

## PHSCS 513R - Linear Algebra Group Assignment

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### Git Repo

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## Overview

Consider the one-dimensional boundary value problem that arises in fluid dynamics:

$$-u''(x) + V(x)u'(x) = f(x), x \in [0, 1] \quad (1)$$

$$u(0) = u(1) = 0 \quad (2)$$

where we will take  $V(x)$ ,  $f(x)$  to be constants:

$$V(x) = \gamma \quad (3)$$

$$f(x) = 1 \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the total problem is:

$$-u''(x) + \gamma u'(x) = 1, x \in [0, 1] \quad (5)$$

$$u(0) = u(1) = 0 \quad (6)$$

## 1. Problem Formulation

### Part A

Write this boundary value problem as a variational problem for some test function  $\phi$ :

$$A(u, \phi) = F(\phi) \quad (1)$$

First we multiply by our test function and then integrate over the domain of the ODE:

$$\int_0^1 -u''(x)\phi(x)dx + \int_0^1 \gamma u'(x)\phi(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)\phi(x)dx. \quad (2)$$

Now we integrate the first term by parts to obtain

$$\int_0^1 u'(x)\phi'(x)dx - u'(x)\phi(x)|_0^1 + \int_0^1 \gamma u'(x)\phi(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)\phi(x)dx. \quad (3)$$

Assuming  $\phi$  has the same boundary conditions as  $u$ , the boundary term goes to zero. We then define

$$A(u, \phi) \equiv \int_0^1 u'(x)\phi'(x)dx + \int_0^1 \gamma u'(x)\phi(x)dx \quad (4)$$

and

$$F(\phi) \equiv \int_0^1 f(x)\phi(x)dx. \quad (5)$$

so we have

$$A(u, \phi) = F(\phi). \quad (6)$$

## Part B

Take  $\phi_i$  to be the "hat" functions discussed in class and approximate  $u(x)$  as a linear combination of these basis vectors:

$$u(x) = \sum_i u_i \phi_i(x) \quad (1)$$

Show that the variational problem from part (a) becomes a linear algebra problem of the form

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}. \quad (2)$$

Derive expressions for the matrix  $A$  and vector  $\vec{b}$ . Show specifically that  $A_{ij} = A(\phi_j, \phi_i)$ , and that it can be written as the sum of two matrices  $A = A_1 + A_2$  where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  correspond to the first two terms on the left-hand side of the ODE. (Hint: you should find that  $A_1$  is symmetric while  $A_2$  is skew-symmetric).

We now define  $\phi_i$  to be the  $i$ th hat function, defined for a grid of  $n$  cells as

$$\phi_i(x) = \begin{cases} nx - (i-1) & \text{if } \frac{i-1}{n} < x < \frac{i}{n} \\ -nx + i + 1 & \text{if } \frac{i}{n} < x < \frac{i+1}{n} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

and then approximate  $u(x)$  as a linear combination of these hat functions:  $u(x) = \sum_j u_j \phi_j(x)$ , where each  $u_j$  is a real number.

Then, substituting this expression into our weakly-formulated differential equation with test function  $\phi_i(x)$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \sum_j u_j \phi_j'(x) \phi_i'(x) dx + \int_0^1 \gamma \sum_j u_j \phi_j'(x) \phi_i(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) \phi_i(x) dx \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_j u_j \left( \int_0^1 \phi_j'(x) \phi_i'(x) dx + \int_0^1 \gamma \phi_j'(x) \phi_i(x) dx \right) = \int_0^1 f(x) \phi_i(x) dx, \quad (5)$$

which has the form  $\sum_i A_{ij} x_j = b_i$ , which is the exact form of a matrix equation. Thus, defining

$$A_{ij} = \int_0^1 \phi_j'(x) \phi_i'(x) dx + \int_0^1 \gamma \phi_j'(x) \phi_i(x) dx \quad (6)$$

and

$$b_i = \int_0^1 f(x)\phi_i(x)dx, \quad (7)$$

we arrive at the linear algebra problem

$$Ax = b \quad (8)$$

whose solution  $x_j = u_j$  gives us the weights for the test function from which we can construct the solution  $u(x) = \sum_j u_j \phi_j(x)$ .

