

Applied Math 2
Test #1

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1 Determine the order of the following expressions as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

(i) $\sin^{-1} \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1+\epsilon}}$

The following Maclaurin expansions will be used:

$$\sin^{-1}(x) = x + \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^5), \quad x \rightarrow 0$$

$$(1+x)^{-1/2} = 1 - \frac{x}{2} + O(x^2), \quad x \rightarrow 0$$

Employing these expansions gives

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1+\epsilon}} = \epsilon \left[\left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} + O(\epsilon^2)\right) + \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} + O(\epsilon^2)\right)^3}{6} + O(\epsilon^5) \right], \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \left[\left(\epsilon - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + O(\epsilon^3)\right) + \frac{\left(\epsilon - \frac{3\epsilon^2}{2} + O(\epsilon^3)\right)}{6} + O(\epsilon^5) \right], \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \frac{7\epsilon}{6} - \frac{3\epsilon^2}{4} + O(\epsilon^3), \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

So finally

$$\boxed{\sin^{-1} \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1+\epsilon}} = O(\epsilon), \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0}$$

To verify, compute the appropriate limit.

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^{-1} \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1+\epsilon}}}{\epsilon} = \frac{0}{0}$$

Use L'Hospital's rule.

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2+\epsilon}{2(1+\epsilon)^{3/2} \sqrt{2-\epsilon-\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}}}}{1} = 1$$

(ii) $\ln\left(\sinh \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$

First rewrite the given function.

$$\begin{aligned} \ln\left(\sinh \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(e^{1/\epsilon} - e^{-1/\epsilon}\right)\right) \\ &= \ln \frac{1}{2} + \ln\left(e^{1/\epsilon} - e^{-1/\epsilon}\right) \\ &= \ln \frac{1}{2} + \ln\left(e^{1/\epsilon}\left(1 - e^{-2/\epsilon}\right)\right) \\ &= \ln \frac{1}{2} + \ln e^{1/\epsilon} + \ln\left(1 - e^{-2/\epsilon}\right) \\ &= \ln \frac{1}{2} + 1/\epsilon + \ln\left(1 - e^{-2/\epsilon}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Since $e^{-2/\epsilon} \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, the log function can be expanded.

$$\ln(1-x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} + O(x^3), \quad x \rightarrow 0$$

Now,

$$\ln\left(\sinh \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) = \ln \frac{1}{2} + 1/\epsilon + \left(-e^{-2/\epsilon} - e^{-4/\epsilon} + \dots\right), \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

Since each exponential function on the right hand side approaches 0 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, the largest term is $1/\epsilon$, and so

$$\boxed{\ln\left(\sinh \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)}$$

Verify by computing the appropriate limit.

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \frac{1}{2} + 1/\epsilon + \ln\left(1 - e^{-2/\epsilon}\right)}{1/\epsilon} \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon \ln \frac{1}{2} + 1 + \epsilon \ln\left(1 - e^{-2/\epsilon}\right) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 1 + \epsilon \ln 1 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $\ln \left[1 + \ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon} \right]$

Rewrite the function.

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \left[1 + \ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon} \right] &= \ln [(1 - \ln \epsilon) + \ln(1 + 2\epsilon)] \\ &= \ln \left[(1 - \ln \epsilon) \left(1 + \frac{\ln(1 + 2\epsilon)}{1 - \ln \epsilon} \right) \right] \\ &= \ln(1 - \ln \epsilon) + \ln \left(1 + \frac{\ln(1 + 2\epsilon)}{1 - \ln \epsilon} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now the second term in the log function approaches 0 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, and so the log function approaches 0 as well. The biggest term is the first one, so

$$\boxed{\ln \left[1 + \ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon} \right] = O(\ln(1 - \ln \epsilon))}$$

Verify by finding the appropriate limit.

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \left[1 + \ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon} \right]}{\ln(1 - \ln \epsilon)} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

Use L'Hospital's rule.

