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Symmetry Analysis of the Modified Emden Equation

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- Emden equation- what is it?
- What is symmetry?
- What is a symmetry in the context of differential equations?
- How can we find symmetry?
- What are the symmetries of Emden?
- How can we use symmetry to our advantage?

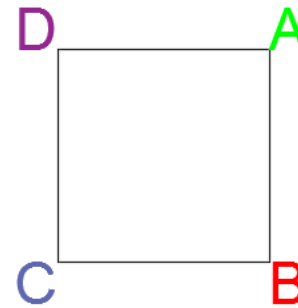
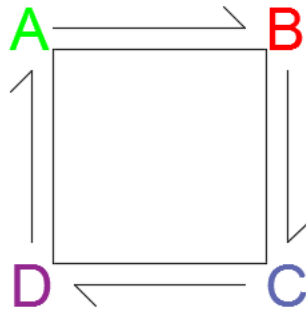
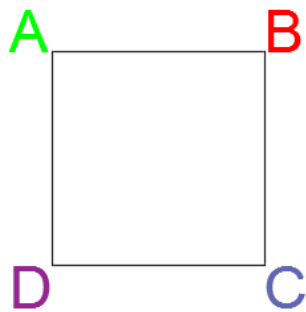


- Johnathan Lane(1819-1880) and Robert Emden (1862-1940) used the Lane-Emden equation to describe phenomena in outer space.
- Relates to nonlinear dynamics(force free Duffing oscillator), predator-prey models(Lotka-Volterra), and elsewhere.
- Modified Emden : $y'' + 3kyy' + y^3 = 0$



- Rotations and Flips:

R90, R180, R270, R360, V, H, D1, D2



- Symmetries form a group
- Groups have the following properties:
- Closure, Associativity, Identity, and Invertibility



- A symmetry will lead to a transform that leaves the equation invariant and transforms the solution to another solution.
- $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^3, (x, y) \Rightarrow (\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \bar{x} = xe^\varepsilon, \bar{y} = ye^{-\varepsilon}$
- Will show that $\frac{d\bar{y}}{d\bar{x}} = \bar{x}\bar{y}^3$ holds when original equation holds

$$\text{LHS: } \frac{d\bar{y}}{d\bar{x}} = \frac{d\bar{y}}{dx} * \frac{dx}{d\bar{x}} = \frac{d\bar{y}}{dx} * \frac{1}{\frac{d\bar{x}}{dx}} = y'e^{-\varepsilon} * \frac{1}{e^\varepsilon} = y'e^{-2\varepsilon} = e^{-2\varepsilon} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\text{RHS: } \bar{x}\bar{y}^3 \Rightarrow xe^\varepsilon * (ye^{-\varepsilon})^3 \Rightarrow xy^3e^{-2\varepsilon}$$

- Result:
- $e^{-2\varepsilon} \frac{dy}{dx} = xy^3e^{-2\varepsilon} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = xy^3$



- *General form of transformation:*
- $(x, y) \Rightarrow (\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \bar{x} = x + \xi(x, y)\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2), \bar{y} = y + \eta(x, y)\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2)$

Where

$$\frac{d\bar{x}}{d\varepsilon} = \xi|_{\varepsilon=0} = \xi(x, y)$$

$$\frac{d\bar{y}}{d\varepsilon} = \eta|_{\varepsilon=0} = \eta(x, y)$$

This shows us how the infinitesimals (represented by Gamma) and symmetries [how $(x, y) \rightarrow (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$] are related.

- Gamma $\Gamma = \xi dx + \eta dy$



- Lie's Invariance condition is also known as the linearized symmetry condition.
- It is a formula allowing us to compute symmetries [actually $\xi(x,y)$ and $\eta(x,y)$] of the differential equation.
- Comes from plugging the general form of the infinitesimal group and requiring invariance of the DE
- Condition for first order differential equations:

$$y'(x) = f(x, y)$$

- $\eta_x + (\eta_y - \xi_x)\omega - \xi_y\omega^2 = \xi\omega_x + \eta\omega_y$



- Consider the Emden equation to be rewritten as:

$$y'' = -3ky y' - y^3$$

- $\eta_{xx} + (2\eta_{xy} - \xi_{xx}) y' + (\eta_{yy} + 2\xi_{xy}) (y')^2 - (\xi_{yy}) (y')^3 - 3(\xi_y) y y' + (\eta_y - 2\xi_x - 3\xi_y y) \omega = \xi \omega_x + \eta \omega_y + [\eta_x + (\eta_y - \xi_x) y' - \xi_y (y')^2] \omega_{y'}$

