

# Nonlinear Differential Equations

## Practical 4: Monotone & Continuous Operators

1. Let  $X$  be a Banach space, and  $A : X \rightarrow X'$  be a nonlinear operator. Then prove the following:
  - (a)  $A$  strongly monotone  $\implies A$  uniformly monotone
  - (b)  $A$  uniformly monotone  $\implies A$  strictly monotone
  - (c)  $A$  strictly monotone  $\implies A$  monotone
  - (d)  $A$  uniformly monotone  $\implies A$  (nonlinear) coercive
  - (e)  $A$  uniformly monotone  $\implies A$  stable
  - (f)  $A$  Lipschitz continuous  $\implies A$  continuous
  - (g)  $A$  strongly continuous  $\implies A$  continuous
  - (h)  $A$  strongly continuous  $\implies A$  weakly continuous
  - (i)  $A$  weakly continuous  $\implies A$  demicontinuous
  - (j)  $A$  continuous  $\implies A$  demicontinuous
  - (k)  $A$  demicontinuous  $\implies A$  hemicontinuous
2. Let  $X$  be a Banach space, and  $A, B : X \rightarrow X'$  be nonlinear operators. Then prove the following:
  - (a)  $A$  strongly monotone and  $B$  strongly monotone  $\implies A + B$  strongly monotone
  - (b)  $A$  strongly monotone and  $B$  monotone  $\implies A + B$  strongly monotone
3. Let  $A : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $m > 0$ , be a symmetric positive definite matrix. Show that the operator  $A : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  defined as

$$\langle Au, v \rangle = (Au) \cdot v \quad \text{for all } v \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

is strongly monotone and Lipschitz continuous.

**Hint.** Consider the eigendecomposition of  $A$ .

4. Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space,  $A : X \rightarrow X'$  be strongly monotone and Lipschitz continuous,  $f \in X'$  and  $J_X$  be the Riesz-isomorphism on  $X$ .
  - (a) Show that there exists a constant  $\varepsilon$  such that the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  defined as

$$T(u) = u - \varepsilon J_X^{-1}(Au - f)$$

is strongly contractive; i.e.,

$$\|T(x) - T(y)\| \leq k \|x - y\| \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X$$

with  $k^2 = 1 + \varepsilon^2 L^2 - 2\varepsilon M$ . Additionally, specify the condition on  $\varepsilon$  such that  $k \in (0, 1)$ .

(b) Compute the optimal value of  $\varepsilon$  such that the iteration

$$u_{m+1} = u_m - \varepsilon J_X^{-1}(Au_m - f)$$

converges fastest to the *unique* solution of  $Au = f$  and the compute the contraction constant  $k$

**Hint.** From Corollary 2.9 and Banach's fixed point theorem the error is given by

$$\|u - u_m\| \leq \frac{k^m}{1 - k} \|x_0 - x_1\|;$$

hence, the fastest convergence rate is given when  $k$  is close to zero.