

## Fall 2013 Scientific Computation Comprehensive Examination

Answer 5 questions of your choice explaining all steps that lead to a solution. Partial credit will be awarded for presenting a viable solution strategy. No credit will be given to computations presented without motivation.

1. Use the SVD to find matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  that has the same determinant absolute value as  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ , and best approximates  $A$  in the Frobenius norm,

$$\min_{\det B = |\det A|} \|A - B\|_F.$$

2. The Lanczos algorithm is a simplification of the Arnoldi iteration (Algorithm 1 below) for general  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{C}^m$

### Algorithm 1

$b$  arbitrary,  $q_1 = b/\|b\|$   
for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$   
     $v = Aq_n$   
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$   
         $h_{jn} = q_j^* v$   
     $v = v - h_{jn} q_j$   
     $h_{n+1,n} = \|v\|$   
     $q_{n+1} = v/h_{n+1,n}$

for the special case when  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $A = A^T$  (symmetric  $A$ ).

- a) Write out the Lanczos algorithm in a computationally efficient form.
- b) Present an analogous algorithm for the case  $A = -A^T$  (skew-symmetric  $A$ ).

3. Let  $f$  be the nonlinear function with zero  $x^*$  given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos x + e^y - 2 \\ e^{-x} + \sin y - 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Consider the iteration

$$Ax_{n+1} = -f(x_n), \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a. Assuming  $x_0$  is close to  $x^*$ , determine for which  $\alpha$  the iterations converge.
- b. Write out the Newton's method for this function and comment on its convergence.

4. Consider the following scheme for solving the ODE  $y'(t) = f(y(t))$ ,

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h(\alpha f(y_n) + \beta f(y_{n-1})).$$

Assume that the mesh is uniform with step size  $h$ , and  $y_0 = y(0)$ ,  $y_1 = y(h)$ . This scheme is derived from the numerical integration formula

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} p(t) dt,$$

where  $p(t)$  is the interpolating polynomial satisfying  $p(t_n) = f_n = f(t_n, y_n)$  and  $p(t_{n-1}) = f_{n-1} = f(t_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$ .

- Find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
  - What is the local truncation error of this method?
  - Is this method convergent?
5. Consider the problem of constructing a polynomial approximation  $g$  of an analytic function  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , using 4 precomputed values  $(x_i, y_i = f(x_i))$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ .

- How should  $x_i$  be chosen to ensure that the error

$$\varepsilon = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

is minimized?

- Present a tight upper bound for the error  $\varepsilon$ , and evaluate it for  $f(x) = \exp(x)$  on  $[a, b] = [-1, 1]$ . Is the upper bound attained in this case?
6. Consider the numerical quadrature of integrals of form

$$\int_0^h \sqrt{x} f(x) dx = A f(ah) + B f(bh) + Ch^p, \quad (1)$$

with  $h > 0$ , and  $f: [0, h] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  an analytic function.

- Determine  $a, b, A, B$  corresponding to two-point Gauss-Legendre quadrature

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} F(x) dx \cong F\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + F\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right).$$

Present possible deficiencies of this approach (perhaps based upon a counter-example).

- Determine alternative values  $a, b, A, B$  such that the order of the quadrature method  $p$  is as high as possible. Compute  $C$  for this case.

# Problem 1

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$$\min_{\det B = |\det A|} \|A-B\|_F = \min_{\det B = |\det A|} \sqrt{\sum_{i,j=1}^m |a_{ij} - b_{ij}|^2}$$

$$\text{Or } \|A-B\|_F = \sqrt{\text{Tr}((A-B)(A-B)^T)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\text{Tr}((A-B)(A-B)^T)} \quad \because A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

↑ Need to minimize the trace

$$\text{If } A = U \Sigma V$$

$$\det(A) = \text{sign}(\det U) \cdot \text{sign}(\det V) \det(\Sigma)$$

$$= \text{sgn}(\det U) \text{sgn}(\det V) \prod_{j=1}^m \lambda_{jj}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(B) = \prod_{j=1}^m \lambda_{jj}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \tilde{U} \Sigma \tilde{V}^T \quad \text{where } \det(\tilde{U}) \cdot \det(\tilde{V}) = +1$$

If  $\det(A) \geq 0$ , our job is easy,  $B = A$ . So we need only consider the case  $\det(A) < 0$ .

$$A-B = \tilde{U} \tilde{\Sigma} \tilde{V}^T$$

$$\sqrt{\text{Tr}((A-B)(A-B)^T)} = \sqrt{\text{Tr}(\tilde{\Sigma}^2)}$$

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a) Given  $A = A^T$

$$H_n = Q_n^T A Q_n$$

$$h_{ij} = q_i^T A q_j = (q_i^T A q_i)^T = q_j^T A^T q_i = q_j^T A q_i = h_{ji}$$

