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On some boundary value problem

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Consider the two-point boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} x'' &= f(t, x, x'), \quad H_1(x(a), x(b), x'(a), x'(b)) = h_1, \quad H_2(x(a), x(b), x'(a), x'(b)) = h_2, \\ \alpha &\leq x \leq \beta, \quad U, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $f \in \text{Car}(I \times R^2)$, $H_1, H_2 \in C(R^4, R)$, $h_1, h_2 \in R$, α, β are respectively the lower and upper functions and U is the subset of a set of conditions:

1. $\alpha(a) = \beta(a)$; 2. $\alpha'(a) < \beta'(a)$; 3. $\alpha'(a) = \beta'(a)$; 4. $\alpha'(a) > \beta'(a)$;
5. $\alpha(b) = \beta(b)$; 2. $\alpha'(b) < \beta'(b)$; 3. $\alpha'(b) = \beta'(b)$; 4. $\alpha'(b) > \beta'(b)$.

This problem was studied very well [1].

In terms of the classes of monotonicity of the functions H_1, H_2 all theorems concerning the solvability of the problem (1) were found. In case of U being a subset of a set of conditions 1 – 8 there are (up to symmetries) exactly 24 theorems on the existence of solutions to the problem (1) in terms of [1].

The boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} x'' &= Fx, \quad H_1(x(a), x(b), x'(a), x'(b)) = h_1, \quad H_2(x(a), x(b), x'(a), x'(b)) = h_2, \\ \alpha &\leq x \leq \beta, \quad U, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $F \in C(C^1(I, R), L_1(I, R))$ is an operator, α, β are respectively the lower and upper functions such that

$$\alpha'(t_2) - \alpha'(t_1) \geq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} F\alpha dt, \quad \beta'(t_2) - \beta'(t_1) \leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} F\beta dt,$$

was not so well studied.

It is clear how to prove the solvability of the problem (2) in 3 of 24 cases. But already in the case of H_1 being non-increasing in the third argument and non-decreasing in the fourth argument, and H_2 being non-increasing in the first and second arguments and independent of the third and fourth arguments, the solvability of the problem (2) was not proved.

It is desirable to investigate the problem (2) in the same way as the problem (1) was investigated.

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On uniqueness of a solution for systems of two first order differential equations with linear boundary conditions

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Consider the system of two differential equations

$$x' = h(t, x, y), \quad y' = f(t, x, y) \quad (1)$$

together with the following boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} a_1x(a) + a_2x(b) + a_3y(a) + a_4y(b) + a_5 &= 0, \\ b_1x(a) + b_2x(b) + b_3y(a) + b_4y(b) + b_5 &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $h, f \in Car([a, b] \times R^2, R)$, $-\infty < a < b < +\infty$, $a_i, b_i \in R$, $i = 1, \dots, 5$, $\Delta_{ij} = a_ib_j - a_jb_i$, $i, j \in \{1, \dots, 5\}$.

We prove the following result.

Theorem. Suppose that $h(t, x, y)$ is strictly increasing in y and $f(t, x, y)$ is strictly increasing in x . Let also the conditions

$$h(t, x_1, y_1) - h(t, x_2, y_1) \leq K(t)(x_1 - x_2), \quad x_1 \geq x_2;$$

$$h(t, x_1, y_1) - h(t, x_2, y_1) \leq K_1(t)(x_1 - x_2), \quad x_1 \leq x_2,$$

$$h(t, x_1, y_1) - h(t, x_2, y_1) \geq K_2(t)(x_1 - x_2), \quad x_1 \geq x_2,$$

$$h(t, x_1, y_1) - h(t, x_2, y_1) \geq K_4(t)(x_1 - x_2), \quad x_1 \leq x_2,$$

$$f(t, x_1, y_1) - f(t, x_1, y_2) \leq K_5(t)(y_1 - y_2), \quad y_1 \geq y_2,$$

$$f(t, x_1, y_1) - f(t, x_1, y_2) \geq K_6(t)(y_1 - y_2), \quad y_1 \geq y_2,$$

$$f(t, x_1, y_1) - f(t, x_1, y_2) \geq K_7(t)(y_1 - y_2), \quad y_1 \leq y_2,$$

$\Delta_{14} \neq 0$, $\varepsilon\Delta_{12} \geq 0$, $\varepsilon\Delta_{13} \geq 0$, $\varepsilon\Delta_{24} \geq 0$, $\varepsilon\Delta_{43}$ hold, $K_i \in L([a, b], (0, +\infty))$, $i = 1, \dots, 7$, $\varepsilon = \text{sign } \Delta_{14}$. Then the boundary value problem (1), (2) has at most one solution.

Solvability of nonlinear BVPs for two-dimensional systems

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We consider the nonlinear boundary value problem for two-dimensional differential system

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = \lambda^2 x_2 + q(t, x_1, x_2), \\ x_2' = -\mu^2 |x_1|^p \operatorname{sgn} x_1, \\ x_1(0) = x_2(1) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $\lambda \neq 0$, $\mu \neq 0$, $p > 1$, $q \in C([0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^2)$. Suppose in addition that function $q(t, x_1, x_2)$ satisfies a condition $\max_{[0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^2} |q| = Q \leq a \cdot \mu^{\frac{2}{1-p}}$, $a \leq 1$.

Our goal is to obtain the sufficient conditions for existence of multiple solutions. We use a notion of the type of solution [1] and the quasilinearization process [2]. We modify the differential system in (1) to multiple quasi-linear systems for different values of k

$$\begin{cases} x_1' - \lambda^2 x_2 = q(t, x_1, x_2), \\ x_2' + k^2 x_1 = F_k(x_1), \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where $F_k(x_1)$ is bounded, so that the modified quasi-linear systems (2) are equivalent to the given nonlinear one in the respective domains $\Omega_k = \{(t, x_1, x_2) : 0 \leq t \leq 1, |x_1| < N_k, x_2 \in R\}$.

We proved in [3] that modified problems have the solutions of the same oscillatory type as the linear parts in (2) have. We show that the original problem (1) in some cases has multiple solutions.

Theorem. If the inequality $\frac{a}{|\cos(\lambda k)|} + \frac{|\lambda k|}{|\cos(\lambda k)|} \cdot p^{\frac{p}{1-p}} \cdot (p-1) < \gamma$,

where $\gamma > 1$ is a root of the equation $\gamma^p = \gamma + (p-1) \cdot p^{\frac{p}{1-p}}$, holds for some $k > 1$ such that

$|\lambda k| \in \left(\frac{(2i-1)\pi}{2}, \frac{(2i+1)\pi}{2} \right)$, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, then there exists an i -type solution of the nonlinear problem (1).

Corollary. If there exist numbers $k_j > 1$, such that $|\lambda k_j| \in \left(\frac{(2j-1)\pi}{2}, \frac{(2j+1)\pi}{2} \right)$, ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$), which satisfy the inequality above, then there exist at least n solutions of different types to the nonlinear problem (1).

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