

# FYS4150 - COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS - PROJECT 2

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## Abstract

This report looks at different algorithms to solve the one-dimensional Poisson's equation with Dirichlet boundary condition. The algorithms are compared by speed and floating point error in the solution. The results show how different ways of writing code effect speed and floating point error, and discusses how the machines architecture and functionally are the reason for the performance difference.

## 1 Theory

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$$j\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \Psi + V\Psi$$

$$\Psi(\vec{x}, t) = \psi(\vec{x}) \varphi(t)$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} + V\psi = E\psi$$

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$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} \right] + V\psi = E\psi$$

$$\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r) Y(\theta, \phi) + C$$

$$\frac{1}{R} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) - \frac{2mr^2}{\hbar^2} (V - E) + \frac{1}{Y} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial Y}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial \phi^2} \right) = \frac{2mr^2 C}{RY\hbar^2} (V - E)$$

## 2 Eigenvalue algorithms

## 2.1 Diagonalize by matrix similarity

If we have a eigenvalue problem for a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}$  and eigenvalue  $\lambda$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x},$$

we can transform it by a basis matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  to a similar matrix  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}$  with the same eigenvalue  $\lambda$  but with a different eigenvector  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$ ;

$$\lambda\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{x}.$$

If we are able to diagonalize out matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  the eigenvalue problem becomes trivial to solve. However to directly diagonalize matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of size  $n \times n$  requires to solve a  $n$ -th polynomial problem, which is a very hard task. So we choose a easier way by iteratively zero out more and more non-diagonal elements of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , which will eventually give us the diagonal matrix

$$\mathbf{D} = \prod_i \mathbf{S}_i^{-1} \mathbf{A} \prod_i \mathbf{S}_i.$$

To make the problem simple to solve we define a basis matrix for transformation as such

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & s_{ii} & \cdots & s_{ij} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & s_{ji} & \cdots & s_{jj} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

where the strategy is for this basis matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  will make  $b_{ij} = b_{ji} = 0$  when we do a matrix similarity transformation of  $\mathbf{A}$  to  $\mathbf{B}$ . The matrix elements of  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$  is then given by

$$s_{k\ell}^{-1} = \begin{cases} \frac{s_{jj}}{s_{ii}s_{jj}-s_{ij}s_{ji}} & \text{for } k = \ell = i \\ -\frac{s_{ij}}{s_{ii}s_{jj}-s_{ij}s_{ji}} & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell = j \\ -\frac{s_{ji}}{s_{ii}s_{jj}-s_{ij}s_{ji}} & \text{for } k = j \text{ and } \ell = i \\ \frac{s_{ii}}{s_{ii}s_{jj}-s_{ij}s_{ji}} & \text{for } k = \ell = j \\ 1 & \text{for } k = \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

To see how this matrix similarity transformation behaves we must do the cumbersome matrix multiplication of the transformation;

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}$$

[illegible]

which gives us the matrix elements of the similarity matrix  $\mathbf{B}$

$$b_{k\ell} = \begin{cases} s_{ii}^- a_{ii} s_{ii} + s_{ij}^- a_{ji} s_{ii} + s_{ii}^- a_{ij} s_{ji} + s_{ij}^- a_{jj} s_{ji} & \text{for } k = \ell = i \\ s_{ii}^- a_{ii} s_{ij} + s_{ij}^- a_{ji} s_{ij} + s_{ii}^- a_{ij} s_{jj} + s_{ij}^- a_{jj} s_{jj} & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell = j \\ s_{ji}^- a_{ii} s_{ii} + s_{jj}^- a_{ji} s_{ii} + s_{ji}^- a_{ij} s_{ji} + s_{jj}^- a_{jj} s_{ji} & \text{for } k = j \text{ and } \ell = i \\ s_{ji}^- a_{ii} s_{ij} + s_{jj}^- a_{ji} s_{ij} + s_{ji}^- a_{ij} s_{jj} + s_{jj}^- a_{jj} s_{jj} & \text{for } k = \ell = j \\ s_{ki}^- a_{i\ell} + s_{kj}^- a_{j\ell} & \text{for } k \in \{i, j\} \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{ki} s_{i\ell} + a_{kj} s_{j\ell} & \text{for } \ell \in \{i, j\} \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{k\ell} & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

