

Singular perturbation for a non-autonomous second order differential equation with retarded argument

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ABSTRACT

This paper studies the existence and the uniqueness of a periodic solution for a singularly perturbed nonlinear non-autonomous second order differential equation with retarded argument. The perturbation has a small parameter and the retardation is assumed to be constant.

INTRODUCTION

We consider the differential equation

$$\varepsilon \ddot{u}(t) + g(t, u(t), \dot{u}(t), u(t - \tau), \dot{u}(t - \tau), \varepsilon) = 0, \quad (1)$$

where g is a real-valued function, $\varepsilon (\varepsilon > 0)$ is a small parameter, the retardation $\tau (\tau > 0)$ is constant and $\dot{u} \equiv \frac{d}{dt}$. Also, assume that Eqn (1), when $\varepsilon = 0$, admits a periodic solution $\omega(t)$ with period $T (T > \tau)$. Periodic solutions for unperturbed and perturbed nonlinear second order differential equations have been studied (see, e.g. Levinson & Smith (1942), Cesari (1971), Farkas & Farkas (1972), Yoshizawa (1975) and El-Owaidy (1975).

In the following, we study the problem of existence of a unique periodic solution, with period T , for Eqn (1). This problem was studied generally, for equations without retardation, by El-Nahhas (1985).

ASSUMPTIONS

For Eqn (1) assume the following:

(i) g is analytic with respect to its arguments on some region R such that the point

$$(t, \omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t), \omega(t - \tau), \dot{\omega}(t - \tau), 0) \in R.$$

(ii) g is periodic in t with period T .

(iii) $g_u(t), g_{\dot{u}}(t), h(t) > K$ (constant) > 0 for all values of t ,

where

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= g_{\tilde{u}}^{-1}(t)g_u(t) + g_{\tilde{u}_\tau}^{-1}(t)g_{u_\tau}(t), \\ g_{u^{(i)}}(t) &\equiv g_{u^{(i)}(t)}(\omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t), \omega(t-\tau), \dot{\omega}(t-\tau), 0), \quad i = 0, 1, \\ g_{u_\tau^{(i)}}(t) &\equiv g_{u_\tau^{(i)}(t-\tau)}(\omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t), \omega(t-\tau), \dot{\omega}(t-\tau), 0), \quad i = 0, 1. \end{aligned}$$

(iv) The homogeneous linear system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}(t) &= y_2(t) - h(t)y_1(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}_2(t) &= -g_{\tilde{u}}(t)y_2(t) - g_{\tilde{u}_\tau}(t)y_2(t-\tau) - l(t)y_1(t) - l_\tau(t)y_1(t-\tau) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} l(t) &= g_u(t) - h(t)g_{\tilde{u}}(t), \\ l_\tau(t) &= g_{u_\tau}(t) - h(t-\tau)g_{\tilde{u}_\tau}(t), \end{aligned}$$

have no periodic solutions with period T .

Theorem. If the above assumptions, (i)–(iv), are satisfied, then Eqn (1) admits a unique periodic solution, with period T , which tends to $\omega(t)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Proof. Introducing $x_1(t) = u(t)$, $x_2(t) = \dot{u}(t)$, Eqn (1) will be equivalent to the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1(t) &= x_2(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{x}_2(t) &= -g(t, x_1(t), x_2(t), x_{1\tau}(t), x_{2\tau}(t), \varepsilon) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where

$$x_{i\tau}(t) \equiv x_i(t-\tau), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

When $\varepsilon = 0$, System (2) will admit the periodic solution

$$P(t) = \text{col}[\omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t)].$$

Since Assumptions (i) and (iii) emphasize that $g_{x_2}(t)$,

$$g_{x_{2\tau}}(t) \neq 0 \forall t \text{ and } g_{x_i}(t), g_{x_{i\tau}}(t) \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

all exist, then we can perform the transformations

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) &= x_1(t) - \omega(t), \\ y_2(t) &= x_2(t) - \dot{\omega}(t) - q(t), \\ q(t) &= -y_1(t)h(t), \\ h(t) &= g_{x_2}^{-1}(t)g_{x_1}(t) + g_{x_2}^{-1}(t)g_{x_{1\tau}}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

which transforms (2) to the form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1(t) &= y_2(t) + q(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}_2(t) &= -g(t, y_1(t) + \omega(t), y_2(t) + \dot{\omega}(t) + q(t), \\ &\quad y_{1\tau}(t) + \omega_\tau(t), y_{2\tau}(t) + \dot{\omega}_\tau(t) + q_\tau(t), \varepsilon) - \varepsilon \ddot{\omega}(t) - \varepsilon \dot{q}(t), \\ y_{i\tau}(t) &\equiv y_i(t-\tau) \quad (i = 1, 2), \quad \omega_\tau^{(i)}(t) \equiv \omega^{(i)}(t-\tau) \quad (i = 1, 0), \\ q_\tau(t) &\equiv q(t-\tau). \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

According to Transformation (3) and Assumption (ii), we can easily deduce:

Remark 1. If $y_1(t), y_2(t) \rightarrow 0$, then $x_1(t) \rightarrow \omega(t), x_2(t) \rightarrow \dot{\omega}(t)$.

