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Written Exam on Basic Numerical Methods, 1DV519, 7,5 hp

Saturday 30th of November 2019, 12.00–17.00.

The solutions should be complete, correct, motivated, well structured and easy to follow.

Aids: Calculator (you may use a scientific calculator but *not* with internet connection). Please begin each question on a new paper.

Preliminary grades: 15p-17p \Rightarrow E; 18p-20p \Rightarrow D; 21p-23p \Rightarrow C; 24p-26p \Rightarrow B; 27p-30p \Rightarrow A.

- 1. Given the following set of points (x, y): (-2.0, 0.8), (-1.0, 1.0), (0.0, 0.5), (1.0, 0.2), (2.0, 0.1); fit the data with a polynomial of degree **one** using the least square method. Draw a figure with the given data set together with your resulting polynomial. (5p)
- 2. (a) Given the following set of points (x, y);

determine the corresponding interpolating polynomial (of lowest possible degree). Hint: Think rather than compute.

- (b) For high degree interpolating polynomials, a certain phenomenon can often be observed. What is this phenomenon called?
- (c) Next, consider the points

Without doing any actual computations, make a sketch of the corresponding interpolating polynomial (together with the given points).

The scales on the axes do not need to be very exact, but the behaviour of the polynomial including the above-mentioned phenomenon should be clearly demonstrated. (5p)

- 3. The equation $\ln x = \sin x$ has one (and only one) root for x > 0.
 - (a) Solve the equation using the Bisection method using some appropriate starting data (three iterations are enough). Give the answer together with the estimated error.
 - (b) How many iterations would you have to do in order to get four correct decimals? (5p)
- 4. What is the result when calculating

(a)
$$(1+2^{-26})-1$$
 (b) $3+10^{-18}$ (c) $10^{-20}-10^{-16}$ (d) 2^{-52} (e) 2^{-53}

in floating point arithmetics (IEEE double precision)?

(f) Analytically, $f'(x) = \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$, and this can be used to approximate f'(x) by calculating $D_{x,h} = \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ in a computer with a small $h \neq 0$.

Sketch the resulting error abs $(D_{x,h} - f'(x))$, as a function of h. It should be a log-log plot (logarithmic scaling on both x-axis and y-axis) for values of h ranging from 10^{-20} to 1. You may assume that $x \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$, that f(x) and f'(x) are well-defined in a neighbourhood

around x and that $f''(x) \neq 0$. (5p)

5. The function values y are given for a few points according to

- a) Compute an approximation to the integral $\int_0^{0.8} y(x) dx$ using Simpson's method. All available function values must be used.
- b) Assume that the truncation error in the above computation can be estimated to 0.002. How large would the error be (approximately) if the number of function values would be increased such that the step length is halved. Motivate your answer.
- c) Use Richardson extrapolation on the value obtained in a) in order to find an improved approximation of the integral $\int_0^{0.8} y(x) dx$. (5p)
- 6. (a) Derive a finite difference formula that uses the values f(x+h), f(x) and f(x-2h) to approximate f'(x). The formula should be as accurate as possible.
 - (b) Find the error term and the order for the approximation formula obtained in (a). (5p)

Good luck!

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List of formulas for the exam in Basic Numerical Methods, 2019

These formulas will be attached to the exam. The list is not guaranteed to be complete, and the use, meaning, conditions and assumptions of the formulas are purposely left out.

• Taylor's formula

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \ldots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}(x-a)^{n+1}$$

(ξ between x and a)

• Absolute and relative error

$$\Delta_x = \tilde{x} - x,$$
 $\frac{\Delta_x}{x} \approx \frac{\Delta_x}{\tilde{x}},$ $\Delta_{x+y} = \Delta_x + \Delta_y,$ $\frac{\Delta_{xy}}{xy} \approx \frac{\Delta_x}{x} + \frac{\Delta_y}{y}$

• Error propagation formulas, condition number (1D)

$$\Delta f \approx f'(x)\Delta x,$$
 $\left|\frac{\Delta f/f}{\Delta x/x}\right| \approx \left|\frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)}\right|$ $\Delta f \approx f''(x)\frac{\Delta x^2}{2}$

• Correct decimals

$$|\Delta x| \le 0.5 \cdot 10^{-t}$$

 \bullet Numbers in base B

$$x = x_m B^m + x_{m-1} B^{m-1} + \dots + x_0 B_0 + x_{-1} B^{-1} + \dots = (x_m x_{m-1} \dots x_0 . x_{-1} \dots)_B$$

• Iterative methods

Bisection method:

Newton-Raphson:
$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}, \quad J(\mathbf{x}_n)(\mathbf{x}_{n+1} - \mathbf{x}_n) + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n) = 0$$
The secant method:
$$x_{n+1} = x_n - f(x_n) \frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})},$$

$$e_n = x_n - x^*, \qquad |x_{n+1} - x^*| < \bar{c}|x_n - x^*|^p, \qquad \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|e_{n+1}|}{|e_n|^p} = c$$

• Equation systems

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$
, residual $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A\widetilde{\mathbf{x}}$