We see that  $A_{ij}$  can be written as  $A^{(1)} + A^{(2)}$ . Here we have

$$A_{ij}^{(1)} = \int_0^1 \phi_j'(x)\phi_i'(x)dx = \begin{cases} 2n & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \text{ and } i = j \\ -n & \text{if } |i-j| = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad (9)$$

which has the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2n & -n & 0 & & 0 \\ -n & 2n & -n & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -n & 2n & & 0 \\ & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 2n \end{bmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

We can clearly see that  $A^{(1)}$  is symmetric. We also have

$$A_{ij}^{(2)} = \int_0^1 \gamma \phi_j'(x)\phi_i(x)dx = \begin{cases} -\gamma/2 & \text{if } j = i-1 \\ \gamma/2 & \text{if } j = i+1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad (11)$$

which has the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma/2 & 0 & & 0 \\ -\gamma/2 & 0 & \gamma/2 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma/2 & 0 & & \vdots \\ & \vdots & & & \gamma/2 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -\gamma/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (12)$$

With  $f(x) = 1$ , we have for  $b$

$$b_i = \int_0^1 \phi_i(x)dx = \frac{1}{n}. \quad (13)$$

## Part C

Implement a driver routine that will return  $A$  and  $\vec{b}$  given inputs  $n$  and  $\gamma$ . The matrix  $A$  should be implemented as a sparse representation in your environment.

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```
In [1]: 1 import numpy as np
2 from scipy.sparse import diags
3 def generate_system(n, gam):
4
5     # diagonal entries
6     d = np.ones(n)*2*n
7
8     # upper diagonal
9     u = np.ones(n-1)*(gam/2-n)
10
11    # lower diagonal
12    l = np.ones(n-1)*(-gam/2-n)
13
14    # construct sparse matrix
15    A = diags([l, d, u], [-1, 0, 1])
16
17    # assemble b
18    b = np.ones((n,1))*1/n
19
20    return A, b
```

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In [2]: 1 A,b = generate_system(10,1)
        2
        3 print(A, "\n");
        4 print(b);
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(1, 0)      -10.5
(2, 1)      -10.5
(3, 2)      -10.5
(4, 3)      -10.5
(5, 4)      -10.5
(6, 5)      -10.5
(7, 6)      -10.5
(8, 7)      -10.5
(9, 8)      -10.5
(0, 0)      20.0
(1, 1)      20.0
(2, 2)      20.0
(3, 3)      20.0
(4, 4)      20.0
(5, 5)      20.0
(6, 6)      20.0
(7, 7)      20.0
(8, 8)      20.0
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(1, 2)      -9.5
(2, 3)      -9.5
(3, 4)      -9.5
(4, 5)      -9.5
(5, 6)      -9.5
(6, 7)      -9.5
(7, 8)      -9.5
(8, 9)      -9.5
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## 2. Implement the GMRES Algorithm

Your function should have the following signature: *mygmres*(*l*, *b*, *x0*, *n*, *M*, *A*) and should compute *I* iterations of the GMRES and return the approximate solution of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  with initial iterate *x0*. Here, *n* is the dimension of the problem, *A* is an  $n \times n$  matrix, *M* is an  $n \times n$  matrix that defines the inner product used for calculating vector norms (and therefore the error).

Coordinate your group work through a git repository on the department server. Make your repository publicly visible and share the link as a solution to this problem. The commit history should include commits from all group members.

```
In [3]: 1 def mygmres(I,b,x0,n,M,A):
2
3     A = np.linalg.inv(M)@A
4     b = np.linalg.inv(M)@b
5
6     r0 = b - A@x0
7
8     beta = np.linalg.norm(r0)
9
10    V = np.zeros((n,n+1))
11    H = np.zeros((n+1,n))
12    W = np.zeros((n,n))
13    xs = np.zeros((n,1))
14
15    V[:,0] = np.transpose(r0 / beta)
16
17    for j in range(0,I):
18
19        W[:,j] = np.dot(A,V[:,j])
20
21        for i in range(0,j+1):
22            H[i,j] = np.dot(W[:,j],V[:,i])
23            W[:,j] = W[:,j] - np.dot(H[i,j],V[:,i])
24
25        H[j+1,j] = np.linalg.norm(W[:,j])
26        if H[j+1,j] == 0:
27            break
28
29        V[:,j+1] = W[:,j] / H[j+1,j]
30
31    n,m = H.shape
32
33    a = np.zeros((n,1))
34    a[0] = beta
35
36    ys = np.linalg.lstsq(H,a,rcond = None)[0]
37
38    for i in range(0,len(ys)):
39        xs[i] = x0[i] + V[i,0:len(ys)] @ ys
40
41    Vs = V
42
43    Hs = H
44
45
46    return xs, ys, Vs, Hs
```

## Example from the paper

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In [4]: 1 A = np.array([[1,4,7],[2,9,7],[5,8,3]])
        2 b = np.array([[1],[8],[2]])
        3 I = 3
        4 M = np.identity(3)
        5 n = 3
        6 x0 = np.array([[1],[1],[1]])
        7
        8 xs, ys, Vs, Hs = mygmres(I,b,x0,n,M,A)
        9
       10 print(xs)
```