Remark 2. If System (4) admits a periodic solution with period T , then System (2), also, admits periodic solution with the same period.

Also, as a consequence of Assumption (i), the function $g(t, x_1(t), x_2(t), x_{1\tau}(t), x_{2\tau}(t), \varepsilon)$ can be expanded at the point $(t, \omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t), \omega_\tau(t), \dot{\omega}_\tau(t), 0)$

$$g(t, x_1, x_2, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \varepsilon) = g(t, \omega, \dot{\omega}, \omega_\tau, \dot{\omega}_\tau, 0) + \sum_{i=1}^2 [g_{x_i}(t)(x_i - \omega^{(i-1)}) + g_{x_{i\tau}}(t)(x_{i\tau} - \omega^{(i-1)})] + \varepsilon g_\varepsilon(t) + f(t, x_1, x_2, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \varepsilon),$$

$$g_\varepsilon(t) \equiv g_\varepsilon(t, \omega(t), \dot{\omega}(t), \omega_\tau(t), \dot{\omega}_\tau(t), 0),$$

$$f(t, x_1, x_2, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \varepsilon) = O(|x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2 + |x_{1\tau}|^2 + |x_{2\tau}|^2 + \varepsilon^2).$$

And hence System (4) can be put in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1(t) &= y_2(t) - h(t)y_1(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}_2(t) &= -g_{x_2}(t)y_2(t) - [g_{x_1}(t) - h(t)g_{x_2}(t)]y_1(t) - g_{x_{2\tau}}(t)y_{2\tau}(t) \\ &\quad - [g_{x_{1\tau}}(t) - h_\tau(t)g_{x_{2\tau}}(t)]y_{1\tau}(t) - \varepsilon[\ddot{\omega}(t) + g_\varepsilon(t)] + \lambda(t, y_1, y_2, y_{1\tau}, y_{2\tau}, \varepsilon), \quad (5) \\ \lambda &= O(|y_1|^2 + |y_2|^2 + |y_{1\tau}|^2 + |y_{2\tau}|^2 + \varepsilon^2), \\ h_\tau(t) &\equiv h(t - \tau). \end{aligned}$$

Now, we shall apply the fixed point method to prove the existence of a unique periodic solution for System (5) which tends to zero as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Consider the space S of continuous functions $\alpha(t, \varepsilon), \beta(t, \varepsilon)$, which are periodic in t with period T and satisfy

$$|\alpha(t, \varepsilon)|, |\alpha_\tau(t, \varepsilon)| < K_1\varepsilon, |\beta(t, \varepsilon)|, |\beta_\tau(t, \varepsilon)| < K_2\varepsilon$$

where K_1, K_2 are arbitrary positive constants and

$$\alpha_\tau(t, \varepsilon) \equiv \alpha(t - \tau, \varepsilon), \quad \beta_\tau(t, \varepsilon) \equiv \beta(t - \tau, \varepsilon).$$

Also, consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1(t) &= y_2(t) - h(t)y_1(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}_2(t) &= -g_{x_2}(t)y_2(t) - g_{x_{2\tau}}(t)y_{2\tau}(t) - l(t)y_1(t) - l_\tau(t)y_{1\tau}(t) - \varepsilon\eta(t) \quad (6) \\ &\quad + \lambda(t, \alpha, \beta, \alpha_\tau, \beta_\tau, \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} l(t) &= g_{x_1}(t) - h(t)g_{x_2}(t), \\ l_\tau(t) &= g_{x_{1\tau}}(t) - h_\tau(t)g_{x_{2\tau}}(t), \\ \eta(t) &= \ddot{\omega}(t) + g_\varepsilon(t). \end{aligned}$$

Let Γ be the operator which maps the functions $\alpha(t, \varepsilon), \beta(t, \varepsilon)$ respectively to the unique periodic solution $z_1(t, \varepsilon), z_2(t, \varepsilon)$ of (6). Assumption (iv) of the theorem assures the existence of this solution.

