

HW #13

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Ex 1

The equations are:

$$(7) \mu \frac{\partial^2 u_e}{\partial x^2} + f(u_e) = 0$$

$$(8) \frac{\partial u_e}{\partial x}(0) = \frac{\partial u_e}{\partial x}(L) = 0$$

$$f(u_e) = a \cdot u_e, \quad a > 0$$

Show that (7) and (8) can be solved with $u_e \neq 0$

if a can be written as $a = \mu \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$

$$\mu \frac{\partial^2 u_e}{\partial x^2} + f(u_e) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u_e}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{a}{\mu} u_e = c u_e$$

Since $\mu > 0$ and $a > 0$ then $c = \frac{-a}{\mu} < 0$

Thus for $c < 0$, we have:

$$u_e(x) = \alpha \cos(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x) + \beta \sin(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x)$$

$$u_e'(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}(-\alpha \sin(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x) + \beta \cos(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x))$$

$$u_e'(0) = \beta \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}} = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = 0$$

$$u_e'(L) = -\alpha \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}} \sin(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}L) = 0$$

We get two cases:

if $\alpha = 0$, then $u_e(x) = 0$ (which we don't need since we're told to find a solution with $u_e \neq 0$)

otherwise, $\sin(\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}L = n\pi \Rightarrow \frac{a}{\mu} = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \Rightarrow a = \mu \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$ as given.

Ex. 2

$f(u_e) = -a u_e$; $a > 0$. The steps of the algorithm are the same as in the previous exercise.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_e}{\partial x^2} = \frac{a}{\mu} u_e = c u_e \Rightarrow c = \frac{a}{\mu} > 0 \quad (\text{since } a > 0, \mu > 0)$$

$$u_e(x) = \alpha e^{\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x} + \beta e^{-\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x}$$

$$u_e'(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}(\alpha e^{\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x} - \beta e^{-\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}x})$$

$$u'_e(0) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}(\alpha - \beta) \text{ so } \alpha = \beta$$

$$u'_e(L) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}\alpha(e^{\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}L} - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{a}{\mu}}L}) \Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \text{ and } \beta = 0$$

Thus, the only solution is $u_e(x) = 0$

Ex. 3

Achieving this exact ration is highly unlikely. Thus you would not expect tigers to have stripes.

Ex. 5

a) $f(u) = \sin(u)$

$$u_e(x) = \cos(2x)$$

$$f(u_e(x)) = \sin(\cos(2x))$$

$$f'(u_e(x)) = \cos(\cos(2x))$$

c) $f(u) = (1 + u^2)$

$$u_e(x) = 1 + x^2$$

$$f(u_e(x)) = 1 + (1 + x^2)^2$$

$$f'(u_e(x)) = 2 + 2x^2$$