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[[-2.18103448]
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## Checking solutions against SciPy

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In [5]: 1 import scipy.linalg as la
        2
        3 # Defining our values
        4 I = 10
        5 n = 10
        6 A = np.random.rand(n,n)
        7 b = np.random.rand(n,1)
        8 x0 = np.random.rand(n,1)
        9 M = np.identity(n)
        10
        11 # Solving in scipy
        12 x_scipy = la.solve(A,b)
        13 print("SciPy:\n",x_scipy)
        14
        15 # # Solving in KryPy
        16 # q = krypy.linsys.LinearSystem(A,b)
        17 # krypy.linsys.Gmres(q)
        18
        19 # Using our GMRES algorithm
        20 xs, ys, Vs, Hs = mygmres(I,b,x0,n,M,A)
        21 print("\nGMRES:\n",xs)

```

SciPy:

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GMRES:

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[[-0.37302578]
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### 3. Solving the FEM Problem

Use your GMRES function to solve the finite-element formulation of the variational problem for the cases

$$\begin{equation} V(x) = 1 \end{equation}$$

and



$$V(x) = n+1$$

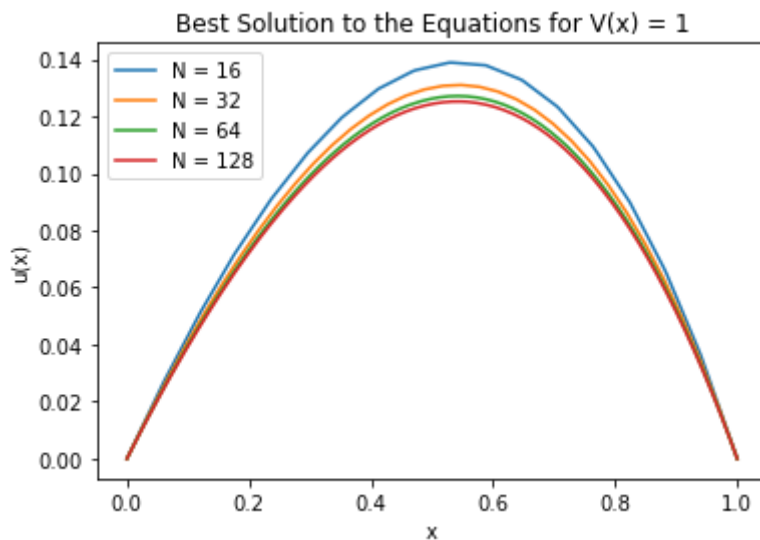
using  $M$  as the identity matrix. For each case, run with  $n = 16, 32, 64, 128$  and  $l = 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, \dots$ , increasing  $l$  until the error (i.e., norm of the residual divided by  $n$ ) is below  $10^{-6}$ . Plot your most accurate solution (as a function of  $x$ ) as well as the error versus functions of  $n$  and  $l$ .

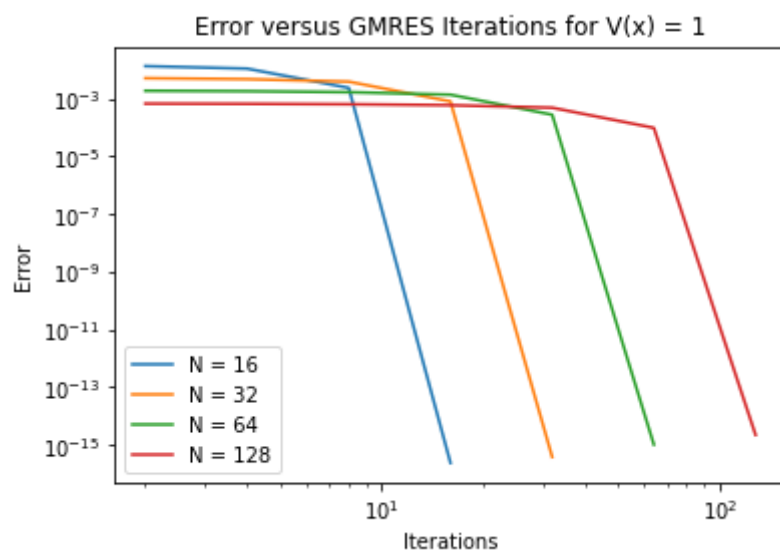
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In [6]: 1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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In [8]: 1 def sol_to_func(uvals, x):