Where $y'' = \omega(x, y, y')$

$$\omega = -3ky y' - y^3$$

$$\omega_y = -3ky' - 3y^2$$

$$\omega_{y'} = -3ky$$

$$\omega_x = 0$$



- $$\eta_{xx} + (2\eta_{xy} - \xi_{xx}) y' + (\eta_{yy} + 2\xi_{xy}) (y')^2 - (\xi_{yy}) (y')^3 - 3(\xi_y) yy' + (\eta_y - 2\xi_x - 3\xi_y y) (-3ky y' - y^3) = \eta (-3ky' - 3y^2) + [\eta_x + (\eta_y - \xi_x) y' - \xi_x (y')^2] (-3ky)$$

Now we collect coefficients from each y'

$$c : \eta_{xx} - (\eta_y - 2\xi_x) y^3 + 3\eta y^2 + 3k\eta_x y = 0$$

$$y' : 2\eta_{xy} - \xi_{xx} - 3k \xi_x y - 3\xi_y y^3 + 3k \eta = 0$$

$$(y')^2 : \eta_{yy} + 2\xi_{xy} + 6k\xi_y y = 0$$

$$(y')^3 : -(\xi_{yy}) = 0$$

We will systematically solve for ξ and η by collecting each coefficient of y' , and then y within the y' equation.



- Since $(\xi_{yy}) = 0$, ξ is linear in y meaning it must be in the form: $\xi = a(x)y + b(x)$
- Then:
- $\xi_x = a'y + b'$
- $\xi_y = a$
- $\xi_{xy} = a'$
- $\xi_{xx} = a''y + b''$



- Now we plug in what we know:
- $(y')^2: \eta_{yy} - 2\xi_{xy} + 6k\xi_y y = 0$
- $\eta_{yy} = 2\xi_{xy} - 6k\xi_y y$
- $\eta_{yy} = 2a' - 6kay$
- $\eta_y = 2a'y - 3kay^2 + c$
- $\eta = a'y^2 - kay^3 + c + d$
- $\eta_x = a''y^2 - ka'y^3 + c' + d'$
- $\eta_{xy} = 2a''y - 3ka'y^2 + c'$
- $\eta_{xx} = a'''y^2 - ka''y^3 + c'' + d''$

REMEMBER:

a(x)

b(x)

c(x)

d(x)



$$y': 2\eta_{xy} - \xi_{xx} - 3\alpha \xi_x y - 3\xi_y y^3 + 3\alpha \eta = 0$$

$$c : \eta_{xx} - (\eta_y - 2\xi_x) y^3 + 3\eta y^2 + 3k\eta_x y = 0$$

We plug everything in and collect the remaining coefficients:

$$y^3 y': 3a(1-k^2) = 0$$

$$yy' : (3a'' + 3kb + 3kc) = 0$$

$$y' : (-b'' + c' + 3kd) = 0$$

$$y^3 : 2ka'' + 2c + 2b' = 0$$

$$y^2 : a''' - 3kc + 3d = 0$$

$$y : c'' + 3kd' = 0$$

$$C : d'' = 0$$

REMEMBER:

a(x)

b(x)

c(x)

d(x)

if $k \neq \pm 1$ then $3a(1-k^2)=0$ implies that $a=0$. This alters the symmetry because we can imply some terms are equal to 0, thus reducing symmetry.

