

Numerical Methods for CSE Autumn term 2009

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Makeup Examination

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Problem 1: Kronecker product (30 points)

We consider the MATLAB expression

$$y = kron(A,B) * x, \qquad (1)$$

for $n \times n$ dense real matrices stored in A and B, and a column vector x of length n^2 , $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

- a) (5 points) What is the *asymptotic* complexity of the evaluation of this MATLAB expression in terms of the problem size parameter n?
- b) (15 points) Devise an efficient MATLAB function

that is algebraically equivalent to the expression (1) above, but enjoys a better asymptotic complexity.

- c) (5 points) What is the asymptotic complexity of your implementation of kronmult in terms of the problem size parameter n? Explain your answer.
- d) (5 points) What is the asymptotic (in terms of n) complexity of your version of kronmult, if A and B contain sparse $n \times n$ diagonal matrices.

Problem 2: Linear least squares problem (20 points)

Input data are two vectors $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, of measured data. You are expected to compute the two numbers $\alpha^*, \beta^* \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(\alpha^*, \beta^*) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}} \|\mathbf{T}_{\alpha, \beta} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{c}\|_2 , \qquad (2)$$

with tridiagonal matrix

$$\mathbf{T}_{\alpha,\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \beta & \alpha & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n} .$$

a) (10 points) Reformulate (2) as a linear least squares problem in the standard form

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^k} \left\| \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b} \right\|_2$$

with a suitable matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,k}$, $m, k \in \mathbb{N}$, and vectors $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^k$.

b) (10 points) Write a MATLAB function

function [alpha,beta] = lsqest(z,c)

that computes the values of α^* and β^* according to (2), when z, c pass the vectors z and c.

Hint. You may use MATLAB's \-operator for solving a linear least squares problem. For $\mathbf{z} = (1, 2, ..., 10)^T$, $\mathbf{c} = (10, 9, 8, ..., 1)^T$ your code should give $\alpha^* \approx -0.4211$, $\beta^* \approx 0.5789$.

Problem 3: Speed of convergence of CG (20 points)

The following is known about the matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n}$:

- $(\mathbf{A})_{i,i} = 5$ for all $1 \le i \le n$,
- $|(\mathbf{A})_{i,j}| \leq 1$ for all $1 \leq i < j \leq n$,
- A is symmetric and positive definite (s.p.d.),
- each row of **A** has at most four non-zero entries.

We consider a linear system of equations

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n \,. \tag{3}$$

- a) (7 points) Appeal to the Gershgorin circle theorem (Lemma 5.1.3 in the lecture material) to find bounds for the largest and smallest eigenvalue of **A**.
- b) (6 points) The (non-preconditioned) conjugate gradient method (CG) is applied to solve (3). Give a reasonably sharp bound for the number of CG-steps it takes to reduce the A-norm (energy norm) of the error of the iterates by a factor of 10⁶.
- c) (7 points) Give a general bound (in terms of n and accurate in leading order) of the number of elementary operations (additions/subtractions and multiplications/divisions) that have to be executed in each CG-step.

Problem 4: "Quadrature of the circle" (40 points)

Given a smooth function $f: [-1, 1] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, Gaussian quadrature shall be used to approximate the integral

$$I(f) := \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{1 - t^2} f(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \;. \tag{4}$$

A MATLAB routine [x,w]=gaussquad(n) that computes the nodes (vector x) and weights (vector w) of *n*-point Gaussian quadrature on [-1,1] is supplied in the file gaussquad.m.

a) (12 points) For $f \equiv 1$ the integral value is $\pi/2$, half of the area of the unit disk. Write a MATLAB routine

function plotgausserr

that creates a log-log plot of the quadrature error versus the number $n \in \{1, ..., 30\}$ of quadrature points, when Gaussian quadrature on [-1, 1] is used to evaluate the integral for f = 1 right away. What kind of convergence do you observe?

Hint: The requested error plot may look like that depicted in Figure 1.

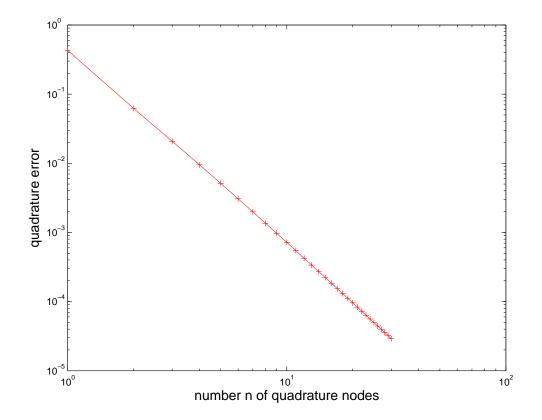


Figure 1: Quadrature error for Gaussian quadrature applied to (4) with $f \equiv 1$.

b) (8 points) The file circquad.m contains the following MATLAB function

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1 function I = circquad(f,n)
2 % Numerical quadrature for \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{1-t^2} f(t) dt
3 g = @(s) 2*s.^2.*sqrt(2-s.^2).*(f(s.^2-1)+f(1-s.^2));
4 [x,w]=gaussquad(n)
5 I = 0.5*dot(w,g(0.5*(x+1)));
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Write a MATLAB function

function plotIerr

that creates a lin-log plot of the quadrature error of **cricquad** versus the number n of quadrature points for f = 1 and $n \in \{1, ..., 10\}$. What kind of convergence do you observe?

