

Theorem - If

$$f \sim a_1(x)\phi_1(\varepsilon) + a_2(x)\phi_2(\varepsilon)$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x, \varepsilon) \sim b_1(x)\phi_1(\varepsilon) + b_2(x)\phi_2(\varepsilon)$$

then

$$b_1(x) = \frac{d}{dx} a_1(x), \quad b_2(x) = \frac{d}{dx} a_2(x).$$

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then

$$\int_a^b f(x, \varepsilon) dx \sim \left(\int_a^b a_1(x) dx \right) \phi_1(\varepsilon) + \left(\int_a^b a_2(x) dx \right) \phi_2(\varepsilon)$$

Example -

Find an asymptotic expansion for

$$f(\varepsilon) = \int_0^\varepsilon e^{-x^2} dx$$

$$u = x/\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon \int_0^1 e^{-\varepsilon^2 u^2} du$$

$$\sim \varepsilon \int_0^1 \left(1 - \varepsilon^2 u^2 + \frac{\varepsilon^4 u^4}{2} + \dots \right) du$$

$$\sim \varepsilon - \frac{\varepsilon^3}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon^5}{10} + \dots$$

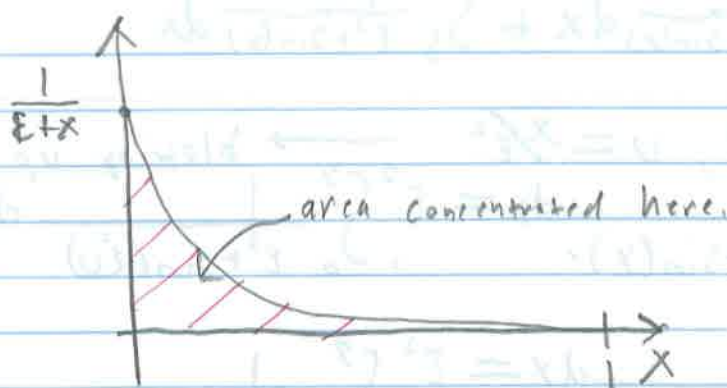
$$2. f(\varepsilon) = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\varepsilon+x} dx$$

$$= \ln(1+\varepsilon) - \ln(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \varepsilon - \ln(\varepsilon) + \dots$$

$$f(\varepsilon) \sim -\ln(\varepsilon) + \varepsilon + \dots$$

Lets try a different approach to get the asymptotic series.



Try Taylor expansion

$$f(\varepsilon) = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon/x} dx = \int_0^1 (1 - \varepsilon/x + \varepsilon^2/x^2 + \dots) dx$$

however, the integrals on the right are not finite valued. In fact for the right side to be well ordered we need $x \gg \varepsilon$. Set δ satisfying $\varepsilon \ll \delta \ll 1$.

$$f(\varepsilon) = \int_0^\delta \frac{1}{\varepsilon+x} dx + \int_\delta^1 \left(\frac{1}{x} - \varepsilon/x^2 + \varepsilon^2/x^3 + \dots \right) dx$$

$$= \ln(\varepsilon+\delta) - \ln(\varepsilon) - \ln(\delta) + \varepsilon - \varepsilon/\delta + \dots$$

$$= \ln\left(\delta\left(1+\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta}\right)\right) - \ln(\varepsilon) - \ln(\delta) + \varepsilon - \varepsilon/\delta + \dots$$

$$= \ln(\delta) + \ln\left(1+\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta}\right) - \ln(\varepsilon) - \ln(\delta) + \varepsilon - \varepsilon/\delta + \dots$$

$$= \ln(\delta) + \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} + \varepsilon^2/\delta^2 - \ln(\varepsilon) - \ln(\delta) + \varepsilon - \varepsilon/\delta + \dots$$

$$= -\ln(\varepsilon) + \varepsilon + \dots$$

$$3. f(\varepsilon) = \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{dx}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)}$$

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} = \frac{1}{\sin(x)} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon^2/\sin(x)} \right) = \frac{1}{\sin(x)} \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\sin(x)} + \dots \right)$$

if $\varepsilon^2/\sin(x) \ll 1 \Rightarrow \varepsilon^2/x \ll 1$

$$\text{Set } \delta \gg \varepsilon^2$$

$$I(\varepsilon) = \int_0^{\delta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx + \int_{\delta}^1 \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx$$

Set $\eta = \delta/\varepsilon^2$, $u = x/\varepsilon^2$ → blowing up the sing.