Using the fact that z_1, z_2 is a solution of (6) and Assumptions (i) and (iii), we can prove that

$$|z_1(t, \varepsilon)|, |z_{1\tau}(t, \varepsilon)| < K'_1 \varepsilon, |z_2(t, \varepsilon)|, |z_{2\tau}(t, \varepsilon)| < K'_2 \varepsilon$$

where K'_1 and K'_2 are positive constants which depend on K_1 and K_2 , $z_{i\tau}(t, \varepsilon) \equiv z_i(t - \tau, \varepsilon)$ ($i = 1, 2$). This implies that Γ maps the space S into itself.

Also, if Γ maps α_1, β_1 to z_1, z_2 and α'_1, β'_1 to z'_1, z'_2 , it is easy to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1 - z'_1| + |z_2 - z'_2| + |z_{1\tau} - z'_{1\tau}| + |z_{2\tau} - z'_{2\tau}| &\leq \eta\gamma, \\ \gamma &= |\alpha_1 - \alpha'_1| + |\beta_1 - \beta'_1| + |\alpha_{1\tau} - \alpha'_{1\tau}| + |\beta_{1\tau} - \beta'_{1\tau}|, \end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \eta < 1$, and consequently, Γ is a contraction. Thus, Γ admits a unique fixed point, and this means that System (4) admits a unique periodic solution with period T which tends to zero as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. According to Remarks 1 and 2, System (2) admits a unique periodic solution with period T which tends to $P(t)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, and hence Eqn (1) admits a unique periodic solution which tends to $\omega(t)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. This completes the proof.

Remark. We obtain similar conditions in the case of variable retardation $\tau(t)$, but we must add the following conditions on $\tau(t)$:

- (1) $\tau(t) \in C^1$ and $\dot{\tau}(t) \neq 1 \forall t$.
- (2) $\tau(t)$ may be periodic in t with period T ($T > \tau(t) \forall t$).

Example. Consider the equation

$$\varepsilon \ddot{u}(t) + \frac{\tau^2}{2\pi^2} [u(t) + u(t - \tau)] + \frac{\tau}{\pi} [\dot{u}(t) + \dot{u}(t - \tau)] + \frac{\varepsilon\pi^2}{\tau^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\tau} t\right) = 0, \quad (7)$$

where $\varepsilon(\varepsilon > 0)$ is a small parameter and $\tau = 2\pi$.

Accordant with our assumptions, τ , here, is a positive constant and, when $\varepsilon = 0$, we have the equation

$$\tau[u(t) + u(t - \tau)] + 2\pi[\dot{u}(t) + \dot{u}(t - \tau)] = 0,$$

which has the periodic solution $\omega(t) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\tau} t\right)$ with period $T = 2\tau$ (i.e. $T > \tau$). The function g , for this example, has the form

$$\begin{aligned} g(t, u(t), \dot{u}(t), u(t - \tau), \dot{u}(t - \tau), \varepsilon) &= \frac{\tau^2}{2\pi^2} [u(t) + u(t - \tau)] \\ &+ \frac{\tau}{\pi} [\dot{u}(t) + \dot{u}(t - \tau)] + \frac{\varepsilon\pi^2}{\tau^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\tau} t\right). \end{aligned}$$

This function is analytic in its arguments on the whole real space and periodic in t , with period T , which coincides with Assumptions (i) and (ii) of the theorem. Also, for $K = 1$, in Assumption (iii) we have

$$g_{\dot{u}}(t) = g_{\dot{u}\tau}(t) = h(t) = \frac{\tau}{\pi} = 2 > K > 0.$$

For Example (7), the homogeneous linear system of Assumption (iv) of the theorem takes the form

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y}_1(t) &= y_2(t) - \frac{\tau}{\pi} y_1(t), \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}_2(t) &= -\frac{\tau}{\pi} [y_2(t) + y_2(t - \tau)] + \frac{\tau^2}{2\pi^2} [y_1(t) + y_1(t - \tau)],\end{aligned}$$

or briefly, in vector notation

$$\varepsilon \dot{Y}(t) = AY(t) + BY(t - \tau), \quad (8)$$

where

$$Y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\varepsilon\tau}{\pi} & \varepsilon \\ \frac{\tau^2}{2\pi^2} & -\frac{\tau}{\pi} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\tau^2}{2\pi^2} & -\frac{\tau}{\pi} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Any solution of (8) can be written, $Y(t) = \exp(tC)$, where C is the matrix such that $\exp(tC)$ commutes with both A and B and $\varepsilon C = A + B \exp(-\tau C)$. It is clear that $Y(t)$ is not periodic with period T , and this is coincident with Assumption (iv) of the theorem. On the other hand, for sufficiently small ε , Eqn (7) has the two solutions $u_1(t) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\tau} t\right)$, $u_2(t) = e^{-t} + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\tau} t\right)$. One of these solutions, namely $u_1(t)$, is periodic with period T , while the other does not have this property. This, of course, agrees with the result of the theorem.

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