2     # There should be exactly n values of u_i
3     n = len(uvals)
4
5     # Hat functions
6     def phi(i, x, n):
7         xnew = np.zeros_like(x)
8         for (k, val) in enumerate(x):
9             if val > (i-1)/n and val <= i/n:
10                 xnew[k] = n*val - (i - 1)
11             if val > i/n and val < (i+1)/n:
12                 xnew[k] = -n*val + i + 1
13         return xnew
14
15     # construct u with the hat functions and ui's
16     u = np.zeros_like(x)
17     for (i, ui) in enumerate(uvals):
18         u += ui*phi(i+1, x, n+1)
19
20     return u
21
22 def find_sol(n, Vx, x):
23     A, b = generate_system(n, Vx)
24     x0 = np.zeros((n,1))
25     M = np.identity(n)
26     errs = []
27     Is = []
28     error = 1
29     count = 1
30
31     while error > 1E-6:
32         I = int(2**count)
33         xs, ys, Vs, Hs = mygmres(I,b,x0,n,M,A)
34         error = np.linalg.norm((b - A@xs)/n)
35         errs.append(error)
36         Is.append(I)
37         count += 1
38         if count > 20:
39             break
40     u = sol_to_func(xs, x)
41     return u, errs, Is
```

```
In [9]: 1 x = np.linspace(0,1,num=200)
2 u16, errs16, Is16 = find_sol(16, 1, x)
3 u32, errs32, Is32 = find_sol(32, 1, x)
4 u64, errs64, Is64 = find_sol(64, 1, x)
5 u128, errs128, Is128 = find_sol(128, 1, x)
6 plt.figure(1)
7 plt.plot(x,u16, label = 'N = 16')
8 plt.plot(x,u32, label = 'N = 32')
9 plt.plot(x,u64, label = 'N = 64')
10 plt.plot(x,u128, label = 'N = 128')
11 plt.xlabel('x')
12 plt.ylabel('u(x)')
13 plt.title(f'Best Solution to the Equations for V(x) = 1')
14 plt.legend()
15 plt.figure(2)
16 plt.loglog(Is16,errs16, label = 'N = 16')
17 plt.loglog(Is32,errs32, label = 'N = 32')
18 plt.loglog(Is64,errs64, label = 'N = 64')
19 plt.loglog(Is128,errs128, label = 'N = 128')
20 plt.xlabel('Iterations')
21 plt.ylabel('Error')
22 plt.title('Error versus GMRES Iterations for V(x) = 1')