$\Rightarrow H_n$  is symmetric  $\Rightarrow H_n$  is tridiag

$$\hat{H}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & & & \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \dots & & \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ & & & \beta_{n-1} & \\ & & & \beta_{n-1} & \alpha_n \\ & & & & \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Algorithm (Lanczos Iteration)

$$\beta_0; q_1 = \frac{b}{\|b\|}$$

for  $n=1, 2, \dots, m$

$$v = A q_n$$

$$\alpha_n = q_n^* v \leftarrow \text{get rid of these for part b}$$

$$v = v - \alpha_n q_n - \beta_{n-1} q_{n-1}$$

$$\beta_n = \|v\|$$

$$q_{n+1} = \frac{v}{\beta_n}$$

L end

b) Will get  $\alpha_j = 0$

a)  $A x_{n+1} = -f(x_n)$

$$x_{n+1} = -A^{-1} f(x_n)$$

where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/\alpha \\ -1/\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

For conv, we want  $e_{n+1} < e_n$ . sps  $x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$

$$x_1 = - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/\alpha \\ 1/\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\varepsilon) + e^\varepsilon - 2 \\ e^{-\varepsilon} + \sin(\varepsilon) - 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\alpha} (2 - \cos(\varepsilon) - e^\varepsilon) \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} (1 - e^{-\varepsilon} - \sin(\varepsilon)) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_{2n+1} = \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^{2n+1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 - \cos(\varepsilon) - e^\varepsilon \\ 1 - e^{-\varepsilon} - \sin(\varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_{2n} = \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^{2n} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\varepsilon} + \sin(\varepsilon) - 1 \\ \cos(\varepsilon) + e^\varepsilon - 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

To ensure  $x_n \rightarrow x^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  we need  $(1/\alpha)^n \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \alpha \geq 1$$

b) Recall mult. dim Newton's method:  $\vec{x}_{n+1} = \vec{x}_n - (Df(\vec{x}_n))^{-1} f(\vec{x}_n)$

$$f(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos x + e^y - 2 \\ e^{-x} + \sin y - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Df(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f_1 \\ \nabla f_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin x & e^y \\ -e^{-x} & \cos y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_{n+1} = \vec{x}_n - \begin{pmatrix} -\sin x_n & e^{y_n} \\ -e^{-x_n} & \cos y_n \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \cos x_n + e^{y_n} - 2 \\ e^{-x_n} + \sin y_n - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

It has second order convergence

# Problem 4

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$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h(\alpha f(y_n) + \beta f(y_{n-1})) \quad \text{where } y' = f$$

$$\text{Need } \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} p(t) dt \approx h(\alpha f(y_n) + \beta f(y_{n-1}))$$

Newton's interpolating polynomial gives us:

$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1(t-t_n) + a_2(t-t_n)(t-t_{n-1})$$

$$\text{where } a_0 = p(t_n) = f_n$$

$$a_1 = \frac{p(t_{n-1}) - a_0}{t_{n-1} - t_n} = \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{t_n - t_{n-1}}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{f''(\xi)}{2}$$

$$p(t) = f_n + \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{t_n - t_{n-1}} (t - t_n) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} (t - t_n)(t - t_{n-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} p(t) dt = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f_n + \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{t_n - t_{n-1}} (t - t_n) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} (t^2 - t(t_n + t_{n-1}) + t_n t_{n-1}) dt$$

$$= f_n (t_{n+1} - t_n) + \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \left( \frac{(t_{n+1} - t_n)^2}{2} - \frac{(t_n - t_n)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} \left( \frac{t_{n+1}^3 - t_n^3}{3} - \frac{t_{n+1}^2 - t_n^2}{2} (t_n + t_{n-1}) + t_n t_{n-1} (t_{n+1} - t_n) \right)$$

Recall:

$$t_{j+1} - t_j = h$$

$$= h f_n + \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{h} \left( \frac{h^2}{2} \right) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} \left( \frac{(t_n + h)^3 - t_n^3}{3} - \frac{(t_n + h)^2 - t_n^2}{2} (2t_n - h) + t_n (t_n - h) h \right)$$

$$= \frac{3h}{2} f_n - \frac{h}{2} f_{n-1} + \frac{f''(\xi)}{12} \left( 2(3t_n^2 h + 3t_n h^2 + h^3) - 3(2t_n h + h^2)(2t_n - h) + 6t_n^2 h - 6t_n h^2 \right)$$

$$= h \left( \frac{3}{2} f_n - \frac{1}{2} f_{n-1} \right) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{12} (6t_n^2 h + 6t_n h^2 + 2h^3 - 12t_n^2 h - 3h^3 + 6t_n^2 h - 6t_n h^2)$$

$$= h \left( \frac{3}{2} f_n - \frac{1}{2} f_{n-1} \right) - \frac{h^3}{12} f''(\xi)$$

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$$a) y_{n+1} = y_n + h(\alpha f_n + \beta f_{n-1})$$

$$= y_n + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} p(t) dt$$

$$= y_n + h\left(\frac{3}{2}f_n - \frac{1}{2}f_{n-1}\right) - \frac{h^3}{12}f''(\xi)$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{3}{2} \quad \beta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$b) \text{ The local truncation error is: } -\frac{h^3}{12}f''(\xi)$$

$$c) \text{ Zero stable: Set } y' = 0 \text{ and guess } y_n = r^n \Rightarrow r^{n+1} - r^n = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow y = c \cdot (1)^n \Rightarrow y \text{ is const} \quad \Rightarrow r - 1 = 0$$
$$\therefore \text{ zero-stable}$$

Consistent: The local truncation error decays  
 $\therefore$  consistent

Since conv = consistent + stable, we can conclude our method is convergent.