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \ln \epsilon}{(1 + 2\epsilon)(1 + \ln(2 + 1/\epsilon))} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

Use L'Hospital's rule.

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1/\epsilon}{2 - 1/\epsilon + 2 \ln(2 + 1/\epsilon)} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

Use L'Hospital's rule.

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/\epsilon^2}{1/(\epsilon^2 + 2\epsilon^3)} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\epsilon^2 + 2\epsilon^3}{\epsilon^2} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 1 + 2\epsilon = 1$$

(iv) $\ln \left[1 + \frac{\ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon}}{1-2\epsilon} \right]$

Rewrite the expression using log rules.

$$\ln \left[1 + \frac{1}{1-2\epsilon} (\ln(1+2\epsilon) - \ln \epsilon) \right]$$

Rearrange terms.

$$\ln \left[\left(1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1-2\epsilon} \right) + \frac{\ln(1+2\epsilon)}{1-2\epsilon} \right]$$

Factor the inside.

$$\ln \left[\left(1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1 - 2\epsilon} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\ln(1 + 2\epsilon)}{1 - 2\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1 - 2\epsilon}} \right) \right) \right]$$

Use the log rule one more time.

$$\ln \left(1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1 - 2\epsilon} \right) + \ln \left(1 + \frac{\ln(1 + 2\epsilon)}{1 - 2\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1 - 2\epsilon}} \right) \right)$$

Now the $\ln()$ on the right is in the form $\ln(1 + x)$, $x \rightarrow 0$, so that term also goes to zero with ϵ . Therefore

$$\boxed{\ln \left[1 + \frac{\ln \frac{1+2\epsilon}{\epsilon}}{1 - 2\epsilon} \right] = O \left(\ln \left(1 - \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1 - 2\epsilon} \right) \right)}$$

The solution can be verified with Mathematica:

Limit [(Log[1+Log[(1+2ε)/ε]/(1-2ε)])/(Log[1-Log[ε]/(1-2ε)]), ε → 0]

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2 For small ϵ , determine two terms in the expansion of each root of the following equations:

(i) $x^3 - (3 + \epsilon)x - 2 + \epsilon = 0$

Let $x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$

$$(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots)^3 - (3 + \epsilon)(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots) - 2 + \epsilon = 0$$

The $O(1)$ terms give the equation:

$$x_0^3 - 3x_0 - 2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x_0 = -1, -1, 2$$

The double root -1 will be dealt with after the expansion of the root 2 is found.

The $O(\epsilon)$ terms give the equation:

$$3x_0^2 x_1 - 3x_1 - x_0 + 1 = 0$$

For $x_0 = 2$, this equation becomes

$$12x_1 - 3x_1 - 2 + 1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{9}$$

So for the root 2, the expansion is $x = 2 + \frac{1}{9}\epsilon + \dots$.

Now let $x = -1 + \lambda$. This leads to the equation

$$\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - \epsilon\lambda + 2\epsilon = 0$$

For small λ and $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, the dominant terms are λ^2 and ϵ , so let $\lambda = O(\sqrt{\epsilon})$ and establish that half integer powers of epsilon should occur in the asymptotic series used to expand x . Therefore let

$$x = -1 + \epsilon^{1/2}x_1 + \epsilon x_2 + \dots$$

$$(-1 + \epsilon^{1/2}x_1 + \epsilon x_2 + \dots)^3 - (3 + \epsilon)(-1 + \epsilon^{1/2}x_1 + \epsilon x_2 + \dots) - 2 + \epsilon = 0$$

The $O(1)$ terms give the identity $-1 + 3 - 2 = 0$. The $O(\epsilon^{1/2})$ terms give the identity $3x_1 - 3x_1 = 0$. The $O(\epsilon)$ terms give the equation $-3x_1^2 + 2 = 0$ which implies $x_1 = \pm\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$.

