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    - if it contains all the files you have to hand in, click on "print" (or press CTRL+P).
    - an assistant will bring you the printout of the PDF; check it again, then hand in.
    - **LEAVE YOUR COMPUTER ON, DO NOT TURN IT OFF.**

Good luck!

## Examination

January 29th, 2013

**Duration of examination: 180 minutes.**

**Total points: 180**

### Problem 1 Sparse matrix

In this problem we use the sparse matrix

```
A = delsq(numgrid('C',n));
```

**(1a) [10 points]** Write a Matlab script

```
function fillin()
```

which measures the operator complexity (sum of the nonzeros of all factors of a given factorization divided by the number of nonzeros of A) of different decompositions, and plots them for  $n = 2^1, \dots, 2^8$ . Measure the operator complexity of the following things:

- Cholesky decomposition of A
- Incomplete Cholesky decomposition of A (see `ichol`)
- propose and implement an alternative way to reduce the fill in of the Cholesky decomposition.

Is it possible to measure an operator complexity number below 1? Explain why.

HINT: You may use the Matlab function `nnz`, and `ichol`.

**(1b) [15 points]** Plot the runtime (time to compute the solution  $\mathbf{x}$ , eg. factorization and backward/forward substitution) and the measured error (norm of the residual) for  $n = 2^1, \dots, 2^8$  of the three different approaches (of (1a)) to solve  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ . Use a random vector  $\mathbf{b}$ . Implement this functionality in the Matlab script

```
function conf()
```

Comment on the obtained results.

HINT: You may use `tic`, `toc`, `rand`, `norm` and `sort`.

HINT: Read (1c) before starting this sub problem

HINT: As you measure the runtime call `maxNumCompThreads(1)` to insure that Matlab is running in single core mode.

**(1c) [10 points]** Propose and implement (in (1b)) an alternative method which takes advantage of the sparsity of  $\mathbf{A}$ , and solves  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  not exactly but with a residual norm of  $10^{-3}$ .

Comment on the obtained results (may be together with (1b)).

## Problem 2 Linear least squares

Let two vectors  $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  of measured data be given. The two numbers  $\alpha^*$  and  $\beta^*$  are defined as

$$(\alpha^*, \beta^*) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}} \|\mathbf{T}_{\alpha, \beta} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{c}\|_2, \quad (1)$$

with the tridiagonal matrix

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

(2a) [8 points] Reformulate (1) as a linear least squares problem in the usual form

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

with suitable  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m, k}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $m, k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(2b) [13 points] Write a Matlab function

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

that computes the values of the optimal parameter  $\alpha^*$  and  $\beta^*$  according to (1) from the data vectors  $\mathbf{z}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  (i.e.,  $\mathbf{z}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$ ). Use the QR-decomposition to solve the linear least squares problem.

HINT: For  $\mathbf{z} = (1, 2, \dots, 10)^T$  and  $\mathbf{c} = (10, 9, \dots, 1)^T$  you should get  $\alpha^* \approx -0.4211$  and  $\beta^* \approx 0.5789$ .

## Problem 3 Bézier semi-circle

(3a) [12 points] Write a Matlab function

```
function plot_bezcurv(d)
```

which draws the Bézier curve, the control points  $\mathbf{d}$ , and the convex hull defined by the control points  $\mathbf{d}$  ( $2 \times n$  matrix).

HINT: You may use `convhull` and `fill`

(3b) [12 points] Write a Matlab function

```
len = function bezLength(d)
```

which approximately computes the length of the Bézier curve by some numerical quadrature.

(3c) [16 points] We want to approximate a unit half circle by (one segment of) a Bézier curve with 5 Bézier control points. The Bézier control points shall be such that

- the Bézier curve is symmetric.
- the Bézier curve passes through the points  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- the tangent at the two end points  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  corresponds to the tangent of the semi circle.
- the length of the Bézier curve corresponds to the length of a semi circle ( $\pi$ ).

Write a Matlab function

```
function halfcircle(d)
```

where you compute the Bézier control points and plot the resulting Bézier curve.

