a_{12}(t) & \dots & a_{1n}(t) \\ a_{21}(t) & a_{22}(t) & \dots & a_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}(t) & a_{n2}(t) & \dots & a_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} b_1(t) \\ b_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ b_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark: If $A(t) = (a_{ij}(t))_{m \times n}$, then

$$\frac{d}{dt}A(t) = \left(\frac{d}{dt}a_{ij}(t)\right)_{m \times n} \quad \text{and} \quad \int A(t)dt = \left(\int a_{ij}(t)dt\right)_{m \times n}$$

where $A(t)$ is continuous on an interval I . If $b(t) = 0$, then (4.11) is called homogeneous system otherwise nonhomogeneous system. Let t_0 be any point on an interval I and

$$\mathbf{X}(t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t_0) \\ x_2(t_0) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t_0) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{X}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where the γ_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are given constants. Then the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{solve : } X'(t) &= A(t)X(t) + b(t) \\ \text{subject to : } X(t_0) &= X_0 \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

is an IVP on the interval.

4.4.2 Solution of Linear System

Definition 4.2. [14] A solution of (4.11) on an interval I is any column matrix

$\mathbf{X}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$ whose entries are differentiable functions satisfying (4.11) on the interval.

The methods of **undetermined coefficients** and **variation of parameters** can both be adapted to the solution of a nonhomogeneous linear system (4.11). Even if variation of parameters is the most powerful technique, there are few instances when the method of undetermined coefficients gives a quick means of finding a particular solution X_p .

Consider the system of first order linear ODE

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) + b(t) \quad (4.13)$$

And the corresponding homogeneous system

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) \quad (4.14)$$

where

$$\mathbf{X}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(t) & a_{12}(t) & \dots & a_{1n}(t) \\ a_{21}(t) & a_{22}(t) & \dots & a_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1}(t) & a_{n2}(t) & \dots & a_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} b_1(t) \\ b_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ b_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then (4.14) consists n fundamental set of solutions, that is n linearly independent solutions. If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are fundamental set of solutions of (4.14), then by Super Position Theorem,

$$c_1X_1(t) + c_2X_2(t) + \dots + c_nX_n(t)$$

is also solution which is general solution of (4.14) where c_i are constants for $1 \leq i \leq n$. If $X_p(t)$ is particular solution of (4.13), that is

$$X'_p(t) = A(t)X_p(t) + b(t) \text{ and } X_h(t) = c_1X_1(t) + c_2X_2(t) + \dots + c_nX_n(t)$$

is the general solution of (4.14), then

$$X(t) = X_p(t) + X_h(t)$$

is the general solution of (4.13).

Let

$$\mathbf{X}_1(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11}(t) \\ x_{21}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n1}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{X}_2(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{12}(t) \\ x_{22}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n2}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n(\mathbf{t}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1n}(t) \\ x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

be n fundamental set of solution vectors of (4.14) on an interval I . Then the general solution of (4.14) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= c_1 X_1(t) + c_2 X_2(t) + \dots + c_n X_n(t) \\ &= c_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_{11}(t) \\ x_{21}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n1}(t) \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} x_{12}(t) \\ x_{22}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n2}(t) \end{pmatrix} + \dots + c_n \begin{pmatrix} x_{1n}(t) \\ x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} c_1 x_{11}(t) + c_2 x_{12}(t) + \dots + c_n x_{1n}(t) \\ c_1 x_{21}(t) + c_2 x_{22}(t) + \dots + c_n x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots \\ c_1 x_{n1}(t) + c_2 x_{n2}(t) + \dots + c_n x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_{11}(t) & x_{12}(t) & \dots & x_{1n}(t) \\ x_{21}(t) & x_{22}(t) & \dots & x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1}(t) & x_{n2}(t) & \dots & x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \phi(t)c \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11}(t) & x_{12}(t) & \dots & x_{1n}(t) \\ x_{21}(t) & x_{22}(t) & \dots & x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1}(t) & x_{n2}(t) & \dots & x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix}, c = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.15)$$

Theorem 4.3. [14] *Let the entries of the matrix $A(t)$, $b(t)$ be continuous function on a common interval I that contains the point t_0 . Then equation (4.12) has unique solution.*

4.4.3 Fundamental Matrix

Definition 4.3. [14] *The matrix $\phi(t)$ in (4.15) is called **fundamental matrix** of (4.14) on the interval I .*

