

AMSC/CMSC 460 Computational Methods

Exam 1, Tuesday, September 30, 2014

Solution

1. (20 points) Mark each of the following statements T (True) or F (False).

You will get 4 points for each correct answer, -2 points for each wrong answer, and 0 point for leaving it blank.

- (a) _____ Suppose A is an n -by- n square matrix. b is any vector in \mathbb{R}^n . Then, $Ax = b$ has a unique solution $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Solution: True. There exists a unique solution for an n -by- n non-degenerate linear system.

- (b) _____ $\|A\|_\infty = \|A^T\|_1$, where $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ and $\|\cdot\|_1$ are matrix norms induced from corresponding vector norms.

Solution: True. This is a direct consequence from the definitions of the two norms.

- (c) _____ Let E_{ij} be the matrix with all zero entries except the (i, j) -entry being 1. Then $E_{i_1 j_1}$ commutes with $E_{i_2 j_2}$ if $i_1 > j_1$ and $i_2 > j_2$.

Solution: False. If $j_1 = i_2$, then $E_{i_1 j_1} E_{i_2 j_2} = E_{i_1 j_2}$ while $E_{i_2 j_2} E_{i_1 j_1} = 0$.

- (d) _____ Matlab code $A * (B * v)$ runs faster than $(A * B) * v$. Here, A, B are matrices and v is a vector.

Solution: True. Computing $A * B$ requires matrix-matrix multiplication, which is slower than matrix-vector multiplication.

- (e) _____ Newton's method always have a local quadratic convergence.

Solution: False. If the root is not a single root, then the convergence is linear.

2. (20 points) Consider the following Matlab code.

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A = [1 2 3; 3 2 1; 2 0 2];
b = [-5; -2; 5];
[L, U, P] = lu(A)
[L2, U2] = lu(A)
x = A\b
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Find the output $L, U, P, L2, U2, x$ by hand using Gaussian elimination.

Solution: Gauss elimination procedure is omitted here. The result is:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2/3 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = U2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 4/3 & 8/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L2 = P^{-1}L = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2/3 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -17/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. (a) (10 points) Prove that the two vector norms $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ are equivalent. Namely, prove that for every vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\|v\|_\infty \leq \|v\|_1 \leq n\|v\|_\infty.$$

Solution: For the right inequality, we have

$$\|v\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \max_k |v_k| = n\|v\|_\infty.$$

For the left inequality, suppose k^* is the entry that $|v_{k^*}| = \max_k |v_k| = \|v\|_\infty$. Then,

$$\|v\|_1 = |v_{k^*}| + \sum_{k \neq k^*} |v_k| \geq |v_{k^*}| + 0 = \|v\|_\infty.$$

- (b) (10 points) Prove that the two matrix norms $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ induced from the corresponding vector norms are equivalent. Namely, prove that for every n -by- n matrix A ,

$$\frac{1}{n}\|A\|_\infty \leq \|A\|_1 \leq n\|A\|_\infty.$$

Solution: For the right inequality, take any $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $v \neq 0$.

$$\frac{\|Av\|_1}{\|v\|_1} \stackrel{\text{Use (a)}}{\leq} \frac{n\|Av\|_\infty}{\|v\|_\infty} \leq n\|A\|_\infty.$$

Take the supremum for the left hand side, we conclude $\|A\|_1 \leq n\|A\|_\infty$.

The other inequality $\|A\|_\infty \leq n\|A\|_1$ can be obtained similarly.

4. Consider the following Matlab code on finding a root of $f(x)$.

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k = 0;
while abs(x-xprev) > eps*abs(x)
    xprev = x;
    x = x - f(x)^2 / (f(x+f(x)) - f(x));
    k = k + 1;
end

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(a) (5 points) Write down the iterative procedure in the form $x_{k+1} = g(x_k)$.

Solution: The iterative procedure is

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)^2}{f(x_k + f(x_k)) - f(x_k)}, \quad g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)^2}{f(x + f(x)) - f(x)}.$$

(b) (20 points) Assume x_* is a root of a smooth function $f \in C^\infty$ with $f'(x_*) \neq 0$ and $f''(x_*) \neq 0$. Prove that the method has a local convergence. What is the convergence rate α ? Compute the leading coefficient $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e_{k+1}}{e_k^\alpha}$.