23 plt.legend()
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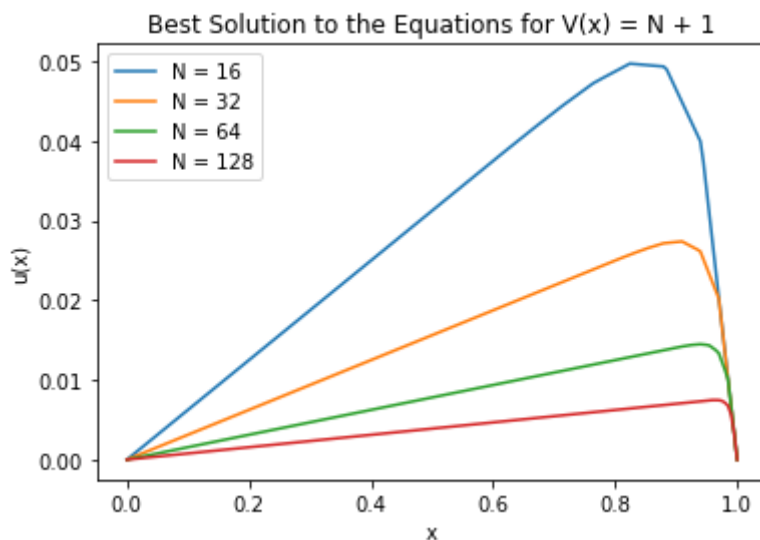


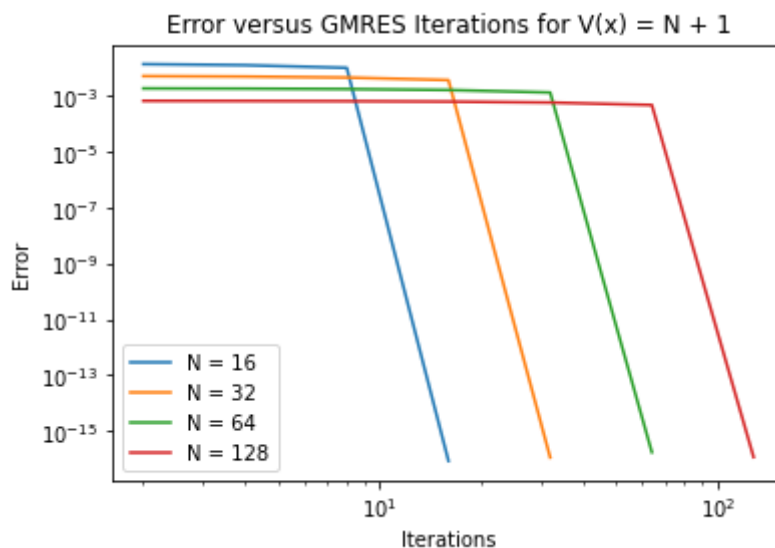
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In [10]: 1 x = np.linspace(0,1,num=200)
          2 u16, errs16, Is16 = find_sol(16, 17, x)
          3 u32, errs32, Is32 = find_sol(32, 33, x)
          4 u64, errs64, Is64 = find_sol(64, 65, x)
          5 u128, errs128, Is128 = find_sol(128, 129, x)
          6 plt.figure(1)
          7 plt.plot(x,u16, label = 'N = 16')
          8 plt.plot(x,u32, label = 'N = 32')
          9 plt.plot(x,u64, label = 'N = 64')
         10 plt.plot(x,u128, label = 'N = 128')
         11 plt.xlabel('x')
         12 plt.ylabel('u(x)')
         13 plt.title(f'Best Solution to the Equations for V(x) = N + 1')
         14 plt.legend()
         15 plt.figure(2)
         16 plt.loglog(Is16,errs16, label = 'N = 16')
         17 plt.loglog(Is32,errs32, label = 'N = 32')
         18 plt.loglog(Is64,errs64, label = 'N = 64')
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         20 plt.xlabel('Iterations')
         21 plt.ylabel('Error')
         22 plt.title('Error versus GMRES Iterations for V(x) = N + 1')
         23 plt.legend()

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## 4. Preconditioning GMRES

Now consider a preconditioned version of the problem:  $\tilde{A}\vec{x} = \tilde{b}$  where

- $\tilde{A} = A_1^{-1} A$
- $\tilde{b} = A_1^{-1} \vec{b}$
- $M = A_1$

Here,  $A_1$  is known as a preconditioning matrix and is used to speed up the convergence or improve the accuracy of solution methods.

### Part A

Show that this problem is formally equivalent to the one you considered in problem 3 (i.e., show that any candidate solution  $\vec{x}$  will have the same residual for both problems).