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\delta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx = \varepsilon^2 \int_0^{\eta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(\varepsilon^2 u)} du$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\delta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx = \varepsilon^2 \int_0^{\eta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \varepsilon^2 u - \frac{1}{6} \varepsilon^6 u^3 + \dots} du$$

$$= \int_0^{\eta} \frac{1}{(1+u) - \frac{1}{6} \varepsilon^4 u^3 + \dots} du$$

$$= \int_0^{\eta} \frac{1}{1+u} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{\varepsilon^4 u^3}{6(1+u)} + \dots} \right) du$$

$$= \int_0^{\eta} \frac{1}{1+u} \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^4 u^3}{6(1+u)} + \dots \right) du$$

$$= \int_0^{\eta} \left(\frac{1}{1+u} + \frac{\varepsilon^4 u^3}{6(1+u)^2} + \dots \right) du$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\delta} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx \sim \ln(1+\eta) + \dots$$

$$\sim \ln(\eta(1+\frac{1}{\eta})) + \dots$$

$$\sim \ln(\eta) + \ln(1+\frac{1}{\eta}) + \dots$$

$$\sim \ln(\eta) + \frac{1}{\eta} + \dots$$

$$\sim \ln(\delta/\varepsilon^2) + \frac{1}{\eta} + \dots$$

$$\sim -2 \ln(\varepsilon) + \ln(\delta) + \frac{1}{\eta} + \dots$$

Now let's do the other part.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{dx}{\varepsilon^2 + \sin(x)} dx &= \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{1}{\sin(x) \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\sin(x)}\right)} dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{1}{\sin(x)} \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\sin(x)} + \dots\right) dx \\
 &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}\right) - \ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)\right) \\
 &\quad + \varepsilon^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} - \cot(\delta)\right) + \dots \\
 &\sim \ln\left(\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}\right) + \dots \\
 &\sim \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3}\right) + \dots \\
 &\sim \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3}\right) - \ln(\delta) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Full asymptotic approximation:

$$f(\varepsilon) \sim -2 \ln(\varepsilon) + \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3}\right) + \dots$$

Example

Find a two-term asymptotic expansion, for small ε , for the solution of the following problem.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla^2 u &= 0 \quad \text{for } x^2 + y^2 < 1, \\
 u &= e^{\varepsilon \cos \theta} \quad \text{for } x^2 + y^2 = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

We assume $u = U_0 + \varepsilon U_1 + \dots$



(membrane with
boundary conditions)

$O(1)$:

$$\nabla^2 U_0 = 0, \quad x^2 + y^2 < 1,$$

$$U_0 = 1, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1.$$

Assume $U_0 = f(r)$

$$\Rightarrow f''(r) + \frac{1}{r} f'(r) = 0,$$

$$f(1) = 1, \quad r = 1$$

$f = 1$ is the solution

$$\Rightarrow \underline{U_0 = 1.}$$

 $O(\varepsilon)$:

$$\nabla^2 U_1 = 0, \quad x^2 + y^2 < 1$$

$$U_1 = \varepsilon \cos^2 \theta, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

The boundary conditions can be expressed as

$$U_1 = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2\theta)), \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1.$$

This motivates taking an ansatz of the form

$$U_1 = f_1(r) + f_2(r) \cos(2\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_1'' + \frac{1}{r} f_1'(r) = 0, \quad f_2'' + \frac{1}{r} f_2'(r) - \frac{4}{r^2} f_2 = 0$$

$$f_1(1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_2(1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\underline{f_1(r) = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f_2(r) = \frac{1}{2} r^\beta$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(\beta-1) + \beta - 4 = 0$$

$$\beta = \pm 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{f_2(r) = \frac{1}{2} r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{U_1(r) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{r^2}{2} \cos(2\theta).}$$

The full solution is then,

$$U(r) = 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} (1 + r^2 \cos(2\theta)) + \dots$$

Iterated Maps

1. Recall that a sequence is Cauchy if $\forall \varepsilon > 0$
 $\exists M \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, m > M \Rightarrow |x_m - x_n| < \varepsilon$.

