

Appendix 1 - Assignment 1

Due Date: 05 Sep 19 16:00 Week 7

Submit your assignment as a single PDF file plus the set of Python source code files that can be run for verification. A link for upload will be provided on BlackBoard.

Question 1 (25 marks)

Non-linear ODEs arise commonly in engineering problems. A very simple example is $Y'' - 2Y^3 = 0$. In this case the equation has a solution $1/(1+t)$. Check this result. In the second half of the course you will formulate methods to solve the ODE numerically (which is essential when no analytic solution exists. For a small mesh size ($h=0.2$) for $0 < t < 1$ the numerical equations to be solved are:

$$y_2 - 2y_1 + 1 - 2y_1^3 h^2 = 0$$

$$y_3 - 2y_2 + y_1 - 2y_2^3 h^2 = 0$$

$$y_4 - 2y_3 + y_2 - 2y_3^3 h^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} - 2y_4 + y_3 - 2y_4^3 h^2 = 0$$

Write a Newton's solver to find a solution to the equations, and compare your solution to the solution of the underlying ODE ($Y=1/(1+h^i)$ where $i=1,2,3,4$). A set of four points is sufficient.

Use the starting guess $y=(1,1,1,1)$ and stop the program when the maximum absolute error *in the solution of the four equations* is less than 0.00001. Report the maximum absolute error for each step of your method.

This question will be marked based on your code and results. No discussion is needed.

Question 2 (25 marks)

An experiment yields the data x,y

1.000,4.521

1.250,4.835

1.500,4.934

1.750,5.047

2.000,5.043

2.250,5.039

2.500,5.325

2.750,5.801

Your task is to write a general program to compute the least squares estimate of a function of the form

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n x^n$$

For general N. I recommend using the vector-based method of generating the normal equations discussed on the tutorial sheet - but you may use other methods as well.

Demonstrate your code by plotting the data against your line of best fit for the case N=2 (a line), N=4 (a cubic), and N=8. Calculate the norm of the error in your fit for all values of N. (17 marks)

Comment on the results, and provide a one paragraph justification of which value of N is best. Consider the concepts of under- and over-fitting in your justification. (8 marks)

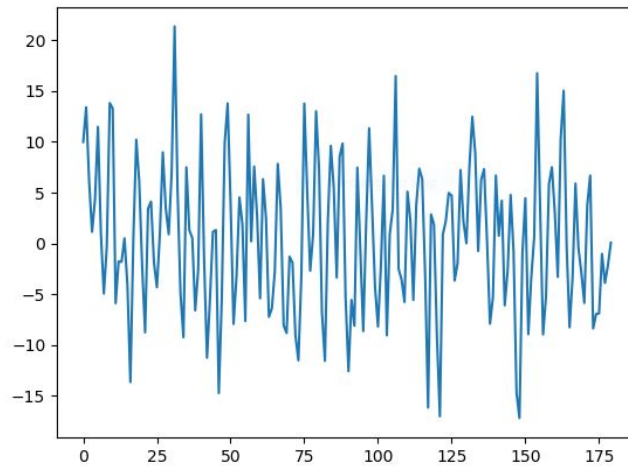
Question 3 (25 marks)

Background

<https://www.quora.com/How-do-submarines-differentiate-between-friendly-and-enemy-submarines-How-do-they-do-this-while-remaining-undetected-Do-they-listen-for-the-frequency-of-the-propellers-What-if-the-boat-is-stationary>

http://www.acoustics.asn.au/conference_proceedings/AAS2015/papers/p80.pdf

A (fictitious) acoustic time signal recorded in a submarine is given in the appendix.



In order to detect the presence of another ship or submarine you need to find the spectrum of the signal to see which frequencies are present, and in particular determine if any might correspond to an enemy.

This type of mathematical problem is common in many branches of engineering and science. We will use a Discrete Fourier transform.

(a) Read in the data, and find the DFT using `numpy.fft.fft`. Plot the real and imaginary parts of the signal and the energy spectrum. The spectrum $E_j = |a_j|$ is the magnitude of each term in the signal. (14 marks)

(b) Your task is to detect the presence of unusual harmonics in the submarine signal (located in an appendix of this file). - this would correspond to the noise of a propellor with a particular frequency. Find any significant harmonics in your signal. Report their frequency in hz (cycles per second). You need to know that the signal is 0.45 seconds long. Therefore the time interval per sample is 0.0025 seconds as the duration of the signal is taken to be from t_o to t_N not t_o to

t_{N-1} .

Hint: If there was a single sinusoid of period 0.45 seconds what would it's DFT be. (8 marks)

(c) To roughly illustrate compression using the DFT clip out all the signals whose energy is Less than 10% of the maximum energy. Report the number of terms in the DFT which you set to zero. Plot the “compressed signal” and discuss the comparison with the original signal. Note that it is not particularly large because we have not exploited the fact the original signal is real. (3 marks)

Question 4 (25 marks)

Consider placing C units of mass at the point $x=50$ on a lattice of length 100 (labelled 0 up to 99 in python). At each time step a fraction “ p ” of the mass at a lattice point steps to the left, and fraction “ p ” steps to the right (so $1-2p$ stays at the point). Write a simulation program to determine the mass at each point on the array at later times. You need only consider the sites 1 to 98 and ignore the mass steps from site 1 to 0 or 99 to 98 (for this part of the question).

The mass is known to approximately follow a Gaussian distribution at later times

$$Mass = C \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi pt}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-50)^2}{4pt}\right)$$

- (a) Plot your results at time 50 and time 200 in comparison to the theoretical distribution. Also compute the total mass on the lattice at each time. This is useful to help you debug the code. Use the value $C=1$ in your computations. (20 marks)
- (b) Compute the lost mass at $T=200$ and at $T=4000$, and confirm that the total mass is $C=1$. Plot your result at $T=4000$ against

$$0.00735 \times \sin\left(\frac{x\pi}{100}\right)$$

Comment on the form of the curve (do not attempt to explain the value 0.00735). ((5 marks).

- (c) (Do not hand in) Confirm that

$$c(x, t) = C \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi pt}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-50)^2}{4pt}\right)$$

Satisfies the diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = p \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial x^2} .$$

Appendix 1 - Data for Assignment

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data = numpy.loadtxt('data.txt') #The online file has 180 data points!  
plt.figure(1)  
plt.plot(data, '-')
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