HINT: You may use the following 5 Bézier control points:  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

HINT: Find a linear (analytical) relation between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that the Bézier curve passes through the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then only one independent parameter is left. Then use a **simple** numerical method from the lecture to determine a good value for this parameter such that the Bézier curve has length  $\pi$

HINT: If you are unable to complete task (3a) and/or (3b) use the functions `plot_bezcurv_p(d)` and/or `len = bezLength_p(d)` instead.

### Problem 4 Best rank-1 approximation

Given  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n}$  with positive diagonal we consider the minimization problem

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^\top\|_F^2. \tag{2}$$

(4a) [6 points] Reformulate (2) as a standard non-linear least squares problem  $\frac{1}{2} \|F(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min$  for a suitable function  $F$ .

(4b) [15 points] Derive the Jacobian and implement it in the Matlab function

```
function df = DF(x).
```

(4c) [11 points] Write a Matlab code

```
function x = rankoneapprox(A)
```

that computes the solution of (2) by means of the Gauss-Newton iteration with initial guess  $x_i^{(0)} = \sqrt{a_{ii}}, i = 1, \dots, n$  with a tolerance of  $10^{-3}$ .

HINT: You may use `reshape`.

HINT: If you are unable to complete task 2 use the function `df = DF_p(x)` instead.

HINT: Use `test4.m` to test your function.

(4d) [8 points] Explain, why the MATLAB built in function `eig` can be used to solve (2) provided that  $\mathbf{A}$  is *symmetric* (hermitian).

(4e) [5 points] Write a MATLAB code

```
function x = symrankoneapprox(A)
```

that computes the solution of (2) for *symmetric* (hermitian)  $\mathbf{A}$  using MATLAB's `eig`.

HINT: Use `test4.m` to test your function.

### Problem 5 ODE / Runge-Kutta method

We want to solve the initial value problem  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{y}(t_0) = \mathbf{y}_0$  by the Runge-Kutta method characterized by the following Butcher table:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} 0 & 0 & & \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{array} \tag{3}$$

(5a) [11 points]

Implement two Matlab functions

```
y1 = RK_step(odefun, t, y0, h),
```

and

$$[t, y] = \text{RK}(\text{odefun}, \text{tspan}, y_0, N).$$

`RK_step(odefun, t, y0, h)` implements one Runge-Kutta step defined by (3), from  $t$  to  $t+h$  with the starting value  $y_0$ . `odefun(t, y)` defines the right hand side of the initial value problem  $\dot{y} = f(t, y)$ ,  $y(t_0) = y_0$ .

`RK(odefun, tspan, y0, N)` uses `RK_step` to solve the ODE over the whole interval specified by `tspan` using  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  uniform timesteps.

**(5b) [5 points]** Bring the following ODE into an suitable form to solve it with `RK_step(odefun, t, y0, h)`:

$$x''(t) + x(t) = \sin(t), \quad x(0) = 100, \quad x'(0) = 5. \quad (4)$$

Implement this suitable form in the Matlab function

$$\text{out} = \text{odefun}(t, y).$$

**(5c) [12 points]** Implement a Matlab function

$$\text{exRK}(),$$

to graphically (with a plot) determine the order of the chosen Runge-Kutta method (3) for the given ODE (4). Use the Matlab function `ode45` with relative tolerance  $100 * \text{eps}$  and absolute tolerance `eps` to determine a reference solution.

HINT: The error of a method could be computed by  $\|x(T) - \hat{x}(T)\|_{L_2} + \|x'(T) - \hat{x}'(T)\|_{L_2}$ , where  $x$  is the reference solution and  $\hat{x}$  the approximate one.  $T$  is the stopping time.

HINT: You may use `norm`.

HINT: If you are unable to complete task (5a) and/or (5b) use the functions `[t, y] = RK_p(odefun, tspan, y0, N)` and/or `out = odefun_p(t, y)` instead.

**(5d) [13 points]** Analytically determine the convergence order and the stability interval of the Runge-Kutta method in (3)