Mech 221 Math Formulae 2008

Trigonometry



$$\sin \theta = o/h$$

$$\cos \theta = a/h$$

$$\tan \theta = o/a$$

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\sin(-x) = -\sin x$$

$$\cos(-x) = \cos x$$

$$\sin(x+y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y$$

$$\cos(x+y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$$

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$

Quadratic Equation

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

has roots

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Newton's Method

If an initial guess x_0 is close enough to a root of a function g, then the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{g(x_n)}{g'(x_n)}$$

gives increasingly good estimates x_n of the root.

Elementary Derivatives

$$\frac{d}{dx}x^{r} = rx^{r-1} \ (r \neq 0)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\cos x = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\tan x = \sec^{2} x = 1/\cos^{2} x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\tan^{-1} x = 1/\sqrt{1-x^{2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\tan^{-1} x = 1/(1+x^{2})$$

Taylor Polynomials and Series

Taylor polynomial approximation:

$$f(x) \approx P_n(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2}(x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n$$

Residual formula

$$f(x) - P_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}(x-a)^{n+1}$$

where ξ is a point between a and x (that is not known).

Basic Taylor (McLaurin) series:

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \cdots$$
$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \cdots$$
$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \cdots$$
$$\frac{1}{1 - x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \cdots \text{ for } |x| < x^2$$

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Numerical Integration

Approximations to

$$I = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx$$

starting from a division of [a, b] into N sub-intervals of equal length h = (b - a)/N: Trapezoidal Rule:

$$I \approx T_N = \frac{h}{2}f(a) + hf(a+h) + hf(a+2h) + \dots + hf(b-h) + \frac{h}{2}f(b)$$

with error expression

$$I - T_N = -\frac{f''(\xi)}{12}(b - a)h^2$$

Simpson's Rule: (N must be even)

$$I \approx S_N = \frac{h}{3}f(a) + \frac{4h}{3}f(a+h) + \frac{2h}{3}f(a+2h) + \frac{4h}{3}f(a+3h) + \frac{2h}{3}f(a+4h) + \frac{4h}{3}f(b-h) + \frac{h}{3}f(b)$$

with error expression

$$I - S_N = -\frac{f^{(4)}(\xi)}{180}(b-a)h^4$$

In the error expressions above, ξ is a point between a and b (that is not known).

Numerical Differentiation

Forward: $f'(a) \approx (f(a+h) - f(a))/h$. Backward: $f'(a) \approx (f(a) - f(a-h))/h$. Centred: $f'(a) \approx (f(a+h) - f(a-h))/(2h)$. Centred second derivative: $f''(a) \approx (f(a+h) - 2f(a) + f(a-h))/h^2$.

Approximating Differential Equations

To find approximations y_k to y(kh) where y(t) solves

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y,t)$$

and h is a small fixed step, the following methods can be used:

Forward Euler: $y_{k+1} = y_k + hf(y_k, kh)$

Backward Euler: $y_{k+1} = y_k + hf(y_{k+1}, (k+1)h)$

Linear Interpolation

If f(a) and f(b) are known and c is in [a, b] then

$$f(c) \approx \frac{b-c}{b-a}f(a) + \frac{c-a}{b-a}f(b)$$

Eigen-Analysis

Eigenvalues of a matrix **A** are scalar values λ that solve

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = 0.$$

If λ is an eigenvalue then \underline{x} is called a corresponding eigenvector if \underline{x} is nonzero and solves

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\underline{x} = 0$$

(that is, $\mathbf{A}\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$).

Differential Equations

Scalar, linear, first order

$$y' = a(t)y + f(t)$$

with initial data $y(0) = y_o$. Let

$$A(t) = \int_0^t a(\tau) d\tau$$

The solution is given by

$$y(t) = e^{A(t)}y_o + e^{A(t)}\int_0^t e^{-A(\tau)}f(\tau)d\tau.$$

Scalar, linear, second-order constant coefficient

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(t)$$

Solution is $y(t) = y_o(t) + y_p(t)$ (homogeneous plus particular).

homogeneous: Solve auxiliary equation:

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0.$$

Three cases:

1. Two distinct real roots r_1 and r_2 :

$$y_o(t) = Ae^{r_1 t} + Be^{r_2 t}.$$

2. Repeated real root r:

$$y_o(t) = Ae^{rt} + Bte^{rt}.$$

3. Complex conjugate roots $r = a \pm ib$:

$$y_o(t) = e^{at} (A\cos bt + B\sin bt).$$

- **particular:** If f(t) has one of the following forms, the Method of Undetermined Coefficients can be used:
 - f(t) is a polynomial in t of order n: take $y_p(t)$ to also be a polynomial in t of order n.
 - $f(t) = \sin \omega t$ or $f(t) = \cos \omega t$: take

$$y_p(t) = a\sin\omega t + b\cos\omega t.$$

 $f(t) = e^{bt}$: take

$$y_p(t) = ae^{bt}$$

- special case (resonance): If any one of the terms in the form for the particular solution above is in the homogeneous solution, multiply the form of $y_p(t)$ above by t until this is no longer true.
- solving for the coefficients: Insert the form of $y_p(t)$ into the differential equation to solve for the undetermined coefficients in $y_p(t)$. Then (and only then) find Aand B from the complete solution $y = y_o + y_p$ using the initial (or boundary) data.

Vector, first order, linear, homogeneous, constant coefficient (diagonalizable)

$$\underline{y}' = \mathbf{A}\underline{y}$$

with initial data $y(0) = y_o$. Assume that **A** is a diagonalizable matrix,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{E}^{-1}$$

where **D** is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_n$ and **E** is the matrix with the corresponding eigenvectors in columns. Then the solution is

$$\underline{y}(t) = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{E}^{-1}\underline{y_o}$$

where **M** is the diagonal matrix with entries $e^{\lambda_1 t}, e^{\lambda_2 t}, \dots e^{\lambda_n t}$.

Special case: Defective Matrix

In the case above when **A** is a diagonalizable matrix, the solution \underline{y} is written as a linear combination of terms

 $\underline{x}_i e^{\lambda_i} t$

where λ_i are the eigenvalues of **A** and \underline{x}_i the corresponding eigenvectors. It can happen for some matrices **A** (known as defective matrices) that for certain eigenvalues λ that are repeated twice, there is only one eigenvector \underline{x} . In this case, find the vector \underline{z} (a generalized eigenvector) that satisfies

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\underline{z} = \underline{x}.$$

The solution of

$$\underline{y}' = \mathbf{A}\underline{y}$$

contains linear combinations of

$$\underline{x}e^{\lambda}t$$
 and $(t\underline{x}+\underline{z})e^{\lambda t}$

in this case.