LU-factorization:
$$A = LU$$
, $PA = LU$

QR-factorization:
$$A = QR$$
, $Q^TQ = I$

(Iterative methods)
$$A = D + L + U$$

Jacobi methods:
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = -D^{-1}(L+U)\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + D^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ (k) = -D^{-1}(L+U)\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + D^{-1}\mathbf{b} \end{cases}$$

Iterative methods)
$$A = D + L + U$$
Jacobi methods:
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = -D^{-1}(L+U)\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + D^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = -(D+L)^{-1}U\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + (D+L)^{-1}\mathbf{b} \end{cases}$$

Backward: $\|\mathbf{r}\|_{\infty}$, forward: $\|\mathbf{x} - \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_{\infty}$

• Norms and condition numbers

Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a vector:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_{p} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_{i}|^{p}\right)^{1/p}, \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_{1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_{i}|, \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_{2} = \sqrt{x_{1}^{2} + \dots + x_{n}^{2}}, \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_{\infty} = \max_{i} |x_{i}|.$$

Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix:

$$||A|| = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{||A\mathbf{x}||}{||\mathbf{x}||}, \qquad ||A\mathbf{x}|| \le ||A|| \cdot ||\mathbf{x}||, \qquad \kappa(A) = ||A|| \cdot ||A^{-1}||$$

$$A(\mathbf{x} + \delta \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b} + \delta \mathbf{b}$$

$$\frac{\|\delta \mathbf{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \le \kappa(A) \frac{\|\delta \mathbf{b}\|}{\|\mathbf{b}\|}, \qquad econd(A) = \frac{\|\delta \mathbf{x}\|/\|\mathbf{x}\|}{\|\delta \mathbf{b}\|/\|\mathbf{b}\|} \le \kappa(A),$$

• Interpolation

Let $(x_0, y_0), \ldots, (x_n, y_n)$ be n + 1 points in the xy-plane.

Monomial:
$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \ldots + a_n x^n$$

Lagrangre:
$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} y_{j} \ell_{j}(x), \qquad \qquad \ell_{j}(x) = \prod_{\substack{0 \leq m \leq n \\ m \neq j}} \frac{x - x_{m}}{x_{j} - x_{m}}$$

Newton's divided differences:

$$P(x) = [y_0] + [y_0, y_1](x - x_0) + \dots + [y_0, \dots, y_k](x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1}).$$
$$[y_0] = f(x_0), \quad [y_0, y_1] = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}, \quad [y_0, y_1, y_2] = \frac{[y_1, y_2] - [y_0, y_1]}{x_2 - x_0}, \dots$$

Interpolation errors:

$$R(x) = f(x) - P(x) = (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_n) \frac{f^{n+1}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}, \quad x_0 < \xi < x_n,$$

• Least squares, normal equations $A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$, residual $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b} - A \mathbf{x}$

• Finite differences

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x) + f''(\xi) \frac{h}{2} \qquad \xi \in [x, x+h]$$

$$\frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} = f'(x) - f''(\xi) \frac{h}{2} \qquad \xi \in [x-h, x]$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} = f'(x) + f^{(3)}(\xi) \frac{h^2}{6} \qquad \xi \in [x-h, x+h]$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} = f''(x) + f^{(4)}(\xi) \frac{h^2}{12} \qquad \xi \in [x-h, x+h]$$

• Trapezoidal rule, Simpson's rule

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \frac{h}{2} \left(f(x_0) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} f(x_k) + f(x_n) \right) - \frac{(b-a)h^2}{12} f''(\xi), \qquad h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \frac{h}{3} \left(f(x_0) + 4 \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(x_{2k-1}) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} f(x_{2k}) + f(x_{2n}) \right) - \frac{(b-a)h^4}{180} f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad h = \frac{b-a}{2n}$$

 $a < \xi < b$

• Richardson extrapolation

$$Q = F(h) + kh^n + \mathcal{O}(h^{n+1}), \qquad Q = \frac{2^n F(h/2) - F(h)}{2^n - 1} + \mathcal{O}(h^{n+1})$$

• Romberg
$$R_{i,1} = T(h/2^{i-1}), R_{ij} = \frac{4^{j-1}R_{i,j-1} - R_{i-1,j-1}}{4^{j-1} - 1}$$

• Numerical solutions of differential equations

Differential equation y' = f(x, y) with initial condition $y(x_0) = y_0$

Euler forward
$$(g_i \sim \mathcal{O}(h))$$
: $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$
Euler backward $(g_i \sim \mathcal{O}(h))$: $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$
Heun's method $(g_i \sim \mathcal{O}(h^2))$:
$$\begin{cases} y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + k_2) \\ k_1 = hf(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = hf(x_n + h, y_n + k_1) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \\ k_1 = hf(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = hf(x_n + h/2, y_n + k_1/2) \\ k_3 = hf(x_n + h/2, y_n + k_2/2) \\ k_4 = hf(x_n + h, y_n + k_3) \end{cases}$$

where $x_{n+1} = x_n + h$.