Lets say that we have a candidate solution  $\vec{x}$  to the equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  with residual  $\vec{r} = \vec{b} - A\vec{x}$ . We also let  $\tilde{A} = A_1^{-1} A$  and  $\tilde{b} = A_1^{-1} \vec{b}$ . This preconditioned problem is formally equivalent for the same  $\vec{x}$  we can see this by considering:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{r} &= \tilde{b} - \tilde{A}\vec{x} \\ &= A_1^{-1} \vec{b} - A_1^{-1} A\vec{x} \\ &= A_1^{-1} (\vec{b} - A\vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$

So clearly these residuals approach one another as  $\vec{r} \rightarrow 0$  (or as  $\vec{x}$  approaches the exact solution).

### Part B

Argue that  $\tilde{A}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  can be calculated efficiently, even though they formally involve a matrix inverse (This is a requirement for a preconditioning matrix to be useful).

For this particular case, our preconditioning matrix ( $A_{-1}$ ) is a tridiagonal matrix, which means that using LU decomposition to compute the inverse is an  $O(N)$  process (as stated in Numerical Recipes Section 2.4), so  $\tilde{A}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  can be calculated efficiently, and as long as the preconditioning saves a significant amount of time, this is well worth it.

## Part C

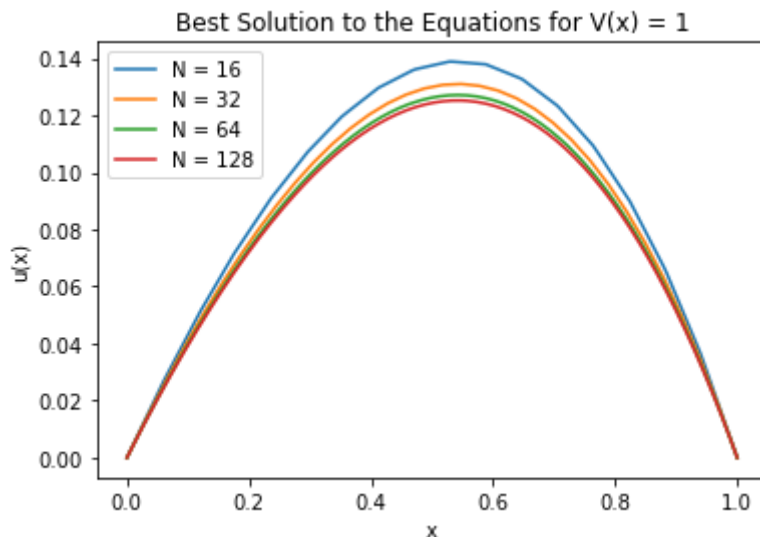
Repeat problem 3 for the preconditioned version of the problem.

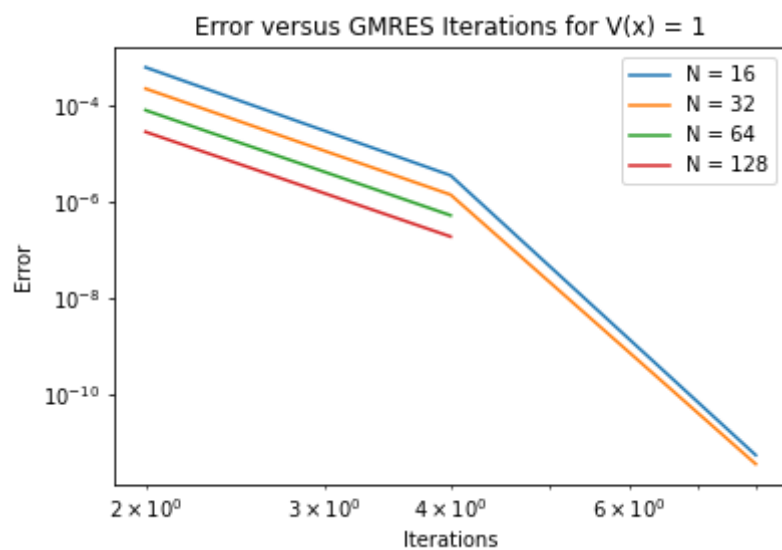
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In [11]: 1 def generate_A1(n):
2         A1 = np.zeros((n,n))
3         for i in range(n):
4             A1[i][i] = 2*n
5             if i > 0:
6                 A1[i][i-1] = -n
7             if i < n-1:
8                 A1[i][i+1] = -n
9
10        return A1

In [12]: 1 def find_sol_preconditioned(n, Vx, x):
2         A, b = generate_system(n, Vx)