So the two expansions for this root are

$$x = -1 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\epsilon + \dots$$

and

$$x = -1 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\epsilon + \dots$$

This can be verified with the Mathematica code:

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roots = Solve[x^3 - (3 + \epsilon)x - 2 + \epsilon == 0, x];
Series[x /. roots, \epsilon, 0, 1] // FullSimplify
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(ii) $\epsilon u^3 + (u - 2)^2 = 0$

The expanded equation is $\epsilon u^3 + u^2 - 4u + 4 = 0$. Let $u = u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + O(\epsilon^2)$. Plug back in the expanded equation.

$$\epsilon(u_0^3 + O(\epsilon)) + (u_0^2 + \epsilon(2u_0u_1) + O(\epsilon^2)) - 4(u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + O(\epsilon^2)) + 4 = 0$$

$$u_0^2 - 4u_0 + 4 + \epsilon(u_0^3 + 2u_0u_1 - 4u_1) + O(\epsilon^2) = 0$$

This equation implies

$$u_0^2 - 4u_0 + 4 = 0 \rightarrow u_0 = 2, 2$$

$$u_0^3 + 2u_0u_1 - 4u_1 = 0 \rightarrow 8 + 4u_1 - 4u_1 \neq 0$$

The contradiction in the last equation demonstrates that this is not the correct expansion to use. To find the expansions of the double root, set $u = 2 + \lambda$ and plug into the original equation.

$$\epsilon(2 + \lambda)^3 + (2 + \lambda - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\epsilon(8 + 12\lambda + 6\lambda^2 + \lambda^3) + \lambda^2 = 0$$

For small λ and $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, the dominant terms are λ^2 and ϵ , so set $\lambda = O(\sqrt{\epsilon})$ and expand u around 2 in half integer powers of ϵ .

$$u = 2 + u_1\sqrt{\epsilon} + u_2\epsilon + O(\epsilon^{3/2})$$

$$\epsilon(2 + u_1\sqrt{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon))^3 + (2 + u_1\sqrt{\epsilon} + u_2\epsilon + O(\epsilon^{3/2}) - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\epsilon(8 + 12u_1\sqrt{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon)) + u_1^2\epsilon + O(\epsilon^{3/2}) = 0$$

Divide by ϵ .

$$8 + u_1^2 + (2u_1u_2 + 12u_1)\sqrt{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon) = 0$$

This equation implies $8 + u_1^2 = 0 \rightarrow u_1 = \pm i2\sqrt{2}$. So the expansions of the double root are

$$\boxed{u = 2 + i2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon)}$$

$$\boxed{u = 2 - i2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon)}$$

Now let $u = \bar{u}\epsilon^{-p}$ and plug into the original expanded equation.

$$\bar{u}^3 + \bar{u}\epsilon^{p-1} - 4\bar{u}\epsilon^{2p-1} + 4\epsilon^{3p-1} = 0$$

Balance the first two terms by setting $p = 1$.

$$\bar{u}^3 + \bar{u} - 4\bar{u}\epsilon + 4\epsilon^2 = 0$$

Now proceed with a regular expansion of \bar{u} .

$$\bar{u} = \bar{u}_0 + \bar{u}_1\epsilon + \bar{u}_2\epsilon^2 + \dots$$

This leads to the equation

$$\bar{u}_0^3 + \bar{u}_0^2 + \epsilon(3\bar{u}_0^2\bar{u}_1 + 2\bar{u}_0\bar{u}_1 - 4\bar{u}_0) + O(\epsilon^2) = 0$$

This equation implies

$$\bar{u}_0^3 + \bar{u}_0^2 = 0 \rightarrow \bar{u}_0 = 0, 0, -1$$

Choose $\bar{u}_0 = -1$ and use in the next equation.

$$3\bar{u}_0^2\bar{u}_1 + 2\bar{u}_0\bar{u}_1 - 4\bar{u}_0 = \bar{u}_1 + 4 = 0 \rightarrow \bar{u}_1 = -4$$