Problem 5

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a) We know:  $f(x) - p(x) = \frac{1}{4!} f^{(4)}(\xi_x) \prod_{i=0}^3 (x - x_i)$

for some  $\xi_x \in [a, b]$ .

$$\Rightarrow \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f(x) - p(x)| \leq \frac{1}{4!} \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f^{(4)}(x)| \cdot \max_{a \leq x \leq b} \left| \prod_{i=0}^3 (x - x_i) \right|$$

We also know  $\max_{a \leq x \leq b} \left| \prod_{i=0}^3 (x - x_i) \right| \geq 2^{-3}$ . The minimum of this will be attained if  $\prod_{i=0}^3 (x - x_i)$  is the monic multiple of  $T_4$ ; specifically  $2^{-3} T_4$ . The nodes will then be the roots of  $T_4$ :

$$x_i = \cos\left(\frac{2i+1}{2(4)+2} \pi\right) \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$x_i = \cos\left(\frac{2i+1}{10} \pi\right)$$

b) Assuming  $f(x) = e^x$  for  $x \in [-1, 1]$ , we have  $f(x)$  is monic so:

$$|f(x) - p(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2^n (n+1)!} \max_{|t| \leq 1} |f^{(n+1)}(t)| \quad \forall x$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{2^3 (4!)} \max_{|x| \leq 1} |e^x| = \frac{1}{8(24)} (e)$$

$$\therefore \varepsilon \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{192}$$



$$\int_0^h \sqrt{x} f(x) dx = A f(ah) + B f(bh) + Ch^p$$

a) N+ f y st  $y(0) = -1$  and  $y(h) = 1$

$$y = \frac{2}{h}x - 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{h}{2}(y+1)$$

$$dx = \frac{h}{2} dy$$

$$\mathcal{I}(f) = \int_0^h \sqrt{x} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}(y+1)} f\left(\frac{h}{2}(y+1)\right) dy = \int_{-1}^1 F(y) dy = F\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + F\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(y) = \frac{h}{2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}(y+1)} f\left(\frac{h}{2}(y+1)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{I}(f) = \frac{h}{2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}\left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} f\left(\frac{h}{2}\left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\right) + \frac{h}{2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} f\left(\frac{h}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{h}{2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}\left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} \quad B = \frac{h}{2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2}\left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \quad b = \frac{1}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

Possible deficiencies:

- 1)  $\sqrt{x} f(x)$  may be hard to interpolate
- 2)  $f(x)$  may not be defined at these pts

b) Choose inner-product:  $\langle p, q \rangle = \int_0^h \sqrt{x} p(x)q(x) dx$   
↑  
weight func

Find orthogonal polynomials: (Need two roots so find quad)

Basis:  $\{1, x, x^2\}$

$$v_1 = 1$$

$$v_2 = x - \frac{\int_0^h x^{3/2} dx}{\int_0^h x^{1/2} dx} \cdot 1 = x - \frac{\frac{2}{5} h^{5/2}}{\frac{2}{3} h^{3/2}} = x - \frac{3}{5} h$$

$$v_3 = x^2 - \frac{\langle x^2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} \cdot v_1 - \frac{\langle x^2, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} \cdot v_2 = x^2 - \frac{10h}{9} x + \frac{5h^2}{21}$$

↑  
see scratch

Find roots of  $v_3$ : (see scratch)

$$x_0 = \frac{35h - 2h\sqrt{70}}{63} \quad x_1 = \frac{35h + 2h\sqrt{70}}{63} \quad (\text{These are our nodes})$$

Find weights:

$$f(x) = 1: \int_0^h \sqrt{x} dx = \frac{2}{3} h^{3/2} = A + B$$

$$f(x) = x: \int_0^h x^{3/2} dx = \frac{2}{5} h^{5/2} = Ax_0 + Bx_1$$

$$\begin{cases} A + B = \frac{2}{3} h^{3/2} \\ Ax_0 + Bx_1 = \frac{2}{5} h^{5/2} \end{cases} \quad \text{solve this for A and B}$$

$$\Rightarrow I(f) = Af(x_1) + Bf(x_2)$$

To find c and p:

$$I(f) - Q(f) = \int_0^h \sqrt{x} f(x) dx - \int_0^h \sqrt{x} p(x) dx = \int_0^h (f(x) - p(x)) \sqrt{x} dx$$

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$$= \int_0^h \frac{f'''(\xi)}{6} \underbrace{\prod_{i=0}^2 (x-x_i)}_{\sim h^3} \underbrace{\sqrt{x}}_{\sim h^{1/2}} dx = \mathcal{O}(h^{4+1/2}) = \mathcal{O}(h^{9/2})$$

← from integration

$\Rightarrow p = 1/2$  and c is the coeff.