What we want our matrix similarity transformation to do is to set  $b_{ij} = b_{ji} = 0$ , but we also need to ensure that the basis matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  for the transformation is invertible. Hence we have the following three equation we want to solve

$$s_{ii} s_{jj} - s_{ij} s_{ji} = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$a_{ji} s_{ij}^2 - (a_{ii} - a_{jj}) s_{jj} s_{ij} - a_{ij} s_{jj}^2 = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$a_{ij} s_{ji}^2 - (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) s_{ii} s_{ji} - a_{ji} s_{ii}^2 = 0. \quad (5)$$

If the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is indeed diagonalizable then the above three equations above solvable. We further observe that we have four unknowns in the three equations, which means that we can choose one of them as we want, I suggest  $s_{ii} = 1$ . I will not show the solution here, but it involves in principle in two second order equations  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  which has a well known analytical solution  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ . Be aware of that the coefficient  $a$  may be zero which would make it a first order equations to solve instead. If the coefficient  $b = 0$  in addition to  $a = 0$ , then the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is not diagonalizable.

There are on last thing we need to consider regarding the diagonalizing algorithm, and that is that the matrix elements  $b_{ix}, b_{jx}, b_{xi}$  and  $b_{xj}$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\}$  may change from zero to a value if we are not careful. Which may undermine the work we try to do when we diagonalize the matrix. What we see in (2) is if we lock  $k$  to  $i$  and let  $\ell$  go through all possibilities  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{k\}$  exactly once, we ensure that the values we have zeroed out for  $k = i$  does not change when we do successive transformation with the same  $k = i$ ;

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{(1)} & b_{12}^{(1)} & \cdots & 0 \\ b_{21}^{(1)} & b_{22}^{(1)} & \cdots & b_{2n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & b_{n2}^{(1)} & \cdots & b_{nn}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{(n-1)} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & b_{22}^{(n-1)} & \cdots & b_{2n}^{(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & b_{n2}^{(n-1)} & \cdots & b_{nn}^{(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that we have now transformed such that  $a_{ki} = a_{ii} \delta_{ik} = a_{ki}$ , where  $\delta_{ik}$  is the Kronecker delta function. Now we change indices to  $i' \neq i$  and let  $j \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, i'\}$ , because we are done with the row and column  $i$ . What we now realize in (2) is that the elements of matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  in the row or column  $i$  is given by  $b_{i\ell} = a_{i\ell} s_{i\ell} + a_{ij} s_{j\ell} = 0$  because  $k \notin \{i', j\}$  and  $i' \neq i \neq j$  which means that  $a_{i\ell} = 0$  and  $a_{ij} = 0$ , and  $b_{ki} = s_{ki}^- a_{i'i} + s_{kj}^- a_{ji} = 0$  because  $\ell \notin \{i', j\}$  and  $i' \neq i \neq j$  which means that  $a_{i'i} = 0$  and  $a_{ji} = 0$ . In other words the matrix elements in row or column  $i$  that was zeroed out does not change when we continue to zero out matrix elements on row and column  $i'$ , which means that we can continue the iteration until the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is completely diagonalized;

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ 0 & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} &\sim \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{(1)} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & b_{22}^{(1)} & b_{23}^{(1)} & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & b_{32}^{(1)} & b_{33}^{(1)} & \cdots & b_{3n}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & b_{n3}^{(1)} & \cdots & b_{nn}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}^{(n-2)} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & b_{22}^{(n-2)} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b_{33}^{(n-2)} & \cdots & b_{3n}^{(n-2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & b_{n3}^{(n-2)} & \cdots & b_{nn}^{(n-2)} \end{bmatrix} \\
&\sim \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

