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- [1] 1. (a) Let  $f(x)$  be a continuous function on an interval  $[a, b]$  with  $f(a) \cdot f(b) < 0$  and suppose that the bisection method is applied to  $f(x)$ . If  $a_1 = 5$  and  $b_1 = 10$ , define the first iterate

$$p_1 = \frac{5+10}{2} = 7.5$$

- [2] (b) Have you computed  $p_1$  robustly? If not, provide an alternate computation for  $p_1$  which is robust.

Not robust  $p_i = \frac{a+b}{2}$

Robust  $P_1 = a + \frac{b-a}{2} \Rightarrow P_1 = 5 + \frac{10-5}{2} = 7.5$

- [3] (c) How many iterations of the bisection method are needed to find the root to a tolerance of  $10^{-5}$ ?

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^n}$$

$$2^n \geq 5 \cdot 10^5$$

$$n > \log_2(5 \cdot 10^5)$$

$$\frac{10^{-5}}{2^n} \leq 10^{-5}$$

$$n \geq 18.93$$

$$\therefore n \geq 19$$

- [1] (d) With what order,  $\alpha$ , and with what constant,  $\lambda$ , does the bisection method converge?

$\alpha = 1$

$$\lambda = 1/2$$

2. Answer **briefly** but include a **justification** for your answer.

- [2] (a) A "Megaflop" stands for  $10^6$  floating point operations. I am computing the LU factorization of a 3000 by 3000 matrix on my laptop. It takes about 13 seconds. Therefore my laptop is capable of performing roughly how many Megaflops per second?

LU factorization takes  $\frac{2}{3}(3000)^3$  flops  $= 1.8 \times 10^{10}$  flops  
 I can do  $\frac{18,000 \text{ Megaflops}}{13 \text{ seconds}} = 1384 \text{ Megaflops/second} = 18,000 \text{ Megaflops.}$

- [2] (b) If it takes 13 seconds to find the LU factorization of a 3000 by 3000 matrix, approximately how long will it take to find the LU factorization of a 1500 by 1500 matrix?

$$O(n^3) \therefore \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \text{ time} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$13 \cdot \frac{1}{8} = 1.625 \text{ seconds}$$

- [2] (c) The irrational number,  $\pi = 3.14159265358979\dots$  cannot be represented exactly in a decimal (base,  $\beta = 10$ ) floating point system. Is there an integer base floating point system in which  $\pi$  can be represented exactly? If yes, write down this representation. If no, explain why not.

No, because  $\pi$  is irrational  $\therefore$  cannot be represented as a terminating decimal in any base.

- [2] (d) If the floating point standard for a computer system had a base of 2 and a precision of 45, what is the maximum distance between two numbers which cannot be told apart?

Assuming rounding arithmetic.

This is machine epsilon for a 45 digit precision system

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \beta^{1-k} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^{1-45} = 2^{-45} = 2.8 \times 10^{-14}$$

- [2] (e) We solve the system  $Ax = b$  with  $\kappa(A) = 100$  on a computer with a machine epsilon of  $10^{-8}$ . The exact solution is  $x = [4, 3, 2, 1]^T$  and our computed solution is  $x_c = [4.04, 3.97, 1.98, 1.01]^T$ . Is the algorithm used satisfactory or not?

Note the relative error in the calculation.

$$\frac{4.04-4}{4} = \frac{0.04}{4} = 0.01 = 10^{-2}$$

We expect degradation to  $\epsilon \kappa(A) = (10^{-8})(100) = 10^{-6}$

We got much worse  $\Rightarrow$  Algorithm is NOT satisfactory

- [7] 3. (a) The following are equivalent formulas for finding one of the two the roots of a quadratic:

$$s_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \text{and} \quad s_2 = \frac{-2c}{b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$$

Calculate  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  for  $x^2 + (53.21)x - 1 = 0$  using 4-digit chopping arithmetic. Compare their relative errors from the "exact" positive solution  $s = 0.01878682682086$ .

