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BVPs for ODEs

1. The Blasius' equation is the following nonlinear third-order ordinary differential equation for a function of a single variable, $f(x)$, that describes the two-dimensional laminar viscous fluid flow along a flat plate in the absence of stream-wise pressure gradient.

$$2f''' + f''f = 0,$$

where the prime denotes derivation with respect to x .

The boundary conditions for the Blasius' equation are as following:

$$f(0) = 0, \quad f'(0) = 0, \quad f'(\infty) = 1.$$

The task is to solve the BVP for Blasius' equation by the shooting method.

- (a) (10 points) (pen and paper problem) Rewrite the Blasius' equation as a system of three first order differential equations.
- (b) (5 points) Replace the boundary condition at infinity by the condition at the sufficiently large value of x of your choice. (When you have the running code, try several values to verify that your choice is acceptable.)
- (c) (30 points) Write the function `hw06shoot` that implements the shooting method to solve the two-point BVP for Blasius' equation:

```
function [x, f, dfdx, d2fdx2] = hw06shoot(xspan, fppinit)
% HW06SHOOT    Shooting method for the two-point BVP
%               for Blasius' equation
%
% Input:
%   xspan      endpoints of the domain (vector)
%   fppinit    initial guess for f''(0) (scalar)
%
% Output:
%   x          nodes in x
%   f          values of f(x)
%   dfdx       values of f'(x)
%   d2fdx2     values of f''(x)
```

Use the code of the function `shoot` that we discussed in class as a template for your code.

- (d) (10 points) Write a matlab script that solves the BVP for the Blasius' equation.

On the same graph plot $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

Provide axes labels, a grid, a legend, and a title for your graph.

Print the value of $f''(0)$. (The value (that should be close to $1/3$) is called the Blasius constant; it determines the value of the drag force on the plate.)

Place the commands `clear`, `clf` at the top of your script.

Place the code you wrote for this part of the homework into a matlab file **hw06p1.m**

Gitlab

2. (10 points) Create a gitlab project called **hw06** (name it exactly as shown). Upload **all** Matlab files that are needed to run your code.

Scan your answers/solutions of Problems 1(a), combine all scans into a single pdf file (call it **hw06.pdf**) and upload it to Gitlab. **Do not** upload other types of files (e.g. no graphics files or multiple pdf files).

Share the project with the instructor and the grader and grant them **Reporter** privileges.