

PhD Course in Simulation

Course Meeting 4 – BVP

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1. BVP

- ODE + boundary values

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), \quad 0 < t < b$$
$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}(0), \mathbf{y}(b)) = 0$$

– m components

– m two point boundary values

- Linear BVP

$$\mathbf{y}' = A(t)\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{q}(t), \quad 0 < t < b$$
$$B_0\mathbf{y}(0) + B_b\mathbf{y}(b) = \mathbf{b}$$

- Nonlinear notation for $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$

$$B_0 = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial \mathbf{u}}, \quad B_b = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial \mathbf{v}}$$

BVP – Existence and Uniqueness

- IVP theory is nice; attempt to extend it to BVP

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}' &= \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}(0), \mathbf{y}(b)) &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- Start with IVP with \mathbf{c} unknown

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}' &= \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{y}(0) &= \mathbf{c} \end{aligned}$$

The solution at b is $\mathbf{y}(b; \mathbf{c})$

- Insert solution in (1), m nonlinear functions

$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y}(b; \mathbf{c})) = 0$$

many, one, or no solution – No guarantees

- IVP for LTV

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y}' &= A(t)\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{q}(t), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{y}(0) &= \mathbf{c}\end{aligned}$$

- Fundamental solution from ODE theory, $Y(t)$
Fulfills $Y' = A(t)Y$, with $Y(0) = I$
- Solution to IVP

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = Y(t) \left[\mathbf{c} + \int_0^t Y^{-1}(s)\mathbf{q}(s)ds \right]$$

Linear BVP – Existence and Uniqueness

- Consider BVP

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}' &= A(t)\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{q}(t), & 0 < t < b \\ B_0\mathbf{y}(0) + B_b\mathbf{y}(b) &= \mathbf{b} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- Solve as IVP with $\mathbf{y}(0) = \mathbf{c}$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = Y(t) \left[\mathbf{c} + \int_0^t Y^{-1}(s)\mathbf{q}(s)ds \right]$$

and insert into (1)

$$\underbrace{B_0 Y(0) + B_b Y(b)}_Q \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b} - B_b Y(b) \int_0^b Y^{-1}(s)\mathbf{q}(s)ds$$

Linear BVP – Existence and Uniqueness

Theorem:

Let $A(t)$ and $\mathbf{q}(t)$ be continuous and define

$$Q = B_0 + B_b Y(b)$$

then:

- BVP has a unique solution iff Q is nonsingular
- if Q is nonsingular then the solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}' &= A(t)\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{q}(t), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{y}(0) &= \mathbf{c} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\mathbf{c} = Q^{-1} \left[\mathbf{b} - B_b Y(b) \int_0^b Y^{-1}(s) \mathbf{q}(s) ds \right]$$

2. Fundamental Solution and Greens Function

Scaled Fundamental Solution, $\Phi(t)$

- $Y(t)$ is scaled for an IVP, $Y(0) = I$
- Defining

$$\Phi = Y(t)Q^{-1}$$

gives a function that fulfills the following

$$\Phi' = A(t)\Phi, \quad 0 < t < b$$

$$B_0\Phi(0) + B_b\Phi(b) = I$$

$\Rightarrow \Phi(t)$ scaled for BVP.

- Inserting it into the theorem gives the solution

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \Phi(t)\mathbf{b} + \int_0^b G(t,s)\mathbf{q}(s)ds$$

Green's Function $G(t, s)$

- The solution

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \Phi(t)\mathbf{b} + \int_0^b G(t, s)\mathbf{q}(s)ds$$

- Green's function (solution operator)

$$G = \begin{cases} \Phi(t)B_0\Phi(0)\Phi^{-1}(s), & s \leq t \\ -\Phi(t)B_b\Phi(b)\Phi^{-1}(s), & s > t \end{cases}$$

- *Outside this course:*

Green's function also appears when solving PDEs

–Poisson Equation, Diffusion equation

There called: Green's function, source function, fundamental solution, Gaussian, propagator

3. BVP Stability

- Recall: Stability – “Perturbation” propagation
- BVP: Test function + boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{y}' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}(0) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}(b) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

With $\text{Re}(\lambda) \leq 0$,
–ODE is unstable but
–BVP is stable!

- Stability constant

$$\kappa = \max(\|\Phi\|_\infty, \|G\|_\infty)$$

- Bounds on \mathbf{y}

$$\|\mathbf{y}\| = \max_{0 \leq t \leq b} |\mathbf{y}(t)| \leq \kappa \left(|\mathbf{b}| + \int_0^b |\mathbf{q}(s)| ds \right)$$

- Perturbations: $\beta = \hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{b}$, $\delta = \hat{\mathbf{q}}(t) - \mathbf{q}(t)$, $\mathbf{x}(t) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}(t) - \mathbf{y}(t)$

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| \leq \kappa \left(|\beta| + \int_0^b |\delta(s)| ds \right)$$

Stability – Green's function nicely bounded

- Consider separated boundary conditions

$$B_0\Phi(0) = P = \begin{pmatrix} I_k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_b\Phi(b) = I - P$$

Green's function now becomes

$$G = \begin{cases} \Phi(t)P\Phi^{-1}(s), & s \leq t \\ -\Phi(t)(I - P)\Phi^{-1}(s), & s > t \end{cases}$$

- Dichotomy (**Exponential**)

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi(t)P\Phi^{-1}(s)\| &\leq K(e^{\alpha(s-t)}), & s \leq t \\ \|\Phi(t)(I - P)\Phi^{-1}(s)\| &\leq K(e^{\beta(t-s)}), & s > t \end{aligned}$$

Dichotomy – Stability

4. Nonlinear BVP

- General theory only covers the local behavior around one solution $\mathbf{y}(t)$
- Consider variation equation, with $\mathbf{y}(t)$ solution to $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y})$

$$\mathbf{z}' = A(t, \mathbf{y}(t))\mathbf{z}, \quad A(t, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$$

- Isolated solution, uniqueness around a trajectory
Condition, Q nonsingular.

5. Solving BVP Numerically – Shooting

- BVP to IVP

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}(0), \mathbf{y}(b)) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), & 0 < t < b \\ \mathbf{y}(0) = \mathbf{c} \end{cases}$$

- Equation solving for $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y}(b; \mathbf{c})) = 0$

- Solve IVP for \mathbf{c}^ν
- Solve the linearized problem with $A(t_n) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{y}}(t_n, \mathbf{y}_{n\nu}^\nu)$
- Newton's method to update $\mathbf{c}^{\nu+1} = \mathbf{c}^\nu - \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{c})$

Where $\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{Q}$

\mathbf{Q} obtained from the variational ODE.

Multiple Shooting

Reduces sensitivity when the ODE is unstable.

6. Solving BVP Numerically – Finite Difference Methods

- Build mesh, N steps.
- Apply discretization method (symmetric)
- Reformulate problem to equation solving in each step

$$\frac{\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{y}_{n-1}}{h_n} = \mathbf{f}\left(t_{n-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{y}_n + \mathbf{y}_{n-1}}{2}\right), \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

and at the boundary

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}_0, \mathbf{y}_N) = 0$$

giving $m(N + 1)$ equations

Use variational formulation around trajectory and apply (quasi-)Newton methods.

–Solution of sparse linear systems.