## 2.2 Jacobi's eigenvalue algorithm

The Jacobi's eigenvalue algorithm is a special case of diagonalize by matrix similarity algorithm discussed in section 2.1, where we use a two dimensional rotation matrix in  $n$  dimensional space

$$\mathbf{R}_{i,j,\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{ii} = \cos \theta & \cdots & r_{ij} = -\sin \theta & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{ji} = \sin \theta & \cdots & r_{jj} = \cos \theta & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (6)$$

which satisfies the basis matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  in (1). The rotation matrix can easily be shown to be a orthogonal matrix by realizing  $\mathbf{R}_{-\theta} = \mathbf{R}_{\theta}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}_{\theta}^T$ , because when we rotate an angle  $\theta$ , we need to rotate an angle  $-\theta$  to get back (or you could realize this by a more cumbersome way by actually do the matrix inversion).

By doing the matrix similarity transformation  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{R}_{i,j,-\theta} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{R}_{i,j,\theta}$ , we get the following similar matrix elements according to (2)

$$b_{k\ell} = \begin{cases} a_{ii} \cos^2 \theta + a_{jj} \sin^2 \theta + (a_{ij} + a_{ji}) \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = \ell = i \\ a_{ij} \cos^2 \theta - a_{ji} \sin^2 \theta + (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell = j \\ a_{ji} \cos^2 \theta - a_{ij} \sin^2 \theta + (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = j \text{ and } \ell = i \\ a_{jj} \cos^2 \theta + a_{ii} \sin^2 \theta - (a_{ij} + a_{ji}) \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = \ell = j \\ a_{i\ell} \cos \theta + a_{j\ell} \sin \theta & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{j\ell} \cos \theta - a_{i\ell} \sin \theta & \text{for } k = j \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{ki} \cos \theta + a_{kj} \sin \theta & \text{for } \ell = i \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{kj} \cos \theta - a_{ki} \sin \theta & \text{for } \ell = j \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{k\ell} & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

The strategy is to set  $b_{ij}$  and  $b_{ji}$  to zero, which enables us by iteration to zero out every element in the matrix except the diagonal elements (as described in section 2.1). Unfortunately we have only one variable, namely  $\theta$ , which makes it impossible to diagonalize a general matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by similarity. However when  $\mathbf{A}$  is a symmetric matrix,  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ , which gives us only one equation to solve to set both  $b_{ij}$  and  $b_{ji}$  to zero. For a symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  we have the following elements of the similarity matrix  $\mathbf{B}$

$$b_{k\ell} = \begin{cases} a_{ii} \cos^2 \theta + a_{jj} \sin^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = \ell = i \\ a_{ij} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) + (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell = j, \text{ or } k = j \text{ and } \ell = i \\ a_{jj} \cos^2 \theta + a_{ii} \sin^2 \theta - 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta & \text{for } k = \ell = j \\ a_{i\ell} \cos \theta + a_{j\ell} \sin \theta & \text{for } k = i \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{j\ell} \cos \theta - a_{i\ell} \sin \theta & \text{for } k = j \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{ki} \cos \theta + a_{kj} \sin \theta & \text{for } \ell = i \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{kj} \cos \theta - a_{ki} \sin \theta & \text{for } \ell = j \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \{i, j\} \\ a_{k\ell} & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Now we are able to solve the following equation

$$b_{ij} = b_{ji} = a_{ij} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) + (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0,$$

and by using the trigonometric relation  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$  we can rewrite to

$$\cos^4 \theta - \cos^2 \theta + \frac{a_{ij}^2}{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2 + 4a_{ij}^2} = 1.$$

By solving this as a second order equation with regard to  $\cos^2 \theta$  and using the trigonometric relation  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$  again, we get

$$\theta = \arccos \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2}{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2 + 4a_{ij}^2}} \right)} = \arcsin \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \sqrt{\frac{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2}{(a_{ii} - a_{jj})^2 + 4a_{ij}^2}} \right)}. \quad (8)$$

We can diagonalize the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by doing matrix similarity transformation iteratively as described in section 2.1. However we can optimize Jacobi's eigenvalue algorithm by using the Frobenius norm.