Hint: Prepare for heavy computation. Following the steps below might lower your computational burden. (Note: you can try alternative ways, e.g. compute $g(x_)$, $g'(x_*)$ and $g''(x_*)$ directly, but keep in mind it would cost a lot of time.)*

- Take $F(x) = \frac{f(x + f(x)) - f(x)}{f(x)}$ and express g in terms of f and F .
- Taylor expand $f(x + f(x))$ around x and write F as a infinite series. Check that F has the following form:

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x)}{(n+1)!} f(x)^n.$$

- Compute $F'(x)$, $F''(x)$, and evaluate F, F', F'' at $x = x_*$. Note that $f(x_*) = 0$.
- Given $F(x_*)$, $F'(x_*)$, $F''(x_*)$, compute $g(x_*)$, $g'(x_*)$ and $g''(x_*)$. The local convergence is given by checking $g(x_*) = x_*$.
- Conclude with the convergence rate α and leading coefficient $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e_{k+1}}{e_k^\alpha}$.

Solution: We first calculate $F(x)$, $F'(x)$ and $F''(x)$. As f is smooth, we can

write F by Taylor-expand $f(x + f(x))$ around x :

$$\begin{aligned}
F(x) &= \frac{1}{f(x)} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x)}{n!} f(x)^n - f(x) \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x)}{(n+1)!} f(x)^n. \\
F'(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+2)}(x)}{(n+1)!} f(x)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x)}{(n+1)!} n f(x)^{n-1} f'(x) \\
F''(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+3)}(x)}{(n+1)!} f(x)^n + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+2)}(x)}{(n+1)!} n f(x)^{n-1} f'(x) \\
&\quad + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x)}{(n+1)!} n [(n-1) f(x)^{n-2} f'(x) + f(x)^{n-1} f''(x)].
\end{aligned}$$

To evaluate $F(x), \dots$ at x_* , note that all $f(x_*)^n = 0$ unless $n = 0$. Hence, only zero-th order term left.

$$\begin{aligned}
F(x_*) &= f'(x_*) \\
F'(x_*) &= f''(x_*) + \frac{f''(x_*)}{2} f'(x_*) = \frac{f''(x_*)(2 + f'(x_*))}{2} \\
F''(x_*) &= f'''(x_*) + f'''(x_*) f'(x_*) + \frac{f'''(x_*)}{3} f'(x_*) = \frac{f'''(x_*)(3 + 4f'(x_*))}{3}.
\end{aligned}$$

Next, we compute g, g', g'' in terms of f and F .

$$\begin{aligned}
g(x) &= x - \frac{f(x)}{F(x)} \\
g'(x) &= 1 - \frac{f'(x)}{F(x)} + \frac{f(x)F'(x)}{F(x)^2} \\
g''(x) &= -\frac{f''(x)}{F(x)} + \frac{2f'(x)F'(x)}{F(x)^2} - f(x) \left(\frac{1}{F(x)} \right)''
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $\left(\frac{1}{F(x_*)} \right)''$ is bounded as $F'(x_*) \neq 0$ and F, F', F'' are bounded at x_* as well. Hence, let $x = x_*$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
g(x_*) &= x_* - \frac{f(x_*)}{f'(x_*)} = x_* \\
g'(x_*) &= 1 - \frac{f'(x_*)}{f'(x_*)} = 0 \\
g''(x_*) &= -\frac{f''(x_*)}{f'(x_*)} + \frac{2f'(x_*)}{f'(x_*)^2} \cdot \frac{f''(x_*)(2 + f'(x_*))}{2} - 0 = \frac{f''(x_*)(1 + f'(x_*))}{f'(x_*)}.
\end{aligned}$$

To conclude, the method has a local convergence rate $\alpha = 2$. And the leading coefficient

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{k+1}|}{|e_k|^2} = \frac{|f''(x_*)(1 + f'(x_*))|}{2|f'(x_*)|}.$$

An alternative way to check $g(x_*) = x_*$:

$$\begin{aligned} g(x_*) &= x_* - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_*} \frac{f(x)^2}{f(x + f(x)) - f(x)} \\ &\stackrel{\text{"0/0"}}{=} x_* - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_*} \frac{2f(x)f'(x)}{f'(x + f(x))(1 + f'(x)) - f'(x)} \\ &= x_* - \frac{f(x_*)f'(x_*)}{f'(x_*)^2} = x_*. \end{aligned}$$

But note that to check $g'(x_*) = 0$ is much more complicated under similar procedure.

5. (20 points) Write a Newton's iterative scheme to solve the following nonlinear system.

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + e^{xy} = 6 \\ x - y^2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

If we take initially $x = 2, y = 0$, what is the value of (x, y) after 1 iteration?

Solution: The Newton's iterative method reads

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - J(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1}\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_k),$$

where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + e^{xy} - 6 \\ x - y^2 - 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $J(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x + ye^{xy} & xe^{xy} \\ 1 & -2y \end{pmatrix}$.

In particular, if $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, we get $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $J(\mathbf{x}_0) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

By solving the linear system $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{s}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and get $\mathbf{s}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -.5 \end{pmatrix}$. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{s}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ .5 \end{pmatrix}.$$