So the expansion in terms of \bar{u} is

$$\bar{u} = -1 - 4\epsilon + O(\epsilon^2)$$

and the final expansion of the third root is

$$u = \frac{-1}{\epsilon} - 4 + O(\epsilon)$$

These solutions can be verified with Mathematica:
`roots = Solve[$\epsilon x^3 + (x - 2)^2 == 0, x$];`
`Series[x /. roots, $\epsilon, 0, 1$] // FullSimplify`

3 Show that as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

(i) $\int_0^1 \frac{\sin \epsilon t}{t} dt \sim \epsilon - \frac{1}{18}\epsilon^3 + \frac{1}{600}\epsilon^5$

Expand the sine function.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{\sin \epsilon t}{t} dt &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{t} \left(\epsilon t - \frac{\epsilon^3 t^3}{3!} + \frac{\epsilon^5 t^5}{5!} + \dots \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\epsilon - \frac{\epsilon^3 t^2}{3!} + \frac{\epsilon^5 t^4}{5!} + \dots \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

Integrate.

$$= \epsilon - \frac{\epsilon^3}{3!3} + \frac{\epsilon^5}{5!5} + \dots$$

Finally,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin \epsilon t}{t} dt = \epsilon - \frac{1}{18}\epsilon^3 + \frac{1}{600}\epsilon^5 + \dots$$

(ii) $\int_0^\epsilon t^{-3/4} e^{-t} dt \sim 4\epsilon^{1/4} - \frac{4}{5}\epsilon^{5/4} + \frac{2}{9}\epsilon^{9/4}$

Expand the exponential function.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\epsilon t^{-3/4} e^{-t} dt &= \int_0^\epsilon t^{-3/4} \left(1 - t + \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \dots \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^\epsilon t^{-3/4} - t^{1/4} + \frac{1}{2}t^{5/4} - \frac{1}{3!}t^{9/4} + \dots dt \\ &= 4\epsilon^{1/4} - \frac{4}{5}\epsilon^{5/4} + \frac{2}{9}\epsilon^{9/4} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

4 Using regular perturbation expansion, solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + y = \epsilon y^2, t > 0$$

$$t = 0 : y = 1$$

Let $y = y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \epsilon^2 y_2 + \dots$, and expand the IC as $y_0(0) + \epsilon y_1(0) + \epsilon^2 y_2(0) + \dots = 1$. Now,

$$(y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \epsilon^2 y_2 + \dots)' + (y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \epsilon^2 y_2 + \dots) = \epsilon (y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \epsilon^2 y_2 + \dots)^2$$

The $O(1)$ terms give the IVP

$$y_0' + y_0 = 0, \quad y_0(0) = 1$$

The solution is $y_0(t) = e^{-t}$.

The $O(\epsilon)$ terms give the IVP

$$y_1' + y_1 = y_0^2 = e^{-2t}, \quad y_1(0) = 0$$

The homogeneous solution is $y_{1h}(t) = c_1 e^{-t}$ and the particular solution is $y_{1p}(t) = c_1 e^{-t} \int_0^t \frac{1}{c_1} e^s e^{-2s} ds = e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$, and so the general solution is $y_1(t) = c_2 e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$. The IC gives $y_1(0) = c_2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = 1$, so the final solution is $y_1(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$.

Therefore a perturbation solution to this IVP is

$$y(t) = e^{-t} + \epsilon(e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

5 Consider the equation $\ddot{u} + \omega_0^2 u = \epsilon \dot{u}^2 u$, $\epsilon \ll 1$

(i) Determine a two term straight forward expansion and discuss its uniformity.