### 2.3 QR algorithm and tridiagonal matrices

We want to find the eigenvalues of a real tridiagonal symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}_0$  of  $n \times n$  which do QR decomposition on

$$\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{S}_0 \mathbf{U}_0,$$

where  $\mathbf{S}_0$  is the orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{U}_0$  is the upper triangle matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  in the QR decomposition. We can show that the similar matrix  $\mathbf{A}_1$  to  $\mathbf{A}_0$  is linked to the QR decomposition as follows

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{S}_0^T \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{S}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0 \mathbf{U}_0 \mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{U}_0 \mathbf{S}_0 ,$$

where I have used the orthogonal property of  $\mathbf{S}_0$  such that  $\mathbf{S}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{I}$  ( $\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix). Now imagine that we use QR decomposition on  $\mathbf{A}_1$  and find the similarity matrix  $\mathbf{A}_2$  in the same manner. We can now show by induction that this process for step  $i + 1$  by using the QR decomposition on  $\mathbf{A}_i$ ;

$$\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{U}_i ,$$

and we now find the similarity matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{i+1}$  to  $\mathbf{A}_i$  as follows

$$\mathbf{A}_{i+1} = \mathbf{S}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{S}_i = \mathbf{S}_i^T \mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{S}_i = \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{S}_i .$$

The tridiagonal matrix  $\mathbf{A}_0$  with the elements

$$a_{0,k,\ell} = \begin{cases} d_{0,k} & \text{when } k = \ell \\ e_{0,k} & \text{when } k = \ell - 1 \\ e_{0,\ell} & \text{when } \ell = k - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

To find the upper matrix we use successively rotation matrices  $\mathbf{R}_{0,j}$  to eliminate the elements in the lower triangle part of the tridiagonal matrix  $\mathbf{A}_0$

$$\mathbf{U}_0 = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \mathbf{R}_{0,j}^T \mathbf{A}_0 ,$$

where the rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{0,j}$  has the elements

$$r_{0,j,k,\ell} = \begin{cases} \cos \theta_{0,j} & \text{when } j = k = \ell \\ -\sin \theta_{0,j} & \text{when } j = k = \ell - 1 \\ \sin \theta_{0,j} & \text{when } j = k - 1 = \ell \\ \cos \theta_{0,j} & \text{when } j = k - 1 = \ell - 1 \\ 1 & \text{when } k = \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^n / \mathbb{N}_j^{j+1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that the rotation matrix is orthogonal which means that the elements of  $\mathbf{R}_{0,j}^T$  is given by  $r_{0,j,k,\ell}^T = r_{0,j,\ell,k}$ . I define the matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_{0,j+1} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{A}_0 & \text{when } j = 0 \\ \mathbf{R}_{0,j}^T \mathbf{A}_{0,j} & \text{when } j \in \mathbb{N}_1^{n-1} \end{cases} ,$$

which means that we are going to show that  $\mathbf{U}_0 = \mathbf{A}_{0,n}$ , where the matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{0,j}$  has the elements  $a_{0,j,k,\ell}$ . I start by doing the matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{A}_{0,2} = \mathbf{R}_{0,1}^T \mathbf{A}_{0,1}$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{0,2,k,\ell} &= \sum_{m=1}^n r_{0,1,k,m}^T a_{0,1,m,\ell} = \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,1,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,1,\ell+m,\ell} = \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,1,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,1,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_1^2 \\ a_{0,1,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\
&= \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,1,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,1,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_1^2 \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^3 \\ a_{0,1,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