Hint: Your plot may look like that displayed in Figure 2.

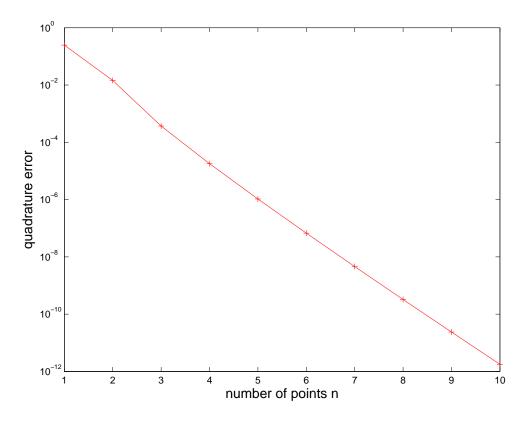


Figure 2: Quadrature error for circquad

c) (10 points) Obviously, circquad applies Gaussian quadrature to the integral

$$\int_0^1 2x^2 \sqrt{2-x^2} \left(f(x^2-1) + f(1-x^2) \right) \, \mathrm{d}x \;. \tag{5}$$

Show in detail that (4) and (5) give the same value for every f.

d) (10 points) Explain why circquad achieves a much better accuracy with the same number of *f*-evaluations compared to straightforward Gaussian quadrature applied to (4).

Problem 5: SVD of a circulant matrix (25 points)

The circulant matrix

is defined by the generating vector $\mathbf{u} := (u_0, \ldots, u_{n-1})^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

a) (15 points) Implement an efficient MATLAB function

s = svcirc(u)

that computes the sorted singular values of the circulant matrix \mathbf{C} , when supplied with the generating vector \mathbf{u} .

Hint: Remember that the columns of the Fourier matrix provide a complete orthogonal basis of eigenvectors for any circulant matrix.

Hint: sort(x, 'descend') sorts the vector x in descending order.

b) (5 points) Write a MATLAB test routine

function svcirctest(u)

that uses the built-in MATLAB function svd() to validate the correctness of your implementation of svcirc by plotting the absolute error of the singular values over their index for a random generating vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^{10}$.

Hint: A circulant matrix can be built by the MATLAB command gallery('circul',u).

c) (5 points) What is the asymptotic complexity of svcirc in terms of the problem size parameter n?

Problem 6: Solving an implicit ODE (40 points)

For a Lipschitz continuous function $g : [0, \infty] \mapsto [0, \infty]$, we consider the scalar implicit initial value problem

$$\dot{y}e^{\dot{y}} = g(y) \quad , \quad y(0) = y_0 > 0 \; .$$
 (6)

a) (20 points) Write a MATLAB function

function fy = impoderhs(g,y)

that uses Newton's method to evaluate the right hand side f of the ODE $\dot{y} = f(y)$ that is equivalent to the ODE of (6).

Use $\log(g(y))$ as initial guess and stop the iteration, once the relative size of the Newton correction is below 10^{-6} .

Hint: A (hidden) reference implementation of impoderhs is given in MATLAB function impoderhs_ref (in the file impoderhs_ref.p, which serves exactly the same purpose an .m-file, but conceals the source code).

b) (10 points) Design a MATLAB function

function [t,y] = odeimpl(g,T,y0)

that uses the MATLAB standard integrator ode45 with absolute tolerance 10^{-7} and relative tolerance 10^{-5} to solve (6) on [0, T]. The return values are those of ode45.

c) (10 points) Write a MATLAB function

function plotivpsol

that solves the initial value problem (6) for the concrete $g(y) = \frac{y}{1+y^2}$ and $y_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ over the time interval [0,4]. Plot both y(t) and $\dot{y}(t)$ in one chart.

Hint: Your solution should look like the plot shown in Figure 3.

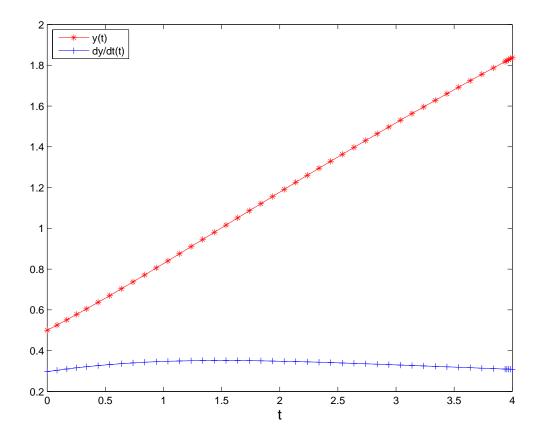


Figure 3: Solution of IVP of Problem $6(\mathrm{c})$