3         x0 = np.zeros((n,1))
4         M = generate_A1(n)
5         errs = []
6         Is = []
7         error = 1
8         count = 1
9
10        while error > 1E-6:
11            I = int(2**count)
12            xs, ys, Vs, Hs = mygmres(I,b,x0,n,M,A)
13            error = np.linalg.norm((b - A@xs)/n)
14            errs.append(error)
15            Is.append(I)
16            count += 1
17            if count > 20:
18                break
19        u = sol_to_func(xs, x)
20        return u, errs, Is
21
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13 plt.title('Best Solution to the Equations for V(x) = 1')
14 plt.legend()
15 plt.figure(2)
16 plt.loglog(Is16,errs16, label = 'N = 16')
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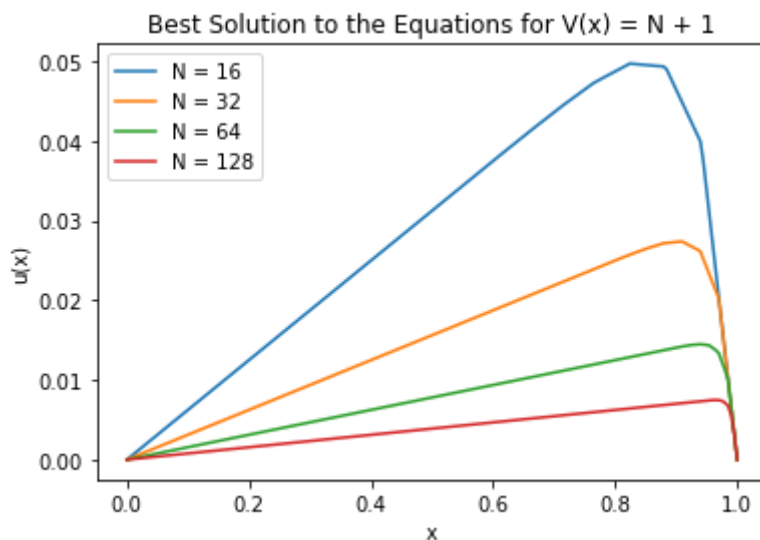


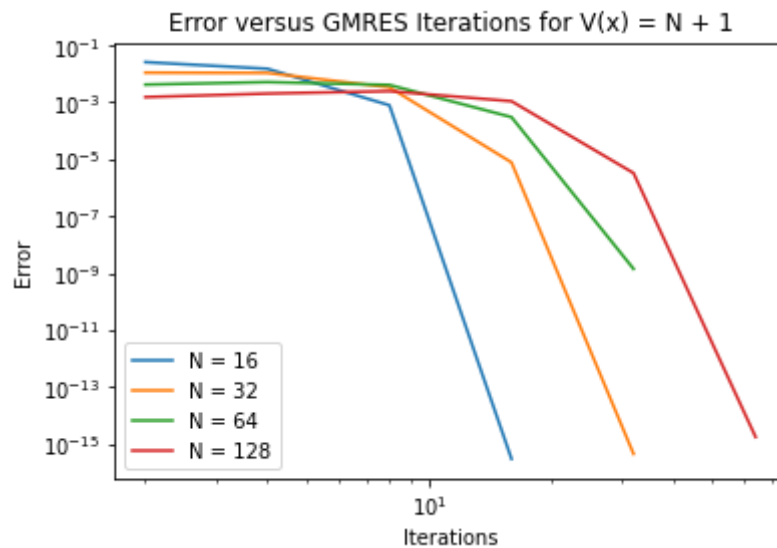
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         17 plt.loglog(Is32,errs32, label = 'N = 32')
         18 plt.loglog(Is64,errs64, label = 'N = 64')
         19 plt.loglog(Is128,errs128, label = 'N = 128')
         20 plt.xlabel('Iterations')
         21 plt.ylabel('Error')
         22 plt.title('Error versus GMRES Iterations for V(x) = N + 1')
         23 plt.legend()

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Out[14]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7f92e120d640>





## Part D

How quickly does the convergence rate for your GMRES algorithm compare with that in problem 3? Why? (Hint: Consider the condition number of the two problems)

The solutions for the preconditioned system converged much faster in every case, with solutions with error below  $10^{-6}$  occurring for 8 iterations or less, whereas with no preconditioning it took up to 128 iterations for  $N = 128$ . This is because the condition number of the preconditioned problem is smaller, and therefore the solutions converge much faster.