The notation  ${}^2\mathbb{N}_1^2 = \mathbb{N}_1^2 \times \mathbb{N}_1^2$ , which means all the permutations of the natural number from 1 to 2; (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1) and (2, 2). We want our transformation to zero out the lower triangle element (2, 1)

$$a_{0,2,2,1} = \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,1,2,m+1}^T a_{0,1,m+1,1} = \sum_{m=0}^1 r_{0,1,2,m+1}^T a_{0,1,m+1,1} = 0,$$

which means that

$$a_{0,2,k,\ell} = \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,1,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,1,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_1^2, (k, \ell) \neq (2, 1) \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_1^3 \\ 0 & \text{when } (k, \ell) = (2, 1) \\ a_{0,1,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that all the lower triangle elements in  $a_{0,2,k,\ell}$  is the same as  $a_{0,1,k,\ell}$ , except  $a_{0,2,2,1} = 0$ . Note also that  $a_{0,2,1,3}$  is the only upper triangle element that isn't necessarily zero that was zero in matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{0,1}$ . If we now continue the matrix multiplication to step  $j$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{0,j+1} = \mathbf{R}_{0,j}^T \mathbf{A}_{0,j}$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{0,j+1,k,\ell} &= \sum_{m=1}^n r_{0,j,k,m}^T a_{0,j,m,\ell} = \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,j,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,j,\ell+m,\ell} = \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,j,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,j,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_j^{j+1} \\ a_{0,j,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\
&= \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,j,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,j,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_j^{j+1} \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_{j-1}^{j+2} \\ a_{0,j,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\
&= \begin{cases} \sum_{m=-1}^1 r_{0,j,k,\ell+m}^T a_{0,j,\ell+m,\ell} & \text{when } (k, \ell + m) \in {}^2\mathbb{N}_j^{j+1} \text{ and } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_j^{j+2} \\ a_{0,j,k,\ell} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

where I have used that  $a_{0,j,j,j-1} = 0$  due to zero out of the previous rotation. Since  $\mathbf{U}_0 = \mathbf{A}_{0,n}$ , means that the matrix elements of  $\mathbf{U}_0$  is given by  $u_{0,k,\ell} = a_{0,n,k,\ell}$ . We have shown by induction that all the lower triangle elements are zero in  $\mathbf{A}_{0,n}$ , because  $\mathbf{A}_0$  is a tridiagonal matrix and we zero out matrix element  $a_{0,j+1,j+1,j}$  with the rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{j,0}^T$  without changing the other lower triangle elements.

Since  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{S}_0 \mathbf{U}_0$  means that

$$\mathbf{S}_0^T = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \mathbf{R}_{0,j}^T,$$

and due to the similarity transformation  $\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{S}_0^T \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{S}_0 = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \mathbf{R}_{j,0}^T \mathbf{A}_0 \prod_{i=n-1}^1 \mathbf{R}_{j,0}$  we have that

$$\mathbf{S}_0 = \prod_{j=n-1}^1 \mathbf{R}_{j,0}.$$



### 3 Numerical implementation

#### 3.1 Jacobi's eigenvalue algorithm

We can optimize the calculation of diagonal elements in (7) by rewriting them by using the trigonometrical relation  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} b_{ii} &= a_{ii} \cos^2 \theta + a_{jj} \sin^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta = a_{ii} (1 - \sin^2 \theta) + a_{jj} \sin^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= a_{ii} + \left[ (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta \right] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{jj} &= a_{jj} \cos^2 \theta + a_{ii} \sin^2 \theta - 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta = a_{jj} (1 - \sin^2 \theta) + a_{ii} \sin^2 \theta - 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= a_{jj} - \left[ (a_{jj} - a_{ii}) \sin^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \sin \theta \cos \theta \right] \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Note that it's better to use  $\sin^2 \theta$  instead of  $\cos^2 \theta$ , because when we look at

$$\begin{aligned} b_{ii} &= a_{jj} + \left[ (a_{ii} - a_{jj}) \cos^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \cos \theta \sin \theta \right] \\ b_{jj} &= a_{ii} - \left[ (a_{ii} - a_{jj}) \cos^2 \theta + 2a_{ij} \cos \theta \sin \theta \right], \end{aligned}$$