2. A sequence is Cauchy in $\mathbb{R}$ if and only if $\exists x^* \in \mathbb{R}$
 such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x^*$$

Suppose we want to solve the equation

$$f(x) = x.$$

where f is a smooth function. For a good initial guess x_0 we can look at iterated maps

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n) = Tx_n = T^n x_0$$

Theorem - If $f'(x^*) < 1$ then $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|x_0 - x^*| < \delta$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x_0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x^*$.

proof:

Let $x_n = T^n x_0$ we will prove that x_n is Cauchy.

$$\begin{aligned} |x_m - x_n| &= |T^m x_0 - T^n x_0| \\ &= |f(x_{m-1}) - f(x_{n-1})| \\ &\leq \max_{x \in [x^* - \delta, x^* + \delta]} f'(x) |x_{m-1} - x_{n-1}|, \end{aligned}$$

where δ is selected so that $\max_{x \in [x^* - \delta, x^* + \delta]} f'(x) = M < 1$.

$$\Rightarrow |x_m - x_n| \leq M |x_{m-1} - x_{n-1}|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq M^n |x^{m-n} - x_0| \\ &\leq M^n [|x^{m-n} - x^{m-n-1}| + |x^{m-n-1} - x_0|] \\ &\leq M^n [|x^{n-n} - x^{m-n-1}| + |x^{m-n-1} - x_0|] \\ &\leq M^n [|T^{m-n} x_0 - T^{m-n-1} x_0| + |T^{m-n-1} x_0 - T^{m-n-2} x_0| \\ &\quad + \dots + |Tx_0 - x_0|] \\ &\leq M^n \left[\sum_{k=0}^{m-n} M^k |Tx_0 - x_0| \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_m - x_n| \leq M^n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M^k |Tx_0 - x_0|$$

$$\leq \frac{M^n}{1-M} |Tx_0 - x_0|$$

Therefore, x_n is Cauchy and consequently $\exists x^*$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x^*$. From continuity we have that $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x^*)$

Example:

Find a two term asymptotic solution to

$$x^2 + \varepsilon x - 1 = 0$$

Write as an iterated map

$$x_{n+1} = \pm \sqrt{1 - \varepsilon x_n}$$

Guess $x_0 = \pm 1$. Then,

$$x_1 = \pm \sqrt{1 \mp \varepsilon}$$

$$\rightarrow x_1 = \pm 1 \mp \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

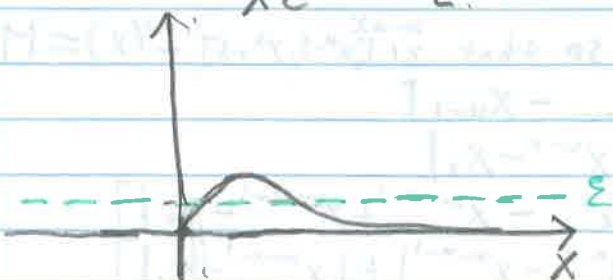
Asymptotic approximation

$$x = 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \dots \text{ and } x = -1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \dots$$

Example:

Find an asymptotic expansion for solutions to

$$x e^{-x} = \varepsilon$$



Select $x_0 = \ln(1/\varepsilon)$ and consider the iterated map

$$x_{n+1} = \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln(x_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_2 &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right)\right) \\
 &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))}{\ln(1/\varepsilon)}\right)\right) \\
 &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon)) + \ln\left(1 + \frac{\ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))}{\ln(1/\varepsilon)}\right) \\
 &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon)) + \frac{\ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))}{\ln(1/\varepsilon)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the asymptotic approximation is given by

$$X = \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) + \ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon)) + \frac{\ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))}{\ln(1/\varepsilon)}$$

$$\left(\left(\left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x \right) \right) = x$$

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Therefore, the approximate approximation is given by

$$x = \left(\left(\left(\left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) x \right) \right) \right)$$