Reminder Emden eq: $y'' + 3kyy' + y^3 = 0$



- Based on $d'' = 0$, we can assume a solution:
- $d = d_1x + d_2$
- Then
- $y : c'' = 3kd' \Rightarrow c = \frac{3k}{2}d_1 x^2 + c_1x + c_2$
- And so on



- *if* $k = \pm 1$
- $d = d_1x + d_2$
- $c = -\frac{3k}{2}d_1 x^2 + c_1x + c_2$
- $b = -\frac{k}{2}d_1 x^3 + \frac{1}{2}(2c_1 + 3d_2)x^2 + b_1x + b_2$
- $a = -\frac{k}{4}d_1 x^4 - \frac{1}{2}(c_1 + d_2)x^3 - (b_1 + c_2)x^2 + a_1x + a_2$
- *These equations are logically consistent throughout the system, Since a isn't 0. Notice that each iteration of constants adds two additional symmetries, meaning a total of 8 symmetries*



- $\eta = a'y^2 - kay^3 + c + d$
- $\xi = ay + b$
- if $k = \pm 1$ then

$$\eta = -(c_1x^4 + c_2x^3 + c_3x^2 + c_4x + c_5)y^3 + (4c_1x^3 + 3c_2x^2 + 2c_3x + c_4)y^2 - (6c_1x^2 + (6c_2 + 2c_6)x + c_7 + 2c_3)y + 4c_4 + c_6 + c_1x$$

$$\xi = (c_1x^4 + c_2x^3 + c_3x^2 + c_4x + c_5)y - 2c_1x^3 + c_6x^2 + c_7x + c_8$$



$$\Gamma_1: dx$$

$$\Gamma_2: (y)dx + (-y^3)dy$$

$$\Gamma_3: (x)dx + (-y)dy$$

$$\Gamma_4: (x^2)dx + (-2xy + 2)dy$$

$$\Gamma_5: (xy)dx + (-xy^3 + y^2)dy$$

$$\Gamma_6: (x^2y)dx + (-x^2y^3 + 2xy^2 - 2y)dy$$

$$\Gamma_7: (x^3y)dx + (-x^3y^3 + 3x^2y^2 - 6xy + 4)dy$$

$$\Gamma_8: (x^4y - 2x^3)dx + (-x^4y^3 + 4x^3y^2 - 6x^2y + 4x)dy$$



- *if $k \neq \pm 1$ and $a = 0$, then most terms drop:*

$$\eta = -c_2 y$$

$$\xi = c_1 + c_2 x$$

$$\Gamma_1: dx$$

$$\Gamma_2: xdx - ydy$$

$$\Gamma_3: (x + 1)dx - ydy$$



- First we change the variables using the formulas for the symmetry $\Gamma_2: xdx - ydy$:

$$\xi \frac{dr}{dx} + \eta \frac{dr}{dx} = 0, \frac{dx}{\xi} = \frac{dy}{\eta}$$

$$\xi \frac{ds}{dx} + \eta \frac{ds}{dx} = 1, \frac{dx}{\xi} = \frac{dy}{\eta} = ds$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x} = \int \frac{-dy}{y} \Rightarrow \ln(x) = -\ln(y) + c(x, y) \Rightarrow x = \frac{r}{y}$$

$$\int \frac{-dy}{y} = \int ds \Rightarrow s = -\ln(y) \Rightarrow y = e^{-s(r)}$$

$$x = re^{s(r)}, y = e^{-s(r)}$$



• $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y, y', y'')$ reduces to $\frac{ds}{dr} = f(r, s', s'')$

$$y'' + 3kyy' + y^3 = 0 \text{ to}$$

$$\frac{2(s')^2 - s''}{e^{3s}(rs' + 1)^2} + \frac{rs's'' + s'}{e^{3s}(rs' + 1)^3} + \frac{ks'}{e^{3s}(rs' + 1)} + e^{-3s} = 0$$

$$\frac{2(s')^2 - s''}{(rs' + 1)^2} + \frac{rs's'' + s'}{(rs' + 1)^3} + \frac{ks'}{(rs' + 1)} + 1 = 0$$



$$(r, s'(r)) \Rightarrow (t, v(t))$$

$$v' = 3tv^3 + 2v^2 + (1 - 3k(tv + 1)^2)v + (tv + 1)^3$$

Which is a first order ODE.



- We can transform an equation into a different equation that might be easier to solve analytically or numerically.



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- Questions?