we see that  $a_{jj}$  corresponds to  $b_{ii}$  and  $a_{ii}$  corresponds to  $b_{jj}$ , which means that we need to backup either  $a_{ii}$  or  $a_{jj}$  before we do the calculation, so we don't overwrite the value before we have used in the calculation. However for the  $\sin^2 \theta$  expressions we have that  $a_{ii}$  corresponds to  $b_{ii}$  and  $a_{jj}$  corresponds to  $b_{jj}$ , which means that we don't need to backup  $a_{ii}$  or  $a_{jj}$ , and we can use the program operator += directly on the diagonal elements.

## 4 Results

#### 4.1 Comparing different solvers

| Number | tqli<br>(lib.cpp) | Jacobi<br>(lecture) | Jacobi   | Jacobi<br>(FD) | Jacobi<br>(RD) | Jacobi<br>(FC) | Jacobi<br>(RC) | Jacobi<br>(FR) | Jacobi<br>(RR) |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 10     | 1.9e-05           | 6.4e-05             | 6.2e-05  | 4.5e-05        | 4.1e-05        | 0.000168       | 5.5e-05        | 0.000196       | 6.6e-05        |
| 100    | 0.006356          | 0.358788            | 0.349446 | 0.047976       | 0.045197       | 0.430187       | 0.116594       | 0.434114       | 0.106276       |

Table 4.1.1: Time used in seconds to solve the different eigenvalue and eigenvector solvers. The Jacobi solvers terminates when off-diagonal elements are less than  $10^{-6}$ .

| Number | Jacobi<br>(lecture) | Jacobi   | Jacobi<br>(FD) | Jacobi<br>(RD) | Jacobi<br>(FC) | Jacobi<br>(RC) | Jacobi<br>(FR) | Jacobi<br>(RR) |
|--------|---------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 10     | -7.23383            | -7.23383 | -7.23385       | -7.23384       | -7.23373       | -7.23387       | -7.23373       | -7.23387       |
| 100    | -5.68863            | -5.68863 | -5.69003       | -5.68882       | -5.68891       | -5.68733       | -5.68891       | -5.68842       |

Table 4.1.2: Order of relative error to result of eigenvalues to the tqli in lib.cpp. The Jacobi solvers terminates when off-diagonal elements are less than  $10^{-6}$ .

## 4.2 Single electron harmonic oscillator

| $n_{\text{step}} \backslash \rho_{\text{max}}$ | 1        | 2          | 4         | 10        | 100       | 1000      |
|--|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 4  | 0.697139 | -0.220224  | -0.768751 | 0.365163  | 2.51358   | 4.5149    |
| 10   | 0.821045 | 0.00785616 | -1.36144  | -0.801571 | 1.82361   | 3.83      |
| 20   | 0.843252 | 0.043507   | -2.11361  | -1.06262  | 1.24455   | 3.26818   |
| 50   | 0.850155 | 0.0543607  | -2.30944  | -1.86933  | 0.341044  | 2.49633   |
| 100  | 0.851202 | 0.0559969  | -2.18109  | -2.46733  | -0.881219 | 1.89877   |
| 1000   | 0.8515   | 0.0562747  | -2.15945  | -4.12992  | -2.45956  | -0.895493 |

Table 4.2.1: Order of relative error of the three lower eigenvalues of a single electron trapped in a harmonic oscillator well.

## 5 Conclusion

## 6 Attachments

The files produced in working with this project can be found at <https://github.com/Eimund/UiO/tree/master/FYS4150/Project%20>

The source files developed are

## 7 Resources

1. [QT Creator 5.3.1 with C11](#)
2. [Armadillo](#)
3. [Eclipse Standard/SDK - Version: Luna Release \(4.4.0\) with PyDev for Python](#)
4. [Ubuntu 14.04.1 LTS](#)
5. [ThinkPad W540 P/N: 20BG0042MN with 32 GB RAM](#)

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