## 91. Linearization and stability

Note: these problems repeat some of the problems in **90.** Linearization and Newton's method. But problems 91.4 and 91.5 are not exactly the same as 90.4 and 90.5!

**91.1.** Compute the Jacobi matrix f'(x) (also denoted Df(x)). Compute the linearization of f at  $\bar{x}$ .

(a) 
$$f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(x_1) + \cos(x_2) \\ \cos(x_1) + \sin(x_2) \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\bar{x} = 0$ ; (b)  $f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 + x_1 \\ 1 + x_1 e^{x_2} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**91.2.** Compute the gradient vector  $\nabla f(x)$  (also denoted f'(x) = Df(x)). Compute the linearization of f at  $\bar{x}$ .

(a) 
$$f(x) = e^{-x_1} \sin(x_2), \quad \bar{x} = 0;$$
 (b)  $f(x) = ||x||^2, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^3, \quad \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**91.3.** Compute the tangent vector f'(t). Compute the linearization of f at  $\bar{t}$ . Illustrate with a figure.

(a) 
$$f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(t) \\ \sin(t) \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\overline{t} = \pi/2$ ; (b)  $f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1+t^2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\overline{t} = 0$ .

**91.4.** (a) Write the system

$$u_1'(t) = u_2(t) (1 - u_1(t)^2),$$
  
$$u_2'(t) = 2 - u_1(t) u_2(t)$$

in the form u' = f(u). Find the stationary points, i.e., solve the equation f(u) = 0 by hand calculation.

(b) Compute the Jacobi matrix DF(u). Linearize the system at each stationary point  $\bar{u}$ , i.e., write down the linearized system  $v' = Df(\bar{u})v$ .

(c) Solve this system analytically. Is  $\bar{u}$  stable?

(d) Solve both the nonlinear system u' = f(u) and the linearized systems  $v' = Df(\bar{u})v$  in Matlab with your program my\_ode. Plot the solutions u(t) and  $\bar{u} + v(t)$  in the same figure. Remember that we should have  $u(t) \approx \bar{u} + v(t)$  as long as the perturbation v(t) is small.

**91.5.** (a) Write the system

$$u_1'(t) = u_1(t) (1 - u_2(t)),$$
  
$$u_2'(t) = u_2(t) (1 - u_1(t)),$$

in the form u' = f(u). Find the stationary points, i.e., solve the equation f(u) = 0 by hand calculation.

(b) Compute the Jacobi matrix DF(u). Linearize the system at each stationary point  $\bar{u}$ , i.e., write down the linearized system  $v' = Df(\bar{u})v$ .

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## Answers and solutions

91.1.

(a)

$$f'(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(x_1) & -\sin(x_2) \\ -\sin(x_1) & \cos(x_2) \end{bmatrix}, \qquad g(x) = f(\bar{x}) + f'(\bar{x})(x - \bar{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b)

$$f'(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0\\ 1 & 0\\ e^{x_2} & x_1 e^{x_2} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad g(x) = f(\bar{x}) + f'(\bar{x})(x - \bar{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 2\\ 1 + e \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0\\ 1 & 0\\ e & e \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 1\\ x_2 - 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

91.2.

(a)

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -e^{-x_1} \sin(x_2), & e^{-x_1} \cos(x_2) \end{bmatrix},$$
  
$$g(x) = f(\bar{x}) + f'(\bar{x})(x - \bar{x}) = 0 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2.$$

(b)

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 & 2x_3 & 2x_3 \end{bmatrix},$$
  
$$g(x) = f(\bar{x}) + f'(\bar{x})(x - \bar{x}) = 3 + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 1 \\ x_2 - 1 \\ x_3 - 1 \end{bmatrix} = -3 + 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3.$$

91.3.

(a)

$$f'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(t) \\ \cos(t) \end{bmatrix},$$
  
$$g(t) = f(\bar{t}) + f'(\bar{t})(t-\bar{t}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} (t-\pi/2).$$

(b)

$$f'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2t \end{bmatrix},$$
  
$$g(t) = f(\bar{t}) + f'(\bar{t})(t - \bar{t}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix} t = \begin{bmatrix} t\\1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**91.4.** (a) The stationary points are given by the equation f(u) = 0, i.e.,

$$f(u) = \begin{bmatrix} u_2(1-u_1^2)\\ 2-u_1u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We find two solutions  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b,c) The Jacobian is

$$Df(u) = \begin{bmatrix} -2u_1u_2 & 1-u_1^2 \\ -u_2 & -u_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $u(t) \approx \bar{u} + v(t)$ . Linearization  $f(\bar{u} + v) \approx f(\bar{u}) + Df(\bar{u})v = Df(\bar{u})v$  at  $\bar{u}$  gives the following equation for the perturbation v(t)

$$v' = (u - \bar{u})' = u' = f(u) = f(\bar{u} + v) = Df(\bar{u})v.$$

Linearization at  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$  leads to the linearized system  $\begin{bmatrix} v_1'(t)\\v_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0\\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1(t)\\v_2(t) \end{bmatrix}.$ 

Its solution is

$$v(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_2$$
  
=  $c_1 e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is stable.}$$
Linearization at  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-2 \end{bmatrix}$  gives
$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1'(t)\\v_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0\\2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1(t)\\v_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Its solution is

$$v(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_2$$
  
=  $c_1 e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} 5\\-2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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The stationary point  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  is *unstable*. **91.5.** (a) The stationary points are given by the equation f(u) = 0, i.e.,

$$f(u) = \begin{bmatrix} u_1(1-u_2)\\ u_2(1-u_1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We find two solutions  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . (b,c) The Jacobian is

$$Df(u) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - u_2 & -u_1 \\ -u_2 & 1 - u_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $u(t) \approx \bar{u} + v(t)$ . Linearization  $f(\bar{u} + v) \approx f(\bar{u}) + Df(\bar{u})v = Df(\bar{u})v$  at  $\bar{u}$  leads to the linearized equation for the perturbation v(t):

$$v' = (u - \bar{u})' = u' = f(u) = f(\bar{u} + v) = Df(\bar{u})v.$$

Linearization at  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  gives  $\begin{bmatrix} v_1' \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1'(t) \\ v_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Its solution is

$$v(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_2$$
  
=  $c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = e^t \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}.$ 

The stationary point  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  is *unstable*. Linearization at  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  gives  $\begin{bmatrix} v_1'(t)\\v_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1\\-1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1(t)\\v_2(t) \end{bmatrix}.$ 

Its solution is

$$v(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_1 t} g_2$$
$$= c_1 e^t \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{-t} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The stationary point  $\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is *unstable*.

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