From (4.15), we can notice that if $\phi(t)$ is fundamental matrix of (4.14) on the interval I and C is $n \times 1$ constant column matrix, then the general solution of (4.14) on the interval I can be written as

$$X_h(t) = \phi(t)C$$

Since by the Wronskian

$$\det \phi(t) = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{11}(t) & x_{12}(t) & \dots & x_{1n}(t) \\ x_{21}(t) & x_{22}(t) & \dots & x_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1}(t) & x_{n2}(t) & \dots & x_{nn}(t) \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$$

for every $t \in I$, we have that $\phi^{-1}(t)$ exists. Furthermore, to say that

$$X(t) = \phi(t)c$$

is a solution of (4.14) means

$$\phi'(t)c = A(t)\phi(t)c \quad \text{or} \quad (\phi'(t) - A(t)\phi(t))c = 0$$

Since the last equation is to hold for every $t \in I$, and every $n \times 1$ constant column matrix c , we have that

$$\phi'(t) - \phi(t)A(t) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \phi'(t) = A(t)\phi(t)$$

If each component $x_i(t)$ of $X(t)$, each component $b_i(t)$ of $b(t)$ and each component $a_{ij}(t)$ of $A(t)$ are ω -periodic for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, then $X(t)$, $b(t)$ and $A(t)$ of (4.11) are said to be **ω -periodic**.

4.4.4 Necessary and Sufficient Conditions

In this section we will focus only on the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of periodic solutions of (4.14), when $A(t)$ is 2×2 matrix as every linear second order ODE

$$y''(t) + a_1(t)y'(t) + a_2(t)y(t) = f(t)$$

can equivalently written as

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) + b(t)$$

where

$$X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}, A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a_2(t) & -a_1(t) \end{pmatrix}, b(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider the system of first order linear ODE

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) + b(t) \quad (4.16)$$

And the corresponding homogeneous system

$$X'(t) = A(t)X(t) \quad (4.17)$$

where

$$X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}, A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(t) & a_{12}(t) \\ a_{21}(t) & a_{22}(t) \end{pmatrix}, b(t) = \begin{pmatrix} b_1(t) \\ b_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem 4.4. [14] Let $\phi(t)$ be fundamental matrix of (4.17). Then the general solution of (4.16) is given by $X(t) = \phi(t)C + \int_{t_0}^t \phi(t)\phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$ where C is constant 2×1 column matrix, $X(t)$ and $\phi(t)$ are defined on the interval I that contains the point t_0 .

Proof. This part will be proved using variation of parameters.

Let $X_h(t) = \phi(t)c$ be the general solution of (4.17) and $X_p(t)$ be the particular solution of (4.16) where $\phi(t)$ is fundamental matrix of (4.17) defined in an interval I and c is constant 2×1 column matrix. Then $X'_p(t) = A(t)X_p(t) + b(t)$ and the general solution of (4.16) is given by $X(t) = X_h(t) + X_p(t)$. Let $X_p(t) = \phi(t)U(t)$ where $U(t)$ is 2×1 column matrix of functions. Then

$$X'_p(t) = \phi'(t)U(t) + \phi(t)U'(t) = A(t)\phi(t)U(t) + b(t)$$

But, since $\phi(t)$ is fundamental matrix of (4.17), we have that

$$\phi'(t) = A(t)\phi(t)$$

and it follows that

$$A(t)\phi(t)U(t) + \phi(t)U'(t) = A(t)\phi(t)U(t) + b(t)$$

which implies that

$$U'(t) = \phi^{-1}(t)b(t)$$

OR

$$U(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

and hence

$$X_p(t) = \phi(t) \int_{t_0}^t \phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

Therefore,

$$X(t) = \phi(t)c + \int_{t_0}^t \phi(t)\phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

□

Theorem 4.5. [1] *Let the matrix $A(t)$ and the function $b(t)$ be continuous and ω -periodic in \mathbb{R} . Then the differential system (4.16) has ω -periodic solution $X(t)$ if and only if $X(0) = X(\omega)$.*

Proof. Let $X(t)$ be ω -periodic solution. Then by definition

$$X(0) = X(\omega + 0) = X(\omega).$$

It remains only to show that the converse. Let $X(t)$ be a solution of (4.16) satisfying $X(0) = X(\omega)$. If $V(t) = X(\omega + t)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} V'(t) &= X'(\omega + t) \\ &= A(t + \omega)X(t + \omega) + b(t + \omega) \\ &= A(t)X(t) + b(t) \\ &= A(t)V(t) + b(t) \end{aligned}$$

That is $V(t)$ is solution of equation (4.16).