$$S_1 = \frac{-53.21 + \sqrt{(53.21)^2 - (4)(1)(-1)}}{(2)(1)} \quad S_2 = \frac{-2(-1)}{53.21 + \sqrt{(53.21)^2 - (4)(1)(-1)}}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{-53.21 + \sqrt{2831 + 4.000}}{2.000} \quad S_2 = \frac{2.000}{53.21 + \sqrt{2831 + 4}}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{-53.21 + \sqrt{2835}}{2.000} \quad S_2 = \frac{2.000}{53.21 + \sqrt{2835}}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{-53.21 + 53.24}{2.000} \quad S_2 = \frac{2.000}{53.21 + 53.24}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{0.03000}{2.000} \quad S_2 = \frac{2.000}{106.4}$$

$$S_1 = 0.01500 \quad S_2 = 0.01879$$

$$\text{Relative error } (S_1) = \frac{|0.01500 - 0.01878682\dots|}{|0.0187868\dots|} \quad \text{For } S_2 \quad \frac{|0.01879 - s|}{s} = 0.0001689$$

- [2] (b) Provide an explanation for why one method was better than the other.

Method  $S_2$  is better because method  $S_1$  has cancellation error.



- [2] 4. (a) Identify all fixed points for the iteration  $x_n = g(x_{n-1})$  with  $g(x) = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{x}$ .

$$x = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{x} \quad x^2 = 3 \quad \text{There are two fixed points}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x = \frac{1}{x} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{3} \quad P_1 = \sqrt{3}, P_2 = -\sqrt{3}$$

- [4] (b) Calculate three iterations of the fixed-point method starting from  $x_0 = 2$ . Which fixed point is the method converging to?

$$g(2) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)(2) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{11}{6}$$

$$g\left(\frac{11}{6}\right) = \frac{2}{3}\left(\frac{11}{6}\right) + \frac{1}{2} = 1.\overline{76}$$

$$g(1.\overline{76}) = 1.744165464$$

It is converging to  $\sqrt{3}$

- [3] (c) For fixed point iteration starting with any  $x_0 > 1$ , explain whether or not the fixed point iteration will converge.

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

For  $x_0 > 1$   $\frac{1}{x^2}$  is less than 1,  
positive & decreasing.

Therefore  $\max |g'(x)| < 1$  for  $x_0 > 1$

$\therefore$  For any  $x_0 > 1$ , the fixed point iteration will converge.

- [4] (d) State the Newton method iteration for calculating this same fixed point. Calculate three iterations of the Newton method, again starting from  $x_0 = 2$ .

The two fixed points are  $\pm\sqrt{3}$ .

Therefore an equivalent root finding problem is

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2x \Rightarrow P_{n+1} = P_n - \frac{P_n^2 - 3}{2P_n}$$

$$P_{n+1} = P_n - \frac{1}{2}P_n + \frac{3}{2P_n} = \frac{1}{2}P_n + \frac{3}{2P_n} \quad P_0 = 2$$

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 + \frac{3}{2 \cdot 2} = 1.75 \quad P_2 = \frac{1.75}{2} + \frac{3}{2(1.75)} = 1.732142 \quad P_3 = 1.73205080 \dots$$

- [1] (e) At what rate does the Newton method iteration converge for this function?

Quadratically, since  $\sqrt{3}$  is a simple zero.

[5] 5. (a) Use Gaussian Elimination with **partial pivoting** to solve the linear system:

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 5$$

$$-4x_1 + 2x_2 - 6x_3 = 14$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = 8$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -3 & 2 & 5 \\ -4 & 2 & -6 & 14 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Pivot } E_1 \leftrightarrow E_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -4 & 2 & -6 & 14 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} E_2 + \frac{1}{2}E_1 \rightarrow E_2 \\ E_3 + \frac{1}{2}E_1 \rightarrow E_3 \end{array} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -4 & 2 & -6 & 14 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 12 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 15 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Pivot } E_2 \leftrightarrow E_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -4 & 2 & -6 & 14 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 15 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 12 \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_3 + \frac{2}{3}E_2 \rightarrow E_3 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -4 & 2 & -6 & 14 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 15 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & 22 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \therefore x_3 = -66 \\ 3x_2 - 66 = 15 \\ 3x_2 = 15 + 66 = 81 \\ x_2 = 27 \\ -4x_1 + 2(27) - 6(-66) = 14 \quad x_1 = \frac{14 - 396 - 54}{-4} \\ x_1 = 109 \end{array}$$

[2] (b) Consider factoring the coefficient matrix,  $A$ , for the above linear system into  $LU$  such that  $PA = LU$ . Find  $P$  and  $U$ .

$$U = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} -4 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \end{array} \right]$$

Pivots were  $E_1 \leftrightarrow E_2 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \{2, 1, 3\}$   
and  $E_2 \leftrightarrow E_3 \rightarrow \{2, 3, 1\}$

$$\therefore P = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$



$$\frac{2^3}{3!} = \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}$$

- [3] 6. (a) Consider the function  $f(x) = e^{2x}$ . Find  $P_3(x)$ , the third degree Taylor polynomial which approximates the function  $f(x)$  expanded about  $x_0 = 0$ .