Let $u = u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \epsilon^2 u_2 + \dots$. Now the DE becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ddot{u}_0 + \epsilon \ddot{u}_1 + \epsilon^2 \ddot{u}_2 + \dots) + \omega_0^2 (u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \epsilon^2 u_2 + \dots) \\ & = \epsilon (\dot{u}_0 + \epsilon \dot{u}_1 + \epsilon^2 \dot{u}_2 + \dots)^2 (u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \epsilon^2 u_2 + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

The $O(1)$ terms give the DE $\ddot{u}_0 + \omega_0^2 u_0 = 0$ with solution

$$u_0(t) = A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t$$

The $O(\epsilon)$ terms give the DE $\ddot{u}_1 + \omega_0^2 u_1 = \dot{u}_0^2 u_0$. The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(t) &= \frac{1}{32} t (-4B (A^2 + B^2) \omega_0 \cos(t\omega_0) + 4A (A^2 + B^2) \omega_0 \sin(t\omega_0)) \\ &+ \frac{1}{32} (2(A^3 + AB^2 + 16c_1) \cos(t\omega_0) + A(A^2 - 3B^2) \cos(3t\omega_0)) \\ &+ \frac{1}{32} (2(A^2 B + B^3 + 16c_2) \sin(t\omega_0) - B(-3A^2 + B^2) \sin(3t\omega_0)) \end{aligned}$$

The t multiplying the first part of the solution will make the straight-forward expansion solution nonuniform when $t = O(1/\epsilon)$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

(ii) Determine a first-order uniform expansion by using the Lindstedt-Poincaré technique.

Let $\tau = (1 + \epsilon \omega_1 + \epsilon^2 \omega_2 + \dots)t$, so $\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{d}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \frac{d}{d\tau} (1 + \epsilon \omega_1 + \epsilon^2 \omega_2 + \dots)$.

Let $u = u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \dots$. Let $' = \frac{d}{d\tau}$. Now the DE becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \epsilon \omega_1 + \epsilon^2 \omega_2 + \dots)^2 (u_0'' + \epsilon u_1'' + \dots) + \omega_0^2 (u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \dots) \\ & = \epsilon (1 + \epsilon \omega_1 + \epsilon^2 \omega_2 + \dots)^2 (u_0' + \epsilon u_1' + \dots)^2 (u_0 + \epsilon u_1 + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

The $O(1)$ terms give the DE $u_0'' + \omega_0^2 u_0 = 0$ with solution $u_0(t) = A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t$. The $O(\epsilon)$ terms give the DE $u_1'' + \omega_0^2 u_1 = u_0'^2 u_0 - 2\omega_1 u_0''$. The RHS is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \omega_0^2 (A \cos(\tau \omega_0) + B \sin(\tau \omega_0)) \cdot \\ & (A^2 + B^2 + 4\omega_1 - (A^2 - B^2) \cos(2\tau \omega_0) + 2AB \sin(2\tau \omega_0)) \end{aligned}$$

To eliminate the source of secular terms, set

$$A^2 + B^2 + 4\omega_1 = 0$$

So that $\omega_1 = -\frac{1}{4}(A^2 + B^2)$. Now the first order ODE becomes

$$u_1'' + \omega^2 u_1 = \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^2 (A \cos(\tau\omega_0) + B \sin(\tau\omega_0)) \cdot (2AB \sin(2\tau\omega_0) - (A^2 - B^2) \cos(2\tau\omega_0))$$

which has the solution $u_1(\tau) =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{32} (2((A^2 + B^2)(A - 2B\tau\omega_0) + 16c_1) \cos(\tau\omega_0) + A(A^2 - 3B^2) \cos(3\tau\omega_0)) \\ & + \frac{1}{32} (2((A^2 + B^2)(B + 2A\tau\omega_0) + 16c_2) \sin(\tau\omega_0) + B(-3A^2 + B^2) \sin(3\tau\omega_0)) \end{aligned}$$

Now the first order uniform expansion is

$$\boxed{u(\tau) = u_0(\tau) + \epsilon u_1(\tau) + \dots}$$

where u_0 and u_1 are defined above and $\tau = t(1 - \epsilon\frac{1}{4}(A^2 + B^2) + \dots)$.