However, since $V(0) = X(\omega) = X(0)$, the uniqueness of initial value problem implies that

$X(t) = V(t) = X(\omega + t)$ and hence $X(t)$ is ω -periodic

□

Corollary 4.3. [1] *Let the matrix $A(t)$ be continuous ω -periodic in \mathbb{R} . Further, let $\phi(t)$ is a fundamental matrix of the differential system (4.17). Then the differential system (4.17) has a nontrivial ω -periodic solution $X(t)$ if and only if $\det(\phi(0) - \phi(\omega)) = 0$.*

Proof. We know that the general solution of the differential (4.17) is

$$X(t) = \phi(t)c$$

where c is an arbitrary constant vector. Thus, by Theorem 4.5, $X(t)$ is ω -periodic solution if and only if $\phi(0)c = \phi(\omega)c$, that is

$$(\phi(0) - \phi(\omega))c = 0$$

has nontrivial solution c . But, this system has nontrivial solution if and only if

$$\det(\phi(0) - \phi(\omega)) = 0.$$

□

Corollary 4.4. [1] *Let the matrix $A(t)$ and the function $b(t)$ be continuous and ω -periodic in \mathbb{R} . Then the differential system (4.16) has a unique ω -periodic solution $X(t)$ if and only if the differential system (4.17) does not have a ω -periodic solution $X(t)$ other than the trivial one.*

Proof. Let $\phi(t)$ be a fundamental matrix of the differential system (4.17). Then the general solution of (4.16) is given by

$$X(t) = \phi(t)c + \int_0^t \phi(t)\phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

where c is constant 2×1 column matrix, $X(t)$ and $\phi(t)$ are defined on the interval I . This $X(t)$ is ω -periodic solution if and only if

$$\phi(0)c = \phi(\omega)c + \int_0^\omega \phi(\omega)\phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

That is the system

$$(\phi(0) - \phi(\omega))c = \int_0^\omega \phi(\omega)\phi^{-1}(s)b(s)ds$$

has a unique solution vector c . But, this system has unique ω -periodic solution if and only if $\det(\phi(0) - \phi(\omega)) \neq 0$. Now the conclusion follows from corollary (4.3) □

Example 4.3. *Consider the first order linear system of ODEs*

$$X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then show that

(a) $\phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix}$ is the fundamental matrix of the corresponding homogeneous part.

(b) $X_p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$ is the particular solution for the first order linear system of ODEs.

(c) $X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$ is the general 2π -periodic solution of the nonhomogeneous first order linear system of ODEs.

Solution

(a) Let $X_1(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix}$, $X_2(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t - \sin t \\ -\sin t \end{pmatrix}$. Then since

$$X_1'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X_1(t), \quad X_2'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X_2(t)$$

we have that $X_1(t)$ and $X_2(t)$ are solutions of the homogeneous ODE $X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X(t)$. Moreover,

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix} = -1 \neq 0$$

It follows that $X_1(t)$ and $X_2(t)$ are fundamental set of solutions and hence $\phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix}$ is the fundamental matrix of the corresponding homogeneous ODE $X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X(t)$. Therefore

$$X_h(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the general solution of $X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X(t)$.

(b) From $X_p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$, we have that $X_p'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Also, $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X_p(t) + \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ which implies that

$$X_p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X_p(t) + \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore, $X_p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$ is the particular solution for the first order linear system of ODEs.

(c) The general solution of the nonhomogeneous system is given by

$$X(t) = X_h(t) + X_p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since $X(t+2\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t+2\pi) + \sin(t+2\pi) & \cos(t+2\pi) - \sin(t+2\pi) \\ \cos(t+2\pi) & -\sin(t+2\pi) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t + \sin t & \cos t - \sin t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} = X(t)$, we have that $X(t)$ is 2π - periodic solution of the system.

Example 4.4. Consider the second linear order ODE $y'' + y = \cos t$. Then

- a) find the corresponding system of first order ODE.
 b) Show that why the system of first order ODE in (a) has not unique periodic solution?

Solution

- a) Let $y(t) = x_1(t)$, $y'(t) = x_2(t)$. Then we have that $x_1'(t) = x_2(t)$, $x_2'(t) = -x_1(t) + \cos t$ and hence the corresponding first order linear system becomes

$$X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

where $X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$

- b) $\phi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}$ is the fundamental matrix of

$$X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X(t)$$

which is 2π -periodic. Then

$$\phi(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi(2\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\phi(2\pi) - \phi(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ which implies

$\det(\phi(2\pi) - \phi(0)) = 0$. Thus, by corollary (4.3)

$X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X(t)$ admits nontrivial 2π -periodic solution. It follows by corollary (4.17), that

$$X'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

where $X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$ has not unique 2π -periodic solution

Summary

The study of existence and property of periodic solutions of ordinary differential equations has already attracted the attention of many researchers in the area. In this particular project, conditions are obtained which are sufficient for existence of periodic solution(s) of (4.1). The periodic solution of (4.1) is highly linked with the periodicity and other conditions of a , f and g . The existence of fixed point for a given operator play a great role on the existence of periodic solution(s) and One can apply Schauder's Fixed Point Theorem to determine the existence of periodic solution(s) of (4.1) after transforming the original equation into integro-differential equation through a linear integral operator.

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