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \therefore e^{2x} = 1 + 2x + \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2x)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\therefore P_3(x) = 1 + 2x + 2x^2 + \frac{4}{3}x^3$$

- [1] (b) Use  $P_3(x)$ , the third degree Taylor polynomial, to approximate  $f(0.43)$  of the function  $f(x)$ .

$$f(0.43) \approx P_3(0.43) = 1 + 2(0.43) + 2(0.43)^2 + \frac{4}{3}(0.43)^3 = 2.335809\overline{3}$$

- [3] (c) What is the maximum error incurred in using  $P_3(x)$  to approximate  $f(x)$  on the interval  $[0, 5]$ ?

Taylor remainder theorem.

$$\text{Error} \leq \max_{0 \leq x \leq 5} \frac{|f^{(4)}(x)|}{4!} (x)^4$$

$$\text{Error} \leq \frac{2^4 e^{10}}{4!} 5^4 \quad \text{Vikes!!}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 2^4 e^{2x} \leftarrow \text{an increasing function, maximum at } x=5$$

$x^4$  maximum @  $x=5$  on  $[0, 5]$

- [3] (d) Find  $P_L(x)$ , the third degree Lagrange polynomial which approximates the function  $f(x)$  given the sampling points  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(0.25, 1.64872)$ ,  $(0.5, 2.71828)$ ,  $(0.75, 4.48169)$ .

This was too many computations so only reasonable attempt should you know what to do was given the mark

$$L_0 = \frac{(x-0.25)(x-0.5)(x-0.75)}{(-0.25)(-0.5)(-0.75)}$$

$$L_1 = \frac{x(x-0.5)(x-0.75)}{(0.25)(-0.25)(-0.5)} = \frac{(0.25)(0.5)(0.75)}{(0.25)(-0.25)(-0.5)} = 0.09375$$

$$L_2 = \frac{(x)(x-0.25)(x-0.75)}{(0.5)(0.25)(-0.25)}$$

$$L_3 = \frac{(x)(x-0.25)(x-0.5)}{(0.75)(0.5)(0.25)} = \frac{(0.25)^2(0.5)}{(0.75)(0.5)(0.25)} = 0.03125$$

$$P_L(x) = L_0(x) + 1.64872L_1(x) + 2.71828L_2(x) + 4.48169L_3(x)$$

- [1] (e) Use  $P_L(x)$ , the third degree Lagrange polynomial, to approximate  $f(0.43)$  of the function  $f(x)$ .

$$L_0(0.43) = \frac{(0.43-0.25)(0.43-0.5)(0.43-0.75)}{(-0.25)(-0.5)(-0.75)} = -0.09375$$

$$L_1(0.43) = \frac{(0.43)(0.43-0.5)(0.43-0.75)}{(0.25)(-0.25)(-0.5)} = 0.03125$$

$$L_2(0.43) = \frac{(0.43)(0.43-0.25)(0.43-0.75)}{(0.5)(0.25)(-0.25)} = -0.03125$$

$$L_3(0.43) = \frac{(0.43)(0.43-0.25)(0.43-0.5)}{(0.75)(0.5)(0.25)} = 0.09375$$

- [2] (f) On the interval  $[0, 5]$ , which polynomial approximation ( $P_3(x)$  or  $P_L(x)$ ) of  $f(x) = e^{2x}$  is likely to give better accuracy. Why?

f)  $P_L(x)$  because the

Taylor series is about a point.

OR

Also: note that  $P_L(x)$  should only be used between  $0 \leq x \leq 0.75$

$$L_0(0.43) = -0.043008$$

$$L_1(0.43) = 0.308224$$

$$L_2(0.43) =$$

$$L_3(0.43) = -0.057792$$

